

CHA names Maren Batalden Chief Quality Officer

Staff Report

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), an academic community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville and Boston's metro-north region, named Maren Batalden, MD, MPH, as its new Chief Quality Officer (CQO).

Dr. Batalden has been at CHA for more than 16 years and previously served as associate chief quality officer before assuming interim CQO responsibilities in November 2019. She is focused on sustaining a culture of improvement at CHA that produces safe, high quality and compassionate care.

Dr. Batalden has responsibility and oversight for all quality, risk management, performance improvement and patient safety activities across the health system. The CQO also oversees and coordinates all hospital efforts to monitor and maintain compliance with all regulatory, state, federal, and Joint Commission requirements.

"Quality and safety are top priorities at CHA, and Dr. Batalden is passionate about the roles both play in producing exceptional care," said CHA CEO As-



Pictured is CHA's New Chief Quality Officer Maren Batalden, MD, MPH.

saad Sayah, MD, "Over the last several years, she has provided leadership for improvement projects focused on inpatient care, care transitions and cross-continuum population health for patients with chronic disease."

Most recently, as part of CHA's response to COVID-19, Dr. Batalden provided critical leadership to help build inpatient capacity, apply evidence-based and data-driven solutions, develop modeling, and establish policies and protocols to ensure CHA delivered quality care to patients and communities.

She created and continues to direct the CHA-Gold Innovation Fellowship Program, which provides a platform for CHA clini-

cians and leaders to grow their skills in improvement science and institutional change management. Dr. Batalden's past roles at CHA have included director of medical management, Accountable Care Organization, associate director of Graduate Medical Education for Quality and Safety, and associate program Director of the CHA Internal Medicine Residency. She is clinically active as a hospitalist and has represented the CHA medical staff as a member of CHA's Board of Trustees.

Dr. Batalden is a national authority on using the lens of co-production to create effective partnerships between patients and care teams.

She completed her undergraduate education at St. Olaf College in Minnesota and earned a master's degree in public health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She graduated from Harvard Medical School (HMS) and completed an internal medicine residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital. She is an assistant professor of medicine at HMS, where she teaches quality, safety and systems improvement.

More than 2,000 requests already in for mail-in voting on Sept. 1

By Seth Daniel

The Everett Election Commission has received a surprisingly high number of applications for mail-in ballots just about two weeks after the Secretary of State's Office sent out applications in the mail.

City Clerk Sergio Cornelio said the Sept. 1 election is wading into territory no one has ever ventured into with regards to conducting a major Primary Election with two big races during a pandemic. One of the unknowns was how mail-in voting would work and if people would subscribe to it.

In a big way, the answer in Everett is yes.

"We're seeing a significant amount of interest in that," said Cornelio this week. "We've had approximately 2,000 requests for mail-in ballots so far. It might even be higher as I'm being conservative in that estimate. I don't think we'll see more than 3,000 votes, but normally we get 5,000 voters in an election of this type. So, you could see 60 percent of the people come out to vote by mail. That will be great for us at the polling places because we won't have the rush of people that could generate unsafe crowds and lines."

About 12 days ago, the Secretary of State's Office sent out mail-in ballot requests to all registered voters in every City and Town. That monumental task came after the State Legislature approved a new voting method in COVID-19 legislation. It only gave the Secretary until July 15 to get the mailers out, and while that date did not get

met, they did go out only a few days later – which Cornelio said was plenty of time and has made a splash for those intending to vote.

Cornelio said there are pros and cons to having a lot of mail-in votes, including that on Sept. 1, they will open them at the polling place and process them there – rather than ahead of time.

"There are pluses and minuses to it," he said. "You have to process them all at the polling place and it takes time. But you have the huge numbers of voters and there will be time to do that work and it will keep poll workers and voters safer. I think it's a positive overall."

Those that are not registered to vote did not get the mailers, but they can still register online or at City Hall and have until Aug. 22. In fact, early voting for registered voters will take place in the lobby of City Hall from Aug. 22-28 – another requirement of COVID-19 legislation. Those wishing to vote early can do so between the hours of 2-4 p.m. and then 6-8 p.m. On Aug. 22 – a Saturday – voters can register to vote in person in the City Hall lobby, and there are also five straight hours of voting from 2-8 p.m.

NEW PLAN TO COME BEFORE COUNCIL THURSDAY

City Clerk Sergio Cornelio said a new plan for polling places will come before the City Council on Thursday that includes a polling place on the west side of the City, specifically in the Madeline English School.

Last week, the City Council balked at the idea

of having only a few polling places for the Sept. 1 Primary, and all of them were on the east side of the City. Calling for a better geographic layout, they sent it back to the Election Commission. A meeting last Thursday hashed out the details, and Cornelio said an emergency meeting of the Council online will review and potentially approve the new plan.

The polling places were condensed for the Sept. 1 Primary in order to reduce the numbers of poll workers and to avoid using schools and senior buildings due to enhanced safety measures related to COVID-19.

"We understand the Council's point," he said. "The Commission didn't want to use the Madeline English or the Keverian because they are schools. We were trying to keep schools and senior buildings out in the original plan. However, they aren't having school now until Sept. 16, so we are able to use them on Sept. 1."

The plan is as follows:

•Ward 1 – Connolly Center

•Ward 2 – Keverian School

•Ward 3 – Recreation Center

•Ward 4 – Pope John High School (rear cafeteria)

•Ward 5 – Wellness Center (Old High School).

•Ward 6 – Madeline English School.

"The plan from the Election Commission was purely about public safety and keeping people from getting sick," Cornelio said. "We are working it out now and I think we'll be successful."

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up anything unless it's revenue generating."

The report indicated that since opening on July 12, slot handles are up compared to the 4th quarter in 2019, but table games are down significantly due to restrictions on games and gaming positions.

An interesting conversation revolved around groups and conventions returning to the Las Vegas – and in general the gaming market, including Encore. Prior to COVID-19, Encore had a surprisingly strong convention and group bookings, and when and if such business ever returns to Everett

or Las Vegas. Maddox said it was very hard to predict that, and he said many convention bookings are waiting right now until at least spring 2021. That said, he indicated Wynn Resorts is putting a great deal of effort to be ready for Point of Contact testing.

He said the technology isn't yet approved but would test people 10 at a time for COVID-19 and get results in five minutes.

"There are a couple of exciting technologies in the queue and we are in line to get that if (approved)," he said. "That could bring things back quicker for our

groups. Maybe you're not waiting until next year if you're using that and assured that everyone in the space is COVID-free. They don't have approval, but they're moving fast and the costs for grouping are going down significantly. That's the bridge we need to get to a place where we're all together again before we get to a vaccine..."

Encore Boston Harbor will report its third quarter earnings some time in October. The property still does not have a full year of operations even after having been open for more than one year.

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counselors, nurses and social workers who actually make our schools safer. The Counseling not Criminalization in Schools Act is bold legislation that will disrupt the school to confinement pathway by prohibiting federal funds from being used to over-police and criminalize our students and instead encourages schools to invest in the trauma informed personnel and health care staff necessary to equip all students to learn and thrive."

Said Sen. Warren, "Counselors, nurses, social workers, and educators belong in schools. Police do not. Our bill will bring us one step closer to ending the militarization of our public schools that disproportionately hurts Black and Brown students, ending the school-to-prison pipeline, and ensuring we give every child the resources they need to feel safe and thrive."

Chief Mazzie said the characterization is way off in Everett, which is in Pressley's district. He said no one from her or Warren's office reached out to try to understand the program they run at Everett High and some of the middle schools. He said they aren't there to arrest or harass, but rather to build relationships with young people and promote safety in the schools.

"We've been working in the schools in some capacity a long time," he said. "I think universally the experience has been really positive for the community – both the teachers and the police department and students and staff...We try to put a big emphasis on assigning very qualified people – officers with the right personality and character...It's an assignment we take serious because of the clientele these officers serve."

He said the furthest thing from what they do in Everett is discipline or police the schools, and in fact he said they are very constricted by law as to what they can do to enforce the law or arrest on school grounds.

"What they described, that's not what we're doing," he said. "If the school said we don't want you in here, we won't go...We're not in there doing discipline stuff. That's not the job. It's safety and security for students and staff...We're mainly working with the schools on best practices and helping with interventions. One thing we're not doing is getting involved in disciplinary actions against kids. That's not our role."

In fact, Mazzie said one of the programs they started – Cop's Corner – in the cafeteria came out of a study that found a great deal of miscommunication between young people and police officers in Everett. Several years ago, an MIT and Harvard study surveyed young people and police officers about interactions. It was revealed that police felt disrespected by young people, and young people also felt disrespected by police. It was a circular problem.

To combat that, Mazzie began the Cop's Corner program that brought in not only the SROs, but also regular officers and command staff bent on developing relationships with the kids.

"It was an opportunity to get to know each other in a non-confrontational environment," he said. "Some of the conversations are with kids that are interested in policing, but others aren't. One takeaway is the officers and the kids found out we have a lot more in common than one might think."

Mayor DeMaria agreed with that sentiment as well. He said he fully supports the programs and SROs in Everett's schools. He does not agree with the bill filed by Pressley and Warren.

"The Everett Police Department has always had a successful presence in the Everett Public Schools," he said. "They have formed relationships and have been a vehicle to communicate student's issues, problems, and concerns to both the Administration and teachers alike. I

fully support having School Resource Officers present in not only Everett High School, but all of Everett's School."

Councilor Anthony DiPierro also agreed that the SRO program has helped to usher in community policing in Everett – a fast-changing community compared to many years ago.

"As a product of the Everett Public School system, I have witnessed firsthand nothing but positive results from the presence and partnerships with Everett's School Resource Officers and the Everett Public Schools," he said. "Building relationships with local law enforcement at such a young age furthers the goal of community policing while ensuring a mutual respect is formed."

According to a release from Congresswoman Pressley on her bill, SROs contribute to an increased criminalization of young people – particularly students of color. The release said the federal government has spent more than \$1 billion to put 26,000 SROs in schools ranging from grades K-12 throughout the U.S.

The release said a new body of research shows that police in the schools do not make schools any safer, and subjects kids into the school to confinement pathway.

The Counseling Not Criminalization in Schools Act would:

•Prohibit federal funds to support the hiring, recruitment and placement of police officers on K-12 school campuses;

•Establish a \$2.5 billion grant program to invest in school districts seeking to replace law enforcement officers with adequately trained personnel like counselors, social workers, nurses, mental health practitioners and trauma informed personnel, which have been proven to create safer and more inclusive learning environments in schools.

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en up hours and hours of deliberation as cell carriers have moved quickly over the last few years to expand their networks. Unlike some municipalities, Everett requires approval by the City Council of any telecommunications devices, and often these have been controversial and have exhibited pushback from neighbors.

That was the case on 27 Vaughan Street and 19 Woodlawn Avenue, and it resulted in more than six months of deliberations and discussions at the Council. After a COVID-19 recess from meetings, the Council met on May 11, but continued a vote on the two nodes until after a community meeting.

That "virtual" community meeting took place June 4, Verizon said, and had six residents and Councilors Michael McLaughlin and Fred Capone in attendance.

However, once back at the Council on June 8, the body voted unanimously to deny the two cell nodes.

That resulted in the strongly-worded litigation saying the Council violated federal law and didn't have the right to do so.

Verizon also contends that the written record of the meeting minutes lacked appropriate discussion and depth and was not valid.

"The City's denial of these Petitions ignores the overwhelming weight of the competent and legally cognizable evidence before the Council on this matter that warranted approval of the Petitions," read the suit. "To the extent any reason for the denials can be gleaned from comments of the City Council members at the hearing and during subsequent deliberations, it appears that the City Council denied

the Petitions simply because some residents opposed them and based on unsubstantiated concerns about RF emissions. However, under federal law, neither of those are valid bases for the denials."

Verizon also indicated that at the May 11 meeting, they had a licensed expert there to testify that any emissions were harmless and well-below the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) limits.

Verizon attorney David Weissman said they don't speak on current litigation, but did offer a statement.

"We believe it's important that local officials follow federal, state and local law regarding cell sites," he stated.

The City of Everett did not have a comment on the matter, but was in receipt of the lawsuit filing at its Law Department.

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WAITING FOR THE BIG ONE

As we are writing this, we are awaiting the arrival of Hurricane Isaias, which is the earliest-ever ninth named storm of a hurricane season.

Although Isaias was a weak Category 1 hurricane when it made landfall in the Carolinas and will be a tropical storm by the time it reaches us, it is forecast to combine with a storm front out of the west by the time it reaches New Jersey, bringing heavy rain to western New England and strong winds to eastern New England, similar to what Hurricane Irene did in late August of 2011.

Irene caused widespread power outages in Eastern Mass. (we recall losing all of the contents of our freezer in the basement) and the same is being forecast for Isaias, so we trust that all of our readers are prepared for some degree of inconvenience in the coming days.

Although Isaias will not cause major damage, the record number of named storms already this season gives us pause. Climate change undeniably is occurring in ways that are not fully understood, but one thing that is clear is that the number and severity of tropical storms are on the increase.

Climate change is bringing warmer ocean temperatures, which are the jet fuel for tropical storms. And for the record, the ocean temperature in Boston Harbor these past two weeks uncharacteristically has been above 70 degrees, which is wonderful for swimmers, but a harbinger of bad things to come.

The Hurricane of 1938 still stands as the fiercest hurricane ever to strike our part of the country, a once-in-a-hundred years weather event. In terms of the odds alone, we are overdue for another major hurricane. But with the effects of climate change factored into the mix, it is clear that Mother Nature could do some serious damage if another coastal storm makes its way here.

So as with everything else in life, it's just one day at a time as we await the inevitability of The Big One to strike.

DEATHS ARE ONLY PART OF THE COVID STORY

Whether the subject is drunk driving, gun violence, or COVID-19, the headline that grabs our attention always is the death toll, of which there tragically have been more than 150,000 of our fellow Americans from COVID-19.

However, what often goes unreported are the large numbers of injuries, whether caused by drunken drivers, guns, or the coronavirus, that have life-altering consequences for victims.

Recent studies have shown that even individuals who are totally asymptomatic when they contract COVID-19 still are likely to have long-term, if not permanent, damage to their heart, lungs, brain, kidneys, and other organs.

With respect to the heart, a study revealed that more than 3/4 of a group of 100 relatively young and healthy persons who contracted COVID-19 had some degree of visible heart damage -- 76 had evidence of a biomarker signaling cardiac injury typically found after a heart attack -- two months after the virus had cleared their bodies.

We still are learning about the coronavirus, but as time goes on and as our nation lurches ahead with no strategy to contain the pandemic, thereby endangering the lives and health of all of our citizens, it is becoming increasingly clear that COVID-19 is a far more insidious threat than initially had been thought.

And as we learn more and more about how damaging COVID-19 can be to even healthy individuals, it is hard to imagine reopening schools and businesses without a national strategy and adequate funding to ensure the health and safety of our people.

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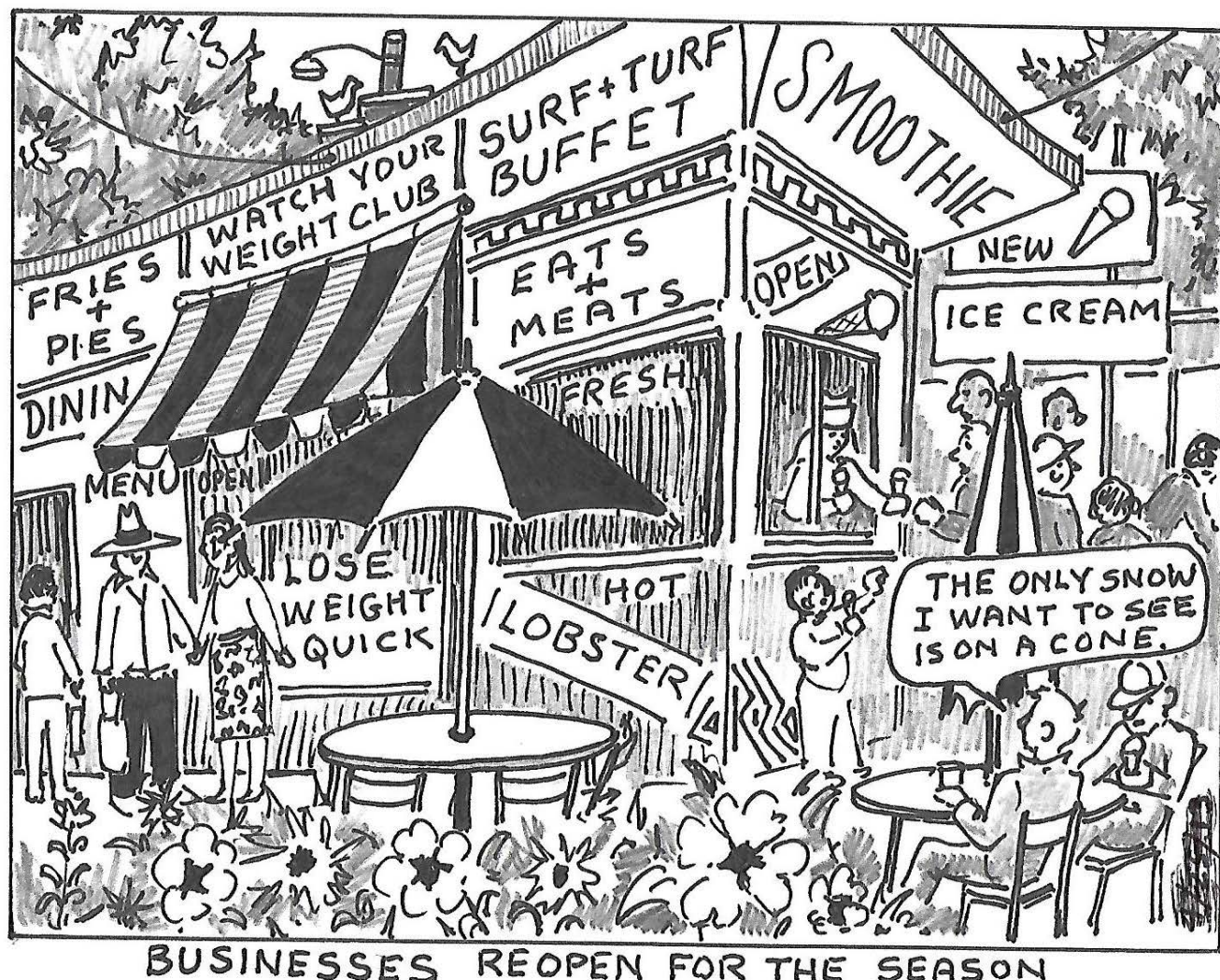
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Independent Forum



GUEST OP-ED

I will show up for workers' rights and have done so for years

By Michael J. McLaughlin

Only one candidate for State Representative has fought for your career and now is asking you to fight alongside him for his career.

In the race for the Democratic Nomination for State Representative on Tuesday, Sept. 1, there are many clear differences between myself and my opponent Joe McGonagle. I have spent my entire time in office fighting to create and protect jobs for Everett residents and Massachusetts as a whole. In March of 2012 I was pleased to vote for the expansion of Cumar Inc. to bring in 30 new jobs to Ward Six in Everett. Later that year, I fully committed my time, energy and focus to helping as a full time volunteer with Everett United, which was the Pro-Casino grassroots group made up of all volunteers from our community. I strongly supported and was on the forefront of bringing in thousands of careers, cleaning up one of the most polluted brown-fields in Massachusetts and bringing in millions of dollars yearly in new tax revenue for our community. I actively in 2014 supported across Eastern Massachusetts "Vote No on Question 3" efforts. This was another grassroots campaign to protect the 2011 casino law in Massachusetts and save the thousands of jobs in Massachusetts that were created in the gaming industry.

Also that same year, I stood in protest showing support with the workers and customers of Market Basket for Arthur T. Demoulas. In 2016 I once again was actively in support of Massachusetts Public School Teachers and worked tirelessly to support "Vote No on Question 2" efforts. This was to ensure the cap on charter schools wouldn't be lifted causing major issues for our public school system and our teachers' careers. Again in 2018, I fought on the front lines with the Everett Teachers Association for additional funding to protect almost 60 of our teachers' jobs. In 2019 I was proud to stand with the UFCW 1445 workers of Stop & Shop on the picket line to fight for better health care and fair pay for employees. In the past year, and in the face of the Covid-19 pandemic, there have been three opportunities to stand up for workers here in Everett and fight for workers' rights.

I have been there all three times.

I was proud to stand with the workers of Local 369 at the Mystic Generating Power Plant, MBTA The Ride employees of Teamsters Local 25 and during the fight for 10 percent hazard pay for employees of Stop & Shop Local 1445 UFCW. I have a proven record of showing up, standing up and fighting to create and protect workers in Massachusetts. It is not enough to just sign a letter

of support behind a desk from Beacon Hill. It is important to show up when it counts. That is the action we need and should expect from our elected leaders. I have a proven record of this and, if elected your next State Representative, I will work daily in our community to fight and be heard on behalf of workers across

our community and state.

I ask for your vote on or before Tuesday, September 1, for State Representative so that together we can bring a strong voice to Beacon Hill for the great City of Everett.

Michael J. McLaughlin is a candidate for State Representative.

STANDING UP FOR WORKERS



On Saturday, Councilor and Candidate for State Representative Mike McLaughlin stood on the front line with workers of UFCW 1445 in the fight to reinstate 10 percent hazard pay. These men and women didn't hesitate to come to work each day during the Covid-19 pandemic putting themselves and their families in harm's way to ensure our families had the essentials needed. On July 4, they had this bonus taken away for no other reason than another example of corporate greed. These men and women continue to work every day and deserve to have this bonus. "It is not enough to just sign a letter in support, we need leaders who will show up, stand up and be heard for worker's rights," said McLaughlin. "I stood proudly with Local 1445 UFCW President Fernando Lemus, Congressman and candidate for US Senate Joe Kennedy, Somerville City Councilor Kristen Strezo and officials from local 1445."

McGonagle secures \$3.55 million in state funding for Everett schools, infrastructure, and technology

Last week, State Representative Joe McGonagle and his colleagues at the State House passed H.4932, a \$1.8 Billion Information-Technology Bill.

"This bill is a big win for Everett," said McGonagle "I have no doubt this will help all residents as we move towards a better Everett."

The \$3.55 Million State Rep. McGonagle secured for Everett will be distributed to numerous projects around the city.

•\$1.5 Million will be used to address the disparities in education, housing, and small businesses, specifically addressing disparities that impact social and economically marginalized communities that have been disproportionately impacted by the criminal justice system or by racial or ethnic prejudice or cultural bias.

•\$1 Million will be provided for electronic learning devices for Everett students and Online Technology and Instructional Sessions for educators.

•\$250,000 will be used for information technology upgrades for Everett public schools.

•\$250,000 will be allocated to help provide Everett with free wireless internet in parks and public spaces.

•\$250,000 will be used to improve Everett's virtual city hall operations.

•\$150,000 will be used for repairs, upgrades, and emergency backup generators for the Ferry St. fire station and the 911 Call Center.

•\$150,000 for the feasibility, design, and engineering for a new police station headquarters in Everett.

"I am proud to have stood up for our city and brought back the resources that Everett deserves," said McGonagle. "No one should

have to face a disadvantage in education, housing, or in business. It is equally important that our schools are equipped with the tools necessary as our teachers and students prepare for a unique school year amidst this public health crisis. As the COVID-19 pandemic has pushed our communities online, it is crucial essential services like our city hall and our first responders are able to adapt and remain operational."

The bill now moves to the Senate for consideration and possible passage there.

DiDomenico secures \$10M for afterschool, out-of-School programs

Last week, Senator Sal DiDomenico successfully secured \$10 Million for COVID-19 Preparedness and Stabilization Grants to provide much needed support to Massachusetts afterschool and out-of-school time programs. These grants will provide funding to form community partnerships, workforce training and health and safety expenses necessary to adequately prepare for the 2020-2021 school year amidst COVID-19.

DiDomenico’s amendment was included in An Act Enabling Partnerships for Growth, which was passed by the Massachusetts Senate. This legislation will provide for programs related to economic development and job creation throughout the Commonwealth, with a special consideration for the diverse needs related to the 2019 novel coronavirus. DiDomenico focused in on several specific community priorities in addition to educational equity related to after and out-of-school programming.

“In a workforce where one-third of individuals rely on childcare to successfully work, it’s a no-brainer that organizations like the Boys and Girls Clubs, the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs and many of our local afterschool programs are integral to the smooth functioning of our society. These organizations’ capacity to allow parents more flexibility in fulltime work schedules, all the while ensuring their children are safely cared for outside supervised school hours, is extremely important to maintain. I was proud to secure this funding that will allow our community afterschool partners to effectively prepare their facilities and staff for the fall, and I am so grateful for all that they do for our Commonwealth’s children and families,” said DiDimenico.

In consideration of upcoming budget constraints, school districts throughout the Commonwealth have been forced to reallocate funding for afterschool programming, making the system particularly vulnerable in light of increased costs related to COVID preparedness. Already, afterschool and out-of-school community partners face cumulative challenges from expenses related to additional cleaning requirements, PPE, protocols (like reduced group sizes), and consequent need for increased staffing that are necessary for the safe maintenance of these programs during coronavirus.

“I want to thank Senator DiDomenico for his leadership and support during a critical time for afterschool programs across the Com-

monwealth,” said Ardith Wieworka, CEO Massachusetts Afterschool Partnership. “Afterschool Programs, big and small, have helped support communities through the COVID-19 crisis. School reopening is imminent, and with these new resources, afterschool programs can meet the challenge and continue to provide much needed support to districts, students, and families over the coming months.”

“We are truly grateful to Senator DiDomenico and the Massachusetts State Senate for championing afterschool and out-of-school time programs like the Boys & Girls Clubs. Now more than ever, state support like this is critical to ensure that we can continue supporting the kids and families in the communities we serve,” said Jennifer Aldworth, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs.

“The YMCAs are thankful to have a champion and partner in Senator Sal DiDomenico who understands the importance of directing critical state funding towards out of school time programs,” said Peter Doliber, CEO of the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs. “As we enter into an unprecedented fall, YMCAs are striving to serve all children equitably and this funding will help us towards that goal. This funding will provide much needed support for staffing and cleaning which will allow us to serve more children and families.”

Specifically, these resources will serve to ensure the over 700,000 youth enrolled in public schools throughout the Commonwealth will have an equitable opportunity for safe afterschool and out-of-school care, in the midst of an otherwise unpredictable schoolyear. In efforts to alleviate challenges faced by organizations that provide these programs, the grants offered through this funding seek to assist in supporting increased costs related to:

- PPE and cleaning
- Additional supplies due to the need for single/solitary usage
- Programming to address academic achievement loss caused by long distance/remote/uncertain learning environment
- Services for low wage-earning communities
- Services including, but not limited to, the provision of meals and transportation

The differences between the Senate and House versions of the bill will now be reconciled before heading to the Governor’s desk for his signature.

Congressman Adam Schiff endorses Joe Kennedy for U.S. Senate

On Monday, Congressman Adam Schiff (D-CA), a Framingham native, endorsed Joe Kennedy for U.S. Senate in an email and video to Kennedy for MA supporters. As Chair of the House Intelligence Committee, Congressman Schiff is known for fighting tirelessly against injustices and abuses by the Trump Administration.

“I can unequivocally state that Joe is one of the most powerful progressive voices in the Democratic Party today,” Congressman Adam Schiff (D-CA) said. “From the moment he



California Congressman, and Framingham native, Adam Schiff has endorsed Congressman Joe Kennedy III for US Senate.

stepped foot on the House floor, I recognized Joe as a unique talent, as a shrewd

legislator and tactician, and as a passionate warrior for justice. And I have seen how Joe has used his skill, talent and determination to fight Trump’s abuses of power every single day of this presidency.”

“Joe’s voice for change is needed in the Senate now more than ever to demand accountability, action, and progressive change. In moments of great national ur-

gency, like the COVID-19 pandemic or the recent protests for racial equality, Joe has been a champion for those struggling to get by and those struggling to overcome.”

As Chair of the House Intelligence Committee, Schiff has been a fighter for accountability and to protect our democracy from the abuses of the Trump Administration.

- 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, August 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM in regards to an application for zoning relief. In response to Governor Baker’s declaration of a public health emergency and the related Emergency Executive Order dated March 12, 2020, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall be meeting remotely until further notice. The audioconferencing application Zoom will be used for this purpose. An online link and telephone access number will be provided on all meeting agendas and also on the Board’s website. This application will permit the public to access and participate in future Board meetings and hearings. Instructions for joining meetings in this manner will be provided on the City and City Clerk’s website. In addition, Everett Community TV (ECTV) may provide coverage of these meetings. We extend our thanks for your understanding and participation in this manner, which is intended to keep members of the Board and the public safe.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

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

The applicant proposes to construct a dormer at the rear of the single-family structure located at the back of the lot. The existing lot is 6000 sf and is located in a Dwelling District and contains a single and a two-family structure. The dormer with increase the nonconforming nature of the structure as to the rear setback.

Reason for Denial:

Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A:

Section 3 General Requirements paragraph C. Existing non-conforming structure or uses may be extended or altered, provided that such extension, alteration or change of use shall be permitted only upon the grant of a Special Permit by the zoning board of appeals after a public hearing and 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 or structure

Mary Gerace – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals
July, 29, 2020

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Property Address: 42 May Street
Map/Parcel: G0-01-000046
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365 Broadway
Everett, MA 02149

To the said Board of Appeals, the owner/applicant seeks a building permit to raze the existing enclosed front porch (first floor) and within the front porch footprint expand and extend the front of the house up to the existing ridgeline of the main roof. Install three dormers on the south side of the roof and one dormer on the north side of the roof. The structure will remain a single-family dwelling. The existing lot contains 1875 sf and is located within the Dwelling District. The existing lot and structure are nonconforming with respect to current zoning requirements of area, frontage and setbacks. The proposed additions to the structure will increase the nonconformity.

Reason for Denial:

Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A:

Section 3 General Requirements paragraph C. Existing non-conforming structure or uses may be extended or altered, provided that such extension, alteration or change of use shall be permitted only upon the grant of a Special Permit by the zoning board of appeals after a public hearing and 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 or structure.

Mary Gerace – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals
July, 29, 2020

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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 August 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM in regards to an application for zoning relief. In response to Governor Baker’s declaration of a public health emergency and the related Emergency Executive Order dated March 12, 2020, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall be meeting remotely until further notice. The audioconferencing application Zoom will be used for this purpose. An online link and telephone access number will be provided on all meeting agendas and also on the Board’s website. This application will permit the public to access and participate in future Board meetings and hearings. Instructions for joining meetings in this manner will be provided on the City and City Clerk’s website. In addition, Everett Community TV (ECTV) may provide coverage of these meetings. We extend our thanks for your understanding and participation in this manner, which is intended to keep members of the Board and the public safe.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 166-168 School Street
Map/Parcel: C0-04-000008
Property Owner: Bouvier Jewelers
166-168 School Street
Everett, MA 02149

Person Requesting: Attorney David Carr
4 Newman Way
Arlington, MA 02476

To the said Board of Appeals, the owner/applicant seeks a permit for the installation of a wall sign located on the south facing side of the building at 166-168 School Street located within a Business District

Reason for Denial:

Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Signs and Billboard Ordinance Section 12A-64 Prohibited Signs (a): “On premise signs which advertise an activity, business, product or service no longer produced or conducted on the premises upon which the sign is located are prohibited.”

Mary Gerace – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals
July, 29, 2020

- LEGAL NOTICE -

CITY OF EVERETT

Board of License Commission
484 Broadway Room 26
Everett, MA
617-944-0211

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to Governor Baker’s declaration of a public health emergency and the related Emergency Executive Order dated March 12, 2020, the Everett Licensing Board shall be meeting remotely until further notice. The audioconferencing application Zoom will be used for this purpose. An online link and telephone access number will be provided on all meeting agendas and also on the City’s website. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the city’s website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

This application will permit the public to access and participate in future Board meetings and hearings. Instructions for joining meetings in this manner will be provided on the City and City Clerk’s websites. We extend our thanks for your understanding and participation in this manner, which is intended to keep members of the Board and the public safe.

For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch, listen or provide comment during the meeting may do so in the following manner:

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Topic: Licensing Board Meeting
Time: Monday, August 17, 2020@6:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://ci-everett-ma.zoom.us/j/91036946350>
Meeting ID: 910 3694 6350
One tap mobile
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Meeting ID: 910 3694 6350

Public Hearing Monday August 17, 2020 6:30 PM

Whereas an application has been presented by:

TBD Brewing LLC, D/B/A Aeronaut Brewing Co. located at 151 Bow Street, Everett, MA, for a New Farmer Series Pouring Permit.

All interested parties may attend.

Phil Antonelli, Chairman
August 5, 2020

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Malden River Loop premieres in Everett, Malden and Medford

By Seth Daniel

One of the selling points of promoting the Malden River in Everett was the promise of increased physical fitness opportunities in what is a quiet, wooded area of the city, yet close to home.

That promise has been premiered this month with the unveiling of the new Malden River Loop – a bicycling and walking path

that traverses Everett, Malden and Medford in a healthy circle.

The new 3.2-mile loop around the Malden River is now marked so that cyclists, runners, and pedestrians can easily follow it.

It takes one down the off-road Northern Strand Community Trail and through the new RiverGreen Park in Everett that features wildflowers, a soccer field, basketball courts, and access to

the Malden River – where one may see baby ducks. It then follows Air Force Road and Norman Street to the Route 16 bridge, which connects to a lush new park on the Medford and Malden side of the river. The loop is well marked with stencil markings on the ground and a few signs.

The loop was dedicated to former Malden Clerk Magistrate Joseph Croken and Malden High School

track star Louise Stokes, who, in 1932, was one of the first African American women to qualify for an Olympic team.

She ran track and field. The Loop is one of the first-fruits of the Malden River Vision Plan and the slow piecing together of

the Malden River Greenway, which will eventually create a loop that is almost entirely off-road.



The new Malden River Loop is highlighted by an entertaining video produced by Bike to the Sea, which is featured on their website.



A map of the Malden River Loop shows the pathway through a large part of Everett.

Concession stand open during LL playoffs at Sacramone Park

By Cary Shuman

Business has been brisk at the concession stand for Everett Little League (ELL) games at Sacramone Park.

“We’re selling hot dogs, hamburgers, pretzels, soft drinks, Italian ice, water – all the basic stuff,” reports ELL Concessionaire George Castiello. “We’re doing really well.”

At the beginning of the season, the City of Everett installed a plexiglass partition to help concession workers maintain social distancing at the stand.

Castiello oversees operations at the stand, but the long-time Everett youth sports coach said Little League “mom helpers” Rebecca Belloise, Lisa Harr, and Kelley Guida are the key contributors to the success of the venture.

Even so, the three ladies have nicknamed the stand “George’s Concession.”

“It’s Everett Little League’s Concession Stand, not George’s Concession Stand,” said Castiello humbly.

“We love George and enjoy helping out at the concession stand and we’re dedicated for the league,”

said Belloise. “We all have children that have played in the league for many years.”

Minor League Blue Jays fan Stephen Shirley stopped by the stand Monday night to purchase a hot dog and a soft drink.

“The hot dogs and all the concessions are always great and the staff is very friendly and nice,” said Shirley.

The concession stand will remain open for the league playoffs which continue through mid-August.

The funds generated from concession stand sales help defray expenses for the league.



Pictured at the Everett Little League Concession Stand at Sacramone Park are the staff, from left, Rebecca Belloise, Concessionaire George Castiello, and Lisa Harr. Missing from photo: Kelley Guida.

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Everett Crimson Tide Pop Warner advances toward Sept. 1 opening

By Cary Shuman

The Crimson Tide Pop Warner youth football and cheerleading organization, under the direction of President Brian Diamond, will begin practices for the 2020 season on Sept. 1.

“There will be two weeks of non-contact, conditioning football drills at Sacramone Park and Seven Acres Parks - if we have five teams, the oldest divisions (U-12 and U-14) will practice at Seven Acres, so we can have plenty of distancing between the teams,” said Director of Football Chuck Leo. “The cheer-

leading teams will practice at Sacramone Park.”

Leo said a tentative schedule is in the works for the five Everett teams. “We’ll only be playing teams that are local to us,” said Leo. “We won’t be traveling into Boston or up to the Merrimack Valley.”

It is likely that playoffs will be held, culminating with the New England Regionals.

“We have opted out of the National Championships in Florida,” said Leo. “A lot of teams here on the East Coast are opting out as well. The situation [COVID-19] in Florida is too unsafe right now.”



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U-8 running back, Ediell Diaz runs his plays like a pro.



The youngsters get their warm-ups in.



Carlos Diaz stretching out before practice.

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of Pop Warner football with the winning percentage to match.

Leo is part of a leadership team and coaching staff that has assured amazing stability and consistency in the Everett organization.

“That’s been so important to the strength and vitality of our organization,” credited Leo. “Our president, Brian Diamond, has been involved for 30 years. And then you have great volunteers like Mike and Jeanne Vitukevich, Lisa Sylvester, George Castiello, Colleen Leo, Frank Cafarella, Brian Arrington, Pat Thistle, Victor Ruiz, and Diane Groux, who have been working hard for Everett Pop Warner for many years.”

Leo said he remembers Brian Diamond as a very good football player.

“Brian was on my first team,” recalled Leo. “I was an assistant coach on the ‘D’ level when I was 18.”

The universal feeling among Pop Warner coaches in the region is that Everett teams play the games with sportsmanship at all times and Crimson Tide Pop Warner is a warm and welcom-

ing host when their teams enter Everett Stadium.

This season all Everett teams will be wearing new uniforms featuring black and red colors with gold helmets. Like the high school team, Everett had worn San Francisco 49ers-style uniforms in recent years.

“All the new uniforms just came in,” said Chuck. “They’re all black with red pinstripes with a little gold here and there. And ‘Crimson Tide’ is on the front.”

Asked about Everett’s prospects for the 2020 season, divisions, Chuck said modestly, “We’re always pretty competitive. We’ll be fine. We’ve got good coaches. We have a good group of guys that coach.”

The Leo Family tradition

Chuck Leo played varsity baseball at Everett High School, graduating in 1978. Surprisingly, he did not play football for the Crimson.

“I wasn’t big back then – I was small when I was in high school. I grew six inches after high school,” said Chuck.

Gennaro Leo, son of Chuck and Colleen Leo

(who was a two-sport star at Saugus High School), began his football career in Everett Pop Warner. He was the 2001 Boston Globe Player of the Year at Everett High School, immortalizing his legacy with the “Leo Leap” that resulted in an 8-7 victory over Bridgewater-Raynham in the Super Bowl. Gennaro went on to excel academically and athletically at Trinity College where he studied Finance, Economics and Italian.

“Gennaro lives in Denver and works for CAA ICON,” related Chuck. “He just finished building a stadium in Rome.”

Daughter Taylor Leo is an Everett teacher and cheerleading coach and, of course, a proud graduate of Everett Pop Warner.

“I have a grandson, Mance Leo McKinney (son of Taylor and Timmance McKinney) – Mance is 16 months old and he loves all sports,” said Chuck.

Can someone please get Mance McKinney to commit now to Everett?

We’re certain Mance will have a superb Pop Warner mentor in his grandpa: the incomparable Chuck Leo.

A TALENTED ‘YOUNG’ BASEBALL PLAYER



Nine-year-old Nicholas Young is having an outstanding season for the Everett Little League Minor League A’s. Nicholas is undefeated as a right-handed pitcher this season and on Monday night in the A’s playoff opener versus the Astros, he hit his second home run of the season. Nicholas also plays AAU baseball for the Giants Elite team out of Julio Henriquez’s Dugout Baseball Facility in Lynn. Nicholas is pictured above at Sacramone Park with his father, Joe Young, a coach of the A’s team. Nick says his favorite baseball player is Mookie Betts of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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amount of buzz, not only in Everett, but amongst the entire New England Marching Band community. Just this past week, Sachetta offered his perspective on the nature of their return thus far.

“It’s honestly been such a blast to be back in front of our students,” he said. “The process is extremely different for all of us and everyone’s a bit rusty, Staff included, but it’s something we’re all exceedingly grateful for. I don’t think any of us knew what to expect, and it’s very comforting to have three weeks with zero issues. It’s been so emotionally charged from day one because we’re all so thrilled to be back at our craft, continuing along with what we’re all most passionate about, let alone the overwhelming nature of finally having meaningful human interaction. It’s even been uplifting for us to see into each kid’s eyes as we check them in for rehearsal. There’s no replacement for seeing someone face-to-face, especially given the amount of time we usually spend working with them. It’s an immediate reassurance knowing that they’re just as eager to be there as you are. Many of these kids don’t say much at all from behind their masks, but their eyes and their presence tell a much louder story.”

KEEPING THE BEAT GOING IN EVERETT

In light of what’s going on in the world with the Coronavirus Crisis, one might think it very easy for Everett’s musicians to opt out of such a substantial undertaking while school isn’t even in session yet. Even in a perfect world, Marching Band is not for the faint of heart. Having a rigorous schedule year-round, being subjected to greater demand than most varsity sports, and being exposed to the brutal elements of Autumn in New England, it takes a truly resilient type of young person to brave the Band. But the culture of excellence that’s been upheld in the Crimson Tide Band Program for more than 20 years now, is key to what has kept this machine running, even now under the most dire and unprecedented issues the world has faced in a Century. For this team from Everett, keeping the Band alive and thriving was not a question, it was an imperative. Suddenly the prospect of 41 degrees on a school night in October, at Glendale Park, with 75 kids freezing their limbs off, is not the greatest hurdle that ours and other bands across New England are struggling to face. Yet what’s going on in Everett with the Marching Band rumbling back to life after five months of school closures, is the exception and not the rule.

Just as is often said over the last five months, there is no playbook for living life or running an organization in these times. As a result, the Asst. Director went on to say, “We have folks contacting us from all over the

country because they’ve heard about us getting back to rehearsals. Whether it’s phone calls, emails, or via social media, the question we’ve been getting every day is, ‘How are you able to get back up and running?!’ There’s a whole lot of shock value going around. My first response is always, ‘We had the initiative to make it happen, and the Superintendent was right there to support us every step of the way!’ Obviously a lot more went into our return to action,

but without those two key factors, we would honestly be doing nothing right now.”

MOST BANDS CANCELLED PROGRAMMING, NO FALL COMPETITIONS

Unfortunately, as Sachetta went on to explain, the vast majority of bands in the extended New England Scholastic Band community are facing enormous Administrative resistance. In Southern New Hampshire, and in a few places well outside Greater Boston’s Hub, there are a select few groups quietly getting back to work in communities where cases of COVID-19 have been comparatively negligible since the virus reached the US. Still, some of the longest running programs, with extensive traditions of excellence and very influential names in the activity, have been told to wait indefinitely for one reason or another. Coming from O’Brien and Sachetta, countless bands have been met with proverbial brick walls because nobody seems to have the answers. Just last week it was announced that the Fall competitive season has already been cancelled, another tough blow to thousands of young musicians who’ve waited patiently for months. The decision was reached in part because of this organizational gridlock facing the roughly 100 bands that compete here in New England. Everett’s therefore been an anomaly when it comes to the kind of co-operation that seems to be taking place here. This City is a place that’s been hit hard during this pandemic, but a place where resilience and perseverance define the City itself.

THINKING ABOUT ‘WHAT IF’ LAST SPRING TURNED TO PLAYING IN JULY

It was certainly not an overnight decision to get the Band back together, but that perseverance has paid off now several months into this undertaking for the Crimson Tide. Back in April, the core education team was only tossing around several contingency plans. With the remnants of the school year winding down, key players in the Music Department were throwing around ideas for sharing music online, providing virtual lessons, and thinking up ways to offer programming all summer long online. In addition to the annual Summer Enrichment Band, the March-

ing Band season typically “kicks-off” in the Spring to service all of the Municipal and Scholastic celebrations in our community: Memorial Day, Flag Day, EHS Graduation, and the Spring parade season which takes the Band all over Massachusetts. With those events taken off the calendar due to COVID-19, there was a massive concern amongst the Staff that a lack of direction would make it very difficult to have a Band Program on the other side of this pandemic.

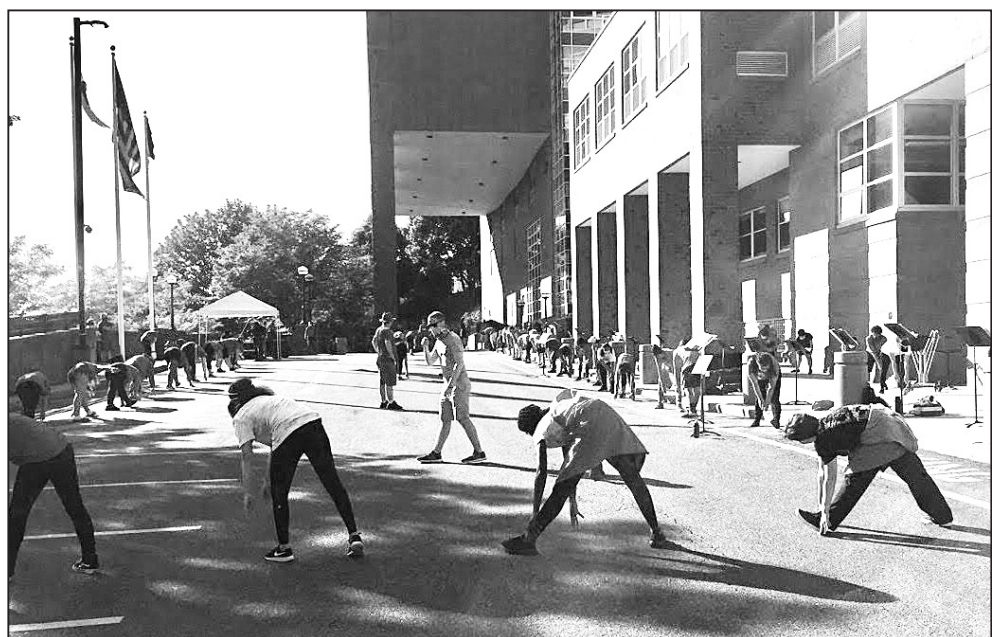
With May no longer a busy month for the Band, that time was better spent discussing the hundreds of “What If?” scenarios. Through an incredibly careful and tedious process, each week of conversation eventually turned into a mounting plan of action for the Band’s return. The stage was set, but there was no telling when the players themselves would make a triumphant return.

Then in June, when distance learning had ended for EPS students and Gov. Charlie Baker announced that summer programs and outdoor camps were cleared for a return to activity, there was the huge green light the Band Staff had been waiting for.

What began as a pet project eventually snowballed into an unofficial “comeback” for the members waiting patiently at home for months on end. In the words of Sachetta, who also happens to be the General Music Teacher at the Keverian School, the strategy was all about positivity.

“With such a huge mountain of bad news burying us deeper and deeper each day, and everything routinely being cancelled on these kids, we really sat down with the intention of having something in hand to provide, yet something that would be refreshing since they’d had nothing but school via screen-time for months. Mental health is something that I’m sure every teacher is sitting at home worrying about for their students, so that was a huge driving force. It

may not apply to everybody out there, but similar to our own personal life experiences, the activities we belong to in high school tend to be the foundation of our identity. Whether it’s Band, Football, Robotics, Drama, Culinary Arts, those activities inform some of the most important decisions, relationships, and eventual memories these kids will have in their entire lives. Having that identity stripped away from you with no advanced notice at all, on top of the same struggles that we as grown adults are all facing while stuck inside, left us laser focused on our true motivation. It didn’t hurt that we as adults were also itching to have a passion project to work on, so we very quickly realized we could use our collective hive-mind to return some part of that identity to our students in due time. We just had no idea how much of that we’d eventually be able to bring



Getting in shape and stretching are a fundamental part of every rehearsal, as many kids have not had an opportunity to be active since last school year.

back. We didn’t approach it as, ‘Well, boo hoo, I guess we can’t do this anymore!’ We simply took the opposite approach of scrutinizing all of the things we really wanted to do for the kids, and then went about changing every step of that inner process to fit the State and Federal rules accordingly. It was adaptation at its finest, survival of the fittest. I’ve been using that analogy a lot lately because it’s so relevant, but we’re very lucky to have such talented people working with the band. Working in other places for more than a decade, a lot of the time adapting is not even an option for a whole host of reasons.”

THREE WEEKS OF REHEARSALS, NO ISSUES

With three weeks of rehearsal now in the books, the plan to survive has begun to prove its merits. The Band has been thoroughly nurtured by a team of 14 professionals who come from a wide array of disciplines in both Music Education and Music Performance. In fact, one of the Music Department’s best kept secrets is that much of the team has slowly become “home grown.” As of this summer, half of the Marching Band Staff is made up of Everett High School alumni who’ve gone on to make substantial contributions to the musical community here in New England.

Sachetta went on to explain that this team has brought a new meaning to “paying it forward” or in some cases, “paying it back.” He explained, “All of us who work full-time in the District as music teachers had already agreed we would volunteer our time, whether we still had our jobs or not. But it’s a huge operation to run a successful Marching Band program. Every year there are people on our team with completely different careers, who give up huge amounts of their time to work with the Band on school nights and weekends. For a small stipend, they serve as part-time educators going beyond the call of duty. So over the course of just a few days in June, emails went out to those people, along with messages to several prominent EHS alumni from our close-knit family of educators. We were absolutely floored to hear back from all of these brilliant, exceptionally talented individuals, not only because they too were interested in keeping the Band alive, but because they didn’t think twice about accepting the job on a 100 percent volunteer basis. Not a single person offered their regrets. In fact, we’ve gained five new fixtures to our fantastic Staff, and we now have more teaching power than we’ve had with the Band in more than a decade.”

In fact, O’Brien, who also happens to be the Coordinator of Music for the entire District, touts these new staff additions as one

of his proudest moments in a long career with the Everett Public Schools. O’Brien confidently stepped back into the role of Band Director this past May to ensure that the well-oiled machine keeps running at high octane despite the setbacks being dealt.

“The Everett Crimson Tide Marching Band is one of the most recognizable faceplates for our City,” he said. “The Band symbolizes more than most people will ever notice, but that’s what we’re all about, our identity is special because we are a reliable force. This Band has represented our community for decades, all over the country. There is no mistaking, for one second, the importance of weathering this storm together. Our goal as a Staff, and as an organization, is to continue providing entertainment, pride, happiness, and a symbol of respect for what it means to be from Everett. I’ve been very emotional seeing this huge outpouring of support from the Staff, the Administration, and the outstanding Student Leadership Team. I’m even more empowered knowing that the commitment level has wildly surpassed our expectations. We are so very lucky to be doing what we’re doing and I’m loving every minute of time spent with these wonderful people.”

EVERYONE ON BOARD WITH THE DECISION

With that fuel to power their willingness to carry on, what started as a glimmer of hope has transformed into quite a lot of momentum for what was once just a hypothetical return to Band.

In hearing from the Crimson Tide’s Staff last week, it’s evident that Supt. Priya Tahiliani has been a huge player in making this happen. O’Brien notes that “her participation has been diligent, urgent, and fabulously welcoming.” Everett High School Principal Erick Naumann has also gone above and beyond to provide every possible resource and assurance for the overall well-being of Everett’s students.

O’Brien joked, “Mr. Naumann may be tired of seeing me in his office all summer, but he has shown nothing but a willingness to provide, support us, and encourage our enthusiasm on behalf of the members. He’s very excited. I think it’s phenomenal.”

But as eager as everyone is to provide beneficial outlets for Everett’s youth, it

has not been without serious caution and attention to detail. According to Sachetta, “Superintendent Tahiliani was right there with us, sharing ideas and physically offering her input as our Guidelines and Policies were being drafted online in the cloud. While our Band colleagues around the State are hearing a firm ‘No’ from their chief administrators, Priya was not only giving us the respect of hearing our detailed



Supt. Priya Tahiliani stopped by to encourage the young people last week as they continued their twice-weekly rehearsals.

plans, she was proofreading it and offering her

thoughts hands-on. She was fully engaged in ensuring that our COVID-19 Policy was well-vetted by standards that are appropriate, safe, and healthy enough to earn the respect of Everett’s families and their musically-inclined children. At every step along the way, she and Mr. Naumann have really stepped up as staunch allies for The Arts at a time when very few things are certain. In my opinion, their dedication to having that open channel of communication and their flexibility to work with us in bringing something positive to the students, confirms what a fantastic place Everett is to work as an educator. That respect and reciprocity speaks volumes. As a Staff, we all hope that it will be a huge open door for the rest of Everett High School’s major extracurricular teams who might be able to use our example to adapt similar contingency plans of their own.”

HOPE SPREADS TO OTHER BAND PROGRAMS

In fact, in the past week this relatively small enterprise happening right here in Everett has already sparked a further opening of that door elsewhere. With news spreading about these details surrounding the Crimson Tide Band, their Kick-Off Plan and their meticulous COVID-19 Guidelines have now become a template for other bands rushing to get a taste of the action in their respective districts.

“This is really all that we could hope for,” said O’Brien, “Just today I heard from the Band Director in Salem (MA), who got approval from their Administration after presenting them with our document. Being able to share the incredible hard work of our Staff with our friends and allies in the Marching Arts community is awesome. It’s now a well-tested road map to salvage what most people have accepted as a cancelled season. If it can provide a concrete starting place for other bands who’ve been our longtime friends, that’s an added bonus to the wonderful gift of getting back to work with our talented students.”

MORE PARTICIPATION THAN EVER DURING A PANDEMIC



Director Gene O’Brien directs the woodwinds in a rehearsal outside Everett High this week.

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By and large, the operation has been highly successful according to the reports of the staff personnel.

The Band itself has had a brand new influx of performers joining the ensemble for the first time. Along with this squad of incoming 8th and 9th graders, the entire 2019 roster has made an astounding return, making for an even larger Band this year in the face of the world's momentary hardships. The commitment from the student body is at an all-time high with more than 95 percent attendance each night thus far. Although the instructors have insisted the season is not mandatory, excited kids showing up night after night is another sign of the powerful force that seems to be driving the entire program to new heights in the midst of a Global pandemic.

What is it that allows the Band to march along? Some of the strict Guidelines include mandatory temperature screenings, weekly health surveys, and intense supervision by Staff and parents alike. From day one, parents were welcomed to join in with the entirely outdoor rehearsal process in order to provide the maximum amount of transparency possible. Spearheading one

major component of the Member Check-In process has been Captain Will Hurley of the Everett Fire Department, whose daughter is a junior in high school and a member of the Band. The legitimacy he has provided with the screening process and his help with policing the "Band Bubble" at the EHS campus has certainly gone a very long way towards providing a further sense of ease amongst Parents and others who want to see the depth of the Band's organizational focus. Members and instructors participated in a lengthy COVID-19 Orientation weeks before meeting in person. All involved are subject to five pages of rules and regulations for operating responsibly. All of this is done within the confines of CDC Guidelines for social distancing, usage of face coverings, and widely used standards for sanitization. As O'Brien put it, "During these extraordinary times, extraordinary students and staff members have stepped up big time. There has not been a single complaint about conforming to these rules, if anything the kids have gone out of their way to be more flexible than ever before. Even something as simple as getting a sip of water is not a simple thing anymore. It's actually very special to see the lengths that everyone has gone to just for a little bit of Band."

Apparently that little bit of Band is going rather a long way, because the tenacity on display in the



The Percussionists practice on the xylophones.

midst of the entire operation is infectious. It may just be the byproduct of months with nothing to do and nowhere to go, but the energy around the Band is electric during rehearsals and something quite profound to behold. Despite news regarding the cancellation of their 2020 season, the team persists, vowing to keep the Band active without a competitive circuit to aspire towards.

BAND WILL PRODUCE VIDEO PRODUCTION IN OCTOBER

Marching Bands typically perform a seven minute production on the move, at football stadiums around the region. After months of careful planning, the entire group has pivoted to yet another new course of action, scoffing at the reality of another new hurdle to overcome. The Band Staff has organized the production of a standalone "music video" accompanied by a short documentary highlighting the overall journey this experience has been for the members. This digital undertaking will feature the Band in a whole new setting and a completely reimagined format, repurposing the music from their would-be field program by blending it with creative visuals, effective choreography, and close-up features for the soloists and 14 seniors from the Class of 2021. The Band is targeting Halloween as the release date for their "Masquerade"

inspired show, which is sure to be a fitting memento for these students who desperately deserve something meaningful for their well-invested time.

O'Brien, now entering his 25th year teaching in the Everett Public Schools, had a few final thanks to share in closing. "I have never been so moved by people who have reached

out to lend their support in all ways, big and small. Along with the Staff, these people have resurrected the Band from complete shutdown. Thank you to Superintendent Tahliliani, not only for allowing us the opportunity, but for personally coming by to share her good will with the students last week at rehearsal. More thanks to the Everett School Committee represented by Marcony Almeida Barros who also came by to visit us last Tuesday in our 'Band Bubble.' We also cannot do what we do without the continued support from Senator Sal DiDomenico and Representative

Joe McGonagle, who work very hard to secure critical funding that keeps the Arts so vibrant in our community. From Mayor Carlo DeMaria, to the entire Parks Department, we thank you for the constant commitment to our cause. And most importantly a massive thank you to Principal Naumann and the custodial staff who are on the grounds at EHS every day keeping our operation alive and thriving despite the challenges we all face. It's totally a team effort, all hands on deck, and it's the kind of interaction and cooperation we can all be very proud of. We will stay the course, keep our protocols in place, and provide the community with something it desperately needs at this time. We look forward to sharing our pride with the entire City in the months to come."

To keep up to speed with the Everett Crimson Tide Marching Band, they can be followed on Instagram @everettmusic. All students in Grade 7 and up are still welcome to join. Contact eobrien@everett.k12.ma.us or msachetta@everett.k12.ma.us for more information about registration through September 15.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE BACHELOR'S DEGREES FROM UMASS AMHERST

Approximately 6,600 students received bachelor's degrees in over 100 majors at the University of Massachusetts Amherst as the university held a virtual commencement celebration for the Class of 2020 on May 8.

Below is a list of students from your area who earned a degree.

EVERETT
Conrado Araujo
Jean-Pierre Netsu Charles
Anthony Francis Diorio
Judy Thuy Huynh
Shreyek Khadka
Alexander Marrero
Fadil Millanaj
Julianna Paone
Joseph Domenic Pascarella
Sarah Tran

LOCHIRCO NAMED TO DEANS' LIST AT BRYANT UNIVERSITY

Bryant University is dedicated to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence. James LoChirco, class of 2021, from Everett has been named to the Deans' List for the spring 2020 semester.

"These outstanding achievements are particularly commendable as students have overcome significant challenges to demonstrate an unwavering commitment to excellence," says Provost and Chief Academic Officer Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M. "I am impressed and proud of their resilience, dedication, and innovative spirit."

Congratulations to James on this outstanding achievement!

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SAM JEAN-FRANCOIS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT BATES COLLEGE

Sam Jean-Francois of Everett, was named to the dean's list at Bates College for the fall semester ending in December 2019. This is a distinction earned by students whose cumulative grade point average is 3.8 or higher.

Jean-Francois, the child of Clairma Jean-Francois of Everett, is a 2019 graduate of Somerville High School.

Located in Lewiston, Maine, Bates is internationally recognized as a leading liberal arts college, attracting 2,000 students from across the U.S. and around the world. Since 1855, Bates has been dedicated to educating the whole person through creative and rigorous scholarship in a collaborative residential community. Committed to opportunity and excellence, Bates has always admitted students without regard to gender, race, religion, or national origin. Cultivating intellectual discovery and informed civic action, Bates prepares leaders sustained by a love of learning and zeal for responsible stewardship of the wider world.

EMERSON COLLEGE ANNOUNCES 2020 GRADUATES

On Sunday, May 10, Emerson College awarded 959 undergraduate degrees for the Class of 2020. The College is committed to holding a graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020 in person when it is safe to do so, at a time to be determined.

The College launched an Emerson 2020 Celebration website to honor graduates' achievements with more

than 800 submissions from students, families, alumni, faculty, and staff, which includes photos, videos, audio submissions, and text. The website strives to reflect the many facets of the Class of 2020 and the wider Emerson community - its creativity, daring, thoughtfulness, irreverence, and humor.

Video submissions include well wishes from well-known alumni and celebrities in the entertainment industry, including actors Jennifer Coolidge, Henry Winkler, comedians Jay Leno, Bill Burr and Steven Wright, screenwriter Adele Lim, actress Chrystee Pharris, and producer Kevin Bright, among others.

Maria Acevedo of Everett received a BS degree in Marketing Communication.

Victoria Gonzalez Garcia of Everett received a BS degree in Journalism.

About Emerson College
Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has approximately 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs at Emerson Los Angeles, located in Hollywood, and at its 14th-century castle, in the Netherlands. Additionally, there are opportunities to study in Washington, DC, London, China, and the Czech Republic, Spain, Austria, Greece, France, Ireland, Mexico, Cuba, England, and South Africa. The College has an active network of 39,000 alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

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Estate of Evelyn L. Fisher, Georgeann Marino, Personal Representative VS. John A. Fisher, et al TO: George W. Fisher, deceased, formerly of Melrose, Middlesex County and said Commonwealth, Dorothy L. Knox, deceased, formerly of Belmont, Middlesex County and said Commonwealth, Beverly Powell, deceased, formerly of Winter Garden in the state of Florida, Charles B. Powell, deceased, formerly of Chiefland in the state of Florida, Barbara Johnston,

deceased, formerly of Wakefield, Middlesex County and said Commonwealth, Thomas G. Johnston, Jr., deceased, formerly of Concord in the state of New Hampshire, or their heirs, devisees, or legal representatives. You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed by the above named plaintiffs in which you are named as an interested party. This complaint concerns a certain parcel of land in Everett, Middlesex County, and said Commonwealth being the property known as and numbered 48 Cleveland Avenue, plaintiff seeks a judgment that said estate holds its title to said parcel more particularly described in a deed from John A. Fisher to John A. Fisher and Evelyn L. Fisher dated March 9, 1971 and recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in the Book 11973, Page 249 free from any

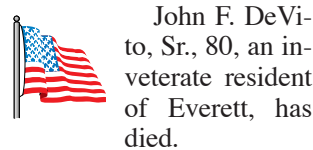
claims of the defendants, the plaintiff having established its title by adverse possession and such other relief as the Court deems just and appropriate. This complaint may be examined at the Land Court, Boston, Massachusetts, or a copy obtained from plaintiffs' attorney. If you intend to make any defense, you are hereby required to serve upon the plaintiff's attorney, David E. O'Neil, Esq., Silverstein and O'Neil, LLP, whose address is 391 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149 an answer to the complaint on or before the fourteenth day of September, next, the return day, hereof, and a copy thereof must be filed in this court on or before said day. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Unless otherwise provided

by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiffs which arise out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiffs' claim or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other action. It is ORDERED that notice be given by publishing a copy of this notice once in the Everett Independent, a newspaper published in Everett, in the county of Middlesex and said commonwealth at least thirty days before the fourteenth day of September. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice, of the Land Court, the twenty-fourth day of July, 2020. Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

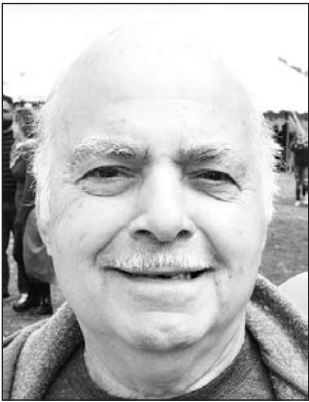
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OBITUARIES

John DeVito Sr. Highly gifted cabinet maker and an immensely loved man



John, a highly gifted cabinet maker and an immensely loved man, will be greatly missed by his extended family as well as innumerable friends. He was a hard-working and energetic man who took great pride in his work, his family and his Italian heritage. He proudly served his country for seven years in the Army National Guard. He was the beloved husband of Dolores Loretta (Libassi) for 59 years, loving father of Maria Magliochetti and her husband, Michael, of North Andover, Christine DeMarco and her husband, Steven, and Stephanie, all of Everett and John Francis DeVito, Jr. and his wife, Elizabeth, of Burlington. The fifteenth of sixteen children, he is survived by eight brothers and sisters. Eight grandchildren: Michael Jr.



and his fiancée, Kristina and Michaela Magliochetti, Kristin, Steven Jr., and Sofia DeMarco, John Francis III, Julia and Natalie DeVito. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral arrangements were by the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, Everett. Interment was in Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of John can be made to the American Cancer Society. For additional information, visit: www.roccofuneralhomes.com.

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Sports Betting is off the table for now

By Seth Daniel

A great deal of excitement brewed last week when the state House of Representatives included and passed an Economic Development Bill that included the approval of sports betting in the state – a huge gain for Encore Boston Harbor in Everett. However, by the end of last week, the excitement had become a dull humming noise.

The matter had been removed from a similar version of the bill in the Senate and did not get put back into that bill – which passed late on July 29. The matter moves to a Conference Committee, which will likely not insert sports betting into the equation. State Sen. Sal DiDomenico said sports betting never made it into the Senate version of the bill, and would not be taken up now. “That’s not something

that will be added into the Economic Development bill,” he said. “We’re going to set that aside for now and take it up in the fall.” Sports betting is a big word at Encore right now as they look to any types of revenues they can create as they re-open and try to regain a viable position in their business. Having a sports betting operation there would be a seamless transition as they already run a very successful sports book in Las Vegas.

At the resort, many in operations have said they believe it wouldn’t be so much of a money-maker as it would be a way to draw in more and new guests to the resort – who would then eat, shop, drink and hit the gaming floor. Gov. Charlie Baker submitted a sports betting legalization bill to the State Legislature more than one year ago.

State allocates \$50M from the GEER Fund

Staff Report

The Baker-Polito Administration announced last week that it will allocate more than \$50 million in federal CARES Act funds to benefit education in elementary and secondary schools, as well as colleges and universities. The funding from the federal Governor’s Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund will improve early literacy, expand remote learning opportunities, and cover costs associated with reopening certain schools and colleges, as well as boost financial aid for college students in greater need of financial assistance. As part of the federal

CARES Act, governors in each state were granted a share of discretionary dollars to ensure continuity of educational services during the COVID-19 crisis. The Baker-Polito Administration previously allocated nearly \$1 billion in federal funds to help municipalities, school districts, and colleges and universities in the Commonwealth address COVID-related expenses. The funding announced will support the following initiatives: •Up to \$10 million for early literacy programs that provide extra help to students through Grade 3, aimed at remediating learning loss children may have experienced since schools closed in March, as well as accelerate reading skills of

children in high-need communities; •Up to \$7.5 million to expand access to online courses, including advanced placement, early college or dual enrollment courses; •Up to \$25 million to cover COVID-related expenses associated with reopening colleges and universities, as well as certain non-public elementary and secondary schools. Funds will be allocated based on the number and percentage of low-income students these schools enroll; •Up to \$2.5 million in financial aid for low-income college students attending public colleges to ensure they can cover emergency expenses to continue their education;

•And up to \$5 million set aside in an emergency reserve fund. “Our administration is committed to supporting every student in our schools as districts and universities prepare for the start of the school year,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “This \$50 million investment represents flexible funding that can be used for a variety of critical resources for schools and colleges as they begin to reopen and bring kids back into the classroom, especially in our most vulnerable communities.” This funding builds on the nearly \$1 billion previously allocated to schools, childcare programs, colleges, and universities.

USCIS adjust fees to help meet operational needs

Last week, the Department of Homeland Security announced a final rule that adjusts fees for certain immigration and naturalization benefit requests to ensure U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) recovers its costs of services. Unlike most government agencies, USCIS is fee funded. Fees collected and deposited into the Immigration Examinations Fee Account fund nearly 97% of USCIS’ budget. As required by federal law, USCIS conducted a comprehensive biennial fee review and determined that current fees do not recover

the cost of providing adjudication and naturalization services. DHS is adjusting USCIS fees by a weighted average increase of 20% to help recover its operational costs. Current fees would leave the agency underfunded by about \$1 billion per year. “USCIS is required to examine incoming and outgoing expenditures and make adjustments based on that analysis,” said Joseph Edlow, USCIS deputy director for policy. “These overdue adjustments in fees are necessary to efficiently and fairly administer our nation’s lawful immigration system, secure the home-

land and protect Americans.” The rule accounts for increased costs to adjudicate immigration benefit requests, detect and deter immigration fraud, and thoroughly vet applicants, petitioners and beneficiaries. The rule also supports payroll, technology and operations to accomplish the USCIS mission. The rule removes certain fee exemptions, includes new nominal fees for asylum applicants, and reduces fee waivers to help recover the costs of adjudication. This final rule also encourages online filing by providing a \$10 reduction

in the fee for applicants who submit forms online that are electronically available from USCIS. Online filing is the most secure, efficient, cost-effective and convenient way to submit a request with USCIS. USCIS last updated its fee structure in December 2016 by a weighted average increase of 21%. For a full list of changes and a complete table of final fees, see the final rule. This final rule is effective Oct. 2, 2020. Any application, petition, or request postmarked on or after this date must include payment of the new, correct fees established by this final rule.

Fall 2020 bus schedule changes virtual meetings

Staff report

The MBTA will host virtual meetings on Sunday, August 12, and Monday, August 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. to present details on fall bus schedule details and changes. The virtual meeting on August 12 will be in Spanish and the virtual meeting on August 13 will be in English. These virtu-

al meetings will be held on GoToWebinar, a video conferencing platform. MBTA Service Planning staff will outline temporary schedule changes that go into effect August 30, 2020. The temporary changes being made are in the best interest of riders in order to maximize both safety and service levels during the COVID-19 pandemic. As part of the presenta-

tion the Service Planning team will cover the following: •Why route changes are necessary; •The service planning process; •Specifics of the service changes and impacted routes; and •Other key elements on MBTA’s response to the pandemic. During the meetings,

attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide input on future service changes. Virtual Meeting Information: The meetings will be held via GoToWebinar. The MBTA encourages the public to participate and provide their feedback. To register, visitmbta.com/servicechanges.

Application period open for citizenship and assimilation grant programs

Staff Report

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is accepting applications for two funding opportunities under the Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program. The grant opportunities, mandated by Congress and funded with appropriations rather than the agency’s operating funds, will provide up to \$10 million in grants for citizenship preparation programs in communities across the country. These competitive grant opportunities are open to organizations that prepare lawful permanent residents for naturalization and promote civic assimilation through increased knowledge of English, U.S. history, and civics. USCIS expects to announce award recipients in

September 2020, if agency staff are available to review applications and oversee the program. However, should agency staff be furloughed in late August, USCIS anticipates that the grant program could be impacted or even terminated for the fiscal year. USCIS seeks to expand availability of high-quality citizenship and assimilation services throughout the country with these two grant opportunities: •Citizenship Instruction and Naturalization Application Services. This grant opportunity will fund up to 33 organizations that offer both citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to lawful permanent residents. Applications are due by Aug. 31. •The Refugee and Asylee Assimilation Program. This grant opportunity will fund

up to six organizations to provide individualized services to lawful permanent residents who entered the United States under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program or were granted asylum. Applications are due by Aug. 31. USCIS will consider various program and organizational factors, including past grantee performance, when making final award decisions. In addition, all funded grant recipients must enroll in E-Verify as a regular employer within 30 days of receiving the award and remain as a participant in good standing with E-Verify throughout the entire period of grant performance. Funded grant recipients will be required to verify all new hires at hiring locations performing work on a program or activity that is funded in whole

or in part under the grant. New to this year’s program is a prerequisite that applicants and sub-awardees certified under the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) must comply with all SEVP requirements at the time of application. Since it began in 2009, the USCIS Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program has awarded approximately \$92 million through 434 grants to immigrant-serving organizations in 39 states and the District of Columbia. To apply for one of these funding opportunities, visit grants.gov. For additional information on the Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program for fiscal year 2020, visit uscis.gov/grants or email the USCIS Office of Citizenship at citizenshipgrantprogram@uscis.dhs.gov.

CHURCH News

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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Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open and welcoming to all.

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

Come all and let us walk together in this season of

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Church at the Well Everett

News and Notes

Church at the Well Everett is a new church for Everett that will begin meeting in 2021. Check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/churchforeverett to view weekly devotions and updates,

visit us at www.foreverett.church to sign up for our newsletter and see how we can help you, or connect with the Everett Community Aid Network at www.everettcan.com to request any additional help.

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 p.m.

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
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Zion Church - Everett

News and Notes

Senior Pastor Bishop Robert G. Brown will be hosting Virtual Masses to bring the people together, spiritually while they can't physically. Their virtual sanctuaries can be accessed

via their facebook page, "Zion Church Ministries."

For more information, they can be reached online at zionchurchministries.com or via email at office@zionchurchministries.com

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


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high school with that guy?’ I said, ‘Yes, in fact, I did.’ We got the biggest laugh out of it.”

All kidding and coincidences aside, the situation was serious and dire.

It was the strangest coincidence that two people from Everett were in the same place at the same time, hundreds of miles from the City, and were able to provide life-saving help to a man fighting for his life. For that, Mayor Carlo DeMaria held a ceremony on Tuesday morning at City Hall to highlight the efforts, noting that Everett people always seem to come through when help is needed.

“We’re from Everett – we always seem to step in when people need help the most,” said the mayor, himself being recognized nationally for marrying a couple on the beach in Cape Cod last month when their minister couldn’t make it at the last minute.

Collins was there with his wife, Jodi, and their children, Jack and Ava. Bolster was there with her children, and her sister-in-law, Melodie Rivera, of Quincy, who was also given a citation for her bravery on Tuesday.

The Collins family was just leaving after taking a hike around a lake, and Bolster was just arriving to hike around the lake.

“We had been hiking around the lake and were just pulling out of the parking lot and heard this noise,” said Collins. “I knew immediately it was bad. My brother was in front of me and he waved us down. The motorcyclist had not navigated the turn and was going about 60 mph without a helmet. The bike was on top of him – a Harley and it weighed probably 800 pounds. He was wedged between the guardrail, which was sharp...He was screaming for us to take it off. He was also getting burned be-

cause the bike was so hot. We tried but told him we couldn’t get it because we needed more people working together. It was amazing. We got enough people really quickly and were able to use a speed limit sign – which ironically said 25 mph – as a way to pry it up and lift it up. Then others removed him.”

Bolster arrived and immediately saw there was chaos. Leaving her kids safely behind, she and Rivera ran to the scene.

“We pulled in and saw chaos and I just ran over to help,” she said. “Jim was calling for a truck driver to help him and he wouldn’t. Jim was flailing his arms and trying to get anyone to stop. We just tried to do whatever we could to help.”

Rivera took over comforting the man, who was severely injured, actually holding his skull together (he had a cracked skull) and trying to comfort him and help him communicate with those trying to tend to him.

It was a long wait for paramedics after the rescue, so Collins and Bolster and others surveyed everyone in the parking lot to look for things to make splints for the man’s broken bones.

“Jim was running all thought he parking lot asking if anyone had any hockey sticks because we needed splints,” said Bolster. “Someone actually did and we started helping him.”

Once EMTs did arrive, the man was MedFlighted quickly to a hospital nearby. He apparently just went home this week to Connecticut, but had suffered a broken neck, a broken back, broken ribs, two broken legs and had a cracked skull with his head split open.

Fire Chief Tony Carli said he wasn’t surprised that Collins, Bolster and Rivera had jumped to action. He said firefighters often find themselves in these positions, and they usually



Mayor Carlo DeMaria reads the citation before presenting it.

find able helpers on scene.

“I am not surprised they saved him,” said the chief, as did a number of Everett firefighters at the ceremony Tuesday. “That’s happened before with members of our department. As firefighters, we’re never off-duty.”

Collins’s family have seen their dad as a firefighter all their lives, but never have they seen him jump into action like that.

“I’ve seen him at the TD Garden working at times,” said Jack Collins. “He’s serious and everything, but I’ve never seen him like that before. He just jumped into it and knew what to do. I had never seen my dad do something like that before.”

Collins, however, said he was more impressed with Bolster, Rivera and the other people who joined them to help. He said he sees these accidents routinely as a firefighter, so he’s impressed when regular people act with courage and have no training.

“The biggest story for me is that so many people that don’t do this every day were able to save this man and just needed a little direction,” he said. “It was all different walks of life and races and they were all working together... This is what we do every day as a firefighter. We’re not shocked to see it. For people who don’t see this, to come together and be so brave is what is amazing to me.”



Temp. Fire Capt. Jim Collins with Mayor Carlo DeMaria and a group of Everett firefighters on hand to congratulate their fellow jake.



Jodi Collins, Ava Collins, Mayor Carlo DeMaria, Jack Collins and Fire Capt. Jim Collins with the citation.

Bolster said she was amazed at how calm Collins was, and was proud that an Everett firefighter and classmate was there to help.

“I don’t think we could have done it without Jim,” she said. “We might have gotten the bike off of him, but we wouldn’t have known what to do after that.

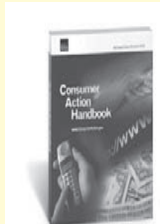
He was so calm and wasn’t barking orders or anything...I told people he’s my fireman and we went to high school together.”

All three were presented with citations for their bravery and courage from the City, signed by Mayor DeMaria.



Melodie Rivera, Mayor Carlo DeMaria, and Tracy Bolster.

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