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Shown above, the EHS Crimson Tide takes to Veteran's Field on Thanksgiving morning.

Shown to the right, Cam Mohamed struck first for the Tide in the endzone, celebrating with lineman David Macharia.

Everett defeats

St. John's on

Thanksgiving

JC Clerveaux rushes for 2 TDs in 44-14 win

By Cary Shuman

The Everett High football team closed its 2021 season with a solid 44-14 victory over St. John's of Shrewsbury on Thanksgiving morning at Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium.

Senior running back and Greater Boston League Most Valuable Player JC Clerveaux rushed for 150 yards and two touchdowns to help Everett topple the Pioneers in the teams' first-ever meeting on the holiday.

Quarterback Karmarri Ellerbe also had a big day with three touchdown passes and 13-of-19 completions for 264 yards. Receiver Cam Mohamed (2 TDs, 9 catches for 160 yards) and tight end Marcus Scott (1 TD) helped showcase the multi-dimensional Everett offensive attack. Adonis Santos booted a 35-yard field goal to launch Everett's third-quarter explosion.

The Everett offense scored the final 23 points of the game to turn a tight

21-14 contest into a runaway victory.

"The score wasn't indicative of how close the game was in the middle of the third quarter," said Everett head coach Rob DiLoreto. "But we felt that our team had maybe our best overall performance of the season. It was nice to see our seniors go out with such a strong game on Thanksgiving morning."

Indeed, the Tide's deep and talented senior class can look back with considerable pride at a 9-1 record this season and winning 12 of their last 13 games under new coach Rob DiLoreto. With St. John's staging a comeback in the third quarter, Everett's seniors helped repel the challenge in front of the large hometown crowd.

"Our seniors really came to play in their final game," said DiLoreto. "We got out to a really fast start (21-0 lead at the half). St. John's, to their credit, punched us back early in the third quarter. What I was most proud of, that's



Quarterback Karmarri Ellerbe connected on many passes to his favorite receivers throughout the game.

when the senior leadership really took over. We put a nice drive together and finished that off with a field goal, and then really dominated the rest of the game on offense and defense, finishing up with a nice, clean victory in a well-played game.

"After the loss against

Methuen, our team showed a tremendous amount of perseverance and character and we really picked it up against Andover and St. John's of Shrewsbury," added DiLoreto.

Everett also beat a third playoff team, Xaverian High School, 21-19 in the season opener.

That impressive resume makes Everett High fans wonder about the No. 9 seed the Tide received in the playoffs, a scenario that sent Everett on the road to Methuen for the first-round game. Under the previous playoff format, Everett would have been the No. 1 seed and hosted the opening round game.

"I think the MIAA hopefully will take a look at the seeding and power-rankings process and make the necessary changes to create a more fair and equitable system for all of the teams in the state," said DiLoreto.

By battling through the unprecedented COVID-19

DiDomenico

secures \$1 Million

for non-profits

Staff Report

On November 10, Senator Sal DiDomenico announced he successfully secured a total of \$1 million in funding for local community non-profit organizations in the cities of Everett, Chelsea, Cambridge and Charlestown. These funds will give essential aid to non-profits working in these communities.

DiDomenico's amendment was included in S.2564, An Act relative to immediate COVID-19 recovery needs, also known as the ARPA Spending Bill, released by the Massachusetts Senate. This bill makes critical investments into key economic sectors in the Commonwealth such as housing, workforce development, schools and health care systems, using federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and FY21 state revenue surplus funds.

During the height of the COVID-19 crisis, Everett and Chelsea were among the top five hardest-hit communities in the Commonwealth, with Chelsea being ground zero. This funding is crucial to help boost communities that were severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Senator DiDomenico expressed the inclusion of his amendment in the ARPA Spending Bill. "I am extremely pleased to have secured this funding for our community. The \$1 million in funding will create tremendous opportunities for local community non-profits in the cities of Everett,

Chelsea, Cambridge and Charlestown and I am thrilled to provide my support for these essential organizations."

The following organizations will be funded via Senator DiDomenico's amendment:

- Eliot Family Resource Center
- Latinos Unidos en Massachusetts (LUMA)
- The Joint Committee for Children's Health Care
- Transition House
- Everett Haitian Community Center
- The Cambridge Non-profit Coalition
- Greenroots, Inc. in Chelsea
- La Colaborativa
- Special Townies of Charlestown
- The Neighborhood Developers
- La Comunidad, Inc.
- Portal to Hope
- The Everett LGBTQ+ Youth Space and Resource Center
- Food for Free
- The Kennedy Center of Charlestown
- The Everett High School Band Program
- Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc. (CAPIC)
- Grace Food Pantry
- The Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc. (CEOC)
- ROCA

The Senate version of an Act relative to immediate COVID-19 recovery will be reconciled with a similar version passed by the Massachusetts House of Representatives and sent to the Governor for his signature.

E CLUB CELEBRATES AT

50TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER



PHOTOS BY KATY ROBERT
Executive Director Vincent J. Ragucci Jr. and Bishop Robert G. Brown enjoyed pulling names for a raffle during the E Club 50th Anniversary Dinner. See more photos on Page Y.



President Carl Colson welcomed guests to the E Club dinner.



Treasurer James "Tank" Agnetta was recognized at the E Club dinner.



The Lt. Governor of Massachusetts Karyn Polito was enjoying the game at Everett's Veteran's Stadium last Thursday morning.

News Briefs

BLESSED MOTHER OF THE MORNING STAR PARISH ANNOUNCES CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish has released their Mass Schedule for Christmas and New Years. It is as follows:

- Friday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve**
4 pm - Family Mass
St. Mary's (bring a flash-light!)
- 5:30 pm - St. Mary's
- 7 pm - Kreyol Our Lady of Grace
- Saturday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day**
8 am - Our Lady of Grace
- 9:30 am - St. Mary's

ZONTA CLUB HELPS EVERETT FAMILIES



The Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore has delivered their annual holiday Market Basket gift cards to local school departments. Shown above, Zonta members Mary Jane O'Neill and Barbara Lawlor are presenting Everett's School Superintendent Priya Tahiliani with this year's holiday gift cards.

These gift cards will be given to families needing help this holiday season.

11 am - Our Lady of Grace

will be no 4 pm Mass on that Saturday

Please note that there

FROM THE MAYOR'S OFFICE

Meet the team: Gerri Miranda

Gerri Miranda is an employee of the Veteran's Services Department and has worked for the City of Everett for 23 years.

What do you do in the City?

"I work for the Veteran's Services Department. We do everything from assist Veterans with their benefits to help them find resources they need.

What is your favorite part about working for



the City?

"Making sure that our Everett Veterans receive the benefits and services that they earned and de-

serve."

What is the biggest lesson you've learned from your role?

"The lesson I have learned is not so much about what life hands you but what you do with what you get."

What do you like to do when you are not working?

"When I am not working I love to spend time with family and friends."

EVERETT POLICE DONATE TO HOME BASE



Members of Everett Police raised \$4,300 for Home Base under the November No Shave Event that allows officers to have relaxed grooming standards in return for a charitable donation to the cause. This is the second in a series of three charity events that are planned this winter. To learn more about Home Base go to <https://homebase.org/>.

Administration announces state supported Monoclonal Antibody Treatment Sites in Mass.

The Baker-Polito Administration has announced the deployment of three state supported mobile units for monoclonal antibody treatment for high-risk individuals who have been exposed to or have COVID-19. These new clinics have the capacity to treat a combined 500 patients per week with therapies that have shown to be effective in reducing severity of disease and keeping COVID-19-positive individuals from being hospitalized.

Referral from a health care provider is required for treatment at any of the three new mobile clinics. Treatment is provided at

no cost to the patient and offered regardless of immigration status or health insurance. Patients should discuss with their health care providers whether monoclonal antibody treatment is right for them.

Two of the new mobile units, currently in Fall River and Holyoke, began administering monoclonal antibody treatment (mAb) to patients on November 22nd, and a third unit will be deployed to Everett on December 3rd. These mobile clinics will increase access to monoclonal antibody treatment in Massachusetts for high-risk individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 or who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19. The mobile clinic sites can be relocated easily based on demand.

"These mobile sites enable individuals with early COVID-19 or who have been exposed to COVID-19 to be treated quickly and safely with monoclonal antibody infusion," said Acting Public Health Commissioner Margaret Cooke. "While the best protection against COVID-19 is vaccination, these therapies can help prevent hospitaliza-

tion and severe illness for infected or exposed high-risk individuals. People with questions about whether this treatment is right for them should discuss it with their health care provider."

In partnership with the Department of Public Health (DPH), the temporary clinics will be operated by Gothams, a Texas-based emergency management company with experience supporting commercial, federal, and state facilities in COVID-19 emergency response. Mobile clinic staff will also be deployed to provide mAb in community locations, such as nursing homes, assisted living residences, and congregate care settings.

Under the US Food and Drug Administration's emergency use authorization, COVID-positive or exposed patients age 12 and older at high risk for severe COVID-19 illness are eligible to receive monoclonal antibody treatment. The single intravenous infusion treatment takes 20-30 minutes, followed by an hour of patient monitoring. If ad-

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Holiday tree lighting set for Friday

By Cary Shuman

The City of Everett will hold its annual holiday tree lighting ceremony with festivities scheduled from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Everett Square.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria will welcome the expected large gathering of residents to the square for the city's kickoff to the holiday season.

Bobby Barrett, event coordinator and Everett director of special events,

said the official tree-lighting ceremony will be held at approximately 6:15 p.m. But the recommendation is to "get there early" beginning with the 5:10 p.m. arrival by Santa Claus, who will make the trek in a parade from City Hall to Everett Square.

Children will be able to take photos with the great visitor from the North Pole at the Parlin Library, 410 Broadway.

Disney characters, holiday-themed characters,

face painters, and balloon twisters will be on hand to greet and entertain young residents. Two bands and the Girl Scouts will provide musical entertainment on a portable stage. Food and hot chocolate will be available.

There will be two separate train rides that proceed up and down Norwood Street and through a "winter wonderland" in the adjacent parking lots. There will also be two horse-drawn carriages that will travel the Corey Street block.

"We also have various organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce who is very much involved in leading the event along with the city," said Barrett. "Dan Cameron from National Grid will be the emcee. We also have Everett Bank, Eagle Bank, and Members Plus Credit Union participating in a big way."



The City Christmas Tree being set up in Everett Square.

Football // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

pandemic and going undefeated in the spring season and finishing 9-1 in the fall season, DiLoreto said, "Our seniors continued the proud tradition of

Everett football, and I believe they're passing the torch and continuing to set extremely high standards for our returning players, and we're super proud of

that."

The Everett High football team will open its 2022 season against Xavierian High School at Everett Stadium.

**- LEGAL NOTICE -
CITY OF EVERETT**

ZONING 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, December 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM, Everett City Hall, 3rd Floor George Keverian Hearing Room. All interested parties may attend and opinions will be heard regarding the following petition.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 4 Baker Road
Map/Lot: L0-04-000220

Person Requesting: Mr. Luis Lemus
4 Baker Road, Everett Ma 02149

The applicant seeks a permit to remove the existing porch (5' x 15') and construct a new porch 8'-0" x 25'-0".

Reason for Denial:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:
As the existing building is non-conforming in that the total side yard 9' total does not comply with the requirements of the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Section 4 Dwelling Districts line 6 Side Yards: a. Four (4) feet minimum with a total of sixteen (16) feet.

Zoning Ordinance Sections
So, per Section 3 General Requirements paragraph "C" which, states the following:
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. (Ord. of 4-29-91).

Mary Gerace - Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

**- LEGAL NOTICE -
CITY OF EVERETT**

PLANNING BOARD
484 Broadway
Everett, Massachusetts 02149

EVERETT PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Public Hearing on an application by East Broadway, LLC
Property located at: 12 Dexter Street, 3-5 Bow Street, 2 Thompson Place, 33, 35, and 51 Mystic Street, 14-16 Robin Street, 15 Broadway, portion of 1 Broadway
Site Plan Review & Special Permits

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Chapter 40A and with Section 30 of the Everett Zoning Ordinance, the Everett Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on **Monday, December 13, 2021 at 7:00PM** in the Speaker George Keverian Room (Room 37, Everett City Hall) to consider the above-listed application for Site Plan Review and Special Permits. This proposal is for the development of multiple sites, including the construction of an approximately 20,000 gross-square-foot, two-story restaurant building with an outdoor dining terrace, and 1,800-seat event center and associated pre-function space, an approximately 2,212 space parking garage, as well as a pedestrian bridge to cross Broadway (Route 99) and connect to the Encore Boston Harbor.

A copy of the application and plans are on file and available in the Office of the City Clerk and the Department of Planning and Development, both located at City Hall, 484 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149 and can be inspected online anytime at <http://www.cityofeverett.com/449/Planning-Board> and/or by request during regular City Hall business hours by contacting The Planning and Development Office at 617-394-2334.

All persons interested in or wishing to be heard on the applications may attend and participate in person. This project, along with all other projects to be discussed at the meeting, can be found on the posted Agenda at the following link: <http://www.cityofeverett.com/AgendaCenter>. Questions and comments can be directed in advance of the public hearing to Matt Lattanzi of the Department of Planning & Development at Matt.Lattanzi@ci.everett.ma.us or 617-394-2230.

Frederick Cafasso, Chairman

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December 1, 2021

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MENORAH LIGHTING AT CITY HALL ON NOVEMBER 29



Deanna Deveney from the Mayor’s office welcomes those in attendance to the ceremony.



Rabbi Baron spoke at the ceremony.



Shown left to right, State Rep. Joe McGonagle, City Councilor Michael McLaughlin, School Committee Jason Marcus, , City Councilor John Hanlon, City Councilor Stephanie Smith, Rabbi Baron of Tobin Bridge Chabad, City Councilor Stepahnie Martins, School Committee Millie Cardillo, State rep. Sal DiDomenico, City Councilor Rosa DiFlorio and City Councilor Anthony Dipierro.

Treatment Sites / CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

ministered within 10 days of onset of COVID-19 symptoms, the one-time therapy is highly effective in neutralizing the virus and preventing symptoms from worsening. With the addition of these three mobile units, Massachusetts residents can now receive monoclonal antibody treatment at 32 publicly available locations. A map of sites can be found at Monoclonal Antibody Therapy Locator (arccgis.com). For more information about accessing this treatment, visit Monoclonal antibody (mAb) therapy treatment for COVID-19.

Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE
Ortiz, Oscar	Severino, Madelyn E	13 Hoyt St	\$460,000
Kulian, Marcos A	Ghazarian, Hovik	168 Nichols St	\$779,000
Boyle, Elizabeth	Karkj, Mohan	39 Parlin St #104	\$404,000
Hinds, Mackenzie	JJP RT	39 Parlin St #404	\$384,000
Santos, Jesus N	Argueta Properties LLC	145 Vine St	\$600,000
234-236 Vine LLC	Raimo, William	234 Vine St	\$1,100,000
Mchakhchakh, Naïma	Mcadam, Judith M	47 Winthrop Rd	\$530,000


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Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 385 Broadway
Map/Lot: K0-08-000147

Person Requesting: Christopher Buono
456 W 4th Street #201, South Boston, Ma 02127

Reason for Denial:

To the said Board of Appeals, the applicant seeks to convert the existing Single-family residence into a Three family residence. The property exists in the Business District and is a corner lot at the intersections of Main Street and Second Street

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

Violations:

- The existing building is located in the City of Everett Business District and the use is only allowed by Special Permit.
- The existing building does not have the required side yards as the building is over 30 feet in height there must be a minimum seven (7) foot side yard and per the plot plan submitted the left side has a proposed setback of four (4) inches, 6'-8" short of the required.
- The rear yard setback is a required ten (10) foot setback the applicant is proposing 3'-5" setback in the rear, the plan is 6'-7" short of the required setback.
- The front setback is a required 10 foot minimum, the proposed set back is 8'-5", the plan is 1'-7" short of the required setback.
- Proposed parking is deficient by four vehicles, two are required per unit the plan shows two spaces.
- Parking is shown to be stacked whereas you will need to move vehicle #1 to be able to access vehicle #2
- Vehicles will be required to back out onto Broadway from this corner lot.

Zoning Ordinance Sections

Section 3 General Requirements paragraph P which states the following:
Up to three (3) dwelling units shall be prohibited except by the grant of a Special Permit by the Zoning board of Appeals in the Business, Business Limited, Industrial and Industrial Limited Districts. (Ord. of 4-29-91)

Section 6 Business Districts b) Dimensional Requirements Line 5 Side Yards which states the following:
None required unless a lot line adjoins lot used for one or two family or three family dwelling use, in which case the side yard shall be not less than four (4) feet in width for a building proposed to be not more than thirty (30) feet in height; and seven (7) feet for buildings proposed to be more than thirty (30) feet in height. Where a side lot line serves as a boundary between dwelling and apartment districts, the side yard shall be a minimum of seven (7) feet in width. There shall be no projections allowed within the required side yards. (Ord. of 6-29-87)

Section B Dimensional Requirements 4. Front Yard: None required, except when used for residential purposes there shall be a ten (10) foot minimum of which no less than five (5) feet shall be used for landscaping. (Ord. of 6-29-87)

Section (6) B.2 - Lot Area: a. Residential ---1.5 to 1 maximum floor area ratio.

Section 17 (A) 2 Off-Street Parking: Requires two (2) spaces for each dwelling unit. Parking requirements are for a total of thirty-six (6) spaces where fifteen two (2) are being provided. A parking variance for four (4) spaces must be requested.
Section 17 (O) 4. Off Street Parking Except for one- and two-family dwellings, parking shall be designed so that it is not necessary to drive over sidewalks or curbs or to back into the street or driveway
Section 17 (J)Off Street Parking: Parking facilities shall be designed so that each motor vehicle may proceed to and from the parking space provided for it without requiring the moving of any other motor vehicle.

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Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

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PEARL HARBOR WAS 80 YEARS AGO

It was 80 years ago this coming week that the nation of Japan launched its attack on the United States at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii on December 7, 1941.

The very next day, President Franklin D. Roosevelt convened a joint session of Congress in which he famously declared the attack as, “A day that will live in infamy,” and asked Congress for a Declaration of War against Japan.

Germany and Italy, allies of the Japanese who collectively were known as the Axis, then declared war on the U.S., setting the stage for what would become the largest conflagration in world history.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans would die in battlefronts stretching from the European continent to the jungle islands of the Pacific over the next three and one-half years before the German and Japanese war machines finally were subdued.

For more than two years prior to the attack, America had stayed out of the war that already had engulfed most of the rest of the world in the aftermath of the German invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939.

By the time of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hitler’s Nazis had conquered all of continental Europe and much of Africa, while the Japanese had invaded almost all of Asia, save for the U.S. outposts in the Philippines and other small islands in the Pacific.

Americans clung to the belief that our isolation, separated from the rest of the world by two oceans, would keep us out of the war. Americans had no appetite for re-engaging in another conflict just 23 years removed from the memories of World War I that still were fresh in our nation’s psyche.

But after Pearl Harbor, we no longer could keep our heads buried in the sand. Although America had re-instituted the draft some months prior to Pearl Harbor and had ramped up our military production capabilities, the suddenness of the Japanese attack still came as a shock to every American.

Americans realized that thanks to the capabilities of modern armaments such as Japanese aircraft carriers and German U-boats, even the continental United States was not insulated from attack by a foreign enemy. Citizens on the West Coast braced for a Japanese invasion in the aftermath of Pearl Harbor and curfews were instituted on the Eastern Seaboard.

Thanks to the countless number of documentaries and movies over the past 20 years that tell the stories of the brave Americans who fought in WWII, we are fortunate to have a living history of the sacrifices made by The Greatest Generation.

The lessons of Pearl Harbor are many, but chief among them is that freedom isn’t free -- and that we always must be vigilant to recognize the forces of evil that seek to destroy our way of life.

HAPPY HANUKKAH

The eight-day observance of Hanukkah, also known as the Festival of Lights, started this past Sunday evening and will culminate this coming Monday, December 6.

Hanukkah is observed for eight nights and days by lighting the candles of the Menorah, one on each day of the eight-day celebration. (The Menorah itself consists of nine candles, one of which typically stands above the rest and is used to light the other eight.)

In summary, Hanukkah commemorates the victory of the Maccabees -- a group of fierce warriors who used guerilla tactics against an occupying army -- in 166 BCE when the Maccabees liberated the Jewish people from the Greek-based rulers who essentially had outlawed the Jewish religion.

When the triumphant Maccabees captured the city of Jerusalem, they quickly entered the Holy Temple, tossing out the images of the Greek gods that had been installed there by the occupying rulers.

When the Maccabees went to light the Menorah candles in the Temple, they thought they only had one day’s worth of oil. However, the lights remained lit for eight days -- hence the miracle of the Festival of Lights.

Hanukkah is a joyous occasion for Jews world-wide, marked by gatherings of friends and families and the playing of traditional games such as the dreidel and eating traditional foods such as latkes.

Although Hanukkah celebrations this year will be much more subdued than is typical because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we want to take the opportunity to wish our friends and readers of the Jewish community a happy, healthy, and meaningful Hanukkah season.

Independent Forum

LETTER to the Editor

ication to be the best through the confidence you have shown through the referrals of loved ones.

We are continuing our tradition of giving back to the community. For almost forty years we have sponsored a Toys for Everett Tots campaign.

This year the date of the event will be Saturday December 11. If that date is not convenient we will be accepting toys starting De-

cember 6. Please bring in a new unwrapped toy and receive free care for that day. New patients are also welcome to participate, please refer a friend. The toys will be distributed to a local school in Everett and toys will be provided to children that are the most in need. I continue this tradition to ensure all children will have at least one gift on Christmas day

In closing, please al-

low us to extend our personal thanks. We pledge to continue providing the very best chiropractic care available.

Have a very Happy and Healthy Holiday season.

Thank you,
Everett Chiropractic Office
Dr. Brian L. Leahy
Sandy, Erin and Analia

GUEST OP-ED

Surviving a Pulmonary Embolism

minutes later I checked it again and the resting rate was 95.

I spent Friday evening checking my blood pressure and heart rate. The blood pressure was averaging about 150 over 100 which is really high for me and my heart rate was staying between 85 to 95 bpm.

By Saturday morning, I had to go to the emergency room knowing I was in trouble. After a CT scan and ultra sound imaging I was diagnosed with a massive blood clot in my left lung also known as a Pulmonary Embolism. Three doctors worked with me from 6 AM until 6 PM to save my life. They told me if I had waited one more day my story would be very different. I spent the day in the emergency room and the rest of the weekend in Intensive care forbidden to get out of bed. After a heavy dose of Heparin blood thinner and a bottle of daily medication to consume I was released from the hospital to slowly resume life.

There are reports that upward to 180,000 people

in the United States die every year from Pulmonary Embolisms. This is more people than the number of people dying from breast cancer, car wrecks and HIV altogether.

Being in the emergency room wondering if I was going to live was scary to say the least. I worried about my wife and children. I knew they would have to make funeral arrangements and this made me feel bad for them.

My new theme is a re-commitment to keeping the feet moving. It’s an easy thing to do. While traveling flex the feet. Stretch the legs. Put them up whenever possible. Raise the knees up and down. Look for every possible opportunity to walk. When driving now it’s a brief stop every hour for a five-minute stretch or walk. It slows the trip down, but I want to show up eventually than not at all.

I’m writing this because I want you to be aware of your body. Invest in a blood pressure cuff and a finger oxygen/heart rate monitor. Know what your

typical numbers are so that you can know when your numbers aren’t right and you need to seek medical attention.

Unfortunately, I know people who are no longer in this world because of a Pulmonary Embolism. They sneak up on us. The beginning signs of pain or swelling in your leg are often ignored by most people – including me. However, things can change quickly and this is why if this happens you must go to the nearest hospital emergency room to be checked out. It could save your life. Very fortunately, it did for me. One more day of waiting and it would have been too late. Don’t ignore the warning signs.

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

TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Dear Editor,

During the season of Thanksgiving it reminds us to let our patients know how grateful we are. To allow us to serve you in attaining and maintaining your health is the most wonderful gift anyone could entrust to a health professional.

You reinforce our ded-

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

On Saturday, October 2, I had to go to the hospital emergency room. The prior Tuesday I had an unusual leg spasm from my left thigh to my groin area. I’ve had pulled muscles from sports off and on and thought it was from exercise or just sitting weird in my recliner.

By later Wednesday I noticed an occasional cough that felt strange. On Thursday I called my family doctor’s office and reported I was coughing occasionally and didn’t feel right. I was told by the receptionist, “We aren’t seeing sick people and the doctor thinks you should have a Covid test.” I went for the test which came back negative.

On Friday evening my wife and I took a casual walk around the block of our neighborhood and I was breathing heavy from a simple walk. I knew there was something going on. I checked my heart rate and it was 85 beats per minute. Typically, it’s between 60 and 65 bpm when resting. Thirty

NSMHA CEO Jackie K. Moore announces retirement

Staff Report

North Suffolk Mental Health Association Chief Executive Officer Jackie K. Moore, Ph.D., has announced her intent to retire after more than 16 years at the helm of the Chelsea-based behavioral health nonprofit.

The NSMHA Board of Directors has engaged national executive search firm Isaacson, Miller to assist in finding a successor, and Moore intends to stay on through the spring to ensure a smooth transition.

Moore was named CEO in 2005. Under Moore’s leadership, NSMHA has grown into one of the largest behavioral health care providers in Greater Boston, currently employing more than 950 people who serve over 10,000 children, adults and families annually. She has been instrumental in incorporating peers and people with lived experience into the workforce. Over the last decade-plus, NSMHA

has expanded in all areas, adding more congregate care facilities, including a home specifically for person with Acquired Brain Injury; a second recovery support center located in East Boston; and most recently, a residential treatment program in Chelsea for persons with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders, one of only 37 such facilities in the state. The agency has also received four federal grants from the Substance Abuse and Mental. Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) since April of 2020.

“After a lot of thought and consideration, I feel that the timing is right to make this transition for me, and more importantly, for North Suffolk,” Moore said. “We’ve always had to fight for resources and finally, the resources and the public recognition of the importance of this work are coming to behavioral health care.

“We’ve weathered COVID-19 – we’re not

completely through it, but we can manage it. For all the challenges of the pandemic, it brought out the creativity and innovation of our staff and their commitment to the people we serve. Their work has our organization in a very good place to move forward. It has been a privilege to work with our very talented and caring staff, our Board of Directors, the individuals who trust us to help them and these

wonderful communities.”

Founded in 1959, North Suffolk Mental Health Association, Inc. (NSMHA) strives to help people achieve independence and fullness of life by providing a wide array of community-based, person-centered treatment, recovery and rehabilitation opportunities/ by intervening as early as possible; by promoting prevention, education and hope.

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Mass. House passes legislation to balance health care market, protect vulnerable hospitals

Special to the Independent

In an effort to protect community hospitals, Rep. Joe McGonagle and his colleagues in the Massachusetts House of Representatives passed legislation yesterday to promote a more balanced health care market by strengthening the regulatory processes for health care expansions. The legislation creates a more rigorous review to ensure that when large hospital systems expand, they are not infringing on community hospital markets and raising health care costs for patients. It also requires the ongoing upkeep of a health resource inventory, which will give regulators a better understanding of the Commonwealth's existing health care resources to inform these review processes and future reform efforts.

"Yesterday, the House took a major step in working to guarantee that every Massachusetts resident has access to quality, affordable health care by

passing legislation that will protect community hospitals," said Speaker of the House Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "Community hospitals offer high-quality care to the most vulnerable patient populations at affordable rates. Our efforts to control health care cost growth depends on their continued existence."

The legislation passed yesterday continues the House's commitment to health care as demonstrated in Massachusetts' health care reform law of 2006 and of the landmark cost containment law of 2012. Community hospitals operate on thin margins and with the constant possibility of closure. The bill passed by the House yesterday limits unchecked growth of hospital chains, better suiting community hospitals to survive and ensuring continued competition in the health care market.

"I am thrilled with this bill and very proud we passed it amidst an ongoing healthcare crisis," said McGonagle. "Our hospitals, healthcare facilities and their workers have continued to work courageously and tirelessly, not just against COVID-19, but also all the other everyday medical needs of the Commonwealth. In Everett, many of us rely on our community hospital, which is always in

danger of being overtaken. This legislation will support our community hospitals and keep Everett safe, strong and healthy."

"An Act enhancing the market review process" (H.1260):

- Expands and strengthens the Health Policy Commission's (HPC) material change notice (MCN) process to include a broader range of transactions and give cost and market impact reviews (CMIRs) more weight in the Determination of Need (DoN) & Attorney General (AGO) proceedings

- Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to consider additional sources of information, including CMIRs and Center for Health Information & Analysis (CHIA) data, as part of the DoN process

- Re-establishes a health planning council that will assist DPH in maintaining an inventory of health care resources to inform the MCN process and better assess the appropriateness of DoN applications

- Protects independent community hospitals' markets and gives hospitals another tool to halt DoN proceedings should a proposed project encroach on their primary service area

The bill passed the House of Representatives with a 158-1 vote. It now goes to the Senate.

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To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM, Everett City Hall, 3rd Floor George Keverian Hearing Room. All interested parties may attend and opinions will be heard regarding the following petition.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 19-21 Cedar St.
Map/Lot: B0-01-000073

Person Requesting: Mr. Charanjit Singh
17 Rock Valley Ave., Everett, MA 02149

The owner wishes to convert the existing two (2) family dwelling into a three (3) family dwelling. The plot plan submitted indicates that six (6) parking spaces are proposed.

Reason for Denial:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:

Violations:

- The Floor Area Ratio is above the allowable (.5) the FAR on this project is at 1.3 or .8 above the allowed FAR.
- The parking plan provided indicates that a vehicle will be required to be moved in order for the other vehicles to enter and leave the parking areas.
- The required setback for this Zoning District (DWELLING) is a twenty (20) foot set back.
- The parking plan provided indicates that a vehicle will be parked closer than eight (8) feet from a habitable window.
- The parking plan provided indicates that it will be necessary for vehicles to back into the street.

Zoning Ordinance Sections
1. Section 4 Dwelling Districts (a) Uses:
A. Uses. Within any dwelling district as indicated on the zoning map, no building, structure or premises shall be used and no building or structure shall be erected which is intended or designed to be used in whole or in part for any industry, trade, manufacturing, or commercial purposes, of for other than the following specified purposes:
1. A single or double semi-detached dwelling existing at the time of the first enactment of the Zoning Ordinance may be converted to provide not more than a total of three (3) dwelling units provided that the following standards are met:
Any addition shall comply with the front, side and rear yard requirements and height limitations of the Zoning Ordinance.
Where the existing building is already non-conforming, any alteration shall not increase the existing non-conformity. Parking in accordance with this Zoning Ordinance shall be provided for any additional dwelling units. (Ord. of 4-29-91)
2. Section 4 Dwelling Districts A Uses 17. Conversion of Dwelling. No new dwelling unit created by the conversion of an existing dwelling shall be permitted unless the requirements of minimum lot area and off-street parking are satisfied for all dwelling units in existence and proposed in the dwelling after the conversion or enlargement. (Ord. 02-046 of Oct. 22, 2003)
3. Section 17 (A): Off-street parking facilities shall be provided in accordance with the requirements as outlined below. Where the Term "gross square feet" is used, it shall mean the total occupiable floor area measured within the exterior walls of the building. (Original Ord. Of 2-26-1965, 6-29-87) (2) Multi-family dwellings 2 spaces per dwelling unit.
4. Section 17 Off Street Parking (J): "Parking facilities shall be designed so that each motor vehicle may proceed to and from the parking space provided for it without requiring the moving of any other motor vehicle."
5. Section 17 Off Street Parking (I): "Each required car space shall be not less than 9 feet in width and 18 feet in length exclusive of drives and maneuvering space, and the total area of any parking facility for more than five (5) cars shall average two hundred seventy-five (275) square feet per car. No driveways or curb cuts shall exceed thirty (30) feet in width." (Ord. 01-046/2001)
6. Section 17 Off Street Parking (K): "Parking facilities shall be designed so that no vehicles shall be parked nearer to any street lines than the minimum specified building setback for the Zoning District in which the parking facility is located."
7. Section 17 Off Street Parking (M): "No parking stall shall be located within eight (8) feet of any window of habitable rooms in the basement or first story level of any building."
8. Section 17 Off Street Parking (O) 4. "Except for one- and two-family dwellings, parking shall be designed so that it is not necessary to drive over sidewalks or curbs or to back into the street or driveway"
9. Section 17 Off Street Parking (O) 5. "All parking areas shall have an access road with a minimum of eighteen (18) feet to allow ingress and exiting at same time."

Mary Gerace – Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

E CLUB CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF SERVICE IN EVERETT AT ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Photos by Katy Rogers

The E Club celebrated its 50th Anniversary Dinner on Saturday evening at Spinelli's. The E Club honors Everett's history in sports by awarding scholarships to student athletes as a foundation for success in whichever paths they choose to pursue after high school.

This year, The E Club welcomed special guests, Paul Perillo and Brandon Conde.

Perillo is a 1986 Everett High School graduate who played football and baseball. His passion for sports inspired an interest in sports journalism and led to a career with the Boston Herald in addition to a variety of opportunities in radio and television.

Conde is a lifelong Everett resident who graduated in 2012 who was passionate about football from a young age. In High School he had a successful football career, winning multiple Super Bowls un-



Councilor Anthony DiPierro spoke on behalf of Mayor Carlo DeMaria

der Coach DiBiaso. He continued to play football for Bridgewater State where he studied biology. In 2019, Brandon experienced a life-altering accident that injured his spinal cord, making him a tetraplegic.

The E Club will hold their annual meeting on January 11, at the Zion Baptist Church and their next dinner in May 2022. All are invited to join.



E Club chair members John Ragucci and Daryl Colson greeted guests at the entrance



Brendan Mangan, Dolores Lattanzi, and Councilor Elect Al Lattanzi enjoyed their evening with the E Club



Craig Haas joined his wife, Superintendent Priya Tahiliani.



Superintendent Priya Tahiliani congratulated the E Club



Bishop Brown offered prayer and words of wisdom



Executive Director Vincent J. Ragucci Jr. addressed the crowd



Guests enjoying their time at the E Club 50th Anniversary dinner.



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Senator Sal DiDomenico joined Bishop Robert G. Brown, Councilor Stephanie Martins, and Executive Director Vincent J. Ragucci Jr.



President Emeritus Armando Leo, Executive Director Vincent J. Ragucci Jr., Treasurer James Tank Agnetta Jr., and President Carl Colson honored special guest Brandon Conde.



Special guest Paul Perillo joined President Carl Colson and Executive Director Vincent Ragucci.



Guest speaker Paul Perillo spoke to the crowd.



Guests enjoying their time at the E Club 50th Anniversary dinner.



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Treasurer James Tank Agnetta Jr., Paul Perillo, and Executive Director Vincent J. Ragucci Jr.



Everett elected officials, Councilor Mike McLaughlin, Councilor Elect Al Lattanzi, Councilor Anthony DiPierro, and Councilor Stephanie Martins celebrated at the E Club anniversary dinner



Senator Sal DiDomenico addressed the crowd at the E Club.




Special guest Brandon Conde thanked the E Club.

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promos at the location. The Western Front Art Gallery gives local artists a chance to show-off their latest creations, allowing artists to place a painting or their latest creation in the gallery for a month. Artists can contact Western Front about the details. Recently Western Front hosted a night entertainment for it’s clients, featuring music and poetry.



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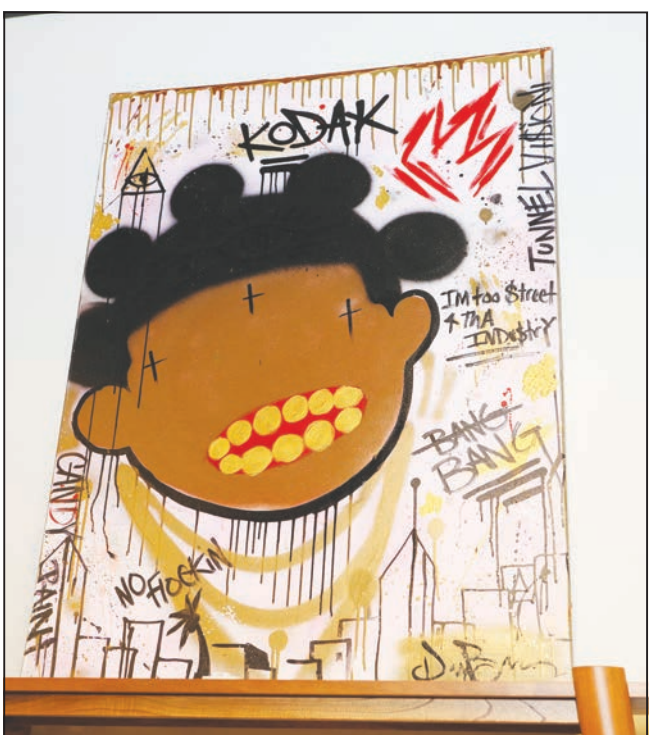
Western Front’s sitting and educational room for clients to sit and get caught up on the latest cannabis information available.



Bobby Boyd (right) Asst. General Manager is shown with Western Front’s entertainment, Caleaf “Big Leaf” Sellers, Liza “Luna Del Flor” Zayas, and Leo “Playroom Boston” Alarcon.



Kimberly Cormier offering free cannabis free samples, giving customers a chance to taste the edible before purchasing.



Western Front’s Art Gallery has a 30 day rotation to display art from local artists.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

LIQUOR LICENSES COULD EXPAND

CHELSEA - More people in Chelsea could mean more liquor licenses for the city. “Based on new census numbers, we’re likely to have a significant number of new liquor licenses available,” said Stephon Treadway, the city’s municipal hearing officer. Treadway said the Li-

censing Department is recommending that a request for proposals go out asking potential licensees to meet certain criteria, rather than having the Licensing Commission take the requests for new licenses in order when they become available. “Then we can decide which we think are the best fit for the city under the criteria established by

Chapter 138,” said Treadway. Licensing Commissioner James Guido said a public hearing will be scheduled to help determine the best criteria for the RFPs and issuing the new licenses. In other business, the commission held a conference on the status of the liquor license for The Chelsea Walk Pub, which

is currently closed. Pub manager Angela Palmieri said there are currently negotiations underway to sell the pub which she said she expects to be concluded by the end of the year. Palmieri said The Chelsea Pub Walk filed to renew the liquor license for 2022. The Chelsea Walk Pub will be back before the Licensing Commission in

December for an update. “We’re not going to let you renew and stay closed and have a pocket license for a year,” said Guido. “When you come in December, we’ll decide how we are going to proceed.” The commission also got an update on the liquor license held by the estate of Nancy Serna. She held the liquor license for Rancho Las Pupusas on 2nd Street, which is currently open but not serving alcohol.

According to a letter from an attorney representing the estate, the matter is currently in Suffolk County Probate Court, and it’s expected that there will be a corporation running the business under one of the heirs. At that time, it is likely that the new corporation will appear before the Licensing Commission to reactivate the liquor license. In other business, the commission heard from the managers of Bar La Cueva on Broadway, which reopened in September after being closed for over a year due to the pandemic. The managers requested that their hours be extended from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. on weekends. Guido said the restaurant could file for an extension, and it would be taken up at a public hearing in January. Police Lt. Keith Houghton said that the bar’s hours had been rolled back in 2019, but that there had been no issues since they reopened in September.

week the City of Boston’s Election Department, with approval from the Boston City Council, set in-person early voting dates for the 1st Suffolk & Middlesex Senate Special Election Primary. On Tuesday, December 14 District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards will square off against Revere School Committee member Anthony D’Ambrosio to fill the senate seat that was vacated by Joe Boncore earlier this fall. However, Boston voters in the senatorial district, which includes East Boston, Revere, Winthrop, Bay Village, South End, Chinatown, Beacon Hill, and Cambridgeport, can begin voting Saturday, December 4 and early voting will last until Friday, December 10. On Sunday December 4 registered voters in the senatorial district can vote at City Hall between 11 am and 7 pm. as well as neighborhood sites from 11 am to 7 pm. Voters can again vote on Monday, December 6 from 9 am to 5 pm at City Hall and again on Tuesday, December 7 from 9 am to 8 pm as well as at neighborhood sites from 12 pm to 8 pm. On Wednesday, December 8 early voting will occur for the race at City Hall only from 9 am to 5 pm and again on Thursday, December 9 at City Hall from 9 am to 8 pm and at neighborhood sites from 12 pm to 8 am. The final date of early voting for the senate race will be on Friday, December 10 from 9 am to 5 pm at City Hall. The closest in-person

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Theresa Shalsi

Everett Community Activist

Theresa L. (Ragucci) Shalsi of Everett passed away on November 24.

A lifelong resident of Everett, she was a graduate of Everett High school, a cheerleader and a drum majorette. She was a dancer at Arthur Murray studio, a ballroom dance instructor and thoroughly enjoyed tap dancing.

Theresa taught cake decorating for many years at Everett High School, which was her passion. She had her own television show on ECTV Ch.3, Nona's Cakes & Co., where she filmed the process, step by step, for cake decorating. She donated many decorated cakes to the City of Everett for various functions.

Theresa was very much involved in her community. She donated her time to do various things around the city, such as cleaning the Immaculate Conception Church, volunteering at St Anthony's Church and she was also a Trustee for the Everett Public Library.

She worked for the City of Everett for many years. at the Parks Department and the Board of Health and most recently, she was the receptionist at City Hall. She always had a smile on her face while greeting people and became very well known while working the Polls for all elections.

Theresa absolutely loved college football, even though she would walk out of the room when the games got too stressful. She also loved watching horse racing. She enjoyed having a summer rental on Hampton Beach and watching the waves



come in for high tide. Anything that involved being together and family, she cherished.

Theresa will be missed terribly by all who knew her, especially her family.

The daughter of the late Antonio J. Ragucci and Mary D'Ambrosio Ragucci, she was the beloved wife of the late Ralph C. Shalsi, loving mother of the late Ralph A. Shalsi, Sr., cherished Nona to Ralph A. "Tony" Shalsi and his wife, Dawn of Sandown, NH and MaryTheresa Michlik and her husband, Ricky of Raymond, NH and great grandmother to Nora, Mitch and Harper Michlik. She is also survived by her loving sisters: Joann Lippi, Diana Culp, Marie Perry, Irma Pascarella and Janet Ringdahl.

Her Funeral will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons ~ Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere, today, Wednesday, December 1 at 8:45 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in Immaculate Conception Church, 489 Broadway, Everett, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. For guestbook, please visit www.buonfiglio.com

Start the new year with a new career at the MBTA

Staff Report

The MBTA is aggressively hiring new employees to join its dynamic workforce. It takes many people to move over a million trips a day, and the 6,500-person MBTA is redoubling efforts to hire hundreds of open positions – from train and trolley operators, to administrative and technical positions, and especially bus drivers who are in high demand to transport Massachusetts residents to work, play, and everywhere in between. Prospective candidates looking for a rewarding career where they can have a positive impact on the entire region should visit mbta.com/careers for more information on open positions and to learn about the MBTA's many benefits and incentives.

"The MBTA plays an integral and essential role in keeping Massachusetts moving. The T is a diverse and exciting place to

work, and we're actively hiring and training new employees, especially bus drivers, right now to join our ranks and play a significant part in revitalizing the region post pandemic," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "The MBTA is being proactive in recruiting new individuals to join our team and fast-tracking the hiring process, and will continue to work closely with local and state career centers and our community partners to recruit new individuals to join our team. We offer a variety of growth opportunities to employees and encourage members of the public to visit our website to learn more about our many open positions and beginning their career at the T."

The MBTA has gone to over 20 online and in-person career fairs across the region this fall and is updating the way it hires to make it easier and faster to start a T career, includ-

ing Commercial Driver's License (CDL) permit "events" at Registry of Motor Vehicle locations (CDL permits are encouraged in applying for bus operator positions), a revamp of the interview process, streamlining the application process, and more. The T has also launched an aggressive recruitment campaign, more than doubling the size of its Human Resources recruiting department since Labor Day 2021 with more anticipated to join soon. A Human Resources team was also recently created that is dedicated to vehicle operator hiring, especially MBTA bus operators.

The MBTA offers competitive salaries, extensive healthcare benefits, free public transit, training programs, tuition assistance, employee assistance programs, and an emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion. MBTA employees also receive attractive

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Sounds of Christmas will play Sunday in Revere

Covid restrictions in place for safety

Staff Report

The instruments are tuned and the musicians are ready for Sunday's Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert and Food Drive featuring the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra.

Music Director Robert Lehmann will start the program of popular Christmas music at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church.

All concert attendees will be required to show proof of Covid vaccination or a negative Covid test taken no earlier than Thursday December 2. Everyone will be required to wear masks during the concert.



Soprano Jean Danton will be the featured soloist with the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra in Sunday's Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at St. Anthony's Church, 4 p.m.

Admission to the concert is free thanks to the generous principal sponsors Bocchino Insurance, Global Partners LP, Comcast, RCN, Action Emergency Management

Services, and the Arbel-la Insurance Foundation. Patrons are asked to bring a generous donation of non-perishable food to benefit the Revere Food Pantry.

The "Sounds of Christmas" concert was first played in Revere in 1976 and settled at St. Anthony's Church in 1977. It has been an annual event except for a three-year hiatus in the mid-1980s. The pandemic forced cancellation of last year's concert.

"It goes without saying that we are thrilled to be back at St. Anthony's this year," said Robert Marra Jr., president of the Or-

chestra and co-chair of the concert. "We want everyone to be safe, but to come and enjoy this tradition and welcome the holiday season."

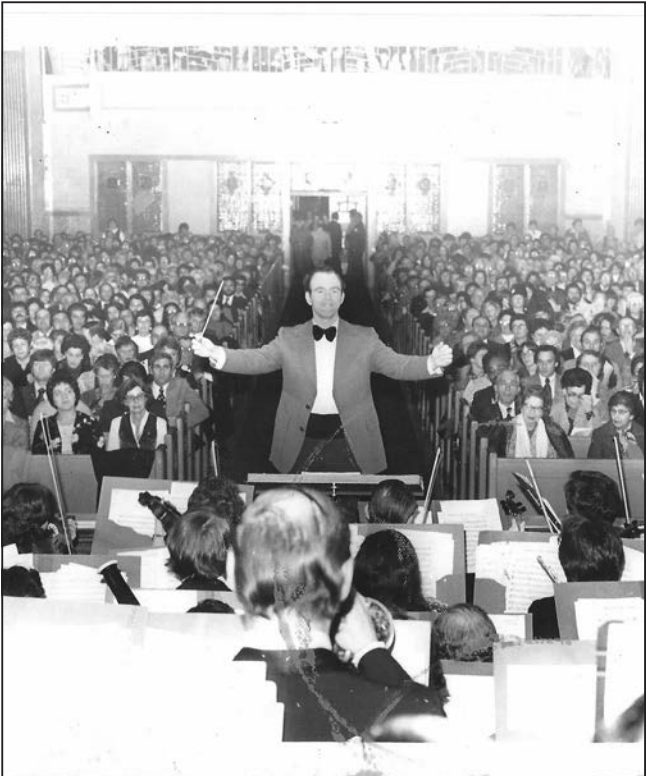
The concert was named in 2002 after lifelong Revere resident, violinist Robert Marra Sr., the Orchestra's concertmaster for over 50 years and a 40-year teacher at Revere High. The Food Drive has been a part of the event since 1991 and over the years has raised tons of food to help the needy in Revere and surrounding communities served by the Revere Food Pantry organized by the First Congregational Church.

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Organizers expect a good crowd at Sunday's Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at St. Anthony's Church, 4 p.m. as the annual tradition resumes after last year's COVID-related cancellation.



FIRST NOTE: In a vintage photograph from 1977, North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra Music Director Max Hobart starts the first "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at a full St. Anthony's Church. The tradition continues Sunday when Hobart's successor Robert Lehmann conducts the Orchestra at St. Anthony's in a 4 p.m free concert.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

JACKSON NAMED TO SPRING 2021 DEAN'S LIST AT STONEHILL COLLEGE

Jacob Jackson, of Everett a member of the Class of 2024, has been named to the Spring 2021 Dean's List at Stonehill College.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.

Stonehill is a Catholic

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LOCAL STUDENTS ON HONOR ROLL

The following Everett residents were named to the first quarter Honor Roll at Arlington Catholic High School:

- Victor Scarpatto
- Krysonia Tavares
- Gabriella Veneziale
- Kira Wilcox


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HAPPY VALLEY CELEBRATES ‘GREEN WEDNESDAY’

Photos by John Lynds

Last Wednesday Eastie’s newest cannabis dispensary, Happy Valley, celebrated “Green Wednesday” at its McClellan highway location. The relatively new holiday started up as the cannabis dispensary industry’s answer to the post-Thanksgiving holiday shopping extravaganzas of Black Friday and Cyber Monday and has become the second busiest

day for cannabis sales for local dispensaries behind 4/20. Happy Valley’s included the Roxy’s Food Truck that served up some free grilled cheese and tots and local deejay, DJ Joe, who played some music for shoppers from 4 pm to 7 pm. Happy Valley also offered special pricing on cannabis products in the spirit of Black Friday and Cyber Monday.



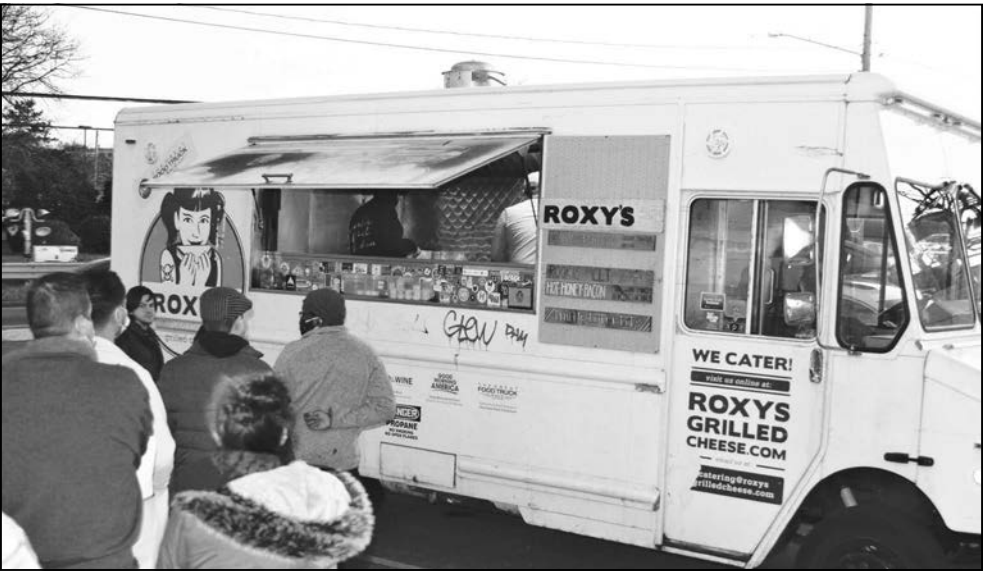
The Roxy’s Food Truck was on hand to serve up some free grilled cheese and tots



DJ Joe spun some tunes for shoppers during Happy Valley’s Green Wednesday event.



Shown above, some of Happy Valley’s glassware on display. Happy Valley features a full line of accessories from the “Witch Doctor” of Salem, MA. Shown left, Gilly Motta, General Manager of Happy Valley, located at 220 Wm McClellan Hwy in East Boston. Open 7 day a week, 10am until 9pm. Serving medical and recreational needs. 21 years of age required. Tel# 978-515-5600.



A line forms for some grilled cheese sandwiches at Roxy’s Food Truck.

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early voting neighborhood site in East Boston is the BCYF Paris Street Community Center at 112 Paris St. Residents in the senatorial district must register to vote before Wednesday, November 24 in order to be eligible to take part in the Special Election Primary. Councilor Edwards, an East Boston resident, previously ran for the Senate seat after former State Senator Anthony Petrucci left office in 2016. While unsuccessful in that race Edwards went on to run for the District One City Council seat, which includes Eastie, Charlestown, and the North End, the following year. She went on to win that race and has served on the council ever since. D’Ambrosio, a Revere resident, got his start in politics in 2019 when he successfully ran for Revere School Committee, a citywide seat. He topped Revere’s School Committee ticket in that race and had an impressive showing during his first run for political office. For more information on local polling locations and important dates for the Primary visit, <https://www.boston.gov/departments/election>.

NICHOLSON NAMES TRANSITION TEAM

LYNN - Mayor-Elect Jared Nicholson has announced the formation of a Transition Committee to advise his incoming Administration as well as the launch of a website to support his team’s outreach and recruitment: www.lynnforallofus.com. The Transition Committee will be co-chaired by Faustina Cuevas, the City’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, and Magnolia Contreras, Vice-President of Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and a member of the board of EDIC/Lynn. The other members are: - Charlie Gaeta, Executive Director of Lynn Housing Authority and Neighborhood Development - Frances Martinez, President / CEO of the North Shore Latino Business Association - Bob Tucker, President

of the Friends of Lynn & Nahant Beach and former President of the Lynn City Council - Katie Cohen, former Executive Director of the North Shore Labor Council - Drew Russo, City of Lynn Personnel Director - Gordie Hall, President & CEO The Hall Company, Inc. - Thavra Net, Mental Health Therapist and Program Director of Rainbow ADHC of Lynn - Oren Wright, Lynn Police Officer and Lynn Public Schools Security Officer The Committee will be charged with advising Mayor-Elect Nicholson on the assembly of his Administration’s team, the elaboration of policy priorities, and the recruitment and facilitation of different voices and perspectives from the community. In tandem with the launch of the Transition Committee, Mayor-Elect Nicholson has also announced his Administration’s transition website: www.lynnforallofus.com. Anyone interested in getting involved with the new Administration can reach out directly through this site. There is a form to submit resumes and thoughts and suggestions to the Mayor-Elect. Nicholson said, “We are thrilled to hit the ground running in this effort and invite anyone and everyone who wants to participate to reach out. I’m also grateful for the deep thoughtfulness and foresight that Mayor McGee and his team are bringing to the transition process. We’re putting in the work to make this an inclusive and structured effort that sets us up for success in January and beyond.”

ZAMBUTO FALLS SHORT IN RECOUNT

REVERE - City Council President Anthony Zambuto’s recount bid in the Nov. 2 election picked up four votes, but Councilor-at-Large George Rotondo emerged as the fifth-place finisher overall by 33 votes, taking the final at-large position. The recount, under the direction of Election Commissioner Diane Colella, was held Saturday at the Revere High School Fieldhouse. Rotondo finished with 2,238

votes while Zambuto received 2,205 votes. Dan Rizzo, Steven Morabito, Marc Silvestri, and Gerry Visconti were elected to the other four at-large positions. “It was interesting, probably the most respectful recount I’ve ever been involved in,” said Zambuto. “There was no acrimony or anything.” The long-time councilor-at-large said he did notice during the recount that “unfortunately there was a bullet campaign out there and the ballots were pristine so we couldn’t find any votes because people just went in and bulleted either Morabito, Silvestri, or Rizzo.” A “bullet” in the case of the Revere councilor-at-large election meant that voters cast their individual ballot and voted for only one candidate when they could have voted for up to five candidates. That strategy would hurt the chances of a well-known incumbent such as Zambuto, who likely would have received many secondary votes.

Zambuto congratulated Rotondo on his victory in the recount and wished him well in the new term that begins in January.

“George and I were friends going in and we were friends going out,” said Zambuto. “Unfortunately for me, I couldn’t find any votes because of the way the ballots were,” said Zambuto.

Zambuto said he’s had 22 years of distinguished service and has many accomplishments such as leading the effort to build a new Revere station.

“I walk away with my head held up high,” said Zambuto. “I had to have this recount for my supporters of 22 years. The bottom line is the recount was very respectful and very professional.”

MARIJUANA LACED WITH FENTANYL

WINTHROP - Public Health Director Meredith Hurley would like to issue a warning for marijuana laced with fentanyl.

The Connecticut State Lab recently confirmed the presence of fentanyl in a marijuana sample af-

WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL’S CLASS OF 1961 REUNION AT THE HISTORIC WINTHROP ARMS



Last Saturday afternoon about 30 members of the WHS Class of 1961 gathered at the Winthrop Arms Restaurant for an afternoon of friendship and a great meal. Some of the classmates see each other on a regular basis but for some it was a welcomed homecoming.

ter numerous people who reported only using marijuana overdosed.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid typically used to treat severe pain. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, fentanyl is 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine, and has been linked to overdoses and death.

“Fentanyl is often disguised with other drugs, and people may not know that they are consuming it,” Director Hurley said. “With the recent discovery of marijuana laced with fentanyl in Connecticut, it is more important than ever to be vigilant and to know the signs of an overdose. Remember, always dial 911 in the event of an overdose.”

The Winthrop Public Health Department wishes to share the following symptoms, which may be signs of an overdose:

- Small, constricted pupils
- Falling asleep or loss

of consciousness

- Slow, shallow breathing
- Choking or gurgling sounds
- A limp body
- Pale, blue or cold skin

If residents notice someone that they believe is experiencing an overdose, they should immediately dial 911 and administer Narcan if available.

Narcan, otherwise known as Naloxone, is an opioid antagonist that can reverse the effects of a potentially fatal overdose by displacing the drug from the receptors in the brain. Narcan is available for purchase without a prescription at most pharmacies, and health insurance can be used to offset the cost.

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tiff(s) for an order directing the defendant(s), to appear, plead, or answer, in accordance with Mass.R.Civ.P./Mass.R.Dom.Rel.P. Rule 4, it appearing to the court that this is an action for Divorce 1B. Pursuant To Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411, an Automatic Restraining Order has been entered against the above. Named parties. Defendant cannot be found within the Commonwealth and his/her present whereabouts are unknown. Personal service on defendant is therefore not practicable,

and defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action. It is Ordered that defendant is directed to appear, plead, answer, or otherwise move with respect to the complaint herein on or before 01/12/2022. If you fail to do so this Court will proceed to a hearing and adjudication of this matter. Date: November 4, 2021 Hon. Jennifer Rivera-Ulwick Justice of Probate and Family Court

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.

**Mystic Side
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422 Main Street
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Immaculate Conception Parish

News and Notes

Parochial Vicar is Father Gustavo Buccilli, SMA and Not Fr. Ernest Egbedike SMA.

Weekly Mass Schedule: 4:00 p.m. Sunday Vigil, (English), 7:30 Vietnamese, 7:00 a.m. (English, 10:00 a.m. English, 12:00 p.m. (Spanish) and 4:00 (Haitian-Creole). Not 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Nov 29-Dec. 7, 2021 there will be 9 days Novena in Preparation for the Immaculate Conception Mary, every day from 6:30-10:00 p.m. with the Haitian Community in the upper church. All are welcome!

Dec. 8, 2021: Immaculate. Conception of Mary, Day of Obligation: Masses at 7:00 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. in the Chapel and at 6:00 p.m. Spanish (introduction of the Legion of Mary to the Spanish Community). Christmas Eve, Friday,

Dec. 24, 2021

- At 4:00 p.m. English
- At 6:00 p.m. Spanish
- At 11:00 p.m. English

Christmas Carols half hour before the Midnight Mass Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 2021

- At 10:00 a.m. English
 - At 12:00 p.m. Spanish
 - At 4:00 p.m. Haitian-Creole
- New Year 2022
- New Year Eve, Friday, Dec. 31, Mass is at 4:00 p.m.

• New Year Day, Saturday 1st, Mass is at 10:00 a.m.

I wish you every God's Blessing and very happy and prosperous year 2022.

Sincerely,
Rev. Joseph Chacha Marwa, SMA

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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 face-

book page, "Zion Church Ministries."

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

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.

Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship service.

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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 [\[everett.church\]\(http://everett.church\) to sign up for our newsletter and see how we can help you, or connect with the Everett Community Aid Network at \[www.everettcan.com\]\(http://www.everettcan.com\) to request any additional help.](http://www.for-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open and welcoming to all.

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

Come all and let us walk together in this season of

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM, Everett City Hall, 3rd Floor George Keeverian Hearing Room. All interested parties may attend and opinions will be heard regarding the following petition.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 366 Broadway
Map/Lot: E0-03-000112

Person Requesting: RD 366 Broadway LLC
366 Realty Trust, 345 Boylston Street Suite #300,
Newton, MA 02459

PROPOSAL:
The 8,202 sq. ft. lot is located within the Business Zoning district. The applicant seeks to increase the existing structure at 366 Broadway and add one (1) new story to the existing two (2) story building for a total of three (3) stories. The new building will consist of twenty (24) units. Nine (9) parking spaces are provided for proposed building.

Reason for Denial:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:

1. Appendix A Section (6) B (2) (a) – Lot area 1.5 to 1 Maximum floor area ratio, the FAR for this project is at 2.15
2. Off Street Parking: TDM, to be completed at Planning Board Review.
3. The front yard requires relief in the form of a variance for the ten-foot requirement.
4. The side setbacks (left and right) will require a variance of seven feet.

Section 6 Business Districts b) Dimensional Requirements Line 5 Side Yards: None required unless a lot line adjoins lot used for one or two family or three family dwelling use, in which case the side yard shall be not less than four (4) feet in width for a building proposed to be not more than thirty (30) feet in height; and seven (7) feet for buildings proposed to be more than thirty (30) feet in height. Where a side lot line serves as a boundary between dwelling and apartment districts, the side yard shall be a minimum of seven (7) feet in width. There shall be no projections allowed within the required side yards. (Ord. of 6-29-87)

Section B Dimensional Requirements 4. Front Yard: None required, except when used for residential purposes there shall be a ten (10) foot minimum of which no less than five (5) feet shall be used for landscaping. (Ord. of 6-29-87)

Section (6) B.2 - Lot Area: a. Residential ---1.5 to 1 maximum floor area ratio.

Mary Gerace – Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

Please Recycle this Newspaper

Malden Catholic students walk on behalf of the Leonard Florence Center for Living and raise \$13,000

Special to the Independent

In honor of the 13th Annual ALS & MS Walk for Living, which was held virtually on October 17 to benefit the residents of the Leonard Florence Center for Living, the Malden Catholic High School held a three-mile walk on Wednesday, November 17 at 2:30 PM. Over 300 students, parents, faculty, staff and friends attended the walk around the track twelve times in honor those who have suffered from ALS in the community and raised over \$13,000.

The walk honored Timothy Paquette (MC'07), who passed away from ALS on June 27, 2021, and is the son of Rick & Elizabeth Paquette; Chris

Snow, a Melrose native who was diagnosed with ALS in 2019; Brother Joe Comber, a community member and care-giver to Brother Tim Hoey who was MC's Social Studies Department Chairperson and beloved teacher who passed away from ALS on April 24, 2021. Brother Tim Hoey was also a resident of the Leonard Florence Center for Living. Speakers include Tim's mom Elizabeth Paquette, Malden Mayor Gary Christenson and Walk for Living Director Maura Graham.

"Tim lost his battle with ALS this June, and he left his wife Chelsea and beautiful baby boy, Declan. I felt devastated and overwhelmed but having the MC Lancers came out



The walkers at the start of the 13th Annual ALS and MLS Walk.

today provide a circle of love and care for those in the community who are suffering, meant a tremendous amount to me and my family," stated Mrs. Elizabeth Paquette.

The Leonard Florence Center for Living enables its residents, many of whom are completely immobilized, to control lights, turn on the TV, call for the elevator, open doors and raise window shades, all with help of a computer and sensor that tracks head and eye movements for instruction. This technology enables them to move independently through the entire residence, vastly improving

their quality of life.

Every single dollar raised from this Walk goes directly back to patient care and programs for the ALS and MS residents. The Center cares for more individuals living with ALS than any place else in the world.

"Malden Catholic has partnered with the Leonard Florence Center for the past 8 years and we are delighted to join together as a community to provide an improved quality of life for those who suffer from ALS and MS," stated John K. Thornburg, Malden Catholic Headmaster. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TPt0BJ-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TPt0BJ-CaneU)

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Since 1932, Malden Catholic High School has shaped emerging leaders in our community, claiming a Nobel Laureate, a Senator, two ambassadors and countless community and business heads among its alumni. Annually, graduates attend some of the nation's most renown universities including Harvard, Georgetown, Brown, Cornell, Tufts, Georgia Tech, Boston College and Amherst College. Foundational to student success is Malden Catholic's codivisional model which offers the best of both worlds, single-gender academics

during the day and integrated social and extracurricular opportunities after school. Malden Catholic is known in the community for its rigorous academics, SFX Scholars Program and award-winning STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) with electives such as Robotics and Engineering Design. Malden Catholic curriculum is designed to improve individual growth mindset, leadership principles, success outcomes along with integrating the Xaverian values of trust, humility, compassion, simplicity and zeal. <https://www.maldencatholic.org/>



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STUDENTS FROM PIONEER CHARTER PARTICIPATE IN FOOD DRIVE

Students from Grades K-8 at Pioneer Charter School of Science in Everett have created a Community Involvement Club, which has been running a food drive this fall semester. They were responsible for collecting boxed and canned food at the school over the past few weeks, and now they are making the donation drop-offs to the organizations they will be helping. The first drop was Thursday morning at the Edward G. Connolly Center in Everett, and later to the First Congregational Church in Revere and the Somerville Homeless Coalition.



Students with their donations at the Connolly Center in Everett.



Shown above, students with the donations that they dropped off at the Somerville Homeless Coalition, and to the right, students bring a box of non-perishable food into the Revere Food Bank at the First Church in Revere.

Metro Credit Union welcomes Occean as VP Retail Regional Administrator

Staff Report

Metro Credit Union, Massachusetts' largest state-chartered credit union, has announced Joelle Occean has joined the organization as VP Retail Regional Administrator. In her role, Occean is responsible for motivating, coaching, and supporting a team of branch managers to provide outstanding member service and performance to meet the financial needs of members, while achieving Metro's goals and objectives. She will oversee the sourcing and hiring of branch personnel within her assigned region and ensure all branches are staffed with experienced team mem-



Joelle Occean.

bers. Prior to joining Metro Credit Union, Occean held a similar role as an Area Manager at East Boston Savings Bank, earning more than 10 years of experience in banking and a passion for member service and engagement. Throughout her career, Occean has opened numerous individual branch-

es, meeting their financial objectives with a detailed understanding of local markets.

"We're excited to have Joelle join Metro" said Robert Cashman, Metro Credit Union's President and CEO. "Her depth of knowledge within the banking industry, alongside her leadership and management skills, will serve our members well as Metro continues to grow."

Occean received her Associates degree in Business Administration from Newbury College and has a Branch Compliance Officer (BCO) certification. She is Mutual Fund Licensed and has completed Personal Financial Planning No. 1 (PFP) training.

MCU welcomes Bianny Arias-Perez and Clarissa Oliveira, Training and Development Partners

Staff Report

Metro Credit Union (MCU), Massachusetts' largest state-chartered credit union has announced Bianny Arias-Perez and Clarissa Oliveira have joined the organization as Partners in the Training and Development Department.

In the Training and Development Partner role, Arias-Perez and Oliveira will be responsible for delivering, monitoring, updating, and evaluating the New Employee Training program, conducting classroom and on-the-job training with a focus on products and systems. When not actively training on-site or in the classroom, they will assist with training and coaching employees who assist members.

Prior to joining Metro

Credit Union, Arias-Perez was most recently a Retail Training Officer at East Boston Savings Bank. She brings six years of experience within the banking industry and a talent for creating and developing personalized learning approaches for each participant. Arias-Perez received her Associates degree in Business Management from Quincy College and is a Langevin Certified Master Trainer.

Oliveira joins Metro Credit Union with over a decade of experience within the financial services industry, most recently as a BSA Analyst at Naveo Credit Union and with knowledge of many financial programs including the COCC Core and Verafin. Oliveira received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from the University of

Massachusetts Boston and obtained her Bank Secrecy Act Certified Specialist qualification.

"We're excited to have Bianny and Clarissa join Metro" said Robert Cashman, Metro Credit Union's President and CEO. "As Metro continues to grow, so do career opportunities. By expanding our Training and Development department, Metro will invest and ensure our new hires feel empowered in their roles and serve our members effectively."

Metro currently employs more than 340 staff members across its branch network and corporate offices with plans to open seven new branch locations in 2022.

For more information about Metro Credit Union please visit MetroCU.org or connect with us on LinkedIn.



Mayor DeMaria

WINTER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

REGISTRATION:

MONDAY-FRIDAY
2:30PM- 6:00PM
@REC CENTER
47 ELM STREET

COST:

\$35 PER PLAYER
\$30 FOR EACH
ADDITIONAL FAMILY
MEMBER WHO PLAYS.
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