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Joseph Donahue, Jr.

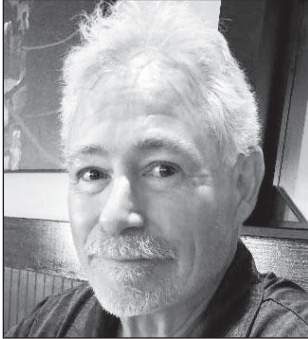
Former Chemist for Clean Harbors

Joseph H. “Joey”, Donahue, Jr. of Everett, entered into eternal rest, unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 15 at home. He was 61 years old.

Born in Everett, Joey had been a lifelong resident. He had a Bachelor of Science degree and formerly worked for Clean Harbors as a chemist.

He was the beloved son of the late Terese M. (Deegan) and Joseph H. Donahue; dear and devoted brother of Patricia A. Donahue and William B. Donahue of Everett and Timothy J. Donahue of Seattle, WA and loving companion of Rachel Beal. Joey is also survived by his former wife, Linda Conti Russo, many loving nieces and nephews and special family friend, Josephine Foti.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joey’s visitation



in the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark St. (Corner of Main St.) Everett, Thursday, Dec. 23 at 8:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church, 487 Broadway, Everett at 10 a.m. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Joey’s memory to the AmericanBrainFoundation.org, for chronic traumatic brain injuries would be sincerely appreciated. Parking with attendants on duty.

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Mommy

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GreenStar Herbals Cannabis Recreational Dispensary opens in Chelsea

By John Lynds

The GreenStar Herbals cannabis recreational dispensary officially opened its doors in Chelsea on December 15 at the site of the former King Aurthur’s Lounge.

The new, state-of-the-art cannabis facility now offers one of the most extensive selections of organic craft cannabis in the state.

GreenStar President/CEO Thomas Morey said GreenStar Herbals provides the finest grade cannabis to adults in Massachusetts and its products are organically produced and laboratory tested for safety, potency, and consistency.

“It was almost a three year process of permitting, knocking down the old King Arthur’s and building this brand new state-of-the-art dispensary,” said Morey. “We are happy to say that we are up and running and really excited to get the word out.”

GreenStar, which has two other dispensaries in Maynard and Dracut, MA, has been a success story in the cannabis industry through its partnership with Green Thumb Industries.

“Green Thumb is one



The interior of GreenStar Herbals new facility in Chelsea.

of the world’s largest cannabis companies,” said Morey. “They’ve got scientists around the United States and so they manufacture the “Rhythm Brand” of products that are really a high end product line. So it made sense for us to, you know, partner with them. We’re able to not only provide their product but provide a number of other products through all the best cultivators in Massachusetts and that’s one of the things that GreenStar built its reputation on. I like to

think we have the highest quality product along with a great in-house retail experience.”

The in-house experience includes a fireplace, beautiful art on the wall, and a player-piano.

“We really try to give our customers a great option and variety of all the different strains in Massachusetts as well as a good experience when they shop here and it’s worked out very well for us,” said Morey.

Located a half-mile from the Encore Casino

and a hop, skip and a jump from Everett, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston and Lynn, Morey hopes GreenStar can start to penetrate these markets as another option for adult cannabis users in the area.

“We’re really excited to open business and work in partnership with the city,” said Morey. “In fact, the majority of our employees are from the Chelsea area. That’s what we try to do is we try to give back to the city in terms of charity and to putting people to work.”

Wynn Resorts names Julie Cameron-Doe as its new CFO

Wynn Resorts, Limited announced it will appoint Julie Cameron-Doe as its Chief Financial Officer, effective in the second quarter of 2022 on completion of her notice period with her current employer. Ms. Cameron-Doe will succeed Craig Billings, who will become the Company’s CEO early next year.

Mr. Billings said, “Julie is a proven leader and is a sitting public company CFO. Coming from the gaming industry, she understands many aspects of our business and she has diverse international experience. She is the clear choice for this position and her appointment rounds out our senior executive team. We are indeed fortunate to have her join us next year.”

Ms. Cameron-Doe will join Wynn Resorts from Aristocrat Leisure Ltd where she has served as Chief Financial Officer since 2018. She will bring a wealth of diverse financial experience to Wynn, having held senior finance roles at Aristocrat since 2013 as well as in global businesses, including Orbitz, The Walt Disney

Company, and KPMG.

Ms. Cameron-Doe said, “To me, Wynn Resorts represents the gold standard in resort companies. The opportunity to work alongside Craig and the team, building on their legacy of excellence, is incredibly exciting. I look forward to contributing to the company’s growth and future development.”

About Wynn Resorts

Wynn Resorts, Limited is traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the ticker symbol WYNN and is part of the S&P 500 Index. Wynn Resorts owns and operates Wynn Las Vegas (wynnlasvegas.com), Encore Boston Harbor(encorebostonharbor.com), Wynn Macau (wynnmacau.com), and Wynn Palace, Cotai (wynnpalace.com).

Wynn and Encore Las Vegas feature two luxury hotel towers with a total of 4,748 spacious hotel rooms, suites and villas, approximately 194,000 square feet of casino space, 22 dining experiences featuring signature chefs and 11 bars, two award-winning spas, approximately 560,000 rentable square feet of meeting and con-

vention space, approximately 160,000 square feet of retail space as well as two showrooms, two nightclubs, a beach club and recreation and leisure facilities. Wynn Las Vegas recently unveiled the new Wynn Golf Club and 18-hole, 129-acre championship golf course, and in February 2020 debuted a 430,000-square-foot meeting and convention space expansion powered by 100 percent renewable energy.

Encore Boston Harbor is a luxury resort destination featuring a 210,000 square foot casino, 671 hotel rooms, an ultra-premium spa, specialty retail, 16 dining and lounge venues, and approximately 71,000 square feet of state-of-the-art ballroom and meeting spaces. Situated on the waterfront along the Mystic River in Everett, Massachusetts, the resort has created a six-acre public park and Harborwalk along the shoreline. It is the largest private, single-phase development in the history of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Wynn Macau is a luxury hotel and casino resort lo-

cated in the Macau Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China with two luxury hotel towers with a total of 1,010 spacious rooms and suites, approximately 252,000 square feet of casino space, 12 food and beverage outlets, approximately 31,000 square feet of meeting and convention space, approximately 59,000 square feet of retail space, and recreation and leisure facilities including two opulent spas, a salon and a rotunda show.

Wynn Palace is a luxury integrated resort in Macau. Designed as a floral-themed destination, it boasts 1,706 exquisite rooms, suites and villas, approximately 424,000 square feet of casino space, 14 food and beverage outlets, approximately 37,000 square feet of meeting and convention space, approximately 106,000 square feet of designer retail, SkyCabs that traverse an eight-acre Performance Lake, an extensive collection of rare art, a lush spa, salon and recreation and leisure facilities.

Leftover safety: Extending your holiday meals

Enjoying terrific food is one of the highlights of the holiday season. However, all good things must come to an end, including the holiday celebrations. But holiday meals often bring leftovers and leftovers can help stretch out your holiday cheer. According to Mystic Valley Elder Services Registered Dietician Candace Quigley, it’s important to assess the safety of the foods that are leftover. “If perishable foods, such as meat, poultry, cooked foods, cheese, cut up fruits and vegetables, were out for more than two hours, they should be discarded,” she says. “The last thing your winter season needs is a bellyache—or worse—caused by improperly stored leftovers. And after

the holidays, you may find yourself with a particularly full refrigerator.”

To keep your food tasty and free of nasty bacteria, follow these food safety tips (adapted from the Federal Food Safety Service):

Keep food out of the danger zone: Bacteria grow rapidly between the temperatures of 41° F and 140° F. After food is safely cooked, hot food must be kept hot at 140° F or warmer to prevent bacterial growth. Make sure to refrigerate the food within 2 hours of cooking food or after it is removed from an appliance keeping it warm.

Cool food rapidly: To prevent bacterial growth, it’s important to divide large amounts of hot food

into shallow containers so it reaches the safe refrigerator-storage temperature of 41°F or below as fast as possible. Cut large items of food into smaller portions to cool. Cut turkey into smaller pieces and refrigerate. Store turkey and stuffing in separate containers.

Wrap leftovers well: Cover leftovers, wrap them in airtight packaging, or seal them in storage containers. These practices help keep bacteria out, retain moisture, and prevent leftovers from picking up odors from other food in the refrigerator. Immediately refrigerate or freeze the wrapped leftovers for rapid cooling.

Store leftovers safely: Leftovers can be kept in the refrigerator for 3 to

4 days (gravy should be used within 1-2 days) or frozen for 3 to 4 months. Consider marking your leftovers with the date.

Reheat leftovers safely: When reheating leftovers, be sure they reach 165° F as measured with a food thermometer. Reheat gravy, sauces, and soups by bringing them to a rolling boil. When reheating in the microwave, cover and rotate the food for even heating. Arrange food items evenly in a covered microwave safe glass or ceramic dish, and add some liquid if needed. Be sure the covering is microwave safe, and vent the lid or wrap to let the steam escape. The moist heat that is created will help destroy harmful bacteria and will ensure uniform cooking.

NEWS IN BRIEF

THE SCHEDULE FOR COVID-19 TESTING AT RIVERGREEN FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS WEEK IS AS FOLLOWS:

Wednesday December 22- 7am to 7pm
Thursday December 23- 7am to 12noon
Friday December 24 - Closed
Saturday December 25 - Closed
Monday December 27- 7am to 7pm
Tuesday December 28- 7am to 7pm
Wednesday December 29- 7am to 7pm
Thursday December 30 - 7am to 12 noon
Friday December 31- Closed
Saturday January 1- Closed
Normal scheduled hours for testing will resume on Monday January 3, 2022.

MALDEN CATHOLIC’S MAKE-A-WISH CLUB GRANTS A WISH

Jasper, a playful two-and-a-half-year-old who loves puzzles, dinosaurs and trucks. Diagnosed with myopathy, a life-threatening neuromuscular disease, the amount of time he spends on his favorite activities is limited, but his positive attitude always keeps a smile on his face. Seeking a welcome escape from the challenges of his illness, Jasper wished to have a play structure with a clubhouse!
Recently, Malden Catholic’s Make-A-Wish Club presented a check for \$7,340 to Make-A-Wish® Massachusetts and

Rhode Island to create and build Jasper’s playset. Mayor Christenson from Malden, Mayor Brodeur from Melrose and Hilary Muntz, Make-A-Wish® Massachusetts and Rhode Island Special Events Coordinator, we onsite for the ceremony along with the MC Make-A-Wish® Club members.

After seeing his customized playset for the first time, Jasper was amazed by its exciting features and the possibility for adventure. From the swings to relax on to the monkey bars to help him exercise to a slippery slide, Jasper was thrilled by this new world of exploration. As his mother reflects, “I am (and pretty sure I always will be) moved to tears when I look at the play structure. It’s so much more than a play structure – it’s proof that Jasper is a warrior and he can’t be held back.”

Over the 2020 and 2021 academic year, Malden Catholic students and parents came together and raised money through a variety of events, candy grams and product sales to make his wish come true. “This served as a reminder that with a community working together, we can provide renewed hope and uplifting joy when it is needed most,” stated John Thornburg, Malden Catholic Headmaster. “Our MC Make-A-Wish Club is also actively pursuing the fundraising plans to fulfill a fourth wish in 2022.

POSTAL SERVICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEAR’S DAY

Post Office locations nationwide will be closed on Christmas Day, Sat-

urday, Dec. 25, and New Year’s Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022.

All Post Office locations will be open, and regular mail delivery will resume, on Monday, Dec. 27, 2021, and Monday, Jan. 3, 2022.

Some Post Office locations may have extended hours leading up to the holidays, while others may have limited hours on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24. There are currently no plans for limited hours on New Year’s Eve, Friday, Dec. 31. Customers are advised to always check with their local Post Office for hours of operation.

Blue collection boxes with final collection times before noon will not be affected by an early closing Dec. 24.

If a box has a final collection time after noon, its mail may be picked up earlier. For mail pickup on Dec. 24, customers are asked to either put their mail into blue collection boxes by noon regardless of the final collection times posted on the box, or take their items to one of our more than 34,000 Post Office locations.

Customers who are unable to mail items before the scheduled collection box pickup times on Dec. 24 should visit the online Postal Locator tool at tools.usps.com to find Post Office locations that may be open late.

As a reminder, blue collection boxes are not serviced on Sundays.

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

FROM THE MAYOR’S OFFICE

Meet the team: Justin Shrader

Justin Shrader is an employee of the Department of Human Resources and has worked for the City of Everett for 7 months.

What do you do in the City?

I oversee HR management and department operations to adhere to organizational policies and procedures as the Director of Human Resources.

What is your favorite part about working for the City?

“Meeting new people and learning about what



everyone does for the City. When I started working for the City, I learned that Everett has a beautiful sense of community, which makes working for the City so great.

What is the biggest

lesson you’ve learned from your role?

People are people- While cultural differences exist, people still experience the same kind of drama and conflict no matter where they are.

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

Spending time with my husband and two dogs Max and Xena. We also like to travel as much as possible.

Everett man pleads guilty in federal court

An Everett man pleaded guilty in federal court in Boston to his role in a methamphetamine trafficking conspiracy.

Andrew Lunn, 42, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to distribute and to possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine and four counts of distribution of 50 grams or more of methamphetamine. U.S. District Court Judge Denise J. Casper scheduled sentencing for April 27, 2022. Lunn was initially indicted in September 2020 and was subsequently charged in a superseding indictment on May 5, 2021 along with three co-conspirators.

According to the

charging documents, in or about October 2019 through in or about September 2020, Lunn and others conspired to distribute and possessed with intent to distribute methamphetamine throughout the Everett and Boston areas.

The charges of conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine and distribution and possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine provide for a sentence of at least 10 years and up to life in prison, at least five years of supervised release and a fine of up to \$10 million. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge

based on the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

Acting United States Attorney Nathaniel R. Mendell and Brian D. Boyle, Special Agent in Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration’s New England Division made the announcement today. Assistant United States Attorney Alatheia Porter of Mendell’s Narcotics and Money Laundering Unit is prosecuting the case.

The details contained in the charging documents are allegations. The remaining defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.



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- LEGAL NOTICE -
CITY OF EVERETT

BOARD OF APPEALS
484 Broadway
Everett, Massachusetts 02149

To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:00 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: 41 Wolcott Street
Map/Lot: K0-01-000041
Person Requesting: Mr. Hector Angel Trustee
Wolcott St. Realty Trust
45 High Street
Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL:

The owner wishes to convert the existing three (3) family dwelling into a six (6) family dwelling, the proposed construction will require enclosing in an existing three-story porch to create interior living space. This project exists in the Apartment District with a pre-existing nonconforming three family dwelling.

Reason for Denial:

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

- This is an existing non-conforming structure; the lot area 6913 square feet is below the required amount of 7000 square feet required to support the existing three family dwelling, therefore a special permit will be required to extend this nonconformity to create three additional units that would require a total of 10,000 square feet.
- The Frontage is only 50 feet, this is an existing nonconformity as 55 feet was required for the existing three-unit dwelling, 75 feet of frontage is now required, a special permit is needed to extend the existing nonconformity and to determine if this will be no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing condition.
- The front yard is 12 feet+/- where it is required to be 20 feet.
- The existing building is non-conforming in that the side yard/s do not meet the required dimensions for minimum and total dimensions with 5.2' on the right side, where 10 feet is required.
- The vehicle parked at parking spot #1 appears to be unable to turn around nor is a method suggested on how this vehicle might be turned around, it may have to be backed out to the roadway.

Zoning Ordinance Sections

1). Section 3 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 the grant of a Special Permit by the zoning board of appeals after a public hearing and a 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)

2). Section 5 B. Dimensional Requirements Line 1 a. Frontage Forty (40) feet plus five (5) feet per unit up to seventy (70) feet maximum required.

3). Section 5 B. Dimensional Requirements Line 1 b. Four thousand (4,000) square feet plus one thousand (1,000) square feet per unit up to a total of ten (10) units, then five hundred (500) square feet per unit for all units in excess of ten (10) units. (Ord. of 6-29-87)



5) Section 5 B Dimensional Requirements line 5 Front Yard a. Twenty (20 feet minimum of which ten (10) feet shall be used for landscaping?

6). Section 5-Dimensional Requirements line 6 Side Yard a. Ten (10) feet minimum up to and including three (3) stories and forty-five (45) feet in height.

7). 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"

MARY GERACE – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

December 15, 2021
December 22, 2021



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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

PROPOSAL:

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 Broadway and Second Street

Reason for Denial:

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

- 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.
- The FAR proposed for this building will be 1.91, this will require relief in the form of .41.
- The new plan shows seven (7) windows within eight feet of where the proposed parking will be.

Zoning:

Section (3) General Requirements: (P): 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: (5) Side 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): Dimensional Requirements: (2) - Lot Area: a. Residential ---1.5 to 1 maximum floor area ratio. (Ord. of

Section 6: (B): Dimensional Requirements: (6) Rear Yard: Twenty-five (25) feet minimum unless the lot extends from one (1) street to another street, in which case no rear yard is required, except for any residential use which shall require a ten-foot minimum.

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.

MARY GERACE – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

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HAVE A MERRY -- AND SAFE -- CHRISTMAS

The holiday season usually is the most wonderful time of the year.

But Christmas, 2021, is anything but wonderful, even for those of us who are among the most fortunate in our society.

Our collective stress and anxiety levels are at an all-time high thanks to the recent arrival of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, which has upended the holiday plans for many of us.

Each and every day, the virus is killing almost 1300 Americans, a statistic that has become mind-numbingly routine. That figure still is well below the 3000 deaths per day a year ago at this time, but still, it translates into 500,000 deaths per year.

Hospitals once again are at full capacity in many states, with coronavirus patients filling emergency rooms and crowding-out those who have other health issues.

This was not the scenario we had envisioned a few months ago, when it appeared that we had COVID-19 under control.

For those of us who are fully-vaccinated with three shots of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines (or one J&J plus one of the those other two), the effects of the Omicron variant are proving to be fairly mild, akin to having a bad cold.

But for anyone who is unvaccinated, infection with the Omicron variant is proving inescapable thanks to its high-degree of transmissibility. And as the statistics demonstrate, the chances of becoming seriously ill are dangerously-significant.

Although the pandemic has eviscerated the usual holiday celebrations that bring together family, friends, and colleagues, adding to our mental health issues, especially for older Americans, the toned-down holiday season offers us an opportunity for reflection, a chance to reach an appreciation for the things that really matter in our lives: The health and safety of ourselves and our loved ones, as well as the urgent need to assist those who find themselves in dire straits this holiday season.

We hope that all of our readers will heed the warnings of our public health officials and that those with the means to do so will help the vast numbers of our less-fortunate fellow Americans.

We wish all of our readers a merry -- and safe -- Christmas.

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Gift ideas for Christmas

when his Christmas lights won't work and he literally kicks, stomps and curses a blue streak across his yard. It's a funny scene. Mostly because in some way we've all been there a time or two.

Most of us enjoy giving if we can. We enjoy giving to the people we love. Christmas trees, decorating, eating and gatherings are all a part of the season. However, we become frustrated when we lose sight of the big picture. The big picture includes looking around and beyond our Christmas pain. Millions of people would simply be thrilled to have the problems that some of us have. Many people are in the nursing home and will never go to the mall again. Some have a terminal disease and this may be their last Christmas. Depression will weigh heavy on many who have

lost their homes, buried loved ones or experienced financial devastation from medical care or natural disasters. Most of these people would love to have a house to decorate or gifts to buy for a loved one.

Celebrate Christmas this year. Give away some special gifts. Give gifts that money can't buy or time cannot fade. Give love, give forgiveness and give some mercy. Extend these generously to yourself. If you can't give them to yourself it's impossible to give them to others.

The little baby that Christmas celebrates became a man and taught people that we should love God and love others as we love ourselves. Herein is part of the rub. Too often people stop loving themselves. Life becomes imperfect, we fail, get hurt or mad and we kick Santa or the reindeer across

the yard. Unfortunately, we don't stop there. We go into Ebenezer Scrooge bah humbug mode. We don't get our groove back and miss out on some of Christmas' most wonderful characteristics- mercy and forgiveness.

The Christmas story is about a child who came to show us the way. He showed us how to love, forgive and be merciful. Some of the people in your life probably need it more than you know. Give generously and start with yourself.

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.

ABCD reaches 6,000 toy goal for holiday drive

'Twas three weeks before Christmas and...

The ABCD toy room was rather empty. About 400 toys rested on the distribution tables. Meanwhile requests for help were pouring in at an unprecedented rate. SIX THOUSAND toys were needed for families seeking to celebrate Christmas, Kwanzaa, Channukah and Three Kings Day.

"With the pandemic still impacting the families we serve in Boston and the Mystic Valley region – with jobs lost and soaring prices – many parents had very limited resources for buying gifts for their children this year," said ABCD President/CEO John J. Drew. "We knew we had to help them put smiles on their children's faces after this difficult year, as the ABCD Toy Drive has done for more

than 50 years."

ABCD immediately launched a media outreach campaign and the press responded big time! The media was wonderfully supportive. THANK YOU!

"We greatly appreciate all the terrific coverage and how everyone stepped up to help get the word out," said Sharon Scott-Chandler, ABCD Executive Vice President & COO. She noted that the organization's communications team was sometimes fielding eight or ten toy drive stories a day.

The power of the press was demonstrated quickly as toys and donations poured in. On December 15, Josh Young, Director, ABCD Field Operations, announced that the goal of 6,000 toys was met!

"We are so grateful for

the immediate and effective response from a warm-hearted public," said Young. "I can't tell you what a difference it makes. We also thank the many friends and supporters of ABCD who donated, including our board and staff members."

Bianny Suncar, Director, ABCD Mattapan Family Service Center and Toy Drive Coordinator, spoke from a toy room overflowing with dolls and games, sports equipment and stuffed animals. "Thank you to everyone who helped us meet our goal and serve the families who need and deserve this help," she said.

Suncar said that toys would be distributed at ABCD neighborhood centers during the week of December 20th, filling the requests made earlier by families in those neigh-

borhoods.

A nonprofit human services community action organization, ABCD provides low-income residents in the Boston and Mystic Valley areas with the tools, support and resources they need to transition from poverty to stability and from stability to success. Each year, we've served more than 100,000 individuals, elders and families through a broad range of innovative initiatives as well as long-established, proven programs and services. For more than 50 years, ABCD has been deeply rooted in every neighborhood and community served, empowering individuals and families and supporting them in their quest to live with dignity and achieve their highest potential. For more, please visit bostonabcd.org.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

LOCAL STUDENTS NAMED TO THE HONOR ROLL AT BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Seven Everett residents were named to the honor roll at BC High.

- Colin Mastrocola, High Honors (Class of 2022)
- Christian Topinio, High Honors (Class of

2023)

- Christopher Affonso, High Honors (Class of 2024)
- Ron Nguyen, High Honors (Class of 2025)
- Lorenzo Possamai, Honors (Class of 2024)
- Cristian Salvador, Honors (Class of 2024)
- Dante Salazar, Honors (Class of 2025)

For High Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least

a 3.80 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.6 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher.

For Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least a 3.20 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.165 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher.

About Boston Col-

lege High School: Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,500 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more information please visit bchigh.edu.

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East Boston Neighborhood Health Center distributes at-home COVID-19 test kits to use ahead of the holidays

Ahead of the holiday, staff and volunteers at the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center’s Community Resource and Wellness Center gave out At-Home Covid-19 Test Kits to hundreds of community members this week in addition to giving out food, masks, diapers and other critically needed resources.

“We know that families will be celebrating the holiday season together over the coming weeks, and we wanted to give our community another tool to help combat the spread of COVID-19 and celebrate the holidays safely...testing, masking, and vaccination remain critical to slowing and stopping the spread of COVID” said Greg Wilmot, Interim President and CEO at East



Pictured here in front of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center’s Community Resource and Wellness Center at 282 Meridian Street is Interim President and CEO Greg Wilmot, Wellness Center Director Kathy Field and employees and volunteers of the Wellness Center – at-home test kits in hand!

Boston Neighborhood Health Center. East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is also sharing supplies with other community organizations ahead of the holidays.



A member of the community stands with Health Center leader Greg Wilmot as she comes for weekly food and also leaves with a few test kits for family members to use before they gather for the holidays.

Rogers named as Managing Director of Care Coordinate; a Mystic Valley Elder Services partner

Care Coordinate, a statewide network that provides access to high-quality and cost-effective home and community-based services, of which Mystic Valley Elder Services is a partner, has named Sean Rogers as its Managing Director. A senior-level executive with extensive home care and community-based experience, Rogers most recently served as Vice President of Strategy and Development at Amedisys, a leading provider of in-home healthcare for older adults. Additionally, he has held state government leadership positions at the Executive Office



Sean Rogers.

of Elder Affairs where he served as Director of Operations, and with the Department of Mental Health as Director of Budget and Core Services for the metro-suburban region.

In this new position, Rogers will leverage the strength of Care Coordinate’s network of Aging Services Access Points (ASAP) to offer a single, statewide entity for insurance plans, Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs), and other providers and payors to manage and administer long-term services and supports that drive quality care and improved outcomes for its partners. Services offered include in-home case management, care transitions, provider network management, third-party billing and claim operations, and consultative solutions.

“Sean has the technical, operational, and programmatic expertise to lead this newly formed LLC,” said Allan Ouimet, Executive Director of Highland Valley Elder Services, Inc., and President of Care Coordinate’s Board of Directors. “I am confident that his extensive knowledge of healthcare and home care will aid in the development of strategic alliances and contractual efficiencies to better serve the medical and insurance industry in Massachusetts. This will ultimately lead to better care and quality outcomes for older adults who wish to remain in their own home and community.”

“I am very pleased that Mystic Valley Elder Services is a partner of Care Coordinate,” said Daniel O’Leary, CEO of Mystic Valley Elder Services. “The corporation will create a more coordinated, effective, and efficient ASAP network. The benefit of having Care Coordinate affiliated with ASAPs is the expanded access for consumers provided by and thru the ASAP network of staff and business partners.”

“I am excited to work with the exceptional leadership team of Care Coordinate’s Board of Directors and to lead the organization in the delivery of efficient, effective, and high-quality community-based care,” said Rogers. “I am looking forward to leveraging the decades-long expertise of the ASAP network and will work to further expand the value it has brought to the long-term services and supports community.”

Rogers received his education and training in Human Resource Management, Financial Systems, Administration, and Leadership from the United States Coast Guard. He is currently on the Board of Directors of the Home Care Aide Council and serves as President of the Board of the Home Care Aide Foundation.

VACCINE FACTS

Like many parents of young children, you may be concerned about keeping your kids safe from COVID-19.

Good news: The COVID-19 vaccine is now available for kids ages 5 and up. Experts agree it’s the best way to protect against COVID-19 and prevent kids from getting seriously ill.

It’s natural to have questions about the vaccine for your child. Here are some facts:

- The COVID-19 vaccine was thoroughly tested.
- The clinical trials included thousands of kids ages 5-11.
- The vaccine has been proven safe for kids ages 5 and up.
- It was also proven to be 91% effective at preventing COVID-19 in kids.



Want to know more?
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mass.gov/CovidVaccineKids





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Sports

EVERETT BOYS BASKETBALL WITH A 67-53 WIN OVER REVERE

Revere raced out to a 13-3 lead midway through the first period, but Everett responded the rest of the night with tenacious defense and their offense heated up as the Crimson Tide pulled away to a 67-53 win over Revere Tuesday night at Everett High.



ESCAPE FROM THE PILE: Everett's Steven Cordero gets away from Revere's sprawling Glen Kule (12).



RIPPING REBOUND: Jaysaun Coggins gets hold of a rebound amid a crowd.



RIPPING REBOUND: Jaysaun Coggins gets hold of a rebound amid a crowd.



BACK IN ACTION: Everett junior Roger Vasquez made a triumphant return to the EHS gym as he poured in 25 points to lead the Crimson Tide to a 67-53 win over Revere Tuesday night. Vasquez was sidelined after suffering a knee injury in Everett's playoff loss to Cambridge on February 28, 2019.



CLOSE QUARTERS: Revere Captain James Clauto (1) had little room to maneuver as he is defended by Everett's Steven Cordero.



ROUND THE BEND: Cam Mohammed (1) fights his way toward the basket against tight defense.

EHS Roundup

EHS TRACK TEAMS OPEN 2022 SEASON

The Everett High girls and boys track teams opened their 2022 dual-meet season this past Friday with a meet against Greater Boston League rival Revere.

On the girls' side, Rejeana Guillaume captured the high jump with a leap of 4' -4" to place five points onto the Everett side of the scoresheet.

Julianna Edwards won the shot-put with a toss of 26' -4" and Alyssa Hurley took second with a throw

of 25' -11".

In the 50 yard hurdles, Lakisha Kirnon grabbed second place with a clocking of 9.4 seconds and teammate Ida Bitaya took third in 9.9.

Gig Boyce sprinted to victory in the 50 yard dash with a time of 6.85 and Datchne Elysse took third in 7.0.

Yelsa Garcia finished third in the 300 dash in 52.4 and Anaika Accilien grabbed third spot in the 600 with a run of 2:23.2.

In the 1000, Nataly Anaya took second place in 4:25.7 and Luca Jean-Noel finished third in 4:27.7.

The final tally showed Revere prevailing by a score of 52-29.

Although the boys fell by a score of 65-20, there were a number of Crimson Tide who turned in fine performances.

Donovan Gaskins won the shot-put with a toss of 38' -5/5" and teammate Joseph Murillo took second with a throw of 34' -10.75."

Omar Marshall won his event, the 300 meter dash, with a clocking of 43.4, to add five points for the

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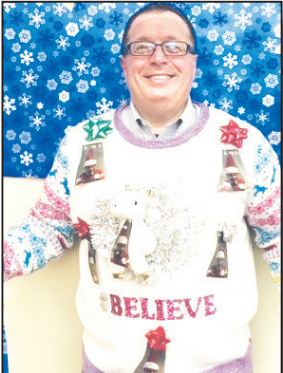
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DIDOMENICO FOUNDATION HOLDS ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

Senator Sal DiDomenico and the DiDomenico Foundation held their annual toy drive at the Kowloon on Thursday evening, with a record of

\$23,000 in toys and additional donations. Guests enjoyed gathering and celebrating for a good cause.



Will Hurley volunteered to load toys at the event



Councilor Rich Dell Isola offered a helping hand at the Kowloon



Al Lattanzi and Councilor Anthony DiPierro attended the DiDomenico Foundation toy drive at the Kowloon



Rich and Rose Eliseo sat with Santa.



Senator Sal DiDomenico welcomed Santa to the celebration.



Senator Sal DiDomenico and his family were pleased to bring their annual toy fundraiser back.



Senator Sal DiDomenico was joined by his family, Sal, Tricia, and Matthew



Senator Sal DiDomenico used a ladder to reach the top of the mountain of toys



Matthew Judd and Brendan Mangan attended the DiDomenico Foundation toy drive



Dan Skeritt and Councilor Stephanie Martins attended the DiDomenico toy drive.



Councilor at Large John Hanlon and Fran Hanlon enjoyed dinner at the Kowloon.



State Representative Dan Ryan volunteered unloading the toys



William Hurley IV offered Gene O'Brien a helping hand in packing toys



School Committee member Cynthia Sarnie and Councilor Mike McLaughlin greeted Santa



Bishop Brown and Angelmarie DiNunzio enjoyed their evening with the DiDomenico Foundation.



Councilor at Large Rich Dell Isola and Mike Mangan enjoyed an evening at the Kowloon.



Irene and Paul Cardillo attended the DiDomenico Foundation toy drive on Thursday.



Thousands of toys were piled at the Kowloon for the DiDomenico Foundation toy drive.



Dunn and her crew were scheduled to meet GBL foe Malden last night (Tuesday) and will play at non-league rival Arlington next Wednesday.

Several members of the School Committee expressed the view that because of COVID and the basic upending of the school learning process, Tahiliani essentially had lost a year and that the extension of the contract

“The extension would allow (Tahiliani’s) full vi-

DiLoreto said a formal signing ceremony for the two student-athletes, as well as for other Everett seniors in the program, will be held in February at the high school.

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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
Congregational Church
422 Main Street
Everett, MA**

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

**Immaculate Conception
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Everett, Mass 02149
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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 & welcoming to all.

There are 2 services on Sundays: 10am English, 1pm South Sudanese Dinka

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Metro Credit Union partners with The Salvation Army for holiday gifting

Metro Credit Union, Massachusetts’ largest state-chartered credit union, recently partnered with The Salvation Army in support of their annual Angel Tree Toy Drive program. This marks the fifth consecutive year that Metro has participated in the program.

The Salvation Army national holiday assistance program provides new clothes and toys for children who otherwise may go without gifts. Locally, the Angel Tree program serves about 800 children from 350 families.



Pictured (left to right) Isael Gonzalez, Commanding Officer at The Salvation Army with Metro Credit Union employees Charlene Bauer, SVP of Outreach, Advocacy and Chief Development Officer and John Prendergast, Operations Specialist.

Advocacy and Chief Development Officer of Metro Credit Union.

During December 2021, Metro employees fulfilled holiday wish lists for 75 children in need. The credit union looks forward to continuing their involvement with the program in years to come.

For more information about Metro Credit Union, please visit metrocu.org, or follow Metro Credit Union on LinkedIn.

About Metro Credit Union Metro Credit Union is the largest state-chartered credit union in Massachusetts, with \$2.4 billion in assets. Metro

provides a full range of financial products to close to 200,000 members in Essex, Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable, Bristol and Worcester counties in Massachusetts, and Rockingham and Hillsborough counties in New Hampshire, as well as to employees of over 1,200 companies through its Metro@work program. Founded in 1926, Metro currently operates 14 branch offices in Boston, Burlington, Chelsea, Framingham, Lawrence, Lynn, Melrose, Newton, Peabody, Salem, Tewksbury, and coming soon to



Pictured (left to right) Metro Credit Union employees Traci Michel, Chief Operating Officer; Marie O'Neill, SVP Engagement, Experience and Marketing; Robert Cashman, Chief Executive Officer; Charlene Bauer, SVP of Outreach, Advocacy and Chief Development Officer; Erik Porter, SVP Chief Financial Officer; and Jim Herndon, SVP Human Resources with toys donated by employees.

Dorchester, Reading, and West Roxbury. Metro is also a Juntos Avanzamos (“Together We Advance”) designated credit union, an honor given to financial institutions for their commitment to serving and empowering Hispanic and immigrant consumers. Metro was recently named among the most charitable companies in Massachusetts by the Boston Business Journal. Learn more at MetroCU.org and connect with us on LinkedIn.

About The Salvation Army The Salvation Army, an evangelical part of the universal Christian church established in London in 1865, has been supporting those in need in His name without discrimination for more than 130 years in the United States. Nearly 30 million Americans receive assistance from The Salvation Army each year through a range of social services:

providing food for the hungry, relief for disaster victims, assistance for the disabled, outreach to the elderly and ill, clothing and shelter to the homeless, and opportunities for underprivileged children. 82 cents of every dollar The Salvation Army spends is used to support those services in 5,000 communities nationwide. For more information, go to salvationarmyusa.org.

Legislation filed to protect survivors from dangerous individuals, distribution of explicit images

The Baker-Polito Administration last week filed legislation to create comprehensive new protections for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, assault and battery, the harmful distribution of explicit images, and other crimes. The package of legislative proposals being refiled by the Administration today includes An Act to Protect Victims of Crimes and the Public and An Act Relative to the Harmful Distribution of Sexually Explicit Visual Materials. Together, the proposals will strengthen public safety tools and statutes designed to keep survivors and communities safe.

Governor Charlie Baker and Lt. Governor Karyn Polito announced the legislation at a roundtable event where they heard from survivors whose stories speak to the importance of these critical public safety reforms. The roundtable was held at Plymouth Public Library and was moderated by Sandra Blatchford, the Executive Director of the South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center, which works with several of the survivors present today. Other advocates and survivor resource organizations were also present to speak in support of the legislative package. Several

survivors who spoke in support of the Administration’s dangerousness legislation shared their experiences with domestic violence and noted that the legislation would provide stronger protections for people who encounter similar experiences in the future. Other survivors told stories that highlighted the importance of strengthening and modernizing laws that hold people accountable for the distribution of sexually explicit visual materials.

“These proposals would provide stronger protections for survivors and we are grateful for our partnership with providers and advocacy organizations who support survivors for sharing their stories in support of this legislation,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “Our dangerousness proposal would update the current system of pretrial detention, which exposes victims and survivors to potential harm. Making these and other commonsense changes will strengthen the ability of prosecutors and the courts to hold dangerous individuals and protect survivors and our communities.”

“Hearing survivors’ stories underscores the importance of acting soon to make these reforms that will make our families and

communities safer,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito, Chair of the Governor’s Council to Address Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence. “By modernizing the laws governing the harmful distribution of sexually visual materials, we can combat cyber-bullying through prevention education, empower prosecutors to appropriately handle cases involving minors and explicit images and help state law keep up with what technology is now.”

“We cannot overstate the courage of victims and survivors who have chosen to share their experiences and support these bills,” said Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy. “As a former prosecutor now charged with leading the state’s public safety apparatus, I know these laws will equip criminal justice and law enforcement professionals to mitigate the threat of dangerous individuals and non-consensual sharing of explicit content, especially among our young people. The measures in these bills demonstrate the Administration’s responsiveness to challenges facing today’s society.”

“SSRAC fully supports both legislative filings to address dangerousness and SEVM. Holding of-

fenders on dangerousness enables survivors to focus on their safety,” said Sandra Blatchford, executive director of the South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center. “Protection against the pervasive threat of a dangerous offender often means a victim may have to leave employment, uproot children, and move away from support systems. The provisions of the dangerousness legislation will enable survivors to evaluate options, work with advocates, and move towards healing and safety.”

“We have worked with too many victims brutally assaulted at the hands of a predator with a long and violent criminal history. While pending trial, these offenders often violate stay-away orders, with lit-

tle consequence,” said Julie Kehoe, chief executive officer of Health Imperative. “This dangerousness legislation will provide law enforcement and criminal justice professionals with long-overdue tools to save lives and reduce incidents of domestic and sexual violence.”

An Act to Protect Victims of Crimes and the Public: First filed in 2018, the Administration’s proposal would expand the list of offenses that can provide grounds for a dangerousness hearing and close certain loopholes at the start and end of the criminal process that currently limit or prevent effective action to address legitimate safety concerns. It would strengthen the ability of judges to enforce the conditions of pre-trial release

by empowering police to detain people who they observe violating court-ordered release conditions; current law does not allow this, and instead requires a court to first issue a warrant. Under this proposal, judges will be empowered to revoke a person’s release when the offender has violated a court-ordered condition, such as an order to stay away from a victim, or from a public playground. Current law requires an additional finding of dangerousness before release may be revoked.

The legislation also expands the list of offenses which can provide grounds for a dangerousness hearing including crimes of sexual abuse and crimes of threatened or potential violence. It also follows

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Property Address: 191 Nichols Street
Map/Lot:
Person Requesting: Mr. Sergio Wandembruck
191 Nichols Street, Unit #2
Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL:

The applicant seeks to convert the existing two-family dwelling to a three-family dwelling on a 7115 s.f. lot located within the dwelling district as per plan by Medford Engineering & Surveying, dated 5/27/2021. The plan contains six (5) parking spaces and at this time they we do not know if they are compliant. The existing structure contains 2880 sf of gross floor area and has a current FAR of .57. The proposed three family use is not allowed as of right in the dwelling district.

Applicant seeks a building permit to construct dormers to the left and right side of the existing dwelling for this third unit.

Reason for Denial:

Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows: City of Everett Zoning Ordinance 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. (Ord. of 4-29-91)

This project is encroaching into both left side and right-side offsets.

Section 4 (17) requires 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. The minimum lot area represented by the FAR will not be in compliance. The applicant must seek relief in the form of a variance to allow the conversion.

Section 17 Off-Street Parking (A) 2: which states the following:
“Off-street parking facilities shall be provided in accordance with the requirements as outlined below. Multifamily dwellings 2 parking spaces per dwelling unit”

This project is only showing 5 cars parking and is one car deficient.

Section 4 Dwelling Districts b) Dimensional Requirements 2 Lot Area line c which states
c. All other uses-----0.5 maximum floor area ratio (Ord. of 6-29-87; Ord. of 4-29-91 Ord. of 7/16/2002; Ord. of 11/13/2007)

This project is at .57.

MARY GERACE – Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals

December 15, 2021

December 22, 2021



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Local Firefighters graduate from Massachusetts Academy

State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey and Deputy State Fire Marshal Maribel Fournier have announced the graduation of 63 firefighters from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Graduates completed the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program at three campuses: Class #297 trained at the Stow campus, Class #S25 trained at the Springfield campus and Class #BW15 trained at the Bridgewater campus.

“First responders are on the frontlines protecting their communities, and these newest firefighters are needed now more than ever,” said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey. “The rigorous professional training they’ve received

provides them with the physical, mental, and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely.”

23 Graduates from 8 Fire Departments

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Today’s Firefighters Do Far More than Fight Fires

Today’s firefighters do far more than fight fires. They train to respond to all types of hazards and emergencies. They are

the first ones called to respond to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to Fentanyl overdoses or a gas leak. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice or who has locked himself in a bathroom. They rescue people from stalled elevators and those who are trapped in vehicle crashes. They test and maintain their equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), hydrants, hoses, power tools, and apparatus.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, they learn all these skills and more, including the latest science of fire behavior and suppression

tactics, from certified fire instructors. They also receive training in public fire education, hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, and self-rescue techniques. The intensive, 10-week program for municipal firefighters involves classroom instruction, physical fitness training, firefighter skills training, and live firefighting practice.

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the long-standing federal model in including a defendant’s history of serious criminal convictions as grounds that may warrant a dangerousness hearing. Current law requires courts to focus only on the crime charged and ignore a defendant’s criminal history when determining whether the defendant may be the subject of this sort of hearing.

Additional elements of this proposal would:

- Extend the requirement that police take the fingerprints of people arrested for felonies to all people arrested, regardless of the charge, and allows a court to order fingerprinting of any person arraigned on any criminal charge, to ensure that decisions about release can be made with knowledge of a person’s true identity and full criminal history.
- Enhance the collection and value of data for the cross-tracking system required by G.L. c. 6A, § 18¾, by ensuring that information about an individual who is arrested or arraigned can be linked to a unique fingerprint identifier.

- Require that the probation department, bail commissioners and bail magistrates notify authorities who can take remedial action when a person who is on pre-trial release commits a new offense anywhere in the Commonwealth or elsewhere.
- Allow bail commissioners and bail magistrates to consider dangerousness in deciding whether to release an arrestee from a police station when court is out of session.
- Create a new felony offense for cutting off a court-ordered GPS device.

An Act Relative to the Harmful Distribution of Sexually Explicit Visual Materials: First filed in 2017, the proposal modernizes the laws governing the distribution of sexually explicit images and empowers District Attorneys with additional tools to protect children. Under this proposal, the first step in an explicit images case involving minors will be to enroll in an educational diversion program rather than go through the juvenile justice process and potentially be committed to the Department of Youth Services. While District Attorneys and the Attorney General will still have the right to bypass educational diversion programs in certain instances, the focus will now be on educational diversion rather than legal punishment.

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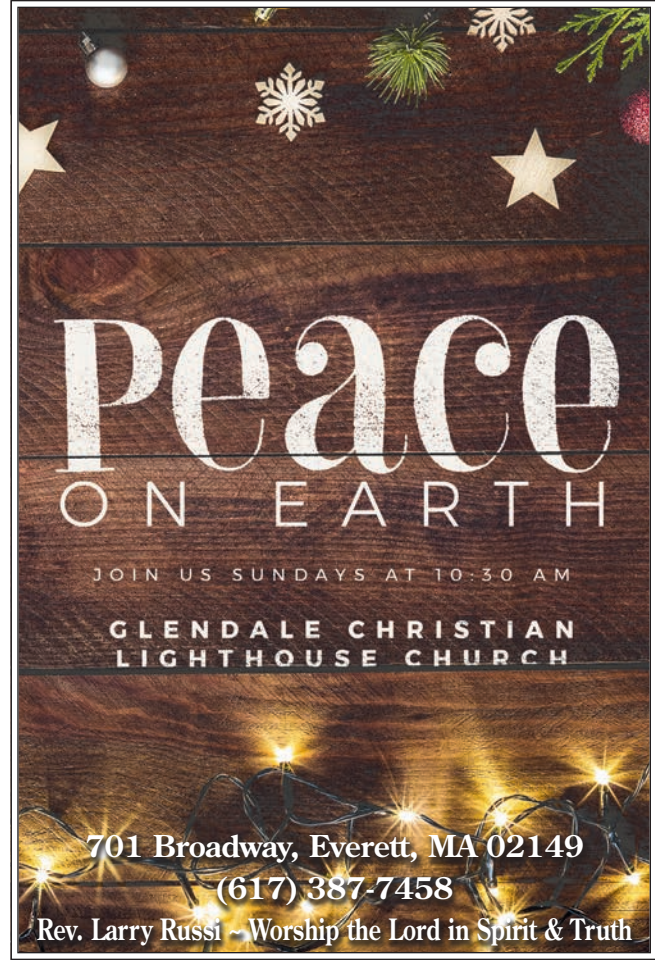
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