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Mask Requirements in Certain Locations

Effective May 29, 2021, masks continue to be required for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals at all times in the following locations, subject to the exemptions listed below:

On Public and Private Transportation, including on the MBTA, commuter rail, buses, ferries, and airplanes, and while in ride-shares (Uber and Lyft), taxis, and livery vehicles, as required by the Centers for Disease Control January 29, 2021 Order. Face coverings are also required at all times in transportation hubs, including train stations, bus stops, and airports. The requirement applies to riders and workers.

Healthcare facilities licensed or operated by the Commonwealth and healthcare practice locations of any provider licensed by a professional board which sits within the Department of Public Health or the Division of Professional Licensure. These settings include nursing homes, rest homes, emergency medical services, hospitals, physician and other medical and dental offices, urgent care settings, community health centers, vaccination sites, behavioral health clinics, and Bureau of Substance and Addiction Services (BSAS) facilities. This requirement applies to patients, residents, staff, vendors and visitors.

Congregate care facilities or programs operated,

licensed, certified, regulated, authorized, or funded by the Commonwealth. These settings include the common areas of assisted living residences, group homes, residential treatment programs, and facilities operated, licensed, certified, regulated, authorized, or funded by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Department of Youth Services (DYS), the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Public Health (DPH), the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), the Department of Veterans' Services (DVS), the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (MCB), the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC). This requirement applies to clients, residents, staff, vendors and visitors.

Emergency shelter programs, including individual and family homeless shelters, domestic violence and sexual assault shelters, veterans' shelters, and shelters funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development. This requirement applies to guests, staff, vendors and visitors.

Houses of Correction, Department of Correction prisons, jails, and other correctional facilities. This requirement applies to people who are detained or incarcerated, staff, vendors and visitors.

Health Care and Day Services and Programs operated, licensed, certified, regulated, or funded by the Commonwealth

including the Executive Office of Health and Human Services or one of its agencies. These settings include adult day health, day habilitation, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), psychosocial rehabilitation club houses, brain injury centers and clubhouses, day treatment, partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient programs, recovery support centers and center-based day support programs. This requirement applies to staff, visitors, vendors and consumers.

Home health care workers, including Personal Care Attendants (PCAs) and Home Health Aides in community and home-based settings where they are providing patient-facing care; provided, however, the requirement shall only apply to the worker providing care.

The following persons are exempt from the face coverings requirement:

Children under 5 years old.

Persons for whom a face mask or covering creates a health risk or is not safe because of any of the following conditions or circumstances:

The face mask or covering affects the person's ability to breathe safely;

The person has a mental health or other medical diagnosis that advises against wearing a face mask or covering;

The person has a disability that prevents them from wearing a face mask or covering; or

The person depends on supplemental oxygen to breathe.

RMV preparing for high customer volume

The Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) is preparing for a high volume of in-person customer service transactions during school vacation week which is scheduled to take place the week of February 21, 2022. The RMV traditionally sees a high volume of customers at its statewide Service Center locations during this annual vacation week, and encourages customers to schedule appointments for required in-person transactions and avoid unnecessary visits by using Mass.Gov/RMV to conduct more than 40 RMV online transactions.

Customers should also note that Commonwealth of Massachusetts offices, including RMV Service Centers, will be closed on Monday, February 21, in observance of the President's Day holiday.

"The RMV historically experiences a higher volume of in-person transactions during February school vacation week, and we encourage customers to schedule appointments, plan ahead, and conduct transactions online," said Registrar of Motor Vehicles Colleen Ogilvie. "Scheduling appointments ahead of time and arriving prepared for required Service Center visits will provide flexibility and help customers save time for more enjoyable activities."

The Registry anticipates a higher volume of students will be seeking to secure learner's permits during the vacation week. Customers who are requesting learner's permits need to begin the application process with an in-person visit at an RMV Service Center location and are encouraged to complete their application online at Mass.Gov/RMV. The learner's permit exams can then be taken online after initial application requirements have been fulfilled.

The RMV has made

available a new informational online portal to provide easy access to a variety of educational resources and materials that can be used to help guide first-time drivers, and parents and guardians of Junior Operators, through the detailed step-by-step process of securing a Massachusetts driving credential. The portal can be found at <https://www.mass.gov/guides/first-time-driver-start-here>.

Highlights of the key features of the online portal are as follows:

1. Steps to Getting a Driver's License – Information regarding the requirements for RMV learner's permits and road tests, and links that can be used to schedule appointments.

2. Parent/Guardian Information – Information regarding Driver's Education Programs, the Parent Supervised Driving Program which provides a methodical approach to teaching requisite driving skills, and Junior Operator License (JOL) requirements including details on certain motor vehicle citation penalties which are imposed by the Junior Operator and the Safe Operator Law.

3. Safe Driving Tips – Links to educational YouTube videos that highlight MassDOT's "Scan the Street for Wheels and Feet" campaign which addresses specific roadway safety topics such as being cognizant of pedestrians and bicyclists, mirrors and blind spots, and a "double threat" when pedestrians are crossing multiple lanes of traffic that are heading in the same direction.

4. Studying for Learning's Permits and Road Tests – Links to helpful practice exams for learner's permit exams and the option to download the Massachusetts Driver's Manual at no cost or purchase a hard copy of the manual which will be mailed to the custom-

er, informational videos to become familiar with maneuvers that are evaluated during road tests, and links to specific requirements for applicants and sponsors.

5. Time to Take Your Permit – Links to the learner's permit application process, detailed instructions for taking the exam online, and alternative options that are available to take the exam.

The RMV also offers online practice learner's permit exams which can be accessed by customers through Mass.Gov/RMV or by logging into their myRMV account. Customers can also purchase a copy of the Massachusetts Class D (Passenger) Drivers Manual and Commercial Driver's License Manual online using their myRMV accounts, instead of visiting a Service Center. Ordered manuals will be mailed to customers within 7-10 days of purchase.

Additional information on RMV service offerings and appointments can be found at www.Mass.Gov/RMV, including more than 40 transactions that can be conducted online, by mail, or by phone. The RMV recommends that all customers get ready online before their appointment.

Appointments for many RMV transactions can also be made at AAA customer locations if the customer is a member of AAA.

Please note that customers who are fully vaccinated are allowed to go without face coverings in RMV Service Center locations unless the city/town where the center is located has an Indoor Mask Mandate. Customers who are not yet fully vaccinated are required to wear face coverings in RMV Service Centers.

For the latest RMV updates and information, follow the RMV on Twitter @MassRMV.

Holocaust Memorial Museum encourages residents to donate Holocaust-era artifacts

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum will present a live virtual program for New England residents on Wednesday, March 9, from noon to 1 p.m., as part of its ongoing efforts to rescue the evidence of the Holocaust.

As event chair, former Museum Council Member Michael P. Ross will provide introductory remarks. A former Boston City Councilor, Ross is the son of the late Stephan Ross, who survived 10 concentration camps and was liberated by American soldiers at Dachau.

"Despite the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Museum is in a race against time to collect Holocaust artifacts and oral testimonies," Ross said. "The Museum is now focusing its efforts within the New England region and is offering specialized

one-on-one appointments for people interested in donating artifacts or researching their family history."

During the March 9 program entitled "Preserving Holocaust History: Collecting Artifacts and Researching Fates," the following presentations will be made:

- Fred Wasserman, acquisitions curator of the Museum's National Institute for Holocaust Documentation, will explain the Museum's rigorous process for reviewing, acquiring, and conserving Holocaust artifacts, such as photos, letters, diaries, films, testimonies, and other objects that document the Holocaust, enabling the Museum to teach this history with authenticity and relevance to every new generation.

- Diane Afoumado, chief of the Museum's

Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center, will explain the process of conducting personalized research on family history during the Holocaust.

Immediately following the March 9 program, the Museum will offer participants the opportunity to schedule personal appointments to discuss donating artifacts to the Museum, contributing oral testimony, or requesting assistance researching family fates.

To RSVP for this free program, advance registration is required:

ushmm.org/events/new-england-collections

For more information on the program, interested participants may contact the Museum's Northeast Regional Office at northeastoutreach@ushmm.org.

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ed that the bridge will be clean and safe with stairs, escalators, and elevators. “This structure has nothing to do with Wynn,” he said.

However, Commissioner Bradford Hill noted that “the bridge ends at Encore on the second floor and people could accidentally get on the gaming floor.”

Gordon noted that there will be two exits for pedestrians that are well be-

fore they reach the interior of Encore and that security officers would stop anyone who does not have a pass to enter the gaming floor. He further noted that the “exits can be anywhere you want.”

Hill also had a question about the security of the parking garage. Another Wynn official responded that “there will be security in the garage and it will be a safe place.” He added,

“This will not be used primarily by visitors to Encore Boston Harbor.”

The next step in the process for this proposal before the MGC will be held on February 28 when public input will be taken. Written comments can be submitted by February 25.

Encore officials are expected to be back before the MGC at the March meeting.



Artist rendering of an aerial view of the bridge and complex.

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LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

EMMANUEL COLLEGE ANNOUNCES FALL 2021 DEAN'S LIST

In recognition of their outstanding academic achievement, Emmanuel College has named more than 800 students to the Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Emmanuel students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for a 16-credit semester. Local students receiving the honor include:

Helen Sosa of Everett

Ariana Bernal of Everett

Madison Poudel of Everett

Emmanuel College is a co-educational, residential institution with a 17-acre campus in the heart of Boston's educational, scientific, cultural and medical communities. Enrolling nearly 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students, the College provides boundless opportunities for students to expand their worldview through rigorous coursework, significant internship and career opportunities throughout the Boston area and beyond, collaborations with distinguished and dedicated faculty, and participation in a dynamic campus community. Emmanuel's more than 70 programs in the sciences, liberal arts, business, nursing, and education foster spirited discourse and substantive learning experiences that honor the College's Catholic educational mission to educate the whole person and provide an ethical and relevant 21st-century education.

DEAN'S LIST HONORS ANNOUNCED AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the Fall 2021 semester. Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Brendan Amorin of Everett Class of 2022

Julie Do of Everett Class of 2025

Ilisa Lama of Everett Class of 2024

Sandra Le of Everett Class of 2024

Yosselin Perez Ascencio of Everett Class of 2023

Ryan Vu of Everett Class of 2024

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions. A growing number of innovative teaching and research initiatives span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty and students in the undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.

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484 BROADWAY

EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS 02149

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To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 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: 21 Locust Street

Map/Lot: D0-02-000010

Person Requesting: Chris Lianos

21 Locust Street

Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL:

Applicant seeks to change the use of the existing two (2) family dwelling and convert it to a three (3) family dwelling within a Dwelling District.

Reason for Denial:

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

(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.

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

1. 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."

a. 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 lot. The Applicant must seek relief in the form of a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals

2. Section 17 (O) 5. Design of parking lots for the parking of more than five (5) vehicles shall require an access road with a minimum of eighteen (18) feet to allow ingress and exiting at same time.

a. The plan provided shows a driveway that is 10 feet - 4 inches, this is deficient and will require relief in the form of 7 feet – 8 inches.

3. Section 17 (O) 4 requires parking areas be designed so that it is not necessary to back into the street or driveway.

a. The plan shows that vehicles would need to be backed out of the driveway and into the street.

4. Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Regulations (2) Lot Area (c): "All other uses----- -0.5 maximum floor area ratio

a. The change of use to a three (3) family requires the proposal to comply with the zoning ordinance for density. The requested proposal would result in a floor area ratio of .61. The Applicant must seek relief in the form of a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals. The .61 is a violation of the City's Ordinance at .11 over the maximum allowed.

Mary Gerace - Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk

Board of Appeals

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Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Property Address: 403 Main Street

Map/Lot: D0-01-000026

Person Requesting: Alfred J. Lattanzi

57 Peirce Avenue

Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL:

Applicant seeks to build three additional stories on and around the existing two buildings on this 8317 Square foot lot that exists in the Business Zoning District. The building will contain a mixed use that will include sixteen residential units and two commercial units. The existing buildings are currently non-conforming and the applicant will require a Special Permit and a determination from the board that by extending his non-conforming condition on the front and side offsets that this will not be more detrimental to the neighborhood. In the rear of the property the new building will require relief in the form of a variance for the set back of six (6) feet four (4) inches. The F.A.R. for this project will be at 3.2.

Reason for Denial:

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

1. Appendix A section (6) (2) (a) - Lot Area: 1.5 to 1 maximum floor area. The proposed plan includes a floor area ratio of 3.2 to 1. (variance)

2. Appendix A section (6) (B). (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. (Ord. of 6-29-87) (variance)

3. Appendix A Section 3 General Requirements (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."

4. Appendix A section (6) (B). (4) - Front Yard: (Existing Non-conforming) Requires the minimum of 10' setback for residential uses. The building is currently at the property line. (Special Permit Required)

5. Appendix A section (6). (B). Side Yard: (8) Corner Lot: (Existing Non- Conforming) None Required except seven (7) feet when residential use. (Ord. of 6-29-87). The building is currently at the property lines. (Special Permit Required)

Parking will be completed through the TDM

Mary Gerace - Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk

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WE ARE NUMB TO THE NUMBERS

With mask requirements being lifted just about everywhere around the country, there is a general sense that the COVID-19 pandemic is over.

But as we begin the third year of the pandemic, that is far from being true.

The death toll in the United States from COVID breached 900,000 last week. As this is being written, almost 2500 Americans are dying each and every day from a COVID-19 infection.

Even if the death rate slows down in the weeks ahead, the one million mark almost certainly will be reached within the next two months.

Although the worst-case scenarios at the start of the pandemic in February, 2020, suggested that up to 1.7 million Americans could die from the disease, none of us really thought that would be possible.

And when the vaccines miraculously came along at the end of 2020, we assumed then that life would be returning to normal soon enough.

But life does not always follow the plan.

The resistance of millions of Americans to getting vaccinated threw a monkey-wrench into the war against COVID-19, with the vast majority of COVID-19 deaths and hospitalizations attributable to the unvaccinated.

And although scientists all along have predicted that the virus would mutate, the speed with which the highly-transmissible Omicron variant swept through the world, even among the fully-vaccinated, caught everyone off-guard.

So where do we go from here?

Americans, as is the case with people across the globe, clearly have had it with restricting their lives because of COVID-19.

It seems that we're entering a new phase of the pandemic -- scientists refer to it now as an endemic disease, like the flu -- which could be summed up this way: People still are dying in great numbers, but we don't seem to care.

It's a modern day version of, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead."

Or, in the words of the Cars' rock anthem, "Let the good times roll."

Your opinions, please

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CONGRATULATIONS, OFFICER IMBORNONE



Congratulations to Officer Joe Imbornone (center) who winds down his career at Everett PD this week. Joe joined the department in 1993 working stints in Patrol Operations, Traffic Unit and Gaming Enforcement Unit. His last assignment was on the Evening Tour of Patrol Ops working under Lt Gabriel. Joe was a cool calm presence on the streets and approachable to all. We wish him all the best as he opens up a new chapter.

LETTER to the Editor

CLEAR UP SOME CONFUSION

The following letter was sent to the City Council members by School Committee member Michael J. Mangan on Feb. 3.

I would like to take this opportunity to clear up some confusion surrounding the order that I submitted on the last City Council agenda to be appointed as a special municipal employee.

On January 18, 2022, I made a call to the State Ethics Commission to discuss if there were any possible conflict of interest issues in my role as School Committee member as my daughter is an employee of the Everett Public Schools.

After I explained my situation as a full-time city employee who was duly elected to the School Committee, I was informed by an Ethics Com-

mission lawyer that, in order to serve as a School Committee Member, I would need a designation as a special municipal city employee in accordance with MGL Chapter 268A.

When I later researched the City Charter change that allowed city employees to run for the School Committee, I found that the updated charter states that a School Committee member cannot hold city employment "unless authorized by Chapter 268A of the General Laws or the state ethics commission."

It was not until a subsequent phone call with the Ethics Commission on January 26, that I was officially made aware that special municipal employee status would make me eligible to be paid for my School Committee positions. When I was reviewing the charter change mentioned above, I also discovered a clause had

been deleted which stated that School Committee members could not receive a second salary had been deleted as part of that same charter change, perhaps because it would have been in conflict with Chapter 268A.

When I decided to run for a School Committee seat, I was under the assumption that I could only be compensated for one city position. I stated many times during my campaign that I would not be receiving the salary for serving as a School Committee member. The State Ethics Commission requirement that I get special municipal employee status will NOT change my position on accepting a salary for my School Committee seat.

I want to state emphatically that, as long as I am a full-time city employee and a School Committee member, I will NOT

accept the salary for a School Committee member willingly. If the Ethics Commission ever modified their decision and determines that I must take the salary, I shall donate the salary to some school-related cause, such as the cost of band travel.

Further, I would like to apologize for not submitting any additional documentation with the order that would have identified myself as the person who submitted it and the reason for the submission. As we are entering a new era of transparency by providing the same City Council agenda packet that the councilors receive to the general public, we all must remember to include as much information as we can with the items that appear on the City Council agenda so that we can all be on the same page.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Mangan

News BRIEFS

EXPANDED COVID TESTING SITES

Representative Joe McGonagle, along with the House of Representatives, passed H.4340 which appropriates \$30 million to establish and expand COVID testing sites, with at least \$5 million dedicated to expanding vaccination rates among kids ages 5 to 11. The youth vaccination efforts would be focused on communities disproportionately affected by the virus. Instead of tapping into some of the \$2.25 billion that remains in state American Rescue Plan Act funds, the bill spends money out of the state's general fund with instructions in the bill pointing to reimbursements from FEMA.

"As we move forward through the COVID pandemic, we need to learn how to live with the virus and the difficulties that come with it," said McGonagle. "Increased access to vaccination and testing sites will allow people to continue their regular routines while feeling safe to do so."

The vote to pass the bill was unanimous in the House, 159-0. The House is shorthanded as a result of the resignation of

Claire Cronin of Easton. The House broke from its consideration of the COVID-19 spending bill to celebrate Cronin's confirmation as U.S. ambassador to Ireland.

"It was great to be back in Chambers to not only vote for this terrific bill but also to honor my good friend Claire Cronin. I am thrilled for her and our loss is Ireland's gain," said McGonagle.

The bill was passed by the Senate and now lays before the Governor.

SUSPECT CHARGED IN EVERETT WAREHOUSE FIRE

Everett Police Chief Steven A. Mazzie, Everett Fire Chief Scott A. Dalrymple, and State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey announced an arrest in last month's suspicious fire in Everett.

Everett Police this afternoon charged MICHAEL MAMBRINO, 18, with one count each of burning a building and causing injury to a firefighter. The charges stem from a joint investigation into the Jan. 23 fire at 69 Norman St. in Everett. That fire completely destroyed

a warehouse and caused major damage to a nearby garage; one firefighter suffered injuries that were not life-threatening in the course of the multi-agency response.

The investigation leading to Mambrino's arrest was undertaken jointly by members of the Everett Fire Department, Everett Police Department, and State Police Fire & Explosion Investigation Unit assigned to the State Fire Marshal's office. It included an examination of the scene, witness statements, video footage, physical evidence, and other investigative steps.

CONNOLLY CENTER BOOK CLUB NEWS

Mayor Carlo DeMaria, The Council on Aging and The Everett Public Libraries are excited to announce the return of The Connolly Center Book Club for seniors. Facilitated by librarian Kathleen Slipp, the book club will meet in the conference room at The Connolly Center the second Wednesday of each month at 10:30AM. "The Venice Sketchbook" by Rhys Bowen is our fea-

ture book for this month. "A clever prologue referring to Romeo and Juliet sets the stage for Bowen's ...diverting romantic adventure in Venice. This is a must read for historical fiction enthusiasts. Books are available for check out at The Connolly Center. Please see Cathi or Joanne. For more information, please call 617.394.2323

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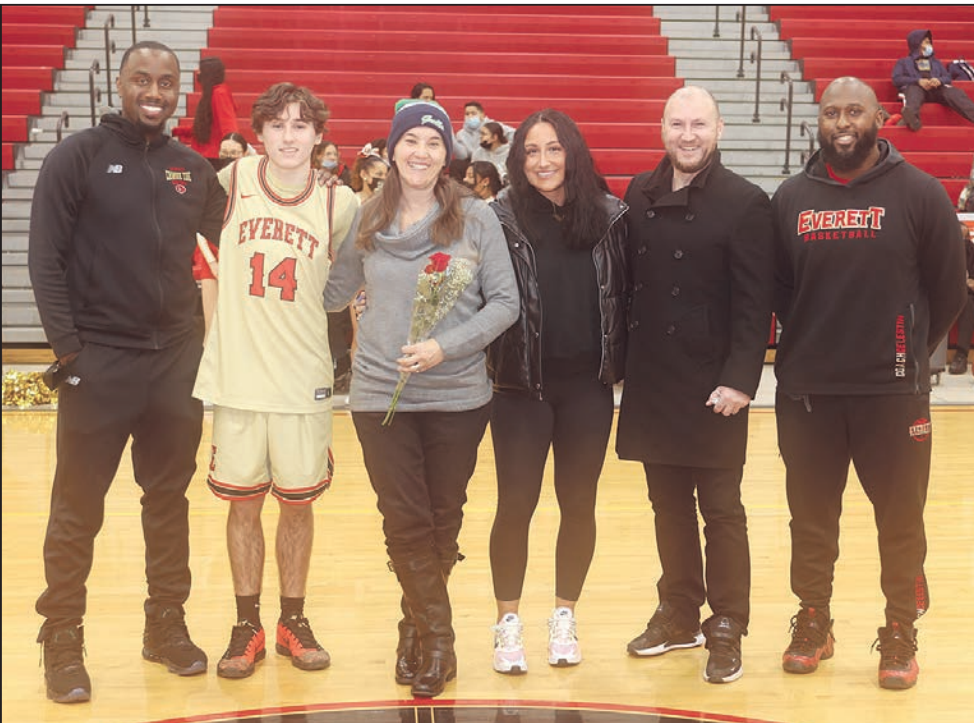
Please join Mayor Carlo DeMaria and The Council on Aging for the monthly Senior Social, Wednesday March 16, 2022 at Anthony's Restaurant, 105 Canal Street in Malden from 11:45am to 3pm. In celebration of St Patrick's Day, The COA has chosen a traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner complete with Irish Soda Bread, Coffee and Dessert. You will also enjoy dancing to the song stylings of Ray Cavicchio and his band, Tickets for this event are available for purchase March 3,4,7,8,10 & 11 at The Connolly Center. For additional information please call Dale or Cathi at 617.394.2323.

EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL SENIORS HONORED

Everett High Crimson Tide boys basketball team honored seniors and their families at a mid-court ceremony on Friday night.



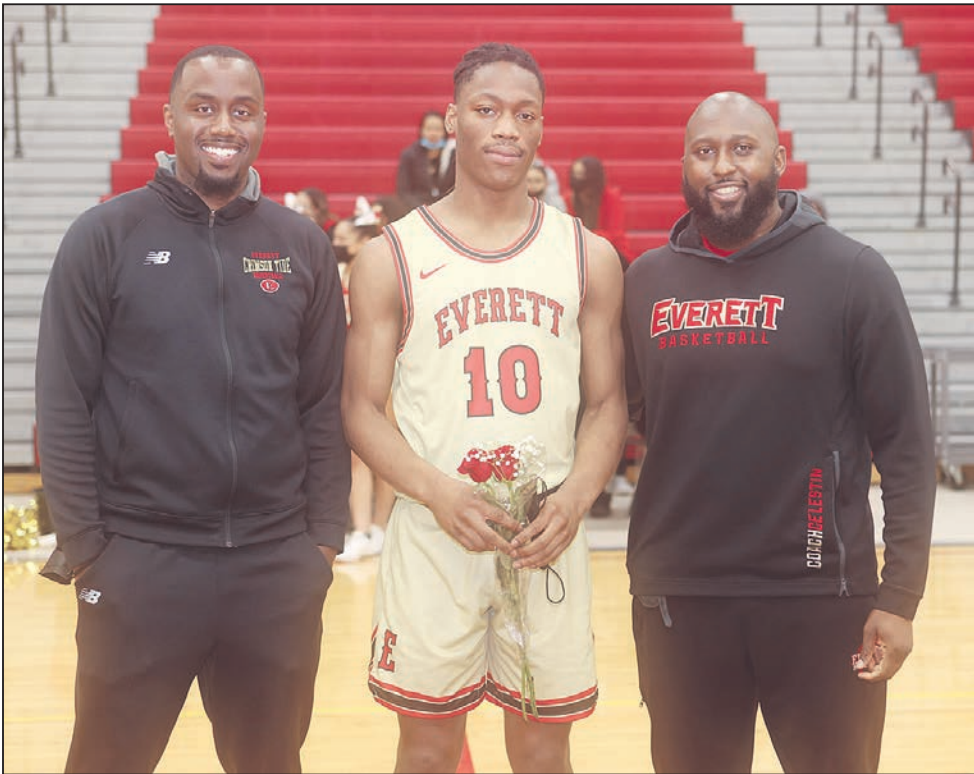
Senior Devin Claudio Cruz with his family and Coaches Chamblain and Celestin.



Senior Roby Dormevil with Coaches Stanley Chamblain and Steve Celestin.



Senior Seth Sylvain with is family and Coaches Chamblain and Celestin.



Senior John Monexant with his family and Coaches Stanley Chamblain and Steve Celestin.



Senior Tarik Lamadzema with his family and Coaches Chamblain and Celestin.



Senior Cam Mohammed with Coaches Stanley Chamblain and Steve Celestin.

EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CHEERLEADERS HONORED

The EHS Crimson Tide senior cheerleaders honored at pre-game ceremony last Friday night.



Captain Shani Headley with Head Coach Stanley Chamblain.



Senior Jackelyne Abranches with Michele Seward and Michelle Ngo.



Captain Kaylin Seward with her mother Michele Seward, Billy and Ashley Seward and Kevin Ruiz.

EHS Roundup

EHS TRACK TEAMS DO WELL AT GBL MEET; MALLOY IS HIGH JUMP CHAMP
The Everett High girls and boys indoor track and field teams competed in the Greater Boston League (GBL) Meet this past Friday at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center. “The meet went well,” said EHS head coach Jehu Cimea. “We had a lot of

personal records at the meet.” Richard Malloy was the top performer for the boys, scoring 19.5 points to rank among the top scorers at the meet. Richard earned the title of 2022 GBL champ in the high jump with a leap of 5’-8”; took second in the 55 meter dash with a time of 6.75 seconds; and ran the third leg of the third-place Everett 4 x 200 relay team. Richard will represent

Everett at the Division 1 State Meet this Saturday in the high jump. Brandon Ho contributed eight points to the Everett scoresheet with a second-place finish in the long jump with a leap of 18’-7.25”. Omar Marshall scored six points for the Crimson Tide with a third-place finish in the 300 dash in 38.79. Wensley Mompremier also scored six points

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EVERETT HIGH ICE HOCKEY AND CHEERLEADING TEAMS’ SENIOR NIGHT

CARY SHUMAN PHOTOS

The seniors on the Everett High School ice hockey and cheerleading teams were honored at Senior Night before the East Bridgewater-Everett game Feb. 10 at Allied Veterans Rink.

The Everett co-op team is led by head coach Alex Naumann.



Everett senior cheerleaders Jaqueline Velasco Arias and Nyla Hagbourne.



Jonathan Nogueira, with his mother Deborah Nogueira, and father Willam Nogueira.



Jeff Moran, with his father William Moran, and mother Reina Guillen.



Vinny Snyder, with family, including his mother Jacqueline Snyder, and sisters Isabella and Lorelei.



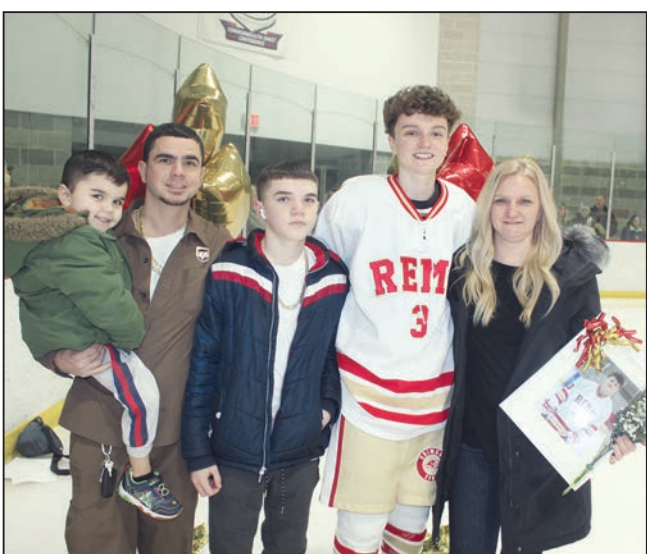
Dante Masucci, with his father Mike Masucci, mother Laurie Haskell, brother Anthony Masucci, and sister Gianna Masucci.



Shamus Royds, with his father, Erik, mother Marcella, and sister Gwen.



Alexio Trichilo, with family, including father Sandro, mother Renee, and brother Allesandro.



Gil Bairos at Senior Night, with father Gil Bairos, mother Kristin Bairos, and brothers Roman and Cayden.



Everett High senior cheerleader Lilly Nguyen, with her uncle Tri Nguyen, brother Khang Nguyen, cousin Catherine Nguyen, aunts Tanya Nguyen and Ayaka Nguyen.



Matt Bozzi, with his father Steven Bozzi, mother Katie Bozzi, and sisters Taylor and Sophia.



Everett High senior cheerleader Isadora DeMiranda (right), with her mother, Marta Castro, teammate and friend Livia Thomaz, and friends Caio Santos, Karina Marroquin, and Farah Moumen.



Everett High senior cheerleader Julia Dos Santos, with her mother Nivia Silveira, brother Nathan Dos Santos, and cousin Wesley Faria.



Everett High senior cheerleader Olivia Parziale (second from right), with her father Eric Parziale, sister and EHS cheerleader Alyssa Parziale, and mother Nancy Parziale.



Proudly representing the Crimson Tide in the boys varsity hockey program are seniors Gil Bairos, Jeff Moran, and Dante Masucci.



Everett High School hockey cheerleading coach Holly Garcia and public address announcer, professional photographer, and DJ Michael Kearney.



Seniors on the Everett High School hockey cheerleading team are pictured at “Senior Night” at Allied Veterans Rink. From left, are Jaqueline Velasco Arias, Olivia Parziale, Nyla Hagbourne, Lillyan Nguyen (Captain), Julia Dos Santos, Isadora DeMiranda and Livia Thomaz.



The seniors on the Everett High School hockey team, that also consists of players from Revere, Malden, and Mystic Valley Regional, are pictured on “Senior Night” at the Allied Veterans Memorial Rink. From left, are Gil Bairos, Captain Alexio Trichilo, Jonathan Nogueira, Captain Shamus Royds, Matt Bozzi, Jeff Moran, Vinny Snyder, and Captain Dante Masucci.

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EHS CRIMSON TIDE VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL DEFEAT CHELSEA HIGH 79-68

Last Friday night was senior night at EHS Gymnasium, after congratulating the seniors of the team and the cheerleaders the Crimson Tide faced off against the Chelsea High School Red Devils. Everett had the lead throughout the game, but the Red Devils kept it close, a strong offensive game and tight defense kept the game in the Tide's favor, winning 79-68.



Steven Cordero plays at one speed 100mph, and tires the defense even faster.



John Monexant was doubled teamed the whole game, but it didn't stop him from making key plays in the paint.



James Monexant with a hook shot under the basket.



John Monexant adds two more points on the board for the Tide.



Roger Vasques's defense kept the Devils off the score board.

The team behind Immersive Van Gogh directs its lens to the life and work of Frida Kahlo

Lighthouse Immersive, North America's leading producer of ground-breaking experiential art exhibits, and Maestro Immersive Art today announce its newest immersive art installation, Immersive Frida Kahlo. On the heels of its critically acclaimed blockbuster Immersive Van Gogh (now on-view in 15 cities), the Lighthouse Immersive team has set their sights on the art and life of Frida Kahlo (1907-1954), the beloved 20th century Mexican artist best known for compelling self-portraits and radiant pieces inspired by her life in her native country of Mexico.

The exhibition features some of the artist's best-known works "brought to life" by the world-re-

nowned master of digital art, Italy's Massimiliano Siccardi, again accompanied by composer Luca Longobardi's resonant score. Vittorio Guidotti is the Art Director. A brilliant, bold and uncompromising painter, Kahlo's work is globally recognized for its raw emotional vitality, vibrant color work and unflinching intimacy. Immersive Frida Kahlo arrives in Boston at the Lighthouse ArtSpace at the Castle (130 Columbus Avenue) Thursday, February 10 through Sunday, May 8, 2022. Ticket prices start at \$39.99 with timed and flexible options available.

For more information about Immersive Frida Kahlo, visit immersive-frida.com.



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Mystic Valley Elder Services elects three new board members

The Board of Directors of Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) elected three new members to its Board for the coming year. The MVES Board of Directors is composed of 26 members all of whom represent the 11 communities that MVES serves. More than 50 percent of the board is age 60 or over and more than half are appointed by our area municipal Councils on Aging, ensuring that MVES is governed by the people that the agency serves.

“Mystic Valley Elder Services is fortunate to have dedicated community members who are willing and able to serve our agency,” said MVES Chief Executive Officer Lisa Gurgone. “The new members, elected by their peers, will undoubtedly bring wisdom and energy

to the agency and its initiatives.”

The following individuals were elected members at the latest Board of Directors meeting:

Born in Malden, Susan Buckley (Stoneham) spent her early years in Melrose and later childhood through college in Pennsylvania. She is retired from 30 years of teaching in the public schools of Melrose and the suburbs of Philadelphia. Susan spent a few years post-retirement managing a home care program for her parents with the incredible help of dedicated caregivers from AgeSpan. She has travelled throughout the United States, done some cross country in a little green Volkswagen with her sister and several friends, and visited Europe. Susan favors

reading mystery, history, psychology books but will delve into almost any type of book. Art has been a lifelong interest of Susan and she is now happily painting in watercolors and acrylics, and printing some designs as greeting cards, which she finds very satisfying.

Debbie Peczka (Revere) launched her airline career with New York Air in 1982 and retired after a 37-year tenure with United Airlines. Travel is a passion that she continues to pursue, frequently visiting family members across the United States. Prior to her appointment as Director of Elder Affairs at the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center, Debbie worked as Mayor Brian Arrigo’s Administrative Assistant for the entirety of his first administration. Debbie



Susan Buckley.



Debbie Peczka.



Kristen Spence.

loves her job at the Senior Center, where she works every day to bring fun, innovative activities to seniors while also providing them with important resources. Deb has served on the UNITED We Care Board, CASTLES Board and the Revere TV Board of Directors.

Kristen Spence (Stoneham) has been working with older adults for most of her career. Currently

ly she is the Director of the Stoneham Council on Aging and previously she worked in elderly housing as a Resident Service Coordinator. She has volunteered with Mystic Valley Elder Services as a Money Manager and Somerville Elder Services are well. She was a Board Member of the Massachusetts Association of Resident Service Coordinators in Housing (MARSCH) for 8 years before changing her

career path in July of 2021 to work at the COA.

Kristen completed her Masters in Human Service Administration from Springfield College’s School of Human Services. She also earned her Bachelor of Science in Gerontology from the University of Maryland. Kristen lives in Medford with her husband and twin daughters and their two cats.

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with a third place effort in the two-mile run in 11:36.47.

In the shot-put, Crimson Tide throwers Joseph Murillo (40’-3”) and Hector Guevara (36’-7.5”) went 3-4 to score 10 points for Everett in that event.

Adam Penaflor added a point with a sixth-place performance in the 55 meter hurdles in 10.09.

The boys also scored 12 points with a pair of third-place finishes in the 4 x 200 and 4 x 400 relays. The 4 x 200 quartet consisted of Angel Torres, Ho, Malloy, and Marshall.

The 4 x 400 foursome was comprised of Matth Telson, Owen Beauvil, Penaflor, and Reklov Lageroy.

The Everett boys finished fourth overall in the team standings with 62 points behind Revere, Somerville, and Chelsea.

On the girls’ side, Lakisha Kirmon was the top Everett individual performer with 14 points on the day. Lakisha scored eight points with a sec-

ond-place finish in the 55 meter hurdles in a time of 10.30 and six points with a third-place long jump of 14’-6”.

Nyla Crowder scored four points with a fourth-place leap of 4’-6” in the high jump. Teammate Nicole Brandao added two points with a fifth-place jump of 4’-4”.

Julianna Edwards contributed four points to the Everett tally with a fourth-place shot-put toss of 26’-.50”.

Yelsa Garcia scored two points with a fifth-place performance in the 300 meter dash with a clocking of 48.35.

Also scoring points for Everett with sixth-place efforts in their individual events were: Gigi Boyce in the 55 dash in 8.08; Nataly Anaya in the 600 dash in 2:09.60; and Ida Bettaye in the hurdles in 11.60.

The 4 x 200 relay quartet of Datchne Elysse, Crowder, Garcia, and Boyce added four points with a fourth-place per-

formance in a time of 2:07.06.

The 4 x 400 relay foursome of Selma Moutaouakkil, Tanashia Johnson, Nataly Anaya, and Rejeana Guillaume came across the line in fifth place to score two points.

Coach Jehu Cimea was set to bring a few members of his squad to yesterday’s (Tuesday) Rising Championship Meet.

EHS GILLS BASKETBALL TOPS SOMERVILLE TWICE

The Everett High girls basketball team wrapped up its schedule against its Greater Boston League (GBL) opponents this past week with a pair of victories over Somerville.

Coach Riley Dunn’s squad cruised past the Lady Highlanders last Tuesday by a score of 42-11 and then rolled to another win in the rematch two days later, 56-18.

In the latter contest, Kayley Rossi hit for 21 points. Japhnie Pierre and Emilia Maria Babcock made five steals apiece.

Combined with a win by forfeit over Chelsea, the Lady Crimson Tide finished their GBL season with a 4-10 record.

This past Monday the Lady Crimson Tide took on powerful non-league foe Dracut, a team that is ranked seventh in Division 2 with a 17-2 record.

“We had a battle against top-ranked Dracut,” said Dunn. “Although the final score was 68-40, the score doesn’t do justice to how hard our girls fought and never gave up.”

Kayley Rossi led Everett in the scoring department with 13 points. Japhnie Pierre and Emilia Maria-Babcock both grabbed eight rebounds.

Dunn and her crew are scheduled to wrap up their 2022 campaign in the coming week with a pair of home games against non-league opponents. They will host Mal-

den Catholic tomorrow (Thursday) evening and then entertain Arlington next Tuesday.

EHS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM CLINCHES GBL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Everett High boys basketball team clinched the 2022 Greater Boston League (GBL) title with a pair of victories this past week over GBL foes Somerville (64-44) and Chelsea, (79-67).

The twin wins boosted coach Stanley Chamblain’s Crimson Tide’s GBL mark to a perfect 13-0, two games ahead of second-place, 11-2 Lynn English (both of the Bulldogs’ losses came to Everett), with just one GBL contest left on Everett’s

schedule.

The Crimson Tide will be seeking to run the table on their GBL foes when they trek to Lynn Classical this evening (Wednesday). Everett handily defeated the Rams, who are 5-7 in the GBL, in their first meeting two weeks ago, 67-46.

Chamblain and his crew, who stand at 17-2 overall, will conclude their regular season Sunday when they take on non-league foe North Quincy.

The Tide then will await word of their seeding and first-round opponent in the post-season Division 1 state tournament. Everett presently is ranked 11th in the so-called power rankings of the MIAA and is ranked 10th in the Division 1 polls.

OBITUARIES

Ralph Orlandella

Of Lowell, formerly of Everett

Ralph A. Orlandella of Lowell, formerly of Everett, died on February 6.

The beloved husband of Anne (DiGiambattista) Orlandella, he was the loving father of Valerie of Hathorne, MA and Mike and his wife, Christine Orlandella of Salem, NH; cherished grandfather of Mike and his wife, Ryann Orlandella of Derry, NH and Steven Orlandella of Bradford, MA; great grandfather of Steven Orlandella, Jr. of Bradford, MA; brother of Rose Gallo of Billerica and the late Frances Isamone, Grace Sasso, Vera Williams, Anne Donaruma, Felicia Saulnier, Louise McGurin, Lucy Bonnano,



Emma Stowell, Leo Orlandella, Michele Orlandella, Anthony Orlandella, Michael Orlandella and Harry (Rocky) Orlandella. Ralph is also survived by many nieces, nephews and good friends and predeceased by his many loving brothers and sisters in law.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Friends of Hathorne, PO Box A, Hathorne MA 01937.

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CRIMSON TIDE GIRLS HOOP TEAM FALLS TO LYNN ENGLISH

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Greater Boston
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ett 66-35 at Everett High
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QUICK GETAWAY: Everett's Jaffney Pierre (11) and Nehemie Lucien (43) break out and away from Lynn English's Alisha Jean and Jari Perez (23).



FIND A ROUTE: Everett's Amilia Maria Babcock looks for some help as she tries to start an offensive drive.



POWER MOVE: Everett's Kaesta Sandy drives on Lynn English defender Jaeleigh Perry.



QUICK PASS: Everett's Jane Odiari gets a pass away just in time.



NET BOUND: Everett's Lamiah Wizard has her eyes on the basket.



LOW BRIDGE: Everett's Kayley Rossi gets under a Lynn English defensive bridge.



IT'S MINE: Everett's Kaesta Sandy (25) gets a rebound in front of Lynn English's Jaeleigh Perry and Jari Perez.



WHERE TO GO? Nehemie Lucien is looking for an outlet as she is defended during Everett's 66-35 loss to Lynn English Thursday night at Everett High.

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MBTA hosting multiple public forums for feedback

MBTA staff proposed to the Audit and Finance Subcommittee of the MBTA Board several fare policy changes as part of the MBTA's Fare Transformation, which aims to make paying for transit easier and more convenient for our customers.

"These fare media updates will provide MBTA riders with greater flexibility through the introduction of 'tappable' forms of payment that are compatible with future fare readers on buses and trolleys, allowing for all-door boarding and, ultimately, for faster service," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "We know some changes will take time to get used to, like the \$3 card fee that allows for 'one more trip protection' and making sure every rider has a Charlie Card or other form of fare payment. But, if approved by the MBTA's Board in April, we're excited to make these im-

portant improvements to our fare system and to provide even more easy-to-use fare options to our riders."

Upon completion of the public input process in March and subject to the MBTA Board approval in April, these policy changes would go into effect with the introduction of the MBTA's next phases of Fare Transformation.

The MBTA is actively seeking public comment through multiple forums and channels on the following fare policy changes related to the upcoming fare media:

- Ending "Passback": Currently allowed through the legacy fare system, the same CharlieCard or CharlieTicket loaded with fare value can be used to allow multiple riders through a fare gate. The MBTA refers to this practice as a "passback." In order to have "proof of payment," introduce mobile and contactless payments, and integrate the Commuter Rail without creating pricing errors, "passbacks" will be discontinued.
- Fare Media per Rider: Customers aged 12 and older will need to have their own fare media to ensure riders do not experience unexpected duplicate charges at fare gates and on fare readers as well as for riders to be able to provide proof of payment.
- \$3 Fare Media Fee and Free Card Distribution: There will be a \$3 card cost for most new fare me-

dia issued by the MBTA. The MBTA recognizes that the cost for fare media may be a burden for some riders and is currently developing a plan to distribute free Charlie Cards to minority and low-income communities through partner organizations. Cards will continue to be free to Reduced Fare Riders and for all riders purchasing a 1-Day Link Pass on a new Charlie Card.

"One more trip" Protection on Charlie Cards: The upcoming fare media will allow riders to board with low/zero balance to improve convenience and avoid leaving riders stranded.

The MBTA welcomes and invites the public to provide feedback on these proposed updates and changes at a virtual public meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 15, at 6 PM and at the official public hearing to be held virtually on Tuesday, March 22, at 6 PM. For specific details to access these virtual meetings and/or to submit direct comments regarding these proposed updates and changes, please email publicengagement@mbta.com. The public may submit comments through Thursday, March 31, 2022.

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News and Notes

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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 togeth-er, spiritually while they can’t physically. Their virtual sanctuaries can be accessed via their face-

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News and Notes

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Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship service.

Wednesday hour of Power, worship, prayer and Bible Study, via Zoom.

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News and Notes

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

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episco-pal Church is open & wel-coming to all.

There are 2 services on Sundays: 10am English, 1pm South Sudanese Din-ka

Come all and let us walk together in this sea-

son of hope, renewal and new beginnings.

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“If you want to make a friend or two Lotus, then make some now today!”

Sometimes it is hard to introduce oneself, but determined Lotus leaped and yelped. Roses, Tulips, Daisies, galore. Dandelions, Lilacs and many more!

All of which stared, but stared with a smile.

“Come sweet Lotus, let’s sway for a while!”

Acceptance and fun with friends of many...

Is much appreciated but still just as any...

that kind flying squirrel who was brave to reach out, to a Lotus in need of some help.

“So you see young Orchid, I found friends and family! You can too, just don’t be afraid to be ... yourself young Orchid through and through...”

And if you ever need it, I’ll be a friend to you.

The Kite and the Line
By Gabby De Gouveia

I am a creature of the clouds:

As boundless and untold as the ends of Rainbows you’ve once scowered to find.

You are a creature of the Earth:

The perfect sphere that fills my view.

You became the ground, the order, the breath -

The very being of me has since flowed from you.

Refrain and I’ll float away.

Part with me and you will fall.

We are connected, and such has been, since we’ve gone through it all.

There is no danger between us, for we are always safe.

For when we fight, we fight with love.

For us, the heavens will always shine above.

So till the end of time, and for as long as we’re kind,

I am your Kite, and you are my Line.

Opportunities For Staff

In its continued efforts to recruit teachers, the Everett Public Schools is being diligent to look at an obvious and vital place: The Everett Public Schools.

“We have talented and dedicated staff members across all levels of the district,” said Superintendent of Schools Priya Tahiliani. “We have to encourage and support present EPS employees who are interested in taking the steps needed to become a certified teacher. Failure to do so would be a disservice to our students.”

This year saw the district launch an Emerging Educators Program for substitute teachers, para-professionals, and other staff members who are interested in becoming certified teachers. In the first round of mentoring in the fall of 2021, 14 EPS employees participated in a five-part mentor program. Sessions were held virtually in the evenings and featured presentations and question-and-answer sessions led by EPS leaders in special education, English Learners, guidance, equity, and curriculum and instruction.

Those who completed the course received a \$200 voucher to take the MTEL Communications and Lit-



Second place winner Selma Moutaouakkil’s work (left and above).



eracy test, which is a mandatory step for anyone who wants to be certified to teach in Massachusetts. And the 14-person cohort will continue to receive professional mentorship as they pursue a teaching career.

CTE Partnerships

Everett High School has launched an exciting partnership with the Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology (BFIT) that enhances and expands the district’s commitment to providing Career and Technical Education opportunities to students.

The BFIT partnership allows juniors and seniors to earn certificates and degrees for free — while remaining on track to earn EHS diplomas.

Currently, a small group of students are enrolled in the Institute’s Electrical Engineering and Automotive Technology programs. In March, a second group of students will attend BFIT to pursue health or HVAC training.

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