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EHS PRESENTS 'STILL LIFE WITH IRIS'



The Everett High School Theatre Company presented "Still Life with Iris" on Thursday and Friday evening. Pictured are

Nilabhro Pal, Sofia DeMarco, Jasmine B. Vertilus, Gianna Rodriguez-Sanchez, and David Foster. See page 14 for more

EXCELLENCE IN THE EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Betania Zelalem receives national recognition

Special to the Independent

Everett High School senior Betania Zelalem has received a National NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing (AiC). The award, powered by the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT), recognizes 9th-12th grade women, genderqueer, or non-binary students for computing-related achievements and interests, as part of an effort to encourage a diverse range of students to choose careers in technology.

Four hundred award recipients were selected from high schools across 43 states and all U.S. overseas military bases for their outstanding aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing as demonstrated by their computing experience, computing-related activities, leadership experience, tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and plans for post-secondary education.

All recipients receive

recognition and prizes; induction into the AiC Community of more than 22,000 women, genderqueer, or non-binary technologists; access to resources, scholarships, and internship opportunities; and more.

Betania — or Betty, as she is known to her family and friends — is a standout student and President of the Computer Science Honors Society. She speaks three languages and is a member of the National Honor Society and an EHS Student Ambassador. An accomplished coder, Betty plans on studying computer science/artificial intelligence and linguistics and hopes to attain bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. Her top college choice is Carnegie Mellon University. Among her courses this year is Mr. Neil Plotnick's

cybersecurity class. "Fostering our students' interest and passion for technology is critically important, as is our commitment to creating

more diversity among the STEM fields," said Superintendent of Schools Priya Tahiliani. "We are extremely proud of Betania for receiving this prestigious award, and we are honored to have Everett High School associated with the National Center for Women & Information Technology."

NCWIT is the farthest-reaching network of change leaders focused on advancing innovation by correcting underrepresentation in computing. NCWIT convenes, equips, and unites nearly 1,500 change leader organizations nationwide to increase the influential and meaningful participation of girls and women at the intersections of race/ethnicity, class, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability status, and other historically marginalized identities in the field of computing, particularly in terms of

innovation and develop-

Investing in our Students Free Minecraft and Video Game **Design Class**

The Everett Public Schools is offering a free course on Minecraft and Video Game Design through its partnership with Empow Studios. The eight-session program will be held on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. between April 9th and June 11th. It is open to all Everett High School students.

Participants will learn fun technologies by engaging in the engineering design process and completing projects in Minecraft and the Flowlab Video Game Design system. They will develop new skills and build relationships through collaboration.

Empow Studios is an award-winning provider of STEM programming. It supports not only active participation and developing technology literacy but also social collabo-

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condemning racism me?" he said. "I don't By Stephen Quigley After hearing from a dozen local residents who spoke during the Public

Councilors take no

action on resolution

Participation part of the City Council meeting on Monday night calling for the resignation of Ward 3 Councilor Anthony DiPierro, citing the racist meme that appeared on his Instagram account, City Councilors later in the meeting could not agree to approve a resolution condemning racism and affirming the Everett City Council's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusive education and practices.

The resolution was written by Councilors Stephanie Martins and Vivian Nguyen, and initially was signed onto by Councilors Stephanie Smith, Irene Cardillo and Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr.

However, after reading the preamble, Smith, Cardillo and Dell Isola asked that their names be removed as co-sponsors. "I will vote no on this,"

said Smith. "I condemn racism, (but) I don't call out my colleagues on the record." Councilor Michael

Marchese was irate over his name being listed on the resolution calling it "a cheap shot." "I have not said one

comment about anyone stepping down, and then throw this cheap crap at

hide nothing. This is really a cheap shot. All this does is divide the city. You should be ashamed of yourself."

Martins, in defending the resolution, said, "All racism is unacceptable and I am proud of what we worked on."

"This needs to be reworded," said Councilor Wayne Matewsky. "I hope that no one is a racist. This is a good city and it is not perfect. People have made a mistake. Where does it end?"

"This needs a lot more work," said Cardillo. "We need more than words, we need action." However, Nguyen re-

sponded, "It is important to mention names and specifics in the resolution." In the end, the resolution was referred back to the sponsors who have

the option to reword it and submit a revised resolution. The resolution reads as

follows: In The Year Two Thou-

sand And Twenty Two Resolution Condemning Racism And Affirming The Everett City Council's Commitment To Diversity, Equity, And Inclusion Education And Practices

Councilor/s/ Stephanie Martins, Vivian Nguyen, Richard DellIsola, Irene Cardillo, Stephanie Smith

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Show Us the Money

Councilors stop National Grid projects

By Stephen Quigley

Since National Grid owes the City of Everett more than \$600,000 in payments, City Councilors refused to grant permission for the following work until the monies are paid at Monday's night meeting of the City Council at The Everett Public High School on Elm Street.

The four following public hearings were delayed until the next meeting on April 11.

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To all parties interested in the public hearing for Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid and Verizon New England Inc, Massachusetts, wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures

as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked - Plan # 29672806 Elm St Everett

Massachusetts. 2. C017222

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EVERETT HOSTS G.I.R.L.S. DAY



The City of Everett, the Everett Police and Fire Departments, and Massachusetts State Police hosted G.I.R.L.S. Day for young ladies to learn about careers in police and firefighting on March 26 at Everett Recreation Center. Pictured above are Mayor Carlo DeMaria with Geselle and Ana. Pictured right are Belinda, Joe, Natalia, and Giuliana Morello. See Page 7 for more photos.



All student-athletes at Everett High School are encouraged to apply for an E Club Scholarship. The deadline for candidates is April 2. For the latest news in Everett that you need to know, check The E Club also extends an invitation to its 50th everettindependent.com

E CLUB SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

Anniversary Dinner on Tuesday, May 17. The Club looks forward to welcoming guests to its annual awards dinner.

DiDomenico announces Senate passage of \$1.65 billion supplemental budget

Sen. Sal DiDomenico and his colleagues in the Massachusetts State Senate passed a \$1.65 billion supplemental budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22). The legislation makes investments in the state's long-term COVID-19 response; addresses staffing shortages in schools; provides support for home community-based services, assistance and protections for families experiencing housing and energy insecurity; funds winter road improvements; extends outdoor dining services as well as beer, wine and cocktails to-go, and provides for the resettlement of Ukrainian refugees in Massachusetts. Notably, the bill also would divest the state pension fund from Russian assets in response to the

Russian war in Ukraine. "Repeatedly throughout this pandemic, the Massachusetts Senate has demonstrated our commitment to investing in Commonwealth's most critical program and services, and this su plemental budget is no exception," said DiDomenico. "With this legislation, we prioritize our most vulnerable population, continue supporting our health care workers and education sector, and make key investments in our local infrastructure to help Massachusetts build back stronger. I would like to thank Senate President Karen Spilka and Senate Ways & Means Chairman Michael Rodrigues for

their leadership in moving our Commonwealth forward and prioritizing an equitable COVID-19 recovery."

Responding to COVID-19 To mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and ensure robust preparation in the event of a future variant outbreak, the bill invests \$700 million for the state's COVID-19 response. This funding would ensure the continued no-cost availability of crucial services offered to residents during the pandemic, including on-site testing, vaccinations, and treatment, as well as public health staffing needs resulting from COVID-19.

To further protect families facing housing challenges, the supplemental budget extends through March 2023 several protections for tenants experiencing COVID-19-related financial hardship, including extending the requirement that a court grant a continuance in an eviction case for nonpayment of rent when the tenant has a pending rental assistance application.

The supplemental budget also extends popular pandemic-related provisions including outdoor dining services, and beer, wine and cocktails to-go through April 2023. The legislation also extends COVID-19 related bonuses for members of the Massachusetts National Guard.

Responding to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine The supplemental bud-

get responds to the Russian Federation's February 2022 invasion of Ukraine and the subsequent violence against Ukrainian civilians. An amendment unanimously adopted on the floor of the Senate requires the Commonwealth's Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board to divest any holdings from companies officially sanctioned by the Biden administration or incorporated in Russia. The supplemental budget also allocates \$10 million for the Office of Immigrants and Refugees to support the resettlement of international evacuees, including Ukrainian evacuees.

Housing and Energy Assistance

The supplemental budget includes several provisions relating to housing stability and support for individuals currently experiencing or near homelessness. The Senate proposal includes \$100 million for the Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) program which provides eligible families with funds that they can use to keep their housing or obtain new housing. One amendment added to the budget on the Senate floor would increase the cap of the program RAFT \$10,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Another amendment clarifies existing law to ensure that in all eviction cases where the only valid reapayment of rent, that the tenant has access to protections. The supplemental budget also dedicates \$20 million to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), which provides crucial assistance to families facing high utility bills. To increase oversight, the bill also directs the department of housing and community development to make detailed quarterly reports on the state's eviction diversion initiative.

The supplemental budget allocates \$2.8 million for rates at shelters for homeless individuals and also ensures that down payment assistance funds received from the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency or the Massachusetts Housing Partnership will not be considered taxable in-

Health Care

& Mental Health The bill allocates \$346 million in federal American Rescue Plan funding for Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) resources to ensure that eligible Medicaid users throughout the Commonwealth are able to receive health care and medical services in their own homes or local communities. Alongside this investment, the bill also appropriates \$55 million in state resources to support reimbursement rates for human and social service providers that have also been doing crucial ic. To address the crisis of mental health care, the bill also dedicates \$10 million to suicide prevention and intervention services, focused on staffing and other resources at crisis centers, and the establishment of a statewide 988 suicide prevention hotline.

An amendment adopted to the supplemental budget allocates \$24 million of the state's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds specifically for the creation of new behavioral health and substance use disorder treatment beds.

Education

In response to reports of staffing shortages in public schools, the supplemental budget includes a provision authorizing the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education to issue emergency educator licenses until 180 days after the end of the public health emergency. For private special education schools operating under Chapter 766, the budget allocates \$140 million to fill immediate staffing

needs. Other funding items of

- note include: • \$100 million for a new Winter Road Recovery Assistance Program for cities and towns to repair potholes and roads and bridges worn down by adverse weather conditions.
- \$20 million for Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) funding which ports no-cost counseling, advocacy, and intervention services to victims

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of crime, thereby covering the immediate needs of the Victim and Witness Assistance Board as they

- are experiencing a shortage of federal funding •\$10 million for Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled and Children
- (EAEDC) • \$8.4 million for Department of Children and Families foster family
- \$8 million for Early Intervention staff stabilization supports
- \$5 million for state election costs
- \$5 million for the Department of Mental Health to expand clientele housing supports
- \$1.8 million for mental health services for international evacuees resettled in the Commonwealth
- \$1.7 million for state park investments, including water safety initiatives
- \$609.000 for additional staffing to implement the Next Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy legislation, which was passed early in the session
- \$500,000 to expand the capacity of the Commission on the Status of Women

A version of this legislation having previously passed the House of Representatives, the differences will need to be worked out by the branches before advancing to the Governor's desk.

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WHEREAS messages where a variation of a Black racial slur was used to make derogatory references and degrading jokes at the expense of the Black community sent by Councilor DiPierro have recently surfaced, and;

WHEREAS several recent social media posts by Councilor Marchese have surfaced reflecting racist, misogynist, transphobic messages, some of which include a historically dehumanizing portrayal of Vice President Kamala Harris and undocumented immigrants, and;

WHEREAS the conduct of distributing racist

content, whether in a public or private setting, is intolerable and unacceptable for any sitting elected

son for the eviction is non-

WHEREAS upholding this expectation is especially important for elected officials in Everett, a city with a majority-minority population, because it sets a tone that alienates residents and normalizes hatred, and;

WHEREAS the Everett City Charter only automatically removes elected members from office upon

being convicted of a felony, existing members who engage in practices of racist nature shall recognize their biases and analyze their suitability to represent a diverse community; and;

work during the pandem-

WHEREAS it is our duty to make sure our residents feel safe and included in their communities

WHEREAS we urgent ly must act to stop the racial injustice that harms and anguishes people of color, who are our family, friends, neighbors, stu-

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dents, staff members, and fellow residents; WHEREAS we must continue to listen and en-

ings, and we must seek with great empathy to understand their challenges and their pain; WHEREAS we must work together to support a shared conviction that rac-

> WHEREAS each of us, individually and collectively, is responsible for creating and nurturing an anti-racist environment where every human is respected and valued for who they are, regardless of their skin color. We must continue to actively acknowledge, address and prevent racial bias that occurs as a result of division policies, practices and actions;

ism must end, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, members of the Everett City Council condemn all forms of racism and hate in our city and our society, and we reaffirm our commitment to fostering an inclusive environment where every community member is treated with dignity and respect.

We commit to completing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training as recommended by the Human Resources Department, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the Diversity, Equity, and Equal Opportunity Employment Commission within the next 6 months, and to learn and adopt restorative justice practices

in policy. We commit to abiding by the Rules of Conduct for the City Council in its entirety.

We commit to conducting a Racial Equity Impact Assessment of the City of Everett's public policies and budgets in order to identify ways to maximize equity and inclusion and minimize adverse and unanticipated impacts.

We, members of the Everett City Council, take this opportunity to implement such actionable items with the goal of building power in community safety and inclusion.

- LEGAL NOTICE -**CITY OF EVERETT**



BOARD OF HEALTH 484 Broadway Everett, Massachusetts 02149

> **Everett Board of Health Regulation** Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products

On February 28, 2022, the Everett Board of Health voted to adopt a revised Regulation Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products with an effective date of March 1, 2022. The revised Regulation changes the definition of blunt wrap to "Any product made wholly or in part from a tobacco product manufactured or packaged with loose and removable leaves or sections of a leaf or as a hollow tube that may be used by the consumer to wrap or contain loose tobacco or other fillers". For a copy of this updated Regulation, please contact the Everett Health Department (617) 394-2255.

March 30, 2022

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BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSION 484 Broadway Everett, Massachusetts 02149

Public Hearing Monday, April 11, 2022 6:30 PM **Everett City Hall** 484 Broadway Rm 27 Everett MA

Whereas an application has been presented by: Revolution Axe Throwing, LLC 73 Norman St., Unit 19A, Everett, MA. 02149, for a Change of Category of their License from a Wine and Malt to an All Alcohol License.

March 30, 2022

All interested parties may attend. Phil Antonelli - Chairman

- LEGAL NOTICE -**CITY OF EVERETT**



Keshar LLC, d/b/a Elm Street Market for a Change of Location

from 172 Elm Street, Everett to 178 Elm Street, Everett MA.

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ration, self-actualization, and creativity.

Interested students can access the sign-up form on the homepage of EPS website or by contacting Chief Equity Officer Cory McCarthy.

Theatre of Dreams EHS Advances in **METG Competition**

In the latest achievement by its blossoming drama program, Everett High School (EHS) has advanced to the final round of the 2022 METG Theatre Festival after a stirring performance of the play, "Still Life with

EHS was among the schools to earn a spot at the Regional Round after scoring a qualifying score in the preliminaries, held earlier this month at Marshfield High School. Led by Artistic Director Evan DeMarzo, the EHS Theatre Company will be back on stage on Saturday, April 2nd at Duxbury High School for one of seven regional festivals hosted by the METG (Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild).

"I know I speak for the entire district in extending our best wishes to these talented, committed, and creative students," said Superintendent Priya Tahiliani. "I have had the pleasure of seeing this production, and I am thrilled that our students will be able to share it with a wider audience and their peers around the state."

"Still Life with Iris" centers on a little girl's search for the simplest of things: home. Iris lives with her mom in the land of Nocturno — a magical place in which the workers make, by night, all of the things we see in the world by day.

EHS received numerous group and individual awards following its performance at Marshfield High School:

Excellence in Acting: Jasmine Vertilus, for the role of Iris

Excellence in Acting: Nilabhro Pal, for the role of Mozart

Excellence in Acting: David Foster, for the role of Grotto Good

Excellence in Acting: Gianna Rodriguez-Sanchez, role of Gretta Good Excellence in Sound

Design: Darian Ventura Excellence in Set De-

Excellence in Costume Design

Massachusetts The High School Drama Festival is a competitive program that showcases one-act plays produced by member high schools. Student excellence in acting and technical design is recognized at each level. Due to COVID-19, the METG made changes to its 2022 schedule. It hosted the Preliminary Round

the weekend of March 19th and 20th, followed by this weekend's regionals. Fourteen schools will be crowned winners, but the METG is not hosting a State Final this year.

Saturday's performance is open to the public. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at Duxbury High School. Everett is scheduled to take the stage at 2:30 p.m.

Next Stop: EHS! 8th Grade **Information Night**

The Everett High School Guidance Department will host an Information Night for parents and guardians of EPS eighth

graders on Monday, April

11th at 6:00 p.m.

If you have an eighth grader who is planning to attend Everett High in 2022-2023, be sure to attend this special event. Members of the guidance team will be on hand to answer your questions and provide information about our academic and extracurricular activities. Multilingual family liaisons

Please email 9th grade guidance counselors, Ms. Andrade at fandrade@ everett.k2.ma.us or Ms. Kacvinsky at mkacvinsky@everett.k12.ma.us if you have any questions.

will be available to assist

families.

EHS looks forward to seeing you on April 11th.

Everett Bank names Leonard as new Chairman of Board

Everett Bank, an over 125-year old co-operative bank based in Everett, Massachusetts, announced the appointment of Dennis J. Leonard as the bank's new Chairman of the Board of Directors. Mr. Leonard previously served as Chairman of Everett Bank's Finance & Audit Committee, and will now oversee the executive board, effective immediately.

"We are thrilled to elect Dennis to our executive board," said Richard J. O'Neill Jr., president and CEO of Everett Bank. "Dennis has long been an important part of our financial team for more than six years, and we are confident that he will play a vital role in our executive leadership and growth going forward."

Mr. Leonard has been the president of Delta Dental, the largest dental insurer in Massachusetts with over 2.5 million members, since 2011 and has served as the organization's CEO since 2019. He previously held several senior leadership positions within the company, including chief sales officer, regional president and vice president of sales and



marketing.

In addition, Mr. Leonard has over 40 years of combined experience in healthcare, including 16 years with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. He also sits on the boards for five other institutions, including Merrimack College, Associated Industries of Massachusetts, The New England Council, Massachusetts Association of Health Plans, and Delta Dental Plans Association Board. Mr. Leonard also has significant ties to the City of Everett as a former Everett City Council member and president in 1985.

"It truly is an honor to serve on a team that is so committed to doing right

by their customers and the greater Everett community," said Leonard. "I hope to continue to be able to give back to this city that is very important to me and look forward to working with the executive board to ensure value and convenience to our customers."

He is a graduate of Merrimack College with a bachelor of arts in political science, and also earned his master of business administration from Northeastern University.

To learn more about Everett Bank, please visit https://www.everettbank. com/.

Founded in 1890 by a group of local business owners and civic leaders in the City of Everett, Everett Bank is a co-operative bank proud to have more than a century of experience serving the individual and business banking needs of residents of Everett and its surrounding communities. Focused on fostering long-lasting relationships built on trust, commitment, and community, Everett Bank is determined to do "Right by you." To learn more about Everett Bank, visit www.everettbank.com.

News in Brief

Real Estate Transfers

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SELLER 1 **ADDRESS PRICE** Porter LT 25 Sherman St \$660,000 \$425,000 Mccabe, John B 42 Thurman St 35 Garvey Street LLC 45 Garvey St \$25,000,000 Flores-Lozano, Jose M 50 Floyd St #5 \$525,000 \$461,100 Walker, Joseph 53 Floyd St #A 56 Hillside Ave \$545,000 Trujillo Juan R F Est



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Pat Roberto,



CITY TO **INVENTORY TREES**

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce that the City of Everett has partnered with PlanIt Geo - Urban Forestry Consulting and Software Powerhouse, to inventory over 8,100 trees in the City of Everett. Through the inventory process, each tree has been or will be numbered, pictured, identified by type, and listed by address. Additionally, a certified arborist will determine the condition of each of the trees.

Over the next few

weeks, Everett's Department of Public Works will be removing trees throughout the community that are rotted and dead. Once all of these trees are removed, they will be replaced with young, healthy, and vibrant trees. In the unusual situation where a tree is located under a power transformer, near power lines, or near water lines then the tree will be relocated to the closest possible position.

next 5 years, the City will be removing the oldest and most damped trees. These

Over the course of the

trees will be replaced with a wide variety of trees ranging from Callery pear to Eastern cottonwood.

Through this endeavor, the City of Everett will be able to eliminate dead trees and replace upwards of 150 trees per year. While in this process, the City will ensure that all new trees are tracked in our new central database. As we continue to update this information, please don't hesitate to reach out to Everett's conservation agent, Tom Philbin at Tom.Philbin@ci.everett. ma.us.

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To all parties interested in the public hearing for Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid and Verizon New England Inc, Massachusetts, wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to construct a line of underground electric conduits, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, under and across the public way or ways hereinafter named.- Plan # 30497018 Second St Everett Massachusetts. 4. C017422 Public

Hearing/s/ Councilor John F. Hanlon, as President To all parties interested

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Plan # 30538098 Second

St Everett Massachusetts.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

All the appointments were unanimously approved except for Lucy Pineda. Councilor Stephanie Smith asked that this appointment be held up until the next meeting to make sure that all Election Commissioners have the correct staggered terms.

the confirmation of reappointment of Amanda Harold to the Disability Commission for a term of three years expiring March 31, 2025 6. An order requesting

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the confirmation of the reappointment of Aimee Farrell to the Disability Commission for a term of two years expiring March 31, 2024 7. An order requesting

the confirmation of the reappointment of Laura Evans to the Disability Commission for a term of one year expiring March 31, 2023

8. An order requesting the confirmation of the reappointment of Giuseppe Tozzi to the Board of As-

sessors for a term of three years expiring March 31, 9. An order requesting the confirmation of the

reappointment of Lucy Pi-

neda to the Election Com-

mission for a term of four years expiring March 31, 2026

An order recommending the appointment of Sgt. Joseph Gaff and Ptl. James MacGregor as Sworn Weigthers for the City of Everett's Police Department Truck Inspection Unit for a one (1) year term expiring March 23.

FERRY STREET PROJECT The City Council will

be meeting with the Director of Engineering to give an overview of the pending Ferry Street The resolution

signed by the entire council.The Councilors are looking for timelines of the project such as the start date and projected finish date of the project. The project is expected to last two years, and as Councilor Richard Dell Isola said, "this will be a real mess." **SPEED LIMIT**

Councilors

enrolled an ordinance calling for a city-wide 25 miles per hour speed limit in the City of Everett on any road that is not a state highway. The ordinance passed 9-0. Another reading and vote of the ordinance will be required before the speed limit becomes official.

Everett Independent

President: Stephen Quigley

Editor in Chief: Cary Shuman

TOXIC MASCULINITY AT THE OSCARS

When we first heard the joke by Chris Rock that was directed at Jada Pinkett-Smith at the Oscars, we didn't get it. It was not until Will Smith stepped up to smack Rock that we grabbed our laptop to do a Google search for "G.I. Jane" and "Jada Pinkett-Smith" to figure out what the incident was all about.

We've admired Chris Rock and Will Smith throughout their careers, both on and off the stage.

But the behavior exhibited by both of them at Sunday's Oscars show was inexcusable.

Chris Rock's joke (which wasn't even funny) was obnoxious, in bad taste, and hurtful. Mocking a person with a disease (Ms. Pinkett-Smith suffers from alopecia) or a disability never is appropriate in any setting.

This sort of bullying behavior is a characteristic of many men. Recall for example, when our former president mimicked with his body language a New York Times reporter who has a physical disability.

Similarly, Will Smith's subsequent assault and battery upon Rock exemplified another variation of a uniquely-male noxious attitude in which men justify the use of their fists (or guns) either to salve their bruised egos or to get what they want by brute force (e.g., Vlad-

We have read in various media that some have attempted to justify Smith's criminal behavior on the grounds that he was defending his wife's honor. However, women are more than capable of taking care of themselves. They don't need a man to do so. That attitude prevails only in societies where women are treated like second-class citizens.

In our view, both Chris Rock and Will Smith should be banned from the Oscars until further notice. Their toxic masculinity has no place anywhere in our society, but especially on a stage as big as the Oscars.

RECALLING THE APRIL FOOL'S DAY BLIZZARD OF 1997

This Friday, April 1, will mark the 25th anniversary of the great April Fool's Day blizzard of 1997.

As often is the case when a major storm strikes, the forecasters had not predicted the extreme severity of the

We recall going to bed that night of March 31 and preparing to go to work the next day, only to wake up to discover that Mother Nature had dumped more than two feet (25.4 inches was the official total at Logan Airport) of heavy, wet snow on our area, making it the fourth-largest snowstorm in Boston history, exceeded only by the 27.5 inches in the President's Day blizzard of 2003; the 27.1 inches in the famous Blizzard of '78; and the 26.3 inches in the blizzard of February, 1969.

The storm was the biggest on record in the month of April and made April 1997 Boston's snowiest April ever, nearly doubling the previous record of 13.3 inches. It also set a record for Boston's greatest 24-hour snowfall in April.

We vividly recall waking up to the wonder of that morning. "Are we still dreaming?" was our first thought when we opened our front door, only to be greeted by a huge drift of snow that had been driven by winds that reached 70-90 miles per hour in many areas.

Ironically, that winter had been fairly uneventful (there had been only 26 inches of snow in total that winter season).

Although the storm essentially paralyzed the Boston area for that entire day, it was not a particularly dangerous storm. We recall a lot of downed tree limbs that were laden with the heavy, wet snow, which in turn brought down power lines in some places. The only deaths were the result of heart attacks by persons trying to shovel the heavy snow. In addition, there was no coastal flooding.

Our overall memory of the blizzard is the picture in our mind's eye of a Winter Wonderland amidst temperatures that reached the 50s by mid-day.

It was a joyful event, an unexpected day off from work (and back then, the internet was still barely a thing, so no one worked remotely). We took our young children sledding and walked around the neighborhood with our Golden Retriever, Jake, who loved the snow.

Yes, it was a ferocious, record-breaking storm. But for us, we always will have only warm memories of the April Fool's Day Blizzard of 1997, a particular point in time when we, and our now-adult children, were 25 years younger.

Your opinions, please

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Independent Forum

GUEST OP-ED

Ukraine refugees are coming

Dr. Glenn Mollette

America has been good to help people and more are on the way.

Refugees from Ukraine are coming to America, up to 100,000 would be welcomed as recently announced by President Biden. The population of some communities will grow depending on where the federal government places these people. Since the passage of

the refugee act there are already over 3 million refugees in America. They are located throughout the United States with large populations in some towns and cities. A refugee is "a person

who is unable to return his or her country of origin because of a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group." A refu-

country of resettlement and is eligible for federally funded cash assistance for up to 8 months. Refugees are resettled in the United States by the federal government and are afforded specific refugee assistance to help them rebuild their lives in America. This federal funding is limited in both duration and amount. It is important to note that most refugees arrive with very little in terms of possessions, beside a few bags of luggage, and if they are lucky, all of their family members.

All refugees arriving in the United States are entitled to 8 months of Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) from the date of their U.S. arrival. The RCA amounts vary based on the size of the family: Single person (\$230/ month), Family of 2 (\$363/Month), Family of 3 (\$485/month), Family

gee legally resides in the of 4 (\$611/month), etc. If a family qualifies for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), offered by the State Department of Health and Human Services, they will not receive RCA funds, but will immediately begin receiving TANF funds, which provide the same amounts of funds as outlined above for families (Refugee or American), yet unlike RCA, there is 5 year time limit to their receipt of funds which can be reviewed and extended depending on need. All TANF recipients must be participating in verified educational courses, volunteer placements, and/ or employment searches in order to access these funds. Source, Catholic Charities

> The Ukrainian people appear to be hard working people. Once they make it to America I would not be surprised if some of our worker shortage will start

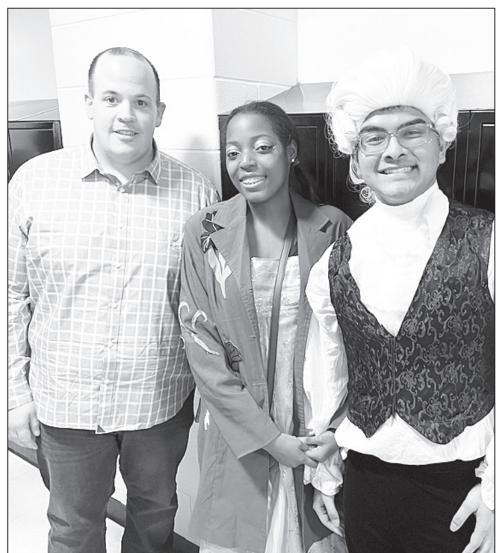
to disappear. These people have nothing. If you still want a job you probably should take one and go to work.

At this point we have no choice but to help these people as the economy and infrastructure of the countries surrounding Ukraine cannot absorb them all.

Can you imagine if Russia and China combined to attack America? What if we had to run to Canada to survive? We would appreciate anything anybody would do to help us.

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.

WELL PERFORMED



Everett School Committee Vice Chair Michael McLaughlin congratulates members of the EHS Theater Company after their Friday night performance of "A Still Life with Iris". Performance has received multiple awards including acting, technical, design, and stage design. Pictured (left to right) are School Committee Member Michael McLaughlin, Everett High School Senior Jasmine Vertilus as Iris and Nilabhro Pal as Mozart.

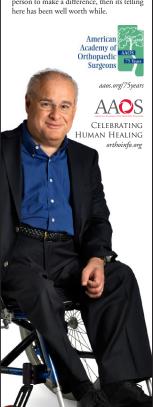
A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievement polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own

incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most ontagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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Unit Info

The six townhomes are identical inside, with 1,600 sq.ft. of living space across three floors, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, built-in washer/dryer, a patio, and one parking space. The six Townhomes at St. Therese are part of a condominium responsible for upkeep of the full building and the open space associated with the building. The Neighborhood Developers, Inc. estimates that condo fees will cost each household around \$160/mos, though this will be set by the condo association after all units have been purchased.

Requirements

In order to purchase one of the Townhomes at St. Therese, applicants will need to have a mortgage pre-approval and have attended a homebuyer counseling course with a HUD certified counselor within the last 2 years prior to purchasing.



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Sioux Gerow with her two works: Over The Park and Whim Windows.



Komal Markan with her son Kartak and her first showing of her work, a mixed media piece





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EVERETT OFFICIALS HOST A G.I.R.L.S. DAY EVENTS AT GLENDALE PARK

By Marianne Salza

The City of Everett, the Everett Police and Fire Departments, and Massachusetts State Police

for young ladies to learn about careers in police and firefighting on March 26 at Everett Recreation Center. G.I.R.L.S. (Grit, Intelligence, Resilience,

hosted G.I.R.L.S. Day Leadership, and Strength) Day encouraged youth to explore male-dominated fields while participating in mock crime scene investigations, finger printing, and a firehouse visit.

The Women's History Month event also included a helicopter landing demonstration for families at Glendale Park.

"There is no job that girls can't do," said May-



or Carlo DeMaria. "I have supporter of girls. Women

Jim and Paulina Rincon with Gianna and Edwain Medina.



anything





Everett Police Captain Demetri O'Malley with his daughter, Sophia.



Little ones eager to ask question during the March 26 helicopter visit at Glendale Park.



State Police Trooper Andrew Hamilton explaining helicopter gear to children during G.I.R.L.S. Day.



Departments.



State Police Troopers, Hamilton and Boulos, speaking during G.I.R.L.S. Day.





State and Everett Police officers gathering in Glendale Park with young ladies during the March 26 G.I.R.L.S. Day.

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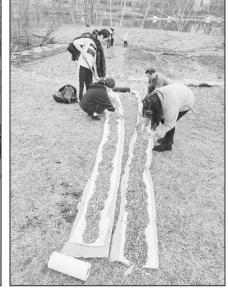
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MADELINE ENGLISH EIGHTH-GRADE STEM CLUB PLANTS TALL GRASS







The students of the Madeline English eighth grade STEM Club, along with Tom Philbin the City of Everett's Conservation Agent, are working to grow low and tall grasses, as well as wild flowers, with the use of seed tubes. This method (built by the students) allows the seeds to retain water and also hold the grasses in place. In addition to planting the low grass so far, they spread meadow seed at Rivergreen before placing fiber mats over the top, and staking them, in order to stabilize the steep bank to retain moisture and prevent erosion of the bank and seed. In the end, by planting these different seeds, this will result in the creation of a pollinator meadow.

Fresh and Local

Cabbage around the world

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

According to the website Spruce Eats, at least 400 types of cabbage exist around the world. However, most of us buy and use one of four varieties - green, Napa, Savoy, and red/purple. Some of us also add a supply of fermented cabbage like kimchi and sauerkraut to our pantries.

We usually have green cabbage in our crisper. Whole heads stored in a plastic bag will last for weeks. Just toss away any wilted or bruised outer leaves before use.

Red or purple cabbage

is great for adding color to raw or pickled dishes like coleslaw. When cooked, it will turn blue. This trait can be lessened by adding an acidic ingredient like vinegar or citrus juice to

the cooking liquid. Savoy cabbage is wrinkly, sweet, and grows as a less compact head. It is terrific to use as a wrap for stuffing and baking. You may want to buy it by the pound rather than the head when using it to replace green cabbage.

Napa cabbage is much lighter and perfect for eating raw and is the traditional choice for cabbage kimchi. We find it doesn't last as long as the green or red varieties but is part of many of our favorite Asian dishes.

A World of **Cabbage Eaters**

One Napa cabbage favorite of ours is Vietnamese Noodle Bowls or Bún Thịt Nướng, which means rice vermicelli with grilled meat. Like many thrifty meals, Napa cabbage plays a big part in this dish. It also stars inside delicious pork and cabbage dumplings, and moo shu pork we order from Chinese restaurants.

Japanese Okonomiyaki or cabbage pancakes



This grilled chicken Vietnamese salad includes Napa cabbage, rice noodles, cucumbers, carrots, beansprouts, peanuts, and mint.



- 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 Tuesday April 19, 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: 31 Spalding Street E0-04 / 000049 Map/Parcel: V-10 Developme Property Own

PO Box 638 Winchester, MA 08190 Person Requesting: John Tocco Email: Ricky@VolnayCapital.com Phone: 860-559-0245

PROPOSAL: Applicant seeks a permit to construct a five (5) story, 7230 sq ft building with nine (9) units and eight (8) parking spaces, including one handicap parking space on the first floor. The lot is existing within the Riverfront Overlay District. The proposed use shall be R2.

Reason for Denial:

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

1. The proposed four (8) unit multifamily struc-

ture is provided with eight (8) parking spaces

Section 17 (A)--- Off Street Parking: requires 2 parking spaces per dwelling unit for a total of eight (8) required spaces. The applicant must seek relief from the Board of Appeals in the

form of a Variance of eight (8) parking spaces. 2. Section 26(C)(2)—Front Yard Setback: Sections 26(c)(2) requires a minimum front yard setback of ten (10) feet. The plan is showing the setback to be 0'. The applicant must seek relief in the form of a Variance.

3. Section 26 (C)(3) --- Side Yard: A total of thirty (30) feet, with a minimum of ten feet on either side. The applicant is showing 6'- 6" for total setbacks. Relief in the form of a Variance will be required.

4. Section 26 (C)(4) ---Rear Yard: Twenty-five (25) feet. The applicant is showing 1' – 2" for a rear setback, relief must be obtained in the form of a variance.

5. Section 26 (C) (6) ---FAR (floor Area Ratio) Floor area ratio cannot exceed 2,25 to 1, however this may be increased to a maximum of 4 to 1 by the grant of a Special Permit. The applicant is proposing a Floor Area Ratio of 2.71 MARY GERACE – Chairman Roberta Suppa - Clerk Board of Appeals

March 3, 2022 April 6, 2022

are gaining popularity in restaurants and with home cooks. Traditionally katsu is always served with cabbage and is also present in many Japanese curries.

If you open the index of any international cookbook to the word cabbage, you'll find yourself in a world of soups and stews. We found cabbage in a beef, peanut butter, and vegetable stew from Senegal, in Garbure a meaty bean stew from the Pyrenees, in Polish sauerkraut soup (Kapuśniak), and an Italian pumpkin and cabbage stew.

There are also many better-known dishes where cabbage was used to add bulk, nutrition, and flavor to dishes in areas where other vegetables

were scarce in winterfor example, stuffed cabbage rolls and sauerkraut and mushroom pierogi in Eastern Europe. Colcannon in Ireland uses cabbage and in Mexico, tacos are served with cabbage salsa.

Cabbage Tips

Cutting through a fresh, firm head of green or red cabbage is a job for a big sharp knife. Penny sometimes uses a cleaver. For the safest cut, consider lopping a bit off the side to give yourself a flat surface to cut across the core.

When you cut into a head of cabbage and don't plan to use all of it, save a couple of the least damaged outer leaves. We've found that the remaining

wedge lasts longer when wrapping the cut surface with a leaf held in place by a giant elastic band.

To reduce the unmistakable aroma of cabbage cooking, set out a small dish of white vinegar near your pot and add a teaspoon to the pot as you begin cooking. The longer the cabbage cooks, the more pungent the smell. Quicker cooking methods can help. You should also avoid aluminum pans, foil, and utensils. There is a reaction between aluminum and cabbage that increases the odor and can

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also affect the taste.

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PROPOSAL:

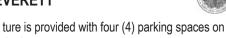
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struct a two-story rear addition 20' x 40' and convert the existing 2 family residence into a 3-family residence. Reason for Denial: • The existing building is

non-conforming in that the right-side yard is only 3.8 feet. • The FAR (floor area ratio) for

the proposed use is 1.5.

One of the proposed egress'

for the new addition is shown to be built in the right-side

• The proposed plot plan indicates only 5 parking spaces where 6 are required. • The proposed parking is

shown to be in the front yard set-back. Zoning:

1) Section 3 General Requirements paragraph C which states the following:

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) 2) Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements

of 6-29-87; Ord. of 4-29-91

Ord. of 11/13/2007)

line C.

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All other uses---------0.5 maximum floor area ratio (Ord.

7/16/2002;

3) Section 4 Dwelling District b) Dimensional Requirements line 6 which states:

6. Side Yard: a. Four (4) feet minimum with a total of sixteen (16) feet 4) Section 4 Dwelling Districts paragraph 17 Which states the following:

17. Conversion of Dwelling. No new dwelling unit created by the conversion of an existing dwelling shall be permitted unless the requirements of minimum lot area and off-street parking are satisfied for all dwelling units in existence and proposed in the dwelling after the conversion or enlargement. (Ord. 02-046 of Oct. 22, 2003) 5) Section 17 Off-Street Parking paragraph K which states the following:

K. Parking facilities shall be designed so that no vehicles shall be parked nearer to any street lines than the minimum specified building setback for the Zoning District in which the parking facility is located. MARY GERACE - Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk Board of Appeals March 3, 2022

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Sports

EHS Roundup

SPRING SPORTS SEASON UNDERWAY FOR EHS ATHLETES

The 2022 spring sports season, which officially opened for pre-season practice last Monday, is swinging into high gear this coming week.

The boys volleyball team was set to get the spring campaign ing yesterday (Tuesday) with a match against the Everett Pioneer Charter School. The Crimson Tide then are scheduled to play at Chelsea on Monday.

The boys and girls tennis teams swing into action tomorrow (Thursday), with the boys hosting Medford at Rossetti Park and the girls playing at Medford. The boys will trek to Malden on Monday, while the girls will host Malden on the same

The boys then will entertain Somerville next Wednesday and the Lady Crimson Tide will host the Lady Highlanders next Thursday. Somerville does not have home tennis courts at the present time.

The Everett High softball team will open its season Monday when coach Stacy Schiavo and her crew entertain Malden at Glendale Park at 4:00. They will play Chelsea on Wednesday.

The EHS baseball team opens its 2022 campaign at Malden on Monday and will entertain Chelsea next Wednesday at Glendale at

Both the baseball and softball teams have a schedule of 20 games, which consists of two games against their seven Greater Boston League rivals, Chelsea, Revere, Medford, Malden, Lynn Classical, Lynn English, and Somerville, and six non-league encounters.

The baseball team will meet three non-league foes, Charlestown, Saugus, and Greater Lawrence twice each. The softball squad will face Latin Academy and Rockport twice each and play single games with Stoneham and Weymouth.

EHS SOFTBALL **TEAM LOOKING** FORWARD TO 2022

The Everett High softball team, which is set to open its season this Monday against Greater Boston League rival Malden at Glendale Park at 4:00, has high hopes for a successful 2022 campaign. "I think this season

will be a great one," said long-time head coach Stacy Schiavo. "This group of girls, we feel, can play in any position we put them in. We had infielders working in the outfield and outfielders in the infield and they all looked great. There is really great depth on this team. '

The 2022 edition of the Lady Crimson Tide will be led by senior captains Celeste Fuccillo and Kaylin Seward.

Other members of the varsity include: junior outfielder Julia Curran, sophomore outfielder Arabela Cvitkusic, freshman outfielder Jayla Davila, sophomore infielder Emma Longmore, freshman catcher/outfielder Emilia Maria-Babcock, sophomore first baseman Bryanna Mason, sophomore shortstop Gianna Masucci, junior catcher/infielder

Kayley Rossi, freshman infielder Ashley Seward, junior pitcher/outfielder Kristi Skane, and freshman infielder Alexa Uga.

Among the key players returning from last year are Fuccillo, Longmore, Rossi, Kaylin Seward, and

Schiavo and her crew will be playing a scrimmage tomorrow (Thursday) against Masconomet at Lafayette Park at 4:00.

"I think our offense has always been a little bit behind," noted Schiavo. "That's going to be really key to our success. We need to focus on having all nine batters get on base. On the pitching side, we have two great pitchers (Fuccillo and Skane) who will rotate throughout the season. We have a lot of new talent this year, and I think we're going to have a good season.

"One thing I can say this freshman group, not just the ones on varsity, they are much more skilled than we have seen in awhile," Schiavo said. "I feel that is due to the coaching staff in the youth program. They have really prepared these girls for high school ball. I think we all have more of an appreciation to be able to play a full season this year. The girls seem excited and I think the chemistry will only build as the season goes on.

"Our goal is to have a winning season and go further into the playoffs than in years past," Schiavo added.

After Monday's opener, the Lady Crimson Tide will make the short trip across the Parkway to Chelsea next Wednesday.

EVERETT HIGH FOOTBALL PLAYERS SELECTED FOR SHRINERS GAME



Two players from the Greater Boston League champion Everett High School football team, Jayden Biggie and Jayden Clerveaux, have been selected to play in the Massachusetts Shriners All Star Game to be played June 18 at Bentley University in Waltham.

- 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 Tuesday April 19, 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 Oakes Street** Map/Lot: E0-04-000057

Person Requesting: Mr. Francis J. LaRovere, Mr. Matthew J. LaRovere Mr. Timothy J. LaRovere, Mr. Daniel J. La Rovere & Mr. David LaRovere 492 Broadway Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL: The applicant/owner seeks a reduce the size of the lot area from 8,428 square feet down to 5,154 square feet to create a new lot of 3,278 square feet that will be added to the lot at 33

Oakes Street. Reason for Denial:

The building on this lot is a two (2) family dwelling which per the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance requires 7,000 square feet of land, the new lot if created will be 5,154 square feet in area.

Section 3 General Requirements paragraph 14 which states the following:

No lot shall hereafter be subdivided so as to reduce the area of any yard, court or open space to less than is required by this Ordinance for the lot involved, but such yard or court may include one-half of the width of an alley, railroad right of way, body of water, or

another permanently open space along which it extends. (Ord. of 4-29-91)

MARY GERACE - Chairman Roberta Suppa - Clerk **Board of Appeals**

March 3, 2022 April 6, 2022



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Property Address: 19-21 Cedar Street Map/Lot: B0-01-000073 Person Requesting: Mr. Charanjit Singh Ms. Ranjit Kaur 17 Rock Valley Street Everett, MA 02149 PROPOSAL

The applicant seeks to convert the existing 2 family residence built approximately in 1894 into a 3-family residence by adding an additional floor. Reason for Denial: Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows

• The existing building is shown to be non-conforming in that the front yard is only 5.9 feet the left side which is the corner is only 1.4 feet, Side Yard Total of 14.8 feet and the

rear yard is only 22 feet • The FAR (floor area ratio) for the proposed use is 1.5 • Parking is shown to be in the side yard (corner) setback.

 Parking is shown to be within 8 feet of a window on the first floor The proposed parking spaces are shown to be stacked

parked · Parking is shown to be backing out into the street Zoning:

Section 3 General Require-

ments paragraph C which

states the following:

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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) For Reference of the Non-Conforming Structure Section 4 Dwelling Districts b) **Dimensional Requirements:** 4. Front Yard:

Twenty (20) feet minimum except where the average front yard of a least two (2) buildings on the same side of the street and within two hundred (200) feet of the lot are less than twenty (20) feet, and the front yard may be equal to the average of those buildings but not less than ten (10) feet. Porches may encroach ten (10) feet onto the required front yard. Stairs shall be excluded from any front yard restrictions. (Ord. of 6-29-87)

Corner Lots: Seven (7) feet minimum on one (1) side of the corner. (Ord. of 6-29-87) Side Yard:

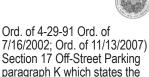
Four (4) feet minimum with a total of sixteen (16) feet Garages and sheds—Two (2) feet minimum (Ord. of 6-29-87

7. Rear Yard: Twenty-five (25) feet minimum, except for open fifteen (15) feet measured to any part of the porch or deck.

decks and porches which may encroach into the required rear yard providing that in no case shall the rear yard be less than Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements line C. All other uses----

-0.5 maximum floor

area ratio (Ord. of 6-29-87;



following:

Parking facilities shall be designed so that no vehicles shall be parked nearer to any street lines than the minimum specified building setback for the Zoning District in which the parking facility is located. Section 17 Off-Street Parking paragraph J which states the following:

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. The Board of Appeals, however, may by special permit modify this requirement and the dimensional requirements of paragraph (I) of this section, where a parking facility is under full-time attendant supervision Section 17 Off-Street Parking

paragraph M which states the following: M. No parking stall shall be

located within eight (8) feet of any window of habitable rooms in the basement or first story level of any building. Section 17 Off-Street Parking paragraph O line 4 which states the following: 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. Building Inspector's Signature

Michael P. Desmond Date: March 9, 2022 Please be advised that you have thirty (30) days from the date of this refusal to appeal this decision MARY GERACE - Chairman

Roberta Suppa - Clerk Board of Appeals March 3, 2022

April 6, 2022

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145 Vernal Street Map/Lot: B0-02-000134 Person Requesting: Mr. Andre Matais 149 Vernal Street Everett, MA 02149 PROPOSAL: renovate an existing tow family

The owner/applicant proposes

house, built around 1900, and

covert it to a three-family resi-

is located in a welling District. The lot is nonconforming. Reason for Denial: Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:

The floor area ratio of the

dence. The existing 6068 sf lot

building will be .67, this will exceed the allowed FAR by .17 · The plan reflects that there

will be five parking spaces, this will be one car deficient as six would be required. Zoning: Section 3 General Require-

ments paragraph C which

states the following: C. Existing non – conforming structure or uses may be extended or altered, provided that 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 that the existing non-conforming use or structure. (Ord. of 4-29-91) Section 4 Dwelling Districts b) Dimensional Requirements line c) states the followings. all other uses ----- 0.5 maximum floor are ratio) Ord. of 6-29-87: Ord of 4-29-91 Ord. of 7/16/2002: Ord. of 11/13/2007) (variance required) Section 17 (C) requires buildings undergoing a change of use to comply with parking re-

quirements set forth in Section 17 (A) (Multifamily dwellings = 2 spaces per dwelling unit) (Variance required) MARY GERACE – Chairman Roberta Suppa - Clerk Board of Appeals

April 6, 2022

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OBITUARIES

Wilma Short

February 10, 1938 ~ March 26, 2022

Wilma (Lantz) M. Short, 84, of Winthrop, formerly of Everett, passed away on March 26.

She was the beloved mother of David and his wife, Patty Short, Lynne (Short) and her husband, Ramon Alveres, Garv and his wife, Susan Short and Kevin and his wife. Sheila Short, the loving grandmother of 12, great grandmother of nine and great great grandmother of three. Wilma is also survived by her sister, Audrey Berardino of Everett, Roy Lantz of Sun City, CA, nieces, nephews and good friends.

Her funeral will be held from the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett on Friday, April 1 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Visiting hours will be held at the funeral home on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Complimentary valet parking Thursday at the Main Street entrance. Interment will be in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Peabody. In lieu, of flowers, donations may be made to American Cancer Society, 3 Speen St., Suite 250, Framingham, MA 01701

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Phyllis Read

Of New Hampshire, formerly of Everett

Phyllis G. Read, a longtime resident of Londonderry, NH, passed away on March 3 in Connecticut. She was 83 years

Born in Everett, the daughter of Thomas and Alice Greene, she attended Everett High School and, for many years, was employed at Omnicare in Manchester, NH.

Phyllis moved to Londonderry from Everett after marrying Robert (Bob) C. Read, also from Everett. They met in the bank where she worked after Bob kept coming in for "business," of which he had none, and they soon

She and Bob were inaugural members of the neighborhood on Devonshire Lane in Londonderry and loved living there, largely because of their wonderful neighbors. Every day Phyllis could be seen walking the neighborhood with her dear friends, Mary and Sue.

Phyllis was a huge animal lover and parent to many cats, dogs and a couple of pet mice over the years. She was an avid gardener, but a less avid weeder of said gardens. Every year, she added new ones, as evidenced by the ever-expanding flower beds and ever-shrinking lawn. One of her most amazing skills was her eye for a scene and her ability to paint it.

For many years, Phyllis played tennis and attended "fitness" with a group in Derry. She once hiked up Mount Washington with the group and was both thrilled about her adventure and proud of her accomplishment.

Phyllis loved a good perm and her trips to TJ Maxx (or TJ's, as she called it) where, like her



daughter, Leslie, she had a tremendous capacity to buy things. A personal favorite was the rather large "Set It and Forget It Personal Rotisserie" that sat largely unused on a counter in her kitchen for many years. Phyllis was an excellent cook and enjoyed spending long hours with Leslie in the kitchen and traveling to Europe, where they always had great food and wine.

absolutely adored her grandchildren, Emily and Alexis. She loved to draw and paint with them, and never passed up a chocolate chip cookie or ice cream when they were together. She also shared her love of the salty air and rocky coast of Maine, lobster and fried clams with both Matthew and Leslie. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her son, K. Matthew Read and his wife, Jennifer S. Read of Monroe, Connecticut and their two children, Emily and Alexis, her daughter Leslie M. Read, of Boston and her sister, Marsha Barker of Rutland, Vermont. She was predeceased by her husband of many years, Robert C. Read.

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MBTA approves fare changes, including permanent 5-Day Flex Pass

The MBTA Board approved several fare changes that aim to improve equity by closing gaps in existing fare structures for Reduced Fare Riders, minimize pandemic-related revenue implications and budget uncertainties while increasing ridership where possible, and simplify fare tariff rules as the MBTA's Fare Transformation moves forward. These fare changes go into effect on July 1, 2022, with the exception of the 5-Day Flex Pass being made permanent, which goes into effect immediately.

"We're grateful to the Board for approving these fare changes, which prepare us for technology updates to come through Fare Transformation, increase equity through improvements to Link-Passes, especially for our Reduced Fare Riders, and make the 5-Day FlexPass permanent for Commuter Rail riders," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "These fare updates allow us to continue to meet the needs of riders while minimizing revenue implications in this time

Permanent 5-Day Flex-Pass on mTicket for Commuter Rail:

of continued uncertainty."

First introduced as a pandemic fare pilot in June 2020, the 5-Day FlexPass available on mTicket for the Commuter Rail is a bundled fare valid for any five days of travel within a 30-day period. Good for unlimited travel within a 24-hour period, these five passes are available for 10% off the cost of 10 one-way trips. An attractive option for riders whose travel patterns have changed due to hybrid work schedules and the availability of remote-work options, the 5-Day FlexPass on mTicket is now permanent effective immediately.

Reducing Price of the 1-Day LinkPass:

Effective July 1, 2022, and in an effort to increase ridership by encouraging more riders to buy passes and increase equity for low-income and minority riders who often purchase this fare product, the cost of the 1-Day LinkPass will be lowered from \$12.75 to \$11. An \$11 LinkPass pays for itself with five subway rides taken in 24 hours.

Expanding Second Transfers on Buses, Express Bus Routes, and/or Subway:

Currently, the MBTA only allows one transfer between Bus and/or Subway with one recent addition - CharlieCard riders may transfer from Bus to Subway to Bus. To simplify complexities in the T's transfer policy, the transfer process will be standardized to allow all combinations of second transfers involving Buses, Express Bus Routes, and/or Subway, including Bus-Bus-Subway, Subway-Bus-Bus, and Express Bus-Express Bus. This second transfer on Subway and Buses and transfers between Express Routes goes into effect on July 1, 2022.

Changes for Reduced Fare Riders:

Some riders are eligible for reduced fares, including people with disabilities and Medicare cardholders, people 65 and older, some middle and high school students, and people 18 - 25 with low income. Three fare changes that aim to improve equity by closing gaps in existing fare structures for Reduced Fare Riders will go into effect on July 1, 2022:

· Introducing the 7-Day LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders:

Aiming to increase equity by increasing the benefits of purchasing fares in bulk for Reduced Fare Riders, a 7-Day LinkPass for Reduced Fare riders will be available for \$10, which breaks even after nine subway rides. This product is designed to meet the needs of individuals who might not have enough cash on-hand to afford a monthly pass, but who qualify for Reduced Fare programs.

· Introducing Monthly Passes for Reduced Fare Riders on Commuter Rail, Ferry, and Express Bus:

In order to increase equity by closing gaps in the T's offering of products for Reduced Fare Riders, monthly passes on Commuter Rail, Ferry, and Express Bus for Reduced Fare Riders will be made available. This update offers a full set of monthly passes for Reduced Fare Riders at approximately 50% of the full fare pass

· Expanding Availability of the LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders on Commuter Rail Zone 1A and Inner Harbor Ferry:

Currently, a LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders is only available on CharlieCard fare media instead of a printed "flash pass" CharlieTicket that Commuter Rail conductors and ferry staff can see to visually validate a fare. In the future, as more updates take place as part of Fare Transformation, customers will be able to use tappable tickets as well as Charlie Cards to travel on the Commuter Rail and Ferries. As such, and to increase access and equitable pricing on Reduced Fare passes, the LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders will be expanded to be valid for Commuter Rail travel in Zone 1A and on the Charlestown Ferry.

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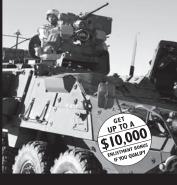
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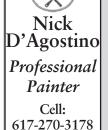
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CHELSEA IS IN SOLID FINANCIAL **SHAPE**

CHELSEA - The city is still catching up on the auditing process for its finances, thanks to the pandemic, but the latest results still show Chelsea to be in solid financial shape.

Representatives from the independent auditing firm of Rosselli and Clark Associates appeared before the City Council's finance subcommittee on Wednesday, March 16 to discuss the Fiscal Year 2020 audit and financial report.

City auditor Edward Dunn noted that the city is currently in the tail end of FY22, and that the audit is from FY 20. Tony Rosselli of Roselli and Clark said that because of information that has been delayed at the state level, many audits have been delayed, but that he expected the audits for Chelsea to get back on schedule fairly quickly.

Rosselli said there are many positive economic indicators for the city in the FY20 audit, including over \$40 million in reserve funds and a high bond rating. Rosselli also discussed what an independent audit is, and what it can accomplish.

"The first thing the public is thinking when you are doing an audit is that you are going to look at everything and you are going to look at everything and you are going to find everything, that if someone took something for \$5, we're going to know where it is," said Rosselli. "That's not really what an audit is. An audit is more of a process put out ... by the Government Accounting Office in Washington."

During the process, the auditors may identify if there is anything unusual which could point to a misappropriation, but Rosselli said the auditors don't go into the process with the express purpose of finding misappropria-

"This audit is really intended to go out to all of your bond holders," he said. In addition, copies also go out to the federal government to make sure the city is in compliance with federal grants and to the division of local affairs at the state level.

Rosselli said the audit showed a clean opinion, showing no major qualifications or areas of con-

The economic trends for FY20 showed about \$43 million of reserve funds in the city coffers.

"The reserve funds peaked back in 2017 at about \$45 million, and it looks like it is making its way back there, which is a great place to be for the city," said Rosselli.

The amount of money in reserve compared to the city's expenses was at 27 percent, which is almost three times the state average. Rosselli said that number puts Chelsea in a good position for its bond In addition, for the year

audited, the city's expenses were \$5.5 million under budget, and its revenues exceeded expectations by \$6.2 million, creating a surplus of \$11.7 million.

"Your bond rating is a double A, which is a very good investment grade and one step below the triple A," said Rosselli, allowing the city to get good interest rates when it bonds for capital projects.

The only thing keeping the city from the highest

bond rating is its demographics, especially compared to wealthier communities such as Newton and Wellesley.

The audit also showed the city is in good shape funding its pension liability, which was 76.5 percent funded in the FY20 audit, compared to the state average of 65 percent.

The audit did show that there are almost 100 smaller accounts in the city which have not been used for at least a year or two that should be closed out. The total amount in those accounts is about \$600,000.

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino said the auditor's office is in the process of going through those accounts so that the money can be earmarked for current programs or projects in the city.

PIERS PARKS III **RECEIVES** MORE FUNDING

EAST BOSTON - The Piers Park Phase III project being spearheaded by the Trustees of Reservations (The Trustees) just received an influx of cash from the federal government.

The Trustees nounced this week that U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren and U.S. Senator Edward J. Markey was able to secure \$2 million for the East Boston waterfront park project through Congressional Directed Spending (CDS) federal funding. Senators Warren and Markey's efforts were supported in the House by U.S. Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley.

The award was included in the bipartisan omnibus federal budget signed by President Joseph R.

CELTICS, MASS. LOTTO HONOR WINTHROP'S BRENDAN EDWARD AS 'HERO AMONG US'



Massachusetts State Lottery and the Boston Celtics Honored Winthrop resident Brendan Edward as a Hero Among Us for his creative and playful fundraising efforts for children in need during the holiday season at the Boston Celtics' game against the Golden State Warriors on December 17th, 2021. For the past five years, Brendan Edward, an Air Force medic and firefighter with the Natick Fire Department, has raised funds for Boston Children's Hospital. In 2021, Edward took his fundraising efforts to the streets, dressing an elf and starting playful pillow fights with Boston locals and tourists alike in an effort to incentivize them to donate to the hospital.

Since its establishment in 1997 by the Boston Celtics, The Heroes Among Us program has recognized outstanding individuals who have made exceptional and lasting contributions to their communities. The award is presented at every Celtics home game and pays tribute to the heroic achievements of these outstanding citizens.

Biden on March 11, 2022.

"I'm proud to work with my colleagues to bring tens of millions to Massachusetts to grow community-based ects that serve our families, businesses, and cities and towns every day," said Markey. "Bringing a world-class, climate resilient park to the environmental justice community of East Boston will strengthen our resiliency and our economy, while ensuring that locals can access public green space."

After several community workshops and information gathered through an online survey, the Trustees and Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, Inc., released the newest design of Piers Park III at a Community Design Review meeting last month.

These new design elements gathered through public feedback courtesy of Eastie residents includes less open water in favor of larger and more accessible landscapes.

The new design main tains unique and exceptional public access to the water with an additional access point to the uplands area of the park while preserving the site's maritime history.

The new design also adds more areas for habitats and robust ecological zones within the park such as a tidal pool and salt marsh.

"The Massachusetts delegation and I secured \$2 million in federal funds to design and construct the future Piers Park III in East Boston, which has long held a disproportionate burden of pollution and climate change," said Warren. "This park will serve as an example of a climate-resilient greenspace for our nation, and I look forward to seeing the park flourish as a hub of recreational activity for the entire community." Three years ago, the

Trustees of Reservations submitted the only bid to Massport's call for a private/public partner to come forward and help fund the design and construction of Piers Park Phase III. The dilapidated pier

is adjacent to Massport's award winning Piers Park and the future Piers Park Phase II project.

The Trustees of Reservations operate 120 miles of protected coastline, which includes over North End. "The updated design for

60 miles of trails, and a bunch of beaches and all sorts of other natural habi-

tats in the state.

Massport has

working with the community and other stakeholders over the last two to three years to build out Piers Park Phase II. It was around this time the Trustees of Reservations started having conversations with Massport about their waterfront initiative.

Since being designated, the Trustees Boston Waterfront Initiative team has increased community outreach and engagement to gather feedback on the Piers Park III design and future programming opportunities in the park.

"These federal sources will help initiate, strengthen, and expand community-based projects that serve our families and communities every day," said Pressley. "This world-class waterfront park, designed in close partnership with the environmental justice community of East Boston-will provide a resilient outdoor green space for all to enjoy. I'm proud to have helped deliver these resources and look forward to seeing these critical projects move forward."

The \$2 nillion will contribute to the construction of the park – an estimated \$35 to \$40M project that is being funded largely through philanthropic contributions The Trustees is raising from a mix of private individuals, foundations and corporations. To date, \$28.5M has been committed to build Piers Park III.

"We are grateful to Senator Warren, Senator Markey, and Congresswoman Pressley for their leadership in advocating for these funds, which bring us closer to creating an iconic public space on Boston's Harbor," said Trustees President and CEO John Judge. "Protecting outdoor spaces for everyone is at the heart of our mission—and the reason behind our founding in Boston 130 years ago. Free and open to the public, Piers Park III will be a welcoming and resilient space, for generations to come." Throughout the com-

munity process Eastie residents indicated a desire for better integration with neighboring Phases I and II of Piers Park. Altogether, Piers Park

Phases I, II, and III will provide 14.5 acres of public open space – a landscape more than twice the size of Christopher Columbus Park in Boston's

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MS-13 MEMBER **SENTENCED** LYNN - An MS-13 member was sentenced yesterday in federal court

in Boston for RICO conspiracy and for his participation in the July 2018 murder of a teenage boy who was stabbed at least 32 times in a public park

Eliseo Vaquerano Canas, a/k/a "Peligroso," 22,

a Salvadorian national, was sentenced by U.S. Senior District Court Judge Mark L. Wolf to 43 years in prison and five years of supervised release. Vaquerano will be subject to deportation proceedings upon completion of his sentence. In February 2021, Vaquerano pleaded guilty to conspiracy to conduct enterprise affairs through a pattern of racketeering activity, also known as RICO conspiracy, on behalf of the MS-13 gang. As part of his racketeering activity, Vaquerano participated in the 2018 murder of a teenager, who was murdered with extreme atrocity and cruelty, and with deliberate premeditation, in violation of

Massachusetts and numerous other states, as well as countries such as El Salvador, Honduras, and Guatemala. MS-13 gang members often commit acts of extreme violence against suspected rivals, those suspected of cooperating with law enforce-

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Relive the early days of the USS Constitution, when the ship was launched by a young nation to battle pirates off Africa's Barbary Coast.

'Old Ironsides' (1926), an epic silent adventure film, will be screened with live music on Friday, April 29 at 6 p.m. at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 25 Water St., Newburyport, Mass.

Admission is \$15 per person. Live music for the sea-going tale will be provided by Jeff Rapsis, a New Hampshire-based silent film accompanist.

The film tells the story of the early days of the USS Constitution, today the world's oldest commissioned naval vessel still afloat. Launched in 1797, she was one of six original frigates authorized by the Naval Act of 1794 and the third constructed.

Nicknamed 'Old Ironsides,' the vessel was originally scheduled to be broken up in 1830, the end of her normal service life. But the ship was saved that year by a poetic tribute published by Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The poem supplied the story for the movie 'Old Ironsides' nearly a century later. Directed by James

Cruze, 'Old Ironsides' is an action/adventure film that traces the story of the



(1926), a vintage action/adventure movie about the early pirate-fighting years of the USS Constitution.

USS Constitution on an early rescue mission.

The crew member, a gunner, is shanghaied while ashore in Boston and forced to serve on another ship, the Esther, a commercial vessel bound for Italy. Among those on board

are a young boy running away from home, and the daughter of the ship's After crossing the At-

lantic, the Esther is attacked by pirates off the coast of Algiers in the south Mediterranean Sea, with the crew and passengers taken captive. Will the USS Constitu-

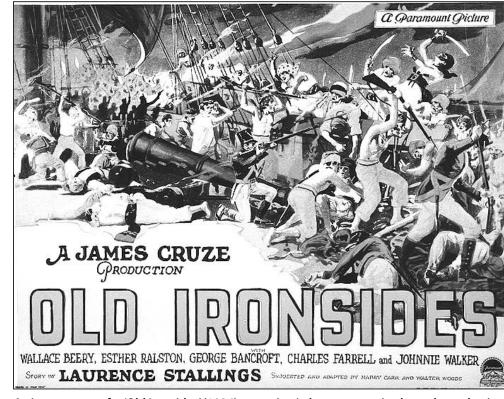
tion arrive in time to save the ship's daughter from being presented as a gift to a Sultan in Algiers? The film, a big-budget

extravaganza from Paramount Pictures, boasts an all-star silent era cast that includes Wallace Beery, George Bancroft, Charles Farrell, and Esther Ralston. Among the crew mem-

bers is Boris Karloff, famous later for his starring role in 'Frankenstein' (1931) and as the narrator of the animated version of the classic Dr. Seuss tale 'How The Grinch Stole Christmas' (1966). 'Old Ironsides' was

filmed at sea off the coast

of California's Catalina Island, using a full-scale replica of the original ship. The movie was praised for its authenticity and commitment to historical accuracy. Only a handful of scenes used small-scale models, a rarity for the



A vintage poster for 'Old Ironsides' (1926), an action/adventure movie about the early pirate-fighting years of the USS Constitution.

In addition to its elaborate battle scenes, the film is notable for its high quotient of comedy. At the time, Hollywood was first starting to make motion pictures with stories that delivered all-around entertainment. Cruze was among the directors becoming adept at integrating comedy, drama, romance, and action all into one spectacular audience-pleasing package. In its original release,

'Old Ironsides' sank at the box office. Critics praised the film, but Jazz Age audiences failed to flock to the historic epic, which was released at the height of the Roaring '20s. See the sea-faring epic

'Old Ironsides' (1926) on Friday, April 29 at 2 p.m. at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 25 Water St., Newburyport, Mass. Admission is \$15 per

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"There are scenes in this production that are far and away the most impressive of any film seascapes."

-Mordaunt Hall, New York Times

"All of the superlatives in the newest dictionary are needed for the recommendation of 'Old Ironsides,' which takes rank with the screen's biggest achievements."

-Motion Picture Clas-

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ment, and others who the gang views as a threat. In recent years, dozens of MS-13 members have been convicted of RICO conspiracy and other serious felonies in the District of Massachusetts. MS-13 is organized

into "cliques" or branches operating in local territories. Vaquerano belonged to the "Sykos Locos Salvatrucha" clique of MS-13, which operated in the cities of Lynn, Chelsea, and other parts of Massachusetts. MS-13 has various ranks, with elevation to "homeboy" status generally requiring the commission of a significant act of violence. Evidence showed that Vaquerano had achieved homeboy status in MS-13 even prior to the July 2018 murder. Evidence also showed that Vaquerano helped recruit young members on behalf of the gang, including at Chelsea High School.

In November 2018, Vaguerano and five other MS-13 Sykos clique members were indicted following an investigation into the murder of a teenage boy, whose body found in a park in Lynn on Aug. 2, 2018. The six defendants in this case included five participants in the murder, as well as one longstanding member of the Sykos clique. In a related case, the government charged a juvenile co-conspirator who was the sixth person involved in the murder. The evidence in this

case, which included a recording of one of Vaquerano's co-defendants describing the murder in graphic detail, revealed that Vaquerano Canas and five other MS-13 gang members murdered the victim based on their mistaken belief that he may have been assisting law enforcement. On July 30, 2018, the

six gang members lured the victim to a public park. At least four of the attackers, including Vaquerano, were armed with knives. The group pretended to be friendly with the unsuspecting victim and took him to a wooded area of the park where they surrounded the victim and repeatedly stabbed him to death. At least four of the six assailants took part in stabbing the victim. Vaquerano had an especially active role in the brutal attack. Evidence showed that as the victim was being attacked, he called out to Vaquerano for help, believing that Vaquerano was his friend. Instead, Vaguerano repeatedly stabbed and hacked at the victim with a large knife. Vaquerano attacked the victim with such force that parts of his large knife shattered, and pieces of the blade were embedded into the victim's skull.

After killing the victim, the gang members left his body in the wooded area of the public park where it was discovered days later, on Aug. 2, 2018. An autopsy revealed that the victim suffered at least 32 distinct sharp force trauma wounds consistent with being stabbed repeatedly, along with multiple blunt force injuries.

All six defendants indicted in this case, along with the juvenile charged in the related case, have pleaded guilty. Vaquerano is the fifth defendant to be sentenced in the case. On Feb. 14, 2022, Erick Lopez Flores, a/k/a "Mayimbu," was sentenced to 40 years in prison. On Feb. 15, 2022, Jonathan Tercero Yanes, a/k/a "Desalmado," was sentenced to 33 years in prison. On Feb. 16, 2022, Henri Salvador Gutierrez, a/k/a "Perverso," was sentenced to life in prison. On Feb. 18, 2022, Djavier Duggins, a/k/a "Haze," was sentenced to 15 years in prison. A sentencing hearing for the remaining co-defendant, Marlos Reyes a/k/a "Silencio," has not

yet been scheduled by the

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lonta, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Division; Matthew B. Millhollin, Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations in Boston; Colonel Christopher Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; Essex County District Attorney Jonathan W. Blodgett; Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden; Acting Boston Police Commissioner Gregory Long; and Lynn Police Chief Christopher Reddy made the announcement. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Kunal Pasricha, Kaitlin O'Donnell, and Philip Mallard of the Criminal Division prosecuted the case.

This effort is part of an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) operation. OCDETF identifies, disrupts, and dismantles the highest-level criminal organizations that threaten the United States using a prosecutor-led, intelligence-driven, multi-agency approach. Additional information about the OCDETF Program can be found at https://www.justice.gov/OCDETF.

SOCIAL LAUNCHES REVERE Amanda Schepici-Portillo and

BIZZY WOMEN

Lauren Maloney certainly mean business for women. The two Revere-based

businesswomen have launched BIZZY Women Social "to inspire, empower, and connect like-minded female entrepreneurs and professionals who reside in and around Boston." The debut members-on-

ly social event - BIZZY Hive Meeting - is set for

Thursday, March 24 at 7 p.m. at Mission on the Beach, Ocean Avenue. "Bizzy Women Social is a one-of-a-kind exclusive, social networking club for female entrepreneurs and

professionals who want

to expand their network

and promote themselves but do so in a really fun way," said Portillo. "Our core value in authenticity, meaning that we want women to come together in authentic way and just be their full selves." Maloney, a member of

the Revere High School Class of 2004 and a threetime state cheerleading champion and a national champion, has been friends with Portillo since elementary school. Maloney formerly

wned Vamped, a clothing boutique, on Route 1, Saugus, for seven years before closing in 2017. "That's where I started my entrepreneurial jour-

ney and I had a great experience and met a lot of people," said Maloney. "As Amanda was running her businesses, she reached out to me with this concept and vision (for BIZZY). She presented the idea to me to come on board as the creative director and build the brand. And it has transpired from Portillo, who is also

the Executive Director of the Revere Chamber of Commerce, said BI-ZZY will primarilyhold members-only events but at times will offer events open to the public. "The Hive meetings are

members-only, fun, networking get-togethers," said Portillo. "One of our members will be holding a mixology class. Not only are we providing a cool experience to our guests, but she gets to showcase her brand in her business. We'll be having a dinner party and wine-tasting event in mid-April and our monthly Hive meeting will be a brunch at Dryft." Twenty-three businesswomen have joined

hope to grow membership

What makes BIZZY

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Winthrop loses an estimated \$1.1M annually in non-revenue water. Another image showed Winthrop in the bottom 50 percent of U.S. water systems in general and in the bottom 10 percent in terms of "real losses." As a result, customers are paying an average of \$232 extra per year. To minimize losses, En-

vironmental Partners recommended that Winthrop expand its pool of leak detection contractors and technologies, and research water main replacement options in coastal areas. **Environmental Partners**

commented that it could not confirm some basic information about Winthrop's water system due to lack of records. The auditor could not verify the length of mains, the number of service connections. or the duration of services. The DPW provided the consultants with a system map from 1991, but it was unclear if there had been updates since then. As a result, Environ-

mental Partners suggested that Winthrop modernize and digitize all of its water system records. This would improve record security, ease of access and sharing, analysis and loss detection, and response times to failures. The town can realize this transition in stages. Councilors reacted

with concerned questions, though they didn't propose any next steps at the meeting. Councilor Rob DeMarco remarked that the town's water rates were already high and asked if relief to residents would be possible. During the public comment period, one resident commented on a statistic from MWRA regarding high levels of chloroform in the

town water.

WATER AUDIT DISCUSSED WINTHROP - At its meeting on March 15, the

RESULTS OF

Winthrop Town Council viewed the results of an audit of the town's water system conducted last year. The Town Manager's Office hired a consultant

last spring to find out why Winthrop's water rates were on the high end for the Commonwealth, and to possibly reduce user rates. Environmental Partners sent its report to DPW Director Steven Calla on Dec. 17, 2021.

mental Partners, presented the 57-page Town of Winthrop Water Audit Report According to the report,

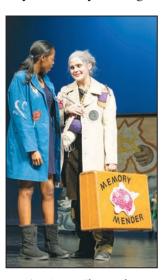
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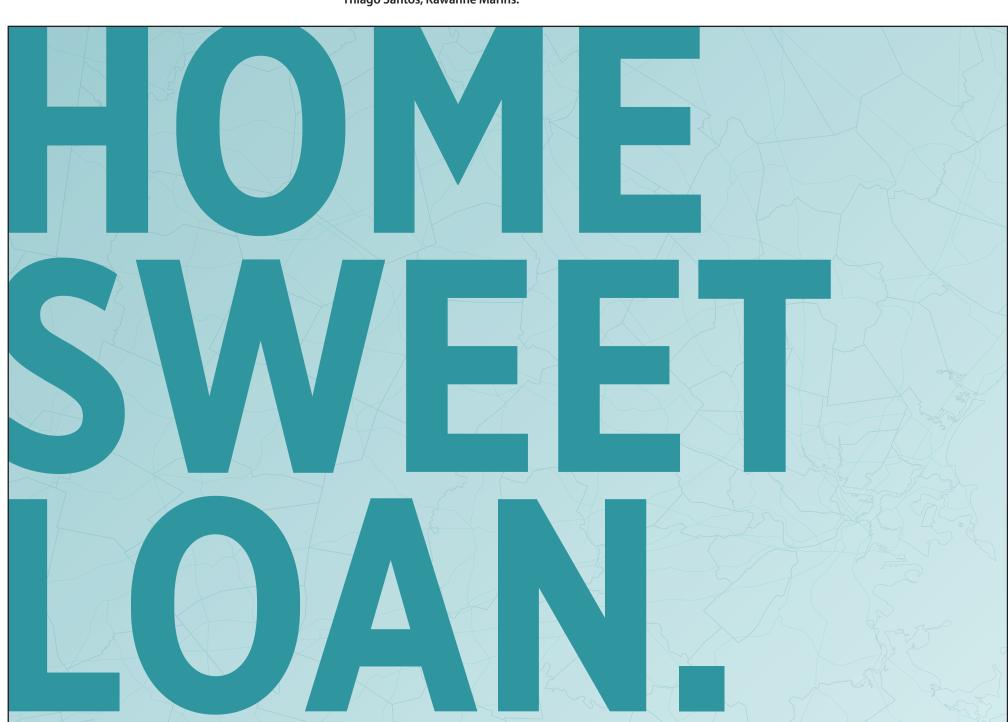
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