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FOAM PARTY FOR EVERETT'S YOUNG ADULTS



Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the City of Everett recently hosted a foam party for the community's young adults at Rivergreen Park. This Everett resident is almost lost in the foam during the event. See Page 8 for more photos.

The Future of the Pope John Site

DeMaria encourages residents to attend community meeting to learn more about an affordable housing opportunity

Special to the Independent

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is encouraging residents to attend an upcoming community meeting to learn more about the proposal from The Neighborhood Developers to use the land at 888 Broadway that is the site of the former Pope John High School and transform the parcel into

affordable housing.

Representatives from The Neighborhood Developers and Hebrew Senior Life have joined with city staff to hold a series of meetings to give residents the opportunity to learn more about the proposed development. There will be two more meetings held. Residents may choose to attend on

Wednesday, August 24 or on Wednesday, August 31. Both meetings will be held in the front parking lot at 888 Broadway from 6 to 8 PM. Rain dates will be on August 25 and September 1.

The City of Everett still owns the former Pope John High School location. A competitive public bidding process was conducted and The Neighborhood Developers were selected as the apparent successful bidder to demolish the former school and build affordable housing apartments at the location. City funds would not be used to construct or maintain this housing once built. These com-

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Residents urge former Pope John building be used for school purposes

The times they are a changin', and that could signal the death knell for the proposed affordable housing development for the former Pope John XXIII High School site on Broadway near the Malden line. Since the project was first proposed for senior housing in December, 2019, the concerns about overcrowding at the public schools in the last year have become the priority for many residents.

The first neighborhood meeting that outlined the plans for the proposed development was held last Wednesday night and drew about 30 residents and elected officials. The meeting was organized by The Neighborhood De-

City Council member Al

Lattanzi talks with resi-

dents at the meeting.



velopers (TND), the designated developer of the project.

TND, which is not yet the owner of the property, is proposing to raze the old school and construct 138 units of affordable housing for senior citizens, veterans and families. Steve Laferriere, Director of Real Estate for TND, fielded questions and concerns from the

residents in attendance.

"Tonight, residents can ask questions," Mayor Carlo DeMaria's Chief of Staff, Erin Deveney, told those in attendance, adding, "This format is designed to be interactive." Deveney noted that there are two more meetings scheduled for residents throughout the city.

Many residents expressed the view that,

given the overcrowding in local schools which has forced the School Committee to utilize every available space, including converting storage closets into classrooms, the former Pope John building, which was a functioning school through 2019, should be converted into much-needed classrooms

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Free COVID-19 vaccine clinics in Everett area

Special to the Independent

Families are urged to add COVID-19 vaccination and boosters to their back-to-school checklist with conveniently located vaccine clinics for all ages. Several locations in Everett will host free, family-friendly COVID-19 vaccine clinics in August.

These clinics among hundreds of free, family-friendly clinics that the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) is co-hosting with community organizations across the Commonwealth in August and September, leading into the new school year.

At these clinics, anyone ages six months and older can get a COVID-19 vaccination, and anyone ages

five and older can get a booster. Appointments are not needed. Vaccination is free and no ID or health insurance is required. A list of clinics can be found atwww.mass.gov/Kid-

"We want to give kids the best protection as they return to school, so they are less likely to get sick and have to miss classes and activities," said Public Health Commissioner Margret Cooke. "We hope these convenient, all-ages clinics make it easier for families to get their children vaccinated and keep them safe."

CDC The recommends that children ages 6 months to 17 years old receive a COVID-19 vac-

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EHS football team begins pre-season practices Sept. 9

By Cary Shuman

Everett Stadium will be the place to be on Sept. 9 as the Everett High football team hosts Xaverian in a dream matchup at Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium.

But the Crimson Tide's 2022 season opener is still three weeks away as head coach Rob DiLoreto and his staff will welcome their team to preseason practices that get underway Friday.

"We're expecting 85-90 players," said DiLoreto. "We have a healthy number of freshmen. and that number will increase when students return to school. We already have more than 20 committed freshmen who were lifting weights and getting in shape this summer, and we're very excited about

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Guerline Alcy announces for State Representative

Special to the Independent

Guerline Alcy has announced her candidacy for State Representative for the 28th Middlesex District. The following is her statement:

As a State Representative, we have the capacity of bringing funding into the community to help improve the quality of life. My name is Guerline Alcy. I am running for State Representative to bring fresh ideas and positive solutions for working indi-



Guerline Alcy.

viduals and families to the State House. Running for

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Roberto Jiménez-Rivera announces his candidacy for State Representative

Special to the Independent

Roberto Jiménez-Rivera, Chelsea School Committee member at-large, is running for State Representative in the newly-created 11th Suffolk district that covers Chelsea and part of Everett. He lives on Eleanor Street with his wife Sarah and their twoyear-old son Robi.

Like many Chelsea community members, Roberto came to the States in search of better opportunities, leaving his home of Puerto Rico at age 18. After graduating with a Master's degree in education, he spent the first eight years of his career supporting students who were applying to college, focusing on low-income students. In 2020 he became an organizer with the Boston Teachers Union, advocating for educators and

the students they serve. Roberto has also been a strong voice for workers' rights, immigrant rights, and for a more affordable Chelsea. "All of our residents deserve to

stay in their homes and to have access to affordable healthcare and child care," said Jimenez-Rivera. "I have seen these issues directly impact my family and countless others in our city. I will continue to partner with other district leaders as we organize around issues like environmental justice, housing justice, and immigration justice. Together, we will win the change that our communities deserve."

As a Chelsea School Committee member, Roberto advocated for and won millions of dollars for our schools. These funds were put on hold when the COVID-19 pandemic started, so he organized over 125 leaders from 26 of the largest cities in Massachusetts, calling on the Legislature to fully fund their promise to our students. Because of his work, the funds were restored. He has led education policy work in Chelsea and with statewide coalitions, especially the Massachusetts Education Justice Alliance, to ensure

the children of Massachusetts have the funding they have been promised by

Roberto has been endorsed and supported by nine labor unions, representing over 200,000 workers. He also has the endorsement of two environmental organizations (Sierra Club and Environmental League of Massachusetts), the National Association of Social Workers Massachusetts PACE, and Progressive Massachusetts. Roberto has extensive experience advocating for legislation that affects Chelsea and Everett, and has deep knowledge of the intricacies of policy and the political process.

Please vote for Roberto Jimenez-Rivera for State Representative on September 6. You can read more at ElectRoberto.org Facebook.com/RobertoForStateRep.

This release was provided by the committee to elect Roberto Jiménez-Ri-

LOCAL STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

SIMAO EARNS **DEAN'S LIST** HONORS

Gabriel Simao of Everett earned Dean's List honors for the Spring 2022 semester at Emerson College.

The requirement to make Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher for that semester.

Simao is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2023.

About Emerson College Based in Boston, Mas-

sachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-ofthe-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs in Los Angeles, the District of Columbia, the Netherlands, London, China, and the Czech Republic as well as its new Global Portals, with the first program launching this fall in Paris. The College has an active network of 51,000+ alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

LOCAL STUDENTS NAMED TO TUFTS **DEAN'S LIST**

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the Spring 2022 semester. Among students earning dean's list honors

Brendan Amorin of Everett class of 2022

Vicki Do of Everett class of 2023

Ilisa Lama of Everett class of 2024

Sandra Le of Everett class of 2024

Yosselin Perez Ascencio of Everett class of 2023

Fre Tachbele of Everett class of 2025

Dean's list honors at Tufts University requires a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

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

20-day Orange Line shutdown to begin August 19

By Lauren Bennett

The MBTA recently announced that the entire Orange Line will be shut down for 30 days starting on August 19 to complete repair work and make safety upgrades.

"The Orange Line closure will be used to address a maintenance backlog and planned construction investments, all of which are focused on safety improvements and returning the system to a state of good repair," the MBTA said in an August 12 release. "Thirty days of 24-hour access will replace more than five years of Orange Line delays and

Work includes upgrading signal systems, replacas directed by the Federal RIDE trips that begin and

weekend diversions."

Transit Association, the MBTA said.

Free shuttle buses will be offered between Oak Grove and Haymarket/ Government Center, as well as between Forest Hills and Back Bay/Copley stations. Riders are encouraged to use the Green Line between Government Center ad Bay Bay stations.

"While all shuttle buses are fully ADA-accessible, accessible vans will also be available for any rider who prefers van service upon request," the MBTA said in the release. "MBTA personnel will also be available at every station to assist riders in requesting this accessible van service. Due to the ing track, and other work free shuttle bus service,

end within 34 mile of the Orange Line will be free for RIDE users during the 30-day shutdown."

Use of the Commuter Rail is also encouraged, and riders can show a CharlieCard or CharlieTicket for free service on all lines in Zones 1A, 1, and 2.

The MBTA also said that additional Commuter Rail stops will be made at Forest Hills, Ruggles, Back Bay, North Station, Malden Center, and Oak

Additionally, the Highway Division of Mass-DOT has warned residents that there will be "increased traffic congestion as a result of roadway modifications necessary to support the MBTA's replacement bus shuttles. The modifications will occur at numerous points along the shuttle routes and range from reconfiguring travel and turning lanes, curb work, installation of designated bus lanes at various locations, and changes to traffic signal timing at multiple intersections."

The MBTA is urging residents to work from home if they are able and to also limit driving in the Orange Line area during the shutdown.

For more information, https://www.mbta. com/schedules/Orange/ alerts.

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cination and that everyone 5 years and older receive a booster. Two boosters are recommended for anyone who is 50 or older or immunocompromised.

The City of Everett is among many local partners working with the state's Vaccine Equity Initiative to share information about the COVID-19 vaccine and increase access to vaccinations.

To date, more than 5.4 million people in Massachusetts are now fully vaccinated. COVID-19 vaccines and boosters have been rigorously tested and proven to be safe and effective by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, providing protection from the virus and preventing serious illness.

For more information about the COVID-19 vaccine for children, and to find a clinic near you, visit www.mass.gov/KidsClinic. Additional options are available through VaxFinder. Anyone who is unable to attend a community clinic can request in-home vaccination.

The back-to-school vaccination clinic details:

Eliot Family Resource Center

548 Broadway, Everett		
Fridays, August 19 and 26	8 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
Fridays, September 2 and 9	8 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
Pope John XXIII High School		
888 Broadway, Everett		
Every Saturday in August and September	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.	
Summer Eats (two sites)		
Swan Street Park and Little Florence Park, Everett		
Thursdays August 18 and 25	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.	
Everett Haitian Community Center		
427a Broadway, Everett		
Saturday, September 24	1 to 5 p.m.	

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Elected officials, transit advocates call for suspending fares for all MBTA riders

Special to the Independent

Elected officials, advocates, and riders are calling for suspending fare collection across the entire MBTA system during the month-long shutdowns of the Orange Line (beginning August 19) and the Green Line north of Government Center (beginning August 22).

New data released excludshows that, ing already free bus routes,137,056 daily bus trips are taken on routes that connect to the Orange Line – meaning tens of thousands of people who rely on buses to connect to the Orange Line will pay an MBTA fare before connecting to a free shuttle service. Additionally, thousands of bus riders who may not be making a connection to a shuttle will still bear the brunt of increased congestion in the region.

To respond to the significant negative impacts the shutdowns will have on these and all MBTA riders, and to continue to promote transit use over driving, riders, advocates and elected officials are calling for suspending fares across all rapid transit lines, all bus lines, and all commuter rail lines and zones through the duration of the shutdown. The MBTA's current plan offers free rides only on Orange Line shuttle buses, as well as allowing riders to pay for trips on commuter rail lines within Zones 1A, 1, and 2 by showing their CharlieCard or CharlieTicket. A suspension of all

fares, coupled with implementing rapid bus lanes and a more accessible commuter rail service, would respond equitably to the needs of all transit riders and ensure more people continue to use the system rather than drive during the shutdowns.

"The Orange Line serves as a crucial economic, social, and community link for students and working families in Massachusetts, including for many lower-income communities and communities of color throughout Greater Boston. They will bear the brunt of this devastating shutdown, but they shouldn't be forced to carry the financial costs as well. Fare-free transit is a common-sense step to lessen the burden on commuters and ensure the T puts public transit riders first." - Senator Ed Mar-"Due to decades of

and underinvestment mismanagement of the MBTA, our constituents find themselves in an untenable situation. We should not have to choose between safety and service. Riders should not have to bear the burden of these disruptive shutdowns, which we know will hit our most vulnerable commuters hardest. Making the T free during these shutdowns would reduce the financial impact on riders and lower families' costs during a time of inflation, while also promoting connectivity, accessibility, sustainability, and addressing the transit gaps that have deepened the racial and economic disparities in our communities. I thank Senator Markey for his close partnership in this effort and to our advocates and local partners for keeping up

"Bus riders who rely on

the pressure." – Represenour environmental justice tative Ayanna Pressley presentations,

a connection to the Orange Line are facing an extraordinary burden during the shutdown. We know that fare free buses are faster and more reliable, and eliminating fares across the system during this period will give time and money back to the people who are most impacted by this disruption." – Boston Mayor Michelle Wu

"During these unprecedented closures, MBTA riders deserve unprecedented support. Somerville residents will be doubly burdened with both the Orange and Green Line closures, and for many, access to jobs, school, health care, and other essential services will be at risk. Suspending fares systemwide is not only the equitable thing to do - it's good policy that will keep more users on public transit during the next month and beyond." – Somerville Mayor Katjana Ballantyne "The shutdown demon-

strates the extreme importance of public transportation for everyone: riders, drivers, cyclists, businesses, the economy, and our air and climate. Recent disasters have steeply eroded confidence in the system, but we need to rebuild ridership for everyone's benefit. Free fares for everyone will help with that. Free fares will signal gratitude and an apology to those riders who have stuck with public transportation through multiple disasters, many of whom have no real alternative." - State Senator Pat Jehlen "Safe, reliable and af-

fordable public transportation is critical to connect our communities, and the Orange and Green Line diversions will have serious impacts on my constituents. I am concerned that the needs of those who rely most on public transportation, for whom working from home or being late for work are not options, are not being considered. Making the system fare free during this shutdown is one critical way to address the financial impact of this closure." - State Representative Christine Barber "The Orange and Green

Line shutdown will result in lost wages and missed medical appointments, further exacerbating the health disparities of low-income communities that were hit hardest during the pandemic like Chelsea and East Boston and who are reliant on public transportation. A full fare suspension will give essential workers and low-income families a fighting chance to thrive during this transit emergency." - GreenRoots Associate Executive Director Maria Belen Power "Riders along the Fair-

mont corridor, especially in Dorchester and Mattapan, use the bus system to connect with the Orange Line to bring them into downtown. The idea that they will have to figure out a very unclear system of payment when having to deal with significantly longer travel times and transfers is shameful – the MBTA needs to prioritize riders by giving the free fares and transparency on the process ahead."- Action 4 Equity Transit Or-

ganizer Mea Johnson "The T is essential to our work. I take the Orange Line frequently for

ing with youth leaders in

connect-

Greater Boston and to accompany my grandmother for her needs in the city. A suspension of fares will make it a lot easier for young people to commute outside of Chelsea." Darien Rodriguez, Green-Roots ECO Youth Crew Member, 15 years old "The month-long shut-

down of the Orange and Green Lines is expected to have a severe impact on mobility in Greater Boston and increase traffic congestion throughout the region. Left unabated, this will be disruptive to riders, the economy, and the business community. Suspending fares across the MBTA system will help encourage public transit use and address serious equity issues for the many bus riders who are set to pay for service before connecting to a free shuttle bus. The legislature approved \$266 million in this year's state budget to address the safety repairs recommended by the FTA, so there is funding available to support this initiative. Using this money to support riders and this region during these shutdowns is a wise use of these funds at this critical time." - A Better City President & CEO Rick Dimino

"Suspending fares systemwide makes sense in a crisis situation like the one that we're facing today. The current suspension of fares for commuter rail riders in Zones 1, 1A, and 2 does not go far enough if the goal of authority is the reduction of traffic in the diversion zone. Full fare suspension on all modes will help convince more people to take the train, bus, or ferry instead of their car, and will reduce congestion both for Orange Line shuttles and for those who have no choice but to drive." - Transit-Matters Programs Manager Matthew Petersen

"Given the enormous economic impact the shutdown will have on the region, systemwide fares suspension is an investment in keeping people and the economy - moving for the next month. The Commonwealth's historic revenue surplus, in addition to unexpended ARPA funds and the additional funds the legislature allocated to the MBTA to address the FTA recommendation, offer more than enough resources to fill any revenue shortfall that may occur as a result of a system-wide fares suspension." – LivableStreets Executive Director Stacy Thompson "While the need to take

drastic steps to improve the safety and reliability of our public transportation system is understood, this move must be met with a sincere effort to reduce the negative impacts on all who rely on the system. The reality is many riders will feel compelled to turn to private vehicles to get where they need to go, which will impact countless bus riders who will sit in worsened traffic. A suspension of fares is not only the just action to take, but can serve as an incentive for Orange and Green Line riders to use the commuter rail rather than driving." - Transportation for Massachusetts Interim Executive Director Josh Ostroff

**The group utilized the MBTA COVID Recovery Dashboard developed by TransitMatters, which is based on MBTA ridership data.

News in Brief

MAYOR DEMARIA ANNOUNCES SEPTEMBER SENIOR SOCIAL

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the Council on Aging (COA) are pleased to announce the September Senior Social for Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Anthony's Restaurant at 105 Canal Street in Malden. The event begins at

11:15am in the lounge

where friendly staff will

be greeting guests. There will be complimentary coffee, tea and an array of breakfast pastries already set up for guests to enjoy. The delicious meal will begin at 11:15am in the Terrace room. The meal includes, Italian ding soup, pasta, chicken

cream and cake for dessert, coffee and tea. Ray Cavicchio will be on the center stage to dance to and sing along with. There will also be a raffle with some wonderful door prizes given at

cordon bleu,' rice pilaf,

seasonal vegetables, ice

Tickets are available for purchase at the Connolly Center beginning September 1. For additional information, please call 617-394-2323.

each social event.

CONCEPTION PARISH HOSTS **MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL** The Immaculate Con-

IMMACULATE

ception Parish of Everett is proud to announce, Multicultural Festival "22", an all-day event on Saturday, August 27 from 10am to 5pm at the Lafayette School Park. The day will include a variety of family-based activities. There will be a variety of food, music, dancing, activities and games with all proceeds going to the Immaculate Conception church. The first "multicultural" event was held a few years ago by our Spanish community and they invited us to develop the festival into a more inclusive event.

Over the years, the I. C.

Parish has always changed and evolved since it's opening in 1896 with a mostly European population such as Irish and Italians, to today's parishioners made up of Latinos, Asians, Haitians, and Africans to name a few. In spite of our cultural differences, we all have one thing in common, our faith and belief in God. To celebrate our diversity in the Parish and the City of Everett, we invite you all to join us in fellowship. For more information, please contact the rectory at 617-389-5660. We look forward to seeing you there.

BOSTON AREA PRICES WERE **UP 7.0 PERCENT** FROM A YEAR AGO

The New England Information Office of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) has released figures for the Boston CPI in July 2022. The CPI program produces monthly data on the changes in prices paid by urban consumers for a representative basket of goods and services. The highlights appear below: • The Consumer Price

Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the Boston-Cambridge-Newton area was up 0.7 percent over the two months. This was mainly attributable to higher prices within food, up 2.6 percent. • Over the last 12

months, the CPI-U rose 7.0 percent in Boston; the rate was lower than the national rate, up 8.5 percent. • The all items less food and energy index in-

creased 3.9 percent over

the year driven mainly by higher shelter (2.8 percent), medical care (6.9 percent), and new and used motor vehicle costs (7.5 percent).

• Energy prices jumped 43.9 percent since last July largely attributable to higher gasoline prices, up 55.1 percent.

• Food prices increased over the year (10.3 percent) the highest annual advance recorded in Boston since July 1979 (+12.4 percent). This was mainly due to higher grocery prices, up 10.9 percent.

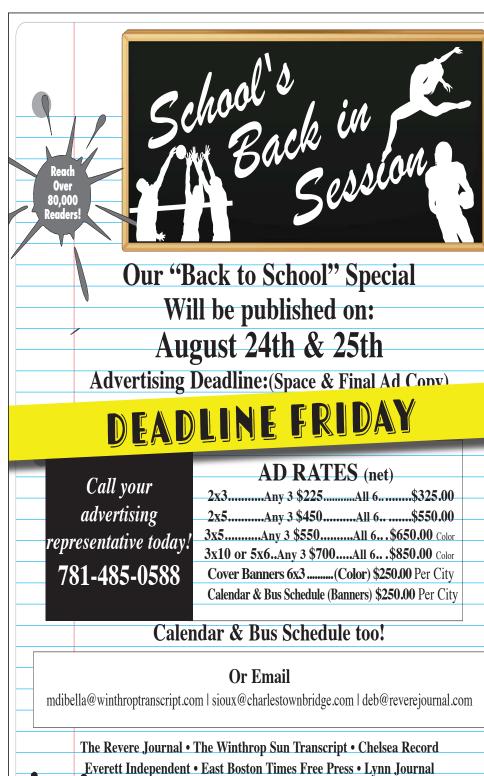
• Of the twelve metropolitan areas for which inflation measures are available this month, Boston had the third-lowest annual rate (7.0 percent). New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA posted the lowest annual rate (6.5 percent). The largest increase was seen in Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL (11.2 percent).

MAYOR DEMARIA ANNOUNCES SOCK HOP FOR SENIORS

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and The Council on Aging (COA) are pleased to announce an old-fashioned Sock Hop for Seniors at The Connolly Center, Saturday October 1, 2022 beginning at 1pm. You will be entertained

by Billy D and The Rock It's singing all your favorite 1950's and 1960's Rock Around the Clock Tunes. Cuff your jeans. put on your poodle skirts. saddle shoes and penny loafers and join the party. There will be dance contests with prizes, as well as prizes given for the person that is best dressed for the time period. Ticket sales begin Sep-

tember 1 at The Connolly Center. For additional information, please call 617-394-2323 or 617-394-2260.



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AND JUST LIKE THAT --**SUMMER ENDED**

Within just a few hours of writing our editorial last Tuesday (August 9) extolling the virtues of the heat and humidity of the summer season, Mother Nature turned the tables on us.

We were sitting in our hot house -- we don't have air conditioning -- but enjoying a warm breeze, when, at 8:14 p.m., the wind shifted from south-westerly to north-easterly. The air suddenly became chilly -- the temperature dropped 10 degrees within a few minutes -- and we soon had to shut all of our windows.

Yes, the weather this past week has been nice (and is forecast to remain so for the next 10 days), but the temperatures have struggled to reach 80 during the day and we've had to wear warm clothing in the cool evenings.

No doubt there may be a few lingering hot days in the weeks ahead -- we have many fond memories of hot Labor Day (and even some Columbus Day) weekends

But it is clear that the summer of 2022 is all but over - and fall is in the air.

Your opinions, please

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LETTER to the Editor

THANK YOU FOR A SUCCESSFUL STORY SHARE AND ARTS FESTIVAL

To the Editor,

This letter is to thank our wonderful community of volunteers, city youth

employees, and everyone who braved the heat to attend Everett's First Annual Story Share and Arts Festival at Glendale Park on August 6. Special thanks to our amazing food sponsors: La Perle Restaurant,

Casablanca House of Pastry, Santanas, Oliveiras Restaurant, Continental Bakery, Nana's Pizza, Chelsea St. Bakery and La Hacienda for their delicious contributions. We appreciate your support!

With gratitude, Martha Chason-Sokol, **Art Lab Everett** Samantha Lambert, **Everett Community** Growers Katy Rogers, Katy Rogers Art

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Pre-season schedule announced

Everett will have an intra-squad scrimmage on Saturday, Aug. 27 at 4 p.m. at Everett Stadium.

The following Tuesday, Aug. 30, Everett will travel to Mansfield for a scrimmage at 4 p.m. The Tide will wrap up their pre-season schedule with a simulated game-scrimmage on the road against former GBL opponent Peabody on Friday, Sept

"Mansfield is always a well-coached, disciplined team and that will be a challenge for us," said DiLoreto. "Peabody is a very good program, and they will be a title contender in their conference [Northeastern] this sea-

In addition to Xaveri-

an on the regular season schedule, Everett will play at BC High on Sept. 30. The GBL opponents are Somerville, Lynn English, Revere, Medford, Malden, and Lynn Classical.

The Tide do not have a Thanksgiving game on their schedule at this point, though DiLoreto continues to seek an opponent. Last year's Thanksgiving foe, St. John's of Shrewsbury, decided to move on and play Malden Catholic on the holiday.

Christian Zamor commits to Boston College

Christian Zamor, 6-foot-1-inch, 205-pound junior, has committed to Boston College. Zamor is one of the first players in the Class of 2024 to announce his decision to attend BC.

Christian's brother, Ish Zamor, is a freshman wide receiver at Boston College. Christian will be a wide receiver and defensive player (linebacker/ afety) for Everett this sea-

Congratulations, Christian, on your decision to attend one of the nation's most prestigious colleges.

Everett High's coaching staff

coach DiLoreto will be joined on the Everett High sidelines by an assistant coaching staff that consists of Chris Miller, John Capra, Greg Bluestein, Claudy St. Juste, Malik Love, Lubern Figaro, Angel Duarte, Frank Roche, Cory DiLoreto, Jay Holt, Lubens Figaro, and Mac

Corey DiLorero is the

son of Rob DiLoreto. Corey was an All-Scholastic quarterback who led Reading High to back-toback Super Bowl appearances. He went on to excel in Division 1 college baseball at Northeastern. Corey will be the Everett quarterbacks coach.

Captains ready to go

The captains of the 2022 Everett High football team are Karmarri Ellerbi, Nick Raymond, and Giacobbe Ward.

Isaiah Likely makes NFL pre-season debut

Former Everett High football star Isaiah Likely had four catches for 44 yards in his NFL pre-season debut for the Baltimore Ravens in their 23-10 victory over the Tennessee Titans.

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this seat is about giving everyone a voice. Local government is incredibly important to residents' everyday quality of life. The work of our State Representatives affects every person in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and can transform and empower communities. I have a true vision of how we can represent everyone in making decisions that benefit everyone.

I am a tenacious and diligent professional, who is compassionate about people and passionate about service. Born in Haiti, I arrived to the U.S. at the age

of 11 with the hopes of carrying the importance of serving others. My work history includes 9 years at Everett City Hall, 12 years in the financial services industry, a restaurant manager, and campaign manager. I am a well-known and longtime warrior for children, youth, women, the elderly, and the community. For the last 9 vears. I have been a community organizer, working towards a better, stronger, and healthier environment in the City of Everett. I have a strong passion to serve my community. My most important role is

being a proud mother of three sons and a wife. I enjoy spending time with my family, reading, cooking, traveling, doing art shows, and rehabbing houses. It is essential to im-

prove education, economic development, and quality of life. We need good jobs, thriving small businesses, meaningful youth programs, affordable housing, and the best transportation options. We must identify and implement ways that make the system work for everyone.

We need strong, new leadership, who will actually produce results and

not just talk or show up for photo ops. I am proud to run for the State Representative seat because Everett needs a real leader who will take a stand for all of us. The democratic primary election date Tuesday, September 6, 2022. I look forward to meeting and listening to you! Please call me at (857) 326-1128 or email guerline for ever ett@gmail.com if you have any further questions. Thank you for reading about me and my passion to represent you at the State House.

MGC releases July 2022 Gross Gaming Revenue

Gaming Commission reported that the month of July 2022 at Plainridge Park Casino (PPC), MGM Springfield and Encore Boston Harbor generatapproximately million in Gross Gaming Revenue (GGR).

PPC, a category 2 slots facility, is taxed on 49% of GGR. Of that total taxed amount, 82% is paid to Local Aid and 18% is allotted to the Race Horse Development Fund. MGM Springfield and Encore Boston Harbor, category 1 resort-casinos, are taxed on 25% of GGR; those monies are allocat-

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REVENUE REPORT

JULY 2022 GROSS GAMING REVENUE TAXES MGM SPRINGFIELD TABLE \$4,242,403.60 \$17,275,318.86 ●▲7 SLOTS **TOTAL** \$21,517,722.46 \$5,379,430.62 ENCORE BOSTON HARBOR **∷** TABLE \$29,672,721.61 ●▲7 SLOTS \$35,051,906.67 \$16,181,157.07 **TOTAL** \$64,724,628.28 \$12,498,196.15 PLAINRIDGE PARK CASINO SUBJECT TO 49% TAXES ●▲7 SLOTS \$12,498,196.15 TOTAL \$6,124,116.11 TOTAL TAXES \$27,684,703.80

ed to several specific state funds as determined by the gaming statute.

To date, the Com-

monwealth has collected approximately \$1.155 billion in total taxes and assessments from PPC,

MGM and Encore since the respective openings of each gaming facility.

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OUR LADY OF GRACE CELEBRATES HAITIAN COMMUNITY

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Haitian community coming together for Mass every Sunday at Our Lady of Grace Church in Everett,

Cardinal O'Malley in the

entrance procession

Cardinal O'Malley celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 12:30 with the current pastor, Fr. John Sheridan and retired pastor Fr. James Barry and several Haitian priests who assist at the parish. A luncheon followed in the parish hall.



at-Latge Leo Robinson (second from left) and Chelsea City Manager Tom Ambrosino (right), presented citations to the parish. Also shown are Fr. John Sheridan (left) and Cardinal O'Malley (second from right).



Children performing a liturgical dance.



Fr. Jim Barry, Fr. John Sheridan and Cardinal O'Malley with several Haitian priests who assist at the parish.



The Haitian choir singing to the congregation.

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for the Everett school sys-

"Everyone agrees that we need more affordable housing, but the more pressing need is school space," said resident Paula Steriti.

Residents also expressed their concern about the negative impact on their neighborhood during the demolition and construction process of the project, which is expected to take four years.

Deveney noted that there would be a high cost to re-using the building as a school. It is expected that repairs to bring the school into state compliance would be very expensive, inasmuch as the school was built in the 1960s when many of the current state guidelines were not in effect.

Deveney added that Everett taxpayers will have to bear the full cost of the renovations. Under current state guidelines, any project that might qualify for state aid usually takes two to three years to get

Deveney also explained the procedure that Mayor DeMaria is following to

into the funding pipeline.

Past time-line for re-use of Pope John building

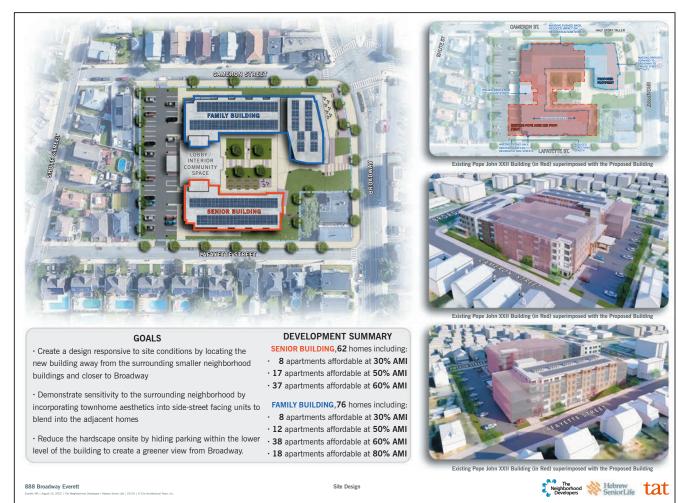
When the former Pope John XXIII building was taken by the city in December, 2019, the City Council voted to acquire it for the specific purpose of creating affordable housing.

In the fall of 2020, city officials put out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to redevelop Pope John as affordable housing.

In the spring of 2021, TND and Hebrew Senior Life partnered to respond to the city's RFP.

determine the feasibility of re-using the building for school purposes. An outside firm will be hired to assess the current state of the school and the cost to bring it up to code. School officials then will be asked their preferences for the use of the school, whether for elementary or middle school students.

The next public meetings for residents to weigh in on the TND proposal are scheduled for August 24 and 31. The City Council is expected to take up the matter at its September meeting.



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munity meetings are being held to give residents a chance to learn more about the proposal.

"I have been transparent since the city first acquired this parcel that I believe it presents an important opportunity to increase the availability of affordable housing apartments in Everett,

particularly for seniors and veterans," said Mayor DeMaria. "I hope that residents will come and learn more about the proposal and give the team from The Neighborhood Developers and Hebrew Senior Life the chance to answer questions and share information about how they are working to help create more affordable housing options with the maximum preference allowed for Everett residents in a way that is designed to be respectful of the surrounding neighborhood."

The series of community meetings are steps in the overall process needed to move the project forward. City Council

approval is required for Mayor DeMaria to execute an agreement with The Neighborhood Developers to transfer the parcel to that organization. The proposal also would need to go before the Everett Planning Board and potentially the Zoning Board of Appeals.



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The Feast of St. Rocco has been a tradition since August 1929, when Italian immigrants founded the Society of St. Rocco earlier that year. The Feast is a three-day festival was designed to raise funds for the sick, St Rocco was known to have healed stricken people. A statue of the saint is walked throughout the streets near Downtown where the Feast is held at Pearl and Thatcher Streets. Supporters attach currency to ribbons adorning it as the Procession makes its way by their house. It was a celebratory event that brought out many residents.



Robbie Gennetti with his grandfather Malden Police Commissioner Salvatore "Butch" Gennetti.



The Procession of St. Rocco's Feast makes its way up Pearl Street in Malden.



Before the Procession continues, participants and onlookers stand at attention for the National Anthem.



At the Malden Italian American Club, the St. Rocco's Feast Procession makes a stop.



Gianna DiGregorio and Carmen Gizzi are excited to share a piece of fried dough, an New England festival staple.



Malden Mayor Gary Christenson and St Rocco Society President Joyce Mover march in the Procession.



Rylee Walker holds an arancini, an Italian street food.



Nicole Unegbu visiting with TC, Jessica, and Paige Scott.



Joyce Mover with Stella Pinkham, 89 never missed a pro-



Alice Spadafora with St. Roccos Society members as they called on her at her home.



The statue of St. Rocco is carried by dedicated members of the St. Rocco Society.



A dog named Rocco watches as the St. Rocco's Feast Procession marches by on Pearl Street.



President of St. Rocco Society Joyce Mover (second from right) with Robbie Gennetti, Arianna Cafaorella, Ava Baxter, and Joe Cafaorella.



Malden Mayor Gary Christenson and Brian Crowe, the brother of Kevin Crowe a soldier from Malden MA killed in action in Vietnam on June 5, 1969.













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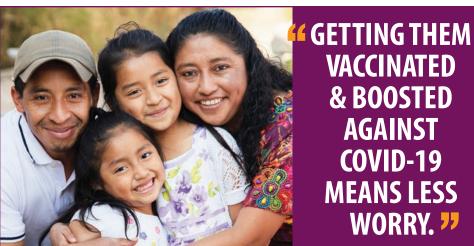


St. Rocco Society members pay their respects to the memory of Kevin Crowe, a soldier from Malden MA who was killed in action on June 5th 1969 in Vietnam.



The St. Rocco's Feast Procession winds its way through the streets of Malden as residents

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CITY HOSTS FOAM PARTY FOR EVERETT'S YOUNG ADULTS

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the City of Everett recently hosted a foam party for the community's young adults at Rivergreen Park.

This event was part of the City's new initiative called Everett for Everyone. The goal is to create events that are more specialized for various resident age groups. The foam party was only open to attendees who are between the ages of 18 to 25 to ensure everyone's safety.

A portion of Rivergreen Park was turned into a fun party featuring a DJ, glow sticks, inflatable water slide and 360 photo booth. Half of the street hockey rink was filled with foam for all to dance and have

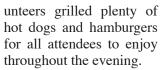
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Sliding down the inflatable water slide.



The welcoming table handed out party glasses, light up rings and light up bracelets to all partygoers.



Mayor DeMaria and the City of Everett would like to thank all who participated in the foam party.

There are more events planned for the future. All updates and announcements about new events will me made through the City of Everett's social media pages.



It was a perfect night to bring some friends and have fun at the foam party.



Light up shades and rings make the party even better.





City employees and volunteers helped grill delicious hot dogs and hamburgers.



Having fun with the props at the 360 photo booth.



Participants were able to stand on the platform of the 360 photo booth to have a cool video taken of them.



Some of the participants having fun in the foam.



The DJ got the party jumping.



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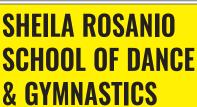
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CRIMSON TIDE POP WARNER HOSTS



The Crimson Tide Pop Warner youth football and cheerleading organization hosted a kickball tournament versus Everett's first responders at Sacramone Park. Everyone had a great day. Officer Gallagher, Officer Neves, and Officer Gallego are pictured with Crimson Tide Pop Warner athletes Giuli Blatt and Natalia Negron at the kickball tournament at Sacramone Park.



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Rosemary Sheehan named new Board Chair at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts (BBBSEM), one of the nation's leading one-to-one youth mentoring programs and New England's largest Big Brothers Big Sisters affiliate, has appointed Rosemary Sheehan, Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO) at Mass General Brigham, the largest private employer in Massachusetts with over 82,000 employees, as their new Board Chair. Since 2019, she has served on the agency's Board of Direc-

Sheehan first joined the BBBSEM team through the agency's Senior Human Resources Advisors Council. Her passion for the mission grew as she helped staff to develop the nonprofit's People & Culture strategy. At Mass General Brigham, she partners with executive leadership to develop internal growth, expand/ build people and process capabilities, create/drive a culture of innovation, continuous improvement and operational excellence, and strengthen the stra-



tegic business alignment of the HR function. She brings more than 30 years of experience in healthcare revenue cycle operations, staff development and leadership, new business development, regulatory compliance, and complex project management.

"I am so proud of how the agency has managed to continue to serve so many children during the pandemic while also recently approving a new strategic plan," says Sheehan, who walks her talk as a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachu-

setts Mentor 2.0 program. "The pandemic has highlighted the inequities in our society and created a massive mental health issue. I look forward to supporting the new strategic plan and helping the nonprofit play a pivotal role in supporting our youth as the new Board Chair." Throughout her per-

sonal life and her career, Sheehan has been a champion for those who are marginalized and less fortunate. Her compassion is born out of her personal journey. She is the daughter of immigrants from Portugal, neither of whom were educated beyond the 5th grade, and grew up in Fall River where her parents worked in garment factories. In addition to her parents, her role models as a child were her high school teachers.

"I was lucky to have mentors," says Sheehan. "I know that I wouldn't be in the current role I am in if they were not there to guide me. There is a lot of data to show that early mentorship makes a big difference in the lives of youth. We need to ensure that the agency is here long term!"

Sheehan's passion for mentoring runs in the family. Her husband is also a mentor for the agency's Mentor 2.0 program and her daughter, when in school at Boston College, serves as a Campus-Based Big Sister. In part thanks to her mentors, Sheehan earned her BA Degree in Chemistry cum laude at Assumption College, and her MBA summa cum laude at Babson College. "Rosemary is a critical

asset to our Board with both the personal and professional experiences that she brings to the table," says Mark O'Donnell, BBBSEM President & CEO. "As we seek to increase the number of adult mentors in our organization and provide them with the support necessary to foster meaningful relationships with Littles, the encouragement, guidance, and strategic insights provided by our Board Chair is imperative to the success of our organization, and we are elated to welcome Rosemary in this position."

As Board Chair, Sheehan will partner with O'Donnell and board members to support and sustain the work of BBBSEM and ensure appropriate board composition with regard to the organization's strategic objectives. In addition, she will provide governance leadership, and strategic fundraising support to the greater BBBSEM team. Sheehan will help to run board meetings and an annual retreat.

In its 70th year, BBB-SEM has created and served more than 20,000 matches. The nonprofit is now enrolling and matching Littles and Bigs. For more information, to register your children or to become a volunteer, visit: www.emassbigs.org.

About Big Brother Big Sisters of Eastern Massa-

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is an innovative, energetic organization that is making a real difference in the lives of nearly 3,000

youth annually by providing them with an invested, caring adult mentor in long-term, professionally supported relationships. With research and proven outcomes at its core, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is working to defend the potential of children facing adversity and ensure every child has the support from caring adults that they need for healthy development and success in life. The organization's vision is to inspire, engage and transform communities in Eastern Massachusetts by helping youth achieve their full potential, contributing to healthier families, better schools, more confident futures and stronger communities. Throughout its 70 years, the largest Big Brothers Big Sisters affiliate in New England has created and served more than 20,000 matches. For more information about the agency and its mission, visit www.emassbigs.org.

OBITUARIES

Mark Gallant

Of Hyannis, formerly of Revere

On Sunday, August 14, Mark Gallant of Hyannis, formerly of Revere, passed away peacefully at home after a long battle with Cancer.

Mark was born on September 10, 1960 in Revere to Constance and Joseph Gallant. He was raised in Revere and married his wife, Dianne in 1987. They moved to The Cape in 1989 where they raised their three children.

Mark began his career at the Hyannis Post Office and later worked 24 years for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue in the Child Support Division. Mark loved nothing more than attending all of his children's events and games as a very proud father. He enjoyed being at home and watching Boston sports, especially the Celtics.

Mark was predeceased by his parents and brother, Peter, husband of Kathy Gallant. He is survived



by his wife, Dianne and children, Matthew and his wife, Jessica, Nicholas and Marissa as well as by his sister, Mary Ann O'Leary and her husband, Stephen and brothers, Paul and his wife, Jean and Steven. He was also an uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at Our Lady of Victory Parish in Centerville on Friday, August 19 with a viewing from 10 to 11 a.m. followed by Mass.

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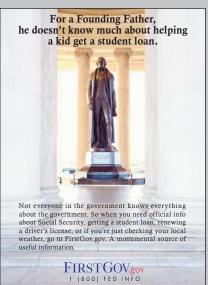
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New Raspberry Rally Girl Scout Cookie joins lineup for 2023 season nationwide

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts (GSEMA) and Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) announced that the new Raspberry Rally cookie will join its nationwide lineup for the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season. The thin, crispy cookie is a "sister" cookie to the beloved Thin Mints®, infused with raspberry flavor instead of mint and dipped in the same delicious chocolaty coating.

Raspberry Rally gives devoted Girl Scout Cookie lovers yet another reason to be excited for the

upcoming cookie season. This must-have new cookie will be the first in the Girl Scout Cookie lineup to be exclusively offered for online sale and direct shipment only, enhancing girls' e-commerce sales and entrepreneurial skills. Raspberry Rally will be available to consumers nationally during the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season. Girl Scouts in eastern Massachusetts and across the United States will offer the Raspberry Rally cookie next season alongside favorites like Thin

Mints \mathbb{R} , Adventurefuls $^{\text{TM}}$ and Caramel deLites®.

Cookie season is an exciting annual event for Girl Scouts across the nation. Proceeds raised from in-person and online cookie orders directly benefit local councils and troops. When Girl Scouts run their own cookie business, they are a part of the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world. Girl Scouts learn leadership, problem-solvand community building through the Girl

Scout Cookie Program, resulting in an invaluable experience that cultivates an innovative, entrepreneurial spirit.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program encourages girls to be risk takers, to think outside of the box, and to be confident in their own abilities. Whether they're working toward earning their Cookie Goal Setter badge as a Daisy or their My Cookie Business Resume badge as an Ambassador, Girl Scouts are learning qualities crucial for all forms of leadership and life-skills. The program embraces the understanding of the world of business, money management, and entrepreneurship. Cookie Business badges range anywhere from goal setting to learning effective in-person and online sales pitches, using market research, creating business plans, and implementing digital marketing campaigns.

Available nationwide, every purchase of the online-exclusive Raspberry Rally cookie supports local Girl Scouts who are helping make our world a better place. Let's come together to celebrate the change-makers who are solving problems and learning new skillsone box of cookies at a time.

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts kicks off cookie season on Tuesday, December 6, 2022; visit www.girlscoutcookies. org to sign up to be notified as soon as Raspberry Rally and other Girl Scout Cookies are on sale.

For more information on Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, please visit their website, www. gsema.org, or follow their social media channels, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, for the latest updates on the organization.

Six steps to avoid a tire blowout

With summer holidays underway, travellers are being advised to check their tire conditions to prevent a blowout.

The holiday car rental experts at StressFreeCar-Rental.com are urging people to check the conditions of their car to prevent serious consequences from occurring.

conditions Warmer can lead to heated air expanding inside the tires, which ultimately leads to increased pressure on tires and potentially destroy a

There are simple ways to prevent a blowout, from regularly checking the tire tread, to packing less in the suitcases.

(Hot weather increases the chance of over-inflation in tires/Image credit: Pixabay)

A spokesperson from StressFreeCarRental.com said: "More people will be travelling in the car more than ever this summer and a common mistake is travellers forgetting to monitor their tire conditions.

"It's vital for road users to regularly check their tire pressure and look out for punctures before embarking on a journey.

"The hot weather only worsens tire conditions, so it's important to use these helpful tips to prevent the repercussions of a dreaded tire blowout."

Here are six useful tips from StressFreeCarRental.com to avoid a tire

Check the tire tread

The heat can result in the rubber on tires becoming softer than usual. This creates more friction on the roads, which can result in over-inflation and eventually tire blowouts.

Regularly look for punctures

How many people do you know who have experienced a tire puncture? It's a common issue for road users from nails on the road to the problems caused by potholes. Before setting off on a long car ride, always check for any type of puncture and listen to the sound from the tires when they get moving.

Less is more when packing up the car

It can be easy to get carried away packing every piece of clothing for a trip, but less is more when

loading up the car. Heavy luggage can increase added pressure to tires, combined with the warm weather, it can deflate them quite quickly.

Steer from potholes

Keep an eye on the road as potholes can create issues such as tread separation and punctures which can lead to a blowout. Be mindful of other drivers and stay sensible when avoiding them.

Monitor your tire pressure

The warmer conditions can make pressure in tires increase by 1 to 2 psi for every change 10°C. Keep on top of checking the pressure, as the large increase in tire air pressure can cause them to explore.

Take short breaks on the journey

If you're planning a road-trip or frequent journeys during the summer, it's important to take short breaks to ease off tire pressure. Have a look if there's any sights or activities to do before your destination, as driving on hot roads all day long can increase the risk of over-inflation.

LEGAL NOTICE

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Everett Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the 200-3 Screen Door Replacement, #093087. at the Cherry Street Development in Ever-

ett, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Winslow Architects Inc. The Project consists of: Removal and replacement of exterior screen doors and entry surrounds at all exterior unit doors throughout the Cherry Street Development. Bidders are asked to hold their bid price for 90 days. The work is estimated to cost \$330,000.00. Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive. THIS PROJECT IS BEING **ELECTRONICALLY BID AND** HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at www.biddocsonline.com . General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, General Building Construction, and must

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> Mystic Side **Congregational Church 422 Main Street** Everett, MA

Immaculate Conception Parish

Our Parish Staff: Father Joseph Chacha Marwa, S.M.A. Administrator;

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Weekly Mass Schedule at Immaculate Conception is as follows: Saturday (Sunday Vig-

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il) 4 p.m., Sunday a.m.,

Community 4 p.m. Haitian Commu-

Masses are being held in the Chapel.

Adoration Eucharistic of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Thurs. from 7:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Each Thurs.s' adoration

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News and Notes

will conclude the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to spend a few moments with Our

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Zion Church - Everett

CHURCH News

News and Notes

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

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

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Glendale United Methodist Church

News and Notes

9:30 p.m.

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Bible Study: Consider joining us for Bible study on Sunday. We meet in the Church Parlor off the Chapel from 9:30 to 10:00 Sponsor the bulletin! For

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Boy Scout Troop 814: Meet in Cooper Hall on Tues. evenings from 6-9 p.m. Cub Pack 11 meets on Saturday mornings.

Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship service.

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Church at the Well Everett

News and Notes

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

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open & welcoming to all. There are 2 services on

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Middlesex Sheriff's office celebrates the third Youth Public Safety Academy graduation

Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian congratulated approximately 75 graduates of the Youth Public Safety Academy's (YPSA) fourth and final session of 2022 during a ceremony at Chelmsford High School on Friday, August 5. The cadets were primarily from the communities of Acton, Chelmsford, Everett, Malden, Maynard, Newton and Waltham.

YPSA was first established by the Middlesex Sheriff's Office in 1999, and focuses on sharing important public safety lessons on issues like internet safety, fire preparedness and prevention, water safety skills and more. The academy is open to youngsters ages 8-12 from across Middlesex County, as well as older cadets who may participate through the YPSA's Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Program.

"After two years of remote programming, we are proud to welcome cadets, their families and our community partners back to YPSA," said Sheriff "Through-Koutoujian. out its history, YPSA has provided valuable opportunities for the county's youngest residents to get to know some of the corrections officers, police officers and firefighters who serve their communities on a daily basis. It also teaches cadets crucial lessons about teambuilding, friendship and public safety that they take back to their homes, schools and communities. That is why I truly believe this is one of the best, most comprehensive camps around and why we are so excited to be back this summer."

To learn more about YPSA and some of the Middlesex Sheriff's Ofother community-based programming, visit middlesexsheriff.org/ community.



Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian, Malden Mayor Gary Christenson, Malden City Council President Craig Spadafora (back row, left to right) and Malden Police Sergeant J.P. Kelley (second row, first from right) were in attendance Friday, August 5, 2022 to recognize graduates of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office Youth Public Safety Academy (YPSA) from Everett and Malden.

FRESH AND LOCAL

August tomatoes

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

With the arrival of gorgeous summer tomatoes, we suggest you save all those recipes that have you cooking tomatoes for fall and winter. Grab a sharp knife and cutting board, and supper is underway. If you can chop, slice, wedge, or dice a tomato, you can turn this ripe, red bounty from local farms

into terrific menu items. Summer is the season of local tomato glory when we pop pints of cherry tomatoes like candy and slice slabs of giant heirloom tomatoes to present on a platter as a side dish. A sprinkle of sea salt and a grind of fresh pepper is all

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they need to shine. And, perhaps, local August tomatoes are really meant to be eaten out of hand, over the sink, with the juices running off your chin.

Tomato Sandwiches

August is the month to enjoy BLTs. We also love avocados, lettuce, and tomatoes. Sometimes we switch out the bacon for cheese. This year we've been making that with the flavored Farmers Cheese Spreads from local cheesemaker Fromagerie Madeline at the Copley Square Farmers Market. Their seasonal selection includes plain, Everything Bagel, Garlic, Spinach Dip, Italian Herb, Dill,

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and Sriracha Hot Pepper. Slather a good slice of bread with the one that most appeals to you and top it with slices of tomatoes from a local farm.

In Provence, they have a whole-meal sandwich called Pan Bagnat. You should prepare it ahead, so it's perfect for entertaining or picnics. This sandwich is a great way to use slightly overripe tomatoes since you want the juices to soak into the bread. We like making it with big, round loaves of country bread.

Stuffing, Soup, and Salads

You can create an attractive main course by hollowing out beautiful heirloom tomatoes and filling them with something delicious. For example, you can use the innards of your hollow tomatoes with mozzarella cubes, halved cherry tomatoes, and basil for a fresh take on a Caprese salad. We have also seen tomatoes stuffed with crab, tuna, or bean salads.

Gazpacho is another



Toast slathered with herbed Farmers Cheese Spread from Fromagerie Madeline and topped with slices of colorful cherry tomatoes was a perfect farmers market day treat.

way to enjoy a relaxed, nocook supper. This Spanish soup makes a great contribution to a potluck or picnic. Your food processor or blender will do most of the work. Still, we recommend you hand-cut a lovely selection of toppings like colorful cherry tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, and red onions. You can stray from the classic and add corn, crabmeat, or chunks of avocado.

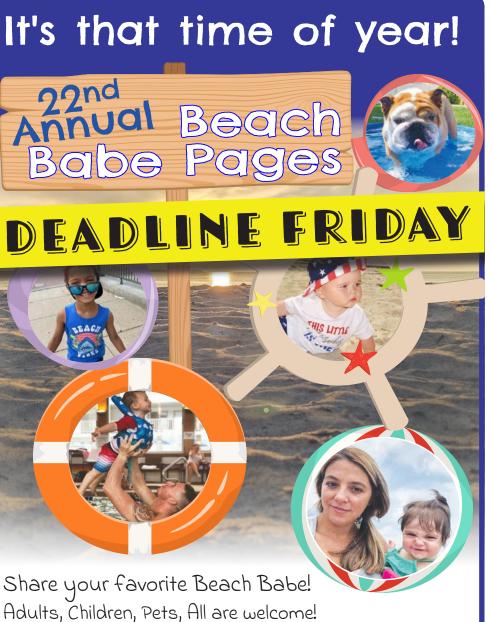
You might create salads where the tomato is the star rather than a sup- ing the tomatoes for this with your suggestion.

porting cast member. Fill a platter with slices, chunks, and wedges of the best tomatoes you can find. Dress them with a tasty vinaigrette and top with some fresh herbs and perhaps something salty like capers or bits of bacon or ham.

We have a favorite salad that is simply arugula topped with fresh tomatoes that are chopped and marinated in oil, vinegar, and herbs for an hour or so. Some cooks recommend peeling and deseeddish, but we enjoy this

simpler version. One final reminder, never refrigerate a tomato. Preserve the flavor of your fresh tomatoes by keeping them on the kitchen counter or in your fruit bowl. Buy what you will use quickly and shop for them often while they are

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