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Certificates of completion were presented to participants on the final day of Mayor DeMaria's Summer Work Program 2024.

City hosts day of fun for youth workers on final day of Mayor's Summer Work Program

Special to the Independent

On Friday, Aug., the City of Everett hosted a barbecue at the Recreation Center for all youth workers who participated in Mayor DeMaria's Summer Work Program.

On the final day for the season, participants were had the opportunity to participate in a game of kickball. Those in attendance were also presented a certificate of completion

in recognition of the work they have done throughout the community this summer.

"The Summer Work Program has always remained important to me because it provides our city's youth with the opportunity to gain experience and earn money while learning about fiscal and workplace responsibility at a young age," said Mayor Carlo DeMaria. "I'd like to thank the

members of my team and everyone who participated to make this another successful summer."

For more than 25 years, the Summer Work Program has been helping the City's youth build their resumes and provide an opportunity to learn what it's like to enter the workforce. Those who participate are offered a variety of different job placements that are located throughout Everett and neighboring cities

that include employment with various community organizations, businesses and City of Everett departments.

To learn more about programs the City of Everett offers to the community's youth, please visit EverettRecandEnrich.com or call 617-394-2270 to be connected to the Youth Development and Enrichment Department.

Everett voters head to the polls for Sept. 3 state rep. Democratic primary

By Cary Shuman

Everett Elections Commission Chair Sergio Cornelio is predicting a turnout of approximately 4,500 voters out of the city's 23,167 eligible voters for the Tuesday, Sept. 3 Democratic primary for state representative.

Joseph W. McGonagle Jr., who is the current state representative in the 28th Middlesex District, is being challenged by Councilor-at-Large Michael Marchese for the

seat. Both candidates have campaigned vigorously throughout the summer.

"I'm not expecting a particularly high turnout because the state rep's race is the only contested Democratic election on the ballot," said Cornelio, who is also the Everett City Clerk. "I don't believe we'll get close to breaking the 5,000-vote mark."

Rep. Dan Ryan of Charlestown and Rep. Judith Garcia of Chelsea,

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Pictured at the early voting polling place in the George Keverian Room at Everett City Hall are (front row) Linda Dall and Sonny Dall; (back row) Sandy Schiappa and Linda Shelden.

BENCH DEDICATED TO STEVE AND CLARENCE GOODWIN



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The Goodwin family gathered at Swan Street Park alongside current and former City officials to dedicate a bench in honor of Steve "Goodie" Goodwin and Clarence Goodwin. Steve was the son of Mary and Clarence Goodwin and worked for the City of Everett Department of Public Works for 43 and a half years. Clarence and Steve will both be remembered for their contributions to the City of Everett and for their love and dedication to the Everett community. The Goodwin family gathered at Swan Street Park alongside current and former City officials to dedicate a bench in honor of Steve "Goodie" Goodwin and Clarence Goodwin. (Courtesy photo)

Everett holds Back to School Convocation

Staff Report

The Everett Public Schools held their Back To School Convocation Monday at Everett High School.

Everett teachers enjoyed breakfast in the school cafeteria before Supt. of Schools William Hart officially welcomed everyone to the start of the 2024-25 academic year.

Everett School Committee Chair Jeanne Cristiano also spoke at the event. Dr. Kris Lee, an internationally recognized behavioral science clinician, researcher, educator, speaker, and comedian from Boston, was keynote speaker.

Everett Assistant Supt. of Teaching, Learning,

and Student Success, Dr. Margaret Adams also delivered remarks. Kelly St. Fort was the student speaker.

In a nice touch to the event, the award-winning Everett High School marching band, led by Gene O'Brien, serenaded the teachers as they entered the school.

Following are Supt. of Schools William Hart's remarks:

Good morning, and welcome to the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

I hope you had an enjoyable summer with family and friends and that you are as excited as I am to welcome more than 7,400 students to our schools lat-

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Webster School teachers Danae Cardello, Sean Cardello, Elizabeth DiPierro, and Kerry Italiano.. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Everett High School football draws large turnout for '24 season

By Cary Shuman

Everett High School football continues to set the standard in the Greater Boston League.

Blending an immensely popular Crimson Tide Pop Warner organization with the enthusiasm and the spirit of second-year head coach Justin Flores, the EHS program has more than 70 players in pre-season workouts, one of the largest turnouts in the region.

"Practices have been going well," said Flores. "We're excited to play Arlington in our first scrimmage (Tuesday night). One of their offensive linemen (Brady Bekkenhuis, a 6-foot-4-inch, 295-pound junior) is a BC-commit so it will be a good test for our line."

Ortiz said the team will select its captains for the 2024 season next week.

Leading the Offense Carlos Rodriguez is be-

ginning his second year as the starting quarterback. Manny Santiago has moved into a starting role as a running back. Kevin Diaz, who will start at line backer, will also get some calls out of the offensive backfield. Everett's receiving corps consists of receivers are Yariel Ortiz, Lucas Brito, Elijah Lassiter, and John Barreiros.

A new look for Everett?

Justin Flores hinted that Everett football may have a new look in Week 3 of the season which is a home

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EHS Roundup

EHS FALL ATHLETICS SET TO GET UNDERWAY

The fall sports season for Everett High athletes is scheduled to get underway in the coming week.

The EHS girls soccer team, which no doubt will be taking inspiration from the success of the young stars of the U.S. women's gold medal team at the Paris Olympics, will kick off the 2024 fall campaign this Tuesday (September 3) when they host non-league opponent Brockton in their season-opener at 4:30 on the turf field at the Rivergreen 7-Acre Park complex at Rivergreen.

"We are excited to get this season started," said EHS head coach Domenick Persuitte, whose 2024 squad will be led by a trio of captains, seniors Yelsa Garcia and Emilia Marie-Babcock, both of whom have been four-year starters, and junior Casey Martinez, who is a three-year starter. "We have a lot of promising talent and depth this year, mainly from the underclass who have big shoes to fill, as we graduated a whole team of seniors last year."

The Lady Crimson Tide have played well in their pre-season scrimmages. In a Jamboree this past Sunday, Everett took on Mystic Valley and Bedford, both of whom are strong squads. The Lady Crimson Tide tied Mystic Valley, 1-1, on a goal from sophomore Kayla Andrade (the first goal of Kayla's varsity career). Kayla found the back of the MV net on a rebound of a shot from Garcia that the MV goalie had pushed to the side and Kayla was there to tap the ball over the line.

In the contest with Bedford, Persuitte also was pleased with his team's performance.

"We played a strong game, despite giving up two goals," said Persuitte. "Senior Captain Emilia Marie-Babcock played very well in the net, a new position she willingly has continued to take on from the previous season."

"This team has some serious promise and talent and I truly believe we are going to make noise in the league this year," added the coach. "I have a great group of girls this season."

The members of the varsity squad are: seniors Alondra Flores, Yelsa Garcia, Emilia Maria-Babcock, and Hilary Monja; juniors Casey Martinez, Kathleen Desouza, Gisele Erazo, Luna Sepulveda Masselli, and Gabriella Lones Rivera; sophomores Kayla Andrade, Sofia Arana-Quintanilla, Layla Leles, and Mariana Rodrigues; and freshmen Ashley Heath, Giselle Lemus, Rosa Romero, Nicole Lemus, Leilany Rodrigues, Mariana Franca, and Tiffany Aguilar.

Assisting Persuitte in the coaching duties will be assistant coach Bridget Cifuni and JV coach Leah Ferullo.

After Tuesday's opener with Brockton, the Lady Crimson Tide will host Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Medford next Thursday (September 5) at 4:15 at 7-Acre. Persuitte and his crew will play an 18-game schedule, with 14 of their matches coming against their seven GBL rivals (Chelsea, Medford, Malden, Revere, Lynn Classical, Lynn English, and Somerville) and four with non-league foes Brockton, Methuen, Lowell, and Beverly.

The EHS boys soccer team, under new head coach and former Crimson Tide star Rodney Landaverde, kicks off its 2024 campaign next Thursday (Sept. 5) at Medford. The

boys likewise will play an 18-match schedule with 14 games coming against their GBL foes and four contests with non-league opponents Lowell, Marblehead, B.C. High, and Boston International.

The EHS field hockey team will open its season next Friday afternoon (Sept. 6) with a contest against non-league foe Hamilton-Wenham at 7-Acre Park under head coach Nicola Jones, who is in her third year at the helm of the EHS field hockey program.

"I am excited to be heading into my third season as head coach," said Jones. "The pre-season has been going well. We've been focusing on building team chemistry and cohesion, refining our skills, and strengthening our fundamentals, along with developing strategies for the upcoming season. The athletes are eager to learn and I am constantly impressed by their enthusiasm and work ethic."

"I'm optimistic about the coming season and believe that we can have a successful year. We're looking forward to representing Everett High with pride," Jones added.

With Revere and Malden being the only other GBL schools that have a field hockey program, the majority of Everett's contests will be against non-league opponents, including Hamilton-Wenham, Greater Lowell, Haverhill, Northeast Regional, Waltham, Arlington, and Lowell.

The Everett girls volleyball team swings into action next Wednesday (September 4) when the Lady Crimson Tide will host GBL rival Malden in the EHS gym. Long-time head coach Mike Fineran will be returning to lead the volleyball program.

And last but not least, the Everett High football team opens its 2024 campaign next Friday evening (September 6) under the lights at Everett Stadium against non-league opponent Mansfield. The opening kickoff is set for 7:00.

Author Stephen Rocco spoke at the Community Reads Book Club brunch

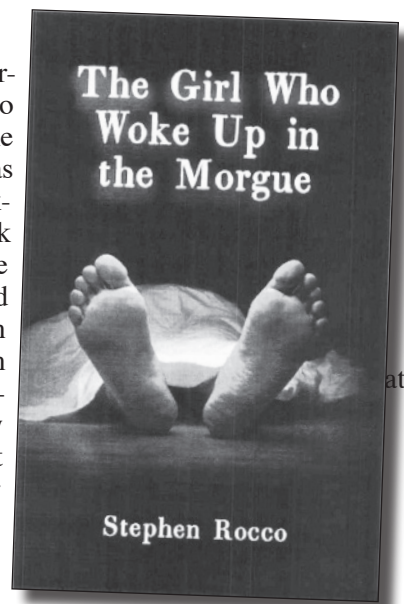
The Community Reads Book Club was excited to welcome author and poet Stephen Rocco. The Club read *The Girl Who Woke Up in the Morgue* for its April meeting. Stephen spoke passionately about what inspired him to write the book and how his characters were developed. Mr. Rocco has written *From Conflict to Cooperation Succeed* with Rocco's 4R's, *The Ecstasy of Pupusas*, *The Girl Who Woke Up in the Morgue*, and *The Mystery in the Mausoleum*. Mr. Rocco is a third generation funeral director and has worked as a family mediator. He holds a Masters degree in counseling from the University of Massachusetts. Stephen was also an instructor in the mortuary education program at Mt. Ida College and Co-Director of the school's National Center for Death Education. He has written and spoken extensively about the funeral profession, authoring over twenty nationally published articles. Stephen and his wife Lidia, have been blessed with four children and four grandchildren. He is currently working on his next two books and has hinted that one is about horse racing and the other is about



Author and poet Stephen Rocco.

a stalker in a funeral home. Mr. Rocco said he enjoyed the feedback and it was his first time speaking before a book club. Following the talk, Stephen joined the group for brunch and participated in the Club's discussion of the May book, *The Elephant of Belfast* by author S. Kirk Walsh.

The Community Reads Book Club just celebrated its second birthday in March. Special thank you to Sal and Tricia Sacro for supporting community events



Sacro Plaza and providing healthy food choices for the brunch celebration.

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game versus Xaverian.

"We're going to have something new this season for sure," said Flores. "We're going to wear the classic uniforms (San Francisco 49ers-style) in the opening game, but we're going to spice it up a little bit this year, too. It's going to be nice."

Justin Flores' memorable recruiting trip to Mansfield

The Crimson Tide will open their season at home against Mansfield on Friday, Sept. 6.

Flores recalled a recruiting trip he made to Mansfield when he was an assistant coach at the University of Maine. Flores

had traveled to Mansfield to evaluate a player's college prospects, but one particular Everett High player hindered his plans during the game.

"It was my first year recruiting Massachusetts, and I went to the Everett-Mansfield game. I was there to see a running back and the [Maine] head coach called me at half-time and asked, 'How's it going?'"

"I said, there's a kid from Everett that every time he touches the ball, he scores, so it's hard to watch the running back get the ball," recalled Flores.

That Everett High player was Mikey Sainristil, who put on one of the

greatest individual performances in school history. Sainristil had two touchdown receptions [in the first half] and intercepted three passes to lead Everett to a 41-14 victory over Mansfield on a night Mansfield dedicated its football stadium and had a capacity crowd on hand.

"It was nice to see that [performance by Sainristil]," said Flores.

Sainristil, of course, went on to play college football at Michigan, helping the Wolverines win the 2023 national championship before being selected in the NFL Draft by the Washington Commanders.

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who each represent neighborhoods in Everett in their respective districts, are running unopposed in the election.

Cornelio said voters can cast their ballots early until Friday, Aug. 30 at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

Mirlande Felissaint appointed new director of Everett elections

Mirlande Felissaint has been named the new director of elections in Everett. She succeeds Danielle Pietrantonio, who stepped down from the position to take a similar position in a nearby city.

Felissaint has worked in city government for the past two years.

A tune-up for November

Tuesday's primaries in Massachusetts will set the stage for the U.S. Presidential election on Tuesday, November 5. Voters will be able to cast ballots early beginning in mid-October.

"I think we'll boast close to 16,000 voters in that election, which is approximately 70 percent of the vote," said Cornelio.

Millions of Americans will be watching the upcoming Presidential Debate between Vice President Kamala Harris and former President Donald J. Trump on Tuesday, Sept. 10.



Getting ready for the Sept. 3 Primary Election in Everett are, from left, Assistant Registrar of Voters Caryn Antonelli, City Clerk Sergio Cornelio, and Director of Elections Mirlande Felissaint.

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EVERETT CITIZENS FOUNDATION NOW ACCEPTING GRANT APPLICATIONS

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce the Everett Citizens Foundation (ECF) grant application for Year 6, Round 1 is now available. The request limit for this round of funding is set at \$10,000. All applications are due by Monday, Sept. 30, 2024.

Through Mayor DeMaria's Host Community Agreement with Wynn Resorts, approved by voters in 2013, the Everett Citizens Foundation was established. The Foundation, which consists of members appointed by Mayor DeMaria, the Everett City Council, State Senator Sal DiDomenico, and State Representative Joe McGonagle, is charged with supporting and promoting local groups, associations, and programs with important City initiatives that provide a direct benefit to Everett residents. To date, the Foundation has distributed over 1 million dollars in grants to local organizations that provide a myriad of services to Everett residents.

"This has been and continues to be a great



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The Everett Citizens Foundation presented grants to 19 local organizations during the most recent round of funding back in May 2024.

opportunity for organizations to receive additional funding," said Mayor DeMaria. "The Everett Citizens Foundation seeks to assist organizations

that positively impact the residents of Everett, and I encourage all organizations in the community to apply."

Any organization in the

community may apply. Applications can be found online by visiting cityofeverett.com/our-city/#EverettCitizensFoundation. For questions or concerns

regarding the application or eligibility, please email ECFoundation@ci.everett.ma.us.

The Everett Citizens Foundation presented

grants to 19 local organizations during the most recent round of funding back in May 2024. (Photo courtesy of the City of Everett)

State health officials announce risk level changes for West Nile virus in Massachusetts

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) announced that due to ongoing evidence of mosquitoes carrying West Nile virus (WNV), eight municipalities are now considered to be at high risk from the virus. This elevated risk level applies to Boston in Suffolk County and Abington, Brockton, East Bridgewater, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and Whitman in Plymouth County.

The first WNV-positive mosquitoes in Massachusetts this year were announced on July 2 from Quincy. A total of 262 WNV-positive mosquito samples so far this year have been detected from Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Hampden, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, and Worcester counties. The risk of human infection with WNV is moderate throughout Bristol, Norfolk, and the rest of Plymouth County and in

parts of Barnstable, Berkshire, Essex, Hampden, Middlesex, Plymouth, and Worcester counties.

"We are finding evidence of West Nile virus in mosquitoes in multiple parts of the Commonwealth," said Public Health Commissioner Robbie Goldstein, MD, PhD. "While most people do not get severely ill from WNV, it is still important to take it seriously. People at greatest risk for severe disease from WNV infection include those over 60 years of age and people with certain medical conditions, such as cancer, diabetes, hypertension, kidney disease, and people who have received organ transplants."

WNV is usually transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. There were six human cases of WNV in 2023. There have been two human and no animal cases of WNV confirmed this year so far.

"The risk from WNV is pretty widespread this year," said State Epidemiologist Dr. Catherine M. Brown. "In addition to recommending that people use mosquito repellent with an EPA-registered active ingredient and clothing to reduce exposed skin, check your window screens to be sure they don't have holes and empty any containers that accumulate water around your yard."

People have an important role to play in protecting themselves and their loved ones from illnesses caused by mosquitoes.

Avoid Mosquito Bites

Apply Insect Repellent when Outdoors. Use a repellent with an EPA-registered ingredient, such as DEET (N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide), permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), or oil of lemon eucalyptus (p-menthane-3,8-diol (PMD) or

IR3535) according to the instructions on the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under two months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30 percent or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under three years of age.

Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours. The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for many mosquitoes. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning in areas of high risk.

Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites. Wearing long sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors will help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home

Drain Standing Water. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing wa-

ter. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty unused flowerpots and wading pools and change the water in birdbaths frequently. Install or Repair Screens. Keep mosquitoes outside by having tightly fitting screens on all windows and doors.

Protect Your Animals

Animal owners should reduce potential mosquito breeding sites on their property by eliminating standing water from containers such as buckets, tires, and wading pools - especially after heavy rains. Water troughs provide excellent mosquito breeding habitats and should be flushed out at least once a week during the summer months to reduce mosquitoes near paddock areas. Horse owners should keep hors-

es in indoor stalls at night to reduce their risk of exposure to mosquitoes. Owners should also speak with their veterinarian about mosquito repellents approved for use in animals and vaccinations to prevent West Nile virus (WNV) and EEE. If an animal is suspected of having WNV or EEE, owners are required to report to the Department of Agricultural Resources, Division of Animal Health by calling 617-626-1795, and to the Department of Public Health by calling 617-983-6800.

More information, including all WNV and EEE positive results, can be found on the Arbovirus Surveillance Information web page at Mosquito-borneDiseases1Mass.gov, which is updated daily, or by calling the DPH Division of Epidemiology at 617-983-6800.

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ENJOY A GREAT -- AND SAFE -- LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Although the weatherman is not predicting a great Labor Day weekend (as we're writing this, Saturday and Sunday are forecast for some showers), we hope that all of our readers will have a chance to make the most of the final weekend of the summer season.

The Summer of '24 overall has been just the way we like it -- hot and humid -- with just enough rainfall that it also was great for our lawns and gardens. This has been a banner year for vegetables and flowers of all types.

This summer also has been an unusually calm one. We belong to a rowing club on the South Shore that ventures a couple of miles out into the ocean as far as Minot's Light (those of our readers who are boaters no doubt are familiar with it, as are those who have taken the ferry to Provincetown, which passes close to it) and we never have experienced as many "flat water" days as we have had this year -- great for us, though not so much for the surfers and sailors.

In particular, the weekends were generally sunny, providing us with plenty of perfect summer days that we hope created memories that will last a lifetime for our friends, families, and ourselves.

Although the coming Labor Day weekend may not be quite as nice as we might like, the final weekend of the summer season always gives us one final opportunity to enjoy the last taste of summer in whatever way we choose.

However, as always, we urge our readers to do so safely, not only for ourselves, but also for our family members, friends, and loved ones, whether we are on land or on the water.

None of us wants to be a tragic statistic, and that means making sure that both we ourselves and those around us do not overindulge in alcohol. Yes, accidents do happen, even under the best of circumstances, but generally speaking, no one ever becomes a victim by being sober. It's when two beers become four or more that the chances for a tragedy increase exponentially.

We wish all of our readers a happy -- and safe -- Labor Day weekend.

SCHOOL'S BACK -- DRIVE WITH CARE

With schools going back into session this week and next after the summer vacation, morning rush-hour commuters need to readjust our driving habits to ensure that we take into account the thousands of children who will be filling our streets during our morning commute.

We'll admit that school buses, school crossing guards, etc. are a pain in the neck, especially if we're running a bit late on our way to work.

But that is no excuse for ANY sort of driving behavior that does not take into account the safety of the children in our communities.

Every morning commuter needs to be a patient and defensive driver, especially in the first few weeks of school, when children are walking and biking to school to take advantage of the early fall weather.

Each of us is responsible not only for our own safety, but also for the safety of others when we are behind the wheel of a motor vehicle -- and that is doubly true when school is back in session.

Your opinions, please

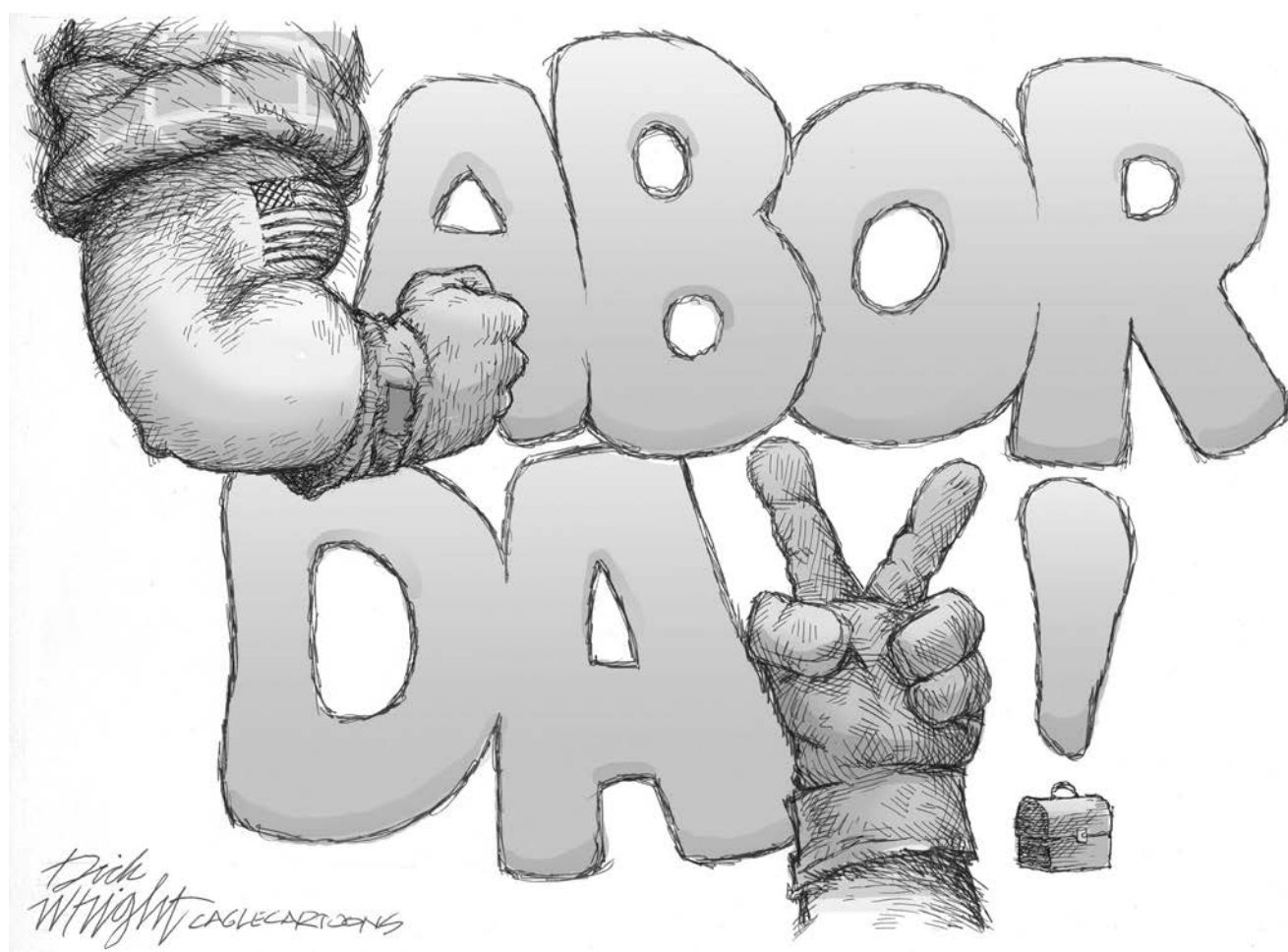
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Independent Forum



TSA readies for busiest Labor Day travel period on record, provides top travel tips to help airline passengers prepare

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is prepared to screen more than 17 million people during what is expected to be the busiest Labor Day travel period on record, which will run Thursday, August 29 through Wednesday, September 4. The peak travel day is projected to be August 30, when TSA expects to screen 2.86 million people.

Air travel volumes this summer are the highest the agency has seen in its history. The agency expects passenger volumes to be 8.5 percent higher than last year during this time, and has already screened 239.8 million people since Memorial Day weekend, which is an average of 2.7 million per day. The top ten busiest

travel days in the agency's history have all occurred this year since May 2024. The agency reached a new milestone on July 7, when Transportation Security Officers (TSOs) screened more than 3 million people in a single day.

"People are traveling more than ever this summer and TSA along with our airline and airport partners stand ready to close the busiest summer travel period on record during this upcoming Labor Day weekend," said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. "I commend our vigilant workforce, from our TSOs on the front lines at airport security checkpoints across the country to those behind the scenes, working hard to keep the transportation system secure—especially

as we continue to roll out new checkpoint technology that improves security effectiveness, efficiency, and the passenger experience."

TSA is staffed to meet its wait time standards, which are 10 minutes and under in TSA PreCheck® lanes and 30 minutes and under in standard screening lanes. With this increase in travel volumes, TSA recommends airline passengers travel with ease by enrolling in the TSA PreCheck Trusted Traveler Program, where members do not need to remove shoes, belts, 3-1-1 liquids, laptops, food items, and light jackets at the checkpoint. TSA PreCheck members are reminded to make sure their Known Traveler Number (KTN) is in their airline

reservation so it appears on their boarding pass.

REAL ID will go into effect in less than nine months, starting May 7, 2025. Airline passengers will soon need a REAL ID-compliant form of identification when flying. If the driver's license is not REAL ID-compliant, they must have another form of acceptable identification, such as a U.S. passport. REAL ID driver's licenses and identification cards have a small star in the upper right corner indicating they meet federal regulations that establish minimum security standards.

Check out TSA's top travel tips for an efficient and successful trip through security.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CITY OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY, SEPT. 2 AS EVERETT OBSERVES LABOR DAY

City offices will be closed to the public on Monday, Sept. 2, as Everett observes the Labor Day holiday. City offices will re-open on Tuesday, Sept. 3, and City Hall will have extended hours for residents (8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.).

Observed on the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers.

Monday's observance will delay trash, recycling and yard waste pickup by one day. Please place your trash and recycling bins along with yard waste neatly on the sidewalk on the day after your regularly scheduled pickup for this week only.

For any questions, please call the Constituent Services Department by dialing 311 or 617-394-2270.

ANNUAL MALDEN SKETCH GROUP EXHIBIT SET FOR SEPTEMBER 9

The Twentieth-Second Annual Malden Sketch Group Exhibit will be on display at 350 MAIN in Malden beginning September 9. Sponsored by Preotle, Lane & Associates, the exhibit will run until October 25th during lobby hours Monday through Friday 9-7 pm. An artists' reception will be held Friday, September 13, 2024, from 6-8 pm in the lobby.

Twenty-three artists, current members of Malden Sketch Group from many surrounding communities, are represented in the 350 MAIN exhibit. Their work includes paintings, drawings, collage

and etchings. Art collectors, this is an opportunity to purchase some beautiful art featuring the local scene.

The Malden Sketch Group is one of the longest-running life drawing groups in the Boston area. The group consists of full-

time professional artists all the way to enthusiastic beginners. No instruction is given, but an atmosphere of support and encouragement prevails. A \$10 model fee is collected each session. For info contact Judy.Greulich@comcast.net, 781-245-2337.

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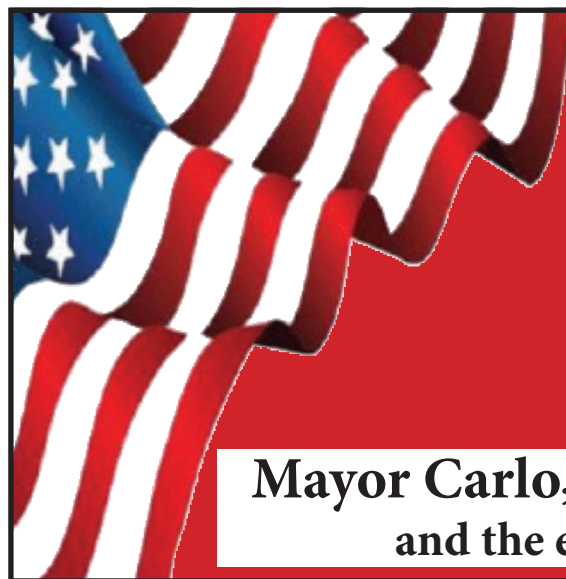
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Mayor Carlo, Mrs. Stacy DeMaria and family and the entire Everett City Government"



EVERETT YOUTH EXPLORE CAREERS AND UPCOMING PROGRAMS FALL RESOURCE FAIR

PHOTOS COURTESY THE CITY OF EVERETT

On Friday, Aug. 23, the City of Everett hosted the Youth Fall Resource Fair at the Recreation Center.

ing recreation and enrichment and career development programs that are being offered in the fall.

The event provided the opportunity for youth and families to meet with the Department of Youth Development and Enrichment and organizations that provide services to residents. In addition, attendees had the chance to learn more about upcoming

To learn more about the upcoming fall programs being offered by the City of Everett, please visit EverettRecandEnrich.com or call 617-394-2270 to be connected to the Youth Development and Enrichment Department.



The Everett Fire Department alongside representatives from Civil Service were available to provide information about the process of becoming a firefighter.



The Everett Public Libraries were available to let attendees know about upcoming programs.



Volunteers gathered alongside the City of Everett's Youth Development and Enrichment Department.



An attendee signing up for a program with the Everett Public Libraries.



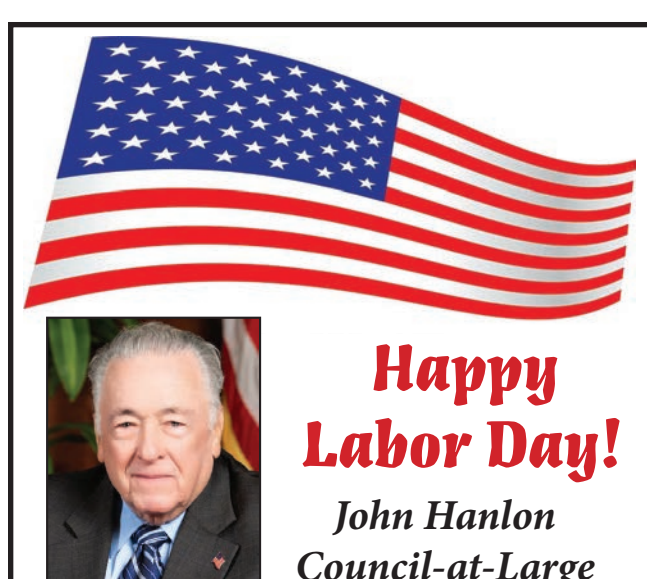
Assistant Director of Recreation Mike DiPietro grilling the hamburgers and hot dogs.



Attendees were given swag bags from the City of Everett.



Free hamburgers and hot dogs were provided at the event.



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er this week.
 As you many of know, I was appointed the permanent Superintendent of the Everett Public Schools in this, my beloved hometown, in December of 2024. I am as committed to my role as you are to yours. Together, we will do amazing things for our students.

This morning is the very beginning of our journey together. Along the way, I look forward to seeing you at performances, programs, sporting events, theater productions, and any number of great things that happen during this school year. To the greatest extent possible, I want to see, feel, and experience the amazing things you do for our students. You will see me around and, when you do, don't be shy: Please say hello.

cludes a quote by Horace Mann, the Father of Public Education.

He said, and I quote: "Education, then beyond all other devices of great human origin, is a great equalizer."

I have always believed in that quote because I have witnessed the power of education. I have seen it transform lives.

It's true — public education is a Great Equalizer. Or, as Former First Lady Michelle Obama has called it, "the greatest pathway to opportunity in America."

Education opens doors to the best the world has to offer. That means your impact is immeasurable, and the great things our students can achieve is limitless.

While this is a magical

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Shown arriving for the Back To School Convocation at Everett High School are, from left, Keverian School teachers Michelle Rooney, Danielle Oliva, Ashley DeYoung, Adrienne Barboza, Bridget Cifuni, Sheila Scaduto, and Helenia Solimini.



Everett Public Schools administrators, Chief Technology Officer Joseph Patuto, Assistant Supt. of Schools Gretchen Manning, Supt. of Schools William Hart, Math Interventionist Lorraine Brady, Lafayette School Principal David Brady, and Whittier School Principal Michael McLucas.



Supt. of Schools William Hart welcomes back Parlin School teachers Kim Auger, Melanie Peddle, Carol DeMagistras, softball legend Stacy Poste-Schiavo, Daniele Molle Crafa, and Jared Taylor for the start of the 2024-25 school year in Everett.



Pictured at the EPS Back To School Convocation are Supt. of Schools William Hart, Chief Technology Officer Joseph Patuto, School Committee Chair Jeanne Cristiano, and Assistant Supt. of Teaching, Learning, and Student Success Dr. Margaret Adams.



Madeline English School Assistant Principal Anastasia Kolokithas, Head Teacher Joseph Marchesi, and Assistant Principal Tiffany Boakye, and Whittier School Assistant Principal Cara Fidalgo.



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Joseph Lento and his wife, Lindsey Lento, pictured at the Back To School Convocation Monday at Everett High School.



Everett schoolteachers Ryan Atkinson and Shannon Ross.

EVERETT HOLDS BACK TO SCHOOL CONVOCATION



Everett educators Fred Jannino, Jillian Ells, and Brian Benson.



Everett schoolteachers walk up the front steps of Everett High School to a musical welcoming from the Everett High School Marching Band.



Webster School teachers, (front row) Devon Abruzzese, Kristen Portillo, and Shaelyn Paolucci; (back row) DeAnna Griffin, Jessica Pelletier, Danielle Casey, Kristen Cucinotta, and Melissa Jarem.



Adams School teachers Krista Moscone, Kristen Smith, Mimoza Papa, Kelli LaMonica, and Cathy Karelis, pictured at the Convocation breakfast in the Everett High School cafeteria.



Madeline English School teachers Hope Johnson, Genevieve Goodman, Gabrielle Grimaldi, and Courtney Jackson, ready to begin the 2024-25 academic year.

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thing, it doesn't mean it happens by magic. It takes a lot of work — from all of us. You have immense responsibilities to the students in the Everett Public Schools, and my team has immense obligations to you and the district's 1,200 employees

I will match your tirelessness. I will match your passion. I will match your thoughtfulness. I will join you in asking, What Can We Do Better? What do we need more of?

I started in this awesome position 10 months ago. Trust me, you have given me all the motivation I need — and more. I have seen what your passion, dedication, skill, and experience bring to our students. To our programming. To our extracurricular's. To our arts. To our athletics. To our mission to make sure that the Everett Public Schools is a safe and strong part of the fabric in the lives of our students and families.

Believe me, there is nowhere I'd rather be than the Everett Public Schools. And I want you to feel the same way. Which is why I have spent a good portion of the last several months gearing up for this day. After all, you only get one chance to start a new school year.

As a result, considerable thought, strategy, and collaboration went into the budget and planning process in preparing for the 2024-2025 school year.

I learned as much as possible about the curriculum, programming, staffing, and operations of the Everett Public Schools because I am invested in everything we do — individually and collectively. I have totally immersed myself in this job with an intentional focus on doubling our efforts on teaching, learning, and student success. I want to get back to those essential basics. I want the efforts of Central Administration to flow to our schools and our classrooms and, most importantly, to all of you.

As for this morning, I hope to provide a quick but clear look at where we stand today, especially what we are putting together across the district that benefits you and the work you do.

In this light, it makes sense to start by saying that the EPS welcomes its first-ever Assistant Superintendent of Teaching, Learning, and Student Success. Dr. Margaret Adams, who you will hear from later this morning. She brings a wealth of experience and perspectives to the district — from her years in the classroom and senior administrative positions to her most recent tenure as Superintendent in Hingham.

Dr. Adams will play a pivotal role in making sure we stay true to our instructional focus for 2024-2025 and beyond — ensuring that all K-to-12 students are engaged in grade-appropriate assignments that meet the depth of grade-level standards.

Our instructional focus sprung from the work of our District Wide Instructional Leadership Team, which convened in April of 2024 with the support of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's State-wide Systems of Support (SoSS) Team. After internal discussions and a review of all third-party instructional audits from the previous two school years, all indicators pointed to

the need for increased rigor and higher order thinking as a priority area of growth.

The EPS will measure progress by using Webb's Depth of Knowledge Levels as an indicator of rigor and higher order thinking for all students throughout the year. District and school leaders have been receiving training on Webb's Depth of Knowledge, including how to identify and promote higher order thinking in their respective disciplines and grade levels, and how to provide specific, actionable feedback to teachers in this area.

To further boost these efforts, we have restored and created vital district-wide academic positions, hiring professionals who will join a great team that includes Special Education Director Dr. Billy Donohue, Director of Instruction Anne Auger, Director of English Learners Genevieve McDonough, and K-to-8 STEM Director Rupri Kaur.

This list includes
Director of Tier II Mathematics Jacqueline Fallon
K-12 Director of Tier II Literacy Audra Lessard
K-8 Social Studies Director Marena MacLaughlin

K-8 Director of ELA and Literacy Louise DeSisto
and Director of Instructional Technology Kristina Aiello

That is only the beginning. We have hired 47 full-time teachers, 12 long-term substitutes, and 10 paraprofessionals.

We recruited a team of 18 social workers to provide essential services to our students, ease the pressure on our guidance counselors, and improve our work in the pressing — and burgeoning — area of social-emotional learning, which is led by SEL Director Dr. Brian Wallace.

For the first time, there are two assistant principals in our K-8 buildings, which aids operations, security, responsiveness, and family engagement and helps to promote and maintain a healthy learning environment.

We made a financial commitment to purchasing new technology, equipment, and curriculum — which will you learn about when you meet in your buildings and/or as departments. This could be something as elemental as new desks. It could be related to social emotional learning or calming rooms we have created at the Devens and Madeline English Schools. Or it could be directed items like the adaptive and sensory equipment we have purchased for our special education students.

You are integral to our mission to support our students beyond the classroom, whether that is through athletics and extracurricular activities, summer programming, and/or vacation-week opportunities. This summer saw a 37-percent increase in summer participation over 2023, as students across the district took advantage of 22 distinct programs — including athletic clinics, art camps, robotics, summer internships, credit recovery opportunities, band camp, EL programs, and targeted academic enrichment. Together, these opportunities keep our students engaged, safe, and connected to this district and this

community.

Best of all, our enrichment programs are driven by you — our teachers, professionals, and staff.

As always, we make a financial commitment to helping you advance your careers and reach your professional goals. To use just one quick example, in the spring and summer of 2024, we awarded over \$148,000 in teacher diversification grants to teachers, paraprofessionals, and substitute teachers so they can earn advanced academic credentials. We will continue to vigorously pursue grants and partnerships that expand opportunities for you — whether you're a paraprofessional who wants to earn a bachelor's degree or a veteran teacher who wants to receive a CAGs certificate.

Our new Chief Technology Officer, Joe Patuto, joined the district earlier this year and his work is directly related to yours. His efforts have included:

- A Comprehensive Security Audit to identify critical vulnerabilities and areas for enhancement.
- The successful on-boarding of the aforementioned director of instructional technology, who will help drive the integration of technology with teaching and learning.
- Joe is refining our IT service model to make sure we utilize comprehensive service metrics to ensure we are delivering the best and fastest service possible.
- Joe has completed an Infrastructure Assessment, which is in direct response to your rightful concerns about poor network performance. We will identify and resolve any performance issues, so our teaching and learning will be backed up by a reliable and secure network environment.
- We are implementing a minimum character length for passwords and rolling out multi-factor authentication across the district. These measures will significantly enhance our security posture by ensuring stronger authentication processes and reducing the risk of unauthorized access.
- And, as always, security is at the heart of what we do. To this end, our security and tech teams have made significant progress in improving the performance of our

security cameras and their supporting infrastructure, as we aim to protect our most valuable assets — our students and employees.

Moving on to Human Resources, we are re-energizing that department under the guidance of our new director, Elaine Monge, who is bringing dedicated focus to providing YOU with the service and responsiveness you deserve.

We're not done with this work, but we are on the right track. Elaine has been successfully recruiting seasoned Human Resource and payroll specialists to support every aspect of our HR operations, and we are in the process of switching our payroll system back to a stronger, more user-friendly platform.

The rollover will begin in October, and it will have a self-service feature that will let you look at your pay stubs and view your W-2's, among other options. And, have no fear, you will NOT receive two W-2 forms after 2024 concludes.

This work takes time. Please be patient. But also please recognize that we have heard you and your concerns and that there needs to be a customer-service function to our HR operations.

I am pleased to report that contract negotiations are proceeding with purpose and civility. We have reached an agreement with our invaluable Administrative Assistants this past spring, and we are currently engaging in fair, productive, and transparent negotiations with our teachers, paraprofessionals, and custodians.

So much of the work we are doing grew out of the conversations I had with many of you during last school year. Thanks to the Everett Teachers Association, and in particular President Kim Auger, for scheduling Coffee Hours and Meet-and-Greets across our schools. What better way to hear directly from you? I look forward to similar gatherings this year, as we continue this journey.

In a similar light, we all share the belief that we need more space. I cannot stress to you how impressed I've been with your creativity and perseverance. If there is a space to be used to deliver

instruction, you have located it. You have, in the truest sense, optimized a less-than-optimal situation. Now it's time for your leaders to step up.

I am working with the city on a plan for a seventh and eighth grade middle school at the former Everett High School on Broadway. This will restore lost classrooms, libraries, and individualized learning spaces in our existing K-to-8 schools and open the door to a grade- and age-appropriate educational experience for our seventh and eighth graders. My thanks to everyone who has supported me at every step in the process; my thanks to everyone who has shown me, with crystal-clear clarity, what we are up against. I hope to deliver on this solution as the final deliberation and vote to fund this expansion is scheduled to occur at the September 9th City Council meeting.

I bring up our Middle School plan not to suggest it provides us immediate relief, but to illustrate that we are looking in only one

direction — up. We are thinking in terms of more and better — not the same, and Never Less.

Which leads me to the second quote in the program — one by Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who implores us to, and I quote:

"Do your little bit of good where you are.

It's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world."

This powerful statement is ideally suited to all of you, the student-facing professionals of the Everett Public Schools. I know your days are filled with little bits of good. It is a thought that fills me with endless hope. Because those bits of good compound. They expand. The bits of good you produce combine with those of your colleagues. They form connections and bonds. They make us stronger and better.

If we accept that Public Education is a great equalizer, then it is those little bits of good that tip the scales.

OBITUARIES

Ida Reppucci

Recipient of Key to the City of Everett as long time dedicated elder assistant

Ida F. (Quarantello) Reppucci of Everett, entered into eternal rest on Sunday, August 25 at home surrounded by her loving and caring family. She was 90 years old.

Born in East Boston, Ida lived in Everett for most of her life. She worked for the City of Everett at the Council of Aging as an Elder Assistant for over 19 years, retiring when she was 88 years old. Mayor Carol DeMaria presented her with the Key to the City for all of her years of dedicated service.

She was the daughter of the late Angelo and Sarah (Genica) Quarantello; the dear and devoted mother of Barbara Orsillo and her husband, John of North Carolina, Robert and his wife, Cindy of Melrose, Janice of Everett, Chuck of Gloucester and Kristen of Salem, NH; the dear sister of Helen Buccheri and her late husband, Paul of Hampstead, NH, and the late Mimi Simone and her late husband, Jack; the loving grandmother of Alex, Andrew, Mike and Nick and great-grandmother of Stella. She is also survived by several



loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and friends.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Ida's visiting hours in the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark St. (Corner of Main St.) Everett, Thursday, August 29 from 4 to 7 p.m. Her funeral will be from the funeral home on Friday at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church, 487 Broadway, Everett at 10 a.m. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Ida's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN, 38105, would be sincerely appreciated.

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erett, MA, on September 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. It is imperative that all prospective bidders have a representative in attendance. The conference is open to all. But not mandatory. A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price. All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.149, §§44A-44H, as amended. Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive. Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder. The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids. The City reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the City. The City of Everett By: Allison Jenkins, Chief Procurement Officer 8/28/24 EV

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News and Notes

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Glendale United Methodist Church

News and Notes

Glendale United Methodist Church is open to all and we welcome people of all faiths, race, nationalities, and sexual preference. No one is ever turned away. If you are looking for a new home church, we would like you to check us out and let us know what we can do to make church a better fit in your life.

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

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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. NA Meetings – Mon.

Bring Your Own Book 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.; Thurs. I Can't But We Can, 8:00 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

AA Meeting – Saturday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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617-387-2916

Pastor David Jackson58@gmail.com
Pastor's Office Hours:
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Zion Church - Everett

News and Notes

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Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

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Immaculate Conception Parish

News and Notes

Our Parish Staff: Rev. Joseph Chacha Marwa, S.M.A. Administrator, Rev. Gustavo Buccilli S.M.A. Parochial Vicar, Barbara Canon Secretary, Parish Secretary.

Weekly Mass Schedule at the Immaculate Conception Parish is as follows:

1: Monday-Saturday at 7:00a.m. in the Chapel.

2: Saturday at 4:00p.m. (Sunday Vigil) and at 7:30p.m. Vietnamese Mass Upper Church.

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4: Confessions are on Saturdays from 3:00-3:45

at the Confession Boots in the Chapel, and at 11:15 a.m. 12:00p.m. in Spanish.

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Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

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There are two services on Sundays: 10 a.m. English, 1 p.m. South Sudanese Dinka

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Mystic Side Congregational Church

News and Notes

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JERRY MATHERS VISITS PHIL CASTINETTI'S SPORTSWORLD STORE IN SAUGUS

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Jerry Mathers, star of the immensely popular "Leave It To Beaver," show from 1957 to 1963, made a special appearance at Phil Castinetti's Sportsworld store Sunday.

Mathers, forever known as "The Beaver," was received warmly by his many fans who lined up early to greet him. Mathers signed autographs, posed for photos, answered questions about the series, and even took part in a simulated arm-wrestling match with Revere resident Bruce Singer.

"He's a great guy - seeing him brought back so many wonderful memories of the show," Singer said of meeting the television legend in person.



Fans are in line outside Sportsworld for an opportunity to meet Jerry Mathers, star of "Leave It To Beaver."



One of the greatest stars in the history of television, Jerry Mathers, is pictured with his wife, Teresa Mathers, Sunday at Sportsworld in Saugus.



Bruce Singer and his mother, former Revere city councilor Rita Singer, meet actor Jerry Mathers of the "Leave It To Beaver" show.



Pictured Sunday at Sportsworld in Saugus are Bruce Singer, Phil Castinetti, Cory Castinetti, and Rita Singer.



Revere native Phil Castinetti welcomes TV legend Jerry Mathers to his Sportsworld memorabilia store Sunday in Saugus.



Phil Castinetti greets former TV sports anchor Mike Adams at Sportsworld in Saugus.



Revere resident Bruce Singer stages an arm-wrestling match with Jerry Mathers, who starred as Theodore "Beaver" Cleaver on the "Leave It To Beaver" show.

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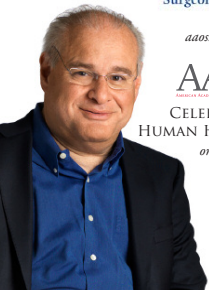
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Last week the wrong phone number ran in the Prattville Voice Studio story. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. The correct phone number is (617) 201-3999. Shown is professional classical singer, Marsha Johnson, in the piano parlor of Prattville Voice Studio. Prattville Voice Studio is located at 31 Franklin Street, Chelsea.

EVERETT'S TEEN NIGHT PROGRAM HOLDS FINAL SESSION OF THE SUMMER AT RICHARDSON'S

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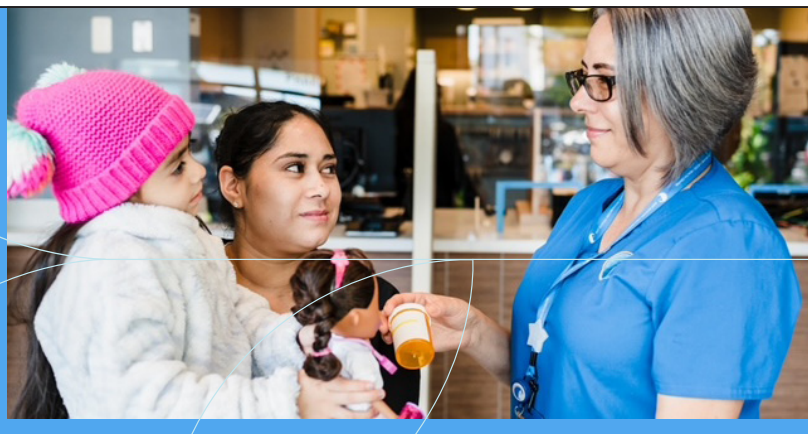
As part of the final meeting of the summer for the Teen Night program, participants joined together for a trip to Richardson's in Middleton. Everyone who attended had the opportunity to participate in offerings such as the driving range, batting cages, mini golf and ice cream treats to celebrate the end of the summer session.

Hosted by the Youth Development and Enrichment Department, Teen Night is an opportunity to drop in, unwind, and connect with peers in a supportive and positive environment. Whether a participant is looking to hang out with friends or participate in activities, this program has something for everyone.

The program will continue into the fall beginning September 4. For more information and to register, please visit EverettRecandEnrich.com. For any questions or concerns, please email Eric.Mazzeo@ci.everett.ma.us or dial 617-394-2270 to be connected to the Youth Development and Enrichment Department.



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