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#### City to run 600-plus space parking lot on Lower Broadway

By Seth Daniel

The City has put out an RFP looking for a company that will run a turn-key parking lot operation across Lower Broadway from the Encore Boston Harbor casino – with an eye to using revenues from the temporary lot for investment into public transit and infrastructure projects.

City Transportation Coordinator Jay Monty said the City will be operating the parking lot on Lower Broadway that Encore permitted last year as temporary overflow parking for the casino. The 600-plus spot parking lot will only be in existence for three years, and bids have gone out and will be opened next week for a third-party operator.

"The reason it went to the City operating it is the casino parking numbers are described in the license," he said. "The way around that was to have the City operate it as an separate entity. We will be selecting a company to run the lot for us...For the City, it will be a turn-key operation. We don't want to be in the business of operating parking lots. That's not the direction we're going. After the end of three years, we'll turn it back over the Encore for further development.'

The lot was controversial last year as it was always supposed the company would re-develop it into another hotel or amenity to the casino site. However, in the interim, Encore officials suggested using the lot as overflow parking for the first three years while they design and permit the other development. It got some pushback, but was eventually approved based on the

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#### **APPRECIATION**

#### Former Mayor George McCarthy passes at 91

George R. McCarthy of Hamilton, formerly of Everett, passed away peacefully on March 22 on the eve of his 92nd birthday at the Kaplan Housein Danvers.

George was a long time resident and business owner in Everett. He owned and operated the Home Appliance Service for over 45 years. He dedicated his life to public service and served on the Everett School Committee, the Board of Aldermen and was elected to six terms as Mayor. During his last term, he was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to the role of Regional Representative for the United States Department of Transportation.

George and Charlotte enjoyed a friendship with President and Mrs. Carter that spanned many years and were frequent travelers to The Carter Center in Atlanta and to Plains, GA.

In March of 1983, George was appointed by Governor Michael Dukakis to be the Chairman of the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, a position he held for eight years until his retirement.

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#### AT THE NEW NIGHT SHIFT



PHOTO BY KEIKO HIROM

Innovation brewer Anna Jobe at the new Night Shift Lovejoy Wharf brewery during the Night Shift's grand opening in Boston on March 20. Jobe is one of a few women brewers of Massachusetts, and Everett-based Night Shift celebrated its first brewery/tap room expansion since opening in Everett. See Page 8 for more photos.

# School funding discussion tabled at committee meeting

By Laura Plummer

Ward 6 Councilor Michael McLaughlin hoped to address the mayor on Monday, March 25, at the meeting of the Committee on Government Operations, Public Safety, and Public Service of the City Council, but the mayor did not attend the committee meeting.

Councilor McLaughlin had invited Mayor Carlo DeMaria

and the City's Chief Financial Officer Eric Demas to Monday night's meeting to update Committee members on the progress of several measures proposed by the mayor last year to appropriate funding earmarked for the School Department.

The mayor's steps were threefold:

•Conduct an operational audit of School Department to

investigate best practices and cost-effectiveness of spending habits.

•Ask School Finance Review Committee to make budget recommendations, and;

•Create a business committee of local businessmen and businesswomen with financial backgrounds to advise on how to spend school funds.

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#### EVERETT SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS



The winners of the Everett Science Fair visited the School Committee on Monday, March 18, to explain their projects to members of the Committee. Director of Science Ann Ritchie said the students had put a great deal of work into the projects, and while Science Fairs aren't as popular as they once were, Everett Public Schools continues a strong tradition of innovation through the fairs. Pictured with Ritchie are students Rejeana Guillaume, Jenna Nguyen, Emma Santos, Alyssa Hurly, and Maha Melicio.

#### Everett nursing home part of AG Healey's settlement

Staff Report

Attorney General Maura Healey announced last week a series of settlements with seven different nursing homes to resolve allegations of systemic failures at their facilities that endangered nursing home residents – with one of those homes being in Everett.

The AG's Office investigated reports of substandard care or regulatory violations at nursing homes based on complaints referred by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH). The

AG's Office found that these facilities had systemic issues that directly led to the death, injury or potential injury to nursing home residents.

"Every nursing home resident deserves to live in a safe environment, with dignity and access to high-quality care," said AG Healey. "These settlements hold facilities accountable and will help restore the trust families need when making critical decisions about the care of their loved ones."

"The Department of Public Health monitors the health and safety of residents in long-

term care facilities throughout Massachusetts," said Department of Public Health Commissioner Monica Bharel, MD, MPH. "We will continue to investigate complaints of substandard care or violations to ensure that individuals residing in nursing homes are receiving high quality care."

One of the seven nursing homes was The Rehabilitation and Nursing Center at Everett.

and Nursing Center at Everett.
The Rehabilitation and
Nursing Center, operated by
Personal Healthcare, LLC,

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# **Voted Down**

Councilors reject term limits for mayor and council; life tenure for city clerk

By Laura Plummer

At Monday's Council meeting, Councilor Michael K. Marchese again proposed mayoral term limits that would cap the mayor's service at eight years. The proposal would also reinstate two-year terms, which changed to four-year terms in 2013.

"It makes you a better man and a better leader when there's an urgency to be the best you can be once a year and not once every four years," said Marchese. "When your time's up, your time's up."

Councilor Michael Mc-Laughlin expressed his support for term limits "for all branches of government."

"No one owns any seat," he said. "Term limits hold us accountable to the people who put us here."

"I'm not married to term limits in general," said Councilor Anthony DiPierro. "We already have them, they're called elections."

DiPierro also departed from his colleagues on the idea of a two-year term, stating that "a newcomer would have to deal with continuously campaigning, which would make a leader afraid to make bold decisions that are probably for the better."

Councilor Fred Capone said he understood the concerns around term limits - like the concern that a life seat could breed complacency - but ultimately argued against them.

"If you have someone who's doing a good job, why should they be forced out?" he said. "Ultimately it's the people's choice. We take power away from the people when we impose term limits."

Councilor Peter Napolitano echoed his colleague's sentiments, stating, "Term limita-

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# Council to hear presentation on abolishing Library Board of Trustees

By Laura Plummer

A measure proposed by Councilor Richard Dell Isola Jr. to amend the City's administrative code would effectively abolish the Everett Libraries Board of Trustees.

The measure wasn't an open and shut decision, though, as it invited significant pushback from the local community, who turned out in large numbers on Monday night to speak on behalf of the public library system.

The Everett Libraries are governed by a Board of 13 Trustees nominated by the Mayor. Their extensive responsibilities include setting library policy, approving expenses, overseeing special funds, vetting candidates for Library Director and maintaining all library buildings. Trustees often advocate for public libraries and their importance to the local community.

Ty.
"The Board of Trustees is a

very important role," resident Patty Cheever told Council. "It was troubling to a lot of people that this change was being made without public input."

Resident Samantha Lambert, also a Library Trustee, said, "Libraries are more than buildings, they are contributions to the character of our city. Libraries offer our cities places of respite in times of need, a haven where people can find their own conclusions."

Lambert urged the Council to consider input from the Board of Trustees, and also mentioned the many library resources that benefit local families that otherwise would not be available to them, like coding classes and programs for people with special needs.

Gerly Adrien, Everett resident and former candidate for state representative, also loaned her voice in support of

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# Rep. McGonagle meets Housing **Authority officials at State House**

As the Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Housing, State Rep. Joe McGonagle advocated for increased state support of public Housing at the 37th Annual Legislative Information Day sponsored by the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (MassNAHRO) earlier this month.

Rep. McGonagle has been a strong advocate for increasing access to affordable housing for the people of Everett. Last July, he was a part of a group of legislators that helped passed a \$1.8 billion affordable housing bond bill to increase housing production and preserve housing affordability.

"Housing is one of the most pressing issues in our community, and a shortage of public housing is creating serious consequences for the residents of Everett," said Rep. Mc-Gonagle. "For every opening in public housing, there are around 1,000 applicants; this crisis is putting many families, seniors, veterans, and disabled people in jeopardy. We have made great strides in the state legislature, but we need to do more to ensure affordable housing for all."

At the event, MassNAHRO stressed how local public housing is the state's most cost-effective housing for low-income seniors, families, and the disabled. The average subsidy is currently \$130 per unit per month, but the cost



Rep. Joe McGonagle with Stephen Kergo and Joseph Dorney of the Everett Housing Authority at the 37th Annual Legislative Information Day sponsored by the Massachusetts Chapter of the **National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials** (MassNAHRO).

of a shelter is approximately \$3,000 per person per month. Freezing the subsidy at the present level is the equivalent of a 6.9 percent cut. Local Housing authorities are struggling to fulfill their mandate to provide safe, decent, and sanitary housing on budgets that are tightly stretched.

proposed by Council President Richard J. Dell Isola Jr.,

and Councilors Rosa DiFlo-

rio, Anthony DiPierro, John

F. Hanlon and Stephen Sim-

onelli to amend sections of

the City Charter to impose

term limits on members of

pass the proposal that would

grant life tenure to the posi-

tion of City Clerk, currently

occupied by Sergio Cornelio.

Seven councilors voted in fa-

vor of the measure, while four

voted against it. However, be-

•The Council also failed to

Council.

Rep. McGonagle is committed to improving the public housing shortage in Everett -- and he is looking forward to partnering with local and state officials to address the housing crisis. He may be reached at the State House at Joseph. McGonagle@mahouse.gov.

#### Term Limits // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

tions cut off qualified people who may not aspire to higher office but who do a good job at a local level."

When presented for a vote, the proposal was voted down

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#### ity of eight votes, it still failed •Another measure that was voted down 7-4 was the one to pass.

Everett resident and former candidate for State Rep. Gerly Adrien, spoke in support of term limits across the board, stating that an individual who aspires to run for a certain office should have the ability to do so. She cited Cornelio's own aspirations as a young person to the position of City

"If I want to be a city clerk, I wouldn't be able to if [the City Clerk] has a lifetime appointment and I don't think that's fair," she said.

The next meetings will be cause it needed a supermajor-April 8 and April 22.

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will pay \$40,000 to resolve allegations that it allowed a resident with a history of elopement to escape from the facility through multiple unlocked doors in a "secure" unit. The facility also failed to maintain medical records for two months for that resident. In addition to the settlement payment, this facility will implement a three-year compliance program, which will

include updated policies and procedures, annual training programs, and yearly audits, the results of which will be reported to the AG's Office.

All seven nursing home facilities have agreed to settlements with the AG's Office. The recoveries obtained pursuant to these settlements will be split between a fund administered by DPH to improve the safety and quality

of care provided in long-term care facilities and the state's General Fund.

Members of the public who are aware of similar practices by other nursing homes or health care providers should call the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Division at (617) 963-2360 or file a complaint through DPH's website.

## Parking // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

fact it was a three-year max-

The City has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the casino which basically says the City will operate the lot, and the casino will build it out - including drainage, landscaping, and parking collection machinery.

As the operator, the City will also get to keep all parking revenues.

"The idea was to reinvest that money into our transportation infrastructure in Everett," said Monty, noting that it would go into a special fund. "We don't know how this lot will perform. It could be hot and heavy for a month and then not performing at all... We have the Lower Broadway

bus lane at 25 percent design right now, so funding the remainder of that might be a good starting point."

Right now, the lot is – and has – been used for construction worker parking. As the construction worker population decreases over the next few months prior to the casino's opening, work on the lot will begin.

It is expected that Encore will charge a pretty penny to park in their garage, though those numbers have not yet been revealed.

A key part of the City lot, Monty said, will be finding the right price to charge to keep commuters out of the lot, and to also remain a complement to the casino parking. One

thing they don't want to do is make it so cheap that commuters begin parking there, and they also don't want it to be low enough that casino users would consider using the City lot and walking across Lower Broadway.

"What we're going to do is structure the pricing so it complements parking at the site," he said. "They are charging a significant amount to park at the site. We want to come in slightly under the casino. We don't want to be a commuter lot. There's no reason for that. The right price point should keep commuters out and push people to the casino lot.'

The lot is expected to open slightly before the opening of the Encore on June 24.

## Funding // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The School Commission – also known as the Blue Ribbon Commission - was supposed to have provided these recommendations last fall, but so far nothing has come through.

Meanwhile, the City Budget will be coming out in 45 days and McLaughlin wants the Council to be able to assess it accurately.

McLaughlin submitted his

inquiry two weeks ahead of Monday's committee meeting as was requested and was surprised when he arrived at the Committee meeting to be told that both Mayor DeMaria and the Chief Financial Officer were away at a conference.

It wasn't immediately clear that anyone had been present to speak on their behalf. The Committee then voted to table the issue until its next month-

ly meeting in the hopes that DeMaria and Demas can be present.

"I'm hoping the administration has these recommendations and audit done so that we can review it before [the budget comes out]," said Mc-Laughlin. "I think the School Department does a great job spending money but there's always room for improve-

## Tobin Bridge and Route 1 lane closures start April 1

(MassDOT) is reminding members of the public that the Department will be rehabilitating the surface of the of options such as free fares in Chelsea which carries traffic on Route 1 northbound and southbound.

Lane closures for this work begin on April 1 and this will lead to increased travel times

The Massachusetts De- on sections of Route 1 northpartment of Transportation bound and southbound for drivers and MBTA bus customers.

Travelers should be aware Chelsea, Bellingham Square, Box District, and Eastern Avenue stops for the duration of construction. The MBTA will also be running additional MBTA Blue Line trains to additional capacity, and these measures will be funded by MassDOT Highway Division project funds.

Beginning April 1, lane closures on the Tobin Bridge northbound will be put in place: two of three travel lanes northbound will be open during daytime hours and one of the three travel lanes northbound will be open during overnight hours.

Beginning by early May, Route 1 travel lanes in the Chelsea Curves area will be reduced so that two of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open in the daytime. One of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open during overnight

should be mindful that our

rehabilitation work and traffic impacts on the northbound side of the Tobin Bridge will begin April 1, which will lead to increased travel times in this area," said Highway Ad-Tobin Bridge and performing the inbound direction on the ministrator Jonathan Gullivmaintenance on the viaduct in MBTA's SL3 bus line at the er. "Lane closures on Route 1 north and southbound in the Chelsea will then begin by early May. We appreciate the patience and cooperation of the traveling public and encourage everyone to make smart choices such as utilizing public transit, checking the appropriate technology apps, adding extra time into their trips to account for potential congestion, and making informed decisions on route, timing, and mode of travel."

MassDOT is carrying out work on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 at the same time so that these projects will be completed in 2021. If the projects were done at separate times, drivers would be inconvenienced for additional years. This work will eliminate the need for weight restrictions and postings, and MassDOT will use accelerated construction techniques to shorten the overall construction time.

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#### **EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

#### CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

Exelon Generation Contributes to St. Anthony School One Megafund for Building Renovation



From left: St. Anthony Parish Administrator Rev. Jairo Alfonso c.s., St. Anthony School Vice President of Student Council eight-grader Chiara Martin, Power Communications Regional Manager Exelon Generation Carol Churchill, St. Anthony School President of Student Council eight-grader Christian Topinio, St. Anthony School Principal Mrs. Maria Giggie.

#### Library // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

library trustees, calling them tionale" behind every change "powerful advocates for our city."

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio motioned to postpone the vote on this issue for another two weeks until the next Council meeting. She also agreed that there should be robust community input until that point.

Councilor Anthony DiPierro asked to amend the motion to include a detailed presentation on the "reason and rato the current administrative code.

Councilor Peter Napolitano mentioned that the last time there were changes to the city code six years ago, there had been a comprehensive presentation. He urged the Council to "give the powers that be the time they need to get a decent presentation together."

City Solicitor Colleen Mejia said she would need at least two weeks to get together the presentation requested by Council. At the close of the committee meeting, a date had still not been set, but Council President Dell Isola Jr. said that the Council would advertise the meeting in the newspaper as well as on Everett Community Television in order to ensure the opportunity for public participation.

# From left: Tony Sousa, Director of Planning and Development, City of Everett, Ann Ritchie,

Director of Science, Everett Public Schools, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, Gregory Nelson, Evan Dupuis, Rothsaida Sylvaince, Rep. Joe McGonagle, Sunny Schwartz, CEO, MassHire Metro North Workforce

## **Everett High Student addresses legislators** during leadership forum at the State House

On Tuesday, March 19, 2019, the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board and the MassHire Metro North Career Center hosted a Workforce Development Leadership Forum and Discussion at the State House for legislators and city leaders from the 20city Metro North Region.

The event was co-sponsored by senate and house leaders from our region: Senator Jason Lewis, Senator Patricia Jehlen and Representative Paul Broduer. Senator Jehlen and Representative Brodeur are Co-Chairs of the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development. Senator Lewis is a Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Education and Vice Chair of the

Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Among the speakers at the program were Sunny Schwartz, CEO and Sandra Smith, Chair of MassHire Metro North Workforce Board and Lee-Ann Johnson, Director of the MassHire Metro North Career Centers. Heather Sweeney, Talent Sourcer at Beth Israel Lahey Health spoke of her successful use of the Metro North Career Centers to find job and training

candidates. Guest speaker Secretary Rosalin Acosta of the Massachusetts Office of Labor and Workforce Development closed the program by inspiring our leaders to continue to fund and prioritize workforce development in the Metro North region.

A highlight of the program was Rothsaida Sylvaince, a student at Everett High School, who spoke about her experience as a participant in the Resilient Coders program offered at Everett High School under a state funded Youth-Works grant in partnership with the MNWB, the City of Everett and Everett High School.

"This opportunity has been critical in my formation as an adult. It has prepared me for my future since the skills we learn will apply to any career I choose," Sylvaince said. "I feel prepared now."

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#### **LEGALIZED MARIJUANA:** A FEW OBSERVATIONS

We recently attended an event at an area Senior Center for an informational presentation on marijuana, which now is legal for recreational use in Massachusetts (as well as in 10 other states across the country).

The room that initially was set aside for the presentation soon was filled to overflowing, requiring that it be moved to a larger hall. There were about 50 persons in attendance, and we would guess that the average age of the attendees was about 70.

The participants made the usual jokes about old hippies and senior potheads.

So what's old is new again, literally and figuratively.

As Massachusetts and the nation grapple with the reality and implications of legalized marijuana, there are a few facts that must be kept in mind:

First and foremost, as with alcohol, marijuana should not be made available to young people under the age of 21. This has nothing to do with being prudish. Science has linked major brain and developmental disorders to marijuana consumption by young people, a fairly-recent discovery that is known as marijuana induced psychosis.

Just as alcohol consumption affects a young person's still-developing brain (we now know that the human brain continues to develop up to the age of 25), marijuana consumption also can cause permanent brain damage -- and that is not too strong a word -- in teens. Parents must be extra-vigilant to ensure that their child is not consuming marijuana.

Second, those who choose edibles as their means of marijuana consumption must do so very carefully. Unlike smoking marijuana, eating a marijuana-infused product means that the "high" will take a long time to kick in. When you smoke marijuana, you know in short order when you've reached your limit and can stop. However, once an edible is consumed, it's too late to know whether you've had too much. So go slow -- really slow -- with marijuana chocolates, brownies, and other edible

Third, users of marijuana must be sure not to operate a motor vehicle. Getting high and driving are unsafe, just as is drinking and driving.

Fourth, although the anecdotal and research evidence that both marijuana (THC) and its non-intoxicating cousin, CBD, may offer relief for a variety of ailments and pains associated with old age is becoming clearer, much more research is needed.

Israel presently leads the world in marijuana research and it is time for the U.S. to get on board. Marijuana offers the potential as an alternative to dangerous and addictive prescription drugs, including opioids. The sooner we can begin to understand the benefits -- and pitfalls -- of marijuana consumption, the better.

There are pluses and minuses to the legalization of marijuana that must be understood and taken into account by each of us individually and by society as a whole.

#### **LETTERS** to the Editor

#### **AGREES WITH EDITORIAL ON** CLIMATE CHANGE

Dear Editor,

Thank you for your timely editorial ("Another Side of Climate Change") pointing out the rapidly advancing effects of climate change across the nation.

Gov. Baker and our Legislature have taken a moderate, incremental approach to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Usually, this style is a good political strategy, and often a useful one in attempting change. But nature plays by different rules. We now need a bold drive towards greenhouse gas reduction, not just a slow down-ratcheting. It may be expensive, but not as expensive as climate change.

Massachusetts is well situated to lead the nation on this issue, with our strong economy, our technology resources, and our relatively enlightened population. Now we just need leaders who will make it

Susan Donaldson, MD

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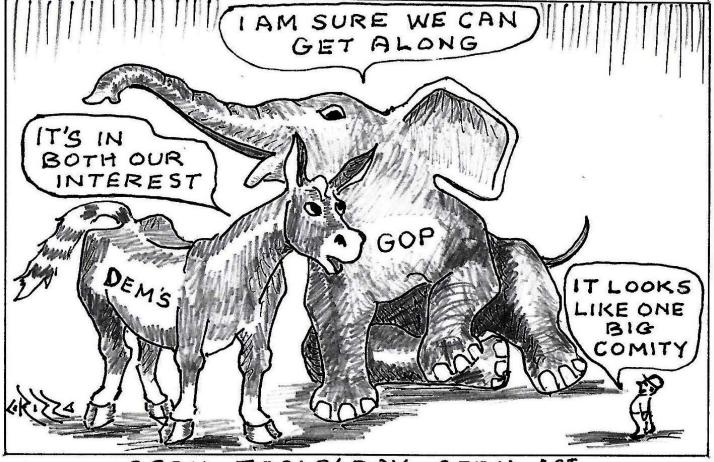
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# Independent Forum



APRIL FOOLS' DAY

#### GUEST OP-ED

## Beware of scams coming over the telephone

By Glenn Mollette

In January a Denver couple received a scam phone call from a man who told them he had kidnapped their daughter. The man was very convincing that their daughter was in his possession. In the background they heard a woman's voice begging for help. The call was convincing enough that they tried to wire money to the man. Fortunately the money didn't go through. Police soon showed up after the wife left a note with the bank teller explaining what was happening. The police determined it was

A 90-year-old friend received a call a couple of years back. The caller explained that he was with the Internal Revenue Service. He alleged my friend was \$40,000 behind in his federal taxes and that payment had to be made immediately. My friend didn't owe anybody and had always been a model citizen. The worry and fear for this 90-year-old man were more than he could handle. He committed suicide a few days after the call.

Several years ago I received a call after my son had boarded a submarine. I would not be able to communicate with him for several months. The caller in a very convincing voice stated my son owed \$350 and if not paid immediately he would file charges against him that would be very negative toward his military career. I explained he would not be available for awhile. The caller insisted that someone needed to intervene to prevent the black mark against my son. You guessed it. I fell for it and paid the demanded money. Of course within a couple of hours and some research I knew I had been scammed.

Somehow,

According to estimates

from the Cambridge-based

Union of Concerned Scien-

tists, during the next 26 years,

over half the amount of prop-

erty the \$7 billion represents

will be chronically flooded,

affecting 14,000 Massachu-

Between 2005 and 2017,

increased flood risks erod-

ed \$273.4 million worth of

Massachusetts home values,

according to the First Street

Foundation, a nonprofit that

researches the effects of rising

Most vulnerable, however,

Presently, 85 percent of

As a Chelsea native who

Massachusetts' 6.9 million

residents live within 50 miles

grew up learning to swim at

nearby Revere Beach, and

whose neighbors "worked

down the docks," I can attest

that coastal residents aren't

all rich or living in second

So what do we do and how

Today, 160 Massachusetts

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there is someone keeping an eye on soldier's families that they can catch at a vulnerable moment and scam them.

When you are scammed you feel like an idiot when it's over. It's embarrassing. However, these telephone artists are professionals. This is all they do every day. In places like Nigeria where many of these calls originate from people go to work from 9 to 5 every day like you go to your daily job. Only, their daily job is to come up with real life convincing lies to scam you out of your hard-earned mon-

Some of us have only lost a few hundred dollars but others have lost thousands and in the case of my friend, he ended his life over a very believable telephone call.

I remember our first telephone. I was about 9 years old. Telephone calls were somewhere cool. I talked to friends on the telephone for hours. When the telephone rang we knew it was family or friends calling and answering it was enjoyable and important. Today, a ringing telephone is a nuisance. Some days I receive five to 10 calls from local numbers who end up being people selling health insurance, credit cards, student loan payoffs, car warranties, scams pertaining to taxes owed and numerous others. Thus, I no longer answer the phone if I don't recognize the number. Leave a message and I promise I'll call you back. If the person calling you is real and legitimate they won't mind leaving you a message and a real number to return the call.

Glenn Mollette Nationally/ internationally read author of columns, inspirational devotionals and books. He is the author of twelve books.

#### GUEST OP-ED

## Local aid for climate change

By Jack Clarke

There are three proposals before Beacon Hill lawmakers that could help pay for how we cope with the impacts of climate change - all should be considered.

Climate change is the existential threat of our lifetime. It affects everyone, everywhere, and everything. And because certain Washington politicians are unwilling to deal with it, and President Trump still calls it a "hoax," state and local governments are forced to face climate change on their own.

In Massachusetts, we're not only fighting the causes of climate change, but also figuring out how to live with them.

While we've reduced the Commonwealth's carbon emissions by 21.4 percent, based on 1990 levels, and need to aggressively push to achieve zero emissions, we also must learn to adapt to the effects of climate change - including hotter days, accelerated sea-level rise, and stronger storms - all significant in a place we call the Bay State.

And they come at great cost. As a member of the state's Coastal Erosion Commission, we found that the replacement cost for the buildings and contents exposed to our quickly eroding shoreline was more than \$7 billion – and that was

blueprints are funded by a climate change bond signed by Governor Charlie Baker last summer. This bond assigns \$501 million to adaptation measures that also include repairs to dams and seawalls, restoration of wetlands, and the Commonwealth's own adaptation road map.

Eventually, all 351 cities and towns will outline their adaptation strategies.

After the plans are written, the expensive work of implementation begins. We'll need to pay to protect, strengthen, and in some instances relocate threatened people and their homes, their streets, culverts, utilities, water supplies, and waste water treatment plants -

many of which lie at sea level. And that's where the legislature comes in as it considers this enormous expense.

Two proposals come from Governor Baker, and one from Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo.

Baker's choices include changing how the state spends \$40 million dollars it receives each year through membership in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, a market-based compact of nine states that prices carbon emissions from power plants and sends the proceeds back to the participating states.

Under state requirements, fend themselves. The local that money is mostly used for

energy conservation and efficiency. But Baker wants the Legislature to give him the option of also spending some RGGI money on climate change adaptation – not a bad idea, but not at the expense of existing energy efficiency programs.

Baker's other bill imposes a fee on some real estate transactions that could bring in \$1 billion for adaptation work – that too is a good idea.

DeLeo also wants to spend \$1 billion to improve the state's resiliency to climate change. His idea is realized through a 10-year borrowing plan – the Legislature should take it up.

These are not either-or notions. There needs to be a sense of urgency on Beacon Hill when it comes to funding climate change work, especially as recent reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, and the National Climate Assessment say we have about 12 years to figure this stuff out before things start to fall apart.

Although the Baker and DeLeo propositions seem expensive, the cost of delay and inaction is greater – and that's not an option we can afford.

Jack Clarke is the director of public policy and government relations at Mass Audu-

#### Soundtrack to Saturday: WROL 'Irish Saturday' a fixture for Boston's Irish community for decades

By Seth Daniel

Over kitchen table discussions, while doing the dishes, or quiet moments over tea - the 'Irish Saturday' soundtrack on WROL radio has reigned supreme in most Irish American households in Everett and beyond.

Older residents remember a lifetime of putting on the radio to hear the show, and younger residents share a common bond in remembering the sounds of Irish music and culture in the kitchens and parlors of their grandparents'

Since 1967, residents have listened faithfully to the music of their native land - or their parent's or grandparent's native lands – as they tended to the business of the weekend. Getting the news from the Emerald Isle, some of the old traditional songs from the past, and even the new hits from the other side of the pond, WROL's 'Irish Hit Parade' show has stood the test of time and now is more popular than ever.

Host Paul Sullivan stumbled into the job 37 years ago after he had put college on hold to pursue a career in ra-



The Fineian Sons guitarist/singer Bill Carey gets the WROL 950 Irish Hit Parade leprechaun to come up on stage with him at a recent event. The station celebrated St. Patrick's Day in a big way this year, but in all reality, celebrates the culture of Ireland every weekend on their broadcast.

dio. Wanting to expand on a show that was gaining popularity. WROL's owners saw he had an Irish last name and figured he was perfect for the job. That was 1982, and now the long-time educator in Dedham, has spent a lifetime also moonlighting as the most popular Irish radio host in New England.

"There is a lot to be said for people saying they put our show on the radio in the kitchen," he said. "Families doing

things and having discussions while having our music as a soundtrack is quite real. We've been pretty constant for so many years. The music is dependable. We're there every weekend. It's like a comfortable old pair of shoes."

General Sales Manager Carole Howley Simmons said the 'Irish Saturday' has expanded in recent years to Sunday, while also expanding in hours on Saturday. Despite the increased availability online

of their music and news from ing. When I started in 1982 overseas, the show is gaining listeners on the radio.

"It's more popular than ever now," she said, noting they have millions of listeners and a very healthy audience that streams the show online. "The audience is huge and nobody in the US does it like we do it. It started as a way for those who immigrated to Boston to keep in touch with Ireland and its culture, news and music. Now all the people who grew up in Boston Irish homes listen to it because they remember it as kids and its familiar. We have so many people that have left Boston, and they still

Sullivan said he continued as the host of 'Irish Hit Parade' for years as a hobby, and as this St. Patrick's Day on March 17 proved, his star status as a link to the Irish culture in one of the most Irish cities in America. The show had a float in the South Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade, and broadcasted live from dozens of Irish pubs throughout Greater Boston all weekend.

"It's amazing if you think about it," he said. "It's 37 years ago. It's a tribute to the fact that no one stays on the radio without someone listen-

it was really the only place to hear Irish folk, Irish traditional music or Irish news on this side of the ocean. That's changed. You can pull out a smart phone and listen to Irish music all the time and to think we still have our listeners and are so popular is amazing. We actually now get calls from people in Ireland who say we're the only place to her traditional Irish music because all they play in Ireland now is rock and roll."

The 'Irish Hour' began in 1967, but no one is quite sure who started it or why it began. However, former host John Latchford was the one that truly catapulted the show into most Irish American homes in the 1970s. Latchford had an importing business in Arlington, and along with the other imports, he would frequently get the latest Irish records hot off the presses. Having those sorts of connections, he could play the latest music and all of the old favorites – plus he had a great, natural radio personality, Sullivan said.

When Sullivan started, the show was broadcast from a small cottage on stilts out in the marshes near Saugus. Now, with WROL owned by

Salem Communications, they have a modern studio in Marina Bay, Quincy. That has brought modern equipment and even the online presence for the show - allowing it to grow outside of its traditional market.

But tradition is what drives the 'Irish Saturday,' and particularly among those who trace roots back to Irish American households in the 1970s and 1980s.

"I think there is that tendency when you're young to rebel against your parents and what they listened to," Sullivan said. "My generation tossed aside the Irish music for the Beatles or REM. But then at a certain point, you become interested in where you came from and you start to see the validity and value of the music and the culture and the connection to it. That's where we get this constantly renewed circle of listeners. There's really something to that. If I know anything about Irish American people, they are American, but they are also very proud of the Irish heritage as well...I love that I could be a part of that connection for so many people."

# Councilor says City's parking response ahead of casino opening is too little, too late

By Laura Plummer

The City's response to concerns around parking ahead of the Encore casino's imminent opening left some councilors visibly flustered at the Monday's meeting – saying the City should be better prepared to protect neighborhoods adjacent to Lower Broadway.

Councilor Michael Mc-Laughlin had presented a resolution asking that the DeMaria administration outline its plan to prevent casino visitors from flooding the residential streets in Wards 1 and 6. The major concern was the potential for out-of-town people to park along residential streets and either walk or take a cab/Uber down to the casino.

The casino is slated to open on June 23.

The mayor's Chief of Staff Kevin O'Donnell, Everett Police Sergeant Joe Gaff and the City's Transportation Planner Jay Monty spoke to Mc-Laughlin's concerns.

O'Donnell responded first, saying they'd been working with City agencies to come up with some measures, such as enforced one-way parking, 24/7 parking zones for residents only and a free shuttle service to and from the casino.

"We have nothing set in stone because we still want to talk to the residents," he said.

"We're going to have a Traffic Commission meeting [in May] inviting people from Ward 1 and Ward 6."

Sergeant Gaff said that they hoped to have the new traffic and parking plans in place by

casino's grand opening.

"It will give us time to get the signs up and everybody notified," he said, adding that prior to the opening he'd like to have a presentation for the Council detailing the transportation plan.

Monty passed out color copies of an aerial map outlining existing parking restrictions.

"Certainly any person can come in on Broadway or Main Street, park and hop on a bus down to the casino," he said. "We are getting a consultant on board to look at [this]."

"Why are you going to park in that area and walk to the casino when you can get the free shuttle?" added Sergeant

"We don't really know ex-June 1, three weeks shy of the actly what's going to happen,"

said Monty. "But we want to have all the information so if there's an issue come opening day, we have all the tools to address it quickly."

Sergeant Gaff acknowledged that they still have to analyze how casino traffic could impact the access to downtown businesses that require parking spaces to survive.

McLaughlin was "in awe" of what he felt was halfhearted response to the incoming deluge of out-of-town vehicles, saying the plan should have been put in place three years ago.

Councilor Napolitano agreed, saying that the City had focused more on preparation than actual implementation, and that there wasn't enough time to educate the grand opening, but also em-

public on the processes of parking and accessing the ca-

"The idea that natural boundaries of the city are going to be respected is nuts," he said. "You can ditch your car [downtown] and get to the casino on the cost of a bus ticket.

"This is a wave," he added. "They're going to park on Revere Street, School Street, they're going to branch out into the city.'

In response, Monty said they didn't "want to act too soon or be too draconian."

Napolitano said that coming up with a solution within three months was unrealistic "unless someone's praying for a delay in the opening.'

Councilor Wayne Matewsky said he was excited for the

phasized that Encore should "have to make it easier on the host community."

"I hope that you can make signs quickly," he said. "I'm hoping for the best."

McLaughlin unfortunately didn't get the reassurance he had been looking for, he said.

"I think we are in for a rude awakening on June 23," he said. "Get your bicycles out."

Councilors also seemed to agree that the parking situation for the casino was only one example of the City's larger parking issues.

"This is bigger than just the casino," said Councilor Rosa DiFlorio. "The city is growing. We have to grow with the



# Metro Credit Union announces growth and expansion

Robert Cashman, President and CEO of Metro Credit Union, announces that Metro has embarked upon major strategic investments in technology, physical locations and talent. These ambitious developments are part of a deliberate strategy to prepare for continuing and projected business growth of Metro's members and communities. In support of these initiatives, Metro is seeking to leverage the diverse local talent pool to fill critical roles in member service, systems processing, product sales and business development. The Credit Union is seeking to attract top talent that will enable Metro to expand its workforce and deliver high quality service to mem-

Metro currently has a number of large-scale expansion projects in motion:

· The Credit Union is close to completing the initial phase of a multi-year project to upgrade its technology infrastructure. This new intuitive technology environment will

offer Metro members the expansion of its technology ability to achieve their financial goals within a seamless, interconnected banking experience. Over 100 Metro employees are involved in this comprehensive initiative to choose a new core system, online banking system, debit card processing system and call center phone system.

With the recent expansion of its Mortgage Originations Team, Metro has opened new sales production offices in Danvers and Boston to focus on expanding mortgage offerings in those markets. Mortgage Originators are located in every Metro branch and throughout Metro's service territory, providing customized loan solutions to meet the needs of today's homebuyers.

· Furthering its commitment to the Boston market, Metro is expanding its Member Service Center and creating new job opportunities with the opening of a satellite Call Center at Metro's Mass. Ave location.

· Metro is leveraging the

infrastructure to advance its commercial capabilities and expand its Commercial Lending Team, with a focus on delivering valuable resources and customized solutions to business members.

· In response to growing requests from New Hampshire residents, Metro recently expanded its outreach to include the New Hampshire counties of Hillsborough and Rockingham, adding to the eight counties in Massachusetts that define Metro's field of membership.

Metro has selected Mechanica of Newburyport, MA as its agency of record. The strategic and creative agency is tasked with all communications efforts for the brand, including creative, planning and engagement strategies to broaden and differentiate Metro's momentum and growth.

"Metro continuously seeks opportunities to provide the best in service to our members," says Cashman. "These expansion initiatives are designed to provide the capacity we will require to expand our services to meet the needs of our growing membership. We have an opportunity to acquire highly skilled candidates to strengthen our teams as we develop multiple strategic projects in technology and continue to add new locations."

About Metro Credit Union Metro Credit Union is the largest state-chartered credit union in Massachusetts, approaching \$1.9 billion in assets. Metro provides a full range of financial products to more than 200,000 members in Essex, Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable, Bristol and Worcester counties in Massachusetts, and Rockingham and Hillsborough counties in New Hampshire, as well as to employees of over 1,200 companies through its Metro@work

## program.

#### Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), an academic community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville and

Boston's metro-north region, has named Philip Wang, MD, DrPH, as its new Chief of Psychiatry. Dr. Wang is a nationally renowned administrator, researcher and educator whose career has been dedicated to improving the lives of people with mental illnesses.

Dr. Wang will manage the department's clinical operations for both inpatient and outpatient services, including efforts to strengthen its coordination and integration with primary care and other clinical services. In addition, he will oversee the Department's academic programs, including training and research. As an appointing department of Harvard Medical School (HMS), CHA has a diverse and vibrant faculty that has established a standard of excellence in teaching.

"Mental and behavioral health services are a key component of CHA's mission," said CHA's Chief Medical Officer Assaad Sayah, MD. "Dr. Wang has excelled in building systems that can aid vulnerable groups, and we are excited he is bringing this expertise to lead and enhance our nationally recognized Department of Psychiatry.'

Dr. Wang most recently served as the deputy medical director and director of research of the American Psychiatric Association. In this role, he was responsible for developing and expanding practice resources for the more than 37,000 psychiatrists of the association. Preceding this position, Dr. Wang was the deputy director of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). There, he assisted in overseeing 1,300 NIMH staff and approximately \$1.5 billion spent annually on basic, translational and clinical research focused on prevention, recovery and cures.

Additionally, Dr. Wang has served on the faculty at HMS, including mentoring residents and clinical fellows on their research projects. He has authored publications in leading medical journals and conducted national and global psychiatric epidemiology studies and pharmacoepidemiologic research as well as clinical trials to test new interventions. Dr. Wang was a member of the APA DSM-V Task Force and has consulted on several APA Work Groups that developed evidence-based treatment guidelines.

Dr. Wang completed his undergraduate degree in biochemistry, medical school, psychiatry residency and chief residency, as well as a master's and doctoral degree in epidemiology, at Harvard. He will join CHA in September 2019.

Cambridge Health Alliance names Wang, MD, DrPH, Chief of Psychiatry CHA is an academic community health system committed to providing high quality care in Cambridge, Somerville and Boston's metro-north communities. CHA has expertise in primary care, specialty care and mental health/substance use services, as well as caring for diverse and complex populations. It includes three hospital campuses, a network of primary care and specialty practices and the Cambridge Public Health Dept. CHA patients have seamless access to advanced care through the system's affiliation with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. CHA is a Harvard Medical School teaching affiliate and is also affiliated with Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard School of Dental Medicine and Tufts University School of Medicine.

#### EVERETT LIBRARY NEWS

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#### **Help With Your Resume! Shute Memorial Library**

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Parlin Memorial Library Come join us at Yarn Club! Learn how to crochet the basics! Supplies are limited to new participants. This program is for ages 11 and up. No registration is required. For any questions, please call

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#### **Parlin Library**

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# Encore unveils three transportation services ahead of opening

By Seth Daniel

Whether you're coming from Londonderry or Ferry Street, Encore Boston Harbor this week is touting and rolling out luxury transportation options to get to the resort casino that don't involve driving

Jim Folk of Encore Boston Harbor this week detailed three transit services that will be offered by Encore once the resort opens in June – including motor yachts on the Harbor, mini-coaches through Everett and Premium Regional buses from far away.

"These are just great and comfortable ways to get to Encore," he said. "The ways to get here and not have to deal with any traffic in your car will be the premium bus lines, the Orange Line or over water on the motor yachts."

The Premium buses will leave from the Londonderry, NH park and ride; and potentially from the Millbury Park & Ride and the Rockland Park & Ride. The three routes will have nine premium buses that seat 49 passengers.

The, like all things Encore,

will be a five-star experience. and are meant for customers coming from a long distance who want to avoid driving.

"These are premium buses we had built," he said. "They will be handicap accessible and will have bathrooms and a small kitchen area. We can provide water or coffee there if we choose. They will have deluxe, high-backed leather seats with trays. They will be branded with Encore and will be an amazing experience for our guests.'

Those buses will work on a reservation system, where users can reserve a seat and pay for it online. Those who wish to gamble that a seat is available could pay by credit card

The cost for a one-way trip on the premium buses will be \$7 at opening.

•Of greater interest locally will be the mini-coaches – a shuttle system that will boast three routes through the Everett area and that will be a major connection to the Orange

"The new Orange Line shuttles provide a luxury ride to and from our front door. with service frequent enough to meet the needs of any guest," said Robert DeSalvio, President of Encore Boston Harbor. "We encourage everyone to take advantage of these and other shared transportation options to make the most of their visit to the resort."

The Neighborhood Shuttle will feature three, 28 passenger mini-coaches that will be luxury fitted, and ADA accessible. That route will start at the Silver Line SL3 terminus at the Market Basket in Chelsea. From there, it will travel to the Everett City Hall/Everett Square area for a stop. It will pick up there and travel to the Seven Acre Park area in the Village, where it will stop at the upcoming guest overflow parking lot. The final stop will be at Encore on Lower Broadway.

That shuttle will not loop around, but will then return on the same route in an outbound/inbound fashion.

Two other routes will concentrate on connecting guests to the MBTA Orange Line at Wellington and Malden Stations. The first route will have seven mini-coaches that seat passengers and include two entry doors. They will

travel between Malden Station, Wellington Station and Encore.

The second route will uses the same buses and will go between Wellington Station and

The shuttle from the Wellington MBTA Station will run 24 hours daily, departing every 10 to 20 minutes and traveling directly to Encore Boston Harbor. The shuttle from the Malden Center MBTA Station will depart every 20 minutes from 5 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., making a stop at Wellington Station on the way to Encore Boston Harbor.

Folk said the Orange Line would be the best way to get to the resort, and they are really pushing guests to use the Orange Line and the minicoach systems.

"We know we don't have enough parking on our busiest days at our site," he said. "So, the best way to get to the resort is to take the Orange Line. It's the best way to get there and you'll be able to avoid all traffic. In fact, the MBTA has agreed to put on extra service during our opening period."

He said guests taking the

steered to Wellington Station, and they shouldn't try to go to Sullivan Station.

"We want people to stay on the train and go on to Wellington," he said. "It's actually a quicker ride to get there from Wellington believe it or not. You avoid all the traffic in Sullivan Square."

•The final transportation method will be by motor yacht, which is what Encore is calling its water transportation boats. The 39-foot boats - built in Charlestown by Boston Boat Works - will house 39 passengers on a circuit that will start in the Seaport at World Trade Center East. That starting point is just a short walk from the new MassPort marine garage built for people using water transport.

"If you're driving in from the south, we're going to tell you not to drive again," he said. "We'll tell them to stop and take the boat. The South Boston bypass road is open now to everyone and the MassPort garage is right there where our motor yacht picks up. That is a great way to get to Encore."

From the Seaport, the mo-

be branded Encore and will Orange Line, however, will be tor yachts will travel to the MBTA Dock at Long Wharf. From there, it will go to En-

core and then repeat. The service is open to anyone wishing to use the boats, and it will cost \$7 one way.

"You don't have to go to Encore to use this boat," he said. "There is no direct connection between the Seaport and the Blue Line right now. This will give that connection to the Blue Line at Long Wharf. That's a connection people can utilize every day if they want to."

The Encore motor yachts will run 365 days a year, seven days a week, from 10 a.m. to midnight.

He said they are also working on some collaborations with other water transportation entities, including Rowe's Wharf Water Taxi for a direct ride from the airport to Encore.

He said they wouldn't rule out adding additional stops and service in the future because they believe the water transportation element will be heavily utilized by guests.

# City of Everett invests \$6 million in upgrading and modernizing firehouses with capital improvements

The Boston Herald recently reported on the deteriorating conditions at a number of firehouses in Massachusetts. In the report, firefighters complained that firehouses have received little attention and been neglected by cities and

In response to the report, Mayor DeMaria highlighted investments that have been made through the City of Everett's five-year Capital Improvement Plan. The city has invested \$6 million in the past two years into firehouses. Renovating and restoring fire stations has been an integral part of Mayor DeMaria's Capital Improvement Plan, and the process is well underway.

Mayor DeMaria stated, "Our firefighters put their lives on the line every day, and I am proud of our commitment to invest in the buildings and infrastructure. It is a priority of mine to ensure that all our public safety personnel stay safe and enhance our firefighting capabilities throughout the city.

The city recently re-opened Everett's Hancock Fire Station after a \$3.5 million renovation. The building is now a well-equipped and modernized facility for first responders. The renovation project included infrastructure improvements, upgrading the MEP systems (Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing), improving health and safety concerns, updating training classrooms, and renovating living quarters.

Fire Chief Tony Carli stated, "Mayor DeMaria has always made sure the members of the department have the equipment needed to do our jobs, this includes updating our firehouses.'

The renovation and restoration of Hancock Fire Station was the first capital improvement of many firehouses that are planned in Everett. Most recently, the city has begun a \$2 million renovation to Central Station and just this month appropriated an additional \$500,000 for additional work.

Phase 1 of the Central

Station renovation, a roof replacement, is in construction right now. The project will also include new windows throughout, raising the garage bay doors on Broadway to accommodate new apparatus, upgrading the MEP systems (Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing) and updating the crew areas and office space on the second floor.

In addition to the work noted above, the city has been upgrading all facilities to meet the requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) by installing handicap accessible bathrooms and of-

# Wynn Resorts hearings at MGC to begin April 2

Lower Broadway overnight

lane closures began March 24

By Seth Daniel

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) announced on Tuesday that the adjudicatory hearings on the Wynn Resorts and Wynn MA, LLC license suitability will begin on April 2 and continue through April 4.

The hearings will take place at the South Boston Convention Center, and will begin at 10 a.m. each day.

The adjudicatory hearing is open to the public. The hear-

ing schedule is as follows: •Tuesday, April 2 at 10:00 •Wednesday, April 3 at

•Thursday, April 4 at 10: 00

During the adjudicatory hearing, which is expected to last several days, investigators from the MGC Investigations and Enforcement Bureau (IEB) and representatives from Wynn Resorts and Wynn MA, LLC will testify and answer questions from the Commission.

After the adjudicatory proceeding, the Commission will deliberate in closed session and then issue a written decision at a later date not yet determined.

# Arts organization seeks participating businesses for first annual Everett community art walk

Local Non-profit organization Integral Arts Everett is in the preliminary planning stages of the first annual Everett Community Art Walk. The Everett Community Art Walk is a temporary art exhibit which will be on display throughout local businesses across Everett during the month of October. The exhibit will be free and open to

walk throughout the city and discover artwork made by local artists, hosted by local businesses all across Everett.

Karyn Alzayer, Founder and Board President of Integral Arts Everett says of the project, "We don't have many arts spaces in Everett, but that doesn't mean we don't deserve great arts events here. So we thought we'd bring the public and suitable for all the art out to the community ages. Visitors will be able to instead. It will be kind of like

a scavenger hunt, with the public invited to explore local businesses, connect with local art, and engage with the community. We're hoping to get folks invested in all that Everett has to offer."

Some of the artwork will be displayed in front windows and will be visible from the street, and for other pieces, visitors will have to search inside local businesses to find it.

Integral Arts Everett is ac-

tively looking for businesses and community organizations in Everett to host artwork, and for local artists to apply. See our website at https:// everettcommunityartwalk. blogspot.com/p/join-us.html or email us at integralartseverett@gmail.com for more information.

# (MassDOT) has announced

that overnight lane closures on the Route 99 (Main Street) bridges over the MBTA railroad in Everett at Sweetser Circle began on the evening of Sunday, March 24.

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These lane closures will be implemented each night from 8 p.m. and 5 a.m., through May 2019.

During these times, a single lane of travel will be closed in this area, and the lane being closed will vary depending on operations. These impacts are

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necessary to allow crews to safely and effectively perform bridge repairs.

Signage and messaging will be in place to notify drivers of these restrictions. MassDOT encourages the public to be mindful of potential traffic impacts. Those traveling through the area should reduce speed and use caution. This work is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

This work is being performed as part of a \$5.34 million contract for bridge deck and pavement repairs at various locations.

## Alford Street Bridge: Travel lanes open earlier than expected

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has announced that crews will re-open all travel lanes on the Alford Street Bridge in Boston beginning on Thursday, March 28, a month earlier than scheduled, so that there will be two lanes of travel open in each direction during morning and evening peak commuting hours.

Crews will continue to implement lane closures during off-peak hours as needed to complete the remaining construction operations.

The bridge was reduced to one lane of travel in each direction in October 2018, and was expected to remain in this configuration 24/7 through

the end of April 2019. These impacts have allowed crews to safely and ef-

fectively conduct bridge deck

replacement operations.

The Alford Street Bridge is a City of Boston owned structure that carries traffic on Route 99 over the Mystic River. This work period was selected with input from key stakeholders including the United States Coast Guard. The Mystic River channel must be closed to marine traffic during bridge deck replacement operations, and marine traffic volumes are lowest during this time frame.

As always, work will be conducted in ways that help minimize the impact on the local community and traveling public. MassDOT encourages the public to be mindful of these traffic impacts. Those traveling through the area should reduce speed and use caution. The schedule for this work is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

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#### NIGHT SHIFT CELEBRATING THE GRAND OPENING OF THEIR BOSTON BREWERY AND TAP ROOM

Night Shift, the Everett-based and the third largest craft beer brewery in Massachusetts, celebrated a grand opening of their first Boston brewery and tap room, Night Shift Lovejoy Wharf, on March 20.

Night Shift Lovejoy Wharf will offer 330 seats and an outdoor patio with uniquely crafted original beer recipes by their Innovation Brewer Anna Jobe, one of a few female brewers in Massachusetts. Jobe will be splitting her time between the Boston and Everett locations for creative tasting.

Ryan Olenick and Nicole LeBel.



Nicole Jimenez, Amanda Wall-**Graf and Allie Hyde checking** out Night Shift Roasting Coffee Bar.



Luke Miller, Rose Woodard and Nicole Calderone at the new Night Shift Roasting



Night Shift founders Michael O'Mara, Rob Burns (holding Rose Mary) and Michael Oxton celebrating the Night Shift Lovejoy Wharf Opening with can-ribbon cutting.



Catherine Preasse, Terry

and Steve Nunez.

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Nicole LeBel, Rachel Sylvia, Steve Lord, Dani Rigo and Tarra Marino.



Ariel Jablonki and **Bartender Bill** Kingsbury.



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Night Shift Lovejoy Wharf staffs celebrating with a group photo outside the new brewery.



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# **Encore unveils reservation** system for rooms, suites

Signature Harbor View Suite goes for \$3,075 a night in July

Looking for an overnight at the new Encore Boston Har-

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After a review by the Independent, rooms for an overnight, weekend stay in July begin at \$825 a night for the Premier King room, and go all the way up to \$3,075 a night for the Signature Harbor Suite overlooking Boston. Naturally, there are more luxurious suites and villas at higher prices, but they are not advertised on the hotel reservation system.

Encore Boston Harbor announced late last week it is now accepting room reservations for its \$2.6 billion resort, scheduled to open in June

At first arrival in the garden lobby, guests will discover luxurious design – an experience that continues upon entering the resort's 671 lavishly ap"Our team built full-scale,

completely functioning models of every guest room to ensure the lighting and design elements are perfect," said Robert DeSalvio, president of Encore Boston Harbor. "From the furniture to the carpets and drapes, every guest room detail is custom, bespoke and unique, created exclusively for Encore Boston Harbor. If guests want to relive this experience, they'll have to come back."

At 650 square feet, Encore Boston Harbor's Premier King and Double guest rooms are the largest hotel accommodations in New England. Signature Suites increase to 1,350 square feet; Two-Bedroom Residences are 3,350 square feet; and two limited-availability villas total 5,800 square feet, respectively.

Designed in elegant neutral tones with floor-to-ceiling windows, each room highlights exclusive Wynn Dream

pointed guest rooms and suites. Beds, dressed in sumptuous 507-thread-count linens. Tech-friendly conveniences include flat-screen 4K ultra-high-definition televisions, high-speed Wi-Fi, bedside mobile charging devices, and a wireless iPad for one-touch access to room controls, resort information and guest services.

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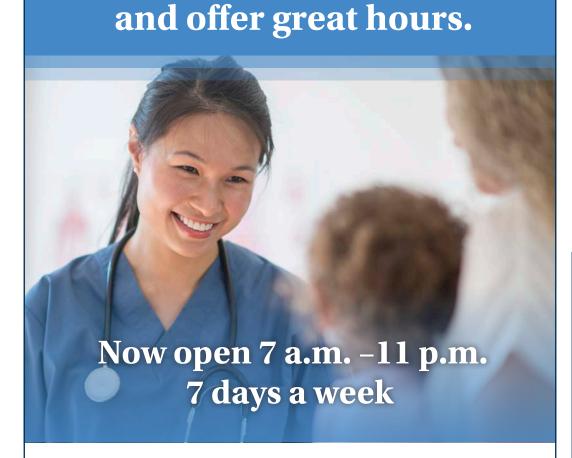
Rev. Myrlande DesRosiers, Bednerssa Desrosiers, Charles Estime, Stephanie Harard and Jennifer Mathurin of Everett Haitian Community Center at the kick-off event of a month long celebration of the French language and Francophone cultures on March 5. March is Le mois de la Francophonie, a global celebration of the diversity of those who speak French. Many came celebrate the festivities. Among the guests were Consul General of France Arnaud Mentré, Consul General of Haiti Stephanie Jean and Marie-Josée Duquette, Québec delegation office of Boston.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico recently addressed residents from across the Commonwealth at the Citizens' Legislative Seminar (CLS). CLS is a semi-annual educational seminar geared towards adults of all ages interested in learning more about state government and the legislative process. "The Citizens' Legislative Seminar is a unique program that provides a first-hand opportunity to learn about and engage in the legislative process," said Sen. DiDomenico (D-Everett). "I address the group each year to give a legislative update and answer questions about the current session. It is always great to welcome residents from my district who join us as well!" Established in 1976 through a collaborative effort of the Massachusetts Senate and the University of Massachusetts.

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#### AROUND THE CITY

#### MARIAH CAREY

The iconic singer with surreal vocal range headlines April 2, 8 p.m., at Wang Theater at the Boch Center, 270 Tremont St., Boston. 833-215-5121.

#### PINK FLOYD LASER **SPECTACULAR**

As part of the Anheuser-Busch Concert Series, the Pink Floyd Laser Spectacular illuminates the elegant, renovated Emerson Colonial Theatre, 106 Boylston St., Boston, March 29, 8 p.m. Ticket start at \$30. 888-616-0272 or visit the Box Office.

#### **GALLERIES AT** LYNNART

The Galleries host their annual gala Spring Fling fundraiser April 5, 7-9 p.m., with live music, appetizers, drinks and raffles, at 25 Exchange St., Lynn. \$25.617-909-9211, galleries@ lynnart.com, galleriesatlynnarts. org/events.

#### LYNN BYALL BENSON

The local author presents "Moxie and a Good Sense of Balance: Nancy Drew and the Power of the Teenage Girl," March 28, 6 p.m., at Charlestown Public Library branch of Boston Public Library, Includes a book singing and reception. Free, open to all.

#### TWELFTH NIGHT

Actors' Shakespeare Project and the Lyric Stage Company of Boston open their production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," directed by multi-award winning actor-director Paula Plum, March 29-April 28, featuring a cast of Boston's finest actors, at Lyric Stage, 140 Clarendon St., Boston: Wednesday, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 3,8 p.m., Sunday, 3 p.m., Wednesday matinees, April 3.17, at 2 p.m. Tickets start at \$25., senior, student rush, group discounts.lyricstage.com.

#### **EXPERIENCE HENDRIX**

Lowell Memorial Auditorium presents Experience Hendrix, featuring outstanding musicians, Thursday, April 4, 7:30 p.m., East Merrimack St., Downtown Lowell. \$49-\$99. lowellauditorium.com, 800-657-8774.

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KISS. Live Nation presents the iconic band performing its End of the Road World Tour, March 26 at TD Garden, Boston. Tickets start at &79. livenation.com.

Highland Avenue, Somerville. Advance tickets, \$20; at the door,

#### **IOHN HALL** AND FLY AMERO

The popular singers-songwriters perform April 5, 8 p.m., at the Shalin Liu Performance Center, 37 Main St., Rockport. Bostonbased singer-songwriter Liz Frame is opening act. \$24-\$39. tickets.rockportmusic.org/single/ SYOS.aspx?p+5846, 978-546-7391, rockportmusic.org.

#### **LEXINGTON SYMPHONY**

Jonathan McPhee directs the orchestra in "Fresh Perceptions," featuring violinist Hana Chang, March 30, 7:30 p.m., in Cary Memorial Hall, Lexington. LexingtonSymphony.org.

#### **AMERICAN REPERTORY** THEATER GALA

The theater will hold its annual gala, featuring dining and entertainment, April 1, at the Boch Center Wang Theatre, 270 Tremont St., Boston. Cocktail hour starts at 6 p.m., followed by dinner, catered by The Catered Affair, live auction and artistic program. Americanrepertorytheater.org.

#### LASZLO GARDONY

The acclaimed jazz pianist performs with his trio, April 4, at the Regattabar at the Charles Hotel, One Bennett St., Cambridge.

**Crossword Puzzle** 

#### DO YEON KIM AND HANKUS NETSKY

Kim and Netsky join hands and talent, sharing the stage at the Eliot Church of Newton, Saturday, March 30, 3 p.m., 474 Centre St., Newton. \$20, at the ticket link, Korean Cultural Society of Boston, kesboston.org.

#### **JAZZMELA HORN**

Young songstress Jazzmela Horn performs March 28, 7 p.m., at the Isabella Stewart Gardiner Museum of Boston.\$15-\$27. The artistryjazzhorn.com.

#### **KISS**

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#### FIREHOUSE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Laugh it up on Comedy Night with Joe Yannity, Mark Scalia and Carolyn Riley, April 5, 8 p.m., at the Institution for Savings Mainstage, and treat the kids to a fun, bilingual show with Latin Grammy Award-winning artist Ben Gundersheimer, "Mister G," March 31, at 11 a.m.; Market Place, downtown Newburyport. firehouse.org.

#### WILBER'S WAR

Popular Boston-NewEngland star Robert D. Murphy performs in "Wilber's War: An American Family's Journey Through World War II," March 29, at 7:30 p.m., Peirce Farm, Route 1, 116 Boston St., Topsfield. Advanced tickets, \$10 + fee.Veterans with reservations, free. Doors open at 7 p.m. punctuate4.org.

#### POP! GOES THE GABLES

The public is invited to the free opening reception for the new exhibition, Friday, April 5, 5-7 p.m., at the House of the Seven Gables Visitor Center, 115 Derby St., Salem. RSVP at 7Gables.org/ events.

#### **DROR KEREN**

The multi-award-winning Israeli playwright-actor-comedian is Israeli Stage Company's twoweek artist-in-residence. leading a series of workshops through March 27, at Brandeis University and Bunker Hill Community College, with most open to the public. On March 30, at 8 p.m., Keren performs the world premiere staged reading of his latest play, "What Life Wants," at Boston University's Playwrights Theater, 949 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. RSVP required. IsraeliStage.com.

#### CARDBOARD PIANO

Renowned director Benny Sato Ambush helms New Repertory Theatre's New England premiere of Hansol Jung's socio-political drama, "Cardboard Piano," through April 14, at Mosesian Center for the Arts, MainStage Theater, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown. \$25-\$67, student,senior, group discounts available. 617-923-8487, enwrap.org.

#### **COPPELIA**

Boston Ballet presents George Balanchine's full-length dance comedic tale of mistaken identity, love and fun, through March 31, at the Boston Opera House, 539 Washington St., Boston:Thursday,Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 1:30,7:30 p.m.;Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$37.youth discount with price of an adult full-price ticket. bostonballet.org, 617-695-6955.

#### DRAGON MAMA

Writer-performer Sir Porkalob presents the reprise of her musical hit, "Dragon Lady," and world premiere of "Dragon Mama," in repertory, through April 6, at Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Cambridge. Tickets from \$25. americanrepertorytheater.com, 617-547-8300.

#### **EXTREMITIES**

A.K.A.,Also Known Theater, closes its season with William Mastrosimone's play, "Extremities," March 28-April13, Thursday-Saturday,8 p.m. Friday night post-show Discussions.at Margaret Jewett Hall, First Church Harvard Square, 11 Garden St., Cambridge. \$22.bit.ly/akaextremities.

#### **BERKLEE PERFORMANCE CENTER**

There's lots to enjoy at the performance center: The International Folk Festival March 27, advance tickets, \$10, day of show, \$15; the Makanda Project: Multiple Percussion Edition, March 28, 8 p.m.; Sylvia Rhone, Tribute Concert, April 5, 7:30 p.m.; Curtain Up: Original Musical Theater Songs, April 2, \$10/\$15; The Gloaming, April 7, at 7:30 p.m.; and Singers Showcase: Aretha, Queen of Soul, April 11, 8 p.m.; . 136 Mass.Ave., Boston. berkley.edu/BPC/about/,617-747-2261.

#### **NICOLE ZURAITIS**

The celebrated singer-songwriter-pianist performs her show, "Generations of Her," March 30, 7:30 p.m., at Salem State University Recital Hall, Central

Campus, 71 Loring Ave., Salem. Tickets salemstate.edu/access.

#### **UNCLE LOUIE VARIETY SHOW**

Carlo Russo and Lou Greco, Italian-American Syracuse, NY comedy team, bring their comedic videos, comedy sketches, music and more to the Greater Boston Stage, April 6,at 8 p.m., and April 7, 4 p.m., 395 Main St., Stoneham. 781-279-2200, box office@stonehamtheatreorg.

#### **SCULLERS**

Headlining at the popular jazz venue are: Carlos Capacho, Latin Jazz Thursdays, March 28; Ann Hampton Callaway: Jazz Goes to the Movies, March 29; Jane Bunnett and Maqueque, March 30; Manuel Valera, April 4; Regina Carter Quartet, April 5, and the John Pizzarelli Trio, April 6, Double Suites by Hilton, 400 Soldiers Field Road, Boston. 617-562-4111, info@scullersjazz.com.

#### **JOSHUA REDMAN** QUARTET

World Music/CRASHarts presents the Joshua Redman Quartet featuring Aaron Goldberg, Reuben Rogers and Gregory Hutchinson, March 31, at 7:30 p.m., at Sanders Theatre, 45 Quincy St., Cambridge.\$30,\$37,\$48,\$58. worldmusic.org, 617-876-4275. Anda Union performs March 29, 8p.m., ,\$28, at First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, 11 Garden St., Cambridge, \$28, WorldMusic.org, 617-876-4725; Vicente Amigo's performance March 30 at the Berklee Performance Center, is canceled; and Iberi makes its Boston debut April 4, 7:30 p.m., First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, 11 Garden St., Cambridge, \$28.

#### THE SONG OF SUMMER

Taibi Mager directs Lauren Yee's "The Song of Summer" through April 14. With Trinity Repertory Theater, Dowling Theater, 201 Washington St., Providence, RI.

#### **BOSTON** CONSERVATORY AT BERKLEE

The musical line-up features "The Consul," March 28-31, at 8 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. at Boston Conservatory Theater, 31 Hemenway St., Boston. \$25-\$30, discounts also. Cellist Patrice Jackson-Tilghman, performs in the String Masters Series, March 31,8 p.m. and violinist Elmer Gavilan, April 7, 8 p.m., at Seully Hall, 8 Fenway, Boston, \$10-\$15, discounts. bostonconservatory. berklee.edu/events, 617-912-

#### LYNN AUDITORIUM

Headlining at the Lynn Auditorium in City Hall Square, Lynn, are Jon Anderson of Yes and his 100 Hands Tour, March 29, and Double Dare Live! With host Marc Summers, known as the "messiest game show on the road," March 30; followed by Billy Idol and Steve Stevens, April 3; 3 City Hall Square, Lynn. 781-599-SHOW; 800-745-3000; LynnAuditorium.com.

#### HANDEL AND **HAYDN SOCIETY**

The renowned group performs Purcell's "Dido and Aeneas,"March 29,31, at New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough St., Boston. handelandhaydn.org.

#### **NOISES OFF**

Firehouse Center for the Arts presents night of laughter with Alnoba's classic British farce, "Noises Off," through March 31, Market Square, Newburyport.

\$25, Firehouse members,10 percent discount. 978-462-7336, firehouse.org.

#### 9 WALLIS ST.

GimmeLive presents Karaoke Night, March 29, free, with DJ Snackzilla; Vanessa Collier, March 30; Victor Wainwright, April 5; Eliza Neals, April 6. 9 Wallis St., downtown Beverly. 978-525-9093.

#### **NEW BLACK EAGLE** JAZZ BAND

Special guest Duke Robillard and the New Black Eagle Jazz Band rock The Regattabar at the Charles Hotel, One Bennett St., Harvard Square, Cambridge, on March 27, at 7:30 p.m.\$22; students, \$17. Ralph Towner, March 26; Avishai Cohen Quartet, March 28, and Carla Bley/Andy Sheppard/Steve Swallow, March 29,30,all at 7:30 p.m. Bley and Co. also at 10 p.m. 617-395-7757, regattabarjazz.com.

#### **BOSTON JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL**

The ReelAbilities Film Festival Boston 2019, taking place in several area theaters, kicks off with opening night film"-Far From the Tree," March 26, 7 p.m.; The Unquiet Journey of Chamique Holdsclaw, 6:30 p.m., and Bottom Dollars, 7 p.m. March 27, O'Keefe Auditorium; The Rider, March 28; Mind over Matter, March 29; Bethany Hamilton: Unstoppable and Pick of the Litter, March 31; I'll Push You, April 1; American Veteran and Defiant Lives, April 2; and closing night, April 3,Intelligent Lives. reelabilities.org/boston. bostonjfilm.org.

#### AN EXPLOSION OF COLORS

Atlantic Works Gallery features new members' Krystle Vermes, Sandrine Colson, Renato Viganego and Dan Hofstadter's works through March 30. 80 Border St., Boston. Gallery hours are Fridays, Saturdays, 2-6 p.m., or by appointment, 867-302-

#### **CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

Winthrop Cultural Council features the Clock Tower Gallery Exhibit, "Celebrating Women's History Month," at EB Newton and Cultural Center, 45 Pauline St., Winthrop. winthropculturalcouncil.org.

#### **ONEGIN**

Sarah Pothier and Christopher Chew star in the US premiere of this passionate, contemporary musical, based on Pushkin's masterpiece novel and Tchaikovsky's opera. Through March 31, at Greater Boston Stage Company, 395 Main St., Stoneham. \$50-60; seniors, \$45-55; students with ID,\$20; Thrifty Thursday \$15 at the door, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. 781-279-2200, greaterbostonstage.org.

#### **NOT MEDEA**

Flat Earth Theater prints Allison Gregory's dark, comedic take on the Medea myth, through March 30: March 30, at 8 p.m.; March 28, 7:30 p.m.; at Mosesian Center for the Arts, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown. \$25, students with IDs, \$12.50, plus fees. 617-923-8487, flatearththeatre.com/ shows/season-13/not-medea/.

#### THE SONG OF SUMMER

Trinity Repertory Theatre presents the world premiere debut of Lauren Yee's play through April 14, with associated events at 201 Washington St., Providence, RI. 401-351-4242. Tickets start at \$25.trinityrep.com/summer.

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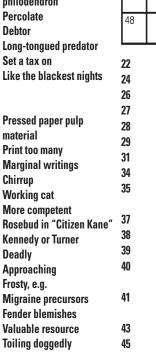
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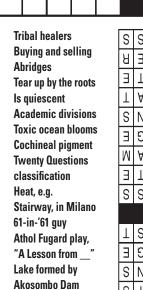
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# EHS students take part in Resilient Coders program

Through a partnership with the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board (MNWB) and Resilient Coders, 20 Everett High School (EHS) students are participating in a fast-paced, high-visibility computer coding boot camp.

Students in the 10-week Resilient Coders program get paid to attend the weekly six hours of instruction, which includes web design, mobile app creation, and game development. Students learn and apply a variety of programming languages currently used by industry leaders, including JavaScript, Android Studio, and HTML. They will develop a portfolio of work that may help them secure a job in computer, information technology or related fields.

"Resilient Coders is an onramp to the tech economy," says founder David Delmar.

EHS student Rothsaida Sylvaince agrees, saying, "This opportunity has been critical in my formation as an adult. It has prepared me for my future since the skills we learn will apply to any career I choose."

Besides coding instruction and job readiness training, Everett students will also have workplace experiences in the form of guest speakers and mock interviews. Innovative partnerships like this align with the high school's college and career readiness mission

Through a partnership with to prepare students for lucrative, in-demand jobs in the local economy.

"The 'T' in STEM weaves itself through multiple departments here at EHS," says Science Director Ann Ritchie. "From web design in the art department to programming in robotics, Resilient Coders brings an energy and awareness about tech careers to the building."

Resilient Coders is a Boston-based organization dedicated to promoting a diverse workforce in the local tech economy. The MNWB provides employers with the workforce they need to effectively compete in the changing world economy and enables area residents to gain the skills to maximize their economic self-sufficiency. MassHire and EHS have partnered on a number of career awareness and readiness programs in the past.

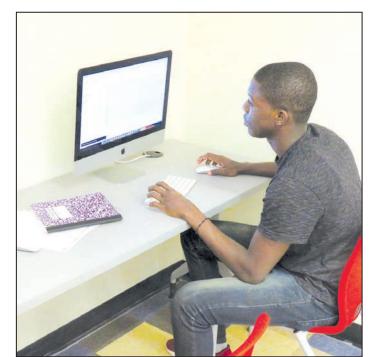
"To be a software developer is like a super power," says Emilio Murillo, the instructor of the boot camp at EHS, which will run through April. "Resilient Coders has helped me discover these powers that I have as a creative person. Not only do I have the ability to influence and make differences but it also has given me financial stability. Coming from a low income family of immigrants, this is a big deal."



Instructor Emilio Murillo works with Everett High School student Frank Calascibetta, who are enrolled in the Resilient Coders boot camp, which is funded through a partnership with the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board.



Resilient Coder Brandan Vaquerano and instructor Emilio Murillo.



EHS student Trinidad Jean-Baptiste.



#### **FUNDRAISING**

Stephanie Martins from Everett with State Rep. Adrian Madero, D- East Boston at his recent fundraising event at Carrie Nation in Boston near the Statehouse. Martins ran for Everett City Councilor in 2017 and is planning for another try to represent Ward 2. Last time around she missed out by only 300 votes.





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- Are people giving you things (gifts, money, food, drugs, a place to stay, etc.) for sex? Are you under 18?
- Is someone telling you they love you and asks you to have sex for money?

#### **HELP IS AVAILABLE**

Call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center:

#### 1-888-373-7888

24 Hr Confidential Helpline Help is available in 200 languages

or text HELP to BeFree (233733)

English only, 3pm to 11pm

#### **NEWS FROM AROUND** THE REGION

#### TOBIN BRIDGE PROJECT TO START APRIL 1

CHELSEA - The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) announced the Department will be rehabilitating the surface of the Tobin Bridge and complete required maintenance to improve the structure which will require lane closures and result in significant traffic impacts on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 beginning April 1.

These impacts will lead to increased travel times on sections of Route 1 northbound and southbound for drivers and MBTA bus customers.

The Department also released details about transit options available to travelers such as free fares in the inbound direction on the SL3 bus line offered at the Chelsea, Bellingham Square, Box District, and Eastern Avenue stops for the duration of construction. The MBTA also announced that they will be running additional MBTA Blue Line trains to additional capacity, and these measures will be funded by MassDOT Highway Division project

Beginning April 1, lane closures on the Tobin Bridge northbound will be put in place, although two of three travel lanes will be open during daytime hours. One of the three travel lanes on the Tobin Bridge northbound will be open during overnight hours.

Beginning by early May, Route 1 travel lanes in the Chelsea Curves area will be reduced so that two of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open in the daytime. One of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open during overnight

"MassDOT is carrying out simultaneous work on this infrastructure which was constructed in the middle of the 20th century and hasn't been rehabilitated since the 1970s

in order to ensure its continued use and reliability and minimize the overall impact on commuters and the local community," said Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. "We thank travelers for their patience as MassDOT begins this necessary project, and we encourage everyone traveling throughout the Route 1 area to make smart commuting decisions such as considering public transit, using the appropriate technology apps to find the best route and time to travel, and building extra time into their commutes to account for potential roadway congestion.'

The MBTA said they will be offering the free fares on the Silver Line and the Commuter Rail during construc-

"During construction, free fares are being offered for Silver Line 3 (SL3) inbound customers at certain station stops and additional Blue Line train capacity is being added. In addition, public transit customers will be able to use a CharlieCard to travel between North Station and Chelsea on the Commuter Rail," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "Some MBTA customers on certain bus routes will experience delays, so we urge riders to consider taking advantage of these additional travel options being offered during construction."

MassDOT's traffic modeling suggests that on Route 1 northbound, afternoon peak travel times could increase in duration and have significant delays. Vehicle backups are expected to extend onto the I-93 ramps, along the Leverett Connector, and towards Rutherford Avenue. On Route 1 southbound, morning peak travel times could similarly increase in duration with significant delays expected.

MassDOT is carrying out work on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 at the same time so that these projects will be completed in 2021. If the projects were done at sepa-

rate times, drivers would be inconvenienced for additional years. This work will eliminate the need for weight restrictions and postings, and MassDOT will use accelerated construction techniques to shorten the overall construction time.

For more information on traffic conditions travelers are encouraged to:

•Dial 511 before heading out onto the roadways and select a route to hear real-time conditions.

•Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, access to traffic cameras, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic condi-

•Follow MassDOT Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.

 Check parking availability at the T's 8 largest garages @ MBTA\_Parking.

•Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

#### **BROADWAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT BACK BEFORE ZBA**

CHELSEA - A revised affordable housing development at the corner of Broadway and Clinton Street is back before City boards, and now it features fewer units with all at affordable rates.

Late last year, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) narrowly denied the 42 unit affordable- and market-rate residential development at 1001 Broadway (Midas site) in a vote that was based on creating more homeownership opportunities in the City. The project included nine units of market-rate housing and enhanced access to the Mill Creek waterfront.

The Suffolk County Land Court remanded the controversial Zoning Board affordable housing denial on Broad-

#### GOVERNOR'S GARDEN CONSOLIDATES WITH KINSHIP FLORAL



A longtime name in the floral business in the Town of Winthrop will be closing. Owner Carole Abrams Palmariello announced she will be retiring and closing The Governor's Garden on March 31, 2019. A "consolidation sale" is currently going on at 3 Crest Avenue, Winthrop. Palmariello's niece, Kerri Abrams, owner of Kinship Floral at 245 Revere St., Revere, will take over operations of Governor's Garden under Kinship's flag, including servicing of the Governor Garden's website and business phone number.

Kinship Owner, Kerri Abrams said, "Kinship is humbled to announce that we will be taking the reigns of Governor's Garden, a floral shop led by my aunt, Carole Abrams Palmariello that has served the Winthrop community for over 40 years. My brother Corey and I have many fond childhood memories at Governor's Garden. We are honored to continue the wonderful business built by Carole and we welcome Governor's Garden customers to the Kinship family. Congratulations to our aunt Carole on her 43 years of business. You're an amazing trailblazer for women in small business and we wish you the happiest retirement. You certainly earned it"

way back to the ZBA with a revised plan.

Monday night, the revised version of the development, a partnership between the Traggorth Companies and The Neighborhood Developers (TND), was back before the ZBA. The revised plan is an attempt to address the concerns of the board and neighbors, according to Dave Traggorth of the Traggorth Companies.

"Our goals have not changed," said Traggorth. "It new affordable units in Chelis to create affordable homes sea, and praised the efforts for Chelsea residents and to TND has already made to creprovide public access to Mill

The major revisions to the proposed \$15 million project include cutting the total number of units from 42 to 38, making all the units affordable, and eliminating the fifth story of the building that had been proposed for the Broadway side of the development.

The commercial space on the first floor in the initial proposal has also been eliminat-

"We have reviewed the plans based on the ZBA recommendations, and the commercial space will now be a community room," Traggorth

The project needs special permits due to a slightly larger than allowed lot coverage, and for not meeting City parking requirements. The Broadway housing will have 42 parking spots, where 52 are required by the city.

Thirty one of those parking spaces will be available for the public to access Mill Creek from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. In addition, Traggorth said the developers will give the city \$15,000 for intersection improvements in the area.

With the decrease in units and the elimination of the commercial space, TND Project Manager Steve Laferriere said there will be less of an impact on parking in traffic in the area than the initial pro-

District 3 City Councillor Joe Perlatonda, who represents the area where the affordable housing will be built, said he is still opposed to the project, citing a burst of recent development in the city that will increase parking and traffic.

Perlatonda said the parking and traffic issues around Broadway and Clinton Street are already a nightmare for neighbors, and that the Traggorth/TND project will only make it worse. He said the City should take a look at other uses for the property, such as a new public library on Mill Creek.

But the majority of people who spoke during the public hearing said they supported to support the creation of new the creation of sorely needed affordable housing, increase ate safe and modern affordable units in the city. A recent affordable housing lottery in the city saw more than 3,000 applicants for 34 units, with more than 1,200 of those applications coming from Chelsea residents.

"There is a clear need for affordable housing as rents continue to go up in the Chelsea area," said resident Sandy Maynard.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said he continues to support the TND/Traggorth partnership.

"The number one complaint I receive as City Manager from residents is the lack of affordable housing," said Ambrosino.

Ambrosino said he understands the concerns about traffic and parking, but said the impacts of any project has to be weighed against the benefits, and that the benefits of affordable housing at Broadway and Clinton tip the scales in favor of the project.

While state law prohibits the developers from offering the affordable units to Chelsea residents only, the developers said they would work to make sure the maximum units allowable are for Chelsea resi-

The Planning Board will take up the project at its March 26 meeting, and then it will come back to the ZBA at its April 9 meeting for a possible vote, according to ZBA Chair Janice Tatarka.

#### MT. CARMEL AND **NOAH PROJECTS** APPROVED

EAST BOSTON - At a recent Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA)

board hearing, two large East Boston projects in Jeffires Point's Gove Street area, as well as the backside of Eagle

Hill were approved. The BPDA board said the residential projects moving forward make progress towards Mayor Martin Walsh's goal of increasing affordable housing to support a strong middle-class. Mayor Walsh's 2019 legislative agenda aims access to homeownership op portunities, and prevent displacement of residents.

The first project approved was the slightly contentious project to transform the former Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and surrounding properties, which include the church, rectory, convent and a large vacant parcel, into hous-

At the BPDA hearing the board approved developers Timothy White and Richard Egan to transform the four Mount Carmel Church parcels on Gove and Frankfort streets in 112 residential units that include 12 income-restricted

Members of the Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) voted 17 to 7 against the proposal to develop the former Mount Carmel Church property.

While the developer plans to renovate the church and construct four-story row-houses on the vacant parcel along Frankfort Street, the developer's plan to construct a six-story building at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that will replace the existing convent was the most concerning to residents.

However, GSCA members like Jack Scalcione applauded the developer's work with the community.

Scalcione, who lives on Frankfort Street, said the developer has worked closely with the abutters for several

In total the project will include 112 units and 84 parking spaces, 71 of which are located in a below-grade garage.

The developer recently eliminated the development of the recorty and decided to raze

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that building to house 13 of the 84 parking spaces, as well as to create a new landscaped greenspace.

The renovated Mount Carmel Church building will include 14 residential units.

The existing rectory and convent buildings will be razed and the vacant Frankfort Street parcel

will include the construction of a new building that includes 98 condominium units. The rectory building located at 128-134 Gove St., and the convent are both compromised structurally and are not suitable for human habitation, according to current Boston building codes.

According to the filing the proposed project will provide market-rate and affordable units with a variety of unit sizes and styles to accommodate Eastie's diverse and growing population.

The unit designs will vary and include apartments and lofts. The unit mix for the 112 units will comprise a mix of studio units, one-bedroom or one-bedroom plus den units, and two bedroom units.

Thirteen percent of the units will be designated as affordable in accordance with the BPDA's Inclusionary Development Policy (IPD).

Attorney for the project, Jeff Drago, said White and Egan plan to make the former Mount Carmel Church building "the cornerstone of this development."

"This will be a respectful reuse being converted into spacious loft-style living units that capture the soaring interior spaces and volume of the building," he said. "There will be three levels of residential units with the top- floor units capturing the currently hidden truss space above the vaulted ceiling. The exterior of the building, including its brick and stone façade, will be restored. It will be sensitively repaired where religious iconography was removed. The front-door and side-window openings will be lowered to the ground to better connect the building to the street and surrounding landscape."

The developers will also create a reflective outdoor space along the widened sidewalks at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that honors Mount Carmel's history.

On the vacant lot the developers plan to erect a building that mirrors the brick row houses along Frankfort Street. The four-story structure will extend along Frankfort Street and articulate as individual row houses with separate, raised entrances and planter boxes. The fourth floor will contain setbacks for private deck space while reducing the massing along Frankfort Street.

This design was in response to many residents at past meetings not liking the modern design of some of the buildings. The original design included a mix of glass and other materials but residents asked the developer to consider replicating the architectural styles of the turn of the 20th-century brick buildings along Frankfort Street.

The developers will also construct the six-story building at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that will replace the existing convent.

White and Egan purchased the property in 2015 for \$3 million.

The BPDA also approved the East Boston Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH) and East Boston Community Development Corporation's (CDC) plans to develope artist live, and work space on Condor St.

NOAH and CDC's Aileron, located on approximately 26,250 square feet of vacant land, on 131-151 Condor Street in Eagle Hill will construct an approximately 49,750 square foot mixed-use, mixed-income development that includes two buildings with a total of 40 residential

units, artist studios, a work bar/gallery, community studio space, and a workshop

Last week the Boston City Council approved \$735,200 in Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding to the proposed Aileron development to build seven housing units, including four affordable units.

Overall. NOAH, its architect Eastie based Joy St Design, and the CDC have joined forces to create a 41-unit project that includes a mixed-use, mixed-income, ownership/rental housing and gallery spaces for theb Eastie artist community and community at large.

NOAH's project, dubbed 'Aileron' will include eight ownership units, half workforce and half market, in one building with 33-units occupying a larger building next door. Of the 33 units in the larger building 17 will be set aside for artist work/living space.

NOAH is also proposing two large common spaces, a Gallery and Workbar, that will be available for the other residents in the building.

The vacant land was previously owned by the Boston Planning & Development Agency, and was transferred to the Department of Neighborhood Development (DND) in 2017 for disposition in support of affordable housing.

#### TUFTS TOBACCO SEEKS TO SELL RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA

EAST BOSTON - Tufts Tobacco owner Jimmy Shenna has successfully run a highly regulated business in Orient Heights Square for over two decades without any incidents.

When cigar bars were En Vogue over a decade ago Shenna's business was booming and was an anchor in the square. With a lounge, televisions, a full liquor license and one of the most comprehensive collections of cigars for sale, Shenna used to see over 250 customers come in and out of Tufts each day.

However, stricter regulations over employee second-hand smoke issues, the reliqueshing of his liquor license and the decline of cigar smoking in general has Shenna struggling.

However, the new burgeoning adult-use cannabis shop business has Shenna trying to keep his business alive by switching from tobacco sales to recreational marijuana

At Monday night's Orient Heights Neighborhood Council meeting, Sheena and a team of other East Boston residents led by attorney and former Boston City Councilor Mike Ross, pitched the idea of turning Tufts into a adult-use marijuana facility under the name Local Roots.

"There a lot of people coming in from out of town and landing in Boston and opening these very lucrative businesses," said Ross. "Everyone on the team lives in neighborhood so we all got together and attempted to do this Local Roots business."

Ross said Tufts would cease selling tobacco products and switch over to adult use cannabis sales under the Local Roots banner.

"Jimmy (Shenna) has been running a successful and highly regulated business in the community for 25 years without incident," said Ross. "Like his current business no one under the age of 21 would be able to step foot into the adult use facility. It's not like a liquor store where minors can walk in to buy chips or a soda or other non-alcohol products. This would strictly be for adults and it will be highly regulated."

Ross explained that Tufts interior would be turned into an adult-use shop. Security measures would include a foyer between the street entrance

and actual interior shop. There customers would have to produce identification showing they are an adult before being let into the shop.

"There will be no flashy signs, marijuana leafs or any other signage that would advertise the business," said

Like his current business Ross said Shenna would be instrumental keep cannabis and cannabis related products out of the hands of minors because he has been able to do so with tobacco for many many years.

"He has ran Tufts Tobacco without one single incident," said Ross.

In fact Shenna has long maintained that tobacco should only be sold in licensed tobacco shops by licensed tobacconists like himself. Shenna's currently holds a license to sell tobacco and another license to allow smoking in his establishment. He is allowed the second license because a majority of his sales are directly related to tobacco and not food, liquor or other goods and services. Convenience stores, supermarkets and other stores have the same license to sell tobacco but smoking is not allowed in those establishments because most of their sales come from other commodities.

So if a convenience store, supermarket or another store gets caught selling tobacco or tobacco products to minors they are fined and have their license to sell tobacco suspended for few days. It doesn't really affect these types of stores because they sell other goods and services for a profit.

The same rule of thumb would apply if the adult-use cannabis shop was allowed to open in Orient Heights. Ross said the Local Roots team would invest nearly \$1 million into rehabbing Tufts and could easily risk losing that investment and its marijuana license if any violations occurred.

Ross also said that above the six percent in tax on the shops sales, the team is in the beginning stages of seeking organizations or programs that may need help in the community.

At the meeting the primary concern was over traffic and parking and adults using the product in the area around the shop.

Ross said in regards to parking patrons could take advantage of parking in the square, take the MBTA Blue LIne because the shop would be located directly across from Orient Heights train station, or take advantage of the very inexpensive MBTA lot on Barnes Avenue that is a two-minute walk.

"There could be a lot of options for customers trying to access the shop," said Ross.

But in the end as more marijuana shops open there will be less demand on the few that have already opened. Ross said they will most likely morph into the equivalent of a local liquor store.

"You are not going to drive across town to say Jamaica Plain to buy a bottle of wine," said Ross. "In the end this will be a store that services the local neighborhood and some of the surrounding communities."

As far as crime in or around the shop, former City Councilor Sal LaMattina, who is working with the Local Roots team, said during his trip to Colorado when he was on the Council to get suggestions from officials there on how to regulate and zone the new industry here was very informative.

"Look, I went to Denver and I talked to city councilors there who were against adult use marijuana. I talked to the Mayor who was also against adult use marijuana and after a year of the shops being open they changed their minds," said LaMattina. "They told

us, and feel free to talk to the other City Councilors that traveled there with me, that the shops reduced street crime and petty crime in the neighborhoods the shops were located."

#### GETTING THE WORD OUT ABOUT WAGE THEFT

LYNN -Quite simply, wage theft happens when someone does work and is not paid for it

"Immigrants are easy targets, most don't realize it's a crime," said Kathleen Santora, a member of the recently appointed to the Lynn Wage Theft Taskforce and a union painter representing the Painters Union District Council 35 Local 939. "But wage theft can happen to anyone in any industry."

"We have a very strong ordinance in Lynn, it has some teeth in it and can actually do something," Santora said. Having a taskforce in place also makes a difference.

The Wage Theft Taskforce,

comprised of one (1) designee submitted by the Lynn City Council, one (1) designee submitted by the Mayor, one (1) representative chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by the North Shore Labor Council, one (1) representative chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by the Lynn Area Chamber of Commerce, one (1) representative chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by the North Shore Latino Business Association, one (1) representative chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by the North Shore Building Trades Council, one (1) representative chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by the Lynn Worker Center, and one (1) representative from the Lynn community chosen by the Lynn City Council from a list provided by New Lynn Coalition. Members of the Wage Theft Advisory Committee may be reappointed annually and must be appointed no later than the second meeting of the

new year.

The wage ordinance was passed by the Lynn City Council in March 2018 after it was offered as a motion by then City Councilor and now State Representative Peter Capano.

"A business owner has the

opportunity to do the right thing and pay up. Then they can continue doing business as usual with a bond to cover paying the employee for a year or it can end up in the attorney general's office," said Santora, who is a leading advocate for the building trades. She was nominated to the committee by the North Shore Labor Council.

A recent report from the attorney general's office showed that \$10 million interest and penalties in charged in fiscal year 2018 and 241 job sites were visited in investigations.

Just a month ago an Ipswich construction company and its owners were cited \$580,611 in restitution and penalties for violations of state wage and hour laws, according to Attorney General Maura Healey. The AG's office issued six citations against ERA Equipment LLC and its owners, Kristen and Angelo Ciardiello, for a range of wage theft violations including failing to pay overtime and the prevailing wage.

"The taskforce job to oversee Lynn so we can help bring cases to the Attorney General's office if they occur," Santora said. "We hope none occur. Hopefully the ordinance will get people to do the right thing."

Santora added that wage theft does affect everybody. It can be anything from people not being paid to or not being allowed to take lunch breaks, not being paid overtime, people working differential shifts and not getting the money, any way in which somebody is entitled to wages and they are not being delivered. People paying in cash are also violating the wage theft laws.

"It's rampant, it's in every industry – from the lowest worker to union construction sometimes, not paying overtime, is unacceptable, or a contractor may short someone on their hours," Santora said.

Santora stressed that wage theft hurts not only the person whose wages are being stolen but it hurts honest business people who are being undercut by people who are not playing fair.

"Every taxpayer is affected by this because money is being lost," Santora said.

#### OFFICIALS START OUTLINING FY 20 BUDGET

WINTHROP - Town Man-

ager Austin Faison outlined the FY20 budget on Tuesday night at the annual spring forum at the high school.

While nothing is written in stone yet, it appears that officials are seeking to increase the FY20 budget by about 4.5 percent than the FY19 budget. All totaled the balanced budget request is beginning at \$64,641,265, up from \$61,817,334 or a \$2.8 million increase.

The Town Council will vote on the final FY20 budget in June.

"The 'asks' are significantly bigger than the budget," Faison said. "Winthrop has very little financial flexibility and we are handcuffed by Proposition 2 ½."

Faison outlined his priorities and highlights of the budget proposal.

Budget Priorities:

- Conservative and realistic revenue projections.
- Ensure current free cash levels, to maintain the Town's bond rating.
- Work in conjunction with the School Department and School Committee.

• Continue the town's aggressive pension funding schedule.

Budget Highlights:

- \$2.3 million in growth of FY20 v. FY19, which will go primarily to increased fixed costs, the Winthrop Public Schools, and town departments;
- No additional positions and minimal salary increases;
- Addition of several new software platforms across various departments that will ensure greater accountability, transparency, and delivery of services;
- Focus on several policy and project initiatives including the Center Business District Infrastructure Project, the Pauline Street Middle School site, a town-wide master plan, and the Win/2030 Strategic Plan.
   Faison also outlined a
- which calls for a new roof on the library and the repair of the Cummings School playground.

  Faison has been with the town for seven months and

capital improvement plan,

town for seven months and this is his first budget for the Town of Winthrop. "The town revenue is reli-

ant on state aid and property taxes," said Winthrop's CFO Anna Freedman.



### **OBITUARIES**

#### McCarthy // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

He was President of the Massachusetts Mayors' Association, Chairman of the Budget Committee of the MBTA, served on the National Finance Council of the Democratic National Committee and several state, civic and religious organizations.

He belonged to the Everett Chamber of Commerce, was a long-time member of the Everett Rotary Club, the American Legion and the VFW. He was the recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Rotary Award and the first recipient of the Citizens for Limited Taxation Annual award.



He was a U.S. Army vetleaving eran, high school before graduation to enlist on his

birthday in 1945. He was deployed to Camp Wheeler in Macon, GA for basic training. From there he was sent overseas to Germany as part of the peacekeeping forces. Subsequently, he was assigned to guard a sailing ship in Bremerhaven that had been a German training vessel. It was later brought to the United States, commissioned by the U.S. Coast Guard and renamed "The Eagle."

During his retirement, George and Charlotte enjoyed spending time in their home and traveling to Georgia, California, Montana and Florida.

George is survived by his wife of 59 years, Charlotte E. (Borggren) of Hamilton; his children: Kevin J. McCarthy of Everett, Patricia A. Bleau of Atlanta, GA, Susan E. McCarthy of Foothill Ranch, CA, George R. McCarthy, II of Hamilton and Maureen A. Roy and her husband, Andy of Missoula, MT. He leaves his grandchildren: Katie and

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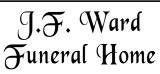
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Charlotte Bleau of Atlanta and Madelyn and Thomas Roy of Missoula. He was predeceased by his grandson Alex Bleau. He is also survived by his sisters-in-law: Michelle McCarthy of Ft. Myers, FL and Priscilla McCarthy of Dracut and by many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers, Robert and John, his sister, Connie and her husband, Edward Cohan and his parents, John R. and Madelyn (Swanton) Mc-Carthy.

Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Friday, March 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark Street (Corner of Main St.) Everett. Procession from the funeral home on Saturday March 30 at 10 a.m. will be followed by his Mass of Christian Burial in the Immaculate Conception Church, 487 Broadway, Everett at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in George's memory to the following would be appreciated: The Alexander Brodie Bleau Memorial Scholarship Fund at Bowdoin College, 4100 College Station, Brunswick, ME 04011 or The Carter Center, 453 Freedom Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30307.

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# Everett officials list new dates for yard waste

Yard waste will be collected on certain trash/recycling

City of Everett

Dates for 2019-Yard Waste Yard Waste will be collected on your trash/recycling

All dates are WEEK OF:

April - 22May - 6, 20June -3, 17 July - 1, 15, 29August – 12, 26

September -9, 23October – 7, 21 November -4, 18 December -2, 16, 30

Holiday Schedule - Whenever a scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, that day's collection and all remaining collections for the week will be delayed one day - Friday's collection will be on Saturday.

Rules to follow: Items must be placed curbside, no later

than 7 a.m. Only clean yard waste packaged in brown paper bags or in barrels will be picked up. NO PLASTIC

BAGS. Clean yard waste includes: grass clippings, leaves and small branches (tied not taped). NO LARGE branches, rocks, dirt or broken pots please.

"Yard Waste" stickers are for barrels only. Stickers are not needed for paper bags. They are available at the Constituent Services Desk 1st floor, and the Mayor's Office. For Large Branch Removal - Call 617-394-2270 or 311 to

schedule an appointment for the City mulcher truck. Please contact the Constituent Service's Office at 617-

394-2270 with any questions regarding recycling and or yard waste.

#### Social Security and OIG launch public service announcement campaign

The Social Security Administration (SSA) and its Office of the Inspector General (OIG) launched a joint Public Service Announcement (PSA) campaign addressing a nationwide telephone impersonation scheme. Social Security and the OIG continue to receive reports from across the country about fraudulent phone calls from people falsely claiming to be Social Security employees. Calls can even "spoof" Social Security's national customer service number as the incoming number on the caller ID. The new PSAs will air on TV and radio stations across the country to

alert the public to remain vigi-

lant against potential fraud. "We urge you to always be cautious and to avoid providing sensitive information such as your Social Security number or bank account information to unknown people over the phone or Internet," said Nancy A. Berryhill, Acting Commissioner of Social Security. "If you receive a call and are not expecting one, you must be extra careful - you can always get the caller's information, hang up, and contact the official phone number of the business or agency the caller claims to represent. Do not reveal personal data to a stranger who calls you."

Social Security employees do occasionally contact people--generally those who have ongoing business with the agency--by telephone for business purposes. However, Social Security employees will never threaten a person or promise a Social Security benefit approval, or increase, in exchange for information. In those cases, the call is fraudulent and people should not engage with the caller. If a person receives these calls, he or she should report the information to the OIG Fraud Hotline at 1-800-269-0271 or online at https://oig.ssa.gov/

"These calls appear to be happening across the country, so we appreciate SSA's partnership in this national public outreach effort," said Gail S. Ennis, the Inspector General for the Social Security Administration. "Our message to the public is simply this: If you or someone you know receives a questionable call claiming to be from SSA or the OIG, just hang up."

The new PSA addressing the telephone impersonation scheme is available online at www.youtube.com/socialsecurity.

#### **CHURCH** News

#### **Grace Episcopal Church**

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open & welcoming to all.

There are 3 services on Sundays: 10am English, 1pm South Sudanese (Dinka) and 3pm Haitian Creole. We have Sunday school during each service in the Children's Room. Coffee Hour starts after the 10am service in the Parish Hall (entrance on 11 Liberty St.)

Come all and let us walk together in this season of hope, renewal and new beginnings.

Palm Sunday: April 14 English 10a, So. Sudanese 1pm, Haitian Creole 3pm

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al Church is located in Ever-

ett, on Malden-Everett border,

at 422 Main Street. We offer

a warm, inviting atmosphere,

and all are welcome. Our

Sunday Church service starts

at 10:30 a.m. and Communion

is offered on the first Sunday

Easter Week Services: Maundy/Holy Thursday 6p April 18,

Good Friday 6p April 19 Easter Sunday: April 21 10am English, 1pm So. Sudanese/Dinka &

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can, 8:00 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. AA Meeting - Saturday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30

Pastor's Office Hours: Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Other times by appointment.

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We are on the Internet http://www.glendaleumc-everett.org **Glendale United Methodist Church Pastor David Jackson** 392 Ferry Street (across from Glendale Towers) Please enter the church by the driveway on **Walnut Street** 617-387-2916 PastorDavidJackson58@ gmail.com **Pastor's Office Hours:** 

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

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Weekly Mass Schedule at Immaculate Conception is as Saturday (Sunday Vigil)

4:00 p.m., Sunday 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

12:15 p.m. Spanish Com-4:00 p.m. Haitian Commu-

nity Masses are being held in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Each Thursdays' adoration will conclude the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to spend a few moments with Our Blessed Lord

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> County Registry of Deeds an AMENDMENT of a NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION on the disposal sites, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1080 through 40.1084. The NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION was originally recorded on October 26, 2010. The AMENDMENT to the

USE LIMITATION is as follows: Paragraph 1, "Activities and Uses Consistent

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of existing underground

Paragraph 2, "Activities and Uses Inconsistent with Maintaining No Significant Risk and No Substantial Hazard Conditions", is amended to read as follows: Activities and Uses Inconsistent with Maintaining No Significant Risk or No Substantial Hazard Conditions. The following Activities and Uses are inconsistent

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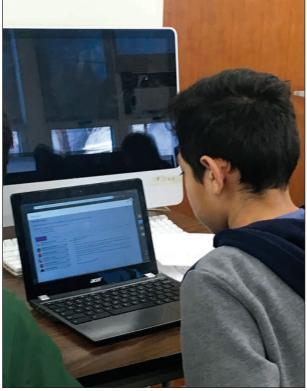


hrough Global Scholars, students communicate directly in e-class-rooms with peers across the globe. This educational environment, enhanced by multimedia communication, creates opportunities for students to build important global and general learning competencies. The posts and projects of international peers are primary texts for them to learn about other cities, the common global topic they are studying, and the skills needed to solve a global problem. There are no fees to the schools.

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Verett is participating in Global Scholars for the second consecutive year. Every sixth grader in the district's five elementary schools participate in the program, which is funded entirely by the Bloomberg Foundation.

Global Scholars is a collaborative, interdisciplinary teaching effort among social studies and technology teachers and Director of Science Ann Ritchie. The global citizenship platform connects Everett students with youth from around the world to share their ideas and perspectives.

The theme of the 2018-19 curriculum is "World of Water," and it is divided into five units, each with three components: Essential Understandings, Critical Competencies, and Digital Projects.

"This year's theme lends itself naturally to interdisciplinary learning," says Science Director Ann Ritchie. "Students are learning about water's role in health, ecosystems and politics, which hits both STEM and social studies objectives."

The current unit (Feb. 25-April 12) is called "Water Connects Us." Students are learning how local actions impact global water security; how waterways contribute to the economy, transportation, and culture of cities; and the ways in which human actions and innovations can improve water issues.

The unit is designed to help students use evidence to support arguments, distinguish between facts and opinion, and assess the impacts of individual and community actions.

The digital project associated with this unit is a survey of the community to learn which water-related issues are of highest concern. Participants are encouraged to present their findings and recommend solutions in an info-graphic.

Global scholars meet once a week, under the direction of the school's technology teachers.

"Our partnership with Global Scholars provides targeted teacher training for every unit, ensuring teachers feel supported and ready to engage students with the curriculum," Ritchie said.

The fifth and final unit of the year, which begins on April 15, is entitled "Community Action Project" and it will culminate with the students using photos, video, and text to make a digital presentation.

# WHAT EPS EDUCATORS ARE SAYING ABOUT GLOBAL SCHOLARS

"I was impressed with students who watched two videos on pollution, filled out a graphic organizer detailing specifics such as acid rain, marine debris and nutrient pollution," said **English School Principal Michael McLucas.** "To see the students immersed in an online discussion about pollution in the oceans is a global problem that they are able to discuss with students from places such as China, Spain and Taiwan."

"Global Scholars provides our students with the opportunity to connect and engage with their international peers on topics that are affecting us globally," says English School technology teacher Jennifer Cavalieri. "Our students are currently learning how pollution not only impacts our local water system, but they are also discovering how it affects cities around the world. Through Global Scholars, our students have become more culturally aware and have gained a new perspective on global issues."

"Students are mastering their digital citizenship skills as they communicate with their global peers," says **Parlin School technology teacher Dorothy Mael**." They are able to develop and ask good questions about water resources and the environment."

"The outcomes that I am seeing with Global Scholars are that my students are able to communicate with their peers from other countries," said **Keverian School technology teacher Jillian Ells**. "The Global Scholars e-classroom allows for positive online communication for students to continue to be safe digital citizens in a controlled online format where they can have an ongoing dialogue about water resources, what can be

done to help marine life survive and actions that we can each take to make the world an even better place. Students are gaining not only world knowledge of how water connects us, but also learning about resources in our own community that students can have an active voice and be a part of a change that will help them, their families, and families to come."

"As a computer teacher I appreciate the Global Scholars Program as it give the students an opportunity to learn about new software that can be used to help them create their projects, "said Lafayette School technology teacher Lori Blank. "I see an active participation as they work together to research the global topics and then use new digital tools to present information that they compiled. They have been learning how to post on the Global Scholars website and receive feedback from their international peers and become better writers too. It seems that students have a more positive attitude toward other countries and cultures. They are more tolerant of peoples different cultures and beliefs. The students are more interested in learning about local and world geography. Working collaboratively with others they have become aware that we are all connected."

"Our students have learned to discuss issues in an academic, online realm," says Whittier School technology teacher Dawn Munro "They have learned how to properly word process a response in correct format, express themselves using proper grammar, and developed an awareness of how global issues affect us all."









