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Monday's Council vote may hinge on Library Board changes

By Laura Plummer

At a Committee of the Whole meeting of Council Monday, April 11, Councilors heard from the administration about its proposed changes to the City's administrative code, a significant amount of which related to the future of the Everett Public Library Board of Trustees (LBoT).

Mayor Carlo DeMaria, Chief of Staff Kevin O'Donnell and City Solicitor Colleen Mejia spoke to these changes in a two and a half hour meeting that drew robust community input.

Previously, the proposed language abolished the LBoT entirely, which had been met with vehement public opposition last month. The revised language keeps the LBoT intact but changes its fundamental role.

The Everett Libraries are governed by the 13-member LBoT appointed by the Mayor and approved by Council. Historically, its responsibilities have been wide-ranging and the City hopes to narrow their scope.

Changes would include the following:

- The City would take over the human resources duties of the LBoT. This is consistent with all other boards and commissions.

- The City Treasurer would become the default treasurer of the LBoT. This is derived from the will of the Library's founder Frederick E. Parlin.

- The LBoT would go from overseeing the whole library system to overseeing the management of the trust left by founder Frederick E. Parlin. The trust will be used to purchase items benefiting the library but for no other purpose.

These changes were introduced in accordance with the will of the library's founder, Frederick E. Parlin, as well as state laws from the early 20th Century that were recently unearthed by Mejia.

"We were researching every board and commission in the admin code," she said. "We're not targeting the LBoT."

While the City is not required to have a LBoT, Parlin's last will and testament requested one for the administration of his trust.

Mayor DeMaria, whose wife serves on the LBoT, said he wasn't trying to diminish the board's importance, but

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SPRING FLING



PHOTO BY KATY ROGERS

Mayor Carlo DeMaria welcomed bunny-eared kids from Everett to the Spring Fling, including Nicholas Savi, Salvy Vittoria, Anthony Naimo, and Evan Countie. The annual event took place at the Connolly Center on April 10 and featured games, music, a petting zoo and plenty of fun. See Page 9 for more photos.

Workers at Everett/Chelsea Stop & Shop store go on strike

By Seth Daniel

Workers across the Greater Boston region took to the picket lines on Friday, April 12, to fight a continued contract battle against Stop & Shop – and workers were out in force at the Everett/Chelsea location as well.

Most workers at the local store asked shoppers to consider using another store, standing with strike signs to the side of the doors to the store.

Some 31,000 unionized grocery store employees were included in the strike, with many from the local store being Everett residents.

The main contention of the demands by workers includes a fair wage, affordable/accessible health care and a reliable retirement plan.

The United Food and Commercial Workers International Union said on Tuesday afternoon that they are still negotiating with the company.

"Stop & Shop can buy as many ads as they want, but they can't change the facts," they said in a statement late Tuesday. "Stop & Shop's latest proposal will drastically increase out-of-pocket health care costs, kick approximately 1,000 employees' spouses off of their health care plan, and make it more challenging for 31,000 people to provide for themselves and their families. If the company's most recent offer becomes a reality, every working family, neighborhood, consumer, and com-



PHOTO BY KATY ROGERS

Long time Stop & Shop employee Mike Bruce strikes outside of his workplace in Everett.

munity will be hurt. We are amazed at the ever-increasing community support and appreciate all that New England is doing to help us fight for better jobs and better health care."

The struggle began earlier this year when the union contract was about to expire in February, with the Union threatening a strike. On Feb. 23, the contract did expire and

the Union authorized a strike. The union local representing Everett's store is UFCW 1445.

"Stop & Shop has known for the past three years that our contract was set to expire on February 23," read a statement from the union presidents in February. "But because of their continued corporate greed throughout these negotiations, Stop & Shop employees and customers now find themselves in a position where job actions may take place."

While federal mediation was taking place in the time from that strike authorization to now, talks did break down recently – prompting the strike action.

Local officials made visits to the front lines over the weekend.

State Sen. Sal DiDomenico said Stop & Shop, and its parent company Royal Ahold, should treat the workers with dignity and respect.

"Once again, we have another corporate giant who refuses to treat it's employees with dignity and respect," said

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OPENING DAY FESTIVITIES



PHOTO BY KATY ROGERS

Maya Walsh tossed a softball into the air while wearing a Red Sox jersey during the Lafayette School's Opening Day festivities on Tuesday, April 9. The baseball-themed event was a hit with all the students, and several ballpark treats were enjoyed. See page 8 for more photos.

LOOKING AT THE NEWS

Nomination Papers spark interest in what could be an interesting Council, School Committee election

By Seth Daniel

The availability of Nomination Papers always brings about the first surprises of a Municipal Election season, and on April 28, that season will start in earnest when potential candidates can begin "pulling papers" at the City Clerk's office.

This year's election will not include the mayor, nor will it include state or federal offices. However, there is great interest in who might be or might not be running for School Committee and City Council.

The beginning of the Nomination Papers season is less than two weeks away, and it comes at a time when great change is taking place, and it about to take place in Everett.

The multi-billion dollar casino project on Lower Broadway is likely to open in only a few months, making elected office more important than ever as new challenges will surface that will require a new type of problem solving.

Already, at the School Committee level, the School

Department is in turmoil at the moment, and with former Supt. Fred Foresteire no longer leading the schools, it opens up a door for many potential candidates. Some of them include teacher advocates and community organizers who helped to draw attention to the situation now unfolding in the School Department.

For some, the solution might be to stick with the current Committee as they see through many important initiatives – such as keeping the place together as criminal charges and investigations play out. There's also the matter of choosing a new superintendent to lead the district. It could be advantageous

But for others, this election could be one of accountability to a Committee that – in its own words – failed to oversee things like employment contracts and questionable behavior. After all, if the Committee didn't know it was signing off on things that weren't in the best interests of the taxpayer-

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Council hears City's proposed changes to administrative code

By Laura Plummer

On Thursday, April 11, the Council convened for its regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole. On the agenda was a single item, a presentation by the administration to amend the City of Everett Administrative Code.

The Council will be voting on the proposed changes at their next regular meeting on April 22.

All councilors were present save three; Councilors Anthony DiPierro, Wayne Matewsky and Leo McKinnon had prior commitments.

The meeting opened with a slideshow presented by Assistant City Solicitor Matt Lattanzi, which provided an overview of the proposed changes to the code. Councilors received paper copies of the presentation as well as the existing administrative

code to compare the changes against.

The Council then analyzed the 60-page administrative code line by line and invited Mayor Carlo DeMaria, Chief of Staff Kevin O'Donnell, and City Solicitor Colleen Mejia to answer the Council's questions about the amended language.

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Mayor cancels speech, will deliver 'virtual' State of the City

By Seth Daniel

Mayor Carlo DeMaria announced on Tuesday afternoon that he planned to forego his State of the City Address on April 25 and will instead give a virtual speech at some time in the future.

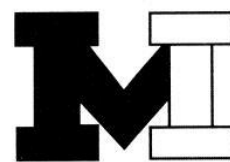
The confusing news came suddenly late on Tuesday and was confirmed by Council President Rich Dell Isola.

In an invitation prepared by the Mayor's Office later on Tuesday, it was stated that the mayor had chosen to do

a virtual broadcast instead of a live speech before the City Council.

"In order to reach the maximum amount of resident, we have changed the State of the City Address to a virtual broadcast to be viewed on ECTV On Demand, Youtube, com and via Facebook," the invitation read. "This will allow all residents to watch and listen at their convenience, anytime, day or night."

The date is to be announced soon but was not given in the invitation.



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Let’s spend time together! CHA Social Worker shares advice for older adults

The research is loud and clear — socialization as an older adult improves health and lets you live longer, too. “If you stay connected, you have a better shot,” writes Valerie Crooks, DSW, author of a study linking socialization to decreased health risks in older adults.

The National Institute on Aging suggests that there is a “strong correlation between social interaction and health and well-being among older adults. Social isolation may have significant adverse effects.” Socialization can mean anything from saying hello to a stranger on the sidewalk, to spending time with friends or family members, to joining a walking group.

Socialization can drastically improve mental health, physical health, memory, and life span. Depression is unfortunately common among older adults, due to loneliness and isolation. Interactions with others can reduce depression symptoms and improve mood. Spending time with friends, loved ones, or even acquaintances makes people happier. Social connections can also lead to reduced stress, which can have positive effects on health.

Exercise has many known health benefits and older adults are more likely to be active if they are socially connected. Increased activity can lower blood pressure, reduce risks of cardiovascular problems, osteoporosis, and arthritis, and also boost the immune system.

Studies show that social networks support can decrease the likelihood of dementia or cognitive impairments. Engagement keeps the mind active and stimulated.

Lastly, socialization can lead to a longer life. Developmental psychologist Susan Pinker, in her talk, discusses social integration or the interactions people have in their daily lives. These connections are not only with loved ones, but also the mail carrier, barista, stranger, and book club friends. “Those interactions are one of the strongest predictors of how long you’ll live,” noted Pinker.

Here are a few ideas to live a more connected life:

- Join or start a special interest group and consider volunteering. This could include a book group, knitting club, or current events group.
- Visit the local senior center. If you are enrolled in CHA’s Elder Service Plan, ask your care team about the Adult Day Health Center!
- Engage in group exercise and wellness activities like Zumba, Chair Yoga, Qi Gong, and meditation.
- Attend a psychotherapy or support group.
- Visit friends and family or invite them to visit you.
- Say hello and share a smile with strangers in your day-to-day life. Greet transportation drivers, postal staff, health care staff and providers, neighbors, and acquaintances.
- Do you know someone 55+ who needs extra support to stay healthy in their home and community? The Cambridge Health Alliance Elder Service Plan (ESP) provides the health care and social supports older adults need. Visit www.challiance.org/esp or call 617-575-5850 and ask for a member of the Enrollment Team to learn more.

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Proposed changes were divided into three groups and included the following:

- General Provisions

Those eligible to serve on a board or commission would expand to include those who own property in Everett (previously residents only). Board or commission members can be removed after missing two meetings (previously three) with permission from chairperson, or four total meetings (previously six). The Mayor would be able request the resignation of anyone serving on a board. All boards and commissions would be required to submit recordings and minutes within seven days. The Assistant City Clerk would be able to administer oaths of office to appointees (previously only City Clerk.)

- Multi-member Bodies

Changes to the Everett Public Libraries Board of Trustees (LBoT) would include the following: the City would take over the human resources duties of the LBoT; the City Treasurer would become the default treasurer of the LBoT; and the LBoT would go from overseeing the whole library system to overseeing the management of the trust left by founder Frederick E. Parlin.

Amendments in this section also reflect changes to multi-member bodies including commission names, alternate members, numbers of required members, term lengths, job duties, and language that could be interpreted as ambiguous.

- Executive Administration

The Department of Public Works (DPW) would rename a number of its departments as well as modify the duties and responsibilities associated with various departments and job titles. The Code Enforcement Task Force would add the Superintendent of Schools or his designee as a 10th required member. The City’s new Department of Organizational Assessment would provide workplace consulting to and oversight of other City departments. Lastly, the title of Risk Manager and associated duties would be added to the title of City Solicitor.

The Council will be required to vote on these changes as a whole rather than on individual changes. For this reason, the Council requested a clarification in the language regarding associate/alternate members, which the Mayor agreed to. The City Solicitor will present the final document with the incorporated changes to the Council on April 22 where the Council will accept or reject it.

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ers, then one much ask what it is they were doing twice a month on a Monday.

For many years, a challenge to the School Committee just didn’t happen.

That’s more than likely to change now that the door has been opened.

On the City Council, we’ve heard rumors that some on the School Committee are looking to make a jump to the Council.

It’s more than possible, as there are a number of good leaders on the Committee – and who could blame anyone for wanting to exit the School Department right now?

We do know that many incumbents are already in the race.

For the at-large races, it’s almost a given that Councilors John Hanlon, Michael Marchese, Wayne Matewsky, Peter Napolitano and Council President Rich Dell Isola will be in it for re-election.

Rev. Renee Solanos, who has been active in several Council demonstrations over the last few years, has announced she is running at-large already.

Others are still a mystery, though the talk has already started.

In the ward seats, Councilor Michael McLaughlin has already announced he is running again and is preparing to knock on doors throughout Ward 6.

Councilors Fred Capone (Ward 1), Leo McKinnon (Ward 4), and Rosa DiFlorio (Ward 5) are also expected to run again.

In Ward 2, there has been some concern expressed that Councilor Stephen Simonelli no longer lives in the district but has moved. That would – if true – disqualify him from that race. It remains to be seen if that is the case, but one can expect him to be challenged either way by former Ward 2 candidate Stephanie Martins. The two had a spirited race the last time around and should have another this time. It cannot be forgotten that Simonelli found himself on the wrong end of an ethnic and racial shakeup via Facebook since the last election, and it will be interesting if his largely-immigrant ward will remember that fracas come voting time.

A big question mark is Councilor Anthony DiPierro. DiPierro seemingly loves being the Ward 3 councilor, but he’s young, capable and ambitious. He might have his sights set on higher office, or even some other post. Time will tell, but if he’s in, then he’s probably a lock for another term in Ward 3.

In Everett, under the somewhat-new charter, one only needs 250 signatures from registered voters to qualify for the ballot. That includes Councilor-at-large, councilor, School Committee at-large, and School Committee wards.

The Preliminary Election, if need be, is on Sept. 17, while the Municipal Election is on Nov. 5.

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said that a group that only convenes once a month should not be asked to run a library.

“It’s a \$1.2 million enterprise being run by a somewhat-volunteer board,” he said.

Currently, the Library Director works with the LBoT on matters relating to human resources. The Mayor would like to see the Library Director working with the City on such matters.

“We can resolve issues with employees,” he said. “We want to work with the Director to make sure that [HR issues] are resolved in the interest of the taxpayers.”

O’Donnell said that the City was better suited to handle human resources issues than the LBoT.

“[Human resources] is a complicated function,” said O’Donnell. “The skill set remains [with the administration] and that’s why it’s important we have more of a say.”

Members of the community in attendance at the committee meeting expressed their ongoing concern about the proposed changes, emphasizing the importance of an LBoT that operates independently from the administration, precluding potential political entanglement.

Pat Ells, a librarian in Everett, said that the way the LBoT currently functions “allows the library to run without having to adjust itself to political changes” as new administrations come and go.

“I urge you to leave the library administration as it is,” she said. “We don’t need these changes.”

“Why change the libraries that have been responsible for producing good kids year after year?” asked Patricia Graciano. “Why are we even here questioning this today?”

Resident and City Council hopeful Renee Solano said that “one or two meetings” wasn’t enough time to get sufficient public input on the changes being presented. She also suggested that meetings be held in the community in addition to in the Council chambers.

Michele Capone, wife of Councilor Fred Capone, spoke at length about her support of the LBoT, of which she has been a member for seven years.

“The LBoT has a long, rich history as an independent service of Everett,” she said. “Our LBoT has worked well with 32 different administrations.”

She urged Councilors to reject any language that would compromise the autonomy of the LBoT.

In a letter addressed to Council, library trustee Samantha Lambert suggested that “a larger conversation of how boards and commissions are staffed is in order.”

Next week, the Council will be asked to accept or reject the amended administrative code. Councilors are required to vote on the document as a whole and cannot pick and choose which amendments or sections to approve. The language regarding the library might be a deal-breaker for some Councilors.

Councilor Peter Napolitano said he just wants to be sure that the libraries continue to “operate in the same manner and the same quality of service.”

Added Councilor Michael McLaughlin, “This [revised code] has a lot of good stuff in it. But to be able to keep the [language about] libraries in here, I would have to vote no on the whole [code.]”

If the document is voted down on Monday, Mejia requested that the Council state their reasons so that she could work with the administration to come up with an alternative.

However, the City may not have much leeway when it comes to amending their proposal.

“If the law is on the books, that’s what we have to follow,” said O’Donnell.

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DiDomenico. “I have been a frequent shopper at Stop & Shop and I will no longer step foot in any of their stores until they come to a resolution with the union workers and provide them a fair contract. I am proud to support Stop & Shop workers in their fight for fair wages, affordable health care, and a dependable retirement, and I will continue to stand with them in this fight and urge everyone to respect their picket line.”

Councilor Michael McLaughlin said he stood with workers at the Everett store, and noted his own twin brother works for Stop & Shop and is also on strike.

“This is both personal and professional for me,” he said. “My twin brother working for Stop & Shop since he was 14 has allowed me to see the dedication and sacrifices he and other employees have made. I know 31,000 workers are dedicated to their job and didn’t want to strike, but they had to in order to get a living wage. I hope this billion dollar company will come back



James Yost holds a sign encouraging shoppers to utilize other grocery stores, meanwhile an open sign welcomes visitors behind him.

to the bargaining table so they can get a resolution as soon as possible, and shoppers can continue to get the same level of service they have had in the past. I have stood, and will continue to stand, with the workers on the picket line until this is resolved.”

Stop & Shop officials said that negotiations are continu-

ing with the UFCW union locals, again with the support of federal mediators.

The company has said they have been very generous in their contract offer to the UFCW union.

On health care, they indicated they have agreed to pay 92 percent of health premiums for family coverage and 88 percent for individuals. The company said that is much more than other large retailers – citing that the federal government pays 72 percent and other employers average between 70 and 80 percent. Additionally, the offer includes no changes to the deductibles, and small increases to co-pays.

The company said it is also offering a defined benefit pension plan that pays between \$1,926 and \$2,644 annually per associate. In the new contract, the company said it has agreed to increase contributions to pension funds.

Also, they added that the paid time off has not changed and continues to be 10 to 12 paid holidays per year.



State Sen. Sal DiDomenico spoke to the workers on strike last weekend in the Everett location on the Parkway.



Stop & Shop Employees strike outside of the Everett location, including Daniela Catalan, Domenic Tulliani, Steven Mattera, and Larry Votour.



Everett Councilor Mike McLaughlin greeted Stop & Shop employees, Steve Gaskiewicz and Robert Benabed

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PLASTIC BAG BAN MAKES SENSE

There presently are 90 communities across the state that have banned the use of those ubiquitous single-use plastic bags that typically are found at check-out counters in all kinds of stores -- and which then typically end up strewn by the wind across our beaches and end up in our coastal waterways.

The Massachusetts legislature is considering a bill that would impose a state-wide ban, following the lead of Hawaii and California.

Environmental groups strongly support the ban, as does the Massachusetts Food Association, a trade group representing the supermarket and grocery store industry.

We also support a ban of these bags, which in our view represent the ultimate expression of our throw-away society that has proven so disastrous for our environment.

While these thin-film bags are recyclable on their own, they cannot be placed with other plastics because they literally will destroy the machines that process heavier plastics. (So if you are throwing these bags in with your plastic water bottles, you are doing more harm than good!)

However, looking at the larger picture, we are struck by this statistic: A full 32 percent of the 78 million tons of plastic packaging produced annually is left to flow into our oceans -- the equivalent of pouring one garbage truck of plastic into the ocean every minute.

Environmentalism is sort of like the weather: Everybody talks about it, but very few of us do anything about it. But each of us must take some degree of personal responsibility for making the planet a better place. The new Netflix series on the environment is sad and scary, both for the ecological damage that we already have caused all over the world and for the implications for the future.

One-use plastic bags certainly are convenient, but they are terrible for the environment. A ban on these bags will require each of us to bring a reusable bag for our shopping -- but that degree of inconvenience is a small, small price to pay for making our environment a better place.

TIGER'S MAGICAL WEEKEND OF REDEMPTION

We wish to state upfront that we are not golf fans.

But every now and then, there are moments in the realm of sports that transcend what is achieved on the playing field, ice, links, or court.

For example, the 1980 gold medal victory by the U.S. hockey team (captained by Winthrop's own Mike Eruzione), the 1967 Impossible Dream Boston Red Sox, Lou Gehrig's iconic speech at Yankee Stadium, and just about everything that Muhammad Ali accomplished readily comes to mind.

Such was the case this past weekend when Tiger Woods won the Masters golf tournament. After more than a decade of personal, physical (four back surgeries), and professional setbacks -- admittedly some self-inflicted -- Tiger's incredible, come-from-behind triumph spoke more about the human spirit than it did about golf. His victory was the ultimate redemption of a man who has achieved the greatest heights, but who had fallen to rock bottom.

When Tiger was embraced by his children and his mom after the last hole, we recalled a similar moment when he won his first Masters 22 years ago, with his late dad being present, when Tiger was a 21 year-old kid who destroyed the field by 12 strokes, still the record for margin of victory at the Masters.

But the close-ups of Tiger's face this weekend throughout the tournament revealed the visage of a middle-aged man, older and wiser, but no longer innocent -- and when he took off his cap at the end, his bald spots revealed that Tiger is not a kid anymore.

Tiger always has been a humble person and, despite his wealth and fame, has managed to put it all into perspective because of his modest upbringing and the adversity he faced because of his mixed race.

He did so once again in his post-victory interview. When he was asked how special it was for his mom to be there, he acknowledged that was true, but he quickly pointed out that he would not be where he is today without his mother, "because she was the one who packed me and my equipment into our Plymouth Duster and drove me for hours so I could play in tournaments when I was a youngster."

Those words truly touched us -- and we know we join not only with the sporting world, but with people of all backgrounds, in congratulating Tiger Woods on his greatest triumph -- which was about a lot more than winning a golf tournament.

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GUEST OP-ED

France's Faith, France's Loss

By Dr. Paul Kengor

Editor's note: This article first appeared at The American Spectator.

The image of the Cathedral of Notre Dame engulfed in flames will remain seared in memories. I was made aware of it when a student burst into my office shouting that the magnificent church was on fire. I was about to head into my Major European Governments course, where we read George Weigel's prescient work, *The Cube and the Cathedral*. The Cathedral in the book is Notre Dame.

As the ensuing minutes proceeded, the conflagration only worsened, captured by the cataclysmic moment when the towering spire collapsed. It took me back to watching the collapse of the World Trade Center tower on 9/11, though that was worse because you knew you were witnessing not just the death of a structure but a significant number of human beings.

With Notre Dame, we figured there was probably no one trapped inside. The fire proceeded slowly enough for people to get out—in fact, so slowly that I was surely one of countless millions watching on a computer, a TV, a phone, yelling in frustration: What are the French authorities doing? Can't they stop this? Meanwhile, the flames encroached upon the relics, the artifacts, the windows, the paintings, the irreplaceable—upon what is believed to be the actual crown of thorns of Christ. On Holy Week no less.

It was a feeling of helplessness. And in that sense, it was a frustration similar to what many of us have felt toward the French authorities for a long time, as they've eagerly embraced secularism and rejected the very Christian patrimony represented by the

Cathedral of Notre Dame. The burning cathedral, and the state's seeming inability to stop the blaze, seemed a harsh symbol of France's vanishing religious heritage.

Angela Merkel, one of the few European leaders unafraid of tradition, observed that Notre Dame is "a symbol of France and of our European culture." It certainly is. Its erection was just that, as was its survival through centuries of struggles, as is its smoldering now.

Hilaire Belloc said that "the faith is Europe and Europe is the faith." Well, the Christian faith is in worse shape in Europe than at any time since the first stones of Notre Dame were laid eight-and-a-half centuries ago. And in many respects, France has led the way in the aggressive secularization. Numerous glorious Parisian churches today stand mainly as tourist attractions.

Recall a defining moment at the turn of this new century. In the early 2000s, a battle raged within the European Union over whether to include a reference to God in the EU constitution. It was a natural acknowledgment, a critical reminder to Europeans of where their rights come from.

The God opponents were the predictable European progressives: leftist Eurocrats in Brussels, Labor Party atheists in Britain, German socialists, Scandinavians, and, of course, the French leadership. The God supporters included new EU member states that had escaped godless communism—with Poland in the forefront, along with Hungary and the Czech Republic—and the continent's preeminent religious figure: Pope John Paul II.

The pope, suffering from advanced Parkinson's, took up the fight with vigor. In the summer of 2003, he devoted a series of Sunday Angelus

addresses to this political issue that transcended politics. He made arguments akin to those made by the American Founding Fathers: It is crucial for citizens living under a constitution to understand the ultimate source from which their rights derive: their rights come not from government but God. What government gives, government can take away. What God gives, government cannot take away.

"European culture cannot be understood without referring back to Christianity," explained John Paul II. "Christianity is at the very roots of European culture." He said that "an explicit recognition of the Christian roots of Europe" would represent "the principal guarantee for the continent's future."

The pope was countered by French president Jacques Chirac, who sniffed: "France is a lay state, and as such she does not have a habit of calling for insertions of a religious nature into constitutional texts." The "lay character" of France's government and public institutions, according to Chirac, simply did "not allow" for a reference to God in a constitution.

Nope, no room for God, insisted the president of France in spearheading the continental revolt. It was predictable Jacques Chirac, who in retrospect seems like Joan of Arc compared to Francois Hollande or Emmanuel Macron. So goes France.

In the end, the EU compromised on a gutless statement grudgingly conceding the continent's "cultural, religious, and humanist inheritance." It was a nod to God that George Weigel described as "so bland as to be meaningless."

But, in an important way, it was not meaningless. It was sadly symbolic. Again, Belloc: "the faith is Europe and

Europe is the faith." Well, the state of the faith in much of Europe is in flames.

That brings us back to the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Anno Domini 2019, the day after Palm Sunday. We do not yet know what caused this tragic episode, nor whether the authorities and responders could have done a better job preventing the sickening level of destruction. Let me repeat: I don't know whether the authorities and responders could have done a better job. Maybe they did a great job. Maybe what was saved was spared because of its original architecture. I don't know.

Nonetheless, this seems, at the least, an undeniable symbol of France's loss of its Christian heritage and its failure to protect its Christian heritage. In this case, the pinnacle of its Christian heritage.

The Easter season is about hope, about a Redeemer who rises again. If there's a particular hope for Europe this Holy Week, it's that the Cathedral of Notre Dame will be resurrected. And yet, given the state of modern France, it's hard to be hopeful about what will replace it.

We can't go wrong placing our faith in the inspiration of that cathedral, but we will always find disappointment in the secular authorities who seek to replace it. The former stood strong for over 800 years; the latter will fail us again and again.

—Dr. Paul Kengor is professor of political science and executive director of The Center for Vision & Values at Grove City College. His latest book (April 2017) is *A Pope and a President: John Paul II, Ronald Reagan, and the Extraordinary Untold Story of the 20th Century*. He is also the author of *11 Principles of a Reagan Conservative*.

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English Learners program to expand as population continues to grow

By Seth Daniel

As the Everett Public Schools begin to craft their current year’s budget, one new emphasis has become the English Learners (EL) program and its expansion within the schools.

The new population coming into Everett, particularly Spanish speakers from El Salvador and Portuguese speakers from Brazil, have grown substantially and require more EL instruction – with the elementary program set to expand potentially to the Keverian School next year.

Anne Auger, director of EL for the district, told the School Committee this month that the population of EL students is growing, and they are a resilient group that has come to the city to learn.

“The largest numbers of our EL students are now in Pre-K to fourth grade,” she said. “Some 60 percent of our students speak a different language at school than they do at home. Most of our students are growing up bi-lingual or tri-lingual... We on a track to be about one-third EL in a year or two.”

Auger said the EL population in 2016-17 was 17 percent, and this year it has grown by 10 percent since then, to be at 27 percent.

The most common second language of instruction is Spanish, followed by Portuguese and Haitian Kreyol.

Auger said one of the transitions is to train most teachers in the Sheltered English Instruction (SEI), which allows EL students to be streamlined into the classroom rather than be removed for a separate English as a Second Language (ESL) class.

That is what was done in the past, but Auger said having teacher support in the classroom and a centralized director overseeing the program has been much better for students.

“We found that the old way was disjointed and ineffective rather than having them in a full inclusion model classroom all day,” she said. “We have enough ESL teachers to outfit the program at most of our schools and we are trying to expand.”

During the recent School Budget requests from the principals of the various

schools, that need for more EL teachers and staff was quite apparent. In virtually every presentation, school leaders indicated they needed to hire more EL teachers, and Everett High Principal Erick Naumann said he could envision having a director of EL just for the high school.

He said there are 430 EL students at Everett High, and 250 formerly EL students – for a total of 780. He said in all likelihood, there are probably more than 1,000 students at the high school who are EL or formerly EL.

At the Keverian School, Principal Alex Naumann indicated that they plan to expand the EL program to his school, joining the Lafayette School.

“Certainly right now EL opening at Keverian helps us alleviate a lot of issues,” he said, noting that he is requesting to hire five EL teachers next year. “Some 20 percent of our population are EL students and that number is increasing daily.”

Nearly every other school as well, including the Lafayette, the Parlin and the Whittier, requested new EL hires.

Assistant Supt. Charlie

Obremski said the population is increasing tremendously and more staff in necessary.

“That population is exploding,” he said. “We see it as something similar to Special Education in that it needs a dedicated department and dedicated staff. To be able to help these students, we’re going to have to hire a lot more staff.”

Added Assistant Supt. Kevin Shaw, “We’re not just educating the students, but we’re changing the philosophy of how we educate EL students...We’re looking to put these teachers in the classroom with the students. It’s essentially a co-teaching model that we’re looking at.”

Auger said one thing to keep in mind is that EL students and their families are particularly resilient.

“The resiliency of these students amazes me every day,” she said. “Many of them left family and have come here during their adolescent years. The ability to assimilate and do it with a smile is inspiring...Many of their parents have come here so they could be in a school district like Everett Public Schools.”

EHS Roundup

EHS softball team wins season-opener

The Everett High softball team opened its season with a 17-8 triumph over Melrose last Tuesday.

Junior Ariana Garay pitched all seven innings, allowing four earned runs and six hits, while striking out eight enemy batters, to earn the win.

The Lady Crimson Tide jumped out to an early lead with two runs in the top of the first. Sophomore Haley Oteri, who had reached third on a slap attempt which resulted in an overthrow at first base going into outfield, had the distinction of scoring the first EHS run of the season when she scored on a triple by senior Kaylee Nearen, whose three-bagger also brought in junior Veronica Bento, who had drawn a walk.

Although the Everett lead proved short-lived when Melrose scored three runs in its half of the inning on a three-run homer, the Lady Crimson Tide regained the advantage for good with a five-run outburst in the third.

A bases-loaded single by Maddy Duraes scored teammates Elizabeth Peach (who had singled) and Oteri (who had walked). Bento, who had reached base on a bunt single, scored on a ground-out by Maddy Smith, and Garay followed with a base hit that produced two more tallies, bringing in Duraes and Rachel Zullo (a courtesy runner for Nearen, who had walked).

After Bento made a nice defensive play at second base to put Melrose away for a scoreless-third, the Everett bats went back to work in the fourth to make it a 12-3. A two-run triple by Duraes, which brought in Oteri (who had single) and Bento (walk), was followed by another RBI-hit by Nearen. After Smith was hit by a pitch, a base hit by Garay scored Ashley Yebba (Nearen’s courtesy runner) and Smith eventually scored on a ground out.

The Lady Crimson Tide added to its margin in the fifth starting with a base hit by Peach and a walk to Oteri. Base hits by Bento to score Peach and by Nearen to score Oteri upped the count to 14-3. Garay then came through with another hit to deliver Ben to for a 15-3 Everett bulge.

continued her offensive onslaught with a hit that brought in Peach and

Melrose rallied for four runs in the sixth, but the Lady Crimson Tide sealed the deal with two more markers in the top of the seventh, with sophomore Macayla Bessler

“It was extremely cold and raw outside and it was only the second time being on dirt and real grass after practicing all spring on turf,” said EHS head coach Stacy Poste-Schiavo. “Coach (Jennifer) Nigro and I knew how cold the girls were, but they did an unbelievable job stepping up to the plate and making contact. Ariana did amazingly-well pitching. It is very hard to pitch

in these conditions, but she really did a great job and her defense backed her up when Melrose did make contact.”

Two days later the Lady Crimson Tide came up on the short end of a 6-4 decision to Latin Academy. After grabbing a 2-0 lead in the opening inning thanks to a pair of LA errors, Everett returned the favor with an error and a passed ball that deadlocked the contest at 2-2 after three frames.

The Lady Crimson Tide made some noise in the fourth to regain the advantage when Garay singled and scored on a triple by Smith, who herself scored on a ground-out. However, a pair of EHS errors in the bottom of the frame set the table for a three-run homer to make it a 5-4 contest. LA added an insurance marker in the fifth for the 6-4 finale.

Freshman Celeste Fuccillo, who pitched all six innings in her varsity debut, yielding just five hits and three earned runs while fanning five opponents and walking only one, deserved a better fate.

“This was not the team we know,” noted Poste-Schiavo afterwards. “We are so much more capable of hitting and we fell short of that. The errors we made cost us runs which is never good when the offense is not on. Celeste did a great job her first time pitching for the Crimson Tide.”

The Lady Crimson Tide’s contest with Revere on the holiday on Monday was washed out, but the game was rescheduled.

Busy week ahead for EHS baseball

The Everett High baseball team will have a busy stretch of four games in a nine-day period this coming week. Coach Joe Lento’s squad was washed out of its contest with Revere on Monday and was shooting to make that up yesterday (Tuesday).

The Crimson Tide will travel to Lynn Classical today (Wednesday) and make the short trek to Somerville next Monday before returning home to host Lynn english next Wednesday.

Lento’s crew opened the season with a 5-2 loss at non-league foe Winchester last Monday. Everett held a 2-1 lead going into the fifth inning thanks to RBI base hits by Brandon Gibbs (to score D.J. Warren) and captain Jonathan Fitzgerald (that brought in Mike Sullivan, who drawn a walk with two outs).

Senior left-hander Evan Mallard showed signs of dominance on the mound, fanning nine Winchester hitters and allowing only two hits on the day. However, six bases-on-balls proved costly, and that allowed Winchester to forge ahead in the fifth.

“Overall, we played well for a season-opener,” said Lento, “but we clearly have a number of things to work on.

“I was pleased with our play in the field,” added Lento, whose squad did not make any errors on the day, “but we ran into a good pitcher.”

EVERETT PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS

Create Your Own E-Mail! Shute Memorial Library Monday, April 22nd from 11-1 p.m.

Don’t have an email? Do you need one? Sign up for a one-on-session at the Shute Library where we will help you register for your own email account! Please call 617-394-2308 to schedule an appointment. Thirty minute appointments may be made on Mondays from 11-1 PM. This program is best suited for individuals 13 years of age or older. Appointments must be made and confirmed two days

in advanced. Please call us with any questions!

Help With Your Resume! Shute Memorial Library Monday, April 22nd from 11-1 p.m

Land that dream job! No resume? Need help sprucing up the old one? Sign up with your personal resume writing coach, by calling the Shute Library at 617-394-2308. Thirty minute appointments may be made on Mondays from 11-1 PM. This program is best suited for individuals who are 16 years of age or older. Before

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Week of April 22nd-25th, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m

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FROM THE MAYOR’S OFFICE

Everett awarded the Government Finance Officers Association’s Distinguished Budget Award for 3rd consecutive year

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce that for the third year in a row the City of Everett has been awarded the Government Finance Officers Association’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the city budget.

The award represents a significant achievement by the city. It reflects the DeMaria’s administration’s commitment to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the city fulfilled nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation.

Mayor DeMaria stated,

“This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement. We hope that our example will encourage others in their efforts to achieve and maintain an appropriate standard of excellence in financial reporting.”

The Government Finance Officers Association is a major professional association servicing the needs of more than 19,000 appointed and elected local, state, and provincial-level government officials and other finance practitioners. It provides top quality publications, training programs, services, and products designed to enhance the skills and performance of those responsible for government finance policy and management.

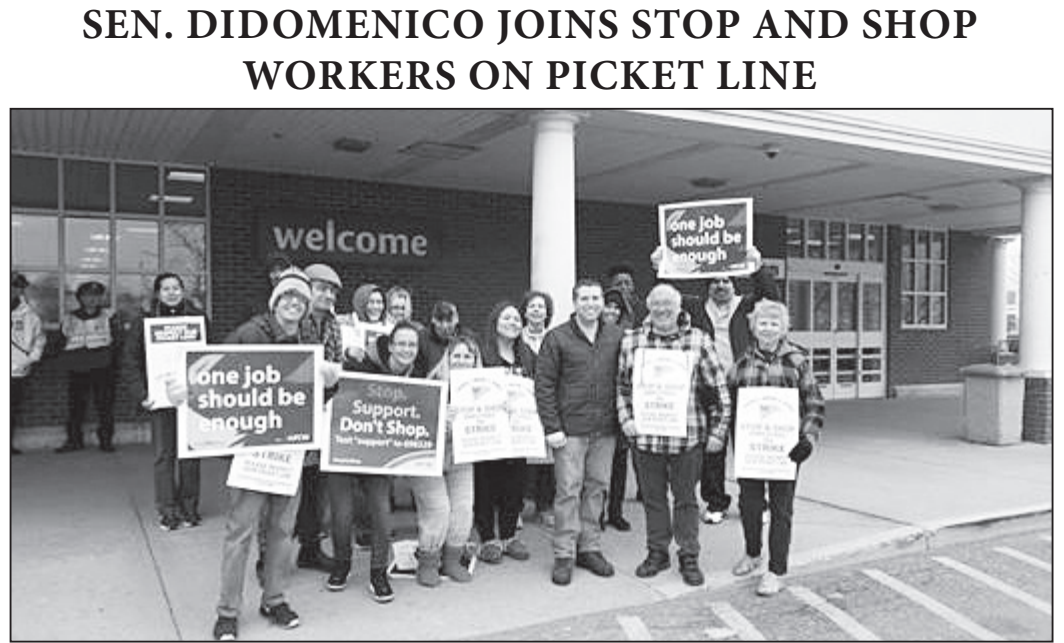
Looking to the future, Mayor DeMaria and his administration look to continue

to be recognized as a leading community in public financial management by practice and policy development. As an administration it is the Mayor’s goal to enhance and promote quality government management for the benefit of the residents and businesses in the City of Everett.

Applications available for Mayor DeMaria’s youth summer job program

The City of Everett is now accepting applications for Mayor Carlo DeMaria’s Summer Youth Job Program. Everett residents from ages 15 to 21 years of age who are seeking summer employment are encouraged to apply.

Working papers will be required if you are under the age of 18. Applicants will be



Sen. Sal DiDomenico recently joined Stop and Shop workers in the United Food and Commercial Workers Union 1445 in Everett and Revere on their picket lines in front of their stores. On April 12th, 31,000 Stop and Shop workers went on strike across New England for a fair wage, affordable and accessible healthcare, and a reliable retirement plan. “Once again, we have another corporate giant who refuses to treat it’s employees with dignity and respect,” said Sen. DiDomenico. “I have been a frequent shopper at Stop and Shop and I will no longer step foot in any of their stores until they come to a resolution with the union workers and provide them a fair contract. I am proud to support Stop and Shop workers in their fight for fair wages, affordable health care, and a dependable retirement, and I will continue to stand with them in this fight and urge everyone to respect their picket line.”

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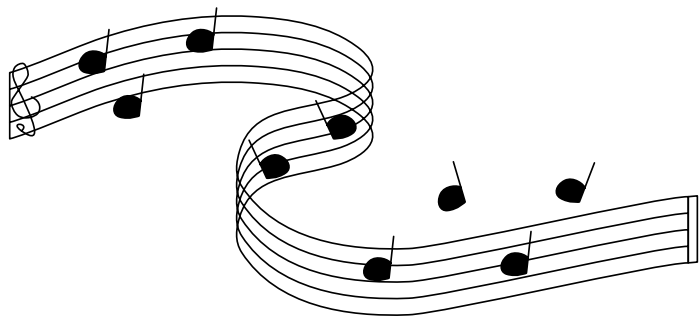
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EVERETT YOUTH ORCHESTRA PERFORMS TAKES TO THE STAGE

EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY STRING NIGHT

Photos by Katy Rogers

The Everett youth Orchestra performed at the Everett High School auditorium on Thursday evening, April 11, featuring students from kindergarten to grade three. The young students showed their discipline and skills, performing a number of musical pieces under the direction of Mr. Maciej Kaczmarek.



Students performed at Everett High School for string night on Thursday evening.



Young Allegro Players participated in string night at Everett High School.



Violin teacher, Mrs. Kaczmarek, performed along students during the annual Everett Public Schools Elementary String Night.



Young students, in kindergarten to third grade showed off their musical skills.



Second graders showed off their musical talents during Everett's string night.



Presto players performed in the string night on Thursday evening.



The Everett youth orchestra performed on Thursday evening.



Roasted Leg of American Lamb

Springtime Celebrations

FAMILY FEATURES

Spring is full of celebrations and rich traditions that bring the family around the table for special meals. A savory leg of lamb or a dish with succulent lamb loin chops is a delicious way to enjoy a flavorful meal, no matter the occasion.

American lamb pairs beautifully with a variety of wines. Wineries such as Kendall-Jackson have a wide selection of wines that bring out lamb's mild, meaty flavor and make it even more irresistible.

Tips for Roasting Lamb

- A bone-in leg of lamb cooks faster than a boneless leg of lamb. Use a good meat thermometer to determine doneness:
Rare 135°F
Medium Rare 145°F
Medium 160°F
- You can sear the lamb roast first in a hot 450°F oven for 15 minutes to seal in the juices and then reduce oven temp to 325°F and continue roasting for approximately 1 1/2 to 2 hours or until internal temperature reaches 5 to 10 degrees less than your desired temperature.
- Remove roast from oven and let rest for 20 minutes before serving. This allows the meat's juices to settle and make carving easier. (As the meat rests, the internal temperature will rise 5 to 10 degrees.)
- Carve the roast against the grain so the meat will be tender. A naturally tender cut like leg should be sliced about one half inch thick.

To order a free "Spring Celebrations American Lamb" cook booklet, visit www.americanlamb.com.

Choosing the Right Wine

- **COMPLEMENT.** Similarly flavored foods and wines complement each other.
Example: Citrus-based sauce and a lemony, lightly oaked Chardonnay (such as Kendall-Jackson Avant Chardonnay or Chablis from the Burgundy region of France).
Example: Mushrooms with the earthy flavors of Pinot Noir.
- **CONTRAST.** Contrasting flavors balance each other.
Example: Spicy foods and sweet wines, such as Thai food and an off-dry Riesling.
Example: Salty foods and crisp, high-acid wines such as Sauvignon Blanc or Champagne.
- **MATCH the TENOR.** Match a food's weight and intensity to similar elements in wine.
Example: Delicately flavored foods call for delicate varieties of wine, such as Pinot Gris or Sauvignon Blanc.
Example: Weighty textures and intense flavors are a better match for more powerful wines, such as matching herb-crusted roast lamb with a robust Syrah or Merlot.

To learn more about food and wine pairings, visit www.kj.com.



American Lamb Sandwich with Tzatziki Sauce — Fill warm flatbread or pita with sliced leftover leg of lamb, thinly sliced tomatoes and cucumbers and chilled tzatziki sauce.



Fresh Mint and Garlic Marinated Grilled American Lamb Loin Chops with Roasted Fingerling Potatoes and Green Beans

Roasted Leg of American Lamb

Serves 8
Serve with Kendall-Jackson Vintner's Reserve Merlot.

- 1 boneless leg of lamb, approximately 6 pounds
- For the marinade:**
 - 4 garlic cloves, smashed
 - 2 lemons, zested
 - 1/2 tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped
 - 1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper
 - 2 tablespoons dried oregano
 - 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary, chopped
 - 1 bunch parsley, chopped
 - 1 cup olive oil
 - 1/4 cup kosher salt

In small bowl, combine all ingredients. Rub mixture on leg of lamb. Cover with plastic wrap and marinate overnight.

Bring lamb to room temperature and sprinkle with salt. Preheat the oven to 375°F. Roast for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until a thermometer inserted into center of leg reads 125°F to 130°F. Cover loosely with aluminum foil and allow to rest for 20 minutes.

Fresh Mint and Garlic Marinated Grilled American Lamb Loin Chops with Roasted Fingerling Potatoes and Green Beans

- Serves 4
Serve with Kendall-Jackson Vintner's Reserve Syrah.
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1 shallot, minced
 - 1/2 bunch parsley leaves, chopped
 - 1/2 bunch mint leaves, chopped
 - 1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
 - 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
 - 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
 - 1 teaspoon black pepper
 - 8 lamb loin chops

In bowl, add garlic, shallot, herbs, olive oil, vinegar, salt and pepper. Whisk to combine.

Place lamb chops into a bowl and add 3/4 cup of marinade (reserve remaining marinade for sauce). Mix to coat thoroughly. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Grill lamb to desired temperature (medium-rare is recommended). Remove from heat and allow the lamb chops to rest for 5 minutes. Drizzle chops with the reserved mint and garlic sauce. Serve with roasted potatoes and green beans.

American Lamb Sandwich with Tzatziki Sauce

- Leftover roasted leg of lamb
- For tzatziki sauce:**
- 1/2 English cucumber, peeled, cut in half and seeded
 - 1 tablespoon fresh dill
 - 2 tablespoons fresh mint
 - 8 ounces Greek yogurt
 - 3 garlic cloves, minced
 - 1/2 lemon, juiced
 - Kosher salt
 - Freshly ground black pepper

Grate cucumber with a box grater. Place grated cucumber in a strainer, sprinkle with salt and allow to drain for 20 minutes.

In a bowl, add dill, mint, yogurt, garlic and lemon juice. Squeeze as much liquid from cucumber as possible and add cucumber to the yogurt. Mix well and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

To serve: Fill warm flatbread or pita with sliced leftover leg of lamb, thinly sliced tomatoes and cucumbers and chilled tzatziki sauce.

- For potatoes:**
- 1/4 cup olive oil, divided
 - 1 1/2 pounds fingerling potatoes, cut in half lengthwise
 - 4 garlic cloves, crushed
 - 1 teaspoon fresh thyme, chopped
 - 1 tablespoon kosher salt
 - 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Place a sheet pan in the oven and preheat to 425°F.

In a bowl, combine 1/8 cup of olive oil and remaining ingredients. Toss to coat potatoes.

Pour 1/8 cup olive oil onto hot sheet pan and allow to heat for 1 minute. Place potatoes onto hot sheet pan and roast for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Serve immediately.

- For green beans:**
- Kosher salt
 - 1/2 pound green beans, stems removed
 - 1 tablespoon butter
 - Freshly ground black pepper

In large pot, add 1 tablespoon salt and 2 quarts water; bring to a boil. Add green beans and cook until tender, approximately 4 minutes.

Remove beans from water, place into bowl with butter and toss to coat. Salt and pepper to taste. Serve immediately.

LAFAYETTE SCHOOL CELEBRATES THE RED SOX HOME OPENING DAY

The Lafayette School celebrated the Red Sox on Tuesday afternoon, April 9, in honor of the home opening day. After school, kids enjoyed an array of baseball-themed activities in the cafeteria, from arts, crafts, games, and sports-themed food.



Cecia Troches enjoyed a cupcake decorated to look like a baseball.



Guerline Exume and her daughter, Naima Tum, created baseball-themed crafts.



Emanuelle Martins and Rubi Sepulveda created a Red Sox frame at the Lafayette School.



Luiza Pereira and Sophia Melo enjoyed some baseball-themed treats at the Lafayette School on Tuesday afternoon.



Mendel Jones covered a hot dog in ketchup to celebrate Red Sox home opening day April 9.



Emilia Maria-Babcock joined her friend Alanna O'Brien to celebrate the Red Sox 2019 season.



Natalia Morello sported a Red Sox jersey while coloring baseball pictures after school on Tuesday.



Teacher Beth Barrett helped Riley Sandler apply a temporary tattoo.



Yago Santos helped his mom, Isabel, create a baseball-themed beaded necklace at the Lafayette School on Tuesday afternoon.

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CITY OF EVERETT HOSTS ANNUAL SPRING FLING

PHOTOS BY KATY ROGERS

The City of Everett hosted its annual Spring Fling in time for Easter on Wednesday afternoon, April 10, at the Connolly Center. Kids of all ages enjoyed a petting zoo, live music, balloon animals, bunny ears, and a visit from the Easter bunny himself.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria joined in with his daughter, Alex.



Ciera Brown made her singing debut at the Connolly Center.



Maggie Neff monitored the petting zoo, where children had the opportunity to greet baby farm animals.



Samantha Hurley and Erica Saviuk of the Girl Scouts greeted children at the Spring Fling, offering Easter coloring activities.



Daisy Wu took in the sights at the Connolly Center while being held by her father, Aries.



Mayor Carlo DeMaria was joined by his daughter, Alex, for some springtime fun.



Jeannie Mack entertained the crowd with children's songs and games.



Mary the Fairy joined children for dancing and fun during the Spring Fling.



Jhulye Mesquita enjoyed entertainment at the Connolly Center.



Anita Adhukari, Ann Khanal, Anthoid Khanal, and Reedam Pokharel said hello to the Easter Bunny.

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Getting Out

Nature’s Nation: American art and environment artistically packs a potent message

By Sheila Barth

Peabody Essex Museum’s newest exhibit containing several rooms of at least 100 paintings, portraits, drawings, sculptures, photographs, lithographs, and an occasional video, isn’t merely a collection of magnificent photography and artistry.

Besides showcasing landscape masterpieces and rare works by American artists John James Audubon, Albert Bierstadt, Thomas Cole, Winslow Homer, Andrew Wyeth, Georgia O’Keeffe and several others, It’s much more.

“Nature’s Nation: American Art and Environment,” also packs a vital, walloping warning to mankind.

For the first time, this collection of primarily 18th century to present day artworks highlights how Americans and Native American artists reflect our understanding of the environment this past 300 years and more. It also coincides with reports from the United Nations and the White House, indicating man’s activities and their dangerous impact on climate change and the environment, threatening severe risk to human-created and natural systems.



Besides masterpieces evoking “ooohs” and “aaahs,” the exhibit features more than 400 years of man’s relationship to nature and our environment. With contrasting wonder, we admire our country’s magnificent landscape beauty, while conversely marking man’s destruction, overuse, pollution, devastation, and eradication of natural resources through mining, railroad construction, and more.

Unless we vigorously continue to protect our land, environment, water sources, air and seas, the Earth could devolve into an arid wasteland.

At the exhibit’s entrance, we’re greeted with “Repellent Fence/Valla Repelente,” a big, bright, yellow balloon-type structure with a huge eye, or “scare eye,” peering at us. It’s part of an indigenous artist collective Postcommodity, that includes 26 tethered balloons located along two miles that crosses the US-Mexico border. The graphic is supposed to repel wildlife from the property,

but from aloft, the “eye” enables us to “see” land, communities and ecosystems connected as a whole.

Peabody Essex Museum also includes around 12 of its Native American art collection, indicative of man’s interaction and use of his nature.

A Pennacook artist’s crudely carved, 16th century, statuette of a bear made of basalt is encased in glass; a magnificent, fringed blanket by Tlingit artist Chilkat adorns a wall, symbolizing man’s connection to nature; while American artist Alexandre Hogue’s prophetic oil on canvas painting, 1939 “Crucified Land,” depicting a tilted, “crucified” dark scarecrow and dried-up furrows, startlingly depict over-farming during the Dust Bowl Era.

Also prophesying devastation is Robert Smithson’s black-and-white depiction of the massive, whorled Bingham Copper Mining Pit, Utah Reclamation Project, 1973; while Joseph Lowne’s silver urn is subtle marker of ore mining’s havoc on the environment.

Georgia O’Keeffe’s 1929, dark-hued, abstract painting, oil on canvas, “The Lawrence

BOX OFFICE

New exhibit of artworks from nationwide museum and private collections, primarily 18th century-today, organized by Princeton University Art Museum, displayed through May 5, at Peabody Essex Museum, 161 Essex St., East India Square, Salem. Open Tuesdays-Sundays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Mondays. \$20; seniors, \$18; students, \$12; members, youth 16-under, Salem residents, free. 866-745-1876, pem.org.

Tree” is eye-catching and provocative, too.

Albert Bierstadt painting on canvas of Yosemite National Park’s majestic Bridal Veil Falls, is contrasted, side-by-side, by Valerie Hegarty’s tilted, tattered and torn “Fallen Bierstadt, 2007”.

Ansel Adams captures the West’s grandeur with his black and white photography; John James Audubon brilliantly paints his beloved birds; and Thomas Moran’s sweeping, natural-hued paintings of Yellowstone National Park and other natural treasured landscapes lure visitors to these breathtaking sites.

George Wesley Bellows’ 1913 “Cliff Dwellers” oil-on-canvas painting, doesn’t depict Native Americans inhabit-

ing majestic heights. Instead, tenements with clotheslines of drying laundry hang over crowds of people milling in city streets.

Another element is here, too - the danger of creating art with potentially deadly materials. Morris Louis’ abstract work using acrylic paint and turpentine probably contributed to his early death in 1962 of lung cancer at age 49 because of turpentine’s toxic fumes. Turpentine manufacturing also stripped forests and endangered the health of low-paid workers.

More than ever, this exhibit forces us to look into the mirror, realize our complicity in destroying our planet, and willingness to conserve and protect it.

Chelsea Apollinaire Theatre makes music, laughter, mystery, and the occult in ‘The Strange Undoing of Prudencia Hart’

By Sheila Barth

The atmosphere is festive, electric, as we enter Apollinaire Theater Company’s lobby. Were quickly relegated inside the theater, where some theatergoers are seated at tables on the stage floor. We’re in seats, nearby.

Sporting a Scottish accent in this Scottish pub-musical theater atmosphere, Boston-Apollinaire standout actor-director Brooks Reeves warmly circulates among us, chatting. He has instructions for us, too.

When he signals our group, we’re to shout out, “What the devil, Kaylie!”

The production is totally

interactive. Individual theatergoers perform simple tasks, and the cast chats frequently with individuals, oftentimes making eye-contact, standing nearby or running through theatergoers’ rows, keeping everyone alert.

Obviously, this two-act, two-hour production of David Greig’s highly audience-interactive, rollicking award-winning play, “The Strange Undoing of Prudencia Hart,” isn’t a typical musical, comedy or drama. It’s a fun fest, with the group playing music and singing throughout the play, laced with Scottish ditties, inescapable supernatural overtones, mystery, and allure.

Theatergoers are instant-

ly swept into the beer-sloshing, sing-along communal camaraderie. Boston-area music-sound director David Reiffel shines his spotlight on these individuals as they continue their tale, transforming the nine-strong musician-actors into a Greek ensemble.

’Tis a dark, scary one, indeed.

The first act is noisy, with kitchen-style musicians-narrators popping up here and there. Besides a literary competition, Prudencia’s evening devolves into a debauched orgy, horrifying her and us, too.

Brilliant, uptight 28-year-old single academic, Prudencia Hart, of Edinburgh, sets off for Kelso, Scotland, in the

Scottish Borders, to attend an academic conference there. Also attending is her literary adversary, Colin Syme, riding his human-formed motorcycle there. He has a hidden goal. Colin hopes to romance the bookish Prudencia.

She doesn’t waver from her academic goal, though. She’s an ardent researcher of Sir Walter Scott and an “expert” on “the topography of Hell” in literature. She’s also unaware she may come closer than comfortable to the devil and his lair.

As Prudencia is ensnared in a raucous, drug-and-liquor fueled karaoke experience, she runs out out, into the snow-driven, cold, to get away.

Searching for her car in a parking lot, she realizes it’s buried under three feet of snow. Colin’s motorcycle is, too. Creating credibility here, patrons seated on the stage floor are showered with man-made snow.

Spooky, spectral encounters are afoot, too.

Prudencia and Colin can’t return home, so he tries to find a reasonably priced B&B.

BOX OFFICE

Two-hour , two-act play by accomplished, award-winning playwright David Greig. Pre-show musical interlude, post-show reception with the cast, through May 4; Friday-Sunday, 8 p.m., April 28, at 3 p.m., Apollinaire Theatre Company of Chelsea Theatre Works, 189 Winnisimmet St., Chelsea: \$30; seniors, \$25; students, \$15. 617-887-2336, apollinairetheatre.com.

Luckily -for him-Colin finds a place with only one room left, indicating he and Prudencia must share that room. Colin’s plan is foiled when a soft-spoken, kindly young man lures Prudencia into staying at his nearby B&B instead. He has a well-stocked library, he coos. And it’s located next to the Costco parking lot!

Surprisingly, the second act is lower-keyed. Gone are the raucous revelers, debauchers, and Prudencia’s taunters. Our heroine is in the devil’s grasp, but he’s not the Faustian, frightening, horned, goat-faced, hooved creature. He’s good-looking, mod, soft-spoken and..... lonely.

Portraying the devil, Keith Foster is a textbook, unloved, unwanted creature. He lights

up the stage in emotionally charged scenes with talented Apollinaire favorite Becca A. Lewis (Prudencia). What’s going to happen? Is Prudencia really dead and doomed to spend eternity with the devil? Can she enlighten him? Does Colin take an heroic stand to rescue and recapture Prudencia?

The fun tug-of-war and heart-tugging fable will lure you in, too.

Besides Reeves, Foster and Lewis, this talented cast, helmed by Apollinaire’s adventurous, award-winning artistic director, Danielle Fauteux Jacques, includes: Ann Carpenter, Christie Lee Gibson, Francis Xavier Norton, Kody Grassett, Erica Risti, and Slava Tchoul.

AROUND THE CITY

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CAROLINE OR CHANGE

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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Belgrade resident
- 5 Pieces for two
- 10 Actor Omar
- 14 Lotion additive
- 15 Retract one’s words
- 16 Short-tailed rodent
- 17 TV antenna
- 19 Gannon University city
- 20 Shoe part
- 21 At the trial stage
- 23 Plunking sound
- 25 Boar’s mate
- 26 Former draft org.
- 27 Author Fleming
- 30 Tallow base
- 32 Neeson of “Schindler’s List”
- 34 Bumpkin
- 36 Robert Louis and Teofilo
- 40 Facilitates
- 42 Anger
- 43 Outfit for C. Yeager
- 44 Nonconductor
- 47 Needle case
- 48 Pink baby?
- 49 Pub offerings
- 51 That woman
- 52 Costello or Ferrigno
- 54 State off.
- 56 Vegas machine
- 58 World of scholars
- 61 Acted high and mighty
- 65 Actress Theda
- 66 Detective
- 68 Automobile pioneer
- 69 Moray catcher
- 70 Farm measure
- 71 Reckless
- 72 Prescribed amounts
- 73 Accomplishes

DOWN

- 1 Rani’s garb
- 2 Verve
- 3 Steals
- 4 Jazz style
- 5 Obedient
- 6 Nice one?
- 7 Isaac’s eldest
- 8 Mountain lakes
- 9 Heart contraction
- 10 Holiday preludes
- 11 New Hampshire city
- 12 Layers
- 13 Burpee purchase
- 18 Afflictions
- 22 J.R. of “Dallas”
- 24 Little in Lille
- 27 Chilled
- 28 Jai ____
- 29 Middle linemen
- 31 ____ cotta
- 33 African fox
- 35 Where heroes are made?
- 37 Face coverings
- 38 New Zealand island territory
- 39 Be up and about
- 41 Suit material
- 45 Walked heavily and noisily
- 46 Basements
- 50 Chimney dirt
- 52 Toil
- 53 Central Florida city
- 55 Small, green bird

57 Tire pattern

59 Short race

60 Is not well

62 Art ____

63 Bronte novel, “Jane ____”

64 Barely passing grades

67 Victory sign

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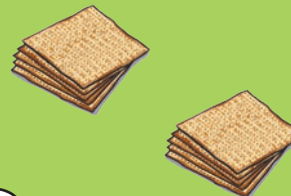
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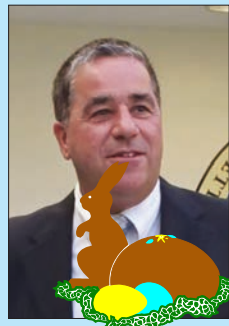
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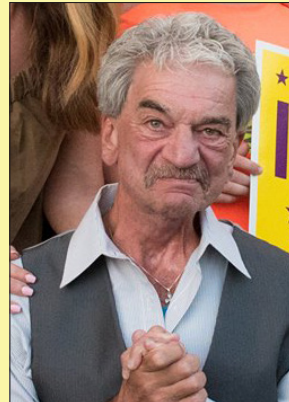
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

SEARCH COMMITTEE
NARROWS FIELD

CHELSEA - The Chelsea School Committee announced that the Superintendent Search Screening Committee (Screening Committee) has forwarded the names of three finalists for the Superintendent of Schools vacancy for consideration.

After the application deadline of March 15, 2019, eighteen applications were forwarded to the Screening Committee and on March 25, after a thorough review of the written application materials, the Screening Committee met and engaged in an extended discussion of each candidate, ultimately reaching consensus to invite seven candidates in for an interview. All candidates accepted the invitation and were interviewed during the evenings of April 1, 2 and 3.

The 13 members of the Screening Committee reached unanimous agreement and forwarded the following three educators for consideration as the next superintendent of the Chelsea Public Schools (in last name alphabetical order).

•Almudena (Almi) G. Abeyta

Dr. Almi Abeyta is currently the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for the Somerville Public Schools. She was a kindergarten teacher in Albuquerque, New Mexico for seven years and was the Principal of the Donald McKay K-8 School in East Boston for four years prior to assuming a role as the Assistant Academic Superintendent for Middle and K-8 schools in the Boston Public Schools for two and a half years. Dr. Abeyta then served as the Deputy Superintendent for Teaching and Learning in the Santa Fe New Mexico Public Schools for five years and in July 2017 she began her role as the Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Somerville. Dr. Abeyta has a Bachelor of Arts, Communication, and Journalism from the University of New Mexico, two Master's degrees from the Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE) in School Leadership and Education Policy and Management, and a Doctor of Education from HGSE in the Urban Superintendents Program.

•Ligia B. Noriega-Murphy
Ligia Noriega-Murphy is currently the Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools in the Boston Public Schools. Ms. Noriega-Murphy was a Spanish teacher for three years at the Donald McKay Middle School in Boston. She then was a founding faculty member and chair of the world languages department at the Boston Arts Academy for five years. In 2004 she became the Headmaster at Excel High School in South Boston and served in that role for six years before becoming the Assistant Academic Superintendent for High Schools. In 2012 she was an Assistant Superintendent on Assignment as the Headmaster of The English High School in Boston, where she served for five years. Ms. Noriega-Murphy has a Bachelor of Arts in Art History from UMass Boston, a Master's degree in Management from Cambridge College, and a Certificate of Graduate Study in Education Leadership from UMass Boston.

•Anthony A. Parker

Anthony Parker is currently the Principal at Weston High School, where he has served in that role for the past thirteen years. After several years as a journalist, Mr. Parker was a high school history teacher in the Newton Public Schools for 13 years (at Newton South and Newton North High Schools). From 2000-2006 he served as a Housemaster at Newton North High School, prior to his move to Weston. He also has been a Massachusetts Education Policy Fellow at the Rennie Center for Education Research and Policy in Boston. Mr. Parker has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology-Anthropology from Earlham College, a Master's degree in Teaching and Curriculum from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and has additional graduate studies at Boston College.

The school community will have the opportunity to meet these finalists when they visit Chelsea during the week of April 29 and to attend the School Committee interviews with the finalists during the week of May 6. The schedule of these district visits and School Committee interviews

will be communicated when it is finalized.

The Chelsea School Committee said they would like to especially thank the members of the Screening Committee for their dedication and commitment to this search process.

The Screening Committee met on five different evenings to prepare, review, interview, debate, deliberate and decide on the finalists presented to the Chelsea School Committee. Each member played a key role in ensuring that all individual members were listened to and their perspective considered. Those members were Jeanette Velez, Priti Johari, Monica Lamboy, Peter Pappavaseli, Margo DiBiasio, Anibal Santiago, Lisa Lineweaver, Tom Ambrosino, Louise Campanella, Kathryn Anderson, Ilana Ascher, Angelica Bachour, and Marisol Santiago.

The Screening Committee was assisted in this process by search consultants from the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management at UMass Boston.

LOOKING TO SAVE
MONEY ON WATER
AND SEWER

CHELSEA - The City could soon be running its own Water and Sewer Department within the Department of Public Works.

Currently, Chelsea outsources those water, sewer, and drainage services to R.H. White Construction Company as part of a 10-year contract set to expire on July 21, 2022.

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is asking the City Council to consider an early termination of that contract, allowing the City to get a jump on establishing its own Water and Sewer Division under the DPW. While there will be initial start-up costs and ongoing personnel costs, Ambrosino said Chelsea will ultimately save about \$350,000 per year.

Ambrosino is requesting the City pay an early termination fee for the contract with R.H. White in order to get the City Water and Sewer division operable by July of 2020.

"The DPW leadership and I recommend that we meet in subcommittee to go over (an informational spreadsheet)

DOUBLE OVERTIME WIN



Adrianna Molina drives down the court for the Bulldogs on Friday night, April 5, during the CYBL Championships. The Bulldogs beat the Tigers in a thrilling, double overtime win, 32-30. After the win, excited young players hoisted the trophy high into the air.

and work plan in detail," Ambrosino stated in a letter to the City Council. "This will allow the Council to understand fully why we believe we can perform these services not only cheaper, but at a higher quality, and with more resources, than we currently achieve with the RH White annual contract."

The upfront costs of the water and sewer transition prior to July of 2020 include the purchase of new vehicles and equipment and the hiring of seven employees to make sure the department is prepared to take full control of the water and sewer system on the date.

The total additional Fiscal Year 2020 costs are just over \$1.5 million, according to the City Manager.

"The capital costs are obvious one-time expenditures," said Ambrosino. "But the add-

ed personnel costs in FY20 are also one-time expenses. All of these personnel costs will be covered by the \$1.784 million saved on the annual RH White contract starting in FY21 when the contract is terminated."

Ambrosino recommended that all the one-time costs be paid for through the retained earnings in the City's Water and Sewer Enterprise System, the equivalent of free cash in the general government budget.

"In other business at Monday night's City Council meeting, Ambrosino asked the Council to consider a plan for municipal electric aggregation.

"Because municipal electric aggregation has the potential of providing more stable and lower prices and utilizing more renewable energy sources,

over 140 municipalities in Massachusetts have taken advantage of this program," Ambrosino said.

"The City Manager also told the council that the City will seek competitive bids for Chelsea towing work beginning in Fiscal Year 2020, which begins on July 1.

Although Ambrosino said towing work is exempt from state bidding laws, the City will seek bids for the work in response to a recent City Council order by District 6 Councillor Giovanni Recupero.

"There is some work required to prepare a (request for proposals) and evaluate responses," said Ambrosino. "For this reason, the Purchasing Agent believes he will have a new contract for towing work by July 1."

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Joint Committee elects Cardello
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ing services in place no later than September 1, 2019.”

TRAFFIC GRIDLOCK CAUSES CONCERN

EAST BOSTON -The recent gridlock due to an accident in the Summer Tunnel and subsequent traffic due to a truck rollover south of the Tobin Bridge has elected officials and residents agreeing that something needs to be done soon because the traffic is causing a public safety hazard.

“Eastie experienced two major traffic backups during the morning commute,” said Rep. Adrian Madaro. “A traffic accident in the Sumner Tunnel and an overturned truck on the Tobin Bridge led to hours of gridlock and delays. Frequent incidents like these have left me extremely frustrated, but also determined to find a solution.”

Madaro said these issues are evidence of the fragility of the region’s transportation infrastructure.

“One accident cripples an entire system for hours, affecting thousands of commuters and residents and creating a public safety hazard,” said Madaro. “MassDOT must work to address these problems. We need a stronger system designed to handle current commuter levels, and one that seeks to decrease congestion by emphasizing multiple modes of transportation, such as bus lanes, improved Blue Line service, and water transportation.”

Madaro said he has introduced legislation with Sen. Joe Boncore to provide more transportation funding, reduce the recent surge of ride-hailing congestion, and encourage alternative means of transportation.

“I am committed to continuing to work on this until East Boston and our neighbors have the solutions we need,” he said.

However, longtime Eastie residents like Nicole DaSilva, who went live on Facebook documenting the traffic on her street, said the thought of an emergency and the inability for emergency vehicles to get around makes her very scared.

DaSilva video taped the traffic on Saratoga Street that stretched block after block. Her street was basically a parking lot. She mentioned how right across the street from her home in the 1980s three houses went up in flames and wondered how the fire department would get to a similar emergency during the morning commute.

During her Facebook live feed DaSilva showed how it would be virtually impossible for cars that were stuck in the traffic to move over for emergency vehicles. Given the state of traffic in Eastie during the morning commute and the fact Saratoga Street is one lane with resident parking on both sides DaSilva argued that a fire on any stretch of her street would be a disaster.

“Residents can’t get off of streets like Saratoga, Brooks, and London in the event of an emergency,” said DaSilva. “We’ve seen how quickly fires can destroy homes and lives. How do we expect Boston Fire to get where they need to be if they cannot get down a street? If someone is sick and in need of immediate emergency services, how does an ambulance get to where they need to be? These aren’t highways. These are narrow streets, with houses that are connected. Our seniors, babies, and people with disabilities are at even greater risk.”

DaSilva added, “Streets like Saratoga from Prescott down to Marion are not wide enough for cars to pull over to let first responders go by and have been at a complete standstill far too many times recently.”

DaSilva said traffic like the kind the neighborhood experienced last Monday and Friday put Eastie families and neighbors at great risk in the event that a fire, illness, or other dangerous event happen to occur at the same time as the gridlock.

“We often discuss what we should do to slow drivers down from speeding, to increase the number of crosswalks, and to keep pedestrians and bikers safe,” she said. “We need a plan in place to protect us when our streets become a standstill before something devastating happens.

Boston Police use their resources to help as much as they can and I truly appreciate them, but they can only do so much.”

OFFICIALS BAN PLASTIC BAGS

EAST BOSTON -The Board of Health voted 2-0 to ban single-use plastic bags during its monthly meeting last week. The new ordinance goes into effect Sept. 1, not July 1 as originally planned. The longer time period allows merchants time to use up their inventory of plastic bags before purchasing paper.

“The benefit of the bag does not outweigh the damage it does,” said Chairman of the Board Ronald Dupui, who voted in favor of the ban along with Dr. John Steriti. Member Michael Dewan was absent.

Lending their support of the ban was a group called Beach Sisters, a collaboration between Northeastern University Marine Science Center and Girls Inc. Those speaking cited the need to combat litter and protect marine animals from the harm of plastic.

It was noted that State Rep. Lori Ehrlich has proposed a state-wide ban on single-use plastic bags,

Under the ordinance, shoppers will get a brown paper bag or have to bring their own re-useable bag. Lynn joins its neighboring communities in a ban of plastic bages as well as 96 others throughout the state.

RIZZO ANNOUNCES

CANDIDACY FOR MAYOR

REVERE - It wasn’t your traditional scene for a major political announcement – with Irish step dancing before and a corned beef and cabbage dinner after – but Councilor-at-Large Dan Rizzo made his intentions known for the 2019 election at the packed Beachmont V.F.W. Hall on April 4..

Rizzo announced he will be a candidate for mayor in the election during his annual St. Patrick’s Day fundraiser. He previously served one term as mayor and lost a close election to current Mayor Brian Arrigo in Nov. 2015. Rizzo returned to the City Council after topping the ticket in the 2017 election.

Former Ward 2 Councilor John Perez traveled from Florida to introduce Rizzo to the many people who packed the large hall.

“It’s a real honor to be here tonight,” said Perez. “All of you are here tonight for Dan Rizzo. He’s a regular guy who works for all of us. He’s a very special man in politics. One of the proudest votes I ever made on the city council, a vote that had such a ripple effect to the future of this city, was to vote for Dan Rizzo to become a member of the City Council.”

Perez cleverly maintained the suspense of the imminent announcement, telling Rizzo supporters only to “grab a bumper sticker and spread the word.”

Rizzo received a raucous ovation as he walked to the microphone.

“Hello everybody. Thank you all so much for being here,” began Rizzo.

Looking out at “so many longtime friends and supporters, people who have been there with me through thick and thin, Rizzo said, “We have done such great things over these last 20 years.”

Rizzo noted the many improvements to the Revere business district (Broadway). “Now when you drive through our central business district, you see a street with brand new lighting, brand new sidewalks, new storefronts, flags, flowers – it’s a place that I thought that we can all be proud of.”

Rizzo spoke his efforts during the school building program that brought the new Hill Elementary School on Park Avenue.

“We invested in playgrounds, we invested in parks, three new Little League fields. We invested in a brand-new Harry Della Russo Stadium.”

Rizzo said he and his supporters have enjoyed some great election-night victories. “And then we had some that I like to call do-overs.”

And then in a moment that many of his supporters had anticipated, the popular councilor-at-large said, “And so tonight, I’m going to tell you something – we’re going to have a do-over.

“Tonight, I want to let all of you know that Revere’s best days are yet to come, and

I know how to get us there. And I am announcing my candidacy for mayor this coming November.”

Rizzo has been understandably pleased with the enormous show of support at the fundraiser and in the days following the event.

“People have been extremely receptive since we announced,” said Rizzo. “People have seen what has been transpiring across the city over the last three-and-a-half years and they know they have a clear choice in this election and there are certainly distinct differences, and I plan on highlighting those difference over the next six or seven months.”

MCKENNA FED UP WITH NATIONAL GRID’S INACTION

REVERE - Ward 1 Councilor Joanne McKenna wants the street lights – 17 to be precise – fixed in her ward and it appears she will finally get some answers after pressing National Grid for action at last week’s Council meeting.

“I can tell you that I’m going to look in to this tomorrow (Tuesday) and find out,” said Daniel A. Cameron, manager of community and customer management at National Grid, in an interview following McKenna’s scathing remarks at the meeting. “I will reach out to Councilor McKenna as well because it sounds like maybe the information isn’t getting to the right channels.

“Certainly if there are 17 lights out, that are National Grid’s responsibility, we will get on that and take care of it right away,” added Cameron.

McKenna, known for her effective, workmanlike approach to issues in her ward during her time on the Council, said some of the lights have been non-functioning for a number of years.

“I gave Dan Cameron the list the last time he was here,” said McKenna. “He copied the list and nothing has been done.”

McKenna said the unlit areas create a serious safety hazard for pedestrians.

“Most of these streetlights are abutting large crosswalks that pedestrians use,” said McKenna. “And the lights are out. Tomasello Drive is out. The Exxon station is out. The site of the tragedy (on Route 145), the lights are out. There are five lights out on the Rita Singer Bridge. There are residents walking over that bridge, and it’s total darkness. There are 17 lights in a mile’s radius that have been out for a long time.”

During her interaction with Cameron at the meeting, McKenna stated her frustration over National Grid’s inaction over the past four years.

“No offense to you, respectfully, but every time National Grid is here, my blood boils because nothing gets done,” said McKenna.

The Ward 1 councillor said after the meeting that she has been fighting for repairs for a

long time.

“I’ve been fighting for this – and nothing’s getting done,” said McKenna. “And you can ask Councilor Novoselsky the same question and he’ll tell you that he’s been working on the lights since before I was a councillor.”

TWO-ALARM FIRE IN WINTHROP

WINTHROP - Careless disposal of smoking material was the cause of the two-alarm blaze at 155 Pauline St., on April 3, causing more than \$250,000 in damages to a single-family home.

Fire Chief Paul Flanagan said numerous calls came in to regional dispatch at 8:56 p.m. reporting a building fire on multiple different streets, due to people’s confusion over the volume of smoke in the area. It was soon determined that the fire was at 155 Pauline St.

“Upon arrival the entire back of the building, of a two-family home was fully involved and fire had entered the attic,” Flanagan said. “The fire originated on the back porch which was new and constructed of plastic decking. The northwest winds were also a factor.”

During the fire winds were between 30-35 mph and gust-ed at times over 40 mph.

“It was the wind that forced the fire up and over the building and into the attic,” Flanagan said.

Fire department crews went in and knocked the fire down. There was also a car on fire in the driveway.

There were no serious injuries. One police officer assisted a woman out of the first floor who was trying to rescue her pets. They were treated for smoke inhalation.

Fire crews from MassPort, Chelsea, Boston and Revere. The state fire marshal assisted in the investigation for cause of origin.

The home is owned by Chris and Cheryl Wolsesley. Four people were displaced due to the fire. Their two dogs Ted and Stanley and a cat were fine.

“The house is not a total loss, but badly damaged,” Flanagan said. “The firefighters deserve credit due to the winds. The fire could have easily jumped to adjoining structures.”

How to help:

Gift cards are being collected for the Wolsesly family and two tenants – Target, Best Buy, Home Depot, Stop and Shop and Winthrop Marketplace among others. Any help is appreciated. Donations are being accepted at Pleasant Park Yacht Club and Citizens Bank in Winthrop.

SOMERSET ST. PROJECT MOVING FORWARD

WINTHROP - For months there has been a question of where the Center Business District boundary is and if there are any home lots in it.

A letter from Commissioner of Inspectional Services Al

Legee delivered hours before last week’s Planning Board meeting made all the difference.

There is a clear line distinguishing the lots in the Center Business District and lots for homes of the abutters.

“During the past few weeks it has become apparent that confusion exists as to the boundaries of the Center Business District as shown on the current Town of Winthrop zoning map,” Legee stated.

Legee added that the current Zoning Map can be found posted by the City Clerk on the Town of Winthrop website with ordinances under title 17.

That boundary is key when it has come to one developer with a proposal.

With this new information, the Planning Board approved on Monday night the proposal for 1025 Somerset, (site of the old Dollar Store) a development by Envelo of 30 apartment units with parking and retail on the ground level.

Now that the boundary issue is cleared up the developer will have to apply for a building permit and the proposal will still have to go in front of the Zoning Board of Appeals for variances.

“It’s not an easy one-stop shop,” said attorney James Cipolletta, who represents Envelo and the developer Joanna Schwartz, who purchased the property 18 months ago with the assumption that four stories were allowed.

The variances will address height (there is a question between 2.5 or four stories) and dimensional setbacks for front, side and rear.

Schwartz, who has held public meetings (and went back to make the design less industrial) and has been before the Planning Board. She said the design work addressed comments regarding the frontage of the building, where the gas meters will be and the landscaping. Part of the plan also calls for the widening of Somerset Avenue by one and half feet.

“It’s extremely unfortunate that the petitioners were told that four stories is allowable,” said Tom Reilly of Somerset Ave. “It’s inexcusable, it’s unfair to the property owners that this has been dragging on.”

“It’s been three long years fighting about this,” said Jean Coughlin of Cottage Park Road. “Now it’s clarified.”

Schwartz said when she purchased the property for \$1.2 million that she was assured “by every signal person in charge at the time” that she could have a four-story building.

“All the information that was available and told to us by primary sources told us that this building could have four stores,” Schwartz said. “I think that should be included in the record. This delay has been egregious as a developer

“I am very excited about the ruling and very happy we have an answer,” Schwartz said.

SPECTACLE MANAGEMENT EVENTS

The Price Is Right Live stage show appears April 18, at 7:30 p.m.at Lowell Memorial Auditorium, downtown Lowell, \$32.50-\$82.50, 978-937-8688, followed by Marizia, April 20, 7:30 p.m., to benefit the Saab Center for Portuguese Studies, \$39-\$79,lowellauditorium.com, 800-657-8774. Illusionist Rick Thomas dazzles audiences April 18, 7:30 p.m., at Lexington’s Cary Hall, \$39-\$59, caryhall,lexington.com, 800=657-8774.

BLUE HERON

The group presents Guillaume de Machaut’s “Remede de Fortune,” April 26,27, at 8 p.m., First Church in Cambridge, 11 Garden St., Cambridge. Matilda Bruckner retired from Boston

College, delvers a free pre-concert talk at 7:15 p.m.. Doors open at 7 p.m Tickets 0-\$75.

THEATER UNCORKED

The group presents AR Gurney’s play “Sylvia,” April 18-21:April 18, at 7:30 p.m.; April 19,20, 8 p.m.; April 21, 2 p.m., Boston Center for the Arts Calderwood Pavilion, Deanne Hall, 527 Tremont St., South End, Boston. \$45; seniors, \$40; students, \$35; bostontheatrescenecom.

DEAD HOUSE

Boston Playwrights’ Theatre closes its season of new plays with Beirut Balutis’ dramatic play, April 18-28, Boston.

NICK HAKIM

birnCORE peasants NewYork-based singer-songwriter-producer and vocalist Danielle Ponder,

April 19, 8 p.m., the Red Room at Cafe 939, at 939 Boylston St., Boston.\$20. berklee.edu/cafe939.

‘BEWITCHED’ LECTURE

Professor Robert J. Thompson, founding director of the Blirt VRnyrt. Got Television and Popular Culture-trustee professor of Syracuse University’s Televisions and Popular culture, discusses The House of the Seven Gables, where several of the Salem TV “Bewitched” episodes were filmed. He appears April 24, 6:30 p.m., joined later by author Adam-Michael James for a book-signing at the House of the Seven Gables Visitor Center ,115 Derby St., Salem.\$10. 7gables.org, 978-305-7003.

LES MISERABLES

Broadway in Boston presents

the magnificently tragic, multi-award winning musical April 16-28, at Citizens Bank Opera House, Washington St., Boston: April16,18,23-25, 7:30 p.m.; April 17, 7 p.m.; April 19,20,26, 8 p.m.; April 20,27, 2,8 p.m.; April 21,28, 1,6:30 p.m.;

BOSTON JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

Mike Reiss discusses “Secrets from the Simpsons,” April 29, 7:30 p.m., on WBUR CitySpace, 890 Comm. Ave., Bosotm, followed by a book-signing and sale of his “Springfield Confidential. Advance tickets, \$15; at the door, \$20.,” BrightLights Film Series co-presents “Seder Masochism,” and a post-show discussion with Director Nina Paley, April 23, 7 p.m., at Emerson College, Boston.

INDECENT

Huntington Theater Company presents “Indecent,” Paula Vogel and Rebecca Taichman, April 26-May 25, Avenue of the Arts, in Huntington Avenue Theatre, Boston.

SCULLERS JAZZ CLUB

Steve Kroon appears April 18; Allan Harris’ tribute to Nat “King” Cole and Eddie Jefferson, April 19; Johnny O’Neal celebrates Nat “King” Cole’s 100th birthday, April 20; pianist-vocalist Jon Regan headlines, April 26; and guitar masters Bobby Broom and Peter Bernstein perform April 27,Doubletree Suites by Hilton, 400 Soldiers Field Road, Boston. 617-562-4111, info@scullersjazz.com.

ALL GEORGE M. COHAN PROGRAM

American Classics presents this musical review of George M. Cohan April 267:30 p.m., in First Parish Church, Bedford, and April 28,3 p.m., in Long School of Music,cambridge.amc-llass.org, 617-254-1125.


CLAIRVOYANCE

Diana Oh closes her yearlong artist-in-community residency at American Repertory Theater with “Clairvoyance:the Concert and Tree Planting”, featuring original music from her journal entries and beyond, with four performances April 24-27: April 24-26, 7:30 p.m.; April 27, 7 p.m., Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Cambridge. 617-547-8300. Tickets start at \$25.

AROUND THE CITY

- LEGAL NOTICE -

CITY OF EVERETT



To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00 PM, Everett City Hall, 3rd George Keverian Hearing Room. All interested parties may attend and opinions will be heard regarding the following petition.

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Andre Matias
149 Vernal Street
Everett, MA 02149
RE: 149 Vernal Street, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking for a Special Permit/Variance of the Building Zone Ordinance of the City, as applied: The owner/applicant proposes construct a rear addition and convert the existing structure into a two family dwelling. A Special Permit is needed for the frontage and the side yard while a variance is needed for the lot size.

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

Violations:

The lot is only 6027 Square feet in area

The lot has a frontage of 42 feet in length

The right side yard is only 2.7 feet.

Zoning Sections:

Section 3 paragraph F. Pre-existing, non-conforming structures or uses may be extended, altered or changed in use, providing that such extensions, alterations or changes of use shall be permitted only upon the grant of a Special Permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals and after a public hearing, a finding by the Board that such extension, alteration or change of use shall not be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing non-conforming use or structure. (Ord. of 4-29-91)


Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements (1) 1. Frontage: a. 50 (Fifty) Feet minimum

Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements (2) b. – requires a lot size of 7000 sf for a two family structure.

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Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Gesler Volquez
38 Cedar Street
Everett, MA 02149
RE: 38 Cedar Street, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking the Board to reverse the decision of the Building Official in compliance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A Section 8, as applied: Applicant seeks to add two (2) off street parking spaces located n the rear yard of the existing single family dwelling within a dwelling district.

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


1. Appendix A section 17 (l) requires a parking space measuring 9'x18'. It appears that the required number of spaces and size of spaces have been provided, however, a suitable 9' access has not been provided to access all of these spaces.

The applicant must seek relief from the Everett Zoning Board of Appeals to reverse the decision of the Building Official.

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Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Wilton Rangel
3 Powderkeg Way
Saugus, MA 0 1906
RE: 749 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking to Annul or Modify the decision of the Building Inspector under Section 12A-42"Right of Appeal as applied: Applicant seeks a permit for the installation of an advertisement "model" regulated as a sign.

REASON FOR DENIAL:

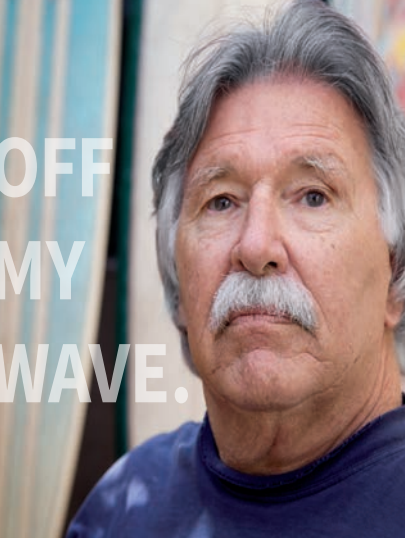
The Building Commissioner has determined that the replica of a bull mounted at the front of the business establishment constitutes an advertisement of the goods, products and services provided; therefore, this model meets the definition of a sign in section 12A-31 of the City of Everett Signs and Billboard Ordinance Section 12A.


Sizes of signs located in the business district are regulated by Section 12A-54(n). Based on the distance of the proposed sign from the center of the street, signs totaling 88 sf would be allowed. The existing awning signage contained 75 sf and the proposed model bull would add 64 sf. The sum of the signs as proposed would equal 139 sf exceeding the sign allowed by 51 sf.

The applicant must seek relief in the form of an appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals to annul the action of the Building Commissioner within 30 days the decision. The decision to annul must be made by a super majority vote of the board (2/3).

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OFF MY WAVE.






Ocean Beach native and local surf legend Steve Bettis was diagnosed with MS in 2006. Although surfing is still central to his life, he hasn't been able to get out on the water in 10 years. For a man whose daily routine always included a few waves, even when it started raining, it was a hard pill to swallow. This is why the National MS Society teamed up with his buddy Robert "Wingnut" Weaver and used virtual reality to get Steve back on his wave. See their experience and find out how you can share yours at Wendrostrongerthatsus.org.

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CHURCH News

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News and Notes

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Wednesday hour of Power, worship, prayer and Bible Study. We are studying about God, come join us.

Come join us in prayer every Friday at 6 am.

Saturday, 12-3, Women's Fellowship. Join our sisters in worship, fellowship and prayer.

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Ven unete a nosotros para

orar todos los viernes a las 6 am

Domingo Servicio de alabanza y adoracion a las 4pm (Servicio en español)

Mayores informes de los servicios en español (617) 306-3518

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EVERETT,
MASSACHUSETTS 02149
617-387-7458
Rev. Larry Russi, Sr. Pastor
pastorlarry@
thelighthousechurch701.net

Mystic Side Congregational Church

News and Notes

Mystic Side Congregational Church is located in Everett, 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

of each month. A very pleasant coffee hour and socializing follow our services. Parking is available in our lot next to the church on Wyllis Ave. (one way off Main Street). We look forward to welcoming you this Sunday.

Glendale United Methodist Church

News and Notes

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

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

Sponsor the bulletin! For a \$5 donation, you can dedicate the Sunday bulletin to recognize family, friends, or special occasions. There is a sign-up sheet in the Pastor's study. Feel free to choose your particular week and leave a copy of your dedication in the mail in that is on the Pastor's door. Please contact the Pastor if you have any questions.

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

NA Meetings – Mon. Bring Your Own Book 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.; Thurs. I Can't But We

can, 8:00 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

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

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

Bread of Life Donations – This outreach is being done to honor the United Methodist Women's Group, who for so many years were our outreach source. Please bring any food item(s) to church and place in the box located on the altar.

We are on the Internet
<http://www.glen-daleumc-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:
Saturdays 10 AM to 2 PM.
Other times by appointment.


OBITUARIES

All obituaries and death notices will be at a cost of \$100.00 per paper. That includes photo. Please send to obits@reverejournal.com or call 781-485-0588

To place a memoriam in the Independent, please call 617-387-9600

OBITUARIES

Pasquale “Uncle Pat” Leone Of Everett



Pasquale “Uncle Pat” Leone of Everett passed away peacefully on April 12 surrounded by his family saying the Rosary. He was 90 years old.

He was the beloved husband of Angelyn (Tranfaglia); loving father of Anne-Carol Malone and her husband, Edward and Patricia LeFave and her husband, Edwin, all of Wakefield; brother of the late Mary Angiolillo; Papa to four grandchildren: Angelyn, Michele, Kate and Patty and one great grandson: Billy.

His Funeral will be from the Salvatore Rocco and Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett, today, Wednesday, April 17 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church, Everett at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Ever-

ett. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Pasquale's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

For more information: 1-877-71- ROCCO or rocco-funeralhomes.com

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.

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

Good Friday 6p April 19.

Easter Sunday: April 21 10am English, 1pm So. Sudanese/Dinka & Haitian Creole 3 p.m.

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church
67 Norwood Street,
Everett, MA
Phone 617-387-7526
or 508-243-8487

Immaculate Conception Parish

News and Notes

Our Parish Staff: Father Joseph Chacha Marwa, S.M.A. Administrator; Father Ernest Egbedike, S.M.A. Parochial Vicar; Secretary Barbara Cannon Richard Randazzo, Pastoral Associate, Business Manager;

Philomene Pean, Pastoral Associate, Haitian Community

Weekly Mass Schedule at Immaculate Conception is as follows:

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 Community

4:00 p.m. Haitian Community

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

Church Breakfast – Our

next monthly Church Breakfast is scheduled for every second Sunday in the lower Church Hall. Cost is \$4.00 per person. Pancakes, scrambles eggs, sausage, toast, juice, coffee and tea is served. All you can eat. Please join us after Mass.

New Ministry - At the back of the Church in the Vestibule area on Sundays following Masses, there is a team of volunteers who will answer your questions regarding our Church Ministries, etc. Please feel free to stop by and ask questions, schedule a Mass, register as a new Parishioner, etc.

Bring a Book-Buy a Book - We have a new Fundraiser Program in the back of the Church. It's called Bring a Book-Buy a Book. All books are a dollar and any money collected will go towards our Stain Glass Fund. Brink a Book and Buy a Book and make a donation. Our selections are great and varied. Please stop by the table and see what we have. Thank you

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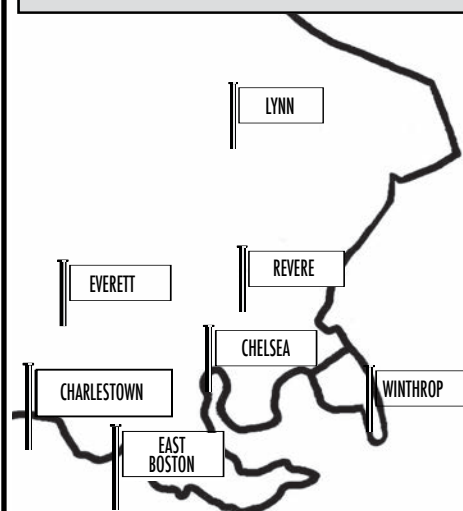
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Whereas a petition has been presented by:
Amandeep Dillon
2 Ironworks Way
Saugus, MA 01906

RE: 108 & 112 Main Street, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking for a Variance of the Building Zone Ordinance of the City, as applied: Applicant is seeking approval to construct a 6 unit townhouse style building (demolish the existing wood frame dwelling to make room for the proposed structure) and in addition provide parking spaces at the rear of the property are under sized.

REASON FOR DENIAL:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance. Violation/s:

The proposed parking spaces along the rear of the property are shown to be 8'-6" in width.

Zoning:

Section 17 Off-Street Parking paragraph A paragraph I which states the following: Each required car space shall be not less than 9 feet in width and 18 feet in length exclusive of drives and maneuvering space, and the total area of any parking facility for more than five (5) cars shall average two hundred seventy-five (275) feet per car. No driveways or curb cuts shall exceed thirty (30) feet in width. (Ord. 01-046/2001)

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Whereas a petition has been presented by:

Duane G. Sullivan
21 Maypole Road
Quincy, MA 02169

RE: 11 Mason Street, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking for a Special Permit of the Building Zone Ordinance of the City, as applied: The owner/applicant proposes to completely renovate an existing single family house, built in 1902, and convert it to a two-family residence. The existing 2880 sf lot is located in a Dwelling District. The lot and structure are nonconforming as to setback, area and frontage.

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

Violations:

Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements (2) b. – requires a lot size of 7000 sf for a two family structure. Applicant must seek relief in the form of a Special Permit and a finding pursuant to Section 3 General Requirements (6) as follows:

"Pre-existing, non-conforming structures or uses may be extended, altered or changed in use, providing that extensions, alterations or changes of use shall be permitted only upon the grant of a Special Permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals and after a public hearing, a finding by the Board that such extension, alteration or change of use shall not be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing non-conforming use or structure."

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Audames Nelson
10 Plumer Street
Everett, MA 02149

RE: 10 Plumer Street, Everett, MA 02149

To said Board of Appeals, asking for a Variance of the Building Zone Ordinance of the City, as applied: The applicant seeks a permit to construct an addition in the rear yard to the existing single family dwelling located in the Dwelling District on a 3528 sf lot. Plan submitted by Paul Lindholm, P.E. dated Feb. 11, 2019 at T Design LLC dated Feb. 10, 2019.

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

1. Appendix A section 4 (b)(7). Rear Yard: Requires minimum rear yard setback of 25'. The previously compliant rear yard setback on the existing structure has been reduced to 8.5' requiring a variance of 16.5'

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DA Ryan spoke on the prevalence of teen dating violence and facilitated a productive discussion of these very important issues for young people. She also shared a new iPhone application which she rolled out in February which was Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. The application is called, Healthy Heart Matters. It helps teens to identify when a relationship may be unhealthy or potentially abusive, and provides tips and resources about healthy dating. Representatives from RESPOND; Portals to Hope; other local agencies supporting women and girls; and Chief of Police, Kevin Molis of Malden addressed Zonta members and their guests. Pictured (left to right): Luna Hernandez of Chelsea; Georgia Green, Zonta Club of Chelsea; Marian Ryan, Middlesex County District Attorney; and Joann Puopolo, Zonta District Leadership and Centennial coordinator of Zonta International.

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