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The Black Widows are the 2020 champions of the Everett Girls Softball League. Front row, from left, are Gianna Darnell, Kassidy Rivera, Tatiana Moran, Jackeline Salvador, Emma Buckley, Luiza Velev, and Coach Hailey Powers. Back row, from left, are Coach Maureen Ahearn, Coach Mark Powers, Arianne De Jesus, Aniya Thompson, Jessica Colman, Peyton Warren, Makenzie Powers, Lauren Ahearn, and Head Coach Hailey Warren.

We are the Champions

Black Widows capture Everett Girls Softball League title

By Cary Shuman

The Black Widows played their best softball of the season when it mattered the most, capturing the 2020 Everett Girls Softball League Major Division championship by sweeping the final two games of the playoffs at Glendale Park.

The Widows, led by first-year head coach Hailey Warren, rallied to defeat the Legends twice in the championship round of the playoffs and take home the coveted title. The Widows received their championship trophies at the annual Field Awards Day, culminating a challenging season that

had been delayed in the spring to the coronavirus but re-launched in the summer as a result of the resilient efforts of EGSL President Vinnie Oliva and the league officers.

Hailey Warren, who competed in the Everett softball league and also played softball at Everett High School, said she was

proud of her team who won four playoff games overall.

“We were the third-place team going into playoffs,” said Hailey, a 21-year-old student at UMass Boston. “It felt really good to take it home

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Leonard Florence Center for Living resident Eleanor Karp turns 106

By Seth Daniel

If anyone knows the secret to longevity, it is Eleanor Karp, a much beloved resident at the Leonard Florence Center for Living who turned 106 on September 1.

Born on September 1, 1914 in Dorchester, Eleanor was the youngest of three. She loved school, dancing and socializing with her many friends. In fact, Eleanor met her husband Henry Karp through her girlfriend, who ultimately turned out to be her sister-in-law. It was love at first sight. Eleanor and Henry married on June 26,

1938.

Before starting a family, Eleanor worked at Schrafft’s, the renowned candy company in Charlestown. After her sons, Michael and Harvey, were born, Eleanor devoted her time to running the household in Everett.

“The whole community there was concentrated in one area of Everett,” said Jeanne Karp, Eleanor’s daughter-in-law. “She shared a two-family home there with her sister-in-law and brother-in-law. They were very close. They actually bought the house together. My mother-in-law and father-in-

law lived downstairs for many years. When their kids got older and moved away, they moved to Grenada Highlands in Malden. They lived in Everett, though, for many, many years and raised their family there.”

Celebrations played a huge role in their lives.

“The Jewish holidays were legendary in our house,” said son Harvey Karp. “We had at least 30 people, with the tables extending into three rooms.”

Added Harvey, “My mom is an amazing cook.

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Eleanor Karp – a long-time Everett resident who now lives at the Leonard Florence Center for Living (LFCFL) in Chelsea – got to celebrate her 106th birthday on Sept. 1 in a special, socially-distant birthday party at LFCFL.

City Budget proposal restores cutbacks from earlier this summer

By Seth Daniel

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and his Financial team presented the official City Budget proposal to the City Council in a meeting on Thursday, Sept. 3 – a budget that restores the difficult and painful cutbacks to staffing made earlier in the summer.

The City’s budget season typically is in April and May, with the proposal typically approved by the City Council before June 30. The new fiscal year starts for municipalities like Everett on July 1. This year, with COVID-19 raging, Mayor DeMaria and CFO Eric Demas took a conservative approach

in cutting back on staffing and implementing a month-by-month “continuing appropriation” plan. That is allowed for three months, and now the City has to begin the process of putting a traditional budget in place by Oct. 1.

With recent assurances from the state, Demas

said they have been able to restore most all of the cutbacks made in June.

“Nearly everything was restored to Fiscal Year 2020 levels, obviously with the exception of the library, the Connolly Center, and the Wellness Center,” said Demas. “We’re

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Construction to begin on northbound dedicated bus lane

By Seth Daniel

Virtually every bus line running in and out of Everett will be improved as a new, northbound bus lane at pinch-point portions of Broadway and Main Street roll out this month as part of a process to streamline Sweetser Circle.

Last week, the MBTA announced broadly that

the project was getting ready to begin, and this week Transportation Director Jay Monty detailed the work that will take place and will hopefully be operational by October.

“It’s pretty much every bus route that will be affected,” he said. “A ballpark guess is each bus will save five minutes on each corridor. It depends on the

day and time, but that’s reasonable. When we did the southbound lane, it saved about four minutes for each bus. We believe this will be comparable. It really is a big deal. There are three dozen trips in these three hours and it will allow them to run fewer buses and make fewer trips. If you add up all that time, it is several

hours. That time can be reinvested in making more trips and quicker trips.”

The project has the full support of Mayor Carlo DeMaria, who initiated the first dedicated bus lane several years ago on Broadway going into Boston.

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Are We Being Penalized?

DeMaria concerned over calculation of COVID-19 rate

By Seth Daniel

As Gov. Charlie Baker doubled up efforts to focus on Everett and four other neighboring communities as ‘high-risk’ or ‘red’ communities for increasing COVID-19 cases, Mayor Carlo DeMaria said he has concerns his community is being penalized based on incomplete Census population data used in calculating those rates.

On Thursday, Sept. 3, Gov. Baker announced the state had designated Everett, Chelsea, Revere, Lawrence and Lynn as ‘high-risk’ areas for the spread of COVID-19 as their case counts have in-

creased and their numbers of cases per 100,000 people are far above the state average. Gov. Baker has created unique plans for Everett and the other communities through using the COVID-19 Enforcement and Intervention Team (CEIT) to be out in each community and providing multi-lingual public messaging.

Yet, Mayor DeMaria said he believes it isn’t a great message to tell the rest of the state to stay away from Everett, which includes Encore Boston Harbor casino and other businesses based on in-

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Making strides

EHS grabs veteran leader, celebrated former coach from Boston Public Schools

By Seth Daniel

The Everett Public School (EPS) turned heads regionally and locally over the weekend in an announcement of the hire of a long-time Boston Public Schools leader, and the promotion of the current basketball coach within the district to an administrative leadership position.

The hires also marked a tremendous stride in making the leadership of the schools more diverse, and in changing how candidates are chosen – using a panel of voices from school buildings.

First and foremost, several were shocked to learn that veteran BPS administrator Cory McCarthy had been pulled out of a leadership position at the Central Office and as Athletic



Everett Public Schools turned quite a few heads over the weekend in announcing the hire of Cory McCarthy for the vice principal job at Everett High.

Director of New Mission High School to become the Everett High vice principal.

McCarthy has been involved with athletics at New Mission since 2002, specifically in basketball where he was a five-time

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Mayor says replacing Dantone on ZBA wasn’t political, aims to diversify Boards

By Seth Daniel

While some are saying the removal of long-time Zoning Board member Mike Dantone is political retribution, Mayor Carlo DeMaria this week said that couldn’t be further from the truth and is actually a move over several years to diversify Boards in the City.

Last week, Dantone confirmed that he had been removed from the

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) after 15 years of service. A letter from the mayor dated Aug. 27 indicated his last day of service was to be Aug. 31.

Dantone said he goes to nearly every meeting, makes site visits, and has had to be involved in legal issues related to the Board a number of times over the years. He said he takes the job very seriously, but did not know why specifically he was removed.

Mayor DeMaria told the Independent any talk of political retribution is totally false.

“There was no politics in it at all,” he said. “I’ve been asking board members the last two years to step off if they’ve been on a Board for too long...I could care less who held a sign for Mike. Antonio Amaya is on a Board and he held a sign for Mike and I didn’t rescind him. People are welcome to

vote for whomever they want and hold signs if they want.”

He said the effort is all about diversifying the Boards to reflect the current population and make sure no one is serving too long and making decisions inconsistent with the times.

“Everyone else has been ok with it,” he said. “I do not want someone on a Board for 20 years. We had Joe DeSisto on the ZBA far too long and he ran it like it was his...We

really need to increase the diversity on that Board. I don’t want people on that Board who have friendships with developers.”

He said the ZBA has recently elected a new chair in Mary Gerace, and he said he will have her run the ZBA for a few years and then ask her to step off the Board and onto another Board if she wishes.

“That’s all I’m doing here,” he said.

To that end, he said he has nominated Le Cao to replace Dantone as part of

his initiative to increase diversity and nominate Everett residents that haven’t ever served on a Board. He said he put out the request for applications and was impressed with Cao in the interview.

“I thought he was very interesting and had some good ideas about how developers can contribute, like adding to a public Wi-Fi network,” said the mayor.

Cao was not immediately available when contacted by the Independent.

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state championship coach. In recent years, he has been the athletic director there and also holds an administrative position as the BPS Director of Operations, Climate and Culture. He also helped to found the Urban Coaches Association with Lynn English Coach Antonio Anderson and a host of other coaches from urban areas. He has been retired from coaching since the 2017 season, and Tahiliani said he was specifically brought in for the vice principal job, and not as the basketball coach.

“Leaving New Mission is very difficult,” wrote McCarthy on his Twitter page last Friday. “It was a life changing experience. My students are my soul. Without the Titans I would have been a shell of an educator. I will be moving on from BPS to becoming the next Vice Principal of Everett High School.”

Tahiliani said she is very excited to see the district attract top talent from inside and outside the district.

“I think it’s amazing we are attracting candidates of this quality from inside Everett and outside the district,” she said. “I feel

like we are attracting highly qualified candidates to these positions. I’m grateful we’re getting a balance too. You have to have the institutional knowledge of Everett in your leadership, and it’s also good to have fresh eyes (like McCarthy).”

The in-house promotion – filling the last major vacancy in the district – was the vice principal job at the Parlin School. That went to Stanley Chamberlain, who worked at Everett High and took the promotion to the Parlin. He is also the successful head basketball coach of the high school team and will remain the coach despite having to leave the high school building for the new position.

The hiring process, Tahiliani said, has actually been changed from past practices. Instead of a unilateral decision from the Central Office or from a building leader, she said she has made it more like the superintendent search. She said she instituted a process that uses panels of teachers, staff and guidance counselors to review applications and make final recommendations. In these cases, the two top

candidates chosen by the panel are forwarded to building leaders to make the hire.

“I felt like...teachers who have been here a long time should have a say in who their leaders are,” said Tahiliani. “We’ve even had board members from the Everett Teachers Association on the panels as well.”

The hires also mark a further step in the direction of a diverse leadership team, as both McCarthy and Chamberlain are black men and noted mentors for their students. Their hiring has added to a great deal of diversity being injected into the district over the last six months.

“It’s not a top-down decision,” she said. “We are excited to have people here that look more like our students. This year will be tough, but we’re making positive strides in the right direction. When we come out of this, we’ll be in a very good place I think.”

School will begin remotely and in e-Learning Centers on Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Sen. DiDomenico urges action on wage theft

In light of a dramatic uptick in labor rights violations in Massachusetts this year, Senator Sal DiDomenico has renewed his urgent call to pass legislation aimed at preventing the illegal practice of wage theft. Senator DiDomenico is the lead sponsor of S.1066, An Act to prevent wage theft, promote employer accountability, and enhance public enforcement, which would give the state greater power to go after corrupt employers and provide additional tools for the Attorney General’s Office to hold violators fully accountable.

The Massachusetts Attorney General’s office recently identified nearly 13,000 employees affected by labor rights violations in fiscal 2020, which represents a 16% increase from the previous year. These employees are not necessarily the total number of workers hit by wage theft, workplace safety, and other labor violations. They are only the ones known to the state.

“Attorney General Maura Healey and the Fair Labor Division are doing incredible work to rigorously enforce our labor laws and ensure that each and every worker in the Commonwealth is treated fairly,” said Senator DiDomenico. “However, it is clear that as wage theft continues to grow even more prevalent, our Attorney General and her team need additional support and tools to continue their critical work. As we

continue to deal with the COVID-19 crisis and rebuild our economy, wage theft legislation must be part of our efforts to protect workers during these difficult times.”

Wage theft- the illegal practice of not paying employees for all of their work through means such as violating minimum wage laws, not paying overtime, or forcing workers to work off the clock- has become a pervasive problem throughout the Massachusetts economy. The number of wage theft violations has especially grown as more companies move towards using independent contractors rather than full-time employees, overwhelming the capacity of our existing labor laws and enforcement mechanisms.

According to Community Labor United, approximately \$700 million is stolen by bad employers from 350,000 workers in Massachusetts each year. Immigrants are particularly vulnerable to wage theft due to a reluctance to speak out against employers. As a result, these workers can sometimes go weeks without pay, and when they do get paid, it can be less than originally promised.

Wage theft also hurts legitimate businesses by putting law-abiding companies at a competitive disadvantage when they lose contracts to companies that charge less for their work by cheating their workers out of their

pay. These bad actors also avoid paying taxes and into critical safety nets for workers, putting an unfair burden on Massachusetts taxpayers and the Commonwealth when employees have a legitimate right to utilize these programs.

To increase accountability in labor contracting and subcontracting, the bill holds lead contractors accountable for the wage theft violations of their subcontractors if there is a significant connection to their business activities or operations and enhances the enforcement power of the Attorney General’s Office by allowing it to bring wage theft cases directly to civil court. The Attorney General would also gain the ability to issue a stop work order in response to a wage theft violation.

To protect employees affected by a stop work order, the bill requires that employees be paid for the period that the stop work order is in effect or the first 10 days the employee was scheduled to work had the stop order not been issued.

The Massachusetts Senate has passed Senator DiDomenico’s wage theft bill during the previous two legislative sessions with nearly unanimous and bipartisan support. Today, the bill is currently pending before the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce development where it awaits a favorable report.

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still looking at a Jan. 1 opening for those...The mayor was very pleased to be able to bring back those people whose hours were curtailed or who had been laid off during the continuing appropriation process.”

Demas said the biggest game-changer for the City in its budget process was when Gov. Charlie Baker and the State Legislature announced assurances that they would level-fund municipalities. That, he said, allowed the mayor to go forward with certainty about restoring the cuts.

Demas said the administration is glad to have proceeded the way they did, though it was cautious, it provided stability on the other end.

“It did pay off,” he said. “It’s bittersweet. I wish I had another month so I could see where the first quarter of the fiscal year is at. I’m glad we took the approach we did...I’m very glad to start the traditional budget process, but I am glad we took the steps we did instead of cutting services residents want.”

He said some communities went ahead with City Budgets that anticipated 20 percent cuts to State Aid – which was level funded with cost of living adjustments – and large local revenue cuts. That led to jobs being cut, and for the entire budget year rather than for a few months.

“There could have been services cut and jobs lost

for the entire fiscal year,” he said. “That’s something the mayor wanted to avoid at any and all costs. One community cut their budget for the entire fiscal year using a traditional budget process that made cuts of more than 20 percent. Services were severely impacted and jobs were lost.”

In total, the City Departments Budget comes in at \$58.442 million and the School Department Budget is at \$88.299 million. Total Fixed Costs for the City were reported at \$55.52 million.

Right now, Demas said they are carefully monitoring the numbers, and believe they will be able to say there will be no tax increase to residents and taxpayers. That is a big priority for Mayor DeMaria, who said he does not want to raise taxes on homeowners during the pandemic.

“We’re eagerly awaiting where revenue numbers are going to come in regard to what we think they will be,” Demas said. “Additional adjustments might need to be made before we set the tax rate...We anticipate setting the tax rate right on time in November. We’re still waiting to see where New Growth numbers are going to land. We’re confident with what we’ve reported that there will be no tax increase this year.”

Already, Demas said revenues from the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 have come in full-

ly, and have resulted in no deficits for last year – which is quite an accomplishment for municipalities in what was the worst quarter for revenues in probably a generation.

This year, Demas reported they will likely leave quite a bit of money on the table for the levy limit. They have capacity of \$149.75 million, but will only request to use \$91.97 million – leaving more than \$57.78 million of tax levy capacity on the table.

The approach is conservative, and Demas said he still believes there is a disconnect between the markets and what’s going on at the ground level.

“There’s a much different world right now between the markets and Main Street,” he said.


He added they also don’t expect budget issues for the City to fully recover for several years.

“We did receive a commitment from the state, but we’re not taking anything for granted,” he said. “Both the mayor and I feel the economic concerns are not behind us. We’re not just looking at Fiscal Year 2021, but this will be impacting all municipalities for at least the next five years.”

The City Budget was submitted to the Council for hearings. Council President Rosa DiFlorio will likely schedule hearings to review the various parts of the City Budget proposal in the coming weeks.

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DO NOT LITTER YOUR MASKS

For those of us who take note of the problem of litter (and who often bring along a bag to pick up litter when we are walking along a beach), we are accustomed to the plethora of styrofoam cups and single-use plastic bottles that have been discarded carelessly by our fellow citizens, some of whom seem to treat the environment as their personal trash bin.

But in the past few months we have noticed a new kind of litter that has become prevalent along our roads and on our beaches: Discarded face masks.

The masks that comprise most of the littering problem are the light-blue, layered masks with elastic bands for the ears. These are lightweight, single-use masks that blow easily in the wind and often end up along the shoreline and eventually in our waterways.

If the stuff that comprises litter is representative of our disposable society, then it is a good thing to see that people are using face masks, an indication that we are heeding public health warnings about the best way to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

However, being a good citizen in that regard does not absolve mask-users of the obligation to dispose of their masks properly, let alone give them the right to toss them onto public property.

So please be sure to toss those masks into a trash-bin -- that's as simple as it gets.

COLLEGE SPORTS HAS SERIOUS RISKS FOR ATHLETES

When President Trump was in New Hampshire for a campaign rally two weeks ago, he implored the Big 10 athletic directors to reconsider their recent decision to postpone their college football season from fall until the spring.

“Big Ten, get with it! Open up your season, Big Ten. These are young strong guys – they’re not gonna’ be affected by the virus...These are big, strong guys. They will be just fine,” Trump said.

However, as with so many comments made by Trump these past seven months concerning the coronavirus, the reality is the opposite of Trump’s pronouncements.

At least 10 Big 10 football players have been diagnosed with myocarditis, a viral infection of the heart muscle caused by a Covid-19 infection. This is the same condition that has afflicted Red Sox star starting pitcher Eduardo Rodriguez, who contracted Covid-19 on August 1 and who now suffers from myocarditis, forcing him to end his season.

Rodriguez is 27 years old and was an otherwise healthy young man who won 19 games for the Sox in 2019. However, the virus invaded his heart, as it has with so many others who have contracted this dreaded disease, and forced him to rest and recuperate.

We are learning more and more every day about the damage that Covid-19 does to just about every human organ, but one thing that has become clear is that the heart muscle is a favorite site for it to attack. A recent study in Germany showed that of 100 otherwise-healthy persons under the age of 49, 76 percent suffered damage consistent with the effects of a heart attack.

Another study recently demonstrated that there are certain, long-stringed cells unique to the heart that the virus attacks, chopping them up into tiny pieces. It is not clear whether the heart can repair this damage or whether it is permanent.

Further, as to football players in particular, while it may be true, as Trump proclaimed, that as a group they are “big strong guys,” many of them are, to put it bluntly, grossly obese, weighing upwards of 350 pounds if they are linemen.

One thing we definitely know about the virus is that the single-biggest risk factor for a serious outcome from Covid-19 is being overweight -- and that would seem to place many college football players at serious jeopardy if they contract the disease.

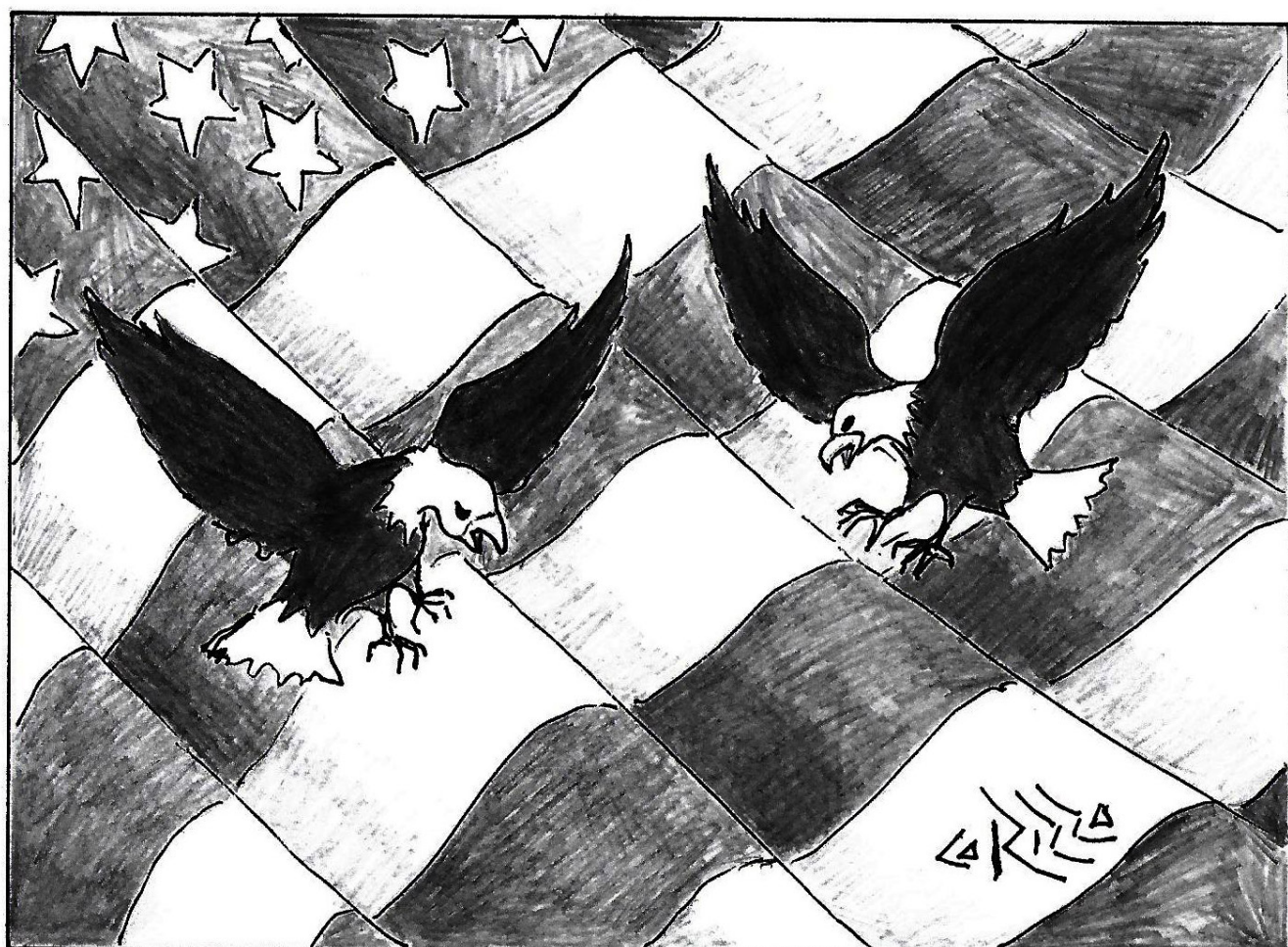
If college football can put into place procedures that isolate football players from their campuses (where Covid-19 has been running wild in some places since schools reopened), then perhaps football can be played without risk to the young athletes.

But to encourage them to play as things stand now is simply reckless behavior that places them in jeopardy of serious, lifelong consequences affecting their health.

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complete population data. The terms ‘high-risk’ and ‘red’ community have a negative connotation, he said, and his biggest beef is that the rates are based on Census population counts. In Everett and the four other communities, Census population numbers are routinely far below the real population, and DeMaria said that results in rates that appear much worse than they really are in communities historically undercounted for population.

“If you have nine cases a day on 45,000 people, then that looks like a high rate,” he said. “If you have nine cases on 70,000 people, then it’s much lower. If we had the true population used, we wouldn’t be in the red. We’d be yellow or green like a lot of other communities.”

Right now, one of the major downfalls of being in a ‘red’ community – aside from the potential stigma – is that sports for young people are not allowed. A community has to come out of the ‘red’ and stay out for a period of time to be reinstated and to allow high school sports to be played. As it is now, Everett High has postponed its fall sports like football until February.

However, the mayor said he is worried other things could be taken away too based on ‘red’ status – that based on calls he’s had with the governor and state health leaders.

“They’ve said if you continue going in the wrong direction, they’ll take way things like the limited inside dining – go back to take-out only for our communities,” he said. “That will devastate my business owners.”

However, at the Command Center for the state’s COVID-19 operations, they said they rou-

tinely use Census data for public health for years, and they said they rely on a lot of other trends in designating communities that are more at risk right now, like Everett.

Spokesman Tory Mazzola said Everett has shown increases over the past four weeks using the metrics of cases per 100,000 people. Over the past seven days (Sept. 2-7), the numbers of new cases per day were 6, 8, 6, 19, 11, 9 and 8.

He said over the past four weeks Everett has increased from 11.2 to 15.9 cases per 100,000 residents. Meanwhile, Chelsea has gone from 19.2 to 29.9 per 100,000 residents. Meanwhile, the statewide average is 4.2 per 100,000 residents.

“Census data is used for all of our public health reporting metrics, and monitoring cases per 100,000 residents is a widely used metric by public health experts,” he said. “Working collaboratively, reversing these trends and supporting individuals who test positive must be our focus, and the CEIT is working closely with local leaders in each municipality to identify and implement strategies unique to each community.

“These localized plans take into account much more than the daily case rate, such as positive test rate, age group positive tests and contact tracing analysis, in determining the best way to deploy resources and stop the spread,” he continued. “It remains critical, however, that we focus on areas with persistent or increasing trends as the priority.”

For the color coding of communities, the state uses average daily case rate per 100,000 residents. The state said average daily case rates are one of the most effective measures,

which is why it is the focus of the community-level data reporting, and the sequencing and color-coding provide a way to help communicate with the general public and local officials, especially since we know many people are fatigued with wearing masks and social distancing, the state said.

He said on rare occasions, they do see anomalies like in a small town where there are several cases in one household and it makes the daily incidence rate jump very high suddenly. He said they balance that, and the mayor’s concerns, by working with local communities to understand what’s going on at the ground level.

Mayor DeMaria said he is ready to work with the state, and his criticism has nothing to do with no complying with mask-wearing or other requirements. Rather, he said he was one of the first communities to bring in a mandatory mask executive order last month as he doesn’t want to see cases begin to get out of hand. At the same time, he doesn’t want his businesses and community penalized and stigmatized because numbers are based on incomplete data.

“I put in the mask mandate and I’m serious about that,” he said. “I just ask

people to use common sense. If you’re around another person, slip the mask on. We’re really trying to get that across to people 20 to 50. They are the one that aren’t being good about it. We’ll get through this.”

As part of the CEIT effort by the state, the plan is built around the message of ‘You have the power to save a life,’ and it will be used encourage social distancing and wearing masks. The campaign will be in English, Portuguese, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Vietnamese, Arabic and other languages commonly used in the specific communities.

This targeted initiative includes regular meetings with local leadership to understand residential and business activities contributing to trends, an even greater level of state focus to stop the spread and a new public messaging campaign.

The goal of the public messaging campaign is to ensure residents know they live in a high-risk community and reiterate the importance of wearing a mask and other best practices to stop the spread. There is also a new website debuted for the effort at Mass.gov/StopCOVID19.

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“Expanding Everett’s bus lane network is a critical part of expanding our residents’ mobility options as well as increasing the safety of transportation as we recover from the COVID 19 pandemic,” he said. “Shorter travel times and less crowded buses will benefit the health and well-being of thousands of our residents and essential workers who continue to rely on public transit.”

The project will begin with Sweetser Circle, which will have a dedicated bus lane 24 hours a day and will allow buses to travel without obstruction. The key pinch-points that will now have bus lanes will be northbound at Main Street and at Broadway. These are two of the most congested areas of the city, especially for buses. The new lanes will be painted red like other bus lanes, and will operate from 4-7 p.m. For Main Street, the lane will go from Sweetser Circle to Tileston Street, and then the bus will join regular traffic. For Broadway, the lane will go from Sweetser Circle to Chelsea Street, and then join regular traffic.

“These two areas have the worst congestion,” said Monty. “Main Street is terrible in that area and Broadway at that point is where many bus lines come to a complete stop in congestion... We’re in a situation where bus ridership is rebounding. We’re at 60 percent of pre-pandemic ridership now in Everett.”

Monty said this effort will be different than the first dedicated bus lane on Broadway several years ago, which was one of the first in Greater Boston at the time. In that effort, the City went all in and took the far lane of southbound Broadway from Glendale to Sweetser. This time, however, Monty said they have learned you don’t need the entire stretch, but only key points.

SJC Chief reveals he had a heart attack last Friday

By Seth Daniel

Supreme Judicial Court Chief Justice Ralph Gants reported publicly on Tuesday afternoon that he sustained a heart attack on Friday, Sept. 4.

Gants, 65, said he suffered the heart attack Friday, and sought medical care. He expects to return to duty soon.

“I suffered a heart attack on Friday, September 4,” he said. “I was admitted to the hospital where surgeons inserted 2 stents

Naturally, parking is an issue – as the bus lane would take away parking on northbound Broadway and Main Street in the afternoons. Monty said parking would definitely be a concern, and they have already begun speaking with business owners and looking at alternative parking plans if the bus lane becomes an issue.

The process isn’t being handled as a normal state project, but rather like the previous bus lane where the City designs everything and picks the contractor. Then, the MBTA will reimburse the City for a good majority of the costs.

“We took the lead on this,” said Monty. “Sweetser Circle is not our roadway. It’s a state roadway, but went ahead and procured the design. We’re treating it like a private development where the state requires a developer to do road improvements, and the developer completes them and the state approves it.”

That has been the pattern, started in Everett some years ago with the Transit Action Plan, for many communities. Instead of waiting on state processes, many communities take the costs upon themselves, or wait for reimbursements to speed up improvements and have more local control.

“You have to do that,” said Monty. “It’s the only way to get things done on a quick timeline. It also gives us more ownership of the project and makes sure we’re doing something that works for us.”

The project is expected to begin in two weeks, and it is hoped to be done by the second week of October.

Mayor DeMaria and Monty said they would be doing extensive outreach to residents, T riders and businesses over the coming weeks about the bus lanes.

Boating access coming to Everett waterfront

Staff Report

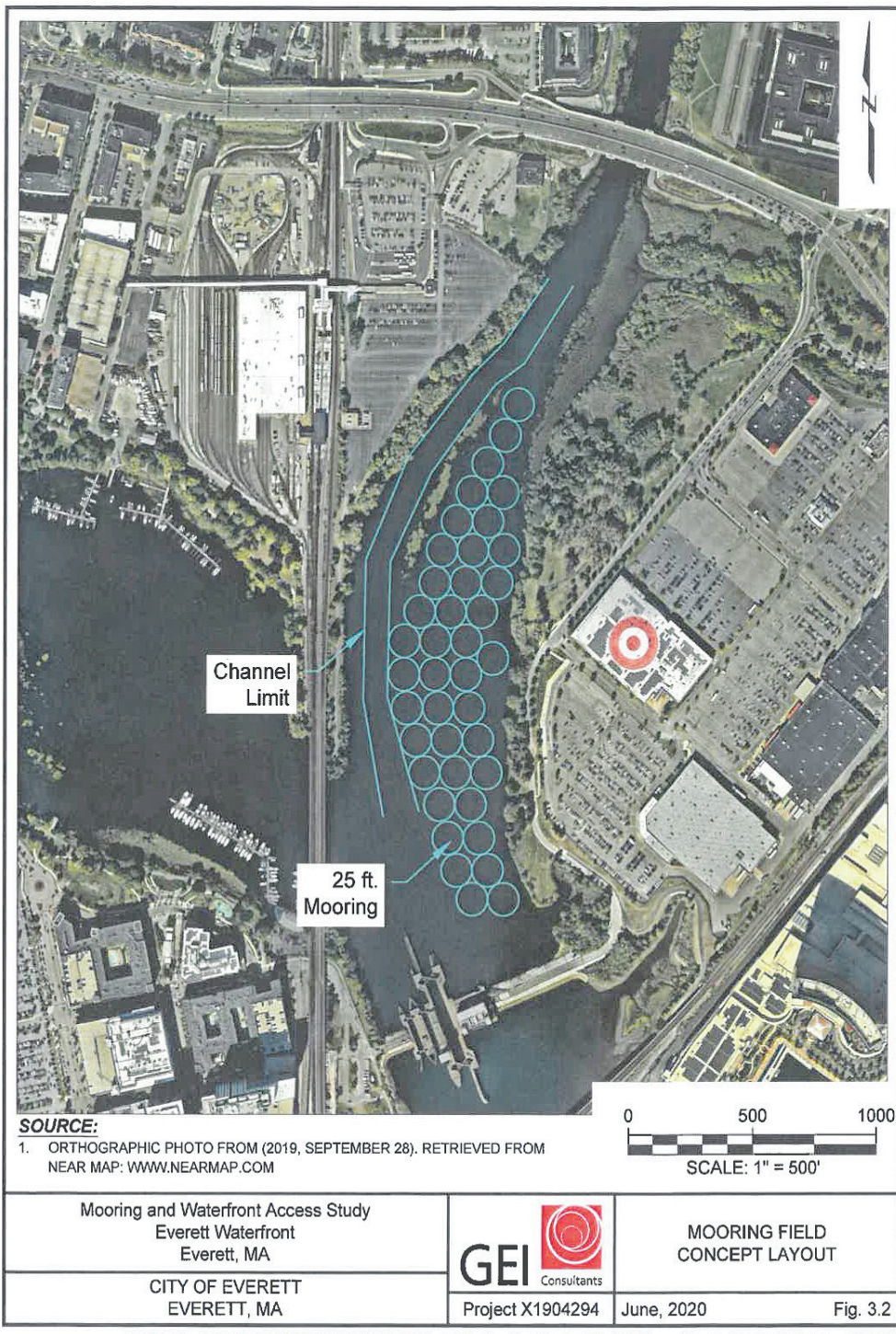
As part of Mayor Carlo DeMaria’s vision to revitalize Everett’s Waterfront, the City of Everett is pleased to announce it reached an agreement between a Mooring company to bring boating access to Everett.

“The agreement is a significant moment for Everett,” Mayor Carlo DeMaria said. “This is another representation of the continued growth we are driving toward for the waterfront. We have realized the value of having a waterfront and carefully planned to bring new options for Everett residents and visitors in Greater Boston.”

Moorings are permanent anchors in the water, which is a more economical way to keep boats in the water and an alternative to the traditional marina.

The city’s Planning and Development Department budgeted \$51,270 with GEI Consultants, which is the final step to building the mooring field in the Malden River. After the consultant completes the design work, the city will hold a mooring lottery. Boat owners will then provide their own mooring and hire a contractor to place it to the city’s specifications.

“This is an exciting opportunity for the City of Everett. It sheds a light on Everett’s waterfront from a recreational standpoint. For a long time, Everett has been known as mostly commercial waterfront and to now have the ability to have recreational boaters utilize this area is a great thing,” Everett Fire Chief and City Harbor-master Tony Carli said.



The area on the Malden River mouth where the new mooring field is planned to be installed in the coming months.

The result of a recent study of the waterfront that was commissioned by the City of Everett’s Planning Department, concluded that approximately 40 to 50 moorings for boats up to 25 feet long could be placed in

the Malden River. As part of the contract, GEI will prepare the layout for the amount of boats that will be stored in the river.

According to Chief Carli, the goal is to have the mooring field operational by the 2021 boating

season.

“It’s very exciting because due to COVID there’s been a huge increase in recreational boating activity, so it couldn’t be a better time to activate the mooring field,” Chief Carli said.



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Greg Wilmot named new SVP, COO at EBNHC

By John Lynds

Last week the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) announced that Greg Wilmot has been promoted to the role of senior vice president (SVP) and chief operating officer (COO). Wilmot most recently served as vice president and executive director of Neighborhood PACE, part of the national Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly network that provides comprehensive care and support for adults 55 and older with specific needs and preferences. In this new capacity, Wilmot will continue to oversee the PACE program while

also playing a key role in the development of EBNHC’s 2025 strategic plan. “This year the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center celebrates its 50th anniversary providing easily accessible, high-quality health care to some of our most vulnerable populations,” said Wilmot. “No patient is ever turned away and it is a privilege to be a part of an organization that has made such a tremendous impact on the local community. As we chart a course for the Health Center’s future, I’m looking forward to helping shape its strategic planning efforts.” This week the East Boston Times conducted

a ‘virtual’ interview with Wilmot. **East Boston Times:** How has running PACE prepared you for your new role as SVP, COO? **Greg Wilmot:** After nearly two decades working in the healthcare industry, in 2017, I joined EBNHC to help develop and execute a multi-year strategic plan for the PACE program. That plan intended to grow our PACE program and improve the program’s overall operational performance, financial performance, clinical quality, and patient experience. I am proud to say that our team made tremendous progress on all of these fronts. As SVP, COO, with an expanded focus, working across the health center, I have a similar charge and alongside our tremendous leadership team and dedicated staff, have great confidence in what we’ll accomplish. **EBT:** COVID has had a huge impact on Eastie and surrounding areas. What do you think are the most challenging issues with COVID and how can the EBNHC help solve these issues? **GW:** I have three major concerns about COVID. First, it is a deadly and highly infectious disease that is disproportionality affected black and brown communities – this is concerning for East Boston. It is imperative that EBNHC continue to provide access to treatment for persons who are ill, access to testing for persons with symptoms or at-risk of infection, and information and other resources to ensure

our residents are well-informed on how to protect themselves and their families. EBNHC will continue to be proactive and innovative in this fight against COVID and in partnership with the East Boston community, we’ll get through it. **EBT:** Forbes just named EBNHC one of the best places to work. How does the EBNHC staff impress you day in and day out? **GW:** I have long been impressed with the staff of EBNHC, including EBNHC’s leadership team and CEO, Manny Lopes. In my tenure with the organization, the staff at EBNHC have always shown tremendous dedication and amidst the COVID crisis, the dedication of the EBNHC staff has been all full display. During this crisis, members of the EBNHC family have given everything they have to ensure that our patients and members of the Eastie community have access to high-quality, affordable, and safe health care services. **EBT:** What are some of the things during this pandemic that EBNHC has done that has made you proud to be part of the team? **GW:** Like so many, the EBNHC team has been working at full speed to ensure our doors remain open. As a health care provider and critical resource in our community, EBNHC has been laser-focused on ensuring access to care, access to testing, and access to information and resources. The list of things is fairly

extensive. By example, this year alone, EBNHC implemented new COVID testing sites – doing thousands of tests per week, we implemented telehealth visits, expanded meals distribution, virtualized significant portions of our workforce, and completed a historic/first of its kind merger with the South End Community Health Center. EBNHC continues to be an innovator and unlike any health care provider in the state and I am so proud to be a part of the EBNHC family. **EBT:** Is there anything else you would like to add? **GW:** I’d like to extend a special thanks to the EBNHC board of directors and board chair Rita Sorrento and the EBNHC executive leadership team and our CEO and President Manny Lopes. It’s truly a privilege to serve alongside such a committed group of leaders. Wilmot brings more than 20 years of experience in the healthcare field to his new role. Prior to joining EBNHC in 2017, Wilmot worked at AllWays Health Partners, a member of Mass General Brigham, where he led the organization’s Mass-Health Accountable Care Organization strategy and operations. Additionally, Wilmot previously served as Boston Medical Center’s director of business development, where he partnered with clinical and administrative leaders at the hospital and across key partners to create new opportunities for growth and expand clinical services and quality goals. Wilm-



Greg Wilmot was appointed Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at EBNHC last week.


ot also worked for former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick’s Executive Office of Health and Human Services as senior advisor and director of strategy and performance management and held various operational and management roles at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. “Greg’s appointment comes at an important time for EBNHC and the communities we serve as the health center continues to grow and expand,” said Manny Lopes, CEO, EBNHC. “As COO, he will play a key role in integrating the PACE program into the overall health center, which will improve patient care and organizational efficiency, as well as the development of EBNHC’s strategic planning.” Wilmot holds a BA in Psychology from Boston College, and an MBA from Northeastern University. Wilmot resides in Framingham with his wife Romina and their two daughters.



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for our eighth and ninth graders. So it was great to give them a nice, big win as they leave the league. Everyone worked hard all season. We didn't have a fantastic regular season, but the team always kept their focus and came to every practice and every game ready to play. I couldn't be prouder of how they performed this season."

Peyton Warren and Jessica Colman were the winning pitchers in the deciding games against the Legends. Peyton, an eighth grader, is the younger sister of Hailey Warren. Gianna Darnell also pitched well during the regular season.

Aniya Thompson, Lauren Ahearn, Jessica Col-

man, and McKenzie Powers were the leading hitters for the Widows who produced a lot of runs in the playoffs. Ahearn also excelled at shortstop.

"As a team, we played really good defense," said Hailey Warren.

The Widows head coach credited league officials for organizing a season under difficult circumstances.

"It was really nice to have a season in the first place with everything that was going on," said Warren. "It was really good to give the girls something to do, especially when they had missed out on school and all their other sports."

Dave Warren, father of Hailey and Peyton, was an assistant coach of the

Widows who helped out at several practices. Their mother, Laurie Warren, supported the team with her attendance at every game.

Legends head coach Andrea Fuccillo's team, the fourth seed in the playoffs, built a lot of momentum heading into their matchup with the Black Widows, having won their first three games of the playoffs.

The Legends had also handed the No. 1-seeded Storm their only loss during the season and had defeated the defending champion Storm in the playoffs.

Asked who were the premier players that helped produce an excellent season and a powerful



The Widows' outstanding shortstop, Lauren Ahearn, with her mother, Maureen Stevens Ahearn, who is undisputedly one of the greatest athletes in Everett High School history.



Black Widows Head Coach Hailey Warren and her sister, star pitcher Peyton Warren.



Legends player Kayley Rossi with her mother, Legends Coach Melissa Rossi, prior to the penultimate playoff game of the Everett Girls Softball League season at Glendale Park.



Black Widows Coach Mark Powers, Makenzie Powers, and Coach Hailey Powers.



Having great careers competing in the Everett Girls Softball League were Legends graduating players, from left, Mia Oliva, Kayley Rossi, Juliana Edwards, and Jayla Davila.



The Legends completed a successful season with a run to the championship round of the Everett Girls Softball League playoffs. Front row, from left, are Janessa Sikora, Mia Oliva, Riley Kenney, Jayla Davila, Giavana Bono and Juliana Ferguson. Back row, from left, are Coach CarolLyn Manuel, Head Coach Andrea Fuccillo, Lana Dannenberg, Alexa Uga, Kayley Rossi, Juliana Edwards, Stephany DeSouza, Cynthia Rodriguez, Cristina Snook, Coach-Melissa Rossi, and Coach Patti Scalesse.

Passim opens up applications for grants

Staff Report

Passim, the legendary music listening room in Cambridge, is opening up the application process for the annual Iguana Music Fund. The Iguana Music Fund awards grants annually to musicians for career building projects and for projects that provide community service through music. Established in 2008 after an anonymous donor approached Passim with the

idea to start a program to support local artists' career growth, the fund provides grants from \$500 to \$2,000 for musicians with a strong New England connection. Applications are open now through Oct. 14. Artists may apply for free at passim.org/iguana.

"This year has been challenging. Being a musician in 2020 has led to more uncertainty than ever before. What remains clear is that art helps us understand ourselves,

connects us, and makes life worth living," said Jim Wooster, Executive Director of Passim. "The world may have stopped in a lot of ways for the time being, but Iguana is here to help."

Over the past 12 years, Passim has awarded more than \$430,000 in grants, funding more than 200 projects for artists including Della Mae, Oompa, Lake Street Dive, and Awaaz Do. Grants are located in the areas of re-

cording or manufacturing assistance, publicity and marketing support, equipment and instruments, songwriting retreats, tour support, special projects and other specific activities that promote artists work and/or professional growth.

Applications for the Iguana Music Fund are open now through Oct. 14 at passim.org/iguana. The grants will be distributed in late December.

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KENNEDY TAKES CHELSEA

CHELSEA - Congressman Joe Kennedy III scored a rare win in Chelsea on Tuesday night, Sept. 1, in a Democratic Primary that was all about his opponent, U.S. Senator Ed Markey – who took the statewide vote decidedly.

In Chelsea, Kennedy got 2,097 votes (52 percent) to Markey’s 1,903 votes (47 percent), built on a campaign that came to Chelsea numerous times and especially in August when he dropped by Golden Cannoli and came last Saturday campaigning with New York Congressman Adriano Espaillat.

Kennedy also had the support of Councilor Judith Garcia, who had joined the campaign staff during the summer. Council President Roy Avellana was also very strongly in the Kennedy camp as well.

Kennedy’s win in Chelsea follows a clear trend where he did very well in Latino and Spanish-speaking communities. In Everett, the race went to Markey, but was much closer than expected for a Senator who grew up the next city over and had huge institutional support.

In Revere and Lynn, where there are huge Latino communities, Kennedy also won over Markey. That was also true in Boston, where areas of that city which are heavily Spanish-speaking bucked the trend and voted for Kennedy. That was likely due to the fact that Kennedy frequently spoke fluent Spanish when he showed up to events where Spanish-speakers were present.

In Boston overall and everywhere else, however, Markey cleaned Kennedy’s clock in a decisive win that was over very quickly in the evening.

Markey pulled out the statewide win with 55 percent of the vote to Kennedy’s 44.6 percent of the vote. In Boston, it was even more lopsided as Markey collected 59 percent of the vote (77,518) to Kennedy’s 40 percent (52,485).

Markey enjoyed strong support in western Massa-

chusetts, and also on Cape Ann. Kennedy showed strength in southeast Massachusetts and central Massachusetts.

Kennedy jumped out to a fast start more than a year ago, and as time went on, few gave Markey a chance as Kennedy seemed to have the rising star. However, one should never count Ed Markey out of the picture. Markey’s campaign came alive down the stretch with the ‘Leads and Delivers’ bus tour, and grabbed a key endorsement from local leaders like State Sen. Sal DiDomenico.

In Kennedy’s concession speech Tuesday night, he said his coalition will continue.

“The Senator is a good man,” he said of Markey. “You’ve never heard me say otherwise. I know it was difficult between us at times -- good elections get heated -- but I am grateful for our debates, for his commitment to this Commonwealth, and for the energy and enthusiasm that he brought to this race. Obviously, these results are not the ones we were hoping for... We built a campaign for the people that our politics too often locks out and leaves behind. We built a campaign for Lawrence and Chelsea and New Bedford and Roxbury and Brockton and Springfield and Lowell and Worcester. We built a campaign for working folks -- of every color and creed -- who carry the economic injustice of this country on their backs. This campaign’s coalition will endure.”

•OTHER UNCONTESTED RACES

In other races voted on in Chelsea Tuesday that weren’t contested, the following were the results:

Congresswoman Ayanza Pressley – 3,378 votes

State Sen. Sal DiDomenico – 3,323 votes

Register of Probate Felix Arroyo beat Kerby Roberson 2,932 votes to 637 votes.

Governor’s Councillor Terrence Kennedy beat Helina Fontes, 2,222 votes to 1,365 votes.

•REPUBLICAN BALLOT

There was one contest-

ed race on the Republican ballot, but a lot of action in the write-in category it has been said.

In the U.S. Senate race on the Republican side, Kevin O’Connor beat Siva Ayyadurai, 201 to 192.

ST. STANISLAUS PARISH CLOSES

CHELSEA - The long-standing St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic Church on Chestnut Street held its last public Masses after 115 years of perseverance – surviving two conflagrations – in serving the faithful in the Polish language.

Parishioners held a bittersweet remembrance of all the history and hard work put into the Parish over the decades – particularly thanking Pastor Andrew Grelak, a Polish priest who came to the Parish in 1996 and has served tirelessly with time, devotion and his own money.

“It is with the same Bóg zapłać that I turn to you, the most faithful parishioners,” read a letter spoken aloud during the last Mass. “You maintained the Parish spiritually with your regular participation in the Holy Mass as well as financially paying your dues and contributing your hard-earned money to various renovation projects over the years. For you this was simply a holy obligation that will never be forgotten.

“Today, the long and glorious history of St. Stanislaus Parish in Chelsea come to and end,” it continued. “The doors to our church will be closed forever. Among those of us for whom this church was a place of prayer in our native language and a bastion of Polish culture, this awakens in us deep anguish. Leaving this church for the last time, we will fondly recall what a unique place this truly was. But, we must also carry with us the disappointment that we were unable to fulfill the promises of our forefathers and maintain this Parish longer.”

It was as sad an ending as it was joyous in its beginning.

PRIMARY DAY



Winthrop volunteers deliver pizza and water to the poll workers.

St. Stan’s, as it is affectionately known in Chelsea, began in 1903 when Polish immigrants settled in Chelsea and wanted respite from their long hours of manual labor by being able to go to a Polish church. When asked at the time by the Archdiocese of Boston if they wanted their own church and would bore the costs of maintenance, records show they said, “We want God in this country, in the Polish language and tradition...”

Over the next two years, Polish families in Chelsea contributed 25 cents a week for the Parish Fund. They finally purchased the former Congregational Church on Chestnut Street and consecrated it as a Polish Roman Catholic Church on July 2, 1905. In 1908, the Great Chelsea Fire hit the building and burnt it down. One year later, the church had been rebuilt.

It’s height came in the 1930s when the Parish had assets of what would today be \$4 million and a thriving religious community. They added a convent to the campus, and also built a school.

A big part of the last services was thanking Pastor Andrew, who in a phone call with the Record, declined to comment on the matter – clearly sad to see the community dissolve.

“Father Andrew, we are thankful for your tireless service at the altar of Christ, for our sick and for our deceased over the past 24 years,” the wrote. “You prepared us for the jubilee year that was the 100th anniversary of the parish in 2005 and have been with us in good as well as in difficult times.”

About eight years ago, St. Stan’s sold the school, which was developed into housing and is now operated by TND in Chelsea for housing units.

It is uncertain right now what will happen with the church building, but that will likely be discussed in the near future. Parishioners seeking Polish language Masses are being directed to a Parish in South Boston.

WALSH ADDRESSES COVID-19 CRISIS IN EASTIE

EAST BOSTON - At his daily press briefing, Mayor Martin Walsh addressed the ongoing COVID-19 crisis unfolding in East Boston, saying his administration remains committed to monitoring and sharing neighborhood data and race and ethnici-

ty data, and responding to any anticipated or emerging disparities.

Over the past month, Eastie has reemerged as a COVID-19 ‘hotspot’ in the city after a relatively quiet few months where positive test rates and infection rates remained stable.

Eastie now leads the city in infection rates and positive test rates by leaps and bounds with the positive infection rate here at nearly 11 percent last week against a citywide average of 2.3 percent.

Mayor Walsh said these numbers are concerning and the City is addressing the sharp rise through a multipronged approach.

Mayor Walsh has deployed a mobile testing site, in partnership with the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EB-NHC), to Central Square through Saturday (see Eastie COVID Update story).

The city is also working with the State to identify temporary isolation housing, so that people can quarantine away from their families if they test positive.

“We are working collaboratively on strategies and solutions with East Boston elected officials; cross-departmental City teams; medical and social service providers in the neighborhood; union leaders who represent East Boston residents and workers; and clergy who have been helping to share messages at services,” said Walsh. “The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) has mobilized teams to provide safety materials and education to residents and businesses in multiple languages, including English, Spanish, and Arabic. They have been out at MBTA stations and key intersections, and will be expanding into neighborhood parks at times when people gather and play sports. They are distributing COVID care kits, sharing information about safety precautions, and answering questions that people may have about COVID-19. We are making clear that anyone can get tested, regardless of immigration status. No information about your status will be asked. And we are making clear that residents can file a confidential complaint with the BPHC if employers or businesses aren’t following safety guidelines.”

In addition, business outreach in Eastie began last week in multiple languages, to make sure management and staff know

COVID regulations; have access to PPE, signage, and prevention efforts like social distancing and hygiene; and know that they need to report to BPHC when they have an employee test positive.

The Mayor said that if case numbers don’t come down, the City will look at tightening regulations around gatherings and public spaces, but he hopes that it doesn’t come to that.

“The City will prioritize working collaboratively with residents to get the message out that COVID-19 is still with us and all the precautions we’ve been taking are still necessary,” he said.

The Mayor pointed out that economic conditions impact COVID numbers, and that Eastie has high rates of multi-generational housing, overcrowded housing, and breadwinners who can only work outside the home. He said bringing resources to those families and supporting them when workers need to stay home is a big part of the solution.

The Mayor concluded with a reflection on the ongoing psychological impact of COVID-19:

“Let’s remember what people are going through,” said Walsh. “People are experiencing illness in themselves and loved ones; fear of COVID that many have anxiety around; financial stress around lost income, struggling small businesses, and people in fear of losing their home. And then there’s the toll of systemic racism. Many residents experience it personally and they also see continual footage of violence against Black and Brown people on social media. All of it together is taking a tremendous toll. It’s showing up in mental health concerns and physical health concerns. It’s playing a role in domestic violence and street violence. And people are struggling with substance use. For anyone in recovery or interested in recovery, recovery meetings are online and now some meetings are happening in person, outdoors. You can reach out to AA or NA to find a meeting, or contact our Office of Recovery Services by calling 311.”

Walsh reminded the public that these are not normal times and a tendency toward conflict will not serve us well in every situation right now.

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kind to yourself and others,” he said. “Let’s take it a day at a time.”

GROUP CITES ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED BEFORE SCHOOLS OPEN

LYNN - In response to the statewide push to reopen schools for in-person education, the recently formed Coalition to Safely Reopen Schools, has issued its position statement citing a number of issues that need to be addressed to ensure that schools can be reopened without jeopardizing the health and safety of students, staff, or the communities schools serve. As a result of that analysis, the Coalition is calling for a phased approach to reopening, with no in-person learning unless and until those issues are resolved.

The Coalition is a statewide collaboration of school nurses, teachers, parents, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, librarians, school support staff, janitorial staff, labor, occupational health and community advocates, who came together to provide a frontline perspective and concrete medically-informed recommendations for what is needed to safely reopen for in-person learning. The group complements and builds on a number of other position statements issued by local and national teachers associations, including the Massachusetts Teachers Association, and American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts, as well as expert analysis and reports provided by the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, the Massachusetts Education Equity Partnership and the Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health. It also relies on the perspective of school nurses from throughout the state, who are responsible for the health and well-being of students and every member of the school staff, all of whom will be placing their own well-being and that of their families and communities at risk as a result of reopening during this unprecedented pandemic.

“This process represents one of the most consequential decisions our communities and our state will make as our state and nation construe to grapple with a pandemic that is still surging across the nation, showing signs of a second wave in our state, with the threat of the flu season looming,” said Patty Comeau, RN, a member of the Coalition, the Massachusetts Nurses Association and a school nurse in Methuen. “In confronting this challenge a safe, scientifically guided, well planned, adequately funded and appropriately resourced process must be the priority for all involved, as the stakes couldn’t be higher and the outcome of our decisions truly have life and death consequences.”

The statement also highlights the need to keep equity as the central focus of reopening in order to address the needs of families, and communities; particularly Black, Latino and those residents of disadvantaged communities across the Commonwealth, who have been hardest hit by the pandemic, and whose communities often lack the funding and school infrastructure

to support a safe reopening at this time.

The position statement addresses 16 different areas of concern that need to be considered and addressed appropriately to ensure a safe reopening of schools for in-person learning, including:

- Proper ventilation and circulation of air;
- Assessing community resources for alternative school settings;
- Ensuring proper social distancing;
- Standardization and availability of PPE for all staff and students
- Resources and infrastructure to support hand hygiene and mask wearing;
- Safe cleaning practices;
- Addressing the health and safety of students with special needs;
- Access to rapid testing;
- Clear guidelines for contact tracing;
- Appropriate school nurse staffing;
- Space to isolate and monitor suspected or positive cases;
- Resources for safe transportation of students;
- Safe re-entry into school protocols;
- Comprehensive education and training of staff prior to reopening;
- Disparities in access to in-person learning;
- Preserving school staff pay and benefits.

The position statement clearly describes each specific area of concern as well as how each must be addressed to ensure a safe reopening. After completing this review, the Coalition position statement concludes:

“In light of all the issues we have presented, the current lack of funding appropriated to address these issues, and the increased need for staff, PPE, testing and other resources to implement a safe reopening, at this time; we don’t believe our State is ready to pursue in-person learning safely. And until these issues are resolved, it is also not safe to have staff stationed in these schools to conduct remote learning for students.”

The Coalition calls for the state and school districts to reopen for remote learning, while taking the time to develop comprehensive plans with the infrastructure, protocols, staffing, funding and training “to safely institute in-person learning that we all know our students deserve.”

The organizations that have endorsed the document to date include: American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts, Massachusetts Association for the Chemically Injured, Massachusetts Coalition for Safety and Health, Massachusetts Jobs with Justice, Massachusetts Nurses Association, Massachusetts Teachers Association and Service Employees International Union Local 888.

REVERE SCHOOL AND TEACHERS ENTER INTO MOA

REVERE - At an emergency Revere School Committee meeting called on August 28, Revere Public School Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly said RPS and the Revere Teachers Association (RTA) have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to safely restart the school year.

The MOA, that was unanimously adopted by the School Committee,

addresses some the concerns RTA members had over Revere’s school reopening plan.

While the School Committee voted earlier this month to start with a ‘remote’ learning model instead of a ‘hybrid’ learning model due to an increase in COVID positive test rates, RTA members still had concerns over the safety of the plan.

Major concerns from the RTA included the fact that teachers would have to teach remotely from their classrooms and high-risk students like ELA and special education students would be coming to Revere’s school buildings for in-person learning despite the remote phase.

Under the MOA adopted by the School Committee teachers will provide remote learning three days a week from classrooms and two days a week from home. During shortened four day holiday weeks teachers will do two days from their classroom and two days from their home. Dr. Kelly said all teachers have the option to teach from their classroom five days a week if they so choose.

Staff that are at a higher risk of developing severe complications from COVID-19 will have special medical accommodations based on their needs. RPS are still working with those staff members to determine the proper accommodations.

Like the rest of the school population high-risk students like ELA and special education students will also start the year remotely and will no longer be educated in-person within school buildings when the school year begins. Once Revere switches to the hybrid model these students will join their fellow students for in-person learning. The hybrid model plan calls for students to be split into groups. While one group is learning in-person the other group in learning remotely and vice versa.

The RPS and RTA also agreed that they will adhere to the State Depart-

ment of Elementary and Secondary Education’s guidelines on stitching from a remote to a hybrid model.

“In order to go from remote to hybrid the positive infection rate has to be 5 percent or less and fewer than 8 COVID cases per 100,000 residents,” said Kelly.

Kelly added that if the State and City of Revere returns to Phase II of the COVID reopening plan the hybrid model would go back to the remote model. Teachers would have the option at that time to work from home or in their classrooms if things are scaled back. However, if the state and city go back to Phase I then all school buildings would be closed like they were in March and all teachers would work from home and all students would do remote learning.

RPS is also working on a testing program for staff and students in order to isolate asymptomatic carriers and prevent spread of the disease. Students that consent would be tested one week prior to the hybrid model kicking off and every week there after.

“I do feel like what we have agreed on will enable us to better serve our students without than if we went forward without an agreement,” said Kelly.

GIANNINO CRUISES TO VICTORY

REVERE - Councilor-at-Large Jessica Ann Giannino earned an impressive victory in the Sixteenth Suffolk District Democratic Primary for State Representative, defeating Joseph Gravellese in the hard-fought election.

Giannino received solid votes in Revere, Chelsea, and Saugus to win by approximate 20-percent margin overall. A top vote-getter in her councilor-at-large city-wide elections, Giannino again received strong support from her fellow Revere residents, notably in her

home Ward 6.

Giannino conducted an outstanding campaign in a race against a formidable candidate in Gravellese, who like Giannino, displayed an excellent knowledge of the issues important to the district and worked hard in getting the message out to voters during the unprecedented times of the coronavirus.

Some felt the timing of Giannino’s endorsements was noteworthy and effective, particularly showcasing the key support she received from retiring State Rep. RoseLee Vincent and popular School Committee member Anthony D’Ambrosio who topped the ticket himself in last fall’s election, along with former Mayor Dan Rizzo. Giannino’s colleagues on the City Council, who have watched her development into an effective voice for her constituents, also supported her candidacy.

Giannino thanked the residents of Revere for their incredible show of support and sharing her vision for a better future. Giannino released the following statement:

“To the residents of the 16th Suffolk District - thank you. This is the honor of my life. Thank you to all who came out to vote today, to those who provided feedback, insight and support. Thank you for sharing my vision for a better future. To every person in Chelsea, Revere and Saugus, I will never take your confidence for granted.

I’m so grateful for the hard work of the many volunteers that helped on the campaign trail. Together, we got creative, took social distancing precautions and had fun. Whether it was making calls, knocking on doors or strategizing, I asked and you delivered. Thank you to my grandmother, Googie, my dad, my aunts, uncles and the rest of my family and friends. I’m beyond fortunate to have had you in my corner campaigning over the last nearly 10 years. Their

support has always made a difference, and they are a huge part of our success.

For years, the 16th Suffolk District has been represented by strong women who knew how to get things done. They have been in leadership at the State House and given a new generation of elected officials a lot to live up to.”

Giannino also thanked the many organizations and city and state officials who endorsed her candidacy.

An impressive newcomer to electoral politics and the son of a widely admired School Committee member, Susan Gravellese, Joe Gravellese congratulated Giannino on her victory while thanking the 2,200 voters who cast their ballots for him. He said he was proud of his campaign and the enthusiastic response he received from voters about his policies and progressive vision.

“The fact that Councillor Giannino did as well as she did speaks to the fact that she’s been a good city councillor for a long time and has served the community really well,” Gravellese said in an interview with Revere Journal President Stephen Quigley on the Revere TV post-election show. “She has done an outstanding job of being out there and being well known and of doing a good job. You don’t get 5,000 votes every time you run for City Council if you’re not doing a good job.”

City Council President Patrick Keefe also congratulated Giannino on her victory in Tuesday’s Primary.

“Jessica has the name and she backed it up with the work,” said Keefe, “The Giannino family has been a staple in the community for well over a century and she’s done the work to be the state representative for the Sixteenth District. She’s going to live this job and represent her constituents with her fullest passion and ability. The residents of this area will be well served.”

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OBITUARIES

Julie VanValkenberg Of Revere

Julie (Carnazzo) VanValkenberg of Revere passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 4 at the age of 50.

Born in Medford on June 13, 1970 to Paul and Nancy (Fitzgerald) Carnazzo of Revere, Julie is survived by Michael VanValkenberg of Danvers, the father to their beloved children, Michael VanValkenberg of Revere and Morgan VanValkenberg of Danvers, dear sister to Paul Carnazzo and his wife, Agata of Revere and adored grandmother of Emily Heres-VanValkenberg. She is also survived by many dear cousins and friends.

A visitation will be held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Thursday, September 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. followed by a private Prayer Service for the immediate family. Due to the current spike in Covid-19, the guidelines issued by



the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and local officials we are limited to 25 people at a time and social distancing and masks are required. If you could, please make your visit brief to allow others to attend. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Julie's name to the MSPCA Angel, Att. Development Donation, 350 S. Huntington Ave, Boston, MA 02130. Private Interment. For guest book, please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Nancy Ciarlone Loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother

Nancy M. (Nicolo) Ciarlone of Revere passed away peacefully on September 1 at the age of 90.

The beloved daughter of the late Diego and Marianna (Compolo) Nicolo, she was the devoted wife of the late Louis H. "Cheako" Ciarlone, loving mother of Louis Ciarlone, Jr. and his wife, Corazon (Parcon) and Michael Ciarlone and his partner, Linda Sarno, all of Revere; cherished grandmother of Kiana Ciarlone Cameron and Dominique Ciarlone and great-grandmother of Eden Cameron; dear sister of the late Demetrie, James, Joseph, Salvatore and Nicolas Nicolo, Angie D'Amico and Marion Raponi. Nancy is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Due to the current spike in Covid-19, the guidelines issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Archdiocese of Boston and local of-



ficials, funeral services will be privately held for the immediate family and under the direction of the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons – Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere. Interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. At the family's request, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Nancy's memory to the Ciarlone Scholarship Fund, 410 Park Avenue, Revere, MA 02151.

Please share a memory or leave a message by visiting our guest book www.buonfiglio.com.

State revenue collections total \$1.992 billion

Staff Report

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Geoffrey Snyder last week announced that August revenue collections totaled \$1.992 billion, \$6 million or 0.3% more than the actual collections in August 2019.

Of the \$1.992 billion August collections, approximately \$13 million is income tax payments and refunds that will be recorded as FY2020 revenue, pursuant to section 3 of chapter 78 of the Acts of 2020. Such amounts consist of payments and refunds originally due in FY2020 but received in FY2021, including payments made with final 2019 income tax returns, extension payments and estimated payments originally due in April and June 2020. Therefore, approximately \$1.979 billion in August revenue will be recorded in FY2021, which is \$7 million or 0.4% less than the collections in August 2019.

For the fiscal year-to-date through August, revenue collections totaled \$6.448 billion, \$2.437 billion or 60.7% more than the same fiscal year-

to-date period in 2019. Of the \$6.448 billion year-to-date collections through August, approximately \$2.313 billion, or 36%, is income tax payments and refunds that will be recorded as FY2020 revenue pursuant to legislation. Excluding these income tax amounts that will be recorded as FY2020 revenue, August year-to-date collections total approximately \$4.135 billion, which is \$124 million or 3.1% more than collections in the same period of FY2020.

"Revenues for the month of August were mainly driven by withholding, part of which is attributed to withholding on unemployment insurance benefits, as well as the regular sales tax. These increases were offset by decreases in non-withheld income tax, meals tax, corporate and business taxes, and 'All Other' tax," said Commissioner Snyder. "August year-to-date total collections were also impacted by corporate and business tax payments attributable to returns due in April, following the waiver of late filing and payment penalties until July 15 for such returns.

DOR will continue to monitor revenue collections closely."

August is one of the smaller months for revenue collection, because neither individual nor business taxpayers make significant estimated payments during the month. On average for the past several years, roughly 6.7% of annual revenue has been received during August.

However, this August is different from previous years because of the impact of COVID-19 on tax bases and because revenues collected in this month include deferred payments on personal income tax and corporate excise payments, but exclude some regular sales, meals and room occupancy taxes which are postponed to September. As noted above, deferred personal income tax payments and refunds will be booked back to FY2020 by the Comptroller.

Details:
Preliminary August Revenue Collections

•Income tax collections for August were \$1.151 billion, \$61 million or 5.6% more than August 2019. Of the \$1.151 billion August income tax collections, about \$13

million was income tax payments and refunds originally due in FY2020 but received in August 2020, including payments made with final income tax returns, extension payments and estimated payments originally due in FY2020.

•Withholding tax collections for August totaled \$1.119 billion, \$83 million more than August 2019.

•Income tax estimated payments totaled \$33 million for August, \$4 million less than August 2019.

•Income tax returns and bills totaled \$46 million for August, \$9 million more than August 2019.

•Income tax cash refunds in August totaled \$46 million in outflows, \$26 million more than August 2019.

•Sales and use tax collections for August totaled \$608 million, \$3 million more than August 2019.

•Corporate and business tax collections for August totaled \$31 million, \$27 million less than August 2019.

•Other tax collections for August totaled \$202 million, \$32 million less than August 2019.

Treasurer Goldberg announces \$30 million in grants for municipal water projects

Staff Report

State Treasurer Deb Goldberg, Chair of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (Trust), announced last week the allocation of \$30 million in additional grants for municipal projects to address lead in drinking water for disadvantaged communities.

The Trust voted on Wednesday, Sept. 2, to administer the funds to support future investments in local water projects. The new grant program will be implemented with

guidance from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and engineering and technical support from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP).

The funds will assist cities and towns most in need of financial assistance to help pay for remediation efforts addressing lead in drinking water or planning projects to identify sources of lead for remediation.

Eligible project types include but not limited to:

- Replacement of lead service lines
- Corrosion control projects
- Lead removal/treatment
- “As Chair of the Clean Water Trust, I am pleased to work with the Baker-Polito Administration, MassDEP, and EPA to provide funds to local communities that will protect the health of our citizens and create a cleaner environment,” said Treasurer and Receiver General Deborah B. Goldberg. “This \$30 million will help reduce the cost of

these projects and assist communities in providing lead free drinking water to our most vulnerable residents.”

The Trust improves the water quality in the Commonwealth by providing capital financing to cities, towns and other eligible entities to help protect and improve their water infrastructure. These funds will be awarded to disadvantaged communities that have eligible projects on the 2020, 2021 and 2022 MassDEP Intended Use Plans.

Land Court launches virtual recorder's office

Trial Court Chief Justice Paula M. Carey, Court Administrator Jonathan Williams, and Land Court Chief Justice Gordon H. Piper today announced that the Land Court Recorder's Office is now using videoconferencing technology to operate a virtual Recorder's Office to assist the public. "This pilot program in the Land Court, modeled on the early success of the 'Virtual Registry' in the Probate and Family Court, is an excellent way to leverage technology to offer remote court services to the public," said Trial Court Chief Justice Paula Carey.

"The Land Court has launched yet another Trial Court technology initiative to enhance access to our courts," said Court Administrator Jonathan Williams. "Given the Land Court's statewide jurisdiction, court users all across Massachusetts will benefit."

The virtual Recorder's Office can be accessed by videoconference or by phone using a videoconferencing connection during designated hours. Court users are admitted into a virtual waiting room and then into the virtual Recorder's Office. There, Land Court staff can answer general questions, provide Land Court case and docket information, and assist with accessing forms, instructions and other docu-

ments. If the pilot is well received, the Land Court may expand hours to provide additional services, including virtual contact with Land Court title examiners, tax title examiners, and survey staff.

"We are pleased to add this new virtual service to other remote services the Land Court has implemented in response to the pandemic, including

telephone and video conferencing of court events and remote public access to live court events," said Land Court Chief Justice Gordon Piper. "This provides a great alternative in response to public health and safety concerns. I commend the creativity of Land Court Recorder Deborah Patterson and her staff to meet the needs of our court users."

The virtual Recorder's Office is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (except holidays) from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information on how to access the virtual Recorder's Office is available at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/land-court-virtual-recorders-office>.

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CHURCH News

Mystic Side Congregational Church

News and Notes

Mystic Side Congrega-tional Church is located in Everett, on Malden-Ev-erett border, at 422 Main Street. We offer a warm, inviting atmosphere, and all are welcome. Our Sun-day Church service starts at 10:30 a.m. and Commu-nion is offered on the first Sunday of each month. A very pleasant coffee hour

and socializing follow our services. Parking is avail-able in our lot next to the church on Wyllis Ave. (one way off Main Street). We look forward to welcoming you this Sunday.

**Mystic Side
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Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episco-pal Church is open and wel-coming to all.

There are 3 services on Sundays: 10am English, 1pm South Sudanese (Din-ka) and 3pm Haitian Cre-ole.

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Church at the Well Everett

News and Notes

Church at the Well Ev-erett is a new church for Everett that will begin meeting in 2021. Check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/churchforeverett to view weekly devotions and up-dates, visit us at [everett.church to sign up for our newsletter and see how we can help you, or connect with the Everett Community Aid Network at \[www.everettcan.com\]\(http://www.everettcan.com\) to request any additional help.](http://www.for-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

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News and Notes

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Glendale United Methodist Church

News and Notes

Glendale United Meth-odist 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 ded-icate 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 particu-lar week and leave a copy of your dedication in the mail in that is on the Pas-tor’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.

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appointment.****

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

book page, “Zion Church Ministries.”

For more information, they can be reached on-line at zionchurchminis-tries.com or via email at office@zionchurchminis-tries.com

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 Can-non

Weekly Mass Schedule at Immaculate Conception is as follows:

Saturday (Sunday Vig-il) 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 Com-munity

Masses are being held in the Chapel.


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