

# Everett Independent

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## It's time to start

Students and staff prepare to enter the e-Learning Center at the Parlin – a rather odd and unique first day in the times of COVID-19.



Supt. Priya Tahiliani (photo left) celebrated her first, First Day of School at Everett Public Schools Tuesday morning at the Parlin e-Learning Center by giving a socially distanced elbow bump to second grader Ashley Ramos. Meanwhile, later in the morning, Supt. Tahiliani (photo right) said hello to teacher Audrey Agnetta's remote class at the Keverian. The first day of 2020 marked a number of different learning and teaching configurations due to COVID-19's ongoing stranglehold on life – including e-Learning Centers, all-remote learning, teaching from home and teaching from empty classrooms.



## Logging on: Schools starts remotely at home, in e-Learning Centers

By Seth Daniel

Sometime generally around 7:50 a.m. on Tuesday morning, students across the district didn't necessarily re-unite with friends in the schoolyard after an eventful summer, meet the new teacher in person, or lug football equipment to Everett High for practice after the first day of classes.

No, none of the usual sounds and patterns of a late summer return

to school were in the air Tuesday morning. What did happen, though, was students once again began to learn, and in a way that will likely change the face of school forever – even after the pandemic subsides.

Just before 8 a.m., thousands of Everett Public School students hit the power button on a computer and logged on for the first day of classes – whether that happened in their homes or at one of

the many e-Learning Centers across the district.

It was the most unique and unorthodox start to the school year ever – conservatively speaking.

The first day came after months of planning and discussion with teachers, staff, administrators, families and students, said Supt. Priya Tahiliani – who celebrated her first, First Day of School outside the Parlin School e-Learning Center. She said after all the planning

and troubleshooting and worrying, it was just time to try it out.

"It's just time to start," she said. "There isn't any more planning we can do. We have to start and see how it goes."

In the end, the demand for the e-Learning Centers was very manageable and there wasn't a huge surge of families trying to get their kids into an e-Learning space at one of the

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## CHA Everett sees increase in COVID-19 cases, but caregivers more confident this time around

By Seth Daniel

The CHA Everett hospital has seen an uptick in cases and patients coming in with COVID-19 cases, but caregivers there are more confident and experienced to deal with it this time around – and better resources as well, compared to the surges of April and May that were touch-and-go on a daily basis.

Dr. Melissa Lai-Becker, chief of the Emergency Department at CHA Everett, said observers and Mayor Carlo DeMaria are right to be concerned about the uptick in cases at the hospital, but that the good news is the hospital is better-equipped to treat

the illness, and the numbers are nowhere near the surges last spring.

"It's really getting that balance between maintaining good preparedness and practices and taking care of patients we have – COVID-19 or not," she said. "It's really remaining vigilant without getting fatigued or feeling run down by the last six months here. We want to stay prepared as we look ahead.

The numbers reported are accurate and while they represent a gentle uprising, the good news is ultimately...having 10 cases and three or four in the ICU is concerning but nowhere near where they were in April and May. We are thankful for that."

In March, as the hospital ramped up operations related to COVID care, and shut down other operations to make room for what they expected to come – the disadvantage is doctors and caregivers had no idea what to expect. There were more patients than they expected, they had to develop a network on the fly to transfer patients to open beds throughout Greater Boston, and the disease was new with many of its symptoms and characteristics was unknown.

Even some of the treatments now known to help – such as the potential of using the Tylenol poisoning antidote to help COVID-19 patients that

was developed at CHA Everett – were not yet known.

Those deficits are no longer the case, Lai-Becker said, and any new uptick in cases is something she said they feel like they are more prepared to handle.

"It's good to be in a place where six months in – even if there aren't multiple breakthroughs or relatively few treatments – there is enough experience with patients that clinicians have a much better understanding of the direction of the disease and its course," she said. "It's a lot less of a cogni-

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## Adrien, DiDomenico tout bringing CPA program to Everett

By Seth Daniel

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) has had a resurgence in recent years with the City of Boston and the City of Chelsea joining in the ranks of communities that have approved the program, but Everett has never bit at the apple of free state matching money, and Councilor Gerly Adrien is now proposing the City place the measure on the 2021 City Election ballot.

The CPA is a state program that involves a surcharge to property tax bills in a community in order to raise a sum of money that is matched by the state. The proceeds those dual pots of money are to be used to fund affordable housing, open space/parks, and historic preservation – all pressing needs in Everett.

The cost is fairly minimal for most taxpayers, with 3 percent surcharged on the actual dollar value of the tax bill (not the valuation of the home). So, a \$4,000 tax bill would equal \$10 a month and \$120 a year.

Councilor Adrien introduced the matter at Monday night's City Council meeting – which was the first meeting to be held back in the Council Chambers since March.

"I was looking at how to figure out how to build more affordable housing in the city, and so I've been studying the CPA," she said. "More than 50 percent of all cities and towns in Massachusetts have already passed this. I'm hoping we could take a look at this over the next three to six months and work on it so it would be

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## Walk for Ersilia goes to virtual 5K for second-year effort

By Seth Daniel

The Kiwanis Club of Everett announced this week that the second annual Wal for Ersilia will be a virtual 5K this year that will culminate on Oct. 3.

Last year's inaugural Walk was very well supported by the community and beyond. As a result, three scholarships; the Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo Memorial Scholarship, the Ersilia Humanitarian Award and the Ersilia Service award – each \$1,500, have been endowed and were awarded for the first time this past June to three deserving Everett High graduates. Also as a result of the immense support of the Walk For Ersilia, The Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo Stabilization Program was established at the award

winning non-profit organization Portal To Hope, which provides comprehensive services to those in our community impacted by domestic violence. This year we will be adding a third focus around the issue of food insecurity and will endeavor to provide financial support to our local food assistance programs.

To participate, sign up online at [walkforersilia.racewire.com](http://walkforersilia.racewire.com) and walk the 5K route of choice between Sept. 1 and Oct. 1. Each runner/walker should take a picture of themselves and tag the Everett Kiwanis Facebook page and use the hashtag #walkforersilia. Random prizes will be awarded and winners will be contacted by

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Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the City's Planning Department had proposed the measure – which essentially would allow one- and two-family homes with illegal units to be converted to three- and four- family homes without having to create parking. The idea was mostly for life safety, to encourage landlords to come out of the shadows and get

"The reality is the mayor or last spring was looking at a lot of strategies about zoning and this is one we put forward and there is plenty of incentive here for doing this and adhering to building codes and

After a bit of a discussion on the change, the Board voted 2-3 not to recommend the change to the City Council. Though

That has been the argument for a long time at the Planning Board as

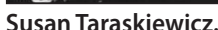
A pilot program that was similar to the ordinance proposed in Everett has been piloted in East Boston, and Somerville has adopted something similar.

"On behalf of my fellow commissioners, it is my great pleasure to congratulate Karen on her appointment as Executive Director," said Chair Cathy Judd-Stein. "In addition to her track record

Prior to joining the MGC, Wells most recently served as the Undersecretary for Law Enforcement at the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety. As

In 1994, Wells began her career as an Assistant District Attorney at the Middlesex County District Attorney's Office. Wells graduated with a law degree from Boston University School of Law in 1994. In 1991, she graduated from Colgate University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English. Wells is also the recipient of several commendations and distinguished service awards including the Massachusetts State Police Superintendent's Commendation for her contribution to a wiretap investigation of a major state narcotics investigation.

Susan's body was found early on Sept. 14, 1992, a little more than a day after she left her job as a ramp crew chief at Logan Airport to pick up sandwiches for her co-workers. She never returned to her Logan shift or her home in Saugus.




The Massachusetts State Police urge anyone with information about Susan's murder to call the State Police Detective Unit for Suffolk County at (617) 727-8817.

The reaction from some on the Council was mixed, with Councilor Fred Capone saying he would not support it. He said he

Council Notebook

- There is somewhat of a controversy brewing over appointments by Mayor Carlo DeMaria to various Boards in the City, particularly the Zoning Board. Recently, the mayor asked long-time member Mike Danton to step down and has replaced him with Leo Cao. Cao was up for appointment on Monday, and the matter was sent to Committee for further review.

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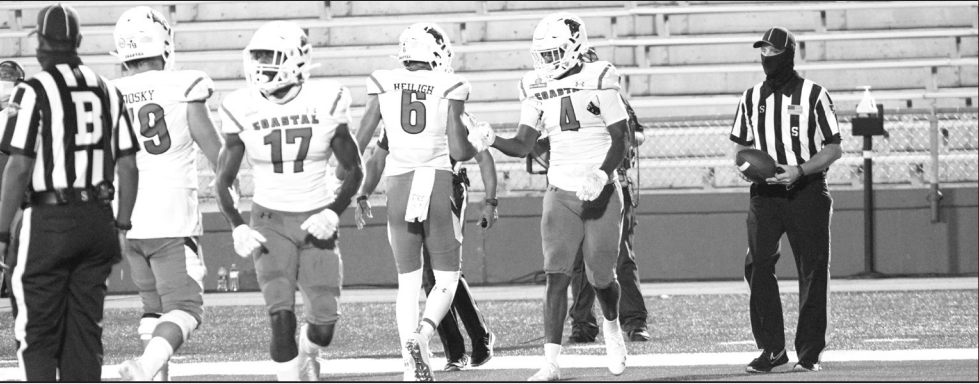


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The Everett Police Department regrets to announce the passing of Captain Andrew Vinchesi (Retired). Captain Vinchesi, a WWII veteran, served with the Everett Police Department for 32 years beginning in 1950 and retiring in 1982. Members of Police Department were lucky enough to help celebrate Capt. Vinchesi's 98th birthday this past May.



## ISAAH LIKELY HELPS LEADS COASTAL CAROLINA TO BIG WIN OVER KANSAS



(PHOTO BY COASTAL CAROLINA ATHLETICS)

Former Everett High School football star Isaiah Likely (4) is pictured after he caught a touchdown pass for Coastal Carolina in its 38-23 victory over Kansas Saturday. Likely, a starting tight end for the Chanticleers, had three catches for 47 yards. Coastal Carolina (1-0) will host Campbell University Friday at 7:30 p.m. in a game that will be televised live on ESPN.

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tive barrier trying to figure out where on the spectrum of sickness the patient is at. We have a much better idea of how to gently treat patients and ease them through their sickness.”

That also comes with more supplies and better preparedness. During the recent uptick, Lai-Becker said they went to get a ventilator to use, and found that there were three extras waiting in the storage room. That was something that was not common during the surge, when there were sometimes one or none in waiting.

“We’re going to be grateful for the bounty we have,” she said.

Right now, however, the fight is to make sure everyone gets the flu shot, she said. She recommended people get it as soon as it becomes available. Most clinicians are worried about a double hit in the late fall and winter – that if COVID-19 increases, it could be complicated by the traditional flu and potentially overwhelm caregivers again.

“If your primary care is getting it in or your doctor has it, or if the CVS has it when you happen to be walking by – by all means get it,” she said. “We are awaiting our shipments right now and we want to at least have everyone vaccinated for the flu.”

Right now, she said hospitals like CHA Everett are monitoring the shipments and the production of vaccine, as most orders were put in back in the fall of 2019 – long before COVID-19 came on the scene and prior to the extra push to vaccinate all children going to school and adults in the workplace. So far, she said she isn’t worried about supply, but they are monitoring it.

Lai-Becker said one clear change is that the urgency of her job in monitoring available beds in the region and supplies in the Department has slowed.

“In the last two months, my job has moved back to having many meetings where we might not have but a few mentions about COVID or COVID patients, but we are spending time on preparing for these larger picture issues,” she said.

•The New Balancing Act

One of the biggest balancing acts right now is still trying to get the hospital back to normal volumes, but what exactly is normal? That is something that is constantly evolving, she said.

Right now, the Emergency Department and in the overall hospital operations, they are at about 85 percent of their typical pre-COVID volumes. However, she said the Somerville Urgent Care facility is seeing record numbers and tele-health visits are booming as well. Adding that all up, it could mean that lasting change is on the way – something many in the health care field are watching very closely.

“Putting all of these things together, I’m wondering if we’re starting to see the right-sizing of the health care system,” she said. “Maybe we’re starting to see patient care in the right place at the most appropriate time. That could be a silver lining of this pandemic.”

•Testing is Ample

Another major difference this fall is that testing is in place – both in ample supply and in testing systems that are proven to work. There is no more guesswork on the best sys-

tems, whether they are actually working, and figuring out how to get them to a lab (at times in April and May they had to run tests via a courier to an outside lab).

There were times during the surge when they had to ration their tests, and figure out who needed to be tested and who did not.

“We were tracking test kits daily,” she said. “It made a difference on who we tested and how we tested them and if we could test them on site... We had to use our best judgment...Now, we have the testing and with the lower volumes, we don’t expect an issue.”

She said Massachusetts has some of the lowest rates right now in the country, and credits that to a slow and methodical approach, a public willing to follow the rules for the most part, and a plethora of medical facilities in the region.

“It’s like the tortoise and the hare,” she said. “We’re the tortoise and slowly, methodically and thoughtfully moving forward. We do benefit in Boston and in Massachusetts by a lot of medical expertise. It is also helpful in general to have communities that are all and for the most part are trying to follow the rules.”

She said the mayor was right to sound the alarm, even if the hospital is more prepared right now. She said people need to understand things can get worse fast and care needs to be taken to move forward on re-opening.

“Mayor DeMaria expressed concerns about the gatherings,” she said. “I, too, express the same concerns, but I too have to trust the people because we have to get our kids back in school.”

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phone or e-mail. A 50-50 raffle will be drawn live on Everett Kiwanis Facebook page at noon, Oct. 3. Tickets are \$50 and can be had by contacting Jerry Navarra at (617) 784-7718.

The annual Walk for Ersilia will be a collaboration between the Kiwanis, the City of Everett, Carmine, Amata and Giuseppe Matarazzo and the Cataldo Family.

“Like many other things, this year’s Walk for Ersilia will be different,” said Mayor Carlo DeMaria. “However, the important part is that we continue to carry out her memory and remember of the things she did for our community. She will forever be missed, but her memory will continue to be carried out by her children, her community, and my Administration.”

Said Amata Matarazzo, the daughter of Ersilia, “My mother loved to give back to her community. Our goal as a family

is to continue my mother Ersilia’s mission in giving back to the community and several organizations. All proceeds will go to the Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo Memorial Fund which will disburse funds to numerous charities including those raising awareness for domestic violence. We are uncertain whether we will have much of an impact on the community and do as much good as she did, but we will try. We hope you all will join our family and be a part of a special event in honor of my Mother Ersilia.”

For more information, go to the website- [ersiliamemorialfund.org](http://ersiliamemorialfund.org), said Amata Matarazzo.

Kiwanis Treasurer Marlene Zizza said they have announced the Angel Sponsors, and they include EverettBank, Rocco Longo, Michele & Ed Bauer, our Leader Sponsor Senator Sal DiDomenico along with Mayor DeMaria, Marlene Zizza, Gianna

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## Officials ready to move on Pope John RFP; St. Theresa’s project could break ground

By Seth Daniel

The City is preparing to put out an RFP for affordable senior/veterans housing at the former Pope John High School this month in a move to get the transformative project on upper Broadway into the hands of a developer and onto the design boards.

After a recent Zoom meeting on the matter, City officials got good input from residents and neighbors about what they would like to see there – giving them ample momentum to put out a Request for Proposals (RFP). After Pope John closed in 2018, the City moved earlier this year to purchase the 2-plus acre site to be transformed into housing targeted to seniors and veterans.

“Ultimately at the end of the month we will be putting out an RFP to put together proposal to the development community to design the building,” said City Planner Tony Sousa.

They expect to have RFPs back by late October.

The canvas for the property is wide open at the moment, but Sousa said it must be affordable housing and must have a good deal of open space included.

“We would allow for re-development of the existing school building and even the field house too,” he said. “We would contemplate a demolition and contemplate townhouse units on the side street for first time homebuyers. That is a similar model to St. Theresa’s...It could be low-income, first-time homebuyer properties. Other amenities would be open space and we would contemplate mixed-use for the right development. But we would really want open space to compliment Wehner Park that is under construction...With that density, we’re looking for proposals that keep in

mind the character of the neighborhood but don’t take away from the neighborhood.”

He said they like things they have seen from developers like TND, Winn Development and the developer that created the Everett Co-Op (66 Main St.).

Sousa said it is exciting because any new development would inject a great deal of activity in that neighborhood, helping existing businesses and perhaps spawning new businesses.

“We are excited to get proposals,” he said. “Even in this climate, there is strength in the affordable housing market with state and federal tax credits. There’s definitely a demand for affordable housing. This is the mayor’s vision and Pope John was his idea...It’s not every day a City or Town in Massachusetts puts up its own money to buy a property and bid it for affordable housing.”

•St. Theresa’s Project Likely To Break Ground

The Neighborhood Developers (TND) is reportedly looking to break ground on its first affordable housing proposal in Everett – after many years of such developments in Chelsea and Revere.

City Planner Tony Sousa said despite COVID-19 slowdowns, the project has been moving forward and is just about ready for construction.

“It’s all been moving forward and they expect to break ground this fall,” he said.

The plan for St. Theresa’s, a former Catholic church on Broadway shut down several years ago (and whose parishioners staged one of the longest vigils to keep the church open in many years), is to have 77 units of senior affordable housing in a building above a service center operated by Mystic Valley Elder Services. The plan also calls for six, new

deed-restricted homeownership units for families. The townhouses would be so-called “workforce housing” and would be on the Gledhill Avenue side.

The 77 units would be for those earning 60 percent of AMI. For seniors in a one- or two-person household, that would mean anywhere between \$50,000 and \$56,000 per year.

Sousa said the units would likely be determined with a lottery, as they expect there to be more demand than supply.

“There will be a lottery and that will be done by TND,” he said. “It’s anticipated that would take place at the end of the year or early 2021.”

He said he is excited that TND is doing their first project in Everett, and hopes there might be more.

“It’s important to emphasize the St. Theresa’s project is the first for TND here and they’ve been known for developments over many decades in Chelsea and many projects already in Chelsea and Revere.”

Bringing TND to Everett is largely credited to a partnership between Sen. Sal DiDomenico and Mayor Carlo DeMaria. To help along the project, both have been able to secure state and local funding to help the project along.

Sousa said the mayor has authorized using \$1.5 million in HOME funds and \$467,000 in Community Development Block Grant money. The state has committed \$500,000 to the project and the state Housing Choice program has awarded \$250,000 to Everett for use there too. There are also a number of tax credits that can be applied to the project as well.

“You put all these combined together and it helps get these projects together,” he said. We hope to be successful on this and then do it at Pope John too.”

## Middlesex Sheriff’s Office formally introduces therapy K-9 Millie

Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian is proud to formally introduce Millie – the Middlesex Sheriff’s Office first therapy dog.

Millie joins fellow MSO working dogs who are tasked with searching for contraband, explosives and missing people.

Unlike her K-9 colleagues, Millie – a one year old English Lab – is trained to help provide comfort. Throughout her initial training period Millie was already making a difference in the lives of those she came in contact with, including officers, incarcerated individuals and loved ones – especially children – visiting them at the Middlesex Jail & House of Correction.

“From day one, Millie has made a huge impact during her visits with officers, civilian staff, incarcerated individuals and community members,” said Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian. “Whether it’s visiting with staff, individuals inside the jail or people in recovery coming through our counseling center, Millie has an incredible ability to put people at ease, break down barriers and provide comfort.”

Named in honor of the



Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian (from left), K-9 Millie, Lowell Community Counseling Director Jillian Ketchen and Vicky Nee of Absolute K-9 Solutions.

Mill City of Lowell where she will be based, Millie was acquired by the MSO last year. She recently completed her therapy dog training with Absolute K-9 Solutions in Lunenburg and is partnered with Lowell Community Counseling Director Jillian Ketchen.

“In her brief time with us, we’ve already seen Millie’s ability to be a calming influence and help reduce anxiety

amongst those she’s met,” said Sheriff Koutoujian. “We’re glad to have her as a member of our MSO team and look forward to expanding her role to assist crime victims, witnesses and others in the community who may benefit from her presence and support.”

To learn more about the Middlesex Sheriff’s Office and our programs, please visit [www.middlesexsheriff.org](http://www.middlesexsheriff.org).



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### APOCALYPSE -- NOW

The photos of the wildfires in our western states that have incinerated entire communities and that have turned daytime skies to night by their heavy smoke have illustrated the dramatic effects of climate change upon the daily lives of millions of Americans.

Record heat has accelerated the effects of dry conditions, leading to the record-setting wildfires out west.

Yes, climate change undeniably is happening here and around the globe.

Last January, it was the bushfires in Australia that similarly wrought havoc and destruction in that part of the world.

An article in the New York Times on Monday began this way, “The effects of global warming in the Arctic are so severe that the region is shifting to a different climate, one characterized less by ice and snow and more by open water and rain, scientists said Monday.”

More ominously, that same article discussed the perils of climate change facing the world from another source, the melting of the Antarctic glaciers at the bottom of the world.

“Another study released Monday suggested that two Antarctic glaciers that have long been of concern to scientists over their potential to contribute to sea level rise may be in worse shape than previously thought.”

From east to west and north to south, climate change is posing an existential threat to life as we know it.

There is still time for us to reverse, or at least halt, the impending doom that awaits us if we take immediate action to limit greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere.

But we need to act soon, because it will not be too long before it will be too late.

### DONALD TRUMP IS NO WINSTON CHURCHILL

Rage, the new book by veteran journalist Bob Woodward about the presidency of Donald Trump, has revealed unequivocally that Trump deliberately has downplayed the lethality of the Covid-19 pandemic from the very beginning of the virus’s detection in the United States.

Whether one wants to characterize Trump’s mendacity as outright lying for political purposes, or merely as a benevolent effort by Trump to prevent social chaos, the bottom line is the same: Trump has not been straight with the American people.

But even if one accepts Trump’s explanation for his deceit, the book makes clear that Trump treated the American people with disdain, as if we were children who needed to be shielded from the truth.

“I don’t want to jump up and down and start screaming, ‘Death! Death!’ because that’s not what it’s about,” Trump said at a press conference last week, when asked about his months and months of deceptions.

A few days later, at a campaign rally in Michigan, Trump asserted that his handling of the pandemic has been similar to how Winston Churchill addressed the people of England during the height of the Nazi bombing in WWII.

“As the British government advised the British people in the face of World War II, keep calm and carry on. That’s what I did,” said Trump, who then invoked the comparison of himself directly to Churchill.

Trump, by his own admission, reads nothing, so it is not surprising that Trump has no knowledge of what Churchill said and did during the epic Battle of Britain, when England’s survival was at stake.

For if Trump knew even the slightest bit about Churchill’s tenure as Prime Minister, he would have known that from the outset, Churchill never sugarcoated the reality of the threat that was facing every British citizen.

In his very first speech, three days after he had become Great Britain’s leader, Churchill laid out clearly and explicitly the difficult task that lay ahead:

“I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat,” said Churchill. “We have before us an ordeal of the most grievous kind. We have before us many, many long months of struggle and of suffering.”

The test of a true leader is to recognize the reality of a situation and face it head-on, not merely to play the role of a cheerleader.

As things stand now under Trump’s presidency, American deaths from the pandemic now stand at just about 200,000, with another 200,000 Americans expected to die by the end of this year.

It is clear that Donald Trump is no Winston Churchill.

He’s merely Donald Trump.

# Independent Forum



GUEST OP-ED

### CENSUS 2020 – Stand up and be counted

By Peter A. Napolitano

The clock is ticking on the 2020 Census and time is running out. As bad as this year has been, it will be worse if Federal and State aid to Everett is reduced due to an inaccurate census count this year. Currently Everett has one of the lowest response rates in the Commonwealth and everyone needs to stand up and be counted. A lower headcount will adversely affect all of us for the next ten years.

The 2020 U.S. cen-

sus is the most important count of the decade. An accurate count provides valuable statistics to determine how the government runs the country and on the local level, how to gauge financial aid to vital programs like housing, education, transportation and even the health care industry, services many of our residents count on. Everett will be critically hurt if we are documented with a smaller population than we are actually serving. Many of our residents have been struggling to

keep a roof over their heads, food on the table and quality education for their families. Federal funding provides us with the means to address some of these issues and that is why accuracy is critical and impacts everyone.

How do you respond if you have not completed the Census by now? You can respond on-line at <https://2020census.gov/>, by phone in English ( 844-330-2020 ), Spanish ( 844-468-2020 ), Haitian Creole ( 844-477-2020 ) and Portuguese ( 844-

474-2020) or simply mail back the form sent to you in April. While the nation is coming to grips with the CORVID-19 crisis, the census is not to be taken lightly. It is crucial to our City’s function. The census helps shape many different aspects of our community. Do your part, complete the census today and talk to your family, friends and neighbors to ensure everyone participates. Act today. Everyone needs to be counted.

*Peter A. Napolitano is a Councilor-at-Large.*

GUEST OP-ED

### Review 911 data and here are my recommendations

By Gerly Adrien

In times like these, we need to evaluate the data and see how we are approaching the best ways to help move our city forward. We need to look at what we are funding. I have requested the 9-1-1 calls that were non-criminal for 2019. In review, the top 20, 9-1-1 calls were non-criminal. Most of the calls were being made about areas that we are very familiar with, like the Walgreens, Everett Square, etc. Should we be putting officers stationed in these areas to decrease any activities? In more of a review, there was a familiar trend where since 2016, most of the top 20 calls were non-criminal.

Why do we not have a dedicated department to non-criminal calls when they are our top 20? Another question this brings up to me is, why is our \$15 million budget for the Police only focused on crim-

inal calls and activities? I looked at what Denver, Colorado, did recently to help with non-criminal calls in June 2020. They have a program that diverts some 9-1-1 calls to paramedics and mental health experts, rather than Police. For example, if you call 9-1-1 to report somebody trespassing or shouting at people on the street, you might expect police officers to respond. In Denver, you might get a different response - a paramedic and a mental health expert. Having this kind of response frees up officers to be more focused on the more violent, the more urgent issues in the community. In looking at neighboring cities, under the city of Somerville, they have a dedicated office for community outreach, help, and recovery. That comes with funding, a director, co-director, and a clinical coordinator.

It works for them.

Why can we not have

something similar?

It would be under \$200,000. My recommendations include: create the Office of Community, Help, and Recovery to help with non-criminal calls/actions; real commitment of funding to fund a director and one to two mental health experts; provide that office with funding to provide real resources to help with homelessness, addiction, etc.; create a special hotline/mobile app

to report non-criminal relayed calls/information; six-month reviews on the office; seek input from the community with input meetings; seek input from current officers and report it; add in-person mental health training instead of e-learning; increase partnerships with Eliot Health Services and Cambridge Health Alliance.

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# Everett High School family liaisons 2020-21 school year

The Everett Public Schools has recently put in place numerous family liaisons for schools across the district who speak multiple languages and are there to help parents navigate the school system. The Liaisons were a major request from parents and students during discussions about the Student Opportunity Act prior to COVID-19.



**Regina Almeida**  
**Language: Portuguese, English**  
**Location: Parent Information Center**

Regina was born and raised in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Regina and her family moved to the United States in 1997. She has always worked in customer relations, ever since she lived in Brazil. From banks to post offices to restaurants, the focus of work has always been working with people. She became a certified interpreter so we can continue that mission. Regina been working with Everett Public Schools since 2017 as a Portuguese interpreter, specializing in special education. She will aim to be a link between Brazilian families and the schools their students attend.



**Steeve Auguste**  
**Languages: Haitian Creole, French, English**  
**Schools: Everett High, Keverian, Parlin**

Steeve was born and raised in Carrefour, a city in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. He moved to the United States in 2016 after completing his college in Haiti. Steeve started to work in Haiti as an interpreter after the big earthquake that devastated Haiti in 2010. He worked with Non-governmental agencies, Medical missionaries, Hospital and University as a professional translator. In 2019 he completed his certificate as an interpreter and started to work in the Boston area community. He started working with Interpreting Agencies, then joined Boston Children's Hospital where he works as a medical interpreter. He is excited to join the Everett Public School family this year, and as a family liaison he is looking forward to facilitating the communication and teaching experience for the limited English proficient speaking families in the Haitian community living in the Boston area and increase parent involvement in their children's education.



**Felicia Barbosa**  
**Language: Portuguese, English**  
**Schools: Lafayette and Webster**

Felicia was born and raised in Massachusetts. Although her family was from Brasil, it wasn't until she was 7 years old that Felicia learned how to speak Portuguese. After mastering both languages Felicia has helped many

people in the Portuguese speaking community with interpretations and translations. In 2019, Felicia completed an Interpreter Training Program providing her with the necessary skills to better serve in the community. This will be Felicia's first year at Everett Public schools. She looks forward to serving as a connection between families and the school so that the youth of Everett can have the best education possible.



**Larissa Blauvelt**  
**Language: Spanish, English**  
**Schools: Madeline English, Lafayette**

Larissa was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico. She has lived in Everett for over 20 years. She has 3 children. Her oldest daughter graduated Everett High School, where she was a Student Ambassador, cheer leader and played Field Hockey as well. She is currently starting her junior year at Lesley University, double majoring in Secondary Education and english, with a minor in psychology. Her second daughter is currently a senior in the STEM Academy at Everett High School. She is also in the Orchestra and in the percussion ensemble of the EHS marching band. Larissa's son is starting sixth grade in the Everett Public Schools. He loves sports, he plays Ice Hockey as the goalie for the city of Everett.



**Esthela Borghesani**  
**Language: Portuguese, English**  
**Schools: Adams, Madeline English**

Esthela Borghesani is a Physical Educator bachelor with over a decade of experience working with people of all ages. She was born and raised in Curitiba Parana, Brazil, and moved to the United States in 2016. The first city she lived in was Everett, MA. Recently she worked as a Legal Assistant and aided Portuguese speakers to seek the legal assistance they needed and also help with the language barrier between them and the law. Esthela is determined to facilitate communication and advance the involvement alongside family and School. She also plans to bring solutions to the Portuguese speaking community who are non-proficient in English of Everett Public Schools as a Family Liaison this year. As a strong believer in the power of education, Esthela thinks when we can communicate properly, we can make our community a better place."



**Daniella Braga**  
**Language: Portuguese, English**  
**Schools: Webster Extension, Parlin**

Daniela has worked with Everett Public Schools since 2017. As a Family Liaison, she gets to act on her natural passion for helping others by serving as a link between the Portuguese-speaking community and Everett schools. Born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Daniela speaks fluent Portuguese and is a certified Community Interpreter. She has been in the United States since 1999 and her family is heavily involved with the local Brazilian community. She is committed to facilitating each family's active participation in their children's education. As a mother of two, she understands the care and support needed to help each student reach their fullest potential.



**Dave Capera Sanchez**  
**Language: Spanish, English**

**Schools: Devens, Parlin**

David is one of the appointed Parent Liaisons. He has been working with the Everett Public Schools since 2018 supporting Everett families. David wishes to help all the students and their families to be in a close relationship with the School District to achieve their goals. He loves technology and hopes that a more extensive use of it will help to improve all the Everett community.



**Jehu Cimea**  
**Language: Haitian Creole, English**  
**Schools: Devens, Lafayette, Madeline English, Webster, Whittier**

Born in Haiti, Jehu and his family moved to Everett in 1998. Jehu attended Everett Public Schools, including Everett High, where he was a member and captain of the track and field team. He received a Bachelor of Science from Salem State University, and has been a staff member for the EPS for 9 years. He started his tenure as an assistant coach for the EHS track and field team in 2011, and was named head coach in 2017. Jehu became translator/Interpreter/paraprofessional for the district in 2016. He enjoys coaching our high school students and helping our families in the district. After school closed in March of 2020, Jehu visited multiple families and provided technical assistant to help support remote learning.



**Mirlande Felissaint**  
**Language: Haitian Creole, English**  
**Schools: Adams, Webster Extension**

Mirlande Felissaint was born in Aquin, Haiti which is in the south. She's the only child from her mother's side as her parents divorced when she was one. Mirlande moved with her mother to French Guiana at 5 years old. Then moved to the USA for a better life. We lived in Somerville for a short time then moved to Everett. Mirlande started working part time for the Everett Public Schools as a translator to make sure that her freshman son worked hard. Then realized that she was the mother of many more students and inherited more families that she never had. For this reason, she's been working many students and families who needed help whether is food, clothes. I enjoyed and is looking to do more for the homeless students and families of Everett Public Schools.



**Erika Green**  
**Language: Spanish, English**  
**Schools: Adams, Webster Extension, Whittier**

Erika G. Green grew up in Chihuahua, Mexico and studied Clinical Nutrition at Universidad Autonoma de Chihuahua. She was the Executive Director at Junior Achievement, an international non-profit, before coming to the United States. She moved to Boston in 2007. Erika understands the hard work immigrants put into raising their children, along with the challenges they face, and wishes for others in the community to get the support they deserve. She is dedicated to serving the needs of families so their children can grow on a path towards educational success.



**Argemary Jaspe**  
**Language: Spanish, English**  
**Location: Parent Information Center**

Argemary was born and raised in Caracas, Venezuela, and moved to Spain in 2003. After 10 years living in Madrid and Valencia, she moved to the United States and have been living in the Boston area since then. In 2015, I started working in the EPS as a Spanish Translator/Interpreter. Since that time, she has been supporting, not only the Special Education team and school personnel, but also the parents and students with whom

she shares our beautiful Spanish language. Now, as a Spanish Family Liaison, she will continue to be available for the families bringing my support, assistance, and attention in order to help them get involved into the school community and academic background of their children, building everyday a strong language bridge.



**Iris Monge**  
**Language: Spanish, English**  
**Schools: Everett High, Webster**

Iris was born in El Salvador and moved to California when she was very young. She went to California State University of Long Beach and participated in the Pre-Med program. She was certified as a CNA in 2010 and completed her interpreter certification at the University of Massachusetts in 2020. She is currently enrolled in Cambridge College studying Psychology. She has 12 years of experience acquired at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital working in Research & Education with Traumatic Brain Injury and Stroke patients. She has been an active resident of the Everett community since 2008. Last year she joined the Everett Public School community as a Paraprofessional. She is thrilled to continue serving the Everett community as a family liaison helping empowering students and parents together be successful in their education journey.



**Cesar Nunes**  
**Languages: Spanish and Portuguese**  
**School: Keverian**

Cesar is a Portuguese / Brazilian teacher working for Everett Public Schools since 2011 as a Portuguese/ Spanish Translator-Interpreter, and now as Family Liaison. In 1998 he moved to Everett, where he opened two different businesses. Since then he has participated in several meetings with the City as a representative of the Brazilian Community or Latino Immigrant Community. Also, he worked as an ESL teacher for Everett Adult Learning Center, teaching adult immigrants at night. Helping people in their need for information, translation, interpretation, in court, police station, motor vehicle or doctor appointment was part of my routine.



**Sara Paiva**  
**Language: Portuguese,**

**English**  
**School: Everett High**

Sara was born and raised in Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais - Brazil. She moved to the United States with her parents in 2001. Growing up within the Brazilian community in the Boston area she was always helping family and friends with translation and interpretation. In 2018 she completed her certificate as an interpreter and has been working with the community ever since. She started with Everett Public Schools in September of 2019 and is thrilled to be a Family Liaison this year. As Family Liaison she is looking forward to creating this bridge between Portuguese-speaking families and the school, to make the school system more accessible to non-English proficient families and increase parent involvement in their children's education.



**Ingrid Rodrigues-Pomposelli**  
**Language: Portuguese, English**  
**Schools: Devens, Whittier**

Ingrid Pomposelli's fluency in English and Portuguese afforded her valuable experience in working with translation and interpretation in a professional capacity. Her love for youth led her to explore opportunities working as a volunteer with kids and adults alike from all over the world; including Nigeria, Germany, Scotland and other countries. She is passionate about International Affairs, Environmental Conservation and finds deep fulfillment in helping others. Outside of her career she loves spending time with her family, exploring the outdoors, and cooking.



**Rixy Reyes-Oseguera**  
**Language: Spanish, English**  
**Schools: Everett High, Webster**

(RIXY is the family liaison for the EPS English Learners Department)

Rixy (as she likes to be called) is our bi-lingual Parent Liaison in the English Learner department (EL) for the Everett Public Schools (EPS). She has worked in school systems, and different communities, for over 29 years. One of the many things she enjoys the most is being a volunteer inside and outside of the schools which she has done for more than 32 years. Her favorite part of her job is helping and educating parents on parental involvement and strategies to engage and support students outside of school.

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schools as some expected.

Tahiliani said there were approximately 400 students that reported to e-Learning Centers on Tuesday, and another 150 who turned in applications late and would be assigned to a Center by Thursday. That is still much less than 10 percent of the entire students population, which is about 7,000 for grades K-12.

“We’ll do this in waves,” said Tahiliani of the e-Learning Centers. “That number we have right now is about perfect, but we will be ready to serve more students. That’s when you have to make sure to adhere to the distancing. We prepared for more students, but we were worried if the demand was really high, and with us being a red zone, whether we could accommodate it.”

All buildings are being used right now for the e-Learning Centers, and there is space at some of them. At the Parlin School on Tuesday, the grades 5-8 Center in the gym was mostly empty with several available spots. That was not so much the case for the lower grades, where students could not be left at home for the day to fend for themselves online.

The vast majority of students, however, tended to prefer online learning from home – at least at the start of the year. As it has been stated many times, there will be a great deal of accountability for students and teachers who are working remotely.

For the teachers, many are working from home, and some have asked to teach from their buildings. Other teachers and staff are overseeing the Centers, and there hasn’t been a great deal of difficulty finding volunteers, Tahiliani said. In fact, Everett is an outlier in how it has approached teachers. Many districts have negotiated with unions to require teachers to come into their empty classrooms to teach. In some cases, those agreements have only narrowly passed a vote of the membership – such as in Chelsea where teachers are required to come in two days a week to the buildings.

None of that give and take took place in Everett, and Tahiliani said she felt

it was because they committed early to a phased opening that started with remote learning.

“I am pleased we were going to do remote from the start and in that way are really prepared for it,” she said. “We didn’t require teachers to come in. I’d rather people feel comfortable teaching from wherever they feel comfortable teaching. The Everett Teachers Association has been so collaborative. You give a little and take a little. They have set standards for what a work space should look like for a teacher at home. That’s been great.”

One thing that will take place over the first few weeks is that kids will have more time to work out the feelings they have returning to school – especially the younger kids. There will be some who are scared, whose families might have been tremendously affected by the virus, and there will be others who might have regressed tremendously academically due to the emergency online learning last spring.

“We’ve built in a large cushion before instruction starts to get students acclimated before they jump into heavy content,” she said, noting they will be assessing students, addressing social-emotional health and simply doing a lot of talking about all that has happened since March.

Eighth grader Mel Dias said she wasn’t scared to go into the Parlin building, and felt like it was a somewhat normal start to the year.

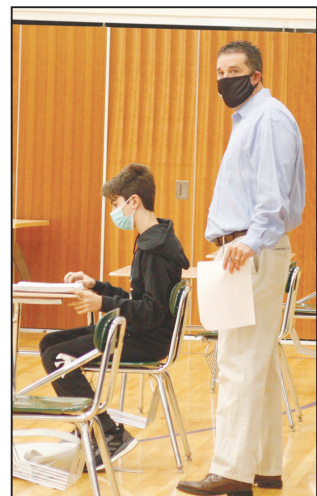
“It does feel different, very different than other years, but I think we’ll do fine,” she said. “It is nice to be out and breathing the fresh air.”

Emanuela DeOliveira, a seventh grader waiting to go into the Parlin Center, said she was a little scared. She said it had been a long time since she was at a school building, and she wasn’t sure if she would see friends inside or not.

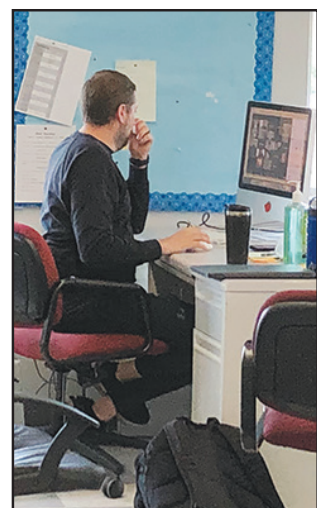
“It’s really very different, but it feels good to be here,” she said. “I wanted to see more of my friends, but not many of them are here. It’s a little scary today because I don’t know what’s going to happen inside.”

In the end, like many things, the beginning of the school year is a necessity to forge ahead upon, but a great experiment at the same time whose successes or failures cannot be anticipated by anyone.

“It will be interesting,” said Tahiliani. “We wanted to be flexible and innovative and meet a lot of diverse needs that look different for a lot of different people... We don’t know how it will turn out, but we’ve planned for every contingency... We will problem solve as things happen.”



Students at the e-Learning Center log on to their ChromeBooks with the assistance of staff members Tuesday morning.



Lafayette teacher Stephen Patenaude seems to be living a lonely existence, but in reality he's interacting with more than a dozen students who have logged on for their first day of classes.



Juliana and Rafaella Brandao.



Lafayette fifth-grade teacher Abrianna King meeting her students remotely from her empty classroom.



Lafayette fifth-grade teacher Michela Scholsberg gets things off to a good start remotely Tuesday.



It was not only the first day of school for Anderson Maraga, but also his 7th birthday. Happy birthday Anderson.



Staff members accompany kindergartners into their first day of school at the Parlin e-Learning Center.



For the older grades, demand wasn't as high as expected for the e-Learning Centers, but that is expected to change throughout the fall.



Principal Matthew Brady and staff members with Supt. Priya Tahiliani on Tuesday.



Cecilia Dias prepared for third grade, while eighth grader Mel Dias and 7th grader Emanuela DeOliveira wondered what the e-Learning Center would be like.



Young Jake Cardoso starts his first day of kindergarten at the Parlin e-Learning Center, joined by his parents, Jose Cardoso and Janet Miranda, as well as Parlin Principal Dennis Lynch, Supt. Priya Tahiliani, Parlin Asst. Principal Stanley Chamberlain, and Webster Principal Chris Barrett.



Supt. Priya Tahiliani joined Parlin Asst. Principal Stanley Chamberlain and Webster Principal Chris Barrett at the Parlin e-Learning Center.

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### BUILDING MOMENTUM ON SECOND STREET

CHELSEA - The gas station on Second Street in Chelsea Square is now slated for development as the long-time owner looks to retire and has an option to sell the property to Broadway Capital, which has proposed to develop the property into a new residential building.

Reggie's Service at 31 Second St. is now being slated for 24 units of housing, with 20 percent of it being affordable units. The project was presented by Broadway Capital's Mike Vienneau on Tuesday at the Planning Board and is making its way through the review process.

It will include 36 parking spots, all underground, he said.

Vienneau said they are very open to making the units condos for sale, rather than rental apartments. Right now, they are just finishing up the former nursing home at 932 Broadway, and if sales go as well as they hope there, then Vienneau said they would use the same formula on Second Street – if approved.

“The nursing home is kind of our test site for homeownership here and if it works – which we believe it will, we’ll plug in the same formula for Second Street,” said Vienneau.

The project will move to the Zoning Board in the coming weeks for additional reviews and potential approvals.

### LUXURY HOUSING ON BROADWAY

CHELSEA - The fortress of a building that was once a nursing home

at 932 Broadway seemed like an insurmountable task to transform into luxury housing earlier this year when Broadway Capital started construction on the project.

Yet, a transformation is exactly what has happened at the home through the COVID-19 pandemic and now a very unique home ownership opportunity is about ready to be delivered to the market in November.

“We’re at about 80 percent construction completion,” said Mike Vienneau of Broadway Capital. “The goal is to finish things up in the next few months and have it ready for occupancy by November...One thing we really focused on is the owner-occupancy and the affordability. Ownership is a huge thing the City wanted. Because Chelsea has such a high percental of rental properties, they’re looking for more owner-occupancy projects.”

That is exactly what will be delivered, with 33 condos for sale, and six of them affordable to 80 percent AMI (two of them two-bedrooms and four one-bedrooms).

Listing agents Jeff Bowen and Robert Ricardo of RealWay said the for sale units offer a great opportunity to live and work in Chelsea – with prices starting in the mid-\$300,000 range and going up. The property also includes an 1,800 sq. ft. roof deck with wood flooring, a dog run, Italian cabinets, in-unit washer/dryer and a Bosch appliance package. There will be management on site too, and Broadway Capital and RealWay intend to open offices in the retail portion of the project on the ground floor.

There are also 33 park-

ing spots and one spot deemed to each owner.

Bowen said it is a milestone development as well, because it is the first significant ownership building put on the market since Mill Creek in 2004.

Ricardo, who has lived in Chelsea all his life after immigrating from Colombia as a child, said he is really excited to bring premiere ownership opportunities to Chelsea – whether it’s existing residents wanting to move into a new building or people coming into the city looking for a diverse community away from Boston or Cambridge.

“I’m excited to be part of this and to really boost the opportunities in Chelsea,” said Ricardo. “Overall, I think the City of Chelsea is on a path to recovery and moving forward in the right direction without losing that urban blue-collar feel...When I was a kid I used to go up on the roof and see how close we were to Boston. I always wondered why more people didn’t come to Chelsea. Now, I’m part of seeing Chelsea become what I thought it could always become...Chelsea is becoming the go-to place. It has its challenges – like any city – but it can surpass them.”

Bowen added that the home-ownership rate in Chelsea is at 17 percent, which is the 5th lowest in the nation behind Newark, NJ. He said that’s why this project is so important.

“We’re trying to bring affordable home-ownership to the City of Chelsea so we can increase tax revenues and have Chelsea provide better schools and infrastructure and change the perception Chelsea is a pass-through community,” he said.

### MEET THE MARINERS, LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



The Mariners proudly display their Winthrop Little League championship trophies for the 2020 season. Front row, from left, are Michael Barron, Tony Bordonaro, mascot Nicky DiPrisco, Antonio Sullivan, and Noah Survilas. Middle row, from left, are Danny Connolly, Ricky Mackenzie, Louk Belghiti, Carmen DiPrisco, Stephen Barron, and Dax Sabin. Back row, from left, are coaches Dan Connolly, Victor DiPrisco, Jack Joyce and Greg Sullivan. Missing from photo: players Joe Dalton and Francesca Indrisano and coaches Jessica Sabin and Steve Indrisano.

### MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT PLANNED

EAST BOSTON - A developer filed a Letter of Intent with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) to create a 190-unit, mixed use development on Bennington Street near Wood Island MBTA station.

According to the letter filed with the BPDA the developer, named only as Redgate, is looking to transform a 50,000 square foot lot at 355 Bennington St. into a six-story building containing approximately 190 multifamily dwelling units, ground floor retail, accessibility parking, and amenities and services for building residents.

The site, that currently houses a single-story commercial business and paved lot, is bounded by Bremen Street, Bennington Street, the Martin A. Coughlin Bypass Road, and Excel Academy Charter School.

Redgate plans to demolish the existing building and construct the new six-story building.

“We anticipate submitting a Project Notification Form within the next 30 days, and we look forward to working with your staff, elected officials, community members, and the Impact Advisory Group that will review the Project,” wrote Redgate’s attorney, Matthew Kiefer.

The project has already received some backlash from community members.

Longtime activists like Mary Berninger pointed out that when Massport built the passive park on Neptune Road just across the street from the proposed Bennington St. project, they told the community that benches and other amenities could not be included due to the park’s location under Runway 15/32’s flight path.

“Six stories directly near the approach to a runway?,” said Berninger. “The community couldn’t even get permission for a couple of benches at the Neptune Road Buffer Park because “points of public assembly” are forbidden in that area.”

Also, the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals recently rejected a similar large-scale project on Bremen Street just down the street from Redgate’s proposal.

Citing a lack of greenspace coupled with the size and scope of the project, the ZBA unanimously re-

jected the proposed project at 282-302 Bremen St. that would have brought 145 additional units to Eastie.

### EAST BOSTON'S MOTHERS OUT FRONT RECEIVES CITY GRANT

EAST BOSTON - The East Boston chapter of the national Mothers Out Front movement received a Love Your Block mini-grant from the City of Boston. The grant provides funding for neighborhoods throughout Boston to organize clean-ups and beautification projects.

Mothers Out Front, a movement that encourages mothers across the nation to fight for meaningful environmental mitigation to ensure a liveable climate for children, will use the funds to build a community living wall for its residents.

According to Mothers Out Front’s (MOF) Sonja Tengblad the community living wall will help educate the residents about the need for good air quality as the current air quality is poor due to the proximity of Logan Airport.

Tengblad said the community living wall is inspired by London’s carbon sequestering moss walls.

“Mothers Out Front East Boston designed a community art build to both empower and educate East Boston about air pollution,” said Tengblad. “Designed by MOF member Danielle Marie Emond, this Green Living Wall will spell the word “Aire” (air) using peat moss cups adhered to a chain link fence. It will be in Spanish not only to represent the neighborhood, but to illustrate how unfairly burdened people of color are by air pollution, and will include multilingual signage educating passersby about our air quality.”

Eastie artist Sury Chavez will design a sidewalk art project alongside the wall, giving families and community members more opportunities to participate. MOF volunteers will then host school groups and other visitors over a three-week period once it is up, facilitating discussions about air pollution, health, and climate change.”

Tengblad said a special unveiling is planned for Mother’s Day weekend 2021.

With Eastie being an Environmental Justice

Community, Tengblad said MOF’s Clean Air Force group has repeatedly pointed out the health inequities in the community.

“African-American children have the highest prevalence of asthma and 68 percent of Latinos live in areas that do not meet federal air quality standards compared to 58 percent of whites,” she said. “More than 1.81 million Latinos nationwide live within one half mile of existing oil and gas facilities and African-Americans are 75 percent more likely than others to live near facilities that produce hazardous waste. Latinos on average breathe in 63 percent more of the pollution than they make. For African-Americans the figure is 56 percent. Non-Latino whites on average are exposed to 17 percent less air pollution than they make according to recent studies released this year.”

Mayor Martin Walsh said these grants go a long way to help bring residents and communities together to beautify even more of our neighborhoods and call attention to environmental issues in Boston.

“Through the Love Your Block program, we are encouraging residents of Boston to show their love for their neighborhoods, one block at a time,” he said.

The city’s Director of Office of Public Service Kaira Fox added, “Our City is going through a trying time and I am happy that programs like Love Your Block exist to bring residents not only hope but a physical change that positively impacts their surroundings. Beautification is healing to these communities and our 2020-2021 winners will create bright spots for their residents amid the adverse effects of COVID-19.”

### REMOTE LEARNING AT NSCC

LYNN - When North Shore Community College’s 56th academic year began, classes and learning continued, but in a very different format. To prioritize the health and safety of NSCC’s entire community, the vast majority of NSCC students began the fall semester in a predominantly virtual environment.

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of the most unprecedented semester NSCC has ever faced,” said Dr. Nate Bryant, NSCC Interim President. “Six months following the coronavirus pandemic outbreak, we still find ourselves in its throes. We have spent significant time and resources over the summer preparing for our utmost goal of keeping our students and staff safe and healthy.

“Only about five percent of our classes will be offered in person on campus, most of which are those that require face-to-face labs and simulations. Students and faculty will continue to adapt to an on-line learning environment, while those employees who can effectively perform their work from home will continue to do so. I extend my sincere thanks and admiration for the efforts of so many who have worked diligently to prepare for what promises to be an auspicious year,” Dr. Bryant noted.

NSCC started planning the conversion to online learning in March when the college moved away from face-to-face learning due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now, Dr. Bryant says, NSCC is poised to deliver an online learning experience that is equal in quality to the face-to-face experience. Our full-time faculty and adjunct faculty have been training all summer to prepare for the new school year and I’m delighted with the progress they made. Students this fall will receive an exceptional online learning experience.

Dr. Karen Hynick, Vice President of Academic Affairs, said, “Thanks to the hard work and ability of NSCC faculty to quickly pivot to a new educational reality, our students will continue to receive an exceptionally high-quality educational experience at NSCC, albeit in different formats. We have only 29 sections of face-to-face courses for the fall semester, mostly in health professions, aviation and other areas that require hands-on experiences where the equipment can’t be replicated at home or through virtual means. Our faculty and Center for Teaching, Learning and Innovation (CTLI) staff have spent countless hours preparing for the fall semester, enhancing over 300 sections of online, 250 sections of hybrid and 250 sections of video conference courses.”

NSCC has made a considerable investment to ensure high academic standards continued across all academic programs in the new virtual modality. Over \$700,000 was spent on training full-time and adjunct faculty to develop online, hybrid and videoconference courses and labs. The college also dedicated significant resources to ensure that students had what they needed to succeed – Chromebooks, Hot Spots, virtual resource access and emergency loans if needed.

In addition, NSCC student affairs staff have worked tirelessly since the spring to address anticipated enrollment shortfalls. Work has included lots of virtual weekend registration and orientation events, and shifting student supports to virtual delivery such as advising, tutoring, counseling, and more. Countless hours were spent to drive down what started out as a significant double-digit de-

cline, which is now much closer to original projections.

“All of us at NSCC remain steadfast in our commitment to the health and safety of our students and staff and to student success. We will continue to adjust and adapt to the changes brought forth by the COVID pandemic,” Dr. Bryant said. “We maintain social distancing, wear facemasks, and are getting used to a new way of life in the hopes of keeping our families and communities safe and limiting the spread of the coronavirus.”

## CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY TO FIGHT COVID-19

REVERE - The Baker-Polito Administration stepped up its targeted initiative to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in communities across the Commonwealth with the highest number of positive cases. This initiative brings even greater focus to the top five highest-risk communities with regular neighborhood-level assessments and a comprehensive multi-lingual public messaging campaign.

The initiative focuses efforts on Chelsea, Everett, Lawrence, Lynn and Revere. The Commonwealth’s COVID-19 Enforcement and Intervention Team (CEIT), in partnership with local community officials, is leading this effort. 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. Built around a message of, “You have the power to save a life,” the comprehensive campaign will encourage the use of masks and social distancing and will run in English, Portuguese, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Vietnamese, Arabic and other languages common to these communities. The campaign includes:

- A new online resource at Mass.gov/StopCOVID19 (Spanish: Mass.Gov/DetenCOVID19) (Portuguese: Mass.Gov/PareCOVID19) (Additional multilingual online resources will be available soon)
- Advertising on billboards, digital and social media

- Downloadable materials in multiple languages
- Multi-lingual field teams deployed in the communities
- Phone and text communications
- Outreach to local community groups

This new website Mass.gov/StopCOVID19 provides residents and local business owners with information on how to stop the spread, state restrictions on gathering sizes, testing locations and materials that can be printed for display in apartment complexes, restaurants and community areas.

The campaign’s advertising will run on hundreds of displays, message boards, signs, billboards and other channels in these top 5 communities through paid partnerships and via state-owned resources, such as at MBTA stations, on MassDOT signs and much more. During Labor Day weekend, the field teams will be active at approximately 15 locations in these top 5 communities. All aspects of this campaign will expand throughout the fall.

In early August, the Administration established CEIT through the COVID-19 Command Center. CEIT is a cross-agency response unit, which includes representatives from the Community Tracing Collaborative, Department of Public Health, Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, Massachusetts State Police, Department of Labor Standards and other agencies.

Since it was launched, this team has worked closely with all higher-risk communities to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in areas that are persistently above the state average. CEIT partnered with local elected and community officials, including municipal leadership, police chiefs and local health departments, to assess trends and most effectively utilize resources. Collectively, these teams have enforced gathering size restrictions and shared with municipalities additional state support, such as testing and contact tracing information.

Over the last two weeks the statewide average daily incidence rate is 4.2 cases per 100,000 people, while Chelsea is 29.4, Revere is 20.9, Lynn is 12.1, Everett is 15.9 and Lawrence is 14.9. As new community data is reported, CEIT will adjust as cities and towns move into or out of higher-risk categories. Throughout September, the campaign will expand beyond the top 5 communities.

Mayor Brian Arrigo’s remarks during the press conference were as fol-

lows:

“Thank you Undersecretary Thorpe and Thank you Governor and Secretary Sudders for having me and for the support you continue to provide to the City of Revere in our COVID-19 response.

In the month of August, the City of Revere averaged 12.6 new cases of covid-19 per day - up from an average of 6 daily new cases in July.

For the 6th consecutive week, our positive test rate has remained at more than three times the state average, this week at 5.75%. With data as our guide throughout this crisis, we have suspended all city events and programming until further notice, and all of our students will start the school year remotely on September 16.

Our City shares many of the same characteristics as our neighbors in East Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Lynn who are facing the same challenges we are --

We are a city of essential and frontline workers, many of whom rely on public transportation to continue to report to work.

Many of our residents live in densely populated areas, and in multigenerational and multifamily households. We continue to see clusters of cases emerge at single addresses.

Half of our population is comprised of immigrants and communities of color. We know that this virus impacts Black and Brown communities disproportionately and we are seeing those impacts firsthand in Revere.

And, finally, we know many of our residents are tired. Of hearing from us. Of restrictions. And of the sacrifices they continue

to make to protect themselves and their loved ones. I certainly understand where they are coming from.

It’s been a long seven months and it would be easy to throw up our hands and give up.

But, instead We have to do more.

We have to think of new ways to communicate with our residents, bring awareness to the current risk levels and implement new policies to encourage greater compliance with public health guidelines.

We are grateful for the continued support the Governor and his team are providing to us - in the form of expertise, manpower and autonomy to make the decisions that are right for our city and residents.

Since the launch of the Governor’s enforcement and intervention team we’ve bolstered our education and enforcement efforts in the city of Revere:

We are hiring multilingual ambassadors to engage directly with residents in their neighborhoods, distribute masks and connect them with other resources.

We have begun issuing citations for private gatherings that violate the Governor’s revised gatherings order. Since we announced this enforcement mechanism we have seen greater compliance. We will be monitoring for gatherings closely as we head into this holiday weekend.

We have tightened capacity limits at our grocery and big box stores.

We have ramped up our business inspections and are hiring additional inspectors to reach hundreds of businesses on an ongoing

basis.

We’ve received additional support from the ABCC at licensed establishments and private clubs.

We have begun closing parks and playgrounds where large gatherings have persisted without mask wearing or social distancing. Every weekend we reach every one of our city owned parks and playgrounds and have distributed hundreds of masks.

And since rolling out two free testing sites as part of the Stop the Spread initiative, we are administering more than 2,000 tests a week for Revere residents, quadrupling the number of our residents being tested since mid-July.

Our work moving forward will include all of this and more.

Next week we will launch a regional, paid Spanish-language media campaign in partnership with the cities of Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Lynn.

We will continue to tap into additional state and federal funding to hire Ambassadors, inspectors, and fund overtime for existing staff. And we continue to have access to the entire enforcement and intervention team to support us in our efforts.

We are doing everything within our control to help slow the spread in our community, and we’re also asking our residents for their help and to make smart decisions.

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# OBITUARIES

## Richard Rocco, Sr.

Of all his successes and affiliations, his most prized possessions were always members of his family both immediate and extended

Richard S. Rocco, Sr. of Everett and Harwich Port passed away peacefully on Sunday, Sept. 13 after a long battle with numerous health issues.

The beloved husband of Barbara A. (Dorion) for over 55 years, he was the loving father of Richard S. Jr. and his wife, Daniela of Lynnfield, brother of Virginia Fiske of Nahant, Grace Pedneault of Everett, the late Horace A. “Sonny” and Henry J.”Hank” both formerly of Everett. Richard is also survived by his cherished granddaughters, Sara, Emma and Lily Domenica, all of Lynnfield, as well as nephews, many cousins and many many friends. He was the youngest son of the late Salvatore Rocco and Grace (Fiorentino).

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Anthony Church, Everett, Friday, Sept. 18 at 10:30 a.m. with a committal service to immediately follow in the Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alzheimer’s Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham MA 02452.

As a young man growing up on the streets of Everett, he was forever having fun with his pals on the old sandlot baseball and neighborhood football teams. As he matured he became a “Double Eagle” which is the term given to graduates of both Boston College High School and then Boston College. Richard was the first college graduate of his family.

Upon graduation from college, he began what would become an incredible business career. It was a career that started as a truck driver for the Anheuser-Busch Company and ended with an early retirement earned from selling two very successful baking supply companies, Eagle Egg Corp and The American Yeast Companies. This provided roughly three decades



of retirement splitting time between Florida, Cape Cod and, of course, his birth place of Everett for the holiday season with relatives and friends. Along the way to retirement, he even tried a hand in the restaurant business with his wife, Barbara running the old “Chuck Wagon” in Harwich Port.

He was successful in most everything he put his mind to and he took great pride in savoring the sweet rewards that came as a result of those successes.

Prior to entering the business arena, Richard served his country twice in the US Navy during both World War II and then the Korean War. He was elected president of both the New England Wholesale Bakers Association and The New England Retail Bakers Association. He was a long time member of the Allen Harbor Yacht Club where he docked his boat “Double R” for many years. A member of the Seagate Beach Club in Delray Beach, Florida and a former member of the old Wychmere Harbor Club and The Wyndemere Bluffs Association, both in Harwich Port. He was a lifetime member of the Everett/Saugus Lodge of Elks, The Italian American Club of Everett, The PSN Club, The Seven C’s club and an associate member of the Everett E Club. But of all his successes and affiliations his most prized possessions were always members of his family both immediate and extended.

Arrangements are by Rocco, Carr & Henderson Funeral Home: [www.rocofuneralhomes.com](http://www.rocofuneralhomes.com).

## 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.

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## Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

### News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open and welcoming to all.

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## Church at the Well Everett

### News and Notes

Church at the Well Everett is a new church for Everett that will begin meeting in 2021. Check us out on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/churchforeverett](http://www.facebook.com/churchforeverett) to view weekly devotions and updates, visit us at [\[everett.church\]\(http://everett.church\) 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-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

## 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.

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## Zion Church - Everett

### News and Notes

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

book page, “Zion Church Ministries.”

For more information, they can be reached online at [zionchurchministries.com](http://zionchurchministries.com) or via email at [office@zionchurchministries.com](mailto:office@zionchurchministries.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 Cannon

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  
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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

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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# City of Everett receives funding for Broadway project

The City of Everett has received a \$150,000 grant award from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation's Shared Streets & Spaces quick-launch/quick-build grant program.

The MassDOT's Shared Streets and Spaces Program is intended to support projects that promote public health, safe mobility, and renewed commerce by quickly providing new or repurposed space for socially-distanced walking, bicycling, dining, retail, and bus travel.

The funding will be used for the Everett Bus Lane Project, which will expand Everett's bus lane network, to create a faster, less crowded commute for essential workers. The new improvements include 24-hour bus lanes around Sweetser Circle, new outbound bus lane on Broadway from Sweetser Circle to Everett Square weekdays (4-7PM), outbound bus lane on Main Street from Sweetser Circle to Oakes/Tileston Street weekdays (4-7PM). The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority is also contributing approximately \$300,000 to the project.

"We have received positive feedback from our current bus lanes," Mayor DeMaria said. "This funding allows us to be able to continue to create ways to decrease travel time and create a safer environment for our residents."

The bus lane project will be fully implemented no later than October 9th, 2020.

The city is also receiving funding and support from the Barr Foundation in coordination with the

Institute for Transportation Development Policy to help create a more vibrant, safer Broadway. The new improvements include:

- Mobility Hubs to help residents' access local businesses, jobs, child care, and grocery stores. These hubs will feature multilingual pedestrian and business signage, real-time shuttle information, bike parking and BlueBikes stations. Glendale Square and Everett Square, as well as Maple Street
- Shared Streets that slow down car traffic to allow kids to play outside while creating safe walking and biking connections to Broadway. The city is also testing new "strategies" to support local restaurants offering outdoor dining. School Street, Cottage Street, Lexington Street and Hosmer St, Coburn Terrace
- Parklets that transform underutilized parking and asphalt space into mini urban oases – with benches and shade – for anyone, especially our seniors, to sit, socialize, and get fresh air. Norwood and Main Streets
- Visual markers at bus stops and on the sidewalk to indicate where people can stand, sit, or walk to maintain safe distances. The city will also be sharing masks, hand sanitizer and transit safety tips.

"I am committed to finding ways to create a safe and more vibrant community for all residents," Mayor DeMaria said. "Everett is changing in a good way. This project is special because it helps children, families, essential workers and business owners."

## LEARN TO SKATE CLASSES OFFERED AT 10 GREATER BOSTON RINKS

The 2020-2021 skating season is about to begin. Bay State Skating School is one of Greater Boston's most established and popular skating programs. We have taught Learn-To-Skate classes to children ages 4-18 in the Greater Boston area for over 50 years.

Bay State Skating School is compliant with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Covid-19 guidelines. The number of students allowed on the ice will be limited.

Professional Instructors teach Recreational, Figure and Hockey Skating Skills to the beginner, intermediate and advanced skaters. Students can wear either figure, recreational or hockey skates.

New FALL lessons begin in September and October. Lessons are held at 10 Greater Boston Rink locations including: Brookline-Cleveland Circle, Cambridge, Medford, Newton-Brighton, Quincy, Somerville, Waltham, West Roxbury, and Weymouth.

The emphasis is on having fun while learning to skate. We have taught over 90,000 students to ice skate. Come skate and feel great!

For more information and to registration, visit [www.BayStateSkating-School.org](http://www.BayStateSkating-School.org) or call Bay State Skating School (781) 890-8480.

## DCR CLOSES DOWN SPRAY DECK DUE TO COVID-19 CONCERNS

Effective immediately, and until further notice, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will implement a closure of the Allied Vets Memorial Spray Deck in the City of Everett. This measure is being taken following the city's decision to close its public parks in response to the municipality remaining a high risk community for COVID-19 infections.

## CITY OF EVERETT ADDS NEW COVID TESTING SITES

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce the City of Everett, in partnership with Fallon Ambulance Service, has added new site locations, days and hours for Free COVID-19 testing.

Testing is now done on a first come, first serve basis. No appointment is necessary.

As Everett continues to be one of the communities across Massachusetts that has continued to see a higher number of residents testing positive for COVID-19, these new testing site locations will support the testing of asymptomatic individuals to help stop the spread of COVID-19. Residents are encouraged to get tested even if they have no COVID symptoms to help stop the spread.

The new testing sites

and dates are as follows:

- Monday: Florence St. Park (Big Flo) – Chelsea St. 7 a.m.-Noon  
Glendale Park – Elm St. Noon-6 p.m.
- Tuesday: Sacramone Park – 110 Santilli Highway/Tileston St. Noon-6 p.m.
- Wednesday: Florence St. Park (Little Flo) – Nichols & Florence. 7 a.m.-Noon.  
Edith Street Park. Noon-6 p.m.
- Thursday: Rivergreen Parking Lot (Drive Thru) 1 Rivergreen Drive Noon-6 p.m.
- Friday: Swan Street Park. 7 a.m.-Noon.  
Everett City Hall Parking Lot. 484 Broadway Noon-6 p.m.
- Saturday: Rivergreen Parking Lot (Drive Thru) Noon-6 p.m.

## CITY OF EVERETT HIRING PARK MONITORS

The City of Everett is hiring park monitors to ensure residents of Everett adhere to all safety precautions when attending city parks.

"My goal is to have hand sanitizer stations, and hire park monitors to hand out masks and educate our residents on the seriousness of the coronavirus," Mayor Carlo DeMaria said. "I understand the need for children to have a place to go, but I also have a duty to make sure residents in Everett are safe."

Mayor DeMaria temporarily closed parks effective on September 10, amid an uptick in positive coronavirus cases. However, the City of Everett is already implementing safety precautions in order to open up different aspects of the parks in the very near future.

"Balancing the need for outdoor activity and the safety of our community has been challenging," Mayor DeMaria said. "I have held off on this as long as I can. With CHA Everett numbers and positive cases increasing by the day, it leaves the city with few options."

Park monitors will perform a variety of duties, which require exercise of considerable discretion, judgement and initiative in planning while implemented project development, applicable laws and enforcing Covid-19 guidelines. All park monitors are required to work no more than 20 hours per week, and must be 18 years or older with a valid motor vehicle operator's license.

All interested employees should send an email with cover letter and resume to [Human.Resources@ci.everett.ma.us](mailto:Human.Resources@ci.everett.ma.us) with "Park Monitor" in the title.

This declaration is the first of many the city will be taking to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus. The decision to reopen the parks will be based off data provided to the City of Everett on the number of COVID cases daily.

## LEGAL NOTICE

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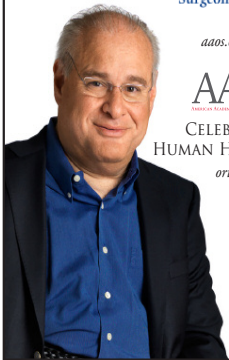
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CITY OFFICIALS, RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN CENSUS DAY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

The City of Everett and elected officials and non-profit partners from around the City staged a large Census Day awareness campaign on Saturday, Sept. 12. Volunteers spread out through the neighborhoods to make one last push for the Census by providing information and helping people to

fill out the Census. Everett has a very low response rate, one of the lowest in the state, and is at risk of losing population – a population that is already undercounted. That results in the loss of federal funding, and potentially elected representation. The Census 2020 deadline is this month.



Veterans Commissioner Jeanne Cristiano holds up an Everett Counts shirt.



Antonio Amaya, director of La Comunidad, and Council President Rosa DiFlorio.



School Committee members Frank Parker, Marcony Almeida Barros and Samantha Lambert distributed door hangers to promote Census 2020.



City Clerk Sergio Cornelio, Councilor Michael McLaughlin, La Comunidad Director Antonio Amaya and Everett Haitian Community Center Director Rev. Myrlande Desrosiers.



Volunteers joined Council President Rosa DiFlorio, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, Chief Steve Mazzie, Councilor Stephanie Martins and Councilor Michael McLaughlin.



The group gets ready to canvass the neighborhoods on Saturday morning.

COVID-19 has changed everything.

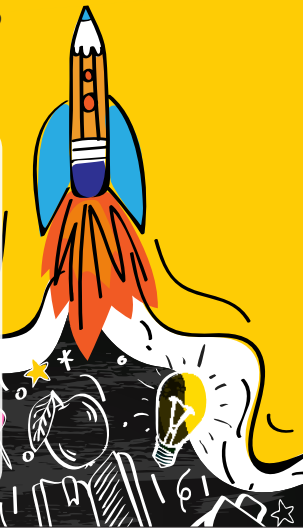
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