



BREAKING THE PLANE: Christian Zamor reached the ball inside the pylon for what appeared to be Everett’s first touch-down, but the play was called back on an Everett penalty. See Page 6 for more photos.

First and Foremost Ellerbe, Crimson Tide defeat Revere, 41-13

By Cary Shuman

The Everett High football team, led by senior quarterback Karmari Ellerbe, stormed past Revere, 41-13, in a GBL showdown Friday night at Everett Memorial Stadium.

Ellerbe, who is making a strong case for All-Scholastic recognition, had touchdown runs of 45 and 22 yards and threw a TD pass as Everett (4-1) scored 28 first-half points in response to Revere’s touchdown.

“Their quarterback [Ellerbe] ran wild on us,” said Revere Coach Lou Cicatelli. “We weren’t able to contain him. He’s a very good football player. We also made two big mistakes that really cost us, but other than that, we

played them tough. It’s Everett and bottom line, they’re hard to beat.”

Jayden Prophete rushed for a 16-yard touchdown. Christian Zamor caught a 16-yard TD pass from Ellerbe and rushed for a 22-yard TD.

Ruiz makes big play on ‘D’

Everett defensive end Kevin Ruiz made the play of the game when he intercepted a pass and returned it 60 yards for a touchdown. Ruiz’s display of athleticism was noted by head coach Rob DiLoreto.

“A Pick-6 by a defensive end hardly ever happens,” said DiLoreto. “I would say our entire defensive line of Kevin Ruiz, Ralph Pierre, Aidan Duclos, and Shane MacKenzie really were the stars of the game. I felt our two

inside linebackers, Dom Papa and Matthew LaMonica, had a really solid game.”

DiLoreto expected a tough test from Revere and the visiting Patriots (2-3) played inspired football in their quest to spring

an upset and dethrone the defending GBL champions.

“My hat’s off to Revere,” said DiLoreto. “They played really hard

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No agreement on course of action to alleviate overcrowding in schools

By Stephen Quigley

There was no disagreement among the elected officials at last week’s Joint Convention of the City Council and the School Committee that something needs to be done as soon as possible to ease the severe overcrowding in the Everett public schools.

However, the path to finding a quick-fix to the problem seemed as elusive as ever, with a rehab of the former Pope John XXIII High School building to bring it up to state-mandated standards estimated as at least a two year process and construction of a new Everett High School estimated as at least an 8-10 year process.

Although the councilors and school board members at the October 4 meeting heard many of the same facts that have been repeated for the past few months, they also were told of other alternatives, including a full-scale renovation of the former Everett High School on Broadway.

Another new twist voiced at the meeting was

the idea of adding modular classrooms to a number of the schools in the lower grades that could be a more-immediate solution to the overcrowding problem. The solution of adding modular classrooms had been discussed only for the George Keverian Elementary School, but the possibility of adding modular units at other schools was raised for the first time.

“If you want an immediate solution, then modular units are the answer,” Mayor Carlo DeMaria told the joint meeting.

The session, which eventually lasted for more than two and one-half hours with no decisions reached, led Councilor Stephanie Smith to apologize to those attending either in the audience or watching on Everett Community Television for “wasting the last two-and-one-half hours.”

With regard to the oft-discussed renovation of the Pope John building for a new middle school, the council and School

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Domestic Violence Awareness Vigil held at Everett Police Station

Special to the Independent

In honor of October being Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Everett Police Department, Portal To Hope and local clergy leaders joined with fellow community mem-

bers for the Faith And Blue event at the Everett Police Station.

A vigil was held in remembrance of people whose lives have been impacted by domestic violence crime. The names and tragic stories of 17

victims from various communities were read aloud for all to hear to show that this is a problem that takes on many forms, affects every community and can happen to any family or in any relationship.

It takes a community

effort to one day ending domestic violence, and it starts with increasing awareness and learning more about what we can all do together. Learn more about Portal To Hope and their cause at www.portaltohope.org.

DiDomenico joins the GBFB panel discussion

Special to the Independent

In a follow up to the historic White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition and Health, Senator DiDomenico joined a panel discussion hosted by The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB), the largest hunger-relief organization in New England, with local leaders to discuss the National Strategy announced by President Biden at the conference. The event provided those working to end hunger with a forum to review the key takeaways from the conference and discuss how those recommendations can be implemented here in the Commonwealth to aid the 1 in 3 residents who report experiencing food insecurity in the past year.

DiDomenico was joined by Mass. Secretary of

Health and Human Services Marylou Sudders, State Representative Andy Vargas, Stop & Shop President Gordon Reid, client advocate Donnette McManus, Roxbury Community College Interim President Dr. Jackie Jenkins-Scott, RCC’s Director of Project Access Lisa Carter, and GBFB President and CEO Catherine D’Amato.

“As a longtime advocate of expanding access to nutritious foods, I was honored to join The Greater Boston Food Bank’s event and be a part of this important discussion on food access and nutrition insecurity,” said Senator DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. “We have made big strides addressing these issues in

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All who attended the Faith and Blue event and participated in the domestic violence awareness vigil inside the Everett Police Station.



Bishop Robert Brown from Zion Church Ministries speaking to attendees.



Deb Fallon, founder of Portal To Hope, speaking to attendees.



Everett Police Chief Steve Mazzie speaking to attendees.

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DOR announces September revenue collections total \$4.187 billion

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Geoffrey Snyder announced that preliminary revenue collections for September totaled \$4.187 billion, \$194 million or 4.9% more than the actual collections in September 2021, and \$224 million or 5.7% more than benchmark.[1] September 2022 revenue collections were impacted by the elective pass-through entity (PTE) excise. After adjusting for PTE excise, September 2022 collections are \$30 million or 0.7% below actual collections in September 2021, but \$165 million or 4.3% more than benchmark.

FY2023 year-to-date collections totaled approx-

imately \$9.194 billion, which is \$443 million or 5.1% more than collections in the same period of FY2022 and \$224 million or 2.5% more than year-to-date benchmark. After adjusting for PTE excise, FY2023 year-to-date collections are \$231 million or 2.6% more than collections in the same period of FY2022 and \$169 million or 1.9% more than benchmark.

“September collections were above monthly benchmarks and above collections from the same period last year,” said Commissioner Snyder. “September revenue included increases in most major tax types relative to September 2021 collec-

tions, including increases in withholding, non-withholding income tax, and sales, and partially offset by a decrease in corporate and business tax. The increase in withholding is likely related to strong labor market conditions. The increase in sales tax reflects continued strength in retail sales”.

In general, September is a significant month for revenues because many individuals and corporations are required to make estimated payments. Historically, roughly 10% of annual revenue, on average, has been received during September.

Given the brief period covered in the report, September results should not

be used as a predictor for the rest of the fiscal year.

[1] With the recent enactment of the FY2023 budget, monthly revenue benchmarks were developed for the September 2022 through June 2023 period only.

Details:

- Income tax collections for September totaled \$2.195 billion, \$131 million or 6.4% above benchmark, and \$152 million or 7.4% more than September 2021.
- Withholding tax collections for September totaled \$1.280 billion, \$36 million or 2.9% above benchmark, and \$90 million or 7.6% more than September 2021.
- Income tax estimated

payments for September totaled \$871 million, \$107 million or 13.9% more than benchmark, and \$65 million or 8.1% more than September 2021.

- Income tax returns and bills for September totaled \$166 million, \$46 million or 21.8% less than benchmark, but \$78 million or 88.0% more than September 2021.
- Income tax cash refunds for September totaled \$122 million in outflows, \$35 million or 22.3% below benchmark, but \$81 million or 196.4% more than September 2021.
- Sales and use tax collections for September totaled \$766 million, \$81 million or 11.8% above

benchmark, and \$70 million or 10.0% more than September 2021.

- Meals tax collections, a sub-set of sales and use tax, for September totaled \$131 million, \$18 million or 16.4% above benchmark, and \$11 million or 9.6% more than September 2021.
- Corporate and business tax collections for September totaled \$973 million, \$28 million or 3.0% above benchmark but \$30 million or 3.0% less than September 2021.
- “All other” tax collections for September totaled \$254 million, \$16 million or 6.1% below benchmark, but \$2 million or 0.9% more than September 2021.

October 9-15 is Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week will mark its 100th anniversary that will run through October 15 with a theme that reflects a major challenge in modern fire safety: “Fire won’t wait. Plan your escape.”

“Modern residential fires burn much faster than they did in past decades,” said State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey. “Changes in building construction, manufacturing, and furnishing mean you could have less than three minutes to escape a fire at home today, compared to 15 minutes or more in the 1970s. That’s why it’s so important to have working smoke alarms and a practiced escape plan that includes two ways out.”

Smoke Alarms

“Over 60% of Massachusetts fire deaths last year took place in the overnight hours,” said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey. “Smoke alarms are your first line of defense, so be sure they’re on every level of your home and working properly. When you hear that alarm, everyone at home should know it’s time to get out,

stay out, and call 9-1-1.”

Smoke alarms should have a manufacturing date printed on the back. Alarms older than 10 years old should be replaced with new alarms that have a sealed, long-life battery. When choosing an alarm, select one from a well-known national brand that’s listed by an independent lab such as UL or Intertek/ETL. Test alarms monthly to be sure they’re working properly.

Home Escape Planning

“No matter how big or small your household is, every home needs an escape plan,” State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said. “Consider any special needs you or your loved ones might have, including young children, older adults, and people with disabilities.”

When creating your escape plan, look for two ways out of every room – and remember that one of them may be a window. Keep those escape routes clear of furniture, clutter, and other obstructions. If you have security fittings on doors or windows, be sure they can be removed

or disengaged quickly from inside.

Pick a family meeting place out front a safe distance away from the house. The meeting place should be permanent, like a tree, mailbox, or light pole, and located where firefighters can easily find you.

Once you’ve planned your escape route, practice it at least twice a year. Try it during the day and at night so everyone is familiar with it – even if they’re tired or groggy. Remember that you may have to “get low and go” in the event of smoke.

100 Years of Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week is observed annually in the week that contains Oct. 9 – the date on which Great Chicago Fire of 1871 caused most devastation. The National Fire Protection Association has sponsored and promoted Fire Prevention Week annually since 1922, making it the longest-running public health observance on record.

October is Long-Term Planning Month

October is Long-Term Care Planning Month. Questions around how to afford the rising cost of assisted living and other levels of senior living come into special focus. As Americans grapple with inflation and increased costs, Assisted Living Locators Boston, a local senior placement and referral service, is giving tips on how to pay less for assisted living.

“Long-term care expenses at assisted living facilities and nursing homes are climbing, as the industry copes with inflation,” said John Moniz, Assisted Living Locators Boston Senior Care Advisor. “I have seen move-in fees at assisted living facilities jump from \$5,000 to \$10,000, or monthly rental fees increase by an unprecedented 10%.”

Assisted Living Locators offers these tips to choose the right community and stretch your dollar.

- 1 Get The Right Amount Of Space. Assisted living communities offer residents a choice of room size. Remember your senior will be socializing in common areas and eating in large dining rooms. Reduce costs by opting for the smallest, most livable space for their personal room.
- 2 Consider A Room-mate. In many senior living communities, a shared

space is more cost-effective than a single room or apartment. Sharing a room can be safer and prevent loneliness, a common problem among the elderly.

- 3 Go Small On Community Size. Smaller assisted living residences tend to be less expensive than the larger communities and offer the same quality of care.
- 4 Look Nearby. Sometimes the cost of assisted living communities is driven by the cost of real estate. Look in neighborhoods where the cost of living is less expensive. Traveling an extra 30 minutes to a rural or suburban area can result in a meaningful reduction in rent and care costs.
- 5 Time Your Move-In. Assisted living communities, especially larger ones, have financial pressures the same as other businesses. They are often willing to give price breaks at the end of month or their financial quarter.
- 6 Get Only What You Need. Many assisted living communities will offer an all-inclusive services package. Instead, review the a la cart offerings and only select those services your senior really needs.
- 7 Have More Than One Option. Potential residents should always have more than one option for assisted living to increase bargaining power and likeli-

hood of getting incentives, as well as minimizing items such as community fee. It also provides a client with a Plan B should the assessment of the senior not go well.

“Paying for senior care can quickly become a financial burden to seniors and families who may not know their options” explained Moniz. “It’s important to seek senior living advice. I personally work with families to help save money and reduce costs of long-term care.”

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We wish to remind all of our readers that the deadline for registering to vote for the upcoming state election is October 29.

Citizens of Massachusetts have three ways to register to vote: on-line, by mail, or in-person at your local city or town clerk’s office.

To register in Massachusetts you must:

- be a citizen of the United States
- be a resident of Massachusetts
- be at least 16 years old (must be 18 years old to vote on Election Day)
- not currently be incarcerated for a felony conviction

The web site for the Secretary of State’s office has the necessary forms and instructions for those wishing to register to vote on-line or by mail.

The upcoming election on November 8 has the potential for far-reaching consequences for our state.

Never before in our history have the Democrat and Republican candidates for two major offices, Governor and Secretary of State, presented such divergent choices for voters.

We urge all residents to register to vote for this important election.

THE END OF AN ERA IN MASS. POLITICS IS AT HAND

The decision by Gov. Charlie Baker not to seek re-election effectively has brought to an end an era in Massachusetts politics.

Although Massachusetts voters typically have split our legislature and governorship between Democrats and Republicans for much of the past 80 years -- with Democrats controlling the legislature and Republicans the governorship -- the basic differences between the two parties were fairly minimal.

Republican governors typically were seen as fiscally more conservative than their Democratic counterparts, but there was general agreement between them on social and other issues.

Most importantly, Republican governors and Democratic legislators were able to work together to achieve far-reaching goals.

For example, it was Republican Gov. John Volpe who fought for a sales tax in the early 1960s in order to support city and town governments that were unable to meet the huge increases in the costs of local education because of the influx of students during the Baby Boom era.

Gov. Volpe previously had served as the State Commissioner of Public Works and oversaw the expansion of the state highway system during the 1950s that allowed our state to expand beyond Greater Boston, most notably the Route 128 Belt that became known as America’s technology highway in that era and that fueled Massachusetts’ growth into the last half of the 20th century.

Forty years later, Republican Gov. Mitt Romney joined with the Democratic legislature to craft the Mass. health insurance law that became the model for Obamacare, making health insurance affordable for all residents.

In the 1990s, the weekly breakfast meetings between Republican Governors Bill Weld and Paul Cellucci with the Democratic leaders of the House and Senate were instrumental in creating an atmosphere of collegiality on Beacon Hill.

These Republican governors understood the essential role that government must play in order to move our society forward.

By no means did they agree on everything with their Democratic counterparts, but they were able to disagree without being disagreeable. Moreover, Democratic and Republican leaders shared a common vision for our state. We realize that everyone loves to complain and gripe about everything, but the bottom line is that Massachusetts ranks among the best in the nation in just about every meaningful category, from education to health care.

However, that era is over. Those who lead the Republican party today have views that are far beyond the mainstream of our state’s residents, whether on social issues such as a woman’s right to choose or political matters -- the GOP’s candidates for Governor and Secretary of State openly have voiced their support for the idea that the outcome of the 2020 presidential election was not legitimate and are avid supporters of Donald Trump.

The virus that has infected the politics of the rest of the country has made its way here. It would be nice to think that this change in the political climate in Massachusetts is temporary. But unlike the COVID-19 pandemic, there is no vaccine on the horizon.

Independent Forum

GUEST OP-ED

Rising prices – one thing you can do

By Glenn Mollette

Reports are pointing to an 8.9% raise for Social Security recipients. While it won’t feel like enough, it may buy you a sack of groceries or a tank of gasoline. This is a big maybe on the gasoline as California reports prices of over \$8 per gallon.

Some of our government leadership is crying because Saudi Arabia is cutting their oil production by 2 million barrels a day. This means less oil for everyone in the grand oil supply pool. I don’t understand why anyone in our government would want to do business with the Saudis.

Buying oil from Saudi Arabia, Venezuela or any foreign entity is crazy. Why don’t we use our own oil? I’m all for green energy but we aren’t quite there yet. Make electric cars and drive them. Utilize solar energy and else

anything that we can to help preserve this planet and its resources. Regardless, our country still needs oil. As long as we need oil, it would be wiser and much more cost effective to use our own oil. Put Americans back to work drilling our oil and selling it to foreign countries.

Our government has been draining our own oil reserve to try to keep the price of gasoline down. This doesn’t seem to be working very well. Plus, it puts our country at risk. When China and Russia decide to attack us, we need to be able to put fuel in our jets and ships. That would not be a good time to have to go back to Saudi Arabia and beg for oil.

We should utilize a full arsenal of energy from electric cars and a grid to supply the power. Utilize our oil, wind, natural gas and coal. Once our country can do everything without oil or coal, then we can

move on from those resources. Being dependent on getting them from foreign nations doesn’t make sense, especially when we have the resources.

A loaf of bread will eventually cost Americans their 8.9% Social Security increase. Ukraine has been one of the world’s leading providers of wheat. Having Russia in control of Ukraine, a major source of the bread supply, along with their major supply of natural gas is bad news for the world.

The Crimea bridge that was recently bombed between Russia and Ukraine should have been bombed on day one by Ukrainians. Ukraine must do whatever it takes to thwart Russia’s ongoing destruction of their country. The news has been filled with fear that Russia will go nuclear in their efforts. When the nations start hurling nuclear bombs you won’t need to worry about gas, groceries and cost of living adjustments because this planet can only take so much.

Keep in mind there is still something you can do to make a difference vote. Clear your calendar for voting. If you don’t vote then don’t complain about our government, inflation, rising interest rates, gasoline prices and more. I know it doesn’t feel like your one vote matters, but it truly counts. The only way you can bring about change is to clear your schedule, take the time, and vote.

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Massachusetts but there is still a long way to go until hunger is eliminated and nutritious foods are accessible to all. The White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition and Health and the federal government’s expanded support are great steps toward addressing food and nutrition insecurity in Massachusetts and across the United States.”

“This was the first White House Conference on hunger to be held since I joined The Greater Boston Food Bank 27 years ago, not to mention the first in 50 years,” said Catherine D’Amato. “After all this time, it was deeply rewarding to see the issue of hunger elevated to the national spotlight. We applaud the Biden Administration and the bipartisan coalition that made the conference possible. We look forward to continuing to engage with others in the hunger, nutrition, and health community around the resulting national hunger strategy in support of our mission, to end hunger here.”

The underpinning theme and goal of the conference was to elevate the voices of individuals with lived food insecurity experience. In valuing the importance of continued engagement with neighbors most directly impacted, Donnette McManus, a client advocate at GBFB’s partner agency Catholic Charities in Brockton, was invited to be one of the leading voices on the



Sen. Sal DiDomenico (fourth from left) along with other participants of the Greater Boston Food Bank event.

panel.

“Food is part of the cycle that fuels everything we do,” said Donnette McManus. “The Greater Boston Food Bank, its partners, and the front-line food pantry workers and volunteers give my family the fuel we need to not only consume nutritious foods, but also the desire to serve so that our legacy will be an example of breaking the chain of food insecurities in our community and beyond.”

The power of collaboration was also a theme during the conversation, and it was repeatedly stated that government cannot do it all – they will need bi-partisan and private partnerships to achieve their goals.

Senator DiDomenico has been a longtime ally of The Greater Boston Food Bank, successfully work-

ing with the organization, along with other community organizations to secure anti-hunger funding. Some of his legislative achievements secured this year include universal free school meals throughout Massachusetts, increased funding for the Massachusetts Emergency Food Assistance Program, creating a common application to increase access to SNAP benefits, and increased

cash assistance for families living in poverty. DiDomenico will continue to work with all these partners to advance legislation until food and nutrition insecurity are eliminated in Massachusetts.

Those in need of food assistance are encouraged to visit GBFB.org/need food, where they can find a list of resources and search for a food program by zip code.

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Sports

EVERETT HIGH FOOTBALL 41-13 OVER REVERE



INTO THE CLEAR: Karmari Ellerbe breaks away from the pack and races toward the goal-line.



ALL MINE, ALL ALONE: Christian Zamor is all by himself as he secures a pass and walks into the end zone for a score that led to Everett's 21-7 halftime lead.



OUT OF MY WAY: Christian Zamor fends off Revere's Sami Elasri.



END OF THE ROAD: Domenic Papa (46) puts a quick end to a short run by Revere's Maykin Funez Gonzalez.



COUNT IT: Jayden Prophete celebrates his first quarter touchdown that made the score Revere 7 Everett 6. The Crimson Tide rolled from there on the way to a 41-13 victory for Everett's fourth straight win.



ESCORT SERVICE: Everett quarterback Karmari Ellerbe follows the blocking of Damien Lackland (10) and Domenic Papa (46).



TOUGH MAN TO BRING DOWN: Christian Zamor drags Revere's Danny Hou toward the goal line at the end of a long, first-quarter run.

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and very disciplined. They're a well-coached team. They came out and scored the first touchdown. Thankfully, we responded with a touchdown fairly quickly and

had a Pick-6 right before the half."

Everett (4-1) plays Medford (1-4) Thursday at 6 p.m. at Hormel Stadium. Everett is currently at No. 11 in the Division

1 power rankings and No. 13 in the Boston Herald's Sweet 16.

"Our goal is to keep improving and win our next two games," said DiLoreto.

EHS Roundup

EHS GIRLS SOCCER WINS TWO CONTESTS

The Everett High girls soccer team enjoyed a successful week, winning two of its three matches.

Last Monday the Lady Crimson Tide defeated non-league rival O'Bryant High of Boston, 3-2.

"We had solid, all-around play by the girls," said EHS head coach Domenick Persuitte.

Yelsa Garcia racked up two goals for Everett. On her first score, Yelsa took on the O'Bryant defense to find the back of the net. Her second goal was assisted by Layla Bentancur-Cardona.

Everett's third marker was notched by Bentancur-Cardona after a failed clearance by an O'Bryant

defender. Layla took a few touches and then delivered a rocket from 30 yards out into the back corner of the net over the keeper's head.

Three days later the Lady Crimson Tide toppled Greater Boston League foe Malden, 4-3.

Garcia gave Everett an early 1-0 lead within the first eight minutes, assisted by Bentancur-Cardona. Yelsa went on to score two more goals, assisted by Emely DeJesus, a freshman who was filling in for an injured teammate, and Lamiah Wyard.

Bentancur-Cardona also reached the back of the Malden net when she took on the defense and slotted the ball into the back of the net.

"Malden kept us on our toes," noted Persuitte.

"They made us earn that win. They were a very tough and aggressive team. As a side note, one of our players went down, and the whole team stepped up, including freshman Emely DeJesus."

Sandwiched between the two wins was a 7-1 loss to Medford.

"The team played the first half so well," said Persuitte. "I was very impressed that we kept Medford to a score of 2-1."

Bentancur-Cardona notched the EHS goal when she scored on a penalty kick after Garcia was blatantly taken down in the box.

"Despite our struggle in the second half, I was very proud of how we played

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EEA announces drought conditions have improved

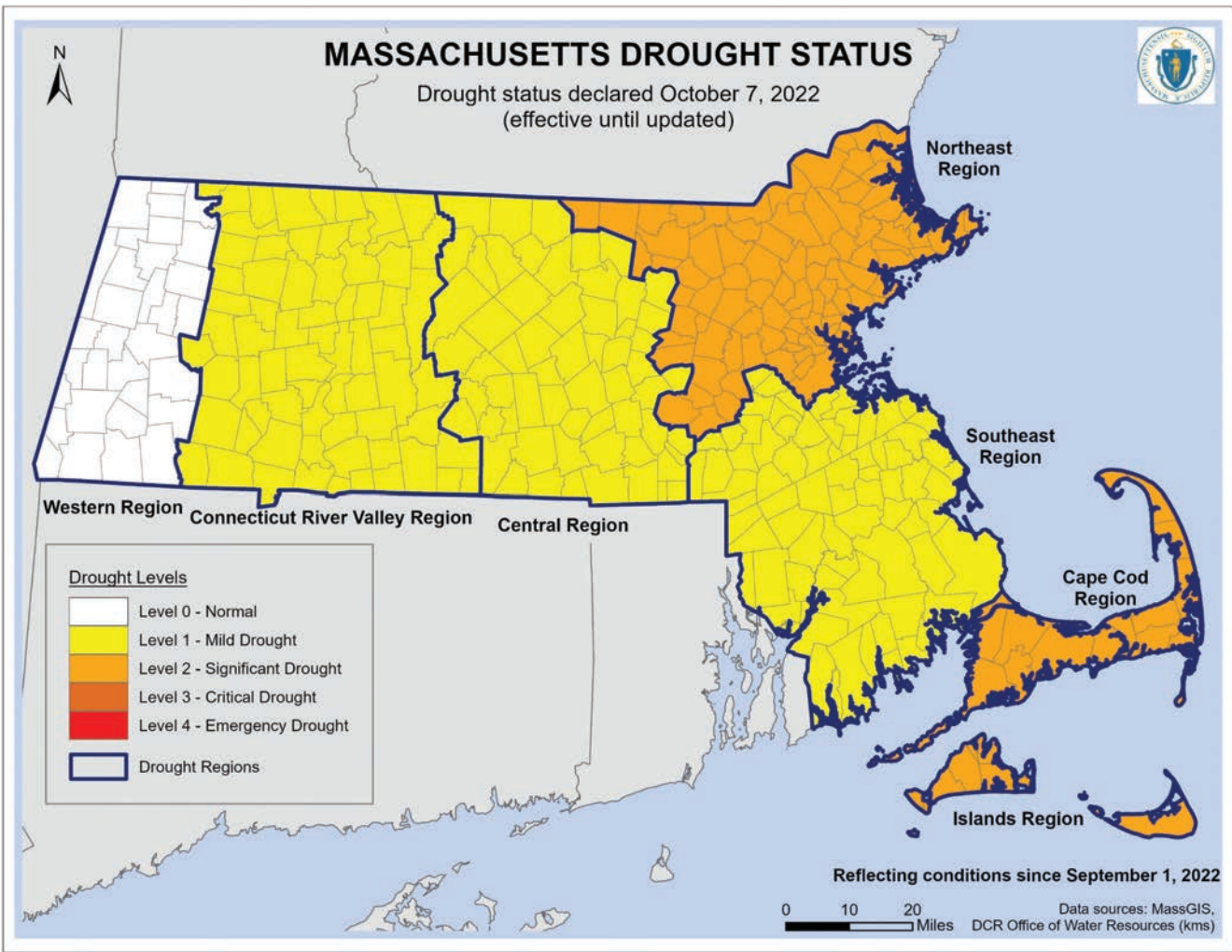
With several recent precipitation events in September that directly benefited Massachusetts’ hydrological systems, Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Beth Card announced that drought conditions have improved in all regions of the state, and made the following drought declarations: the Western Region has been upgraded to Level 0-Normal Conditions; the Connecticut River Valley, Central Region, and Southeast Regions have been upgraded to Level 1-Mild Drought; and, the Northeast and Cape Cod Regions have been upgraded to Level 2-Significant Drought. As outlined in the Massachusetts Drought Management Plan, a Level 1-Mild Drought warrants detailed monitoring of drought conditions, close coordination among state and federal agencies, and technical outreach and assistance to the affected municipalities. Additionally, a Level 2-Significant Drought calls for the convening of an interagency mission group, which is already meeting, to more closely coordinate on drought assessments, impacts, and responses within state government.

“Even though recent rainfall over the past month has been extremely beneficial to the Commonwealth’s water systems, it is important to remember that the majority of the state has had an insufficient amount of precipitation this year,” said Energy and Environmental Affairs Beth Card. “State

agencies will continue to closely monitor conditions, especially in locations that didn’t receive as much rain, such as the coastal part of the Northeast, the elbow area on Cape Cod, and Islands Regions, and we ask that everyone continues practicing water conservation in an effort to further assist the rebounding of local water systems.”

Today’s declarations are the result of recommendations made by the state’s Drought Management Task Force, which is composed of state and federal officials, and other entities. The taskforce will continue to meet until water levels return to normal in the affected regions. The task force noted that September rains have resulted in some recovery for both streamflow and groundwater; however, drought impacts continue to be seen, including some remaining dry streams and numerous slow-recharging or deeper wells across the state. Due to remaining low groundwater and less rain since the end of September and start of October, streamflow in some areas are beginning to decline again. Therefore, additional precipitation is needed to continue recovering from the drought and fully recharge the ecosystem. Additionally, coastal regions northeast of Boston, as well as the elbow of Cape Cod from Hyannis to Wellfleet are still exceptionally dry.

Below are recommendations for communities and individuals living and working within a Level 2 – Significant Drought re-



gion and a Level 1 – Mild Drought region, including those utilizing a private well. Residents and businesses are also asked to check with their local water system in case more stringent watering restrictions are in place.

For Regions in Level 2 – Significant Drought

Residents and Businesses:

- 1 Minimize overall water use.
- 2 Limit outdoor watering to hand-held hoses or watering cans, to be used only after 5 p.m. or before 9 a.m.
- 3 Follow local water use restrictions, if more stringent.

Immediate Steps for Communities:

- 1 Adopt and implement the state’s nonessential outdoor water use restrictions for drought; Level 2 restriction calls for limiting outdoor watering to hand-held hoses or watering cans, to be used only after 5 p.m. or before 9 a.m. If local restrictions are more stringent, continue to keep them in place during the course of the drought.
- 2 Limit or prohibit installation of new sod, seeding, and/or landscaping; watering during or within 48 hours after measurable rainfall; washing of hard surfaces (sidewalks, patios, driveways, siding); personal vehicle or boat washing; filling of swimming pools.

- 3 Establish water-use reduction targets for all water users and identify top water users and conduct targeted outreach to help curb their use.

Short- and Medium-Term Steps for Communities:

- 1 Establish a year-round water conservation program that includes public education and communication.
- 2 Provide timely information to local residents and businesses.
- 3 Implement or establish drought surcharge or seasonal water rates.
- 4 Check emergency inter-connections for water supply.
- 5 Develop or refine your local drought management

plan using guidance outlined in the state Drought Management Plan.

For Region in Level 1 - Mild Drought

Residents and Businesses:

- 1 Toilets, faucets and showers are more than 60% of indoor use. Make sure yours are WaterSense efficient;
- 2 Limit outdoor watering to 1 day a week (only from 5:00PM – 9:00AM), or less frequently if required by your water supplier;
- 3 Switch to more drought-tolerant plants.

Short- and Medium-Term Steps for Communities:

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Seated are Wanda Antonucci, Vinnie Joy, and Rose La-Verde. Standing are Joann Wood, Dotty D’Italia, and Eunice Laplante.

The Everett Council on Aging, in coordination with Mayor Carlo DeMaria’s Office, held a Sock Hop on Saturday, Oct. 1 at the Edward G. Connolly Senior Center.

More than 200 people attended the event. Guests enjoyed a luncheon and musical entertainment by the outstanding, eight-piece band, Billy D and the Rock-Its, who performed Rock ‘n Roll classics. Some guests took to the dance floor to display their talents.

Everett Director of Elder Services Dale Palma and his team did a great job hosting the event and bringing music from another era back to Everett.



Director of Elder Service Dale Palma (back row, left) is pictured with some of the many guests who attended the Sock Hop at the Edward G. Connolly Center.



Brenda West, Elvira Latham, and Anna Shiner.



The Pink Ladies, from left, Sandy Belhaimer, Eleonora Reitano, Tina Terminiello, and Reggie Szpuk, are pictured at the Everett Sock Hop.



Dale Palma, director of Everett elder services, welcomes Becky Swope to the Sock Hop at the Edward G. Connolly Center.



This group of guests had a great time at Everett Sock Hop held Oct. 1 at the Edward G. Connolly Center.



Billy D and the Rock-Its band put on a great show at the Everett Sock Hop. They were well-received by the more than 200 guests in attendance.



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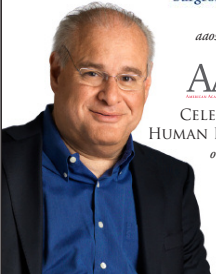


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Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don’t give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin’s story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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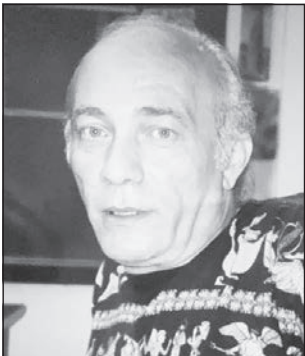
Gary J. Dascoli

September 24, 1945 ~ October 3, 2022

On October 3, 2022, Gary J. Dascoli (Mr. Dasc) of Everett was called, as he would put it “to the Elysian fields with Achilles.”

He was the most loved and respected man I had ever known. He cultivated this love and respect over the course of his 35-year career teaching world history and humanities at Everett high School. He taught with an unbridled passion that was immediately apparent from minute one of meeting him.

He goes now to be with his mother, Olive, his father, Alfonso and his brother, Johnnie. I’m sure they are already at the dog track! He is survived by his brother, Anthony, his children, Donna and Frank, his son in law, Dan, his daughter in law, Cheryl, his nephew, Anthony and his grandchildren: Alexa, Lucas, Colin and John. I must also mention here the multitude of students whose lives he impacted. You have collectively served to mold the very fabric



of his character every bit as much as he served to mold your young, impressionable minds. Thanks to us all for helping to make him the brilliant, funny, vulgar, passionate, and straight-shooting man we all loved. Go now Dad, and rest easy, until we meet again!

His Funeral was held from Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett on Saturday, October 8 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Anthony Church in Everett at 10 a.m. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

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munities:

- 1 Establish a year-round water conservation program that includes public education and communication;
- 2 Provide timely information to local residents and businesses;
- 3 Check emergency inter-connections for water supply;
- 4 Develop a local drought management plan.

Additionally, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) will continue to provide technical assistance to communities

on managing systems, including assistance on use of emergency connections and water supplies.

“Drought conditions are improving in many areas of the Commonwealth, but the effort to conserve water remains as important today as it did earlier in the summer,” said MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg. “Please continue to follow the instructions of your local water supplier to help conserve this precious resource.”

It is important to note that the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) water supply system is not experiencing drought conditions, as defined within its individual plan. Private wells, local streams, wetlands, vernal pools, and other water-dependent habitats located within MWRA-serviced areas are being impacted by drought conditions while water quality in ponds can deteriorate due to lowering of levels and stagnation.

The Drought Management Task Force will meet again on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at 10:00AM. For further information

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against the best team in the league,” Persuittie added. “Simple mistakes are our biggest issue right now, but we are still working hard to fix that.”

The Lady Crimson Tide were scheduled to play at Chelsea yesterday (Tuesday) and will travel to Revere tomorrow (Thursday). They will trek to non-league opponent Latin Academy on Monday and then to Lynn English next Tuesday.

EHS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM LOOKS TO GET BACK ON TRACK

The Everett High girls’ volleyball team suffered two losses to GBL opponents Malden and Chelsea last week, dropping their record to 4-9 with five games remaining. The Lady Crimson will need to win all five to qualify for the postseason.

“We knew we would be hitting a rough patch in this part of our schedule,” said coach Mike Fineran. “We were competitive, but we just didn’t make enough plays to pull off an upset.”

Things started off well in the week, as Everett cruised to a 25-15 win in game one in their match at home vs. Malden. Sophomore Emily Nogueira had four aces in the set and classmate Victoria Rodrigues served six more points. Seniors Michelle Ngo and Vanessa Almonte had two kills apiece.

The second game looked promising too, as six serves from Ngo built an 11-7 lead. Junior middle Nicole Brandao had three kills and an ace and junior outside hitter Kaesta Sandy had a block and a kill.

Everett built a 24-19 lead and served for the set, but a side out gave Malden’s servers an opening that they took advantage of, stealing the set, 26-24.

“That’s been our Achilles heel all season,” said Fineran. “One server will get on a roll and we don’t adjust enough in time. Normally it happens in the middle of a set. Here



TRIPLE DECKER: Revere’s Abbas Attoui (20) and Jason Shosho land on Everett’s Domenic Papa (bottom of pile).

it happened right at the end.”

Instead of a 2-0 lead, Fineran’s squad seemed stunned to be 1-1, and Malden kept the momentum through the third game. Everett had tallied 10 kills in the first two games, but mustered just one in the third, which they dropped 25-19.

Game four was tighter, as Brandao and Ngo combined for four kills, and Brandao and Sandy had blocks.

“We had opportunities that set,” said Fineran. “We served down 17-16, but we couldn’t get any closer.”

On Thursday, Everett traveled to Chelsea and ran into a hard-hitting, hard-serving team that swept the Tide, 3-0.

“We knew the firepower they had, so we retooled our lineup,” said Fineran, who moved middle hitter Almonte to outside and Ngo to middle. He also inserted Sandy into the starting rotation.

“I felt like we needed to get more blocks and I wanted to take advantage of Kaesta’s athleticism,” said Fineran.

Chelsea still jumped out to an early commanding lead, thanks in large part to a series of low, fast serves. “I commend our team for standing in there and holding their ground,” said Fineran. “It’s not fun or easy to get behind a

serve going 25 miles per hour.”

Those missiles helped Chelsea build a 15-6 lead, but Everett clawed their way back into it.

“We made some mistakes, but we kept fighting and never gave up. In fact, we played our best the more we were down,” Fineran noted.

Everett closed the gap to 23-20 but couldn’t pull even. In the second set, Everett got strong serves of their own from Victoria Rodrigues, kills from Almonte and Brandao, and solid defense from senior libero Jane Ebay, but lost 25-13.

Game three was closer; five serves from senior Alejandra Cajamarca brought Everett to within one, 16-15, and five more from Rodrigues made it 20-19.

An ace by Almonte cut Chelsea’s lead to 24-21, but a Chelsea kill ended the game. Senior setter Julie Miranda, Rodrigues, and Cajamarca combined for 34-for-35 serves in, including six aces. “We did some things well, but we know there are areas where we could have been better,” said Fineran. “If we play the way we know we’re capable of, we’ll have better luck next week.”

Everett traveled to Lynn English yesterday (Tuesday) and will host Somerville today (Wednesday), a contest in which the Lady Crimson Tide will be looking to avenge a five-set loss.

Winning both matches will keep Everett’s postseason chances alive as they gear up for the final two weeks of the season.

BUSY WEEK FOR EHS FIELD HOCKEY

The Everett High field hockey has a busy week ahead.

Coach Melissa O’Donnell’s squad was scheduled to entertain non-league rivals Haverhill yesterday (Tuesday), Hamilton-Wenham to-

on water conservation and what residents can do, please visit EEA’s drought page and water conservation page. To get the most up-to-date information on the drought indices, go to the state’s drought dashboard page. Additionally, the Commonwealth is surveying the public for any drought impacts that are currently being experienced. To participate, please visit the Massachusetts Water Impact Reporter webpage.

day (Wednesday), Greater Lowell Friday, and Northeast Regional next Tuesday. The contest with Greater Lowell will be highlighted by Senior Day festivities.

In their lone contest this past week, the Crimson Tide dropped a 5-1 decision to Haverhill with Omar Marshall providing the EHS goal.

EHS GOLF TEAM PLAYS WELL VS. SALEM

The Everett High golf team battled well, but came up on the short end of a 42-30 decision to non-league opponent Salem.

“Senior David Saia has continued to play very good golf,” said EHS head coach Steve Gallagher. “David has the tough task of facing off against the #1 golfer from every team and he has represented well. He looks to have a big week against the Lynn teams to build some momentum heading into GBL’s.”

Gallagher and his squad were set to take on Greater Boston League rivals Lynn English and Lynn Classical in the coming week to wrap up their regular season and then will head to the Kelley Greens Golf Course in Nahant for the GBL Open.

EHS BOYS SOCCER WINS TWO OF THREE

The Everett High boys soccer team enjoyed a successful week. Coach Pedro Blas’s Crimson Tide deadlocked Medford, 1-1; defeated Malden, 8-1; and then blanked non-league opponent Manchester Essex, 4-0.

“We have a tough week coming up,” noted Blas, whose squad was set to take on Chelsea yesterday (Tuesday), Revere tomorrow (Thursday), at Lynn Tech on Saturday, and Lynn English next Tuesday at 7-Acre Park.

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Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art shines at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

Metal of Honor: Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art, on view at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (ISGM) from October 13, 2022 to January 16, 2023, explores how painters across centuries have used gold to honor and commemorate their subjects. The exhibition features rare works by legendary Renaissance master, Simone Martini, juxtaposing his devotional paintings with portraits by contemporary artists – Titus Kaphar, Stacy Lynn Waddell and Kehinde Wiley. These three artists have adopted gold to elevate or memorialize Black men and women, reinventing the techniques and visual rhetoric of early Renaissance devotion and transforming it into a contemporary honorific language. Additionally, fifteen paintings from Titus Kaphar: The Jerome Project, featuring jewel-like portraits of incarcerated Black men that reveal the same gold ground techniques as his monumental canvases but on an intimate scale, will be on view in the Gardner’s Fenway Gallery. The Museum also commissioned ISGM Artist-in-Residence, Stacy Lynn Waddell, to create a public work of art, Home House, for its façade.

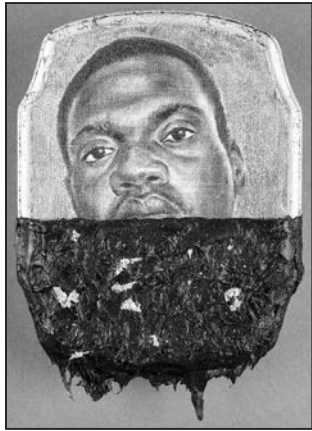
Painter to popes, princes and scions of Renaissance dynasties in his native Siena (Italy) and Avignon (France), Simone Martini (about 1284-1344) transformed Western painting and Christian imagery with his novel compositions and masterful manipulation of gold, unequalled in Europe and well ahead of his time. The Gardner Museum has two masterpieces by Martini in its collection – Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1325) and Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1320). Acquired in 1897 and 1899 respectively, these are the first works by the artist acquired in the United States and the largest holding of any museum outside Italy. In this exhibition, the Gardner’s works will be displayed for the first time with other paintings by Martini, highlighting his groundbreaking approach to gold. Brought together with contemporary portraits by Kaphar, Waddell, and Wiley, the exhibition shines new light on gold as a metal of honor, a material of virtue, and a commodity of international finance, linking

artistic practice and strategy past and present, and unpacking the connections between pioneering Renaissance devotional paintings and portraiture of our era.

“We are delighted to bring together this unprecedented gathering of Simone Martini’s work with the more recent accomplishments of three important artists of our time,” shares Peggy Fogelman, Norma Jean Calderwood Director of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. “Together, these exquisite paintings, which shimmer with precious metal, inspire us to ask profound questions about who and what we honor, then and now.”

The Gardner Museum’s exquisite devotional painting, Virgin and Child with Saints (Simone Martini, about 1325) will be joined by four other paintings by the artist on loan from museums across North America — the largest gathering of Martini’s oeuvre ever assembled in the U.S. The Virgin and Child (about 1320 – 1325, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO) — the same size and subject as the Gardner Museum’s painting and created around the same time — is another example of Martini’s groundbreaking use of gold and the sacred symbolism it evokes. In Saint Catherine of Alexandria (about 1320 -1325, National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa), Martini’s goldwork techniques can be seen in St. Catherine’s jeweled brooch and the pommel of her sword, calling attention to the means of the martyr’s execution. The exhibition also considers the often overlooked axis of economic relations between Europe and Africa in the fourteenth century, a time when newly discovered sources of gold in the Empire of Mali revolutionized economies on the Italian peninsula. A film exploring the history and use of gold as an artistic medium in Martini’s time and today will also be on view.

“This exhibition offers a unique opportunity, bringing together dazzling paintings by the legendary Renaissance artist Simone Martini with artistic legends of our time Titus Kaphar, Kehinde Wiley, and Stacy Lynn Waddell,” states Nat Silver, curator of the Metal of Honor exhibition. “Masterworks past and present illumina-



Titus Kaphar, Jerome I, 2014. Oil, tar, and gold leaf on panel. 25.4 x 17.8 x 2.5 cm (10 x 7 x 1 in.)
Collection of Noel E. D. Kirron.

nate the allure of gold across centuries, exploring artists of unparalleled technical accomplishment who pushed the boundaries of painting to fashion new languages of honor and indices of virtue.”

The Gardner’s monumental five-panel Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1320), the largest and only intact example of a Martini altarpiece in an American collection, will be surrounded by eight contemporary portraits. These works by Titus Kaphar, Stacy Lynn Waddell and Kehinde Wiley incorporate innovative uses of gold to commemorate and celebrate their secular subjects. Kaphar, Waddell and Wiley each uniquely reinterpret the techniques and visual language of the Renaissance to elevate and memorialize Black men and women often excluded from the art historical canon. Collectively, their works raise questions of representation and the role of portraiture in the perception of value. Martini’s altarpiece, originally created for a church in Orvieto (a small city north of Rome where the Catholic popes spent their summers), juxtaposed with these contemporary works, showcase the artists’ creative manipulations of gold to produce captivating images of virtue and achievement, then and now.

Three examples from Kehinde Wiley’s (b. 1977, US) **ICONIC** series of Black men depicted as canonized saints, like The Archangel Gabriel (2014, Private Collection) will be on display. Inspired by historical precedents, Wiley created these intimate portraits with gold leaf and oil on wood panel in brilliant gilt frames. Three figurative works by Stacy Lynn Waddell (b. 1966, US) that probe the contradictions and mispercep-



Simone Martini (c. 1284-1344, Italy), Virgin and Child with Saints, about 1320. Gold and tempera on panel, 131 x 274.3 cm (51 9/16 x 108 in.)
Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston.

tions of American culture through the allegory of her own personal history are also on view.

Using experimental and alchemical processes, Waddell examines beauty and transformation, manipulating gold leaf to play with light, texture and luminosity.

Waddell’s shimmering sheets of gold revealing figures beneath their surfaces include The Dawn of Our Kindred Sower of Parable (for Octavia E. Butler) (2020). The exhibition also highlights two large-scale portraits by Titus Kaphar (b. 1976, US) – My Loss (2020) and State Number Two (Dwayne Betts) (2019) – later works from his The Jerome Project (which expands into the Museum’s Fenway Gallery with examples from the original 2014-15 series). Depicting faces of previously-incarcerated men against a background of gold leaf, these works – measuring more than six feet tall – emphasize the physicality and visibility of Kaphar’s portrait subjects.

Additional selections from Titus Kaphar: The Jerome Project are on view in a separate exhibition. When searching for information about his estranged father, the artist discovered prison records and mugshots of ninety-seven men sharing his father’s first and last name. The Jerome Project in the Museum’s Fenway Gallery marks the presence of fifteen of these Black men, and interrogates the absence of imprisoned persons from the national narrative. Drawing inspiration from religious paintings of centuries past, individuals are depicted against a background of gold-leaf, with faces partially covered in tar, the height reflective of the length of time and impact of incarceration.

“It is an honor to bring this amazing body of work to Boston,” says Pieranna Cavalchini, Tom and Lisa Blumenthal Curator of Contemporary Art at the ISGM. “There is so much beauty and truth in all these paintings and they challenge us to think about whose lived experiences we consider, whose we forget and whose we erase.”

Outside the Museum, ISGM Artist-in-Residence, Stacy Lynn Waddell, has created a new work for the Museum’s façade, Home House (2022). Complementing her portraits of African-American women important to her personal history on view in Metal of Honor Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art, this work honors the artist’s maternal grandmother, Anliza Massenburg Gill, through an archival photograph of her taken as a young woman in New York City. (Anliza and her husband Otis Gill would raise a family of seven that continued to thrive and grow across generations at their home house affectionately called On-The-Hill.) This image reinforces the story-telling power of portraits and the ways in which society visually articulates its values and social hierarchies through portraiture in subtle ways.

Public Programs

In conjunction with the ISGM’s season of gold, the Museum will present a suite of public programs on a range of related topics – from artistic techniques (old and new), the history of gold mining and the relationship between incarceration and creativity. For more information on exhibitions and programs and more, please visit gardnermuseum.org.

Gift at the Gardner

Gift at the Gardner (online and in the Museum’s

shop) will offer many books inspired by works in the exhibitions. A new publication published by the Gardner Museum, Simone Martini in Orvieto – the first English-language book on the artist in three decades – explores the history, politics and visual culture of Martini and Renaissance Italy. Edited by Nathaniel Silver, with essays by other leading scholars, including the Museum’s chief paintings conservator, Gianfranco Pocobene, the book focuses on the works that the artist produced for churches in Orvieto (Italy). The book highlights the astonishing novelty of Martini’s paintings in terms of their construction, technique, and imagery, and discusses the results of new scientific analysis of the Gardner Museum’s works. Other items inspired by works in the exhibitions will also be available – from Kehinde Wiley journals to special tiaras, a collaboration with Loschy Crowns.

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Roca Awarded \$2 million U.S. Justice Department Award

Top U.S. Justice Department officials last week joined local partners and leaders at Roca Baltimore to announce significant new funding to expand the number of young men Roca serves in Baltimore, deepen Roca’s non-fatal shooting victims in the city and potentially expand Roca’s work to other parts of the region impacted by violence and trauma.

The \$2 million grant to Roca is part of a national violence intervention grant announcement from the Department of Justice’s Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative. The grants include a total of \$100 million in funding to organizations around the country, including two others in Baltimore.

Kurtis Palermo, Executive Vice President of Roca Maryland, spoke at

the press briefing, thanking Baltimore and the region for welcoming the creation of Roca Baltimore four years ago and noting the announcement of funding for this expansion comes on the very day of Roca Baltimore’s first “graduation” of its first cohort of four-year participants.

“We know the level of trauma is great, and the level of violence in our community is often debilitating to even think about – but we are having an impact and we are committed to staying in the work here, expanding our efforts and never giving up on these young people,” said Palermo. “Today’s announcement and the progress made by these young people finishing their four years in our program is a shining example of that.”

“There are no quick

fixes but we know that if we heal the trauma, we free the person and, in doing so, can help them change the trajectory of their lives,” said Roca Founder & CEO Molly Baldwin. “We are grateful that the Justice Department, Attorney General Garland, and President Biden and his administration are validating the efficacy of our work and investing in powerful interventions here and all around the country.”

With the federal grant, Roca hopes to expand the number of young men it works with intensively in Baltimore from 200 per year to 250 per year. It also hopes to expand the reach of its work to serve an estimated 60 to 80 young men per year who are driving violence in communities outside of Baltimore City.


“We draw no direct link between our work

and a reduction in killings on the streets among the young people we serve, but the number of young people engaged by Roca Baltimore together with unprecedented coordination with Baltimore Police, Department of Juvenile Services and Parole & Probation is having an impact,” said Baldwin.

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News and Notes

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News and Notes

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AVELLANEDA TO LEAVE CITY COUNCIL

CHELSEA - Nearing the end of last week's City Council president, during the time allotted for announcements, Council President Roy Avellaneda dropped a bombshell.

"This is my last City Council meeting, and I appreciate that my family was here tonight, and that my brother received an award and recognition, but it is something that I knew was coming," said Avellaneda.

Earlier in the evening, firefighters Christian Avellaneda, Stephen Waxman, and fire Captain Michael Gerska were presented department commendations for their roles in helping rescue a resident during a recent fire on Cottage Street.

Avellaneda noted that even some of his family members were likely taken by surprise by his announcement.

"Quite frankly, I have just been overwhelmed with the number of responsibilities that I have been taking on, both as a business owner and taking care of the presidency," said Avellaneda, who was first elected to the council about 25 years ago.

With the responsibilities he faces, Avellaneda said he saw the council position as the only part of his life that he could cut out for now.

"But I am happy with the decision, and I think we did a lot of work," said Avellaneda. "I say we, and I know I proposed a lot of stuff, I am happy with the history here of 25 years: the CPA, increasing the residential tax exemption, plenty of zoning changes, wage theft, the nip ban, keeping the 5th Street on-ramp open, having the senior bus program."

With his resignation, Avellaneda said District 8 Councilor and Vice President Calvin Brown will now assume the council presidency. He said it will also be up to the council to decide if it wants to fill his at-large seat for the remainder of his term, which runs through 2023.

"To the public, I imagine the council would start taking applications for this position to fill it, because it is a decent amount of time, too long I think, but again, I will leave it up to my colleagues," said Avellaneda. "It is now your court to decide whether or not to fill the position for the unfulfilled year, nearly 14 months."

Avellaneda thanked his family members for their support over the years, and also noted that he recorded a separate video aimed at thanking the residents and his supporters in Chelsea.

He also had some parting words for long-time clerk to the council Paul Casino, who is retiring at the end of the calendar year.

"I want to say I beat you Paul, I got out of here before you did," said Avellaneda. "This man has been incredible, he truly has, just to know your way up here and to get things done. He is a straight shooter with no biases, and that is really hard to do with so many characters and personalities up here."

Several of the councilors praised Avellaneda for his leadership at the helm of the council and expressed surprise that he was stepping down.

"I have served here since I was 23 years old, and you were the only president who gave me an opportunity to lead in some of the most important positions in this body and this government,"

said District 5 Councilor Judith Garcia.

Garcia said it's important to recognize leaders who paved the way for others.

District 2 Councilor Melinda Vega Maldonado also praised Avellaneda for helping her to establish her place in politics.

"It has been an honor and a pleasure to work side by side with you, and you have been a tremendous mentor and coach," Maldonado said.

Brown remembered when he and Avellaneda ran against each other for the same seat and butted heads in their early days on the council.

"But throughout the years, not only have I grown to have a great respect for your integrity, your workmanship, your willingness and dedication to serve and give, it's been an honor working with and beside you," said Brown. "Throughout the last few years, we've worked terrifically together and worked tirelessly in support of bringing this city together."

Councilor-At-Large Leo Robinson, the longest serving member of the council, said he was a little shocked that Avellaneda was stepping down, but understood his priorities.

"You have been a good leader for the city, and you have stepped up and introduced a lot of legislation that has benefitted the city," Robinson said

SIGNIFICANT INTEREST IN REVERE FOR GENERAL ELECTION

REVERE - Revere Election Commissioner Paul Fahey said there has been "an increased level of interest" among Revere voters for the Nov. 8

RHS & ICHS CLASS OF 1960 HOLDS 80TH BIRTHDAY BASH



Shown above, the organizers of the Class of 1960 RHS and ICHS reunion, Rich Santeusanio, Charles Zaccaria, Louie Caputo and Jim Pearl holding a class picture. Shown left, Nancy Eydenberg, Sandy DeMattia, and Myrna Spigelman pictured during the reunion at the Marina at the Wharf.

general election.

"A lot of people signed up for vote-by-mail ballots for both (primary and general) elections, but we've been getting many applications from people who want to vote in the general election."

Attorney General Maura Healey and Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll are competing for the governor and lieutenant governor's positions respectively against Geoff Diehl and Leah Allen, who have both previously served in the Mass. House of Representatives. Elections for the other state constitutional officers are also on the ballot. Congresswoman Katherine Clark, who is the assistant speaker of the U.S. House of Representative, is being challenged by Caroline Colarusso in the Fifth Congressional District that includes Revere and Winthrop.

State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco and State Sen. Lydia Edwards are unopposed in their bids for re-election.

menting immigrants."

Jack Satter House residents will vote at Point of Pines Yacht Club

Fahey affirmed that residents of the Jack Satter House will again cast their ballots at the Point of Pines Yacht Club (POPYC) in the Nov. 8 election. The Satter House had been a poll location in the past, but the site was changed to POPYC for the state primary in September.

"The City Council approved a home-rule petition and Mayor Arrigo signed the petition to create a sub-precinct for Satter House, but that has to be approved by the Legislature and signed by the governor, so that won't get done in time for this election, but our hope is that will be in place for the 2023 municipal election," said Fahey.

There will be early-voting sessions at the Jack Satter House.

fort in her new cabinet.

Mayor Wu introduced her Director of the Green New Deal, Oscar Sellers-Garcia, who began work just last August. Neighborhood favorite, Nathalia Benitez, the Mayor's Neighborhood Coordinator, was on hand to meet and greet as well. Ward 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta also stopped in and remained behind to meet with constituents. Coletta said this work to pull the neighborhood together, especially on waterfront and climate issues, was essential.

Gloribel Rivas, State Rep. Adrian Madaro's Chief of Staff, said the representative was in support, but was in Italy with family on a long-awaited vacation.

Latifa Ziyad, the Resiliency Coordinator at NOAH for the last 18 months, took the lead in the community efforts along the way that resulted in many listening sessions, with the Social Centers, the Health Center, food and social service agencies, and the East Boston Climate group among the most frequent participants.

In their previous summit in 2020, NOAH had undertaken more than 300 surveys throughout East Boston.

"Since East Boston is so vulnerable, we worked across all East Boston neighborhoods to learn if and how people understood climate issues and to whom they turned for reliable information on climate issues, especially in the event of an emergency," NOAH Executive Director Philip Giffie said.

"A major outcome was the agreed-upon need for more emergency preparedness planning and building a non-partisan Resiliency Network," he added.

While the need for Emergency Preparedness is still very much a focus, Ziyad found that in today's challenging COVID world, other issues topped residents' list of priorities, including food insecurity and food collaborations, COVID information networking and health and social service collaborations, and air quality.

"We believe that resili-

NOAH HOLDS RESILIENCY SUMMIT

EAST BOSTON - More than 120 community residents and activists gathered at the Resiliency Summit that was organized by The Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH) at Spinelli's in Central Square.

The summit touched on 12 topics that dealt with Cybersecurity, Extreme Heat, Tree Canopy, Air Quality and Health, Housing, Pandemic Planning, Food Insecurity, Flood Prevention, Critical Infrastructure, Youth Roles, and Immigration.

Those attending picked a topic that they felt strongly about and then, and with 8-10 other people, convened in breakout groups to discuss what can be done to improve people's lives and safety in East Boston.

Mayor Michelle Wu was in attendance and gave the keynote address for the event before the discussions started. The mayor said she had made it a point to squeeze this event into her schedule before she headed back to her next meeting in Dorchester. She said her office was working to tie resilience, climate, equity, and other community needs together and that people could see this ef-

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iciency has to be built first with respectful listening to what people are saying about their needs and priorities,” said Ziyad. “Everyone across the community is interested in preparing for an event, but other issues, such as affordable housing, immigration, youth vulnerabilities, flooding, air pollution, food insecurity, and the like need to be acknowledged first.”

She said that more than 15 people came up to her afterwards and asked about next steps and how to get involved.

Giffie said some of those next steps include gathering interested people and agencies for a Resiliency Network and diving into some planning for the highly vulnerable Liberty Plaza/Central Sq. environs. He also said the City’s Chief of Emergency Management, Shumeane Benford, agreed to help work on an East Boston Emergency Preparedness Summit in the coming months.

To get involved, reach Latifa Ziyad at 617.418.8241. The next steps include gathering people for a Resiliency Network and preparing in the coming months for an Emergency Preparedness Summit.

NOAH along with East Boston Neighborhood Health Centers and Blue Cross Blue Shield helped to fiscally sponsor the full days event(s). However

the event planners consisted of no fewer than 22 organizational and academic leaders, many of whom co-facilitated the issue tables.

HELPING THE VICTIMS IN PUERTO RICO

LYNN - Jordan Avery and Stacia Frederick of the Salvation Army Lynn Corps are being commended for their humanitarian efforts in Puerto Rico following Hurricane Fiona which has had a devastating impact on the island and its residents.

Avery and Frederick traveled to Puerto Rico to assist the Salvation Army in food preparation and food distribution efforts that began soon after the Category 4 hurricane hit on Sept. 18.

Avery is well-known in Lynn for his work in the community. He is a certified emergency medical responder.

In Puerto Rico, Avery has been assisting in different aspects of the Salvation Army’s response. “I’m helping out and doing whatever is needed,” said Avery. “Yesterday, I was on the road driving two-and-a-half hours to the other side of the island to deliver food, work in the kitchen, and do some clean-up. The need is great, and the people are very apprecia-

tive of us being here and helping them.”

Frederick is in her first year in the Salvation Army Lynn Corps. “I joined to hopefully help other people in any way that I could,” said Frederick during a telephone interview. “Our effort is going well. A lot of our work has been cooking meals and preparing meals for people that don’t have any electrical power in their homes.”

Frederick said she was familiar with the Salvation Army’s noble efforts. “I had met with their emergency/disaster services, but I didn’t realize the extent of the help that they provide to people in the community after fires and other emergencies,” said Frederick, who has been donating clothes to the organization for several years. “The Salvation Army does great work. I love working with the other volunteers and meeting people from different states.”

‘Our Dedicated Volunteers’

Heather McFarlane, director of communications for the Salvation Army Massachusetts Division and public information officer for the Salvation Army’s Puerto Rico Response, recognized the dedication of Avery, Frederick, and the other volunteers.

“The Salvation Army is responding to meet the immediate needs of sur-

vivors and first responders after Hurricane Fiona ravaged Puerto Rico,” said MacFarlane. “Our dedicated volunteers were deployed to assist the team in Puerto Rico for two weeks as feeding needs have increased and we are providing other needs - ranging from hygiene and clean-up kit distribution, emotional and spiritual care, and other resources. The Salvation Army is still serving survivors and first responders. To date, we have served more than 20,000 individuals across the island. We’ll be here as long as it takes to help with the long-term recovery. Sometimes the recovery on the inside can be harder than the recovery on the outside.”

SCHOOL COMM. APPROVES NEW TEACHER CONTRACT

WINTHROP - The School Committee approved a memorandum of agreement with the Winthrop Teachers Association for a new, three-year contract at its meeting last week.

The contract, which runs through August 31 of 2025, will see teachers receive a two percent raise per year over the duration of the contract, as well as some additional market adjustments and longevity pay.

“The collective bar-

gaining agreement expired on August 31 of 2022,” said Paul Hodnett, the attorney for the school district. “We began negotiations in January of 2022, but in earnest, really, the negotiations began in late March. We had 11 sessions between January and Sept. 21.”

The teachers ratified the agreement on Wednesday, Sept. 28.

“It provides wage increases on the basic teacher salary schedule of 2 percent each year,” said Hodnett. “In year two and year three, in addition to these 2 percent COLAs (cost of living adjustments), there is what I describe as a market adjustment of \$750, but only for those teachers who are on step 8 of the salary schedule.”

There is also a longevity increase in year one for teachers who have been in the system for 30 years or more. Hodnett said that increase runs from \$1,800 to \$2,500.

Other teachers in the bargaining unit, at whatever step they are on, will receive a \$100 increase on their step, although that increase would not apply to the teachers with 30 years or more of longevity.

The agreement also sees small increases in salary for coaches and assistant coaches, extracurricular activity leaders, and lead teachers and

mentors.

In addition, the rate for teachers asked to take on extra work from the administration will see the hourly rate for that work increase from \$35 to \$42 in year one, \$44 in year two, and \$46 in year three.

The new agreement will also allow teachers to use some of their accumulated sick days for family illness days and will allow birthing parents to access eight weeks of sick leave and up to 15 personal days, if they have it available. Non-birthing parents will be able to use 15 accrued sick or personal days for paid leave.

The School Committee voted unanimously to approve the agreement, with the exception of Town Council President James Letterie, who recused himself because his wife is a teacher.

“As someone who has worked on this agreement, this is the result of many, many weeks of back and forth and very good discussion with our teachers,” said committee Chair Jennifer Powell. “I think it is both reflective of our budget constraints and also the respect we have for our teachers and our desire to support them and to encourage them to stay here and also to be able to attract other teachers.”

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Do you hate anchovies?

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We use anchovies to add depth of flavor, umami, and salinity to our food. We understand that many people think they don't like anchovies. Read on and consider that you may already be enjoying the benefits of this pantry staple without knowing it. Anchovies have been prepared and used for thousands of years worldwide. Salting and pickling fish was an early form of food preservation. Today, they are available dry-salted, brined, and as a paste in tubes.

Quality Is Key

Taste tests by the food experts at Serious Eats and America's Test Kitchen made it clear that there is a vast difference between

the best and the worst quality anchovies. If your experience with these little fish has been at the bottom of the quality scale, you have a good reason for not liking them. The tasters say those versions are not good examples of their kind, and simply trying a better quality product might change your mind. The taste testers on Serious Eats concluded, "Straight to the Point. Our favorite anchovies are the jarred Ortiz Anchovies. They're tender and have a mild, clean flavor."

In deciding what form of anchovies to use, we'll follow the guidance offered by Kenji Alt-Lopes who writes "As someone who cooks with anchovies on a very regular basis, to me the answer is pretty clear: I'll stick with the

oil-packed filets, but also keep a jar of the salted whole anchovies on-hand for when I really want that anchovy flavor to come forward. The paste can stay on the shelf."

Hidden Anchovies

We bet you've enjoyed anchovies without knowing it. You are already eating anchovies in dishes like puttanesca, caesar salad, caponata, tapenade, and condiments like Worcestershire and fish sauces.

Whole anchovy lovers will find those on the french tart pissaladiere and salad nicoise. They may also be the reason you love specific restaurant preparations.

In the 2022 taste test on Serious Eats, Niki Achitoff-Gray wrote, "Talk



Experience with anchovies at the bottom of the quality scale is a good reason for not liking them. Trying a better quality product might change your mind. (Photo: iStockphoto.com)

to almost any chef or experienced home cook, and they'll tell you that anchovies are one of the industry's favorite not-so-secret secret weapons. Because they're a concentrated source of glutamic and inosinic acid—two molecules responsible for triggering our sensation of savoriness—they're irreplaceable for adding depth of flavor and a meaty backbone to, well, pretty much anything."

Recipe developers often say that anchovies are optional. But - when you leave out anchovies, you won't enjoy the same result as the author.

Cooking with Anchovies

A recipe may tell you to rinse dry-salted anchovies for half an hour or give the brined ones a quick rinse. That's a guideline. Your anchovies may need a longer rinse or none at all. We suggest you taste along the way when using this high-sodium ingredient.

Anchovies disappear in a dish like Ed's favorite pasta puttanesca. One of the first steps is to warm olive oil in the pan and add garlic, anchovies and hot pepper flakes, then stir until the anchovies melt into a paste and become part of the oil.

Allergy Alert!

The possibility of an allergic reaction is our final thought on anchovies. If you have a seafood allergy, discuss that every time you are about to eat food prepared by someone else. Since anchovies are a secret ingredient beloved by so many chefs and great cooks (and are present in many traditional food preparations), you should always assume there might be anchovies in what you are about to eat.

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