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EVERETT FIRE DEPARTMENT SWEARS IN TWELVE NEW FIREFIGHTERS



COURTESY PHOTO

Twelve firefighters received their oaths of office as new members of the Everett Fire Department at the April 8 City Council meeting inside the Council Chambers. Shown are Mayor Carlo DeMaria, First Lady Stacy DeMaria and Provisional Fire Chief Joseph Hickey alongside the 12 newly appointed Everett firefighters. See page 5 for more photos.

Close vote expected on \$11.4 million appropriation for roof repairs at old EHS

By Cary Shuman

After two previous postponements of a vote on the appropriation of \$11.4 million for improvements at the old Everett High School building on Broadway, the Council is expected to decide on the issue at its Monday, April 22 meeting.

Because it is an order seeking to borrow funds, the motion needs to reach a super-majority ('yes' votes from eight councilors) threshold as opposed to a majority ('yes' votes from six councilors) threshold for passage. A close vote is expected, and a lively discussion will likely precede the key vote.

The vote has been the subject of much discussion by councilors. Res-

idents have also brought up the issue during the public-speaking portion of meetings.

Ward 3 Councilor Anthony DiPierro said at prior meetings that he wanted all councilors to have an opportunity to tour the building before casting their votes. It is believed that all councilors are now ready to cast their votes.

DeMaria said improvements to the building are crucial and time sensitive because the insurance policy on the building expires in January, and he doesn't expect that the policy will be renewed without major repairs being done to the roof.

The old EHS building, located at 548 Broadway, currently houses the Webster School Extension

(pre-K students), the Eliot Family Resource Center, the city's health and wellness center, and the Broadway Boxing Club. All four programs would theoretically have to cease operations inside the building if the repairs were not completed by January. Mayor DeMaria stated at a previous meeting that the old EHS building could also serve as a temporary home for the Everett Police Station or the Everett Recreation Center as he contemplates the construction of new facilities in the city.

The issue of overcrowdedness in the schools has also brought considerable attention to the \$11.4 million request for funds.

"We have a tremendous overcrowding problem in

the school department, and we have two heavily underutilized buildings (the old Everett High School and Pope John XXIII High School buildings) and a study has to be conducted to figure out where we go to address this overcrowding program. I think that causes some a great deal of hesitation in considering putting a band-aid on a bigger problem."

Charter Review Committee appointments to be discussed

Council President Robert Van Campen said he is hoping that Mayor DeMaria will provide to the Council the names of his five appointees to the Charter Review Committee at the April 22 meeting. "We're at a critical

point in time where the Charter requires that we do this ten-year review," Van Campen said at the April 8 meeting.

Past Council President Michael Marchese announced the Council's four appointments to the Charter Review Committee following the municipal election in November. Following a question from Ward 2 Councilor Steph-

anie Martins about whom the Council's nominees were, City Clerk Sergio Cornelio said the Council's four appointees are current councilors, Robert Van Campen and Guerline Alcy Jabouin, and former Councilors Darren Costa and Fred Capone.

Mayor's Chief of Staff Erin Deveney said at the

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Wilmot to be honored with Patrick Hughes Award

Special to the Independent

On May 5, Greg Wilmot, Boston native and Framingham resident, will be honored at Project Bread's 56th annual Walk for Hunger with the Patrick Hughes Award for Social Justice, named for the late event founder. Wilmot is the President & CEO of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), Massachusetts' largest community-based primary care health system, which recently announced it will be rebranding as NeighborHealth this June. Project Bread, the leading statewide food security organization in Massachusetts, recognizes Wilmot's leadership of the state's largest community-based primary care provider in Massachusetts, his passion and dedication to the community, and his deep commitment to addressing food insecurity as part of healthcare.

Patrick Hughes created The Walk for Hunger 56 years ago to inspire action - to make people think differently, and to demonstrate the power of a community united for a common purpose.

"An unwavering commitment to social justice is a hallmark of Greg's leadership from his time



Greg Wilmot, President & CEO, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center

at the Executive Office of Health and Human Services through the present at the helm of the state's largest community-based provider of primary care," says Erin McAleer, President and CEO of Project Bread. "Greg is a visionary leader, driving innovation at the intersection of hunger and health. He stands for and lives by the same principles the Walk was founded on."

"I am deeply humbled to be receiving the Patrick Hughes Award for Social Justice from Project Bread," says Wilmot. "I grew up in Boston, and The Walk for Hunger is a tradition I've experienced as a child walking with my parents and eventually as an adult with my wife. It has always been an im-

DiDomenico champions his wage theft bill alongside union workers

Special to the Independent

Last week, Senator Sal DiDomenico spoke at a rally hosted by the North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters on the State House Steps. DiDomenico spoke about the importance of passing his wage theft bill (S.1158) alongside Massachusetts AFL-CIO President Chrissy Lynch, the House sponsor of his Wage Theft bill, State Rep. Daniel Donahue, and workers fighting for worker protections. DiDomenico's wage theft legislation has passed the Senate for several sessions and he is fighting to ensure that this is the year it is signed into law.

"Over \$1 billion in wages are stolen from workers every year and it is past time, in 2024, that we guarantee all people in our state will get every



Senator Sal DiDomenico speaking alongside leaders and members of the North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters on the State House steps.

single penny they have earned on the job," said Sal DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. "When I first filed this bill in 2015, Massachu-

setts workers were losing \$300 million per year in stolen wages and now that number has skyrocketed. We cannot wait another session to pass this commonsense proposal and I

will continue to fight for this bill alongside the Carpenters and all our allies until we get this comprehensive legislation signed into law."

SENATOR DIDOMENICO HOSTS EVERETT ART STUDENTS AND SHOWCASES THEIR WORK

Last week, Senator Sal DiDomenico showcased artwork from talented Everett High School art students in the State House exhibition space all week long. DiDomenico hosted the artists, their teachers, and some of their parents to give them a tour of the building, let them see their work on display, and held a reception for them in his office.

“Hosting these talented students and highlighting their fantastic work is one of my favorite aspects of this job and I had a wonderful time showing them

around the State House as well,” said Senator Sal DiDomenico. “It was a pleasure to hear from each student about how they developed and completed their pieces, and then give them a tour of the Senate Chamber, Reading Room, and State House Balcony, followed by a reception in my office. I want to thank Cari DiCicco and all the Everett teachers who helped bring these artists to the State House and for all their work supporting and teaching our Everett students throughout the year.”



Senator Sal DiDomenico with the Everett High School art students in the Senate Chamber.



Senator Sal DiDomenico speaking with art students about their work.



Senator Sal DiDomenico speaking with an art student about their work.

Revere man charged with convenience store robberies in Everett and Revere

A Revere man was charged last week in connection with the armed robberies of two Boston-area convenience stores in less than one week.

Jaquan Barrows, 26, was charged with two counts of robbery interfering with interstate commerce, commonly referred to as Hobbs Act robbery, and two counts of using and brandishing a firearm during and in relation to, and in furtherance of a crime of violence.

According to the charging documents from the U.S. Attorney’s office, on the morning of March 29, a male wearing a mask, dark clothing and an orange safety vest entered a Revere convenience store brandishing a handgun. The suspect allegedly walked behind the counter, demanded cash from the cash register drawer, additional cash and a cell phone from the store clerk. The suspect allegedly struck the clerk in the head with the firearm,

took an ice cream bar from a store freezer and fled the scene.

It is alleged that less than a week later, on the morning of April 4, a male wearing a black mask and dark clothing entered an Everett convenience store and appeared to be shopping. After being asked to pay for his items, the suspect allegedly brandished a handgun, pointed it at the store clerk and demanded cash from the cash register drawer and fled the scene, according to the U.S. At-

torney’s office.

A subsequent investigation identified a Honda Pilot captured in the vicinity of the Revere convenience store. According to court records, the vehicle was registered to an individual who resided with Barrows. Surveillance footage obtained from the Revere convenience store and from Barrows’ residence allegedly showed Barrows wearing clothing similar to the robber.

During a search of Barrows’ residence on April

4, law enforcement officials stated that clothing items matching the robber from the Revere robbery, as well as a handgun were allegedly found. Barrows was immediately taken into custody.

The charge of Hobbs Act robbery provides for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of up to \$ 250,000. The charge of using and brandishing a firearm during and in relation to, and in furtherance of a

crime of violence provides for a mandatory minimum sentence of seven years in prison to be served consecutively to the penalty for the underlying crime, five years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and statutes which govern the determination of a sentence in a criminal case.

State and city officials meet with La Colaborativa on shelter operation plans in Chelsea

By Adam Swift

State and Chelsea officials, along with local

nonprofit La Colaborativa, have spent the last several weeks updating the public about the proposed tem-

porary migrant safety net shelter at the old Chelsea Soldiers’ Home.

Late last month, state officials announced that the shuttered Quigley hospital building, which is slated for demolition, will be home to a temporary shelter for the next six to 12 months. The shelter will house up to 100 families.

At several meetings in Chelsea over the past three weeks, state officials have noted that the shelter is part of a broader plan to address the migrant crisis in the state.

The most recent meeting took place at the Chelsea senior center on April 10, and focused on the services that will be provided for the families in the shelter by La Colaborativa.

La Colaborativa will be responsible for both 24/7 security and services to the families in the shelter, which should be ready to open later this month.

Kicking off the meeting, Chelsea City Councilor Melinda Vega highlighted the outreach city leaders have done to inform residents who live near the Quigley building about the plans.

State representative Judith Garcia, who represents Chelsea and a portion of Everett, noted that the states have had to deal with the immigration

crisis because there has been no clear immigration reform path at the federal level.

Garcia said that those at the state level have tried to lead with compassion and empathy to help those families and children facing uncertainty, while also trying to create some parameters for the emergency shelter program.

“When we got the call that this was a possibility of happening in Chelsea, I can tell you that people were ready to step up and help, as Chelsea always does,” said state Senator Sal DiDomenico. “We also had questions, like many of you probably have questions, about how this is going to look ... and how this is going to affect the community and neighborhood.”

The use of the old Soldiers’ Home is part of a wider state effort to expand the emergency shelter system and provide temporary shelters for migrants and others in need of service, according to Adit Basheer, an assistant secretary in Governor Maura Healey’s administration.

“Over the last few months, we have started to operate new services for those families that are waitlisted and operate new styles of overflow shelters,” said Basheer.

The Chelsea shelter will be strictly for families, either with children or for pregnant people and their partners. The state will conduct eligibility checks for those who may be placed in the temporary settings, according to Alicia Rebello-Pradas, the governor’s deputy chief of staff for legislative affairs.

Rebello-Pradas said the state was fortunate to have an organization such as La Colaborativa step up to run the Chelsea site and to provide a range of services for the families.

“One of the goals of this site is to provide a safe place for families to be while they are identifying the next steps or waiting for a spot in our EA (emergency assistance) shelter system,” said Rebello-Pradas. “But we also view this as an opportunity to really stabilize families and support them as quickly as possible into stable housing.”

La Colaborativa President Gladys Vega gave a brief overview of her organization’s work over the past 35 years and its commitment to working with immigrants of all backgrounds.

While La Colaborativa will be overseeing the efforts at the Quigley building, Vega said it will continue to provide the full range of services it cur-

rently provides to those in Chelsea at its 318 Broadway and Survival Center locations.

“Given the scale of the housing crisis in the community, we need to be sure that we are continuing to provide these services while taking on the new project,” said Alex Train, La Colaborativa’s chief operating officer.

The organization will be hiring new staff to operate the Quigley site, and will focus on hiring Chelsea residents, according to Train.

The state will help in getting four floors of the building up and running, with residence, case management, and recreation areas on each of those floors.

La Colaborativa will provide 24/7 staffing and security to ensure that everyone inside and outside the building is safe.

“We will be employing our model of case management and wraparound services,” said Train. “This casts an eye to economic mobility. Our goal is to get people out of shelters as quickly as possible.”

As La Colaborativa moves forward with operating the shelter services, Train said its goal is to work closely with city and state officials and residents of the neighborhood

Everett Arts & Culture Events

Call to ALL artists!

Spring Fever!

at Everett City Hall in May & June

Open to all ages & skill levels!

Use QR code or email

everettartentry@gmail.com

for more information. Deadline May 1



New exhibition in Everett, work by Komal, a collection of Dutch pour paintings now on view at The Well Coffee House 983 Broadway - Everett

JOIN the EVERETT CULTURAL COUNCIL!

The Everett Cultural Council is a volunteer group that works to foster creativity, diversity and an arts & culture renaissance in Everett.

For more info, email: ECC Chairperson

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Seamark Seafood and Cocktails opens at Encore Boston Harbor

Carver Road Hospitality, an investor, developer, operator, and marketer of top-tier hospitality concepts, is pleased to announce that Seamark Seafood & Cocktails opened Friday, April 12. A contemporary interpretation of New England's timeless seafood dining experience, Seamark blends tradition with innovation, highlighted by Carver Road Hospitality's signature service excellence and commitment to culinary mastery. The restaurant will be open Monday through Thursday from 5:00p until 11:00p and Fridays and Saturdays from 4:00p until 2:00a. Seamark will introduce Sunday Brunch on April

21 from 10:00a until 4:00p.

• **THE CULINARY PROGRAM:** With a focus on elevated New England seafood and local ingredients, Seamark's culinary program is skillfully helmed by James Beard award-winning Chef Michael Schlow. Schlow continues to highlight Carver Road Hospitality's commitment to elevated-yet-friendly hospitality while working with the culinary team to implement a menu that captivates and delights Seamark guests. The menu showcases seafood-centric recipes that highlights New England's coastal bounty while appealing to the varied palates of Encore Boston

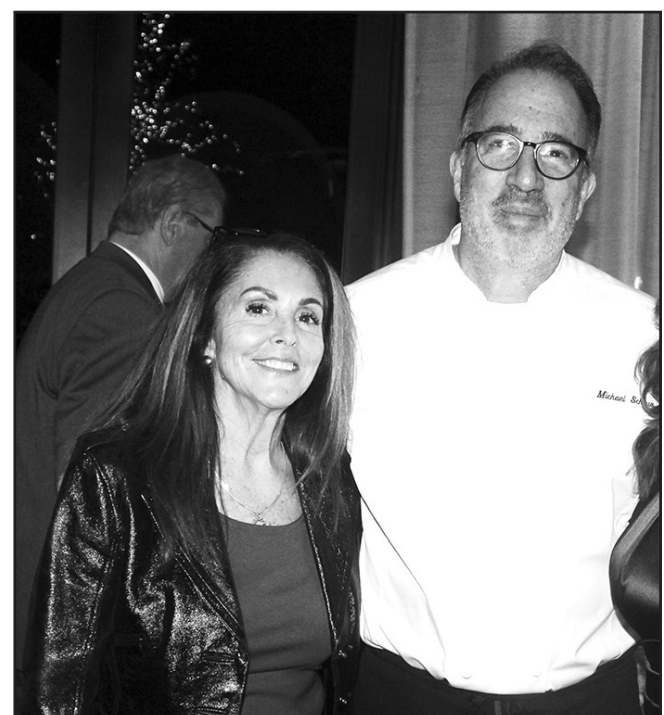
Harbor guests from both near and far.

• **THE BEVERAGE PROGRAM:** Expertly curated by Carver Road Hospitality's Vice President of Beverage & Hospitality Culture, Francesco Lafranconi, Seamark's cocktail program draws from lore and legend intertwined with New England's seafaring history. The beverage menu offers a wide variety of beer and wine, alongside a selection of classic and signature cocktails. Guests have the opportunity to explore ports of call around the globe, featuring spirits and flavors collected oceans away.

• **THE DESIGN:** Situated adjacent to the resort's

Garden Lobby and across from the stunning Ferris wheel, the welcoming and luxurious restaurant is designed by the award-winning architecture and design firm Rockwell Group. Their concept explores the riches of the oceans and the maritime history of the area. The chic and nautically-inspired space includes an 82-seat main dining room, a 30-seat alcove dining room, 41-seat showcase bar and lounge, 34-seat outdoor terrace, 21-seat corridor terrace, and 16-seat private dining room. Each room is infused with unexpected historic details and references that tell a different

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Independent Newspaper Group Partner and Director of Marketing Deb DiGregorio and Seamark Chief Partner and award-winning Chef Michael Schlow.



Models Edie Tang and Nomi Ganbold of Dynasty Models, Boston.



Naomi Hunt and Nicole Russo, owner of Nicole Russo Communications.



Wynn Resorts Chief Communications Officer Michael Weaver (right) and Geri Denterlein arrive for the grand opening of Seamark at the Encore Boston Harbor.



Encore Boston Harbor General Counsel Jacqui Krum, well-known restaurateur Frank DiPasquale, and Encore Boston Harbor President Jenny Holaday.



Betty Salemme and Michael Salemme.



Elaine Kretas and Seamark General Manager Rich Soto, pictured at the grand opening of the new restaurant at Encore Boston Harbor.



Elaine Kretas and world-renowned mixologist, Francesco Lafranconi.



Kayla Fisher, Sarah Griffin, and Boston sports media rising star Kendra Middleton, pictured at the grand opening of Seamark at Encore Boston Harbor.



EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
121 Vine Street, Everett, MA 02149

— CHILD FIND NOTICE —

In accordance with IDEA and Massachusetts Chapter 71B, all public schools must provide special education for children determined to be educationally disabled. The law requires a school district to identify such children from 3 to 21 years of age. This law applies to all children, including those in non-public schools, pre-schools, and hospital settings. In addition, children of migrant or homeless families are entitled to public education.

Parents or service providers who suspect a child might have an educationally disabling condition are encouraged to contact their child's school. The Everett Public Schools will arrange for the screening and evaluation of any students who are unable to progress effectively in general education because of a disability.

For more detailed information about the policies, procedures, and services available at the Everett Public Schools for special education, please contact William Donohue in the Special Education Office at 617-394-2400 Ext. 610061 or email at wdonohue@everett.k12.ma.us.

Translations of the Child Find Notice can be found at:
www.everettpublicschools.org/apps/pages/ChildFind

— AVISO DE ENCONTRAR NIÑOS —

De acuerdo con IDEA y el Capítulo 71B de Massachusetts, todas las escuelas públicas deben brindar educación especial a los niños que se determine que tienen discapacidades educativas. La ley exige que un distrito escolar identifique a dichos niños de 3 a 21 años de edad. Esta ley se aplica a todos los niños, incluidos aquellos que asisten a escuelas o sin hogar tienen derecho a la educación pública.

Se recomienda a los padres o proveedores de servicios que sospechen que un niño podría tener una condición de discapacidad educativa que se comuniquen con la escuela de su hijo. Las Escuelas Públicas de Everett se encargará de la selección y evaluación de cualquier estudiante que no pueda progresar eficazmente en la educación general debido a una discapacidad.

Para obtener información más detallada sobre las políticas, procedimientos y servicios disponibles en las Escuelas Públicas de Everett para educación especial, comuníquese con William Donohue en la Oficina de Educación Especial al 617-394-2400 ext. 610061 o correo electrónico a wdonohue@everett.k12.ma.us.

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BATTEN DOWN THE HATCHES

The Department of Atmospheric Science at Colorado State University has released its annual forecast for the 2024 hurricane season and it is nothing less than frightening, with a prediction that the 2024 Atlantic hurricane season will have activity well above average. Their summary is as follows:

“We estimate that 2024 will have 23 named storms (average is 14.4), 115 named storm days (average is 69.4), 11 hurricanes (average is 7.2), 45 hurricane days (average is 27.0), 5 major (Category 3-4-5) hurricanes (average is 3.2), and 13 major hurricane days (average is 7.4). The probability of U.S. and Caribbean major hurricane landfall is estimated to be well above its long-term average. We predict Atlantic basin Accumulated Cyclone Energy (ACE) and Net Tropical Cyclone (NTC) activity in 2024 to be approximately 170 percent of their long-term averages.”

The reasons behind the forecast are two-fold: The first is that the El Nino weather pattern of the past few years has changed into a La Nina pattern, which means that the upper-atmospheric wind shear conditions of El Nino that prevent hurricanes from forming will dissipate, thereby creating conditions favorable to hurricane formation.

The second major factor is that ocean water temperatures are soaring beyond anything ever seen before. Warm water temperatures are the fuel for hurricanes, but the unprecedented high ocean temperatures we are experiencing all around the world -- every day literally is setting a new record -- will provide the rocket fuel that will feed tropical storms that will propel them to strengthen into major hurricane status.

While the change from an El Nino weather pattern to a La Nina pattern is a normal occurrence, the dramatic increase in ocean temperatures is attributable to climate change thanks to the ever-increasing amount of fossil-fuels that the world continues to spew into the atmosphere.

We haven't had a major hurricane in our little corner of the world in a while, so we are overdue -- and thanks to the effects of climate change exacerbating every meteorological event, we could be in for a long, hot -- and dangerous -- summer and autumn.

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT EVERETT PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Parlin Adult and Teens

Yarn Club Parlin Fireplace Room. Tuesday, April 23rd at 7pm. Come chit chat and stitch! Bring your crocheting, knitting, or any other yarn craft and sit and socialize with other members of the crafting community. Recommended for ages 14-109!

Chess Club, Parlin Fireplace Room. Wednesday, April 24th at 3pm. Play, learn, and practice chess. All ages and skills welcome!

Murder/Mystery Book Group, Connolly Center Meeting Room. Thursday, April 25th at 12pm. In Lisa Gardner's Live to Tell, four family members have been brutally murdered. The lives of three women unfold and connect as sins from the past emerge. See Kathleen for copies on her twice monthly visits, or call the Parlin (617) 394 2300 or Shute (617) 394 2308 libraries.

Origami Club. Parlin Fireplace Room. Saturday, April 27th at 12pm. Come and practice the ancient art of paper folding. All ages

and skill levels are welcome!

Parlin Childrens

In honor of Earth Day the Children's Room will have an estimation jar at the front door display area. We will accept guesstimates all week and announce the winner on Friday April 26th.

Lego Club. Parlin Children's Room. Monday, April 22nd from 3-5pm. Come to the Children's Room after school on Mondays for some non-guided Lego fun. Open to all ages. Children under 6 years old must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Storytime and Singalong with Karen, Parlin Children's Room. Wednesday, April 24th at 11am. Join us for a fun-filled morning of singing and storytelling with Karen! Suggested ages 0-6.

Drama Class. Parlin Children's Room. Wednesday, April 24th at 3pm. Do you have a drama queen or king at home? Drama Class in the Parlin Children's Department is the perfect opportunity for

your child to put those acting skills to use with our drama coach! Suggested ages 6-14.

Story Time Adventures with Mrs. McAuliffe Parlin Children's Room. Thursday, April 25th and Friday, April 26th at 11am. Join us on Thursday and Fridays at 11am with Mrs. McAuliffe for our enchanting Story Time! You will be whisked away on magical adventures through the pages of your favorite books. Bring a friend or make a new one in our circle of friends.

Fluency Fun Fridays! Parlin Children's Room. Friday, April 26th at 3 pm. Level up your fluency game! Join Mrs. McAuliffe for an afternoon of fun board games like Scrabble and Banagrams, word searches and crossword puzzles. Suggested ages 5-12.

The Great Everett Jewelry Exchange! Parlin Meeting Room, Saturday, April 27th. Pre-show for ticket holders, 11 am to 12 pm. Open to Everyone, 12 pm to 2 pm. You've all cleaned for spring and

donated costume jewelry you don't want. But someone does! And you might find something wonderful for a Mother's Day gift or a grad you know. You might find something for yourself!

Shute Adult and Teens

Resume Assistance. Shute Adult Department. Book a one-on-one resume assistance appointment at the Shute Library and let a librarian help you craft a resume tailored to your strengths and aspirations. Sign up for a thirty minute session at both the Shute Library. Fridays by appointment only.

Computer Basics 101, Shute Adult Department. Tech Newbie? No Problem! Learn to power up, click around, type like a pro, explore the digital world, and even send your first email. Book your Friday adventure with technology today! By appointment only on Fridays. Please call the Shute Library to register for an appointment.

DiDomenico, colleagues authorize \$375 million for local transportation infrastructure projects

Special to the Independent

Senator Sal DiDomenico joined all Massachusetts Senators in unanimously approving \$375 million in bond authorizations for statewide transportation projects, including the state's Chapter 90 program, which would create a reliable funding source for local infrastructure investments like roads, bridges, regional transit equipment and infrastructure, bicycle infrastructure, and electric vehicle infrastructure, among other things.

Projects funded by this legislation improve quality of life for residents in every region of the state, and many play a role in environmental mitigation.

Every city and town in the Commonwealth would receive a share of \$200 million in funding to be used on maintenance and construction of roads and bridges. \$150 million would be allocated equally to six programs targeting specific transportation infrastructure, and \$25 mil-

lion would be allocated to cities and towns through the rural roads program.

“Roads, bridges, buses, trains, bikes, sidewalks and all our means of getting around are the simple yet necessary pieces of our state that connect us to our loved ones, our jobs, and almost every part of our daily life,” said Sal DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. “This is one of the most important things we can fund as a government, and I am proud to help secure millions of dollars, so transportation is safe and seamless for residents in my district and throughout Massachusetts. I want to thank Senate President Spilka and all my colleagues for working together to fund this critical infrastructure for people in every zip code across the Commonwealth.”

“Getting around our communities is a fundamental part of everyone's day,” said Senate Spilka (D-Ashland). “Whether

the commute takes you on the sidewalk, through a bike lane, across a small bridge, onto your Regional Transit Authority, or to the T, your journey should be quick and safe. By passing today's legislation, we are empowering our cities and towns with the funding to make improvements to the infrastructure our residents travel on, regardless of where they go and how.”

Of the \$375 million in total authorizations, the legislation would allocate \$25 million to each of the following programs that target specific infrastructure areas:

Municipal Pavement Program, which focuses on the improvement of municipally owned state numbered routes.

Municipal Small Bridge Program, which provides financial support to cities and towns for small bridge replacement, preservation, and rehabilitation projects.

Complete Streets Funding Program, which provides funding to municipalities for streets that

provide safe and accessible options for all travel modes such as walking, biking, transit, and vehicles.

Municipal Bus Enhancement Program, which provides grant funding to build out infrastructure related to mass transit by bus.

Mass Transit Access Grant Program, which provides grants for design and construction improvements to access commuter rail stations or other mass transit stations, such as parking lots, drop-off and pick-up zones, bike storage infrastructure, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Municipal/RTA EV Grant Program, which provides grants to Regional Transit Authorities and municipalities for the purchase of electric vehicles and related charging equipment.

This legislation now awaits final enactment in each branch, before being sent to the Governor's desk for her signature.

Your opinions, please

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April 8 meeting that Mayor DeMaria had received acceptances from two residents for positions on the Charter Review Committee while other residents are considering appointments to three positions on the Committee.

Ward 6 Councilor Peter Pietrantonio asked Deveney at the April 8 meeting about the invitation

process for the Mayor's nominees to the Committee.

“The Mayor knows individuals who have expressed interest in serving the city in some capacity previously, and then there's other people who have involved in the issue,” replied Deveney.

“So, we don't advertise in the newspapers and

say, ‘We're doing a charter review. Is any citizen interested in being on the Committee?’” Pietrantonio asked Deveney.

Deveney said in the past other committee positions have been advertised, but there had not been any advertising during the Charter Review Committee appointment process.

Deveney added that she

would be willing to share Pietrantonio's suggestion about advertising with Mayor DeMaria.

Ward 4 Councilor Holly Garcia asked whether Charter Review Committee meetings will be open to the public. Cornelio said that all meetings and hearings will be open to the public.

The Everett Independent reserves the right to edit letters for space, accuracy and clarity. We regret that we cannot publish unsigned letters. Please include your street and telephone number with your submission. The Everett Independent publishes columns, viewpoints and letters to the editor as a forum for readers to express their opinions and to encourage debate. Please note that the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of The Everett Independent. Text or attachments emailed to editor@everettindependent.com are preferred.

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Twelve firefighters received their oaths of office as new members of the Everett Fire Department at the April 8 City Council meeting inside the Council Chambers.

City Clerk Sergio Cornelio administered the oaths before an assemblage that included members of the firefighters' proud families.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and First Lady Stacey joined Provisional Fire Chief Joseph Hickey in offering their personal congratulations to each new Everett firefighter.



Firefighter Phil DaSilva with family.



Firefighter Mario Rivera with Provisional Fire Chief Joseph Hickey and Mayor Carlo DeMaria.



Firefighter Laura Marchese with family.



Firefighter James MacLaughlin with family.



Firefighter Douglas Hill with Provisional Fire Chief Joseph Hickey and Mayor Carlo DeMaria.



Firefighters Liam and Lucas McCain.

COURTESY PHOTOS



Firefighter Robert Machado with family.



Firefighter Samuel Kelley with family.




Firefighter Omar Herrer-Cisneros with family.



Firefighter Robert Concannon with family.



Firefighter Carmine DeMaria with family.



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EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL CRIMSON TIDE GIRLS LACROSSE



Head Coach Chelsea McNiff with the varsity Crimson Tide Girl's Lacrosse Team.



Head Coach Chelsea McNiff with the seniors of the EHS Girl's Lacrosse Team: Front row: Natalia Ruiz and Yasmin Linhares; Back row: Brigitte Reyes-Cortez, Jackeline Sampaio, Christine Laforest, and Khadija Ailane.

EHS Roundup

SOFTBALL TEAM WINS FOUR CONTESTS, NOW 5-0

The Everett High softball team won four contests in the past week, topping Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Lynn Classical, Lynn English, and Somerville and non-league opponent O'Bryant High of Boston.

Last Tuesday the Lady Crimson Tide trekked to Breed Field in Lynn and blasted Classical, perennially one of the top teams in the GBL, by a score of 16-8. Peyton Warren tossed all seven innings, yielding six earned runs on nine hits while striking out nine Lady Rams and walking only two.

Everett got off to a quick start, scoring three runs in the top of the first. Emma Longmore doubled and Emilia Maria-Babcock bunted, drawing an overthrow at first, allowing Longmore to score with Emilia moving to third. Alexa Uga singled into the outfield, bringing in Maria-Babcock. After Ashley Seward reached first on a fielder's choice, Bryanna Mason doubled with two outs, knocking in Seward.

Classical got one back with an unearned run in the bottom of the inning and Everett responded with a solo marker in the second, but the Lady Rams scored three in their second to draw even at 4-4.

The Lady Crimson Tide regained the lead with three runs in the third, the key blows coming on doubles by Seward and Bryanna Mason and a home run by Arabela Cvitkusic over the fence.

Everett added two more runs in the fourth to make it 9-4 and scored again in the fifth on doubles by Gianna Masucci and Alexa Uga. However, the sequence proved costly for the Tide, who lost Alexa to a knee injury when she was getting back to second on a base hit by Ashley Seward.

Classical scored three of its own in the bottom of the fifth to close the gap to 10-7, but the Tide put the game away with a six-run eruption in the sixth. The inning began with Jayla Davila drawing a walk, Longmore being hit by a pitch, and both advancing on a passed ball.

A base hit by Emilia Maria-Babcock up the middle brought in two runs and another hit by Gianna Masucci hit up the middle scored Maria-Babcock.

After Ashley Seward drew a walk, Bryanna Mason singled to score Maria-Babcock and with

Seward moved to third. Both advanced on a passed ball, on which Seward scored. Arabella Cvitkusic then walked and Peyton Warren singled, knocking in Mason, leaving matters at 16-6.

The final line showed the hitting leaders to be Emma Longmore (3-for-4), Gianna Masucci (3-for-6 with two RBI), Alexa Uga (who later was diagnosed with a dislocated knee) 3-for-4, and Ashley Seward (3-for-5).

"This was such a great game against Classical," said EHS head coach Stacy Schiavo. "They hung in with us until the sixth inning when our bats all came out. I knew we had to play great defense the next two innings because this is a team that can come back with their best batters at the top of their lineup."

"Peyton did an amazing job on the mound and never lost that tough mentality," added Schiavo. "She had her defense backing her up and when we were up at bat, we hit the ball hard and where it was needed."

The following day, the Tide were back at Breed to take on Lynn English and prevailed by a score of 7-6.

The Lady Crimson Tide took a 1-0 in the opening inning when Olivia Dressler singled, moved to second on a passed ball, and raced home when English misplayed a pop-up by Ashley Seward.

The Lady Crimson Tide made it 3-0 in the third when Dressler doubled and scored on another error on a ball hit by Seward. Ashley then scored on a double by Bryanna Mason.

The English half of the inning proved scary for the Tide when Warren was hit on her arm by a line drive back to the pitcher's circle and had to leave the game. Freshman Mia Allen came on with the bases loaded and one out. After walking the first batter she faced, forcing in a run, Mia fanned the next two Lady Bulldogs, their #3 and #4 hitters (the latter on a change-up) to end the inning.

However, English forged into the lead with four runs in the fifth to make it 5-3. Everett tied the game in the sixth thanks to successful bunts that brought in the two runs.

English retook the lead in the sixth when a Lady Bulldog was hit by a pitch, moved to second on a wild pitch, and then was awarded home on a steal on a wild pitch which turned into a dead ball ruling.

The next English hitter drew a walk and moved

to second on a groundout, but at that point the Lady Crimson Tide played some great defense to keep matters at a one-run deficit. The Lady Bulldog runner on second tried to score on a base hit into the outfield, but centerfielder Davila threw a perfect relay to Maria-Babcock, who in turn fired home to Foster who applied the tag.

English continued to threaten when their #3 and #4 hitters singled with two outs to put runners at the corners, but Foster picked off the runner at third to end the inning.

That set the stage for the Lady Crimson Tide comeback in the top of the seventh with a dramatic, two-out rally. Gianna Masucci doubled and then scored on a base hit by Seward. After moving to second on a passed ball, Ashley scored the go-ahead run on a triple by Mason for a 7-6 Everett lead.

The English seventh began with a grounder to Dressler at third for the first out. After the next Lady Bulldog was hit by a pitch and moved to second on a ground out to second-baseman Longmore, Allen ended the game by striking out the final Lady Bulldog to preserve the victory.

"I was so proud of these girls in these two wins," said Schiavo. "They watched one teammate get hurt against Classical and taken out of the game and then another one again the next day at the same field. They knew what they had to do and they got the job done."

"The defense supported Mia and wanted this win for both of their injured teammates. They played with heart and that is what this game is about," said Schiavo. "This was Mia's first game pitching for varsity. Coming in with the bases loaded, that is a lot to be thrown into. She got out of that inning and saved more runs from scoring. This was the second game a starting player got hurt and had to leave the game. The mood of the game changed, but they never gave up."

Last Friday Everett made the most of their trip to non-league foe O'Bryant High in Boston and returned home with a 16-8 victory. This past Monday, the Lady Crimson Tide cruised past Somerville, 12-1.

Schiavo and her crew, who have scored 80 runs in their first five games, are scheduled to host GBL foe Revere today (Wednesday) at Glendale at 10:00 and will travel to always-tough Medford on

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EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL CRIMSON TIDE BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM



Volleyball Captains, Henrique Franca, Hyan Soares, Mark Pierre, and Nischal Tamang.

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Monday for a key GBL match-up. They will return home to entertain GBL opponent Malden next Wednesday.

EHS VOLLEYBALL TEAM STANDS AT 3-2

The Everett High boys volleyball team split its two matches this past week, falling to Greater Boston League rival Lynn Classical last Monday by a score of 3-2, but rebounding with a 3-0 shut-out over GBL foe Lynn English last Wednesday.

“Lynn Classical is another GBL team that has improved so much in just their second year,” said EHS head coach Michael Fineran. “We came out a little flat. Our passing was off, we couldn’t sustain any momentum (none of our players served more than two in a row), and Classical’s consistent outside hitting led to a 25-17 loss in the first set.

“We put up a better fight in the second set,” said Fineran, “with six players recording kills, including two apiece from juniors Caleb Jackson and Henrique Franca. Caleb also served three in a row, before three more from junior Mateus Queiroz tied the set at 24. But that’s as close as we would get, falling 26-24, and into a 2-0 hole.”

However, the Crimson

Tide refused to give up and battled back by winning the third set in dominant fashion. Sophomore setter Noel Lopez served seven in a row to open things, and junior Steve Flores had a run of eight service points to push the lead to 22-10. Franca added four kills in the 25-12 win.

The Tide then forced a fifth game by getting stronger defense at the net. Jackson, Franca, and senior Kaleb Miranda combined for five blocks. Senior Nischal Tamang served six in a row to put Everett ahead 18-14, en route to a 25-20 win.

The teams battled evenly in the third set’s race to 15. Flores had two kills, and Miranda and Franca each had a kill, but Everett missed serves while trailing, 12-11 and 13-12, and wound up on the losing end, 15-13.

“We knew that it would be a tight contest, and we did not make enough plays to win,” said Fineran, whose squad’s two losses both have been five-set contests. “We were close, but that does not make any of us feel better. We know we need to play better and earn everything.”

Fineran’s crew took a step in the right direction two days later when they hosted Lynn English and swept to a 3-0 win.

Franca was a force in

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The EHS Crimson Tide Varsity Volleyball Team coached by Mike Finneran is shown at the EHS Gymnasium.



Crimson Tide Volleyball Seniors, L-R, Nischal Tamang, Hyan Soares, Kaleb Miranda, Anthony Couto, and Mark Pierre.



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McGonagle continues support for veterans

Rep. Joe McGonagle along with his colleague Rep. Adrian Madaro and representatives from Mass. Military Foundation and Boston Wounded Veteran's Run delivered another round of buckets filled with coats and other essential items for veterans. The group made the drop at the Italian American War Veterans Post 6 in East Boston.



Rep. Joe McGonagle (right), with Rep. Adrian Madaro (holding his son Matteo) and many other volunteers delivered buckets with clothing and other essential items to veterans.

"My dad being a veteran, I have grown up with the utmost respect for all military members," said McGonagle. "Honoring those who served our country is not just reserved for a day in November, but for everyday of every year. There is such a push to help veterans around Veteran's Day and the holidays but the reality is they need support all year long. Being able to

work with Don Cox and the Massachusetts Military Foundation has been a dream, serving a population that means so much to me. Meeting these heroes and their families is inspirational and keeps me pushing forward. Andrew Biggio, a former Marine, of the Boston's Wounded

Vet Run also does incredible work for these folks. I'm so grateful they let me join them in their work. I also want to thank my colleague Rep. Adrian Madaro, Post Commander Tom Capobianco and Gold Star Mother Robin Abbott for their help with this project." The Boston Wound-

ed Vet's Bike Run is an annual event held in the Boston area. Every year Boston's Wounded Vet Run is dedicated to different veterans. All proceeds raised go towards housing modifications to suite a comfortable living for the disabled veteran. Besides housing modifications, funds are also used



Rep. Joe McGonagle (right) with Gold Star Mother Robin Abbott (left) and Post Commander Tom Capobianco.

to improve the quality of life of disabled veterans. The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation provides programs, services and goods that help satisfy critical needs and enhance the well-being and quality of life for Veterans, active-duty Military and their families in Massachusetts. Each of their programs are designed to have maximum impact on the many issues Veterans and active-duty Military families.

Everett student accepted to several New England Ivy League schools

Students at Pioneer Charter School of Science (PCSS) in Everett are beginning to receive college acceptance letters. In the case of Moses Gebregziabher, acceptances are pouring in, notably from MIT, Harvard, Dartmouth, Tufts, and Boston University. This achievement is the culmination of a rigorous application process that involves extensive research, personal essays, and interviews.

pushed me to achieve and reach higher in a way that has prepared me for my future in college."

Alongside his academic pursuits, Gebregziabher has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to various extracurricular activities. He has served as an Altar Server each week for his local church, played a pivotal role in PCSS's National Honor Society as an Outreach Coordinator, volunteered to help prepare a middle school for post-COVID classes, and acted as a peer mentor for PCSS first-year students. He also interned at the Cambridge Health Alliance, gaining invaluable experience in the mental health field.

In addition to his impressive Ivy League acceptances, Gebregziabher has also received acceptance letters from a diverse range of institutions, including Boston College, Tufts University, Worcester Polytechnic Institute,



PCSS senior Moses Gebregziabher of Everett, with pennants from Dartmouth, Harvard, and MIT. He was accepted into all three prestigious programs.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Wentworth, UMass Amherst & Boston, Stonehill College, and Merrimack College.

"These accomplishments hold a deep meaning to me, especially as a first-generation student,"

said Gebregziabher, reflecting on his journey. "With these opportunities, I can explore my passions to the fullest and become an amazing engineer."

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FRESH AND LOCAL

Irresistible Desserts

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

In a recent column for the Guardian, Yotam Ottolenghi wrote about dessert preferences. Like most of us, he and his team had strong opinions. "Our favourite desserts expose the sensations that matter the most to us. So I probed my Test Kitchen team for their pudding preferences, and all hell broke loose. Most of the team were committed to one style of pudding (though some demanded two choices), but four genres in particular were prized above all others: creamy, boozy, fresh and fruity."

Let's start with his four categories that some people find irresistible, while one taste is enough for others. Let's begin with creamy. We were having lunch at Alcove Boston

with friends. Neither of the guys were big dessert people. However, we knew the pastry chef was a wizard.

We all agreed to share the Eton Mess, recommended by owner Tom Schlesinger-Guidelli. The two wives enjoyed a taste. Then, they watched in stunned silence as the guys greedily spooned up and raved about each mouthful. These two found a match for their dessert preferences in this mélange of meringue, whipped cream, and fruit. They are on team-creamy. By the way, so is Ottolenghi; his favorite is Zabaione.

Boozy desserts include classics like Baba au Rhum, Bananas Foster, Poached Pears in Red wine, Crêpes Suzette, or Tiramisu made with li-

quor. Fresh and Fruity often overlap, but the Ottolenghi team suggested fruit salads, sorbets, citrusy pavlova, or lemon meringue pie.

Chocolate was not a category for the Test Kitchen crew. It would be for us. We also consider preferences for pies, cakes, and desserts that are not too sweet or super sweet.

We're both happy members of Team Pie. Last year, for Ed's birthday, we enjoyed a fabulous blueberry pie from Flour Bakery. Penny has special memories around pies. Growing up, a neighbor knew how much she loved lemon meringue pie and would deliver it each year for her birthday. She also had a dear uncle who noted her love for his raisin pie at family gatherings and made one for her

when she was grieving a loss.

Penny is not a baker, but occasionally she will make a crostata. Our favorite is a rhubarb lime version that we wrote about one spring. Now, we enjoy that each spring when a friend with a garden drops off a bag of rhubarb as a reward for a tip we shared in that article. That tip is to use an excellent frozen pie crust like Trader Joe's instead of making the pastry yourself. We also use frozen all-butter puff pastry for homemade treats.

Our final topic on desserts concerns sharing. Do you share desserts? Do you speak up if you don't want to share your treat? We are dessert sharers. If we didn't share, we would never have dessert! Neither of us is used to eating a large portion of sugary



We enjoyed this fabulous blueberry pie from Flour Bakery for Ed's birthday last year.

food. We love it when a place offers a multi-dessert selection with a taste of this and a taste of that.

Our final way of sharing is to call on friends to save us from temptation when we buy a whole pie, cake, or multi-item dessert package. Walking home from the farmers market, Penny might pass off part of a package of cider do-

nuts to friends she meets along the way. We share with neighbors and the staff in our building. That lets us diversify our dessert purchases without expanding our waistlines.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Email Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

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the opening set, hammering home seven kills and an ace. Junior Bryan Soares had a pair of kills, as did Miranda. Senior captain Hyan Soares had an ace in six serves and Jackson added two aces in the 25-15 win.

In set two, Queiroz and fellow junior Jefferson Umana each had three kills, Miranda added a pair, and sophomore libero Christian Ramirez served six times in another 25-15 victory.

Junior Donald Vo scored his first varsity kill in the third set. Lopez, Umana, and Flores had kills and Franca aced the final point, ending the match, 25-21.

"We need 10 wins to qualify for the state tournament, and there will be a battle for the top spot in the GBL, but our focus is on playing better volleyball," added Fineran. "Last year we missed out because of some close, early-season losses. If we get our serves in, keep our passes off of the net, and stay aggressive swinging, I like our chances."

Fineran and his crew travel to GBL rival Revere today (Wednesday) and will entertain Medford on Monday. They will make the short trip to Malden next Wednesday.

MCKENZIE, EVEILLARD SHINE FOR BOYS TRACK

Although the Everett High boys outdoor track and field team came up short in its season-opening meets with Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Revere and Medford last week by scores of 81-54 and 77-58 respectively, a number of Crimson Tide athletes turned in superb

performances.

Senior captain Shane MacKenzie tossed the discus a personal record (PR) distance of 125'-0" to take first first-place against both rivals. Shane also grabbed first place in the javelin vs. Revere and second vs. Medford with a throw of 126'-8"

Sophomore Kayshaun Eveillard picked up where he left off in the indoor season, outracing all opponents in the 400 dash with a time of 54.1. Kayshaun also took second place vs. both rivals in the 200 dash with a sprint of 24.0.

Additional first-place finishers vs. Medford were: senior Dawens Germain in the 400 hurdles in a time of 1:08.5, which was good for second vs. Revere; senior captain Donald Michel in the 110 hurdles with a time of 18.1 that also captured second vs. Revere; and junior Fabrice Michaud in the shot-put with a toss of 37'-11" (which was third vs. Revere).

Khang Nguyen's long jump of 18'-10.5" gave him a first-place finish vs. Revere and a second vs. Medford.

Second-place finishers vs. Medford were: junior Luvens Hector in the 400 hurdles (third vs. Revere); junior Jayshaun Coggins in the 100 dash (third vs. Revere); sophomore Jeremy Whitlow in the mile in 5:45.8 (second vs. Revere); sophomore Lucas Nunez in the 800 in 2:20.2 (third vs. Revere); senior captain Jalen Jones in the triple jump; and senior Jason Stark in the shot.

Scoring single-points for the Tide vs. Medford with third-place finishes were: Anthony Whitlow in the two-mile (third vs. Revere); sophomore Adrien Reyes in the 800; junior

Luvens Hector in the 200 dash (third vs. Revere); Michel in the high jump (second vs. Revere); Germain in the triple jump; and sophomore Jonathan Goes in the javelin.

Adding third place-points vs. Revere were sophomore Carlos Pagao Landeo in the mile, Kawan Medeiros in the long jump, Germain in the triple jump, and Fabrice Michaud in the discus.

Coach Jehu Cimea and his coach were scheduled to travel to Malden yesterday (Tuesday).

EHS GIRLS EDGED BY MEDFORD, 69-64

The Everett High girls outdoor track and field team dropped a closely-contested, 69-64 decision to Greater Boston League rival Medford in their season-opening meet last week.

Senior captain Malica Guillaume led the Lady Crimson Tide with 15 points, winning three events vs. the Lady Mustangs: the 400 hurdles in a clocking of 1:27.9; the long jump with a leap of 13'-10.5"; and the triple jump with a final landing of 31'-8".

Other first-place finishers for Everett vs. the Lady Mustangs were senior Kaesta Sandy with a personal record (PR) throw of 89'-9" in the javelin (Kaesta also finished second in the 100 dash), senior captain Darryn Desrameaux in the discus with a spin of 83'-5", senior captain Layla Betancur Cardona in the shot-put with a toss of 29'-11" (Layla also took second in the discus), and senior captain Nicole Brandao in the 100 hurdles in a clocking of 19.3 (Nicole also took a third in the shot-

put).

Adding three points to the Everett scoresheet with second-place efforts were senior captain Suzanne Maharjan in the two-mile, sophomore Casey Martinez in the mile, junior DeVonnie Gomez-Walrond in the 100 hurdles, junior Milena Antonio in the 800, sophomore Isabella Pimenta in the 200 dash, and junior Angelina Papa in the javelin.

Contributing single points to the Everett tally with third-place performances were senior

Victoria Macao in both the javelin and in the 400 dash, junior Zuelle Cannon-Matthias in the 200, and junior Sonia Flores in the 800.

The girls also competed in the meet in a make-up vs. Revere, the defending indoor GBL champion, and came up short by a score of 90-45. First-place finishers for the Lady Crimson Tide vs. the Lady Patriots were Sandy in the javelin and in the 100 dash in a sprint of 13.5, Betancur-Cardona in the shot, and Desrameaux in the

discus.

Second-place points came from Betancur-Cardona in the discus, Brandao in the shot and the 100 hurdles, Guillaume in the triple jump and long jump, Pimenta in the 200, and Maharjan in the two-mile.

Third-place points vs. Revere were scored by Cannon-Matthias in the 200, Antonio in the 800, Gomez-Walrond in the 100 hurdles, and Guillaume in the 400 hurdles.

The Lady Crimson Tide took on GBL foe Malden yesterday (Tuesday).

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

SMALL INCREASES IN WATER AND SEWER RATES PROPOSED

CHELSEA - The city's public works commissioner is recommending an increase of 1.5 percent for the FY 2025 water and sewer rates.

At last week's meeting, the city council voted to hold a ways and means subcommittee meeting with public works commissioner Cate Fox-Lent and City Manager Fidel Maltez for a discussion of the recommendation.

There is also a proposed increase for trash fees for non-owner occupied units in the city.

"We will hold a public hearing in June to notify and inform our residents of this increase," stated Maltez in a letter to the council. "We welcome the opportunity to discuss this issue with our city council ahead of this public hearing."

This year, the public works department performed an assessment of the usage tier thresholds for water rates and the properties served in each tier, according to Fox-Lent.

"Overall, we find the structure to be equitable and have retained the three tiers," she stated in a letter to Maltez. "This year, we propose a flat increase for all water users."

The three tiers are determined by monthly water and sewer usage, with higher rates per hundred cubic feet for uses that use more water per month.

Across all tiers for water and sewer, the proposed increase is 1.5 percent.

"For the monthly trash rates, we completed a similar analysis and recommend an increase of 8% across the different usage groups," stated Fox-Lent. "Owner-occupied units will remain at no trash charge. Our 10-year contract with Wheelabrator in Saugus ends in December 2024. As landfill space in Massachusetts becomes more limited, costs for trash disposal are increasing significantly statewide."

In order to keep utilizing the nearby Saugus incinerator, Fox-Lent said the city can expect to see a jump in rates compared to the past decade.

"Other disposal options would have much larger travel costs associated," stated Fox-Lent. "Despite the increase, rates remain below the full costs of disposal, resulting in a deficit that must be subsidized by the general fund."

ZERO WASTE INFO AND EVENT PLANS SHARED WITH JPNA

EAST BOSTON - At the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association's (JPNA) monthly meeting last week, a member of the city's Zero Waste team shared information about waste programs and some upcoming events.

Hannah Mermin is on the Zero Waste team and presented to the JPNA. Speaking about the team, Mermin said, "There's about six of us that work to help manage waste that is produced but also to help limit the amount of residential waste that we're all producing."

Mermin went on to explain the idea behind Zero Waste and displayed a pyramid that provided information on limiting consumption, consuming wisely, using items more than once, and recycling. She also mentioned that the city's trash goes to waste-to-energy facilities.

In addition to providing a waste reduction tip, which was to use cloth napkins or dish towels instead of paper towels, Mermin went through the city's waste programs.

The first program Mermin outlined was recycling, which is done through weekly curbside pickups. Recyclable items can be placed on the curb before 6:00 A.M. on collection day or after 5:00 P.M. the night before.

"Please do not put any plastic bags in the recycling; it can damage the sorting equipment used at the recycling facilities and they're not recyclable," said Mermin.

The city also has two food waste collection programs — Project Oscar and curbside collection. According to Mermin, Project Oscar is a "community food waste collection" with a bin at Memorial Stadium Park. The pin to use the Project Oscar bin is 2-1-4.

Curbside pickup is an option for those living in buildings with six units or less. Visit <https://www.boston.gov/departments/public-works/food-waste> to sign up, where you will receive a bin for your counter and an outdoor bin that can be placed outside the same day trash and recycling are picked up.

"Food waste collection is important because instead of having food waste really be waste, we can turn it into clean energy, or we can turn it into nutrient-rich soil," said Mermin.

Mermin then touched briefly on trash collection, which, like recycling, is picked up curbside weekly and shares the same guidelines for when bins should be placed outside.

Textile collection was also discussed. Boston residents can schedule curbside pickup if they have at least three bags, but textiles can also be donated at Helpsy bins or brought to Zero Waste Day drop-offs.

East Boston has a drop-off bin at 166 London Street. "Textiles are actually a waste-ban item in Massachusetts, which means that technically they can't go in the trash, so try to bring them to these drop-off bins," said Mermin.

"They're open all the time. Really, you can dump pretty much any textile in as long as it's not like moldy," she added.

Regarding mattress collection, curbside collection can be scheduled for those in buildings with six units or fewer. To make an appointment, call 3-1-1 or 617-635-4500.

"The important thing here is just, as you probably all know, Boston has a lot of leases that turn over on June 1st and September 1st, so if you are moving at that time, try to plan in advance and request your mattress pick-up in advance because we do get a little overwhelmed," said Mermin.

Yard-waste collection, which started on Monday, coincides with trash and recycling days during certain weeks. There are also yard-waste drop-off days in the city. "Make sure you check the schedule," said Mermin.

Finally, hazardous waste collection, which

occurs during Zero Waste Day drop-off events, was discussed. "We accept things like electronics, textiles, hazardous liquids, paint, computers, you name it," said Mermin.

The first Zero Waste Day event is scheduled for May 18th. However, a Zero Waste pop-up event that accepts "similar items" is scheduled for April 13th at 58 Dana Avenue in Hyde Park from 8:30 A.M. to noon.

Other events to keep an eye out for include a free compost giveaway on April 27th from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at Refectory Hill in Franklin Park and a Compost Certification program session, which begins on May 11th.

For more information on the compost certification program, visit <https://www.massaudubon.org/programs/boston-nature-center/92560-boston-compost-certification-program>.

Visit www.Boston.gov/zero-waste to learn more about what items are accepted in each program, upcoming events, and how to schedule pick-ups for specific waste.

MSBA TO VOTE ON HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT BY MONTH'S END

REVERE - The Massachusetts School Building Authority Board is expected to vote on the grant approval of the new Revere High School building at Wonderland at its April 24 meeting.

If the project is approved by the MSBA, it would then come back to the city council for several votes in May, including a potential May 20 vote on the debt authorization for the new four-story high school, which is expected to have a \$522 million price tag.

At Monday night's council meeting, project manager Brian Dakin of Leftfield gave an update on the MSBA process, and said there is the potential that the state grant could be slightly higher than initially estimated. After accounting for the MSBA grants, the total cost of building on the Wonderland site to the city had been estimated at about \$285.5 million, according to the project team.

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Massachusetts Grand Master of Odd Fellows Ken Fearing gets served by Terri Vendetti of Zenith Lodge.

"We have submitted the schematic design package and we have submitted the vote language," said Dakin.

The package was submitted on Feb. 29, and for the past several weeks, Dakin said the project team has been fielding questions from the MSBA about the project.

The project team, including the mayor, the superintendent of schools, and other school and city leaders, recently attended an MSBA facilities assessment subcommittee meeting, which Dakin said went well.

"We heard nothing but praise on the project and on the proposal at that meeting," said Dakin.

All of those meetings and questions are leading to the April 24 MSBA Board vote, he said.

"I have extremely high hopes that they will pass the project and issue a board action letter and the project scope and budget agreement within a week of that meeting," said Dakin. "That is when all the numbers become finalized. I'm confident that we are going to be at least as good as the numbers we have presented to you, and probably better, but until the MSBA Board makes the motion and confirms the final grant amount, that is a ball in their court."

Once the project scope and budget is approved, the council is slated to meet on May 6 to approve that offer.

The debt authorization vote by the council for the project would then take place on May 20.

"That sends us off and running on the MSBA side," said Dakin.

In concert with the MSBA efforts, Dakin said the project team is also currently moving forward with state and local permitting efforts for the project.

Council president Anthony Cogliandro said he was glad to see the permitting process restarting at the conservation commission level, and asked if it was anticipated there would be any issues or potential design changes related to wetlands issues at the former dog track.

"I think we will get through that process without any major changes," said Dakin. "What I mean by major changes is we might have to tweak areas a little bit here, slide a road or a drive, but I don't envision us having to lose any site program, any of the actual fields and parking as a result of this."

Cogliandro also noted that there will likely be additional presentations on the financing of the project in May, as well as a potential executive session meeting on the ongoing litigation over the eminent domain taking of the Wonderland property by the city.

"We have to be sure beyond a shadow of a doubt that the city can handle this," Cogliandro said of the financing.

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Norfolk Probate And Family Court 35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN Docket No. NO20P2142GD

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Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Brigham & W omen's Faulkner Hospital of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Expand the powers of a Guardian The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 05/15/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which. You have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without

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CHURCH News

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.

**Mystic Side
Congregational Church
422 Main Street
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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 Tues. evenings from 6-9 p.m. Cub Pack 11 meets on Saturday mornings.

NA Meetings – Mon.

Bring Your Own Book 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.; Thurs. I Can't But We Can, 8:00 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

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

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

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

We are on the Internet
<http://www.glendaleumc-everett.org>
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Please enter the church by the driveway on Walnut Street
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PastorDavidJackson58@gmail.com
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Grace Anglican Episcopal Church

News and Notes

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News and Notes

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Zion Church Ministries via livestream on Facebook and YouTube.

For more information, they can be reached online at zionchurchministries.com or via email at office@zionchurchministries.com.

Immaculate Conception Parish

News and Notes

Our Parish Staff: Rev. Joseph Chacha Marwa, S.M.A. Administrator, Rev. Gustavo Buccilli S.M.A. Parochial Vicar, Barbara Canon Secretary, Parish Secretary.

Weekly Mass Schedule at the Immaculate Conception Parish is as follows:

1: Monday-Saturday at 7:00a.m. in the Chapel.

2: Saturday at 4:00p.m. (Sunday Vigil) and at 7:30p.m. Vietnamese Mass Upper Church.

3: Sunday at 7:00a.m. and 10:00a.m. English Masses. At 12:00p.m. Spanish Mass and 4:00p.m. Haitian Creole Mass.

4: Confessions are on Saturdays from 3:00-3:45

at the Confession Boots in the Chapel, and at 11:15 a.m. 12:00p.m. in Spanish.

5: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Chapel on Thursday from 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Bring a Book buy a Book a new Fundraiser Program at the back of the Church. All books are a dollar. Any money collected goes to our Stain Glass Fund. You are most invited to make a donation for this course. Most welcome to worship with us on Sunday and weekdays. Thank You.

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News and Notes

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News and Notes

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CITY PAWS

Canine coat care

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

In the Northeast, we're about to enter a change in weather. With more time spent outside, excursions to the sandy shore, and strolling through spring mud, our dogs need more grooming. And, if your dog is shedding a winter coat, you'll want some control over where all that hair lands.

To Shave or Not To Shave

One of the questions that comes up every year as the temperatures rise is whether or not you should shave a dog with a heavy coat. The ASPCA says, "Hold Those Clippers." They go on to explain, "... your pets' fur coats are actually providing them with heat relief. Acting like insulation, a dog's coat keeps him from getting

too cold in the winter, but also keeps him from overheating in the summer."

"Robbing your dog or cat of this natural cooling system can lead to discomfort, overheating and other serious dangers like sunburn or skin cancer."

Benefits of Grooming

Grooming is about an animal's comfort and health. Routine brushing keeps your dog from excess shedding and matting and could prevent painful skin sores. It may also help reduce human allergy symptoms by removing dander and much of the pollen that travels inside with your dog.

Like many double-coated terriers, our Westie Poppy tends to weave her downy undercoat into snarls. However, if we regularly attend to the areas that snarl the most, we

don't have to resort to mat breakers or cutting out the snarls with scissors.

Start grooming your dog early in your relationship and do it often until the animal becomes comfortable and you both begin to relax into a routine. The dog will come to understand that this doesn't hurt all the time and that, many times, it is simple stuff that happens regularly.

Grooming sessions can also bring you and your dog closer and help you bond. If you can make them gentle and pleasant, they can relax both of you. Regular grooming can also reveal lumps, bumps, or other skin abnormalities.

Grooming Tips

We find it easier to groom Poppy when she is a bit tired from a walk

or play session and has recently relieved herself. We also try to deliver her to her groomer the same way.

Add a damp cloth doggie rubdown as you enter your home during allergy season. That could help reduce much of the pollen that rides inside with your dog and can make both canine and human allergies worse.

Controlling a dog up on something can be easier than on the floor. This could be a counter, table, or ottoman. We use an inexpensive, non-slip bath mat to give Poppy secure footing and protect the surface.

Create a kit of grooming tools that you use all the time. Our kit has a rotating comfort pin comb to help detangle Poppy's coat. We use a slicker brush to remove loose hair. When we



Outside is the best place to brush a thick, heavy coat like this Husky's. (Photo by Andrii Zorii)

run into a snarl, we use a matting breaker to slowly and gently cut through the tangle. Curved bandage scissors help us safely do a sanitary trim around her anus or to cut off a tangle. Finally, our kit has a headlamp flashlight. It's excellent when you want hands-free light on a specific spot on the pup. (It's also good for picking up poops at night.)

You can find more videos and tips on grooming

your dog's coat online. Breed rescue groups often have information on grooming problems for the breed they know best. You can also consult your professional groomer and veterinarian about the home grooming necessary for your companion.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

Wilmot // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

portant part of how we in Massachusetts take action for food security, and I never imagined years ago that I would be honored by the same organization for my own work to address hunger for Massachusetts residents."

Wilmot sees firsthand each day how many families are affected by hunger, a major social determinant of patient health. At EBNHC, 70% of patients are below 200% of the federal poverty level, and 20% of patients are uninsured. His organization is committed to providing high quality healthcare to all patients, but Wilmot knows that that care does not end when a patient leaves the exam room.

"If we want to make a meaningful impact in our patients' lives, we need to work further upstream to address contributing factors to their conditions, such as hunger, housing, and economic mobility," says Wilmot. "My work at EBNHC is incredibly compelling to me because I know the transformative impact that convenient, affordable care can have, especially for our Black and Brown neighbors, and Project Bread shares this same understanding. Only when we address the

basic needs of our community will we begin to close longstanding gaps in health equity."

In April 2020, Project Bread launched a ground-breaking program to address food security within the healthcare system. Project Bread coordinators work with MassHealth patients whose health is being undermined by food insecurity, providing one-on-one case management support to improve each person's ability to access and afford food and maintain proper nutrition. EBNHC and Project Bread are decades-long partners, and this innovative program is no exception. Project Bread has supported over 1,400 patients referred by EBNHC.

Prior to assuming the role of President and CEO in 2022, Wilmot served as EBNHC's Senior Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, and Executive Director of Neighborhood PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly). He also worked under former Massachusetts Governor, Deval Patrick, in the Administration's Executive Office of Health and Human Services, and at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachu-

setts in various operational and management roles. Currently, Wilmot sits on multiple boards and advisory groups, including the Board of Health for the Boston Public Health Commission, Advocates for Community Health, and Community Servings. He is also on the Board of Trustees for Boston Medical Center Health System.

Wilmot will share opening remarks with the 4,000 people expected to participate in Project Bread's 56th Walk for Hunger on Sunday, May 5th. Community members can join Wilmot in-person for the 3-mile walk around Boston Common or participate in the "Walk your own way" option from anywhere in the Commonwealth. The one-day celebration will raise more than \$1.3 million to support food security for all in Massachusetts.

To register as a participant or volunteer for Project Bread's Walk for Hunger, or to support a walker or team with a donation, visit projectbread.org/walk or email walk@projectbread.org. There is no registration fee or fundraising minimum to participate, although a \$250 minimum goal is suggested. Participants

who raise \$500 or more are recognized as Heart & Sole walkers and receive access to personalized fundraising support, exclusive event gear and invitations to events.

People experiencing food insecurity should call Project Bread's Hotline (1-800-645-8333), which provides confidential, free assistance getting connected to a variety of food resources in 180 languages and for the hearing impaired. Counselors can pre-screen families and help them to apply for SNAP. Learn more at www.projectbread.org/get-help.

Project Bread is the leading statewide food security organization in Massachusetts. Beginning in 1969 with the first Walk for Hunger, the non-profit focuses on driving systemic change to ensure people of all ages have reliable access to healthy food. Project Bread works collaboratively across sectors to create innovative solutions to end hunger and improve lives across the Commonwealth. For more information, visit: www.projectbread.org.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, rebranding as Neighborhood Health June 2024, is one

of the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts, serving over 120,000 people and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a National Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has offered access to comprehensive primary care, specialty care and emergency care for patients in the Commonwealth. In a first-of-its-kind merger in 2020, EBNHC joined forces with the South End Community Health Center and expanded services to patients who live and work in Boston's South End and Roxbury neighborhoods.

EBNHC champions innovative care models to actively bridge health

equity gaps in our low-income and immigrant communities with services unique from other health care providers in our state. In addition to primary and specialty care, EBNHC operates Massachusetts' only satellite Emergency Department, which is the fourth busiest ED in Boston and is co-located with advanced radiology, including CT scan services, same-day Behavioral Health Urgent Care and an integrated pharmacy. Today, EBNHC remains dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families and individuals both in and out of the exam room by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services. For more information, visit www.ebnhc.org

Seamark // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

story from the oversized mast-inspired lights in the dining room to the stacked treasury cabinets at the bar to the custom vintage map mural in the speakeasy.

• THE SPEAKEASY: Hidden behind the rear wall of Seamark, Old Wives' Tale is a concealed speakeasy featuring a specialty food and drink menu alongside intriguing antiques and gadgets that add a unique element of detail to this secret space. From the oceanic glassware to creative garnishes, every detail has been carefully curated to immerse guests in the mystique of the sea while mixologists craft a collection of cocktails that pay homage to the essence of the ocean. To complement the captivating flavors, Old Wives' Tale offers a selection of small plates featuring fresh seafood delicacies.

"Seamark is not only an important expansion for Carver Road Hospitality

but it's also very personal for me," says Carver Road Hospitality co-founder and Chief Executive Officer Sean Christie. "As a Boston native, I got my start and worked in the food and beverage industry in the area for years before moving to Las Vegas. And, during my time as a Wynn executive, I saw the Encore Boston Harbor site secured and watched the property develop and evolve, so it's all come full circle," says Christie.

Dining reservations are available at Seamark Seafood & Cocktails (seamarkencore.com). Additional details and updates can be viewed at seamarkencore.com and via the restaurant's social media channels @SeamarkEncore. For more information about Seamark Seafood and Cocktails and Carver Road Hospitality concepts, visit linktr.ee/carverroadhospitality.

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