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Legendary local musician, producer and founder of the famed Fort Apache Studio in Boston Joe Harvard passed away Sunday.

Joe Harvard, founder of Fort Apache Studios, musician, writer dies at 60

By John Lynds

In the 1980s an East Boston guy had an idea to create a Boston recording studio that would authentically capture the emerging alternative Boston music scene. Fort Apache in Roxbury was born and artists like The Pixies, The Lemonheads, Dinosaur Jr., Morphine, Buffalo Tom, and The Mighty Mighty Bosstones were given the freedom to experiment and capture the energy of their music without sterilization.

One can argue that without Eastie's Joe Harvard the world may have never heard The Pixies. Without The Pixies and their influence on later

artists like Kurt Cobain one can also argue there would have never been Nirvana and without Nirvana the grunge explosion of the early 1990s that defined a decade would have never occurred.

Harvard, an accomplished musician, music producer, artist and all-around great soul passed away on Sunday, March 24 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 60 years old.

Harvard, who was born in Jeffries Point as Joe Incagnoli, had been living in Asbury Park, NJ, since 2001 where he emerged as a leading force in the town's art and music scene renaissance.

Harvard was diagnosed

with Stage 4 liver cancer late last year and documented his daily struggle with the disease through honest, and sometimes heartwrenching, social media posts.

All the while Harvard remained optimistic and continued his art and music until the end, and telling friends back in Eastie he was fighting the disease like an, "East Boston tornado!"

Sadly Harvard stopped treatment and succumbed to the disease on Sunday. His death was announced by longtime partner Mallory Messara.

"Joe passed early this morning with me and his sis-

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Tramelli named as new East Boston Liaison

By John Lynds

Last week Mayor Martin Walsh announced the appointment of Lina Tramelli as the East Boston Neighborhood Liaison within the Mayor's Civic Engagement Cabinet. Tramelli will replace Jesús García-Mota who will now become Mayor Walsh's City-wide liaison to the Latino community.

Tramelli will officially begin serving as Eastie's liaison on April 8.

"Lina has a fantastic background in public service and I

couldn't be more excited for her to become the East Boston liaison," said Walsh. "East Boston is a neighborhood full of tradition, growth and diversity and I know she will continue to be an advocate for the residents and businesses in East Boston."

As the East Boston liaison, Tramelli will serve as the primary contact for constituents and businesses looking to connect with the Mayor's Office, and will facilitate the delivery of services in collabo-



Lina Tramelli announced as new East Boston Liaison.

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Eastie man indicted on child sexual assault, child pornography charges

By John Lynds

An East Boston man was indicted by Suffolk County District Attorney Rachel Rollin's office last week for allegedly sexually assaulting one child, allegedly enticing another to create child pornography for him, and allegedly transmitting dozens of graphic sexual images of minors through a smartphone application.

A Suffolk County grand jury returned indictments last Tuesday charging Domenic D'Amore, 29, of East Boston with three counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14; four counts of trafficking in persons for sexual servitude; four counts of dissemination of matter harmful to a minor; three counts of posing a child in a state of nudity; eight counts of dissemination of child pornography; two counts of possession of child pornography; and two counts of possession with intent to distribute child pornography.

D'Amore was initially charged and arraigned in January in Chelsea District Court after Revere pawn shop workers found child pornography on a phone D'Amore had sold.

Yesterday's indictments move the case to Suffolk Superior Court, where it will be adjudicated.

"These charges are disturbing and represent some

of the worst crimes against children," said District Attorney Rollins. "Survivors who have been exploited through child pornography may never be fully able to put these offenses in the past, because the images of their abuse live on. They bear the pain of knowing that individuals across the globe – and possibly even in their own community – are viewing photos and videos of the most painful and degrading moments of their lives."

According to the District Attorney, back in December workers at a Revere pawn shop notified Revere Police that they found images depicting child pornography on

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East Boston adult use marijuana facility proposal approved by ZBA, second proposal deferred

By John Lynds

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals' (ZBA) first vote to grant Conditional Use Permits to two adult use marijuana facilities in East Boston turned into a circus Tuesday afternoon.

After the Mayor's Office signed Host Agreements with two proposed Eastie adult use marijuana facilities, one on Meridian Street and another proposed for Maverick Square, the ZBA voted in favor of granting a permit for only at Meridian Street.

However, as it became evi-

dent to the team proposing the Maverick Square facility that the ZBA was poised to make a motion in opposition, the team's lawyer asked for and was granted a deferral. That team will come back to the ZBA on April 9.

Because the two proposals are less than a half mile from one another, the two facilities appear to be in violation of the Boston Zoning Code. While there is no state regulations of how close adult use facilities can be one another, the City of Boston adopted zoning that created a half mile buffer and prohibits two facilities from

being within that half mile.

It seemed that the ZBA applied a sort of 'luck of the draw' scenario to the two proposals with

Berkshire Roots going before the board with its Meridian Square proposal first while East Boston Bloom was second on the ZBA's agenda.

Going first Tuesday seemed to favor Berkshire Roots as they left the hearing Tuesday with a Conditional Use Permit for an adult use facility on Meridian St., while East Boston Bloom was forced to

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Gina Fiandaca leaving for Austin, Texas for Assistant City Manager position

By John Lynds

Boston Transportation Commissioner and lifelong East Boston resident Gina Fiandaca announced last week that she was picked by Austin City Manager Spencer Cronk to serve as one of two Assistant City Managers as part of an ongoing process to align Cronk's executive team with Austin's Strategic Direction.

Fiandaca said at a neighborhood event last week that she has been to Austin, Texas twice in her life. An avid marathon runner, Fiandaca joked that on her second visit she got a good look at the city via the 26-mile Austin Marathon route.

In Austin, Fiandaca will serve alongside Rey Arellano as the two Assistant City Managers. Arellano will oversee departments and projects focused on safety while Fiandaca will manage efforts on mobility.

"Gina and Rey are going to be instrumental in helping us meet our goals in the areas of safety and mobility, which have been identified as key strategic priorities for the City," said Cronk. "They will be leading multi-talented teams working to tackle some of the top challenges facing Austin."



BTD Commissioner Gina Fiandaca.

As part of Austin's Strategic Direction 2023 Cronk said Fiandaca will be instrumental in ensuring Austin residents get to, "where they want to go, when they want to get there" both safely and cost-effectively.

Fiandaca has served as Commissioner of the BTD since 2015. As Commissioner, Fiandaca oversees staff of more than 400 who work together to ensure safe, efficient and equitable access on Boston's street system for all users through a combination of transportation planning, engineering, management, operations and enforcement efforts.

Under Fiandaca's leadership, the department released the 15-year, \$4.74 billion "Go Boston 2030", which was Boston's first major transportation plan in decades that included mobility projects and policies to expand access,

improve safety and ensure reliability.

More recently, Fiandaca had been dealing with the frustrating traffic situation in her hometown of Eastie. Since MassDOT removed the tollbooths at the entrance of the Summer Tunnel as part of the All Electronic Tolling program the neighborhood has found itself in daily gridlock. Fiandaca became an advocate for the community and took on MassDOT officials on several occasions and put pressure on the agency to fix the ongoing problem. She also circumvented MassDOT protocol at the entrance of the tunnel and directed Boston Police to assign detail officers to direct traffic at the mouth of the tunnel.

"Gina Fiandaca has been an incredible steward in ensuring safe, efficient and equitable access on Boston's street system for all users of our road," said Walsh in a statement. "She has led the charge in bringing smart technology and innovative solutions to address our transportation challenges, while outlining a new vision for mobility through Go Boston 2030. I wish her the best in her new role and extend my sincerest gratitude to her for all she has been able to help us accomplish on behalf of our residents."

Fiandaca has worked at BTD in a variety of capacities since 1990. In 1998 she spearheaded the implementation of Boston's web based parking ticket payment system. From 2006 to 2014, she served as Parking Clerk where she was responsible for all day-to-day operations of the department, including ticket hearing adjudication, parking enforcement oversight, data and revenue analysis, and management of the resident parking program.

Fiandaca has hands on experience in innovative transportation policy, and worked closely with the Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics on the newly launched Park-Boston app, a mobile phone application that allows users to pay their meter from a smartphone.

Fiandaca is a member of several national parking groups, including the National Parking Association. She currently serves as the President of the New England Parking Council.

Fiandaca has an MBA from Boston University, and has recently pursued courses in Business and Managerial Economics at Harvard University. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Management, and Operations from Suffolk University.

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a phone that D'Amore defendant sold at the business.

A forensic examination of that phone and a second phone belonging to D'Amore revealed hundreds of graphic images and videos of children being sexually abused or posed in a sexual manner. Prosecutors said that D'Amore had allegedly shared and allegedly received similar graphic images through the Kik app on multiple occasions, including a single day in November during which he allegedly shared at least 75 files containing child pornography.

Detectives also became aware that an email service provider filed two CyberTips with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that each report separate instances of images identified as child pornography being uploaded to an email account.

Police determined that the email account belonged to D'Amore.

In messages sent on Kik, D'Amore allegedly made statements that he had sexually abused a young child. The child underwent a forensic interview at the Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County and disclosed abuse allegedly by D'Amore.

D'Amore is also charged with trafficking in persons for sexual servitude for allegedly enticing a teenage victim to create child pornography. In a text exchange discovered on a second phone belonging to the defendant, he allegedly made statements offering to pay the victim in return for sexual images and acts and instructed the teen to pose nude in photos. In addition to receiving those photographs from the victim, the D'Amore is also accused of sending sexual images to the child.

"Allegations like these are incredibly difficult for many adults to fathom, but in order to protect the children in our

lives, we have to talk about and acknowledge the potential risks that exist online," said Rollins. "It's vital that parents and guardians have open discussions with their children about ways they can stay safe, both online and off. Above all, children need to know that they can talk to caring adults in their lives about anything that makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe and that they won't get in trouble for what they say. As the parent of a teenager, I know these conversations are difficult and awkward, but our children's safety, physical, and mental health depend on it."

Rollins said while the victims and witnesses of any crime should call 911 in an emergency, there are additional resources available to report suspected crimes against children. In Suffolk County, survivors of child abuse and exploitation and their non-offending caretakers can receive comprehensive services at the Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County. The CAC can be reached at 617-779-2146. Anyone who believes that a child in Massachusetts may be the victim of abuse can call the Department of Children and Families' Child at Risk Hotline at 1-800-792-5200. Those concerned that a child is being exploited online may report a CyberTip to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST or www.cybertipline.com. Finally, if parents want help navigating online risks and how to discuss them with children and teens, District Attorney Rollins offers the Stop Block and Talk internet safety training program for caregivers and professionals. Information on the program and helpful resources can be found at <http://www.suffolkdistrictattorney.com/stop-block-and-talk>.

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ration with City departments.

"I sincerely want to thank Mayor Walsh for this appointment as his liaison to East Boston," said Tramelli. "Since taking office, the Mayor has made sure East Boston receives excellent city services and I very much look forward to continuing that mission and joining his administration"

Born in Colombia, Tramelli received her bachelor's degree

from the Universidad de Los Andes in Bogotá. She graduated from Harvard University with a master's in Liberal Arts last year.

Tramelli is a native Spanish speaker and proficient in Italian.

A resident of Eastie, Tramelli said in her spare time she enjoys exploring the different cultural institutions in the neighborhood, as well as

enjoying the local food scene.

Garcia, also an Eastie resident moved from Mexico to the United States in 2009 to work as Deputy Officer in the Department of Citizen Protection at the Consulate General of Mexico in Boston. In that job, he built nine years of experience in constituent services assisting immigrant populations in five New England states.

He replaced Claudia Correa as the Mayor's liaison in 2017.

"It was a pleasure working with the community over these past two years," said Garcia. "I hope that I was helpful and I hope to continue to be helpful to the community in my new role. I will still be living in East Boston so you'll still see me around."

Garcia received his Bachelor of Arts in International Relations from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (National Autonomous University of Mexico) in 2009. In his free time Garcia said he enjoys exploring his home neighborhood of Eastie, traveling, and experiencing the different cuisines and cultures in Boston.

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defer as it became evident that the ZBA was going to make a motion to oppose its Maverick Square proposal.

City Councilor Lydia Edwards expressed frustration at Tuesday's outcome. Edwards was on hand to support East Boston Bloom because the proposal met her criteria for adult use facilities in the neighborhood as well as being owned and operated by Eastie residents, one of whom is an Iraq War veteran.

Edwards questioned whether or not the proposal she favored would have been granted its Conditional Use Permit had it gone before Berkshire Roots on the ZBA's agenda

Tuesday.

Berkshire Roots, the largest grower of cannabis in the Berkshires and the first medical marijuana dispensary in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, plans to open an adult use facility inside a retail space at 253 Meridian St.

The Berkshire Roots proposal recently received support from the Eagle Hill Civic Association as well as support from the Mayor's Office and some residents.

However, City Councilor Lydia Edwards and some residents went on the record in opposition to the location. Edwards and the handful of residents cited traffic congestion that already exists on Meridian Street as a cause for concern.

Edwards also raised the half mile buffer issue when the ZBA was taking testimony about Berkshire Roots. She urged the ZBA that if they were going to support one proposal over the other due to the half mile buffer rule the board should oppose the Meridian Street location.

That request seemed to fall on deaf ears as the ZBA granted the Berkshire Roots permit.

Then, after hearing testimony in favor of East Boston Bloom the ZBA mistepped and made a motion to oppose before listening to the oppositions testimony. The motion was out of order and the testimony was allowed to go on, but the lawyer for East Boston Bloom saw the writing on the wall and quickly asked the ZBA for the deferral that was granted.

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Councilor Edwards announces scholarship that will honor the famed Maverick Street Mothers

By John Lynds

Karen Maddalena was a young mother on a cool autumn day when she made the decision to stand up against Massport's expansion of Logan Airport. Her choice then to fight for quality of life for herself and her neighbors ignited a lifelong career in community activism.

On Sept. 28, 1968 and led by local legend, the late Anna DeFronzo, Maddalena joined a group of mothers in what was to become a historic protest against the Port Authority and airport expansion.

The group became known as the 'Maverick Street Mothers' and their protest became the true beginning of environmental justice in Eastie and

marked the opening salvo and first victory in the neighborhood's famed transportation justice struggles.

"As a young mother, my involvement as a community activist started," said Maddalena during a Massport dedication of a plaque honoring the mothers in 2015. "I joined

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Council President Andrea Campbell introduces Councilor Edwards and pledged her support to the re-election campaign.



The Maverick Mothers Scholarship program was unveiled on the big screen for the crowd to see during Councilor Lydia Edwards's time at Democracy Brewing downtown on March 20.



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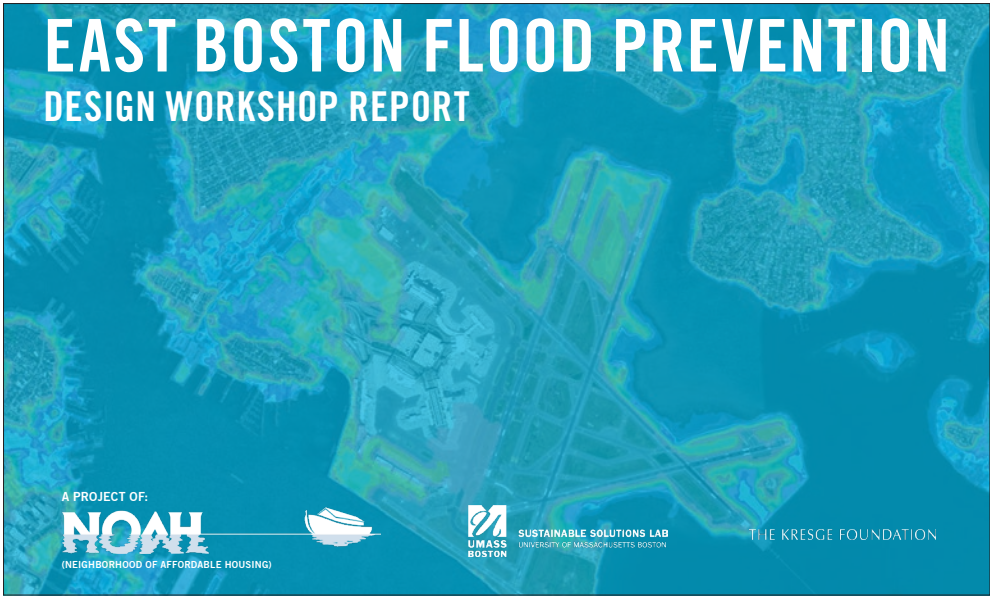


Councilor Edwards (center) with other elected officials supporting her, including State Rep. Liz Miranda of Dorchester, Council President Andrea Campbell, Suffolk County DA Rachael Rollins, and Jamaica Plain State Rep. Nika Elugardo.



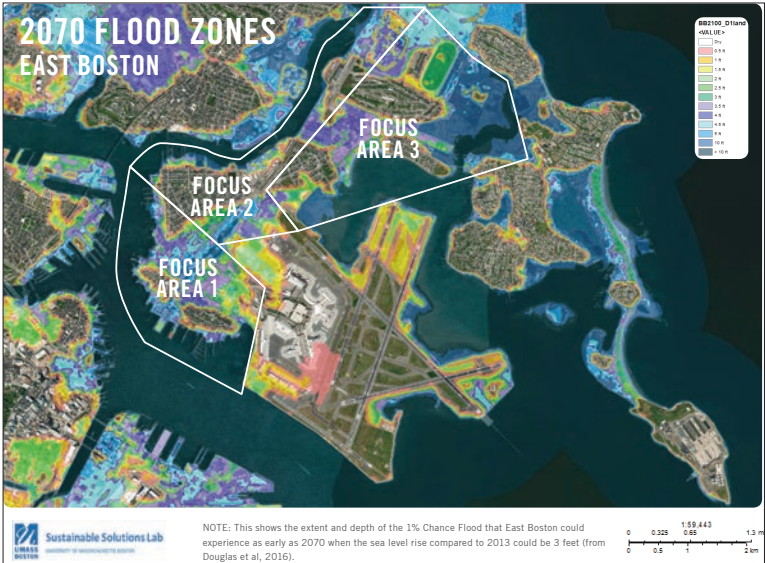
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This report is part of a series of community resilience planning and education efforts by NOAH with the goal of alerting East Boston residents and businesses to the threats of Climate Change and sea-level rise and involving the community in addressing them. This report is not intended to be a conclusive account, rather, it captures ideas and aspirations of community residents and design professionals who participated in the workshop and includes specific recommendations for vulnerable sections of the neighborhood. We need to continue to investigate specific flood/storm surge effects and mitigate against them. Left to nature and the rapidly increasing effects of sea-level rise in the Northeast, East Boston could return to the collection of islands it once was, unless we pay attention and act soon.

At the workshop we divided the neighborhood into three exposure zones and assigned two teams to each. Residents and planners reflected on what could be done in each. You will see some interesting concepts. You may or may not agree with all of them, but they are meant to provoke further discussion and analysis. Our main objective is to ignite neighborhood conversation and involvement in dialogue with the City, which is listening to community conversations. Should you have suggestions, please share them with us and get involved in NOAH's East Boston resilience efforts (email climatecare@noah-cdc.org).



Protection, adaptation, and resilience will cost money. Mayor Walsh recognizes this and recently shared a vision for a "Resilient Boston Harbor". Because we are a peninsula, protecting East Boston will be challenging and expensive, and laws governing the waterfront will have to change. We think it is wise to acknowledge that the changes leading to the creation of public infrastructure will, in large measure, also be good for the economy. Numerous jobs will be created in many industries, and oodles of dollars will be saved due to the protection of essential infrastructure assets. The end results should in many cases be useful, publicly accessible, green and recreational berms, walkways, bike paths, docks, and even parks. Think neighborhood enhancements for all people, not just gray walls to keep out the sea. Your continued involvement is crucial to the future protection and creation of East Boston – for all people.

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LEGALIZED MARIJUANA: A FEW OBSERVATIONS

We recently attended an event at an area Senior Center for an informational presentation on marijuana, which now is legal for recreational use in Massachusetts (as well as in 10 other states across the country).

The room that initially was set aside for the presentation soon was filled to overflowing, requiring that it be moved to a larger hall. There were about 50 persons in attendance, and we would guess that the average age of the attendees was about 70.

The participants made the usual jokes about old hippies and senior potheads.

So what's old is new again, literally and figuratively.

As Massachusetts and the nation grapple with the reality and implications of legalized marijuana, there are a few facts that must be kept in mind:

First and foremost, as with alcohol, marijuana should not be made available to young people under the age of 21. This has nothing to do with being prudish. Science has linked major brain and developmental disorders to marijuana consumption by young people, a fairly-recent discovery that is known as marijuana induced psychosis.

Just as alcohol consumption affects a young person's still-developing brain (we now know that the human brain continues to develop up to the age of 25), marijuana consumption also can cause permanent brain damage -- and that is not too strong a word -- in teens. Parents must be extra-vigilant to ensure that their child is not consuming marijuana.

Second, those who choose edibles as their means of marijuana consumption must do so very carefully. Unlike smoking marijuana, eating a marijuana-infused product means that the "high" will take a long time to kick in. When you smoke marijuana, you know in short order when you've reached your limit and can stop. However, once an edible is consumed, it's too late to know whether you've had too much. So go slow -- really slow -- with marijuana chocolates, brownies, and other edible products.

Third, users of marijuana must be sure not to operate a motor vehicle. Getting high and driving are unsafe, just as is drinking and driving.

Fourth, although the anecdotal and research evidence that both marijuana (THC) and its non-intoxicating cousin, CBD, may offer relief for a variety of ailments and pains associated with old age is becoming clearer, much more research is needed.

Israel presently leads the world in marijuana research and it is time for the U.S. to get on board. Marijuana offers the potential as an alternative to dangerous and addictive prescription drugs, including opioids. The sooner we can begin to understand the benefits -- and pitfalls -- of marijuana consumption, the better.

There are pluses and minuses to the legalization of marijuana that must be understood and taken into account by each of us individually and by society as a whole.

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your timely editorial ("Another Side of Climate Change") pointing out the rapidly advancing effects of climate change across the nation.

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ing change. But nature plays by different rules. We now need a bold drive towards greenhouse gas reduction, not just a slow down-ratcheting. It may be expensive, but not as expensive as climate change.

Massachusetts is well situated to lead the nation on this issue, with our strong economy, our technology resources, and our relatively enlightened population. Now we just need leaders who will make it happen.

Susan Donaldson, MD

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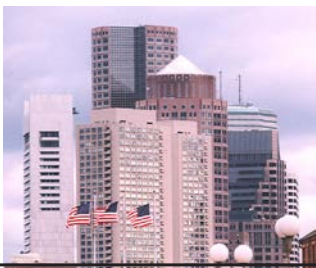
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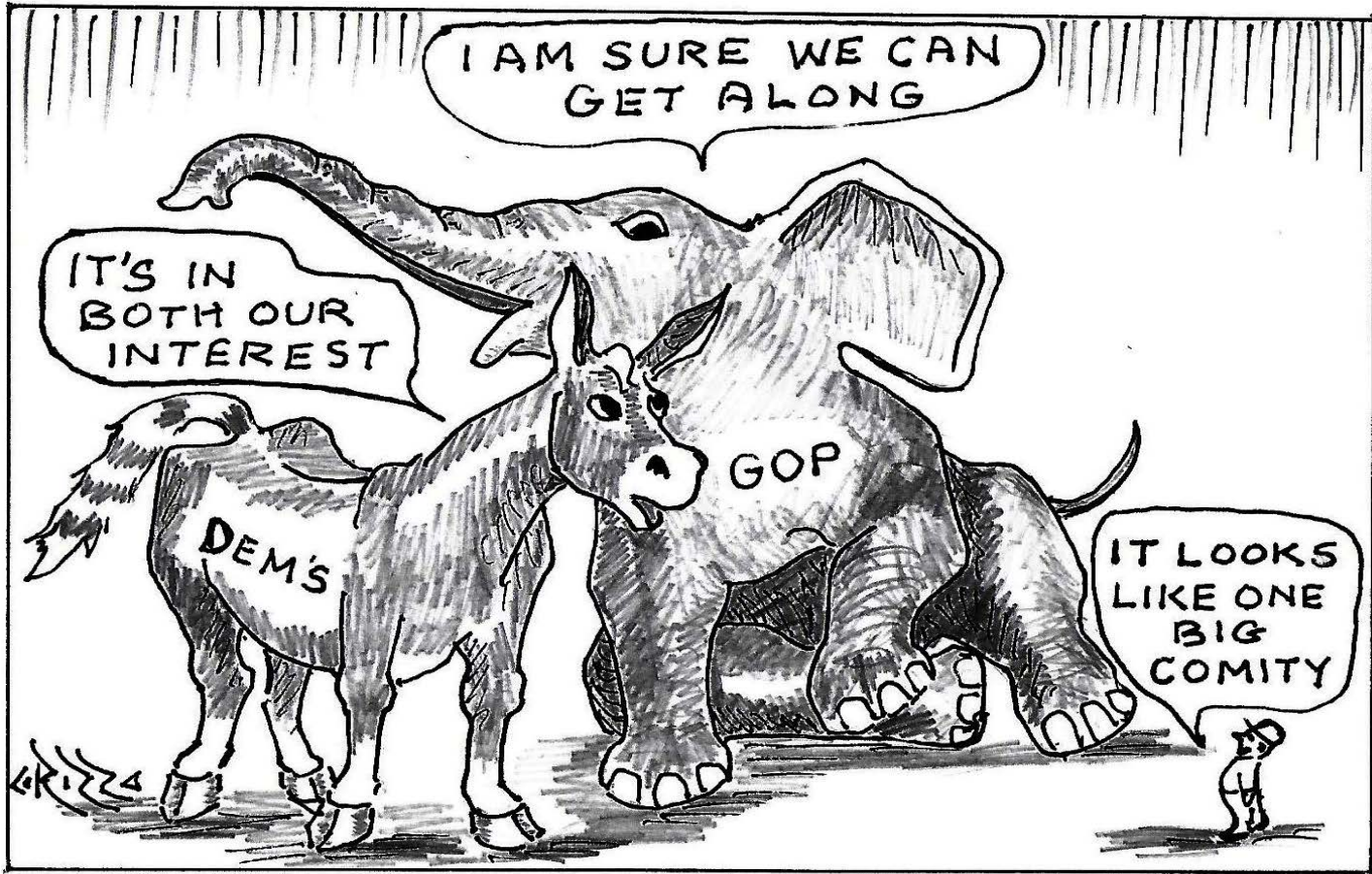
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GUEST OP-ED

Beware of scams coming over the telephone

By Glenn Mollette

In January a Denver couple received a scam phone call from a man who told them he had kidnapped their daughter. The man was very convincing that their daughter was in his possession. In the background they heard a woman's voice begging for help. The call was convincing enough that they tried to wire money to the man. Fortunately the money didn't go through. Police soon showed up after the wife left a note with the bank teller explaining what was happening. The police determined it was a scam.

A 90-year-old friend received a call a couple of years back. The caller explained that he was with the Internal Revenue Service. He alleged my friend was \$40,000 behind in his federal taxes and that payment had to be made immediately.

My friend didn't owe anybody and had always been a model citizen. The worry and fear for this 90-year-old man were more than he could handle. He committed suicide a few days after the call.

Several years ago I received a call after my son had boarded a submarine. I would not be able to communicate with him for several months. The caller in a very convincing voice stated my son owed \$350 and if not paid immediately he would file charges against him that would be very negative toward his military career. I explained he would not be available for awhile. The caller insisted that someone needed to intervene to prevent the black mark against my son. You guessed it. I fell for it and paid the demanded money. Of course within a couple of hours and some research I knew I had been scammed.

Somehow, somewhere

there is someone keeping an eye on soldier's families that they can catch at a vulnerable moment and scam them.

When you are scammed you feel like an idiot when it's over. It's embarrassing. However, these telephone artists are professionals. This is all they do every day. In places like Nigeria where many of these calls originate from people go to work from 9 to 5 every day like you go to your daily job. Only, their daily job is to come up with real life convincing lies to scam you out of your hard-earned money.

Some of us have only lost a few hundred dollars but others have lost thousands and in the case of my friend, he ended his life over a very believable telephone call.

I remember our first telephone. I was about 9 years old. Telephone calls were cool. I talked to friends on the

telephone rang we knew it was family or friends calling and answering it was enjoyable and important. Today, a ringing telephone is a nuisance. Some days I receive five to 10 calls from local numbers who end up being people selling health insurance, credit cards, student loan payoffs, car warranties, scams pertaining to taxes owed and numerous others. Thus, I no longer answer the phone if I don't recognize the number. Leave a message and I promise I'll call you back. If the person calling you is real and legitimate they won't mind leaving you a message and a real number to return the call.

Glenn Mollette Nationally/ internationally read author of columns, inspirational devotionals and books. He is the author of twelve books.

GUEST OP-ED

Local aid for climate change

four years ago!

According to estimates from the Cambridge-based Union of Concerned Scientists, during the next 26 years, over half the amount of property the \$7 billion represents will be chronically flooded, affecting 14,000 Massachusetts residents.

Between 2005 and 2017, increased flood risks eroded \$273.4 million worth of Massachusetts home values, according to the First Street Foundation, a nonprofit that researches the effects of rising seas.

Most vulnerable, however, are people -- on whom we can never apply a price tag.

Presently, 85 percent of Massachusetts' 6.9 million residents live within 50 miles of the coast.

As a Chelsea native who grew up learning to swim at nearby Revere Beach, and whose neighbors "worked down the docks," I can attest that coastal residents aren't all rich or living in second homes.

So what do we do and how do we pay for it?

Today, 160 Massachusetts cities and towns are painstakingly drafting Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness plans, documenting their exposure to climate change and considering how they'll defend themselves. The local

blueprints are funded by a climate change bond signed by Governor Charlie Baker last summer. This bond assigns \$501 million to adaptation measures that also include repairs to dams and seawalls, restoration of wetlands, and the Commonwealth's own adaptation road map.

Eventually, all 351 cities and towns will outline their adaptation strategies.

After the plans are written, the expensive work of implementation begins. We'll need to pay to protect, strengthen, and in some instances relocate threatened people and their homes, their streets, culverts, utilities, water supplies, and waste water treatment plants -- many of which lie at sea level. And that's where the legislature comes in as it considers this enormous expense.

Two proposals come from Governor Baker, and one from Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo.

Baker's choices include changing how the state spends \$40 million dollars it receives each year through membership in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, a market-based compact of nine states that prices carbon emissions from power plants and sends the proceeds back to the participating states.

Under state requirements, that money is mostly used for

energy conservation and efficiency. But Baker wants the Legislature to give him the option of also spending some RGGI money on climate change adaptation -- not a bad idea, but not at the expense of existing energy efficiency programs.

Baker's other bill imposes a fee on some real estate transactions that could bring in \$1 billion for adaptation work -- that too is a good idea.

DeLeo also wants to spend \$1 billion to improve the state's resiliency to climate change. His idea is realized through a 10-year borrowing plan -- the Legislature should take it up.

These are not either-or notions. There needs to be a sense of urgency on Beacon Hill when it comes to funding climate change work, especially as recent reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, and the National Climate Assessment say we have about 12 years to figure this stuff out before things start to fall apart. Although the Baker and DeLeo propositions seem expensive, the cost of delay and inaction is greater -- and that's not an option we can afford.

Jack Clarke is the director of public policy and government relations at Mass Audubon.

COMMUNITY NEWS

FRIENDS OF EAST BOSTON GREENWAY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

The next Friends of East Boston Greenway Council will be on Thursday, March 28, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center (295 Maverick Street, East Boston).

Below is the March agenda.

1. Police Report (5 Minutes)

2. Naming of Greenway (5 Minutes)

3. BPDA East Boston Planning (15 Minutes)

BPDA neighborhood-wide planning study + East Boston Open Space Meeting recap

4. MassPort (10 Minutes)

☐ Update on Piers Park II and upcoming charrette

5. Maintenance (15 Minutes)

☐ Study ongoing: Flooding along Boston Parks Department section

☐ Bulletin Board Installation

6. Barr Foundation Waterfront Initiative Grant Update + Discussion (10 Minutes)

☐ BSLA Design Challenge update

☐ Spring / summer activities

EHCA MEETING AGENDA

The Eagle Hill Civic Association will hold its March Meeting on Wednesday, March 27, at 7 p.m. at East Boston High School inside the cafeteria.

The agenda is as follows:

- * Officer Danny Simons & Sgt. Jim Martin: Station 7 Updates
- * Lara & Ryan: EHCA Beautification Committee Update

* Gaby Thurston: Community Outreach, MBTA

* Neenah Estrella-Luna: Climate Change & Art in Eastie (survey)

* Massport: Alina Coppola & Stewart Dalzell

* Christine Poff, Director: Community Preservation Act DEVELOPMENT:

Rich Jeffrey: 63 Marion St. Change from a 3 family to a 2 and add a roof deck. Owner occupied VOTE

David Lyons: 216 Brooks St. Change roof from pitched to flat to add space. Owner occupied INFORMATIONAL

Jeff Drago: 197 Condor St. Demolish existing structure & erect a 4 story building with 6 Parking spaces VOTE

88 White St. Restore historic buildings (red house and carriage house) and add an addition to carriage house creating 2 additional units. VOTE

Richard Lynds: 104 Princeton St. Renovate, erect addition with roof deck, extend living space in to basement and erect rear decks. INFO.

34 W.Eagle St. Renovate, erect addition with roof deck, extend living space in to basement and erect rear decks. INFO.

199 Trenton St. Erect addition with a roof deck, extend living space and change occupancy from 2 to 4 units. INFO.

GRACE CHURCH NEWS SERVICES

Grace Church Federated is an Episcopal/United Church of Christ church located at 760 Saratoga Street in East Boston. All are welcome. Please join us for Sunday morning worship at 9:30 a.m., followed by a coffee hour. We also have a food pantry on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until noon in the church basement. There are a number of

ways you can help us to serve East Boston. Volunteer at or contribute to the food pantry. Sing with the Festival of Lessons and Carols choir. Bring a dish to the monthly Sunday evening community suppers. Participate in the Sunday worship service. Help with SundaySchool. Visit the Grace Church web site at www.gracechurcheastie.org or call the church at 617-569-5358 for more information.

HARBOR VIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AGENDA

April 1, 2019 HVNA Meeting At 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6pm)

Brooke Charter School 145 Byron Street Welcome/ Introduction (5min)

Station 7 Update Sgt. Martin & Officer Dan Simons (10min)

Announcements (5min)

Dr. Neenah Estrella-Luna, Climate Change Survey (15min)

Massport Update, Anthony Guerriero Assistant Director Community Relations (5 min)

Development Presentations 198 Byron Street 2nd Presentation and VOTE Owners: Mattye DeWhirst and Derek Curley, Architect Frank DelMuto

•Put an addition on existing single family home (20min)

37 Horace Street 1st Presentation Owner Joseph Trichillio, Atty. Richard Lynds

•Demolish existing 3 family home to build a 9 Unit structure with 9 parking spaces (30min)

704 Saratoga Street 2nd presentation Owner Matt Kramer, Atty. Richard Lynds

•Project update (20 min)

61-63 Horace Street 1st Presentation, Owners: Terese

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Meetings

Harbor View Neighborhood Association
First Monday of every month
6:30 p.m. at the Edward Brooke Charter School, 145 Byron St.

Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association
Second Monday of every month.
6:30 p.m. at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club, 565 Sumner St.

Orient Heights Neighborhood Association
Third Monday of every month.
6:30 p.m. at Ashley Street YMCA, 54 Ashley St.

Friend of the East Boston Greenway
Fourth Thursday of every month.
6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center, 395 Maverick St.

Maverick Central Neighborhood Association
Third Wednesday of every month
7 p.m. at Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris St.

Gove Street Citizens Association
Fourth Monday of every month
6:30 p.m. at the Noddle Island Community Room, Logan Rental Car Center

Eagle Hill Civic Association
Last Wednesday of every month
7 p.m. at East Boston High School Cafeteria, 86 White St.

and Richard Riamondi. Architect Frank DelMuto

• Subdivide lot and build a 3 story 2 unit house next to existing owner occupied 2 family house (30min)

Next meeting May 6, 2019

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EAST BOSTON SOCIAL CENTER PIZZA AND COMEDY FUNDRAISER

East Boston Social Centers to Hold Annual Pizza and Comedy Fundraiser April 11.

The East Boston Social Center will hold its Annual Spring Fundraiser, a Pizza and Comedy night at Prince Restaurant in Saugus, on the evening of Thursday April 11, 2019 – doors open at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you and sharing a great night of laughs, pizza and friendship.

The East Boston Social Center is a 501(C) 3 non-profit multi-service agency that has served the children, families, and senior citizens of East Boston since its founding over 100 years ago, in 1918.

Net proceeds from this event will support the Social Centers’ programs, which serve over a thousand members of the East Boston and Greater Boston community each year. The Social Centers provide fully licensed and accredited Early Learning and After School programs for children ages two months through fourteen years, free

after-school programming for at-risk teens, a Summer Program, as well as nutritional and social and recreational programming for seniors, and community space for advocacy, self-help and community groups.

Ticket price of \$35 per person includes unlimited cheese pizza and soft drinks and a hilarious comedy show with some of the area’s best comedians. Other menu items and a cash bar are also available for purchase.

There is also a Raffle for an assortment of gift certificates, sports tickets, baskets and much more. Chances are \$20 for a book of 10 (Need not be present to win).

Thank you for your continued generosity to the East Boston Social Centers and support of the community of East Boston. We look forward to seeing you on April 11th!

To purchase tickets for the event or for raffle chances, please call Marisa at (617) 569-3221 ext. 107, email at mdipietro@ebsoc.org - or contact any of our Board members.

You may also purchase tickets online at: <https://www.ebsoc.org/new-events/>



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High school seniors who reside in the City of Boston, Chelsea, Revere or Winthrop and are interested in applying for the Lowell L. Richards III Memorial Scholarship must have community service experience and must submit a 1,000-word essay. To be considered, all academic and residency criteria must also be met.

Scholarship applications must be received by Massport no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 26, 2019. For more information on the Lowell L. Richards III Memorial Scholarship, including an application checklist, please visit: www.massport.com



Donna Rauseo
Memorial
Scholarship
for \$5,000



Female high school seniors who reside in East Boston and are interested in applying for the Donna Rauseo Memorial Scholarship must have community service experience and must submit a 1,000-word essay. To be considered, all academic and residency criteria must also be met.

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2019 Prosperity Award Recipient and EBNHC Vice President Steve Snyder surrounded by his Health Center 'family'.

On Thursday, March 16 at the Hilton Garden Inn on Boardman Street, the East Boston Chamber of Commerce recognized individuals who in their own way have made a difference to the betterment for our community at their annual Prosperity Awards.

According to the Chamber's President Jim Kearney the Prosperity Awards were established to honor and recognize Eastie's most influential and impactful businesses and community leaders that are among the distinguished individuals who have made significant contributions to the economic and cultural prosperity of our community.

This year's recipients are:

- Small Business: Joe Eagen, Squeaky Clean Car Wash
- Restaurant of the Year: Anthony DiCenso, Rino's
- Workplace Advocate: Steve Snyder, East Boston Neighborhood Health Clinic
- Non-Profit Organization and Leader: Anne Margaret Gutierrez, East Boston YMCA
- Public Service Award: Jim Kearney, BPS
- Business Legacy Award: Steven Scire, Carlos Catering
- Business Woman of the Year: Patty Guzman, Lolly's Bakery
- Economic Growth And Development: Tom O'Brien, HYM
- Buddy Mangini Award: Al Caldarelli, East Boston CDC

PHOTOS BY JOHN LYNDOS



Former East Boston YMCA Executive Director Anne Margaret Gutierrez receives the Non-Profit Organization and Leader award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



Business Woman of the Year Patty Guzman, owner of Lolly's Bakery, receives her award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



New EBCC President Jim Kearney received the first award of the night for Public Service.



EBNHC Vice President Steve Snyder receives the Workplace Advocate award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



This year's Small Business award went to Joe Eagen, owner of Squeaky Clean Car Wash in Day Square.



HYM's Tom O'Brien receives the Economic Growth And Development award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



East Boston Main Street Director Max Gruner was honored for his work in the community by improving the neighborhood's business districts at last week's Prosperity Awards.



Rino's owner Anthony DiCenso picks up his Restaurant of the Year award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



Steven Scire, owner of Carlos Catering receives the Business Legacy Award from EBCC President Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



Jane Simpson and EBCC President Jim Kearney. HYM's Tom O'Brien and Margaret Farmer.



East Boston CDC's Executive Director Al Caldarelli is presented with this year's Buddy Mangini Award.



Paul Travaglini, Salesian Boys & Girls Club Executive Director Michael Triant, and Diana Hwang.



East Boston YMCA Executive Director Joey Gaeta (left) and his staff were on hand to support former Eastie Y Executive Director Anne Margaret Gutierrez who was a Prosperity Award recipient this year.



Former East Boston YMCA Executive Director Anne Margaret Gutierrez and ISD's Claudia Correa.



EBCC Executive Assistant Karina Hicks and Rosalie Petralia.



REP. ADRIAN MADARO COFFEE HOUR

CONSTITUENT SERVICES

On Saturday Rep. Adrian Madaro held his Coffee Hour at the Tawakal Cafe on Maverick Street.

Throughout the late morning and early afternoon Rep. Madaro met with constituents, talked about the issues, and addressed any questions or concerns of residents.

Over a few dozen Eastie residents stopped by throughout the event and enjoyed a friendly chat with the representative as well as coffee and pastries provided by Tawakal Cafe.

PHOTOS BY JOHN LYNDS



Rep. Adrian Madaro greets constituents during his coffee hour.



JPNA's Mary Cole (right) stopped by the event to support Rep. Adrian Madaro.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and Sal Giarratani.



Rep. Madaro was on hand during his coffee hour to talk with constituents and answer questions.



NOAH Executive Director Phil Giffie chats with residents during Rep. Adrian Madaro's Coffee Hour.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with residents and cafe owners during his Coffee Hour.



Rep. Adrian Madaro thanks the owners of Tawakal Cafe on Maverick Street for hosting the event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and Charlie Lograsso.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and his cousin, Sofia Lynds.

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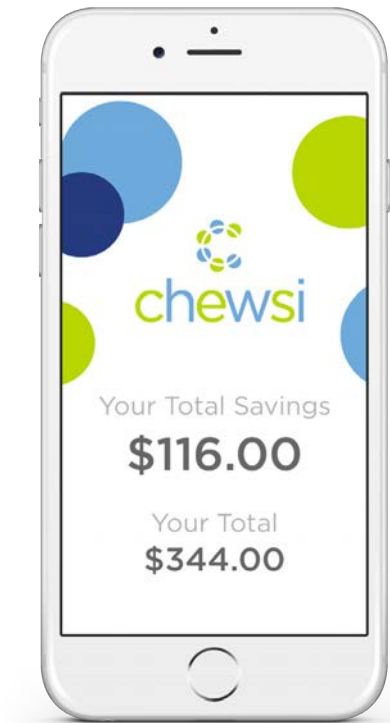
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EAST BOSTON’S MARCH MADNESS RESOURCE FAIR

Families learned about local organizations and community resources during East Boston’s March Madness Resource Fair on March 23 at the East Boston Social Center. Visitors learned about retirement and insurances plans, and discussed personalized mental and physical health care. Blood pressure screening and healthy snacks were offered to guests who had an opportunity to share their visions for what they hope to see in East Boston. Parents met after school organizations and educators to learn about academic programs that help children develop their skills and learn about the world.



Ana and Ashley O'Donnell of Chelsea Orthodontics.



PHOTOS BY MARIANNE SALZA

The East Boston Neighborhood Health Center crew.



Antonio Mendez and Kacy Hughes, of the Boston Children's Museum.



Maria Mejia, first-grade teacher at Mario Umana Academy.



Selma Abouzie having her face painted like a kitten by Carolina Abad, East Boston Family Engagement Network.



Luisa Lugo, New York Life agent, discussing retirement and insurance with Clarinda King, ABCD Fuel Assistance.



Alia Lachmi sharing her vision of having a pool in her backyard for 'Plan: East Boston.'

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Ratiba Medjohed having her blood pressure taken by Glennys Legar, of the East Boston Health Center.



Romina Wilmot, of Vitra Health, explaining home care to Sonia Salcedo.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

TOBIN BRIDGE PROJECT TO START APRIL 1

CHELSEA - The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) announced the Department will be rehabilitating the surface of the Tobin Bridge and complete required maintenance to improve the structure which will require lane closures and result in significant traffic impacts on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 beginning April 1.

These impacts will lead to increased travel times on sections of Route 1 northbound and southbound for drivers and MBTA bus customers.

The Department also released details about transit options available to travelers such as free fares in the inbound direction on the SL3 bus line offered at the Chelsea, Bellingham Square, Box District, and Eastern Avenue stops for the duration of construction. The MBTA also announced that they will be running additional MBTA Blue Line trains to additional capacity, and these measures will be funded by MassDOT Highway Division project funds.

Beginning April 1, lane closures on the Tobin Bridge northbound will be put in place, although two of three travel lanes will be open during daytime hours. One of the three travel lanes on the Tobin Bridge northbound will be open during overnight hours.

Beginning by early May, Route 1 travel lanes in the Chelsea Curves area will be reduced so that two of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open in the daytime. One of three north and southbound travel lanes will be open during overnight hours.

“MassDOT is carrying out

simultaneous work on this infrastructure which was constructed in the middle of the 20th century and hasn’t been rehabilitated since the 1970s in order to ensure its continued use and reliability and minimize the overall impact on commuters and the local community,” said Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. “We thank travelers for their patience as MassDOT begins this necessary project, and we encourage everyone traveling throughout the Route 1 area to make smart commuting decisions such as considering public transit, using the appropriate technology apps to find the best route and time to travel, and building extra time into their commutes to account for potential roadway congestion.”

The MBTA said they will be offering the free fares on the Silver Line and the Commuter Rail during construction.

“During construction, free fares are being offered for Silver Line 3 (SL3) inbound customers at certain station stops and additional Blue Line train capacity is being added. In addition, public transit customers will be able to use a CharlieCard to travel between North Station and Chelsea on the Commuter Rail,” said MBTA General Manager Steve Poflak. “Some MBTA customers on certain bus routes will experience delays, so we urge riders to consider taking advantage of these additional travel options being offered during construction.”

MassDOT’s traffic modeling suggests that on Route 1 northbound, afternoon peak travel times could increase in duration and have significant delays. Vehicle backups are expected to extend onto the I-93 ramps, along the Leverett Connector, and towards Rutherford Avenue. On Route 1 southbound, morning peak travel times could similarly increase in duration with significant delays expected.

MassDOT is carrying out work on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 at the same time so that these projects will be completed in 2021. If the projects were done at separate times, drivers would be inconvenienced for additional

years. This work will eliminate the need for weight restrictions and postings, and MassDOT will use accelerated construction techniques to shorten the overall construction time.

For more information on traffic conditions travelers are encouraged to:

- Dial 511 before heading out onto the roadways and select a route to hear real-time conditions.
- Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, access to traffic cameras, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.
- Check parking availability at the T’s 8 largest garages @ MBTA Parking.
- Download MassDOT’s GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

BROADWAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT BACK BEFORE ZBA

CHELSEA - A revised affordable housing development at the corner of Broadway and Clinton Street is back before City boards, and now it features fewer units with all at affordable rates.

Late last year, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) narrowly denied the 42 unit affordable- and market-rate residential development at 1001 Broadway (Midas site) in a vote that was based on creating more homeownership opportunities in the City. The project included nine units of market-rate housing and enhanced access to the Mill Creek waterfront.

The Suffolk County Land Court remanded the controversial Zoning Board affordable housing denial on Broadway back to the ZBA with a revised plan.

Monday night, the revised version of the development, a partnership between the Traggorth Companies and The Neighborhood Developers (TND), was back before the ZBA. The revised plan

GOVERNOR'S GARDEN CONSOLIDATES WITH KINSHIP FLORAL



A longtime name in the floral business in the Town of Winthrop will be closing. Owner Carole Abrams Palmariello announced she will be retiring and closing The Governor’s Garden on March 31, 2019. A “consolidation sale” is currently going on at 3 Crest Avenue, Winthrop. Palmariello’s niece, Kerri Abrams, owner of Kinship Floral at 245 Revere St., Revere, will take over operations of Governor’s Garden under Kinship’s flag, including servicing of the Governor Garden’s website and business phone number.

Kinship Owner, Kerri Abrams said, “Kinship is humbled to announce that we will be taking the reigns of Governor’s Garden, a floral shop led by my aunt, Carole Abrams Palmariello that has served the Winthrop community for over 40 years. My brother Corey and I have many fond childhood memories at Governor’s Garden. We are honored to continue the wonderful business built by Carole and we welcome Governor’s Garden customers to the Kinship family. Congratulations to our aunt Carole on her 43 years of business. You’re an amazing trailblazer for women in small business and we wish you the happiest retirement. You certainly earned it!”

is an attempt to address the concerns of the board and neighbors, according to Dave Traggorth of the Traggorth Companies.

“Our goals have not changed,” said Traggorth. “It is to create affordable homes for Chelsea residents and to provide public access to Mill Creek.”

The major revisions to the proposed \$15 million project include cutting the total number of units from 42 to 38, making all the units affordable, and eliminating the fifth story of the building that had been proposed for the Broadway side of the development.

The commercial space on the first floor in the initial proposal has also been eliminated.

“We have reviewed the plans based on the ZBA recommendations, and the commercial space will now be a community room,” Traggorth said.

The project needs special permits due to a slightly larger than allowed lot coverage, and for not meeting City parking requirements. The Broadway housing will have 42 parking spots, where 52 are required by the city.

Thirty one of those park-

ing spaces will be available for the public to access Mill Creek from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. In addition, Traggorth said the developers will give the city \$15,000 for intersection improvements in the area.

With the decrease in units and the elimination of the commercial space, TND Project Manager Steve Laferriere said there will be less of an impact on parking in traffic in the area than the initial proposal.

District 3 City Councilor Joe Perlatonda, who represents the area where the affordable housing will be built, said he is still opposed to the project, citing a burst of recent development in the city that will increase parking and traffic.

Perlatonda said the parking and traffic issues around Broadway and Clinton Street are already a nightmare for neighbors, and that the Traggorth/TND project will only make it worse. He said the City should take a look at other uses for the property, such as a new public library on Mill Creek.

But the majority of people who spoke during the public hearing said they supported the creation of sorely needed

new affordable units in Chelsea, and praised the efforts TND has already made to create safe and modern affordable units in the city. A recent affordable housing lottery in the city saw more than 3,000 applicants for 34 units, with more than 1,200 of those applications coming from Chelsea residents.

“There is a clear need for affordable housing as rents continue to go up in the Chelsea area,” said resident Sandy Maynard.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said he continues to support the TND/Traggorth partnership.

“The number one complaint I receive as City Manager from residents is the lack of affordable housing,” said Ambrosino.

Ambrosino said he understands the concerns about traffic and parking, but said the impacts of any project has to be weighed against the benefits, and that the benefits of affordable housing at Broadway and Clinton tip the scales in favor of the project.

While state law prohibits the developers from offering the affordable units to Chelsea residents only, the developers said they would work to make sure the maximum units allowable are for Chelsea residents.

The Planning Board will take up the project at its March 26 meeting, and then it will come back to the ZBA at its April 9 meeting for a possible vote, according to ZBA Chair Janice Tatarka.

CITY'S BOND RATING HITS HIGHEST LEVEL

EVERETT - On Monday, March 18, Mayor Carlo DeMaria announced that Standard & Poor’s Global Ratings assigned its ‘AA+’ long-term rating to the City of Everett for the third year in a row.

S & P cited the City’s strong management, strong budgetary performance, with operating surpluses, very strong budgetary flexibility, very strong liquidity, and low overall net debt. S & P also highlighted the DeMaria administration’s formal five-

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March 27

Scribble Day

Joe Day

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March 28

Something on a Stick Day

Black Forest Cake Day

Triglycerides Day

March 29

Lemon Chiffon Cake Day

Nevada Day

Mom & Pop Business Owners Day

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March 31

Crayon Day

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Tuesday, April 9, 2019	1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Thursday, April 11, 2019	5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Friday, April 12, 2019	5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Saturday, April 13, 2019	10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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AROUND THE CITY

MARIAH CAREY

The iconic singer with surreal vocal range headlines April 2, 8 p.m., at Wang Theater at the Boch Center, 270 Tremont St., Boston. 833-215-5121.

PINK FLOYD LASER SPECTACULAR

As part of the Anheuser-Busch Concert Series, the Pink Floyd Laser Spectacular illuminates the elegant, renovated Emerson Colonial Theatre, 106 Boylston St., Boston, March 29, 8 p.m. Ticket start at \$30. 888-616-0272 or visit the Box Office.

GALLERIES AT LYNNART

The Galleries host their annual gala Spring Fling fundraiser April 5, 7-9 p.m., with live music, appetizers, drinks and raffles, at 25 Exchange St., Lynn. \$25.617-909-9211, galleries@lynnart.com, galleriesatlynnarts.org/events.

LYNN BYALL BENSON

The local author presents “Moxie and a Good Sense of Balance: Nancy Drew and the Power of the Teenage Girl,” March 28, 6 p.m., at Charlestown Public Library branch of Boston Public Library, Includes a book singing and reception. Free, open to all.

TWELFTH NIGHT

Actors’ Shakespeare Project and the Lyric Stage Company of Boston open their production of Shakespeare’s “Twelfth Night,” directed by multi-award winning actor-director Paula Plum, March 29-April 28, featuring a cast of Boston’s finest actors, at Lyric Stage, 140 Clarendon St., Boston: Wednesday, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 3,8 p.m., Sunday, 3 p.m., Wednesday matinees, April 3.17, at 2 p.m. Tickets start at \$25., senior, student rush, group discounts.lyricstage.com.

EXPERIENCE HENDRIX

Lowell Memorial Auditorium presents Experience Hendrix, featuring outstanding musicians, Thursday, April 4, 7:30 p.m., East Merrimack St., Downtown Lowell. \$49-\$99. lowellauditorium.com, 800-657-8774.

GILI YALO

Ethiopian Israeli singer, Gili Yolo and Brooklyn’s Anbessa Orchestra headline Somerville Armory, March 28, 8-10 p.m., Highland Avenue, Somerville.



KISS. Live Nation presents the iconic band performing its End of the Road World Tour, March 26 at TD Garden,Boston.Tickets start at &79. livenation.com.

Advance tickets, \$20; at the door, \$25.

JOHN HALL AND FLY AMERO

The popular singers-songwriters perform April 5, 8 p.m., at the Shalin Liu Performance Center, 37 Main St., Rockport. Boston-based singer-songwriter Liz Frame is opening act. \$24-\$39. tickets.rockportmusic.org/single/SYOS.aspx?p+5846, 978-546-7391, rockportmusic.org.

LEXINGTON SYMPHONY

Jonathan McPhee directs the orchestra in “Fresh Perceptions,” featuring violinist Hana Chang, March 30, 7:30 p.m., in Cary Memorial Hall, Lexington. LexingtonSymphony.org.

AMERICAN REPERTORY THEATER GALA

The theater will hold its annual gala, featuring dining and entertainment, April 1, at the Boch Center Wang Theatre, 270 Tremont St., Boston. Cocktail hour starts at 6 p.m., followed by dinner, catered by The Catered Affair, live auction and artistic program. Americanrepertorytheater.org.

LASZLO GARDONY

The acclaimed jazz pianist performs with his trio, April 4, at the Regattabar at the Charles Hotel, One Bennett St., Cambridge.

DO YEON KIM AND HANKUS NETSKY

Kim and Netsky join hands and talent, sharing the stage at

the Eliot Church of Newton, Saturday, March 30, 3 p.m., 474 Centre St., Newton. \$20, at the ticket link, Korean Cultural Society of Boston, kcsboston.org.

JAZZMELA HORN

Young songstress Jazzmela Horn performs March 28, 7 p.m., at the Isabella Stewart Gardiner Museum of Boston.\$15-\$27. The artistryjazzhorn.com.

KISS

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FIREHOUSE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Laugh it up on Comedy Night with Joe Yannity, Mark Scalia and Carolyn Riley, April 5, 8 p.m., at the Institution for Savings Mainstage, and treat the kids to a fun, bilingual show with Latin Grammy Award-winning artist Ben Gundersheimer, “Mister G,” March 31, at 11 a.m.; Market Place, downtown Newburyport. firehouse.org.

WILBER’S WAR

Popular Boston-NewEngland star Robert D. Murphy performs in “Wilber’s War: An American Family’s Journey Through World War II,” March 29, at 7:30 p.m., Peirce Farm, Route 1, 116 Boston St., Topsfield. Advanced tickets, \$10 + fee.Veterans with reservations, free. Doors open at 7 p.m. punctuate4.org.

POP! GOES THE GABLES

The public is invited to the free opening reception for the new exhibition, Friday, April 5, 5-7 p.m., at the House of the Seven Gables Visitor Center, 115 Derby St., Salem. RSVP at 7Gables.org/events.

DROR KEREN

The multi-award-winning Israeli playwright-actor-comedian is Israeli Stage Company’s two-week artist-in-residence. leading a series of workshops through March 27, at Brandeis University and Bunker Hill Community College, with most open to the public. On March 30, at 8 p.m., Keren performs the world premiere staged reading of his latest play, “What Life Wants,” at Boston University’s Playwrights Theater, 949 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. RSVP required. IsraeliStage.com.

CARDBOARD PIANO

Renowned director Benny Sato Ambush helms New Repertory Theatre’s New England premiere of Hansol Jung’s socio-political drama, “Cardboard Piano,” through April 14, at Mosesian Center for the Arts, MainStage Theater, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown. \$25-\$67, student, senior, group discounts available. 617-923-8487, enwrap.org.

COPPELIA

Boston Ballet presents George Balanchine’s full-length dance comedic tale of mistaken identity, love and fun, through March 31, at the Boston Opera House, 539 Washington St., Boston:Thursday,Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 1:30,7:30 p.m.;Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$37.youth discount with price of an adult full-price ticket. bostonballet.org, 617-695-6955.

DRAGON MAMA

Writer-performer Sir Porkalob presents the reprise of her musical hit, “Dragon Lady,” and world premiere of “Dragon Mama,” in repertory, through April 6, at Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Cambridge. Tickets from \$25. americanrepertorytheater.com, 617-547-8300.

EXTREMITIES

A.K.A.,Also Known as Theater, closes its season with William Mastrosimone’s play, “Extremities,” March 28-April13, Thursday-Saturday,8 p.m. Friday night post-show Discussions.at Margaret Jewett Hall, First Church Harvard Square, 11 Garden St., Cambridge. \$22.bit.ly/akaextremities.

BERKLEE PERFORMANCE CENTER

There’s lots to enjoy at the performance center: The International Folk Festival March 27, advance tickets, \$10, day of show, \$15; the Makanda Project: Multiple Percussion Edition, March 28, 8 p.m.; Sylvia Rhone, Tribute Concert, April 5, 7:30 p.m.; Curtain Up: Original Musical Theater Songs, April 2, \$10/\$15; The Gloaming, April 7, at 7:30 p.m.; and Singers Showcase: Aretha, Queen of Soul, April 11, 8 p.m.; . 136 Mass.Ave., Boston. berkley.edu/BPC/about/,617-747-2261.

NICOLE ZURAITIS

The celebrated singer-songwrit-

er-pianist performs her show, “Generations of Her,” March 30, 7:30 p.m., at Salem State University Recital Hall, Central Campus, 71 Loring Ave., Salem. Tickets salemstate.edu/access.

UNCLE LOUIE VARIETY SHOW

Carlo Russo and Lou Greco, Italian-American Syracuse, NY comedy team, bring their comedic videos, comedy sketches, music and more to the Greater Boston Stage, April 6,at 8 p.m., and April 7, 4 p.m., 395 Main St., Stoneham. 781-279-2200,boxoffice@stonehamtheatreorg.

SCULLERS

Headlining at the popular jazz venue are: Carlos Capacho, Latin Jazz Thursdays, March 28; Ann Hampton Callaway: Jazz Goes to the Movies, March 29; Jane Bunnett and Maqueque, March 30; Manuel Valera, April 4; Regina Carter Quartet, April 5, and the John Pizzarelli Trio, April 6, Double Suites by Hilton, 400 Soldiers Field Road, Boston. 617-562-4111, info@scullers-jazz.com.

JOSHUA REDMAN QUARTET

World Music/CRASHarts presents the Joshua Redman Quartet featuring Aaron Goldberg, Reuben Rogers and Gregory Hutchinson, March 31, at 7:30 p.m., at Sanders Theatre, 45 Quincy St., Cambridge.\$30,\$37,\$48,\$58. worldmusic.org, 617-876-4275. Anda Union performs March 29, 8p.m., \$28, at First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, 11 Garden St., Cambridge, \$28, WorldMusic.org, 617-876-4725; Vicente Amigo’s performance March 30 at the Berklee Performance Center, is canceled; and Iberi makes its Boston debut April 4, 7:30 p.m., First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, 11 Garden St., Cambridge, \$28.

THE SONG OF SUMMER

Taibi Mager directs Lauren Yee’s “The Song of Summer” through April 14. With Trinity Repertory Theater, Dowling Theater, 201 Washington St., Providence, RI.

BOSTON CONSERVATORY AT BERKLEE

The musical line-up features “The Consul,” March 28-31, at 8 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. at Boston Conservatory Theater, 31 Hemenway St., Boston. \$25-\$30, discounts also. Cellist Patrice Jackson-Tilghman, performs in the String Masters Series, March 31,8 p.m. and violinist Elmer Gavilan, April 7, 8 p.m., at Scully Hall, 8 Fenway, Boston,\$10-\$15, discounts. bostonconservatory.berklee.edu/events, 617-912-9222.

LYNN AUDITORIUM

Headlining at the Lynn Auditorium in City Hall Square, Lynn, are Jon Anderson of Yes and his 100 Hands Tour, March 29, and Double Dare Live! With host Marc Summers, known as the “messiest game show on the road,” March 30; followed by Billy Idol and Steve Stevens, April 3; 3 City Hall Square, Lynn. 781-599-SHOW; 800-745-3000; LynnAuditorium.com.

HANDEL AND HAYDN SOCIETY

The renowned group per-

forms Purcell’s “Dido and Aeneas,”March 29,31, at New England Conservatory’s Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough St., Boston. handelandhaydn.org.

NOISES OFF

Firehouse Center for the Arts presents night of laughter with Alnoba’s classic British farce, “Noises Off,” through March 31, Market Square, Newburyport. \$25, Firehouse members,10 percent discount. 978-462-7336, firehouse.org.

9 WALLIS ST.

GimmeLive presents Karaoke Night, March 29, free, with DJ Snackzilla; Vanessa Collier, March 30; Victor Wainwright, April 5; Eliza Neals, April 6. 9 Wallis St., downtown Beverly. 978-525-9093.

NEW BLACK EAGLE JAZZ BAND

Special guest Duke Robillard and the New Black Eagle Jazz Band rock The Regattabar at the Charles Hotel, One Bennett St., Harvard Square, Cambridge, on March 27, at 7:30 p.m.\$22; students, \$17. Ralph Towner, March 26; Avishai Cohen Quartet, March 28, and Carla Bley/Andy Sheppard/Steve Swallow, March 29,30,all at 7:30 p.m. Bley and Co. also at 10 p.m. 617-395-7757, regattabarjazz.com.

BOSTON JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

The ReelAbilities Film Festival Boston 2019, taking place in several area theaters, kicks off with opening night film”-Far From the Tree,” March 26, 7 p.m.; The Unquiet Journey of Chamique Holdslaw, 6:30 p.m.,and Bottom Dollars, 7 p.m. March 27, O’Keefe Auditorium; The Rider, March 28; Mind over Matter, March 29; Bethany Hamilton: Unstoppable and Pick of the Litter, March 31; I’ll Push You, April 1; American Veteran and Defiant Lives, April 2; and closing night, April 3,Intelligent Lives. reelabilities.org/boston. bostonjfilm.org.

AN EXPLOSION OF COLORS

Atlantic Works Gallery features new members’ Krystle Vermes, Sandrine Colson, Renato Viganego and Dan Hofstadter’s works through March 30. 80 Border St., Boston. Gallery hours are Fridays, Saturdays, 2-6 p.m., or by appointment, 867-302-8363.

CELEBRATING WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH

Winthrop Cultural Council features the Clock Tower Gallery Exhibit,“Celebrating Women’s History Month,” at EB Newton and Cultural Center, 45 Pauline St., Winthrop. winthropcultural-council.org.

ONEGIN

Sarah Pothier and Christopher Chew star in the US premiere of this passionate, contemporary musical, based on Pushkin’s masterpiece novel and Tchaikovsky’s opera. Through March 31, at Greater Boston Stage Company, 395 Main St., Stoneham. \$50-60; seniors, \$45-55; students with ID,\$20; Thrifty Thursday \$15 at the door, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. 781-279-2200, greaterbostonstage.org.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Degree of difference
- 9 Latin American Christmas festival
- 15 Able to be declared openly
- 16 Periods of boredom
- 17 Changed names
- 18 Expresses contempt
- 19 Darned
- 20 Ship’s cargo capacity
- 21 Resentful
- 22 Superlatively willowy
- 23 Willow
- 24 Muse of comedy
- 25 Ancient Hebrew instrument
- 26 Cowardice
- 30 Beat a retreat
- 31 Footloose
- 32 Hwy. abbr.
- 33 Son or daughter
- 35 Queen’s address
- 36 Tacking on
- 37 Small, pesky insect
- 38 Spruces up
- 41 Snake-bite toxins
- 42 Settling down
- 43 Skunk
- 44 Dieffenbachia and philodendron
- 45 Percolate
- 46 Debtor
- 47 Long-tongued predator
- 48 Set a tax on
- 49 Like the blackest nights

DOWN

- 1 Pressed paper pulp material
- 2 Print too many
- 3 Marginal writings
- 4 Chirrup
- 5 Working cat
- 6 More competent
- 7 Rosebud in “Citizen Kane”
- 8 Kennedy or Turner
- 9 Deadly
- 10 Approaching
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- 12 Migraine precursors
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- 31 Toxic ocean blooms
- 34 Cochineal pigment
- 35 Twenty Questions classification
- 37 Heat, e.g.
- 38 Stairway, in Milano
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- 40 Athol Fugard play, “A Lesson from ___”
- 41 Lake formed by
- 43 Akosombo Dam
- 43 Quantity of blood
- 45 Notes in scales

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Bailey, John D	Nickerson, Joanne A	73 Eutaw St	\$650,000
Allen, Robert	Lexington Prescott LLC	249 Lexington St #1	\$462,000
35 Leydon Street LLC	35-37 Leyden Street RT	35 Leyden St	\$1,350,000
Hameroff, Matthew S	Meridian 65 LLC	65 Meridian St #3	\$510,000
Felos, Anthony	Meridian 65 LLC	65 Meridian St #5	\$829,000
Hopkins, Aaron	Raindre, Charles-Henri	156 Porter St #223	\$548,000
Nguyen, Quy T	Casamassima, John A	376 Sumner St	\$898,000
Belhumeur, Daniel	Trenton Brooks LLC	91 Trenton St #1	\$555,000

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Social Security and OIG launch public service announcement campaign

The Social Security Administration (SSA) and its Office of the Inspector General (OIG) launched a joint Public Service Announcement (PSA) campaign addressing a nationwide telephone impersonation scheme. Social Security and the OIG continue to receive reports from across the country about fraudulent phone calls from people falsely claiming to be Social Security employees. Calls can even “spoof” Social Security’s national customer service number as the incoming number on the caller ID. The new PSAs will air on TV and radio stations across the country to alert the public to remain vigilant against potential fraud.

“We urge you to always be cautious and to avoid providing sensitive information such as your Social Security number or bank account information to unknown people over the phone or Internet,” said Nancy A. Berryhill, Acting Commissioner of Social Security. “If you receive a call and are not expecting one, you must be extra careful – you can always get the caller’s information, hang up, and contact the official phone number of the business or agency the caller claims to represent. Do not reveal personal data to a

stranger who calls you.”

Social Security employees do occasionally contact people—generally those who have ongoing business with the agency—by telephone for business purposes. However, Social Security employees will never threaten a person or promise a Social Security benefit approval, or increase, in exchange for information. In those cases, the call is fraudulent and people should not engage with the caller. If a person receives these calls, he or she should report the information to the OIG Fraud Hotline at 1-800-269-0271 or online at <https://oig.ssa.gov/report>.

“These calls appear to be happening across the country, so we appreciate SSA’s partnership in this national public outreach effort,” said Gail S. Ennis, the Inspector General for the Social Security Administration. “Our message to the public is simply this: If you or someone you know receives a questionable call claiming to be from SSA or the OIG, just hang up.”

The new PSA addressing the telephone impersonation scheme is available online at www.youtube.com/socialsecurity.

Metro Credit Union announces new growth and expansion

Robert Cashman, President and CEO of Metro Credit Union, announces that Metro has embarked upon major strategic investments in technology, physical locations and talent. These ambitious developments are part of a deliberate strategy to prepare for continuing and projected business growth of Metro’s members and communities. In support of these initiatives, Metro is seeking to leverage the diverse local talent pool to fill critical roles in member service, systems processing, product sales and business development. The Credit Union is seeking to attract top talent that will enable Metro to expand its workforce and deliver high quality service to members.

Metro currently has a number of large-scale expansion projects in motion:

- The Credit Union is close to completing the initial phase of a multi-year project to upgrade its technology infrastructure. This new intuitive technology environment will offer Metro members the ability to achieve their financial goals within a seamless, interconnected banking experience. Over 100 Metro employees are involved in this comprehensive initiative to choose a new core system, online banking system, debit card processing system and call center phone system.
- With the recent expansion of its Mortgage Originations Team, Metro has opened new sales production offices in Danvers and Boston to focus on expanding mortgage offerings in those markets. Mortgage Originators are located in every Metro branch and throughout Metro’s service territory, providing customized loan solutions to meet the needs of today’s homebuyers.
- Furthering its commitment to the Boston market, Metro is expanding its Member Service Center and creating new job opportunities with the opening of a satellite Call Center at Metro’s Mass.

Ave location.

- Metro is leveraging the expansion of its technology infrastructure to advance its commercial capabilities and expand its Commercial Lending Team, with a focus on delivering valuable resources and customized solutions to business members.
- In response to growing requests from New Hampshire residents, Metro recently expanded its outreach to include the New Hampshire counties of Hillsborough and Rockingham, adding to the eight counties in Massachusetts that define Metro’s field of membership.
- Metro has selected Mechanica of Newburyport, MA as its agency of record. The strategic and creative agency is tasked with all communications efforts for the brand, including creative, planning and engagement strategies to broaden and differentiate Metro’s momentum and growth.

“Metro continuously seeks opportunities to provide the best in service to our members,” says Cashman. “These expansion initiatives are designed to provide the capacity we will require to expand our services to meet the needs of our growing membership. We have an opportunity to acquire highly skilled candidates to strengthen our teams as we develop multiple strategic projects in technology and continue to add new locations.”

About Metro Credit Union

Metro Credit Union is the largest state-chartered credit union in Massachusetts, approaching \$1.9 billion in assets. Metro provides a full range of financial products to more than 200,000 members in Essex, Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable, Bristol and Worcester counties in Massachusetts, and Rockingham and Hillsborough counties in New Hampshire, as well as to employees of over 1,200 companies through its Metro@work program.

OBITUARIES

Janice Florentine
Of East Boston and Lynnfield

Janice E. Florentine of East Boston and Lynnfield passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Sunday, March 24 at the age of 71.

She was the beloved wife of the late Arthur “Artie” Smith, Jr., loving mother of John Giammarco and his wife, Leah of Lynnfield, cherished sister of Larry Florentino and his wife, Andrea of Lynn and the late Frank “Brother” Florentine and his late wife, Carol; adored grandmother of Kayla, John Jr. and Nicholas and great-grandmother of Connor. She is also survived by her loving nephews: Erik and his wife, Stacy and their daughter, Eriana and Robert

and his wife, Emily and their son, R.J. as well as many friends. She was “Nana Janice” to Zara, Holland, Seamus and Sile. Family and friends will celebrate Janice’s life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights) East Boston on Saturday, March 30 from noon to 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Janice’s memory may be made to the Hallmark Health VNA and Hospice, Inc. 178 Savin Street, Suite 300, Malden, MA 02148 or you may visit them on the web at hallmarkhealthhomecare.org. For more information, please visit: www.ruggieromh.com.

John “Butch” McCarthy
Of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston

John “Butch” McCarthy of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away surrounded by his loving family on March 23 at the age of 79.

He was the loving long-time partner of the late Carol Avola, devoted father of Raymond and Michael Avola, dear brother of Sharon Martin, Rosemarie Cogliano and

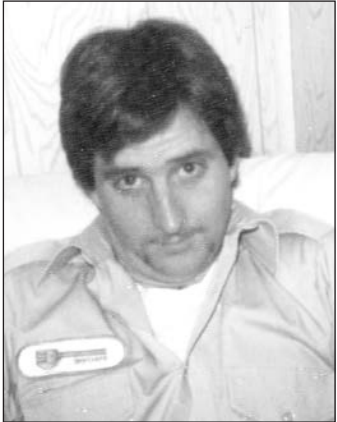
the late Geraldine McCarthy and the cherished grandfather of Carolyn and Mario. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

A memorial service for Butch will be scheduled for a later date. For more information, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Ronald Stanley Saltzman
Of Jamaica Plain, formerly of East Boston

Ronald Stanley Saltzman of Jamaica Plain, formerly of East Boston, passed away on Feb. 6. He was 62 years old.

He is survived by his former wife, Joanne Viarella Stone and Joseph Stone and his daughters, Kristen Saltzman J.D. of Woburn, Desiree Dipaolo and her husband, Peter Dipaolo of Revere and his grandchildren, Joseph Vitale Luca and Mikaela Dipaolo. He is also survived by his uncle, Leonard Saltzman of Andover, his brother and sister, Alan Saltzman and Kerri-Ann Tobin and many nieces and nephews.



A memorial service was held on Friday, March 22 at Sacred Heart Church, 45 Brooks St., East Boston.

Mary McCauley
Retired waitress

Mary M. McCauley, an East Boston native and longtime Revere resident, who passed following a brief illness on Sunday, March 24 at the Winchester Rehabilitation & Nursing Center of Winchester. She was 95 years old.

Her funeral will be conducted from the Vertuccio & Smith Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway, Revere, today, Wednesday, March 27 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church (Corner of Beach St. & Winthrop Ave.) Revere at 10:30 a.m. and immediately followed by interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Born, raised and educated in East Boston, she was a graduate of East Boston High School, Class of 1941.

Mary worked during her early years as a waitress at several of the venues at Logan Airport and at the former Reardon’s Restaurant of Revere. She, lastly, was employed at Cerretani’s Market, Inc. in Revere as a clerk, a job she enjoyed.

Mary had a large and outgoing personality, always, a smile and always a laugh.

Foremost in her world was her late beloved husband, Peter E. McCauley, Sr., who passed in August of 2009.

She was the devoted mother of Virginia A. Cerretani of Revere, Peter E. McCau-



ley Jr. and his wife, Marion “Meg” of Orlando, Florida and Donna M. Testa and her husband, Lawrence of Reading. She was the cherished grandmother of Alexandra C. and Ashley M. Testa, both of Reading, GianPaolo Cerretani of Revere and Kelli Y. McCauley of Orlando, Florida; She was the dear sister of the late Loretta M. Gianino-Conroy, Anne V. Nagle, Harold “Happy” McCormick, Leonard McCormick, Vincent “Lefty” McCormick and Leo McCormick.

She is also lovingly survived by her faithful friends, Suzanne Dubuque of Reading and Nora Moscia of Lynnfield.

Remembrances may be made to the Patient Activities Fund at Winchester Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 223 Swanton St., Winchester, MA 01890. For more information, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

George James Marshall
Of Charlestown

George James Marshall of Charlestown, formerly of Saugus and Revere, passed away peacefully at Massachusetts General Hospital surrounded by his family on March 21. He was 39 years old. George, who was born on Sept. 22, 1979, lived his early years in East Boston.

He was the loving son of Nancy Marshall and the late Robert Marshall of Saugus and is also survived by his brother, Stephen Mosley and his wife, Paula of Saugus, his brother, Robert Marshall Jr. and sister, Rosemary Marshall. He is also survived by his nieces, Ashley and Nicole Mosley.

George will also be remembered and missed by his friends, housemates and the wonderful staff that cared for

George at his Charlestown residence.

Family and friends are invited to visit at the Ruggiero Family Funeral Home, 971 Saratoga Street, East Boston today, Wednesday, March 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. and again on Thursday morning at 8:30 before leaving in a funeral procession to Sacred Heart Church, 45 Brooks Street, East Boston for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass in celebration of George’s life. Services will conclude with George being laid to rest at Lakeside Cemetery in Wakefield. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Franciscan Children’s Hospital, 30 Warren Street, Brighton, MA 02135. For more information, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Jodi Anne Ravida
Retired Boston School Psychologist

Jodi Anne Ravida of Lynn, formerly of East Boston, died on March 14. She was 78 years old.



The devoted mother of: Joseph C. Ravida and his wife, Kimberly of Groveland, Jonathan J. Ravida of Lynn, Jerry J. Ravida of East Boston and Traci Ravida of Saugus, she is also survived by two granddaughters, Rebecca A. Parnell, wife to Scott Parnell and Brianna M. Ravida of East Boston and two great-grandchildren, Aubry and Connor Parnell.

Jodi had recently moved to Lynn after being a lifelong resident of East Boston. She retired from her work as school psychologist with the City of Boston and was a member of the Teachers Union. She had her own private practice and spent many years devoted to specialized work in early childhood development and to children with disabilities from drug addicted pregnancies.

She proudly served her country in the United States Marine Corp (Woman Marines). Jodi held a PhD in psychology with thesis work done at MGH on Death and Dying. She was a writer, teacher and

inventor of Trauma Box (tm) therapeutic therapy. She was a lover of learning, music and the arts and a member of VFW post 6712 of Beachmont. A pioneer and true believer in continuous learning through experience towards inflation of one’s past standards to achieve and promote greater wisdom for all..... Semper Fi mother Marine. Visitation in the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere will be held on Saturday, March 30 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. followed by a Prayer Service at 2:30 p.m. in the funeral home. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Donations on her behalf can sponsor college savings plans or a cancer research charity. For guest book please visit www.Buonfiglio.com.

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Joyce Rosemarie Ruiz Martinez To all persons interested in petition described: A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Joyce Rosemarie Ruiz Martinez of East Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Joyce Rosemarie Ruiz Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suf-

folk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/11/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 22, 2019 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 3/27/19 EB



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The Metropolitan Beaches Commission (MBC) will hold nine public hearings in the winter and spring of 2019 in waterfront communities from Nahant to Nantasket to receive public input about the state of the beaches. The hearing for East Boston will be held on Tuesday, April 9, from 6-8 p.m. at the Orient Heights Yacht Club.

“The region’s public beaches are important recreational, economic, and educational assets,” said State Sen. Brendan Crighton, Senate Co-Chair of the MBC. “Working together we have made our beaches cleaner, safer and more accessible, and I am looking forward to continuing our work together this year.”

“Constitution Beach is one of East Boston’s most valuable assets,” said Sen. Joseph Boncore, who serves on the Metropolitan Beaches Commission. “The MBC works tirelessly to protect our natural resources to ensure

they are accessible for generations to come.”

The Metropolitan Beaches Commission was created in 2006 by the Massachusetts Legislature to make findings and recommendations on ways to strengthen the Boston metropolitan region’s 15 public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull which are managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). The Commission is comprised of elected officials and community, civic, nonprofit, and business leaders from Boston and the metropolitan region’s waterfront neighborhoods and beachfront communities.

In 2013, the Commission reconvened to examine the impacts of the reforms and recommendations made in its first report and issue additional findings and recommendations to better leverage these resources for residents in

the future.

“Boston Harbor, the waterfront, and Constitution Beach are important to residents across East Boston,” said Rep. Adrian Madaro of East Boston, who serves on the Metropolitan Beaches Commission. “I look forward to hearing from stakeholders and members of our community on how to make Constitution Beach even better.”

The Commission will release its third report on the state of the metropolitan beaches in late spring after the hearings are completed. During the last round of hearings more than a thousand people participated, helping the Commission understand what’s working and what could use improvement.

“One of the most important lessons we have learned is that the region’s residents really love their beaches, and have great ideas about how to make them better,” said Bruce Berman, Di-

rector of Strategy and Communications at Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, which has helped to lead and manage the Commission since its inception. “We look forward to hearing from the residents of Hull and all those who love Nantasket Beach.”

Each hearing will give community members and beachgoers the chance to share their thoughts on the state of their beach, and share their ideas and recommendations to make them even better. The Commission will hold a hearing in late May to review its draft findings with the public before releasing their final report in June. The Commission will hold hearings in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, and Hull between February and May 2019. The MBC held a hearing in Quincy in August of 2018, and the feedback received will also be included in the Commission’s report.



Many residents gather on Constitution Beach to watch the show.

The 2019 Metropolitan Beaches Commission hearings will be held on the following dates:

- Tuesday March 5th – Hull
- Tuesday March 19th – Lynn and Nahant
- Saturday March 30th – Dorchester
- Tuesday April 9th – East Boston
- Tuesday April 30th – Revere
- Saturday May 4th – South Boston
- Tuesday May 14th – Winthrop
- Saturday May 18th – Regional Review
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