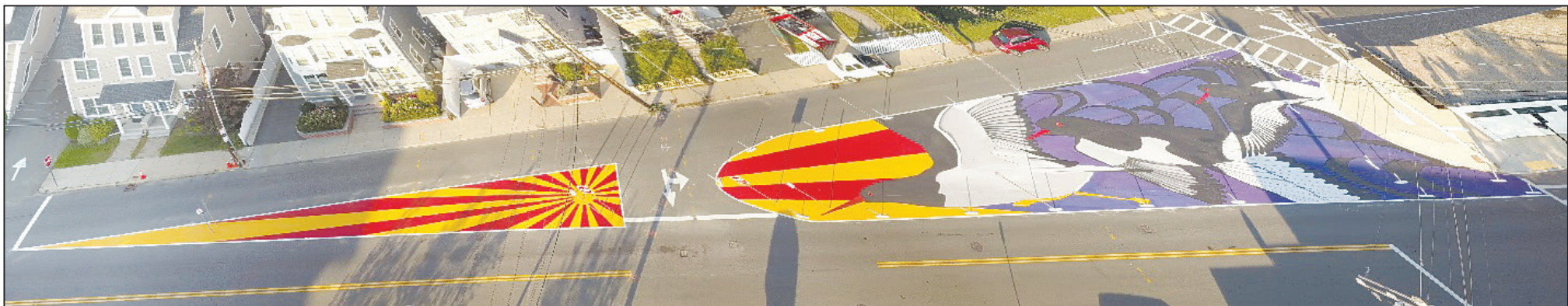


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This aerial view shows how celebrated Colombian artist Felipe Ortiz turned the intersection at Ashley and Boardman Streets into a work of art.

## Celebrated Colombian artist Felipe Ortiz turns Eastie intersection into work of art

By John Lynds

Anyone who lives in Orient Heights knows the area near the Marty Pino Community Center where Ashley Street dumps out onto Boardman can be a dangerous area for pedestrians and motorists.

With a community center and neighboring Noyes Park hosting hundreds of children each week once the weather gets warm the city has heard enough complaints about the intersection to begin trying something different.

Since last March the Boston Transportation Department has deployed

a host of different traffic calming measures including installing permanent traffic cones to demonstrate the city's plan to transform the triangular intersection into a more user friendly area for motorists and pedestrians.

Recently, Redgate, the developers of the 230-unit apartment community on Addison Street, teamed up with the City of Boston's Tactical Urbanism Initiative to create a safer intersection at Ashley and Boardman streets.

Redgate commissioned celebrated Colombian artist Felipe Ortiz to turn the portion of the troubled in-

tersection within the traffic cones into a work of art.

Ortiz's now completed mural incorporates imagery of native wildlife from Belle Isle Marsh into a public art piece for all to enjoy while drawing attention to the traffic calming measures that have been deployed by the city.

The commissioning of Ortiz was part of a community benefits mitigation package in connection with Redgate's Addison Street project and was funded through the Addison project in collaboration with the tactical urbanism initiative

"The place we have created at Addison is very welcoming and hopefully inspiring to the artist community, and these wonderful pieces of public art reflect that idea," said Damian Szary, a Principal at Redgate. "Felipe's street mural not only has created great beauty for all of East Boston to appreciate, but it will actually contribute to improved public safety at the Ashley and Boardman intersection."

Ortiz's unique murals are a fusion of artistic themes representing the urban scenery from the U.S., its vast landscape, and fast-paced urban en-

vironments. In addition to Colombia's vibrant culture, colors, sounds and dense natural scenery. For this mural at Ashley and Boardman, Ortiz took both of these factors and put them down taking nature's elements from Eastie.

This is not the first time Redgate has commissioned local artists for work in the community. The developer hired cross-medium artist Mia Cross also created a dra-

matic interior painting which is the signature feature of Addison Street project's lobby.

Cross, a Boston-based artist who is originally from Framingham – has been featured in numerous galleries and exhibits throughout New England and New York, and her work lives in private collections throughout Europe and the United States.

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## Boston Licensing Board approves new restaurant

By John Lynds

Last week the Boston Licensing Board approved plans for a new 'pan-Latin' restaurant on the corner of Border and Decatur Street inside a commercial space created by NOAH (East Boston Neighborhood of Affordable Housing) as part of its Coppersmith Village project.

According to the proposal before the Licensing Board last week, Pearl & Lime Restaurant, which will be managed and partially owned by lifelong Eastie resident Vanik Hacopian, plans to obtain a seven day all alcoholic license for the planned 3,626 square foot restaurant. Attorney Andrew Upton told the board his clients plan to create 3,071 square feet inside and an additional 555 square foot seasonal outdoor patio with 40 seats. Upton said the patio would close by 10 a.m. but the indoor portion of the restaurant would remain open until 1 a.m.

"Pearl and Lime is a fresh pan-Latin concept with neighborhood price points and a commit-



Eastie resident Vanik Hacopian talks about his new restaurant concept at last week's Licensing Board hearing.

ment to being part of the community," said Upton. "Fresh food and a comfortable modern atmosphere and decor will be the calling cards of this new neighborhood restaurant. The character and fitness of this applicant is clear. This is the team that's behind Pearl and Lime in Quincy and are a family friendly, fresh pan-Latin concept that has become a neighborhood fixture and has had no violations or complaints from their neighbors. They've proven this concept and are excited about this East Boston location. Further their landlord, NOAH, has chosen this team due to their sensitivity to the residents, the neighbors and the community."

The planned restaurant approved last week received support from City Councilor Lydia Edwards and Rep. Adrian Madero as well as the Maverick Square Neighborhood Association (MSNA).

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## City Councilor Edwards becomes Senator-elect Edwards

By John Lynds

Yesterday, voters in East Boston and the rest of the First Suffolk & Middlesex district went to the polls and elected City Councilor Lydia Edwards to serve as their next state senator. Once sworn in Edwards will become the first woman and the first person of color to represent the district.

"I am grateful to the people of Boston, Cambridge, Revere and Winthrop for sending me to Beacon Hill to fight for our communities," said Senator-Elect Edwards. "I know how to fight for what you believe in, build a movement and win, and I am looking forward to continuing the work in the state house. When in 2014 we passed the Domestic Workers Bill of Rights, we showed the world that nannies and house cleaners can write laws: they know as workers, as women, as immigrants and people of color, about the



Senator-Elect Lydia Edwards.

dignity they deserve and they know when our government needs to do more to guarantee their rights

and wellbeing."

Edwards continued, "Like so many in our communities, I know what

it's like to be unable to afford school lunch, to lose a job and panic about next month's rent, to live each day breathing in air pollution and to worry about tomorrow as the sea levels continue to rise. Together, with our pain and purpose, we will fight for laws and the social conditions that protect people, communities and our planet. I am excited for the journey ahead."

The election took place across the district during Tuesday's frigid state general election and included Wards and Precincts in Eastie, Revere, Winthrop, the North End, Beacon Hill, Bay Village, Chinatown, the South End and Cambridgeport. With no Republican challenger on the ballot Edwards's win was all but guaranteed Tuesday.

Edwards defeated Revere School Committee member Anthony D'Ambrosio during the Decem-

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Celebrating 45 Years of helping older adults keep their independence, Mystic Valley Elder Services is a non-profit agency located in Malden, Mass., that provides essential home- and community-based care and resources to older adults, adults living with disabilities, and caregivers who reside in Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Revere, Stoneham, Wakefield and Winthrop, regardless of their income level. Agency services include coordination of home care, transportation, Meals on Wheels, and information and referrals. For more information, please call (781) 324-7705 or visit [www.mves.org](http://www.mves.org).

# WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY: CHECK CO ALARMS AND KEEP VENTS CLEAR OF SNOW

With the season's first significant snow, State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey reminded residents to test their carbon monoxide (CO) alarms and keep dryer, furnace, and other exhaust vents clear of snow.

“Carbon monoxide is the leading cause of fatal poisoning, and home heating equipment is the primary source of carbon monoxide in the home,” State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said. “As part of your storm planning, check your CO alarms to be sure they’re working properly, and if an alarm is more than five to seven years old, replace it.”

Residents should also be sure to keep outside vents clear of falling, drifting, or shoveled snow. In January 2005, 7-year-old Nicole Garofalo died when a heating vent was blocked by snow drifts outside, allowing carbon monoxide to accumulate inside her Plymouth home. This tragedy led to Nicole's Law, which requires CO alarms on every habitable level of a Massachusetts residence.

“Fuel-fired heating appliances like dryers, furnaces, boilers, and fireplaces are all sources of carbon monoxide,” State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said. “If the vent or flue is blocked, this poisonous gas can reach deadly lev-

els inside the home. Know where the vents on your home are, be sure to clear them when shoveling, and be careful not to blow snow onto them if using a

For more information on carbon monoxide and CO alarms, visit the DFS website.

It takes more than a few flakes to deter letter carriers from making their appointed rounds throughout New England. "But, if they cannot reach your mailbox, they cannot deliver your mail," said David Guiney, Postmaster of Boston.

“The Postal Service treats safety and service with equal priority,” Guiney said, “That’s why we remind you to include that mailbox in your snow removal routine.”

Letter carriers are on the front line of severe weather conditions. Doorstep deliveries, painted porches and steps quickly grow hazardous. "While salting and rubber-backed mats help, we rely on you to clear the snow," Guiney said. "If there's a warm spell, and the melting snow puddles, a quick freeze can make a sidewalk slick again."

Residents who receive delivery to roadside mailboxes also must keep the approach to, and exit from, the mailbox clear of snow or any other obstacles, like trash cans and other vehicles. "The carrier needs to get in, and then out, without leaving the vehicle or backing up," said Guiney. "The area near the mailbox should be cleared in a half-moon shape to give the carrier full visibility."

"Please watch for slow-moving postal vehicles, carriers on foot, and children that play near mailboxes or snow banks," he said. "And don't zip by neighbors who are clearing mailboxes or collecting their mail. Let's all stay safe."

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

Gabriela Coletta, candidate for the District 1 Boston City Council seat, representing the neighborhoods of East Boston, North End and Charlestown announced her year-end fundraising totals today. Gabriela officially opened her campaign finance account on Monday, December 27, 2021 and has already raised more than \$50,000 from 243 individual donors.

"I'm humbled by the overwhelming support shown by my neighbors, friends and family in such a short period of time," said Coletta. "Throughout my career, I've worked tirelessly to ensure women have access to elected office, so I am honored by how many people have already joined my team. The majority of these contributions are small donations from families and individuals across Charlestown, East Boston and the North End. I am proud to run such an inclusive campaign with support from

each corner of this district and will continue to grow my campaign over the coming weeks.”

Coletta is the first candidate to announce her funding, raising the impressive amount in just one week. All candidates are required to disclose their fundraising in the new year.

Colletta has served the communities of Charlestown, East Boston and the North End for the entirety of her career. She is the current External Relations manager for the New England Aquarium and previously served as Lydia Edwards's Chief of Staff on the City Council. The Council seat is being vacated by Edwards, a date for the election will be set in the coming weeks.

About Gabriela:  
Gabriela Coletta has dedicated her entire life working in service to others and empowering her neighbors to become involved in local democracy. She's currently the Exter-

nal Relations Manager at the New England Aquarium where she advocates for a more resilient, inclusive, and accessible waterfront for all Bostonians. She is the former Chief of Staff to Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards for three and a half years serving the neighborhoods of Charlestown, East Boston, and the North End. Prior to that, Gabriela has worked to elect women across the Commonwealth including as Councilor Edwards campaign manager during her successful 2017 run and as Associate Director at the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus. She was also the Field Director for State Representative Adrian Madaro (D-East Boston) and subsequently his Community Liaison for over four years. For more information, please visit [gabrielaconoletta.com](http://gabrielaconoletta.com).

The following article was submitted by the campaign to elect Gabriela Coletta.

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## WE MUST NEVER FORGET THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

As we were watching the recent coverage by the media of the events of a year ago on January 6, we were struck by the contrast between the Trump Mob's violent storming of the Capitol and the many peaceful marches on Washington that have occurred during our lifetime.

Perhaps the most-famous of the non-violent protests occurred on a steamy summer day in August, 1963, when more than 250,000 Americans from all across the country gathered at the Lincoln Memorial to demand "jobs and freedom," an event that was climaxed by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s immortal "I Have a Dream" speech.

The March on Washington was famous not only for Dr. King's iconic words, but also because the unprecedented mass gathering of Americans was completely calm. Pundits and others had predicted rioting, but there were no arrests, no incidents, no violence -- a stark contrast to the events perpetrated by Trump's Mob.

The March on Washington and Dr. King's many other peaceful protests of that era galvanized support for the goals of "jobs and freedom," eventually resulting in laws such as the Voting Rights Act and the Civil Rights Act that ended segregation in the South and discrimination in the North.

Even though the best efforts of a revered figure such as Dr. King could not stem the tide of violent rioting that marked the 1960s, most notably Watts in 1965, Detroit in 1967, and Chicago in 1968, it is Dr. King's legacy of peaceful protest that endures today.

For those of us old enough to remember the 1960s, it's hard to believe that it has been almost 54 years since Dr. King was assassinated while he was standing on a balcony in a motel room in Memphis, where Dr. King was marching to show his solidarity with that city's striking trash collection workers.

Every school child for the past generation knows well the story of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. But an elementary school textbook cannot truly convey the extent to which he brought about real change in our country. To anyone under the age of 50, Dr. King is just another historical figure.

But for those of us who can recall the 1960s, a time when racial segregation was lawful throughout half of our country and a stealthy racism prevailed throughout the other half, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. stands out as one of the great leaders in American history, a man whose stirring words and dedication to his cause changed forever the historical trajectory of race relations in America, a subject that some historians refer to as the Original Sin of the American experience.

However, as much as things have changed for the better since 1968 in terms of racial equality in our society, the events of the past year -- from the January 6 riot to the countless voter-restriction laws aimed at minority communities in Southern states -- also have made it clear that we still have a long way to go before it can be said, as Dr. King put it in his speech at the Lincoln Memorial in 1963: "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

"What would Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. do if he were alive today?" we often ask ourselves. We can't say for sure, but we do know that although Dr. King accomplished much in his lifetime, he would be the first to understand that the work for which he gave his life still is far from done.

Dr. King advocated for non-violent protest and he practiced what he preached. That's a lesson that must be re-learned by each succeeding generation. We can only hope that his courage and perseverance will continue to inspire present and future Americans to bring about a world in which all persons are treated with fairness, dignity, and respect.



# Forum

## GUEST OP-ED

## The way to combat the horror of Jan. 6, is to abolish the filibuster

By Assistant Speaker  
Katherine Clark (MA-5)

In 1787, upon exiting the Constitutional Convention, Benjamin Franklin was approached by a group of people who asked him what kind of government the delegates had created. His answer: "A republic, if you can keep it."

On January 6, 2021, we almost lost it.

As I approached the Capitol one year ago today, rioters waving white supremacist flags were at the top of the Capitol steps. The smell of tear gas and an angry roar filled the air. For seven years, I had been coming to my Capitol Hill office, prepping for hearings, writing remarks, preparing for votes and meeting with constituents. But that day, my home away from home, our nation's democratic heart, was on fire.

I spent the next six hours alone in my office checking in on colleagues and staff. I was in disbelief that this was happening in our country and praying no one would be harmed.

Even now, I can't comprehend the violence, destruction, and mayhem of that afternoon.

But finally, in the late hours of January 6, with broken glass and blood on the floors, we certified the election of Joe Biden. A few weeks later, I at-

tended President Biden's inauguration on the very platform the rioters had scaled. As I listened to the familiar question of the national anthem—"does that star-spangled banner yet wave?"—it took on a new poignancy and answer: for now.

The Capitol building has been repaired. But the threats we face are as real now as they were a year ago. Despite a seditious coup attempt meant to overthrow the election, not a single piece of federal voting protection legislation has been signed into law.

In fact, Republicans continue to lead a coordinated effort to push misinformation and erode voting rights. Encouraged by Republican party leaders and lawmakers, 68 percent of Republican voters believe the November 2020 election was fraudulent—even though there is zero evidence to support this false claim. In 2021 alone, 33 voter suppression laws have been passed in 19 states across America, and more than 425 bills with provisions that restrict voting have been introduced.

Democracy cannot survive voter suppression laws that substitute the will of the people for the will of a few.

In response, House Democrats passed H.R. 1, the For the People Act,

in March, a package of pro-democracy and anti-corruption reforms that will reduce the influence of money in politics, strengthen ethics laws, ensure accurate elections, and protect voting rights. In July, we passed H.R. 4, the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, to restore key protections of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, modernize it, and protect voters from discrimination. And in December, we passed the Protecting Our Democracy Act to strengthen America's democratic institutions and protect them against future presidents who seek to abuse the power of their office.

But as of this writing, they are all languishing in the Senate.

The vast majority of Republicans in the House and Senate simply won't put democracy ahead of their own desperate pursuit of power. Every day, they attack our democracy by promoting the Big Lie, refusing to participate in the January 6 investigation, and supporting voter suppression laws. They have proven time and again that their political goal is undermining our democracy instead of standing up for its survival.

So, we must go it alone. And to do that, we must abolish the filibuster.

In the past year, it has

become clear that the Senate filibuster has been weaponized against voting rights. The filibuster was designed to give the minority party in the Senate a counter to simple majority rule. In practice, a Senator could speak on the floor to stall a vote and attempt to sway their colleagues to join them in opposition by prolonging debate. In the decades since, the filibuster rule has been modified four times, changing from a rare practice that required standing on the Senate floor for hours at a time into its current form: a routine, 60-vote supermajority requirement for almost every piece of legislation.

Our country's future depends on our ability to be honest about the prospects of bipartisanship, the state of the Republican Party, and what we all witnessed on January 6. President Biden, too, has acknowledged that we can't allow the filibuster to stand in the way of passing voting rights legislation.

We must abolish the current filibuster to protect the vote and fair elections. The future of the republic depends on it.

*Katherine Marlea Clark is a United States representative for Massachusetts's 5th congressional district, and as the assistant House Democratic leader.*

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- Continue to wear a mask around others for an additional 5 days.

If you have mild cold like symptoms

- Stay at home for 5 days.

- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are improving after 5 days, you can leave your house.

- If you have a fever, continue to stay at home until your fever resolves.

- Continue to wear a mask around others for an additional 5days.

- If your symptoms are concerning, please call your primary care provider for a telehealth visit.

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## Archdiocese of Boston extends mask requirements for masses

In the light of the continued growth in the numbers of new COVID cases, Cardinal Seán is extending the current mask mandate.

It is mandated that that throughout the Archdiocese of Boston all people attending public Masses, includ-

ing weddings and funerals, wear masks. This is an extension of the mandate currently in effect, and expires on Thursday, March 3, 2022, which is the day after Ash Wednesday.

Mass celebrants, deacons, readers, servers,

choir members, and instrumentalists, must all wear masks except when they are speaking.

Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks.

In addition, all churches must continue to provide a designated area in which social distancing is respected for those who want to use it.

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# Baker-Polito administration secures contract for 26 million rapid antigen tests

The Baker-Polito Administration announced an order was placed with iHealth to supply the state with 26 million rapid antigen tests over the next three months. The tests will be prioritized to support K-12 schools and childcare settings. The agreement allows for shipments of tests to arrive on a rolling basis in the Commonwealth, but the Administration warns that the timing and shipment amounts will vary depending on international shipping and production variables.

The Baker-Polito Ad-

ministration also released a public health advisory this week to advise all residents on when to seek tests for COVID-19. The advisory advises all residents to seek COVID-19 tests when exhibiting COVID symptoms, or five days following a known close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID pursuant to MA DPH quarantine and isolation protocols, updated as of December 29 in accordance with the new CDC guidance.

The new isolation protocols do not require a

COVID-19 test to exit isolation after having COVID. This general rule also applies to childcare and K-12.

The new quarantine protocols recommend, but do not require, all exposed individuals get a test five days after exposure. Exposed individuals do not need to quarantine in the following circumstances:

- If fully vaccinated and not yet eligible to receive a booster OR
- If fully vaccinated and have received their booster OR
- If they had COVID

and it is less than 90 days since they were diagnosed.

DPH advises that a positive COVID-19 rapid antigen does not need to be confirmed with a PCR test.

DPH recommends individuals that have COVID symptoms and test negative with a rapid antigen test should isolate and either repeat an antigen test or get a PCR test in 24-48 hours if they continue to exhibit symptoms. Additionally, DPH does not advise employers, or schools and childcare, to require a test as a condition of returning to work or school.

Vaccination and getting a booster remain the best possible protection against COVID. There are almost 1,000 locations in the Commonwealth for residents to receive a COVID-19 vaccine or booster. Visit VaxFinder.mass.gov to book an appointment.

Massachusetts National Guard

Governor Baker also today activated 500 additional members of the Massachusetts National Guard to support the state's health care system. This order expands the Nation-

al Guard activation of 500 members announced on December 21 to support non-clinical functions in the Commonwealth's hospitals. Prioritized uses for the newly activated 500 members will be to provide additional non-clinical staffing at community hospitals and high-volume emergency departments, public hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and dialysis centers. These guard personnel will be deployed beginning the week of January 17.

## Suffolk County DA Kevin Hayden Sworn in

District Attorney Kevin Hayden hit the ground running on his first day after being sworn into office by Gov. Charlie Baker by naming Boston defense attorney Kevin R. Mullen as his first assistant district attorney and announcing the formation of a transition team to help review office policies.

“The Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office is staffed with exceptional attorneys and non-lawyers who are dedicated to justice and nurturing safe communities. That will not change with my administration,” DA Hayden said. “I am returning home by coming back to the office where I started my legal career. I could not be prouder to lead this office, which is so critical to preventing crime and harm in Boston, Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop.”

DA Hayden’s first action was to name Mullen, who was an ADA with DA Hayden in the 1990s, as his first assistant. In addition to his work as a Suffolk County prosecutor, Mullen, from Dorchester, has worked as a criminal defense attorney and been appointed a special



Gov. Charlie Baker (left) and District Attorney Kevin Hayden.

prosecutor in other counties, frequently for cases where the DA’s office was presented with a potential conflict of interest. First ADA Mullen was sworn in today as well.

One of the priorities of DA Hayden is to reduce the number of illegal guns in the county to determine the proposer course of prosecution in each situation. “I am beginning a comprehensive review of all the gun cases pending in this office; each one has the potential to cause great harm to our communities,” said DA Hayden. “The harm that guns cause is incalculable and we must do everything in

our power, use every tool at our disposal, to reduce that harm.”

In addition, DA Hayden said he will meet with staff members, law enforcement partners, elected officials, and community partners, to engage in how best to support the communities of Suffolk County. He is also forming a transition committee which will be comprised of people who live, work and worship in Suffolk County to review SCDAO policies and make recommendations on how to improve performance.

“I am excited to start and humbled by the appointment,” said DA Hayden.

## OHNC meeting set for January 18

The next Orient Heights Neighborhood Council (OHNC) Meeting is Tuesday, January 18.

Location: Zoom  
Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m., but the Zoom link will open at 6 p.m. to get acclimated. The meeting will be recorded.

Zoom meeting link: <https://bit.ly/OHNCJan18>

Passcode: OHNC  
Meeting Information and Protocol

- All participants will be muted upon entry and during presentations. Questions and comments to those presenting can be asked using the chat or “raise hand” feature of the Zoom platform. If there is a lull in conversation you may feel free to unmute but please be considerate of others attempting to participate at the same time. All submissions submitted via the chat will be read aloud by the OHNC host. Anyone unable to use the chat feature is welcome to email questions and comments to [OrientHeightsNC@gmail.com](mailto:OrientHeightsNC@gmail.com) and they will be passed on to the presenters.

- Attendance will be taken via a Google Form and responses will only be accepted from the start of the meeting until the end. Marking your attendance ensures your voter eligibility. Voters must have attended two out of the three regularly scheduled OHNC meetings or be an abutter to the property being voted on. The sign-in form will be posted in the Zoom chat at the beginning of the meeting and throughout.

- A recording of the meeting, meeting minutes, responses to any questions not answered during the meeting, and copies of the presentation slides, if available, will be provided following the meeting via Facebook and

email. Meeting recordings are always available on our YouTube channel.

- Voting: During the pandemic voting will take place online via a Google Form. Board members vet all votes to ensure that the individual is eligible as either an abutter to the property or an attendee of two out of the last three meetings. All responses are confidential and not accessible to anyone but board members for the purpose of confirming voter qualification. Once votes have been tallied all Google Form submissions for that vote are deleted.

Agenda

- Announcements & General Presentations
- Public Safety
  - Sergeant Joe Cintolo and/or Officer Tom Domenico provide an update on activity for Boston Police District A-7.
  - Cargo Ventures presents on where they are in the Article 80 process for their McClellan Highway proposal.
  - Design Review Committee 1/6/2022 Meeting Recap
    - 2 Shawsheen Road and 95 Barnes Ave were reviewed.
    - 95 Barnes Ave moved forward to the 1/18/2022 OHNC meeting for a vote.
    - 1141 Bennington is still awaiting the scoping determination from BPDA that they were expecting to receive by the end of 2021. They estimate that they will be able to respond to the scoping determination with a report (DPIR) around late February or early March. At that point they will be able to come back for an additional round of review.
    - 2 Shawsheen Road modified their original proposal.
    - Meeting recap: <https://bit.ly/DRCJan6Re>

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- Development Presentations & Vote
  - 95 Barnes Avenue- Erect a dormer, remodel third floor and add a roof deck to existing two family dwelling.
  - Updated presentation: <https://bit.ly/95Barnes-Jan6>
  - Plans and Refusal Letter from December 2021 Meeting: <https://bit.ly/95Barnes>
  - Variances Requested: IPOD, Roof Structure restrictions and number of habitable stories.
  - Owner/Developer: Derek Dolan
  - Owner/Developer Contact: [dolan122000@yahoo.com](mailto:dolan122000@yahoo.com)
  - Attorney: Richard C. Lynds, Esq
  - Attorney Contact: [RCLyndseseq@lorcl.com](mailto:RCLyndseseq@lorcl.com)
  - Architect: Studio Draw
  - Abutter’s radius:
    - Adjournment
  - Old Business / New Business / General Community Updates
    - Have news you’d like to share? Excited about a new effort in the neighborhood? Feel free to share any comments, feedback, updates, etc. during this time.
    - In-Person / Hybrid Meetings
      - We never received a response from either Lazarus Church or the Orient Heights Yacht Club.
      - We have not reached out to the Salesian Boys and Girls Club yet as we’d like to have a location more centrally located in Orient Heights.
      - The next OHNC meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 6:30pm.
      - The next OHNC Design Review Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 3rd, 2022 at 6:00pm.

## Former Suffolk County DA Rollins sworn in as the United States Attorney

Former Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins was sworn in as the United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts. U.S. District Court Chief Judge F. Dennis Saylor IV administered the oath of office in federal court in Boston during a private ceremony. A formal investiture will be planned for a later date.

U.S. Attorney Rollins was nominated by President Joseph R. Biden on July 26, 2021 and was confirmed by the United States Senate on Dec. 8, 2021 in a tie-breaking vote cast in favor by Vice President Kamala Harris.

“Today’s swearing was a proud and humbling moment for both myself and my family. It was particularly special for me to have my parents with me, on my father’s 74th birthday,” said U.S. Attorney Rollins. “Their support has been unwavering, and I owe so much of this moment to them. As I reflect upon the path that led me here, I cannot help but think about the many colleagues and mentors who have supported me along the way. I want to acknowledge my friends, colleagues and law enforcement partners at the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office whose steadfast commitment and

dedication to keeping our neighborhoods healthy and safe has truly made a difference in the lives of so many. I am enormously proud of what we accomplished together.”

Rollins added, “As I begin this next chapter as the United States Attorney, I look forward to the challenges ahead. There is much to be done and I am blessed to be walking into an office with highly skilled attorneys and staff who have the same commitment to public safety and community wellbeing and health.”

U.S. Attorney Rollins, 50, of Boston, is now the top-ranking federal law enforcement official in the District of Massachusetts, which comprises 14 counties. With over 20 years of legal experience, U.S. Attorney Rollins will lead a team of more than 250 federal prosecutors and staff with three offices located in Boston, Worcester and Springfield.

U.S. Attorney Rollins has been the Suffolk County DA for the last three years. In 2019, the people of Suffolk County elected her as the first woman to serve as their DA and the first woman of color to serve as DA in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Rollins is now the first Black woman to ever serve as U.S.

Attorney in the District of Massachusetts, one of the two first U.S. Attorney’s Offices in the nation, established in 1789.



U.S. Attorney Rollins previously served as Chief Legal Counsel to the Massachusetts Port Authority. Prior to that she served as General Counsel for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. From 2007 to 2011, she was an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts serving in both the Civil and Criminal Divisions.

Earlier in her career, U.S. Attorney Rollins was an attorney at Bingham McCutchen LLP and from 1999 to 2002 she was a field attorney for the National Labor Relations Board. U.S. Attorney Rollins began her legal career as a clerk for Associate Judge Frederick L. Brown of the Massachusetts Appeals Court.

U.S. Attorney Rollins earned a Juris Doctor from Northeastern University School of Law and a Masters in Law from Georgetown University Law Center. She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education and African-American Studies from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

## Real Estate Transfers

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Pezzone, Jeffrey M	Pelrine, Nicholas	150-152 Bayswater St #1	\$582,000
Obrien, Sean V	Mavrokefalos, Abigail	164 Bennington St #2	\$525,000
Molla, Jocelyn L	Smith, Colin	69 Cottage St #1	\$599,000
Richards, Santal K	Calfo Builders Corp	280 E Eagle St #1	\$440,000
Munoz, Nataliy	10 Everett Dev LLC	10 Everett St #101	\$221,900
Sanabria, Rosanny	10 Everett Dev LLC	10 Everett St #202	\$288,700
Grillo, Matthew J	Previte, Peter M	67 Frankfort St #301	\$335,000
Gove 142 Street LLC	Jacobson, Daniel	142 Gove St	\$3,525,000
Nathan J Botelho RET	347 Maverick Street LLC	347 Maverick St #2	\$805,000
Saad, Patrick	347 Maverick Street LLC	347 Maverick St #8	\$995,000
Sharpe Saratoga LLC	Saratoga Street RT	217 Saratoga St	\$1,385,000
Sharpe Saratoga LLC	Saratoga Street RT	219 Saratoga St	\$1,385,000
Guessous, Moulay I	W&M Realty Corp	856 Saratoga St	\$815,000
Emond, Matthew W	Haggard, Thomas D	198 Trenton St	\$949,995
Clarke, Scott	Walley 19 LLC	11 Walley St #106	\$425,000
Thaker, Ashish	Walley 19 LLC	11 Walley St #301	\$790,000



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# MFA celebrating 20 years, dreaming a future together

On Monday, January 17, the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA), and Citizens Bank will invite the community to commemorate the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at a free open house. This year's event marks the 20th anniversary of the MFA's partnership with Citizens on this annual celebration, which has welcomed more than 120,000 attendees over two decades. The event offers free admission—including access to special exhibitions—to Massachusetts residents, and tickets will be available in person on a first-come, first-served basis. Upon entry, visitors will be asked to validate their Massachusetts zip code to enjoy free admission.

The open house runs from 10 am to 5 pm, welcoming visitors to experience over a dozen exhibitions on view, including Paper Stories, Layered Dreams: The Art of Ekua Holmes. Also sponsored by Citizens, the exhibition features more than 40 vibrant illustrations by the Roxbury native that reflect her commitment to Black imagery and representation. Visitors will also

have their final chance to experience Black Histories, Black Futures, the teen-curated exhibition focusing on works by 20th-century artists of color, which ends its successful run on MLK Day—the same day its opening was celebrated in 2020. Programming offerings connected to both exhibitions will be announced in January.

“Thank you to the MFA for their continued partnership in this effort to honor and celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,” said Lisa Murray, Massachusetts State President, Citizens. “This annual event is an opportunity for families and friends to come together and enjoy the incredible artwork on display, and we encourage everyone to take advantage of it this January.”

Effective Monday, January 3, 2022, the Museum will be open for visitors Thursday through Monday and remain closed to the public on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

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Visitors to the Museum of Fine Arts take a selfie in front of one of the exhibits.

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About the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

Founded on February

4, 1870, the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA), stands on the historic homelands of the Massachusetts people, a site which has long served as a place of meeting and exchange among different nations. The Museum opened its doors to the public on July 4, 1876—the nation's centennial—at its original location in Copley Square. Over the next several decades, the MFA's collection and visitation grew exponentially,

and in 1909, the Museum moved to its current home on Huntington Avenue. Today, the MFA houses a global collection encompassing nearly 500,000 works of art, from ancient to contemporary.

The Museum is located at 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. For more information, call 617.267.9300, visit [mfa.org](http://mfa.org) or follow the MFA on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

## Urgent need for kitchen volunteers at community servings

Kitchen volunteers are urgently needed at Community Servings to help the nonprofit's professional kitchen staff prepare and package 18,000 medically tailored meals that are delivered weekly to critically and chronically ill individuals across the region.

While Community Servings operates one of Boston's largest volun-

teer programs, the current COVID-19 surge has pushed January volunteer numbers to low levels. Demand for the nonprofit's nutritious, life-saving meals has increased by over 80% since the pandemic began.

“Volunteers have been at the heart of our mission since we began, essential to ensuring that we can feed our neighbors in

need and help maintain their health,” said David B. Waters, CEO of Community Servings. “Given the effects of this pandemic surge, we are making a plea for anyone with a few hours to lend a helping hand in our kitchen.”

Volunteers help peel and chop vegetables; portion soups, stews and salads; and pack weekly meal bags for clients living with

HIV/AIDS, cancer, diabetes and heart disease, among other illnesses.

For health and safety reasons, all volunteers are required to be fully vaccinated, have their temperature taken, and wear a surgical or KN95 face mask (provided) at Community Servings' Food Campus in Jamaica Plain, which is on the T's Orange Line. The kitchen is equipped with hospital-grade air ventilation and filtration systems.

Anyone interested in volunteering can visit [www.servings.org/](http://www.servings.org/) volunteer to sign up for three-hour shifts Monday through Friday (9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 4 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m.).

Founded in 1990, Community Servings' mission is to actively engage the community to provide medically tailored, nutritious, scratch-made meals to chronically and critically ill individuals and their families. To help clients maintain their health and



Volunteers preparing meals that will be delivered to critically and chronically ill individuals across the region.

dignity, we provide culturally appropriate meals, nutrition education and counseling, and other community programs. Our kitchen team, with support from thousands of volunteers, prepares over

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# East Boston resident and longtime BPD officer Robert Anthony retires

By John Lynds

Last week, lifelong East Boston resident, former East Boston High School hockey coach Robert Anthony announced he was retiring from the Boston Police Department after a stellar 36 year career with the department.

Anthony, who grew up in the Orient Heights projects before his family moved to Gladstone Street, joined the US Military in 1975 after graduating high school and was a K-9 handler in the military.

After three years in the service Anthony became a uniformed Secret Service agent during the Carter and Reagan Administration and after a brief stint as a US Postal Worker he joined the Boston Police Department in 1986.

“I achieved what I considered my lifetime dream and that was to become a Boston Police officer,” said Anthony. “I was able to fulfill that dream and I think I did a good job. It’s like anything you know, you get your good days and you get your bad days. There were some good times on the job. There were some bad times on the job but that comes with any career



BPD Officer and department historian Robert Anthony retired from the force last week.

and no matter what you do in your profession but I wouldn’t trade it and the experiences I had.”

After his first assignment in Charlestown Anthony was reassigned to Eastie’s District A-7 station in 1993 as a member of the SWAT team.

As an officer in Eastie, Anthony began to volunteer his time and became head hockey coach at EBHS in the 1990s and retired a few years back after 20 years. He and his

late wife, Jackie, also established an annual Breast Cancer Awareness Hockey Tournament in Eastie to raise money for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

In 2007, former BPD Commissioner Ed Davis appointed Anthony as the department’s resident historian after Anthony began researching the history of officers killed in the line of duty and lobbying for memorials to be established across the city in their honor.

The first memorial Anthony worked on was right here in Eastie when he discovered the first officer ever killed in the line of duty in Boston. On October 18, 1857, Hodsdon was shot and killed by a suspect as he attempted to arrest a second suspect in the area of Havre Street and Maverick Street in East Boston. Both suspects were later identified and arrested. Through his research Hodsdon was the first Boston Police Officer killed in the line of duty. He was 25 years old at the time of his death and had served with the Boston Police Department for one year.

Anthony’s research led to not only discovering the history of those killed in the line of duty but also establishing memorials for the first African American to serve on the Boston Police, the first Latino as well as the first Italian.

“I was also able to put up 92 Heroes signs throughout the city of Boston at various locations where an officer died in the line of duty,” said Anthony. “I was able to track down 32 names of officers that were not listed on the Police Memorial Wall down in Washington DC but should have been

included.”

The last name Anthony tracked down was fitting considering he announced his retirement just a year later.

On March 6, 1964 Boston Police Patrolman Edward Lynch, of East Boston, was killed in the line of duty after chasing a stolen vehicle from Dorchester to Quincy early that fateful morning but his name was never added to the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington DC.

“I had been working with the Lynch family in East Boston for a few years,” said Anthony. “With the assistance of the information they sent me a few years ago we found that Patrolman Edward Lynch, of East Boston, was overlooked for “Killed in the Line of Duty” status and was never added to the National Law Enforcement Memorial.”

Anthony said Lynch’s name was finally be added to the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall in last June.

“His name was also added to the Hero Wall at Boston Police Headquarters as well as the Massachusetts State House Memorial,” said Anthony.

Anthony said one of his proudest moments came in 2010 when the Boston Police honored Horatio J. Homer—the city’s first African American Officer who retired from the force in 1923.

While Homer was featured in several Boston Daily Globe articles during his lifetime, he was largely forgotten by the public after his death. In 2010, his historic role was rediscovered by police archivist Margaret Sullivan and Anthony. Later that year, police and city officials arranged to have a headstone installed at he and his wife Lydia’s grave who, for the past 87 years, rested in an unmarked grave and were forgotten. They held a memorial service attended by over 400 officers.

“This historical figure was buried in an unmarked grave in Brighton and I was proud we were able to right that wrong and have a nice ceremony for Officer Homer,” said Anthony.

In the end, Anthony looks forward to ‘laying low’, enjoying his grandkids and their growing families and relaxing.

“I felt that I was able to make a difference,” he said.

## CITY PAWS

### Winter exercise

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We all know how tempting it can be to look out on a winter day with snow, rain, icy sidewalks, or below-freezing temperatures and decide to forgo a substantial walk with your dog. It’s so easy to promise you’ll make it up tomorrow. For us, it is even more tempting because our dog, Poppy, prefers to stay inside and is an expert in using her puppy pads as needed.

There are a few days each winter when staying in or a quick trip to do what is absolutely necessary is the right decision. However, we admit that it’s often just the easy way out, and we should give our dog and ourselves the exercise we need.

#### Muscle Tone and Winter Weight!

Remember your vet is happy to encourage you to monitor and control your animal’s weight. If you have a large dog, you may need to drop into a veterinary clinic to check on weight status. We expect that most vets and their staff will allow you to use their scales if you are willing to wait for a time between clients when it is free. In many cases, the scale may be in a waiting area.

For dogs you can lift, use the subtractive method. Weigh yourself on your bathroom scale.



Contact and interaction with other dogs and people is another benefit of outdoor winter exercise.

Then, pick up your pet, get a total for the two of you, and deduct your weight from the total. Ed likes to follow schedules and keep logs, so he weighs our dog Poppy every week. That helps both of them get more exercise since he notices when she is more than a few ounces up from the week before.

Two things come with a reduction in exercise: weight gain is noticeable, but muscle reduction is not. What’s more, since muscle is more dense than fat, you may be fooled into believing that your dog is not gaining weight until it is a more serious problem. Regular exercise will help tone the body, strengthen bones, and help control weight.

“A tired dog is a good dog” is an old saying with a ring of truth to anyone who has lived with an energetic dog during a blizzard. Keeping your dog physically fit, socialized,

and well-behaved requires a winter workout plan.

We have to be aware that dog walks in winter require more energy and can leave older or frail dogs exhausted and plan accordingly. However, for a healthy high-energy hound, a quick trip outside may not be enough. The excess energy they need to burn off with a good romp could result in behavior issues at home.

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## Maria Virginia Isaak

101 Years Young

Maria Virginia (Castillo) Isaak passed away on January 3. She was 101 years young.

The cherished daughter of Maria Albelo and Mercedes Castillo, she was born in Córdoba, Argentina, lived in Buenos Aires and was a long-time resident of Winthrop and East Boston.

She was married to the late Liebmman Isaak and was the adored loving mother of Virginia Leonor Isaak and Liliana Isaak Snyder and her husband, Thomas J. Snyder, Jr.; the adored abuela of Nicholas Isaak Snyder of East Boston and Jonathan Snyder and sister of Nilo Castillo. She was predeceased by three brothers: Alfonso, Nicolas and Francisco and a sister, Elisa Castillo, all of Argentina and is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

In Argentina, she was a nurse, a nurse anesthetist and had other diplomas in the medical field. Throughout her life, she loved classical music and tango and enjoyed time spent with family and



friends singing and dancing. She read everything and anything that she came across. She liked traveling. She especially loved eating specially ice cream and empanadas. She had the kindest loving heart, a very positive attitude, was very generous and was always smiling. May she be at peace in the company of her dear family and friends who have gone before her. God bless you dear Mami, you have always been our angel. We love you very much, you will be forever in our hearts.

To sign the online guestbook, go to [www.caggianoofuneralhome.com](http://www.caggianoofuneralhome.com).

Arrangements were under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop.

## Salvatore Ferrera, Jr.

Papa was his greatest title, he will be missed dearly



Family and friends are invited to attend the funeral of Salvatore Anthony Ferrera, Jr., 82, today, January 12 at 10 a.m. at the Vertuccio & Smith Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rt. 107) Revere followed by a Funeral Service at 11 a.m. Interment will follow in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. Please wear a face mask throughout the services.

On Friday, January 7, 2022, Salvatore Anthony Ferrera Jr., loving and devoted husband of 60-years, cherished father of three, proud grandfather to five, and great grandfather of four, passed away with his loved ones by his side. He was 82 years old. It was his family that gave him the strength to battle through his adversity in life, with class, dignity and respect, always trying to do the right thing to benefit his family. He was quick to offer a ride to school or work, lend an ear to anyone's troubles and offer advice or tell a joke to put a smile on his grandchildren's faces.

He served honorably in the United States Army National Guard for three years. After his service to his country, Salvatore went on to become a baker, earning a degree in Culinary Arts at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. After earning his degree, he went on to teach Culinary Arts at Minute Man Technical Institute in Lexington. He continued in his professional, decorated career at Boston College, where he served as a Supervisor in the Bakery Department.

Being the worker that he was, after retiring from his passion in baking, he went on to continue working as a Shuttle Bus Driver at Embassy Suites Boston.

In his free time, Salvatore enjoyed reading the newspaper, playing on his phone and computer, spending quality time with his family and pets and enjoyed having weekly dinners at Kellys Pub in East Boston, where every-



one knew him. One of his best joys was playing with his K-9 companion, Mea, his "little girl." Salvatore was the son of the late Salvatore Ferrera Sr. and Angelina (Festa) Ferrera of East Boston and raised by the late Stella Spinale of East Boston. He is survived by his loving wife, Angela (Piscitelli) Ferrera of East Boston, the loving and proud father of Michael Salvatore Ferrera, Sr., and his late wife, Dina (Coccimiglio) Ferrera of Revere, Angela Frangolini and her husband, Pat Frangolini of East Boston and Lisa Ferrera August and her husband, Paul August of East Boston. He is further survived by his brother, Dominic Ferrera of California and sister, Jo Zakarin and her husband, Keith of Maine; treasured Papa to five grandchildren: Michael Jr., Christopher, Angela, Nicole and Amanda and her fiancé, Ryan and is also survived by three great grandchildren: Clayton, Leo and Noah.

Salvatore is survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Papa joins his departed great grandchild, Riley, and sister, Alberta Ferrera in Heaven.

Papa, his greatest title, will be missed dearly.

At the family's request, please omit flowers.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241. To send online condolences, please visit [www.vertuccioandsmith.com](http://www.vertuccioandsmith.com).

Funeral Arrangements entrusted to the care and directions of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals.

## Gabriela Coletta hires slate of campaign staffers

Gabriela Coletta, candidate for the District One Boston City Council, announced a slate hires. The seat will likely be vacated by Lydia Edwards whose general election is scheduled for January 11.

"I'm incredibly excited to have Elvira, Sonali, and Luis, all first-generation Bostonians, to help propel this campaign forward in its early stages," said Coletta. "It's been, and always will be, a top priority to create pipelines for young talent to grow and thrive in local politics. I'm confident in their abilities and look forward to witnessing their leadership during this special election."

Elvira Mora joins as Campaign Manager following her role as field director for David Halbert's Boston City Council-At-Large campaign. Mora also worked on campaigns for Ihssane Leckey, former Congressional candidate (MA-04) and District 5 City Councilor, Ricardo Arroyo.

"I am humbled to have the opportunity to help elect a lifelong public servant within these communities,"

Mora said. "Gabriela is ready to meet this moment as an experienced and inclusive leader to tackle urgent issues within district one on day one. I'm thrilled to build a bold, progressive and joyous campaign together."

Sonali Anand joins as Deputy Campaign Manager with a focus on communications and training. She most recently worked on Andrea J. Campbell's Boston mayoral campaign in 2021 and prior to that was a fellow on U.S Senator Edward J. Markey campaign for Senate in 2020. Anand is a resident of the North End.

"I am incredibly grateful and excited to be on Gabriela's team," said Anand. "She is a force of

light, and is exactly the leader District One needs to bring honesty, compassion, and efficiency to our neighborhood politics."

Luis Garcia Robles joins the campaign as East Boston Organizer where he will be recruiting, training, and managing volunteers in his hometown neighborhood. Most recently while interning for State Rep. Adrian Madaro (D-East Boston), Luis was given the opportunity to resolve constituent cases and understand how local government can better people's lives.

"East Boston has created great public servants and Gabriela is no exception," said Garcia Robles. "It's really exciting that I will be able to help elect her to the City Council and believe that she is ready to address issues especially those affecting East Boston residents. I hope to learn much from Gabriela, the campaign, and continue to empower the neighborhood that raised me."

Coletta, Mora, and Garcia Robles are all Boston Latin Academy graduates.

Meredith Lerner Moghimi from MLM Strategies LLC joins as Coletta's fundraising consultant and Joe Beebe who most recently served as Lydia Edwards' GOTV Director, will join as consultant for field and data management.

Coletta announces these hires following an impressive one-week fundraising total of \$50,000 after launching on December 27th. She intends to run a grassroots campaign inclusive of all residents and already has a strong coalition across the district.

For more information, please visit [gabrielacoletta.com](http://gabrielacoletta.com).

*The following article was submitted by the campaign to elect Gabriela Coletta.*

## Richard Mangiafico

Of Medford, formerly of East Boston

Richard "Ricky," "Mungi," Mangiafico of Medford, formerly of East Boston, passed away on January 3.

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# Baker-Polito administration launches tool for residents to access COVID-19 digital vaccine card

The Baker-Polito Administration today announced a tool that gives residents a new way to access their COVID-19 digital vaccine card and vaccination history. The new tool, called My Vax Records, allows people who received their vaccination in Massachusetts to access their own vaccination history and generate a COVID-19 digital vaccine card, which would contain similar vaccination information to a paper CDC card. The COVID-19 digital vaccine cards produced by the system utilize the SMART Health Card platform and generate a QR

code that can be used to verify vaccination. The Administration is not requiring residents to show proof of vaccination to enter any venue, but this tool will help residents who would like to access and produce a digital copy of their record.

Access the new tool at MyVaxRecords.Mass.Gov.

How It Works: The new tool is easy to use: a person enters their name, date of birth, and mobile phone number or email associated with their vaccine record. After creating a 4-digit PIN, the user receives a link to their vac-

cine record that will open upon re-entry of the PIN.

The electronic record shows the same information as a paper CDC vaccine card: name, date of birth, date of vaccinations, and vaccine manufacturer. It also includes a QR code that makes these same details readable by a QR scanner, including smartphone apps. Once the SMART Health Card is received, users are able to save the QR code to their phone, such as the Apple Wallet, screenshot the information and save it to their phone's photos, or print out a copy for a paper record. The system

follows national standards for security and privacy.

This system provides an optional way that residents can access their vaccination information and a COVID-19 digital vaccine card. This will provide residents with another tool to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination, should it be requested by businesses, local governments, or other entities.

The system leverages the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS), the official database used by health care providers across the state to record vaccination information. The

system relies on hundreds of providers inputting demographic and health information. Some users may not be able to immediately find their record, or may find an incomplete record. Residents whose record cannot be found or is incomplete can either contact their health care provider or contact the MIIS team to update their records. Learn more about the tool and view frequently-asked-questions at [www.mass.gov/myvax-record](http://www.mass.gov/myvax-record).

Massachusetts has worked with VCI,™ a voluntary coalition of public and private organi-

zations which developed the open-source SMART Health Card Framework in use by other states. The VCI coalition is dedicated to improving privacy and security of patient information, making medical records portable and reducing healthcare fraud.

My Vax Records is just one way residents can obtain their COVID vaccination record. Pharmacies that administered the COVID vaccine and many health care providers also are making SMART Health Cards available, or are providing additional options. Learn more.

# FEMA awards more than \$14.6 million to Massachusetts for COVID PPE expenses

The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be granting more than \$14.6 million to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to reimburse the costs of purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE) for use during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and 2021.

The \$14,659,688 in Public Assistance grants will go to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) to reimburse it for purchasing nitrile gloves, hand sanitizer, alcohol wipes, N95 disposable respirators, disposable face masks,

non-surgical isolation gowns, medical goggles and hand sanitizing wipes for healthcare workers, patients with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 infection, and first responders.

In total, EOHHS received and managed the distribution of emergency materials and equipment on behalf of over 250 state agencies, group homes, congregate facilities, and essential healthcare facilities, including hospitals and nursing homes.

"FEMA is pleased to be able to assist Massachusetts with these costs," said FEMA Region I Act-

ing Regional Administrator Paul Ford. "Providing resources for our partners on the front lines of the pandemic fight is critical to their success, and our success as a nation."

FEMA's Public Assistance program is an essential source of funding for states and communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency.

So far, FEMA has provided almost \$835 million in Public Assistance grants to Massachusetts to reimburse the commonwealth for pandemic-related expenses.

Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance program is available at <https://www.fema.gov/publicassistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit>. To learn more about the COVID-19 response in Massachusetts, please visit <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4496>

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MALTEZ NAMED TOWN MANAGER OF READING

CHELSEA - Fidel Maltez, who has served commendably as Chelsea's commissioner of public works since 2019, has accepted a position as the new town manager of Reading.

Maltez, who was previously Chelsea's assistant DPW director, will begin in his new leadership role Feb. 14. He will leave his position in Chelsea Feb. 11.

Maltez, 38, signed his contract in Reading Monday, with his wife, Maria Belen Power, and their two daughters, Maya and Ana Victoria, proudly viewing the ceremony in the presence of the Reading Select Board.

Maltez said he was excited about his new position.

"It's a great opportunity for my family and my professional career," said Maltez. "It's a very prestigious position and Reading is a very, well-managed town. It's a town that's known for having great finances and great staff. It's definitely a good position to step into. It's a little different from Chelsea, but what I've learned in Chelsea will definitely help me succeed in that position - which is to be resident-oriented, to be out in the community, to not lead from a desk but lead from the residents, and really try to do right by the residents."

He made a huge impact in Chelsea. Maltez is universally respected in Chelsea for being a brilliant adminis-

trator who brought daily passion and energy to his position as the head of the Department of Public Works. Working in coordination with City Manager Thomas Ambrosino, Maltez led large infrastructure projects on Essex Street, Maverick Street, and upper Broadway.

The well-maintained streets and parks in Chelsea, from Voke Park to Quigley Park, are a credit to the diligence and hard work of Maltez and his department.

During his tenure in Chelsea, Maltez has also overseen the development of the city's annual capital improvement plan. Last year, Maltez became involved in the overall city overall budget process.

"I've been going above and beyond my normal duties in public works and really learning from Tom [Ambrosino] on what it takes to go to the next step," said Maltez. "Tom is the reason why I was able to get this new position. Tom is a great mentor. He's been in the public service sector for 30 years, and he knows everything about municipal management, and there is not one question that I've asked Tom where he doesn't know the answer. He's seen it all. He's also a very supportive boss."

"I'm very thankful to everyone in Chelsea for all the support I've gotten over the years," he concluded.

A success story begins in Nicaragua. Fidel Maltez grew up in Managua, Nicaragua, where he met his future wife, Maria Belen Power, while they were students

in the same high school.

Fidel attended Lafayette College (Penn.) where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering. He also holds a master's degree in Public Policy from Tufts University and was recently accepted as a Senior Fellow at the Harvard University Kennedy School of Executive Education.

Following his graduation from Lafayette, Maltez joined Cintas Corporation and worked there for 13 years. "I absolutely loved the experience," said Maltez. "Maria and I were able to live in China for three years through Cintas."

Fidel Maltez and Maria Belen Power were married in 2011 and live in Chelsea with their two children. Maria is the associate executive director of GreenRoots and an appointee to President Joseph Biden's Environmental Justice Advisory Council.

Praise from city officials

Town Manager Tom Ambrosino and Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson praised Maltez for his outstanding work in the city and wished him well in his new endeavor.

"Fidel is a fabulous employee, a great manager, and I'm going to miss him a great deal here," said Ambrosino. "But I also think this is a tremendous opportunity for him. I'm really excited for him, and I think he's going to make a great town manager in Reading."

"This is an excellent opportunity for Fidel," said Robinson. "We in the city of Chelsea hate

to lose good people, but I wish him nothing but the best. Fidel did a great job in Chelsea. We will miss the energy that he brings to City Hall."

EVERETT OFFICIALS INAUGURATED

EVERETT - Despite the COVID-19 Omicron surge, Everett's elected officials were able to take the oath of office in a live venue during the City's Inauguration Ceremonies that were held on Monday night at the Performing Arts Center at Everett High School.

Assistant City Clerk Peter Napolitano administered the oath of office to Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the members of the City Council and School Committee.

The elected officials were preceded on the stage by the Firefighters and Police Honor Guard, while the Everett High School Band played the anthems of the United States Military Services before a much-smaller than usual audience.

Caroline DeMaria, daughter of Mayor DeMaria, led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Father Joseph Chacha Marwa of the Immaculate Conception Parish delivered the invocation.

With the oaths administered to the elected officials, Napolitano announced that because of the COVID surge, DeMaria will deliver his inaugural address at a later date. The speech will be able to be viewed on social media, ECTV, and the City of Everett's website. (The full text of the speech appears on page 5 of this week's Independent.)

Bishop Robert Brown of Zion Church Ministries delivered the closing Benediction.

The reception that usually follows this event also was canceled in compliance with COVID protocols.

However, despite the shortened ceremonies, the program adhered to one of the official duties of the mayor to dismiss both the School Committee and the City Council to organize and elect the President of the Council and the Chairman of the School Committee for the coming year.

HANLON ELECTED PRESIDENT

City Councilor at Large John Hanlon was elected president by his colleagues to lead the new council in 2022. Hanlon is viewed by his colleagues and residents as one of the most-experienced members of elected government, having served for more than four decades in various capacities, including 22 years as a member of the old Board of Aldermen and present City Council, 18 years as the City Clerk, and two years as mayor. Hanlon also served on the Charter Commission.

CRISTIANO LEADS SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Newly-elected Ward 3 School Committee member Jeanne Cristiano was voted by her colleagues as chairperson of the Everett School Committee. Cristiano is no stranger to Everett political office, having served on the Common Council for Ward 2 more than 30 years ago.

Calling her "a true friend," DeMaria credited Cristiano for giving him his start in politics when

PERCHING IN THE PINES



AULD LANG SYNE : A female snowy owl spent New Year's Eve day perched the roof at 229 Rice Avenue, an eye on the Point of Pines neighborhood.

she stepped down from her council seat.

In accepting the position, Cristiano, the city's Veterans Services Director, thanked "the voters for electing me and my colleagues for the additional honor of being chair." She stressed that transparency and working together will be the hallmarks of her chairmanship.

In her remarks, Cristiano noted five areas in the schools that she believes should be the focus of attention:

- Security issues at the local schools
- Academic performance for the students
- Looking at the growth of administration staff
- Budgeting to make sure every taxpayer dollar is spent wisely
- Cleanliness of the schools ("It sends a bad message when the schools are dirty," she said.)

In closing, Cristiano added, "We will keep kids the top priority and failure is not an option."

Members also chose newly-elected Ward 6 School Committeeman Michael McLaughlin as vice chairman.

"We need to make Everett children shine," McLaughlin said in accepting the position adding, "We will be working together as one team."

NICHOLSON TAKES OATH AS NEW MAYOR

LYNN - Looking confident and ready to lead one of the largest cities in Massachusetts to new heights, Jared Nicholson delivered an inspiring inaugural address as he took office as the new mayor of the City of Lynn Monday at the Lynn Auditorium inside Lynn City Hall.

"It is my distinct honor and privilege to take office tonight as the 59th mayor of the City of Lynn," said Nicholson.

A proud graduate of Princeton University, where he was a Division 1 college wrestler, and Harvard Law School, Nicholson thanked outgoing Mayor Thomas McGee "for your leadership over the last four years and over a lifetime of service to the City."

Nicholson also thanked his wife, Katherine Rushfirth, his son, Henry, his father, Stephen Nicholson, and mother, Lindsay Nicholson, "for being here with me tonight and being there for me every step of the way."

Following is the text of Mayor Jared Nicholson's speech:

Ladies and Gentlemen, School Committee Mem-

bers and City Councilors, Guests and Officials, thank you all for being here.

Gracias a todos por estar aquí.

Thank you to all our wonderful performers and participants for making this night so special.

Thank you to Katherine, Henry, my parents, and my entire family for being here with me tonight and being there for me every step of the way.

It is my distinct honor and privilege to take office tonight as the 59th Mayor of the City of Lynn.

Thank you to our outgoing Mayor Tom McGee for your leadership over the last four years and over a lifetime of service to this City.

To my colleagues on the School Committee and City Council, congratulations on your inauguration.

To those of you here on the stage with me and to everyone working for the City of Lynn, I look forward to working with you.

To the residents of Lynn, we recognize we have much work to do.

We're committed to working together to build an administration that leads for all of us.

Estamos comprometidos a trabajar juntos para construir una administración que brinde liderazgo para todos nosotros.

I want to spend a moment reflecting on what we mean when we say, "all of us."

All means all. It means every single person in the City of Lynn. Not because of something about them that makes them different, like where they were born or who they know, but because we are all human and here now.

We are all imbued with the basic dignity of humanity, ascribed by many to divine grace.

Todos nosotros estamos infundidos de la dignidad básica de la humanidad, atribuida por muchos a la gracia divina.

And we're all required to recognize that basic humanity in one another. That's what we mean by all.

And then "us." What do we mean by "us"?

What we mean by "us" in the United States has always been heavily contested. But it's a special leap forward in the history of humankind to say that "us," at least in principle, is not fixed based on who's already here, but open to those who want to live with our values, to live among us in democracy. The hypocrisies of who is considered

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The United States Postal Service reported preliminary performance metrics for the 2021 holiday season showing the organization saw volume increase when compared to the same time last year. Between Thanksgiving and New Year’s Eve, it took on average 2.7 days to deliver a mailpiece or package across the Postal Service network. During the same timeframe, the network accepted more than 13.2 billion letters, cards, flats and packages for delivery, exceeding 12.7 billion accepted for delivery during the same timeframe in 2020.

“Our mission to deliver for America is an enormous responsibility, especially during the holidays,” said Postmaster General Louis DeJoy. “I am humbled by the hard work and dedication of each and every one of our 650,000 employees who, despite the challenges of the pandemic, helped bring joy and commerce to people across the nation.”

The Postal Service began preparing for the 2021 peak holiday season at the start of last year. Those preparations, which not only corresponded to challenges faced last year but aligned to the Postal Service’s 10-year Delivering for America plan, helped mitigate delays even as mail and package volume surged to its highest peak-season level: 2.8 billion mailpieces and

packages the week after Thanksgiving (Saturday, Nov. 27 to Friday, Dec. 3).

“Under our 10-year plan, we made major operational improvements and strategic investments across the organization throughout 2021. It has made a significant difference and contributed to our success this holiday season, but our work isn’t done. Every day is an opportunity to fulfill our commitment of service excellence to the American people—and on that, we intend to deliver,” continued DeJoy.

The Postal Service’s peak season preparations included:

- Stabilizing the Workforce and Preparing for Pandemic-related Challenges: The conversion of 63,000 pre-career employees into career positions and the onboarding of more than 185,000 employees since the beginning of last fiscal year, including the backfilling of the 63,000 pre-career employees and the national drive to hire an additional 40,000 seasonal employees.
- Expanded Facility Footprint to Resolve Bottlenecks and Improve the Flow of Mail and Packages: The leasing of 13 million square feet of additional space across more than 100 locations to accommodate mail and packages, including over 50 annexes with multiyear leases to address year-round space constraints

due to parcel growth.

- New Package Sorting Equipment to Expedite Handling and Sortation of Increased Package Volumes: The installation of 112 new package sorting machines and more than 50 package systems capable of sorting large packages. As a result of an organization-wide focus on improving operations and strategic investments, the Postal Service boosted daily processing capacity by 13 million packages. Package sortation capacity enables efficient movement of mail over the integrated USPS delivery network as mail and packages travel together. These machines also reduce the physical toll on our workforce.
- Diversified, Reliable Transportation Options: The leasing of nearly 3,300 trailers just for peak season and the diversification of volume traveling across the air network among additional air carriers. The Postal Service also expanded the surface transfer center network by adding 1.6 million additional square feet and over 300 dock doors to, among other things, increase long-haul transportation utilization and mitigate driver shortage issues.

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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one of “us” in practice due to race, class, origin, and more have been this country’s great challenge through this day.

But the “us” in “all of us” is even more meaningful in the City of Lynn. Because for all the places that embrace the idea and the promise of “us” being open in this country, Lynn is one of a diminishing few that can actually deliver on that promise. Where people no matter their background have a real chance at opportunity, whether it’s reaching from around the globe or back through generations of poverty.

Even in Lynn, that path to opportunity has gotten narrower. If it closes off here, where can it possibly exist? But, if it stays open for those of us who face the stiffest challenges, it will be that much smoother for every one of us.

We therefore have a special duty to keep the path to opportunity open. Fortunately, I think many of us recognize that we have real potential in this moment for the City to grow, and to grow in a way that includes all of us.

I can think of no nobler work than to practically deliver on those values that we cherish: true openness, true democracy, true opportunity. That work means embracing those values while getting right the basics of local government. Delivering city services effectively and respectfully, upgrading the

city’s infrastructure with urgency and foresight, building trust through transparency and accountability. That’s the plan for our Administration.

As we do that, people should take notice of how hard it is to practically deliver on the promise of equal opportunity. How hard it is to maintain a community where people can succeed no matter where they’re from.

Where the price of housing doesn’t practically bar huge portions of the population from living there. Where there are genuine pathways to good jobs. Where the schools are not just technically open to all but practically ready to educate children no matter where they start from. Where people feel at peace in their community because they’re safe and because they feel accepted and embraced.

As we continue to work on delivering on the promise of a place that’s for all of us, we need to share that story. Because in 2022, as the country comes to terms with the glaring gap between the promise of equality and the lived reality of so many, we can be a shining example of genuine openness and opportunity.

A place that lifts all of us because we care about the fate of our neighbors and because we recognize that the fate of our neighbors is inextricably linked with that of our own.

We recognize that here

in Lynn. Lynn shows up for one another. People here just aren’t interested in leaving people behind. I’ve talked to thousands and thousands of Lynners over the course of the last year and it’s one of the first things people mention when they talk about their pride in our community.

Knowing these values are shared doesn’t mean the work won’t be hard. I don’t pretend to come with all the answers. Rather, I come to ask for your help in delivering together on a vision of a better Lynn for all of us.

And, as we do that, to tell that story, to remind the Commonwealth and the country that the promise of a place that’s for all of us is meaningless without the ability to deliver. And that the ability to deliver on that promise should be the example we all aspire to in 2022. The modern version of the City on a Hill, where barriers to opportunity are actually overcome in practice, not just on paper.

The glow of that example of lived equality of opportunity is what can shine through the mists that currently surround us: the stigma others project on us, the real barriers of past and present racism and discrimination, and the ongoing crisis of a deadly pandemic.

So many have worked so hard to put us in this position where we have what we need to kindle the glow of our example

here.

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### VISCONTI TO LEAD CITY COUNCIL

REVERE - Members of the 2022-23 Revere City Council and Revere School Committee received their oaths of offices at the city’s Inauguration Ceremonies Monday night at City Hall.

City Clerk Ashley Melnik administered the oaths to Councillors-at-Large Gerry Visconti, George Rotondo, and Marc Silvestri, and Ward Councillors Joanne McKenna, Anthony Cogliandro, Patrick Keefe, Al Fiore, and Richard Serino. Councillors-at-Large Steven Morabito and Dan Rizzo and Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoskesky were unable to attend the ceremony.

Also receiving their oaths in the City Council Chambers were School Committee members Carol Tye, Donna Bronsdon-Rizzo, Susan Gravellese, Aisha Milbury Ellis, and John Kingston. School Committee member Michael Ferrante was unable to attend the ceremony. Mayor Brian Arrigo is the ex-officio chair of the School Committee.

Melnik began the ceremony, which had limited attendance due to COVID-19, by introducing the honored guests in attendance, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Supt. of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly, State Rep. Jeffrey Turco, and Revere Election Commissioner Paul Fahey.

Melnik, who did a superb job presiding over the brief but elegant ceremony, offered her personal congratulations to the new Council and School Com-

mittee at the end of the program that was broadcast live on Revere TV.

Visconti, Serino elected Council leaders for 2022

The Council unanimously elected Gerry Visconti as Council president and Richard Serino as Council vice president during an organizational meeting following the inauguration ceremony.

Both councillors, who are beginning their second terms in office, delivered, brief acceptance speeches.

“I would like to first thank my colleagues on the Council for electing me to this position,” said Visconti. “I’m humbled and I’m honored to lead this Council in 2022, and I look forward to working with all of you, along with Mayor Arrigo and his administration to continue to move this city forward. Thank you very much.”

“I just want to thank my colleagues for this incredible opportunity to serve as vice president this year,” said Serino. “I’m looking forward to serving with Council President Visconti and working with Mayor Arrigo and all of you guys to continue to advance the city forward. So, thank you, and let’s get to work, guys.”

Bronsdon-Rizzo elected SC vice chair; Gravellese elected SC secretary

Mayor Arrigo, in his capacity as chair of the School Committee, led an organizational meeting following the inauguration ceremony.

In unanimous votes, Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo was elected vice-chair while Susan Gravellese was elected secretary.

The Committee voted to continue the policy of holding regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month.

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# Massport delivers winter coats for children in East Boston

The Massachusetts Port Authority's (Massport) annual Winter Coat Drive benefitted dozens of children in East Boston and South Boston. This year, one hundred employees donated their time and money to purchase winter coats and accessories and delivered them to Crossroads Family Center in East Boston, the Perkins Elementary School, South Boston en Accion, and the Tierney Learning Center in South Boston.

"Thanks to the support and generosity of the employees here at Massport, we were able to make this

season a little brighter for our vulnerable neighbors," said Massport Director of Community Relations & Government Affairs Alaina Coppola. "The coats, gloves and other accessories we provided will not only keep these children warm but also provide relief to their families during this winter season."

Massport delivered coats for 60 children at Crossroads Family Center, the Perkins Elementary School, South Boston en Accion and the Tierney Learning Center. The children range in age from

two to 17 years old.

"We are grateful for our partnership with Massport and being able to work with them once again on this year's Winter Coat Drive," said Charles Smith, Program Director at Crossroads Family Center. "During these difficult times, donations allow families to dedicate their resources to other important needs."

"This year there was a real need for coats in our community, especially due to the economic struggles caused by the COVID-19 pandemic," said Representative David Biele. "I

was honored to work with Massport on distributing coats to the most vulnerable in our community to spread warmth during the winter months, and I'm thankful to Massport for their support of our neighbors."

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) owns and operates Boston Logan International Airport, public terminals in the Port of Boston, Hanscom Field and Worcester Regional Airport. For more information, please visit [www.massport.com](http://www.massport.com).



Pictured L-R: Alaina Coppola, Director, Community Relations and Government Affairs, Massport; Charles Smith, Program Director, Crossroads Family Center; and Audrey Nagle, Manager, Charitable Giving Programs, Massport.

## Sales Associate Devon Previte joins J Barrett & Company

J Barrett & Company is pleased to announce that Sales Associate Devon Previte of East Boston has joined the firm in the Marblehead office.

Devon, who graduated from Lesley University, is exceptionally adept at social media marketing. "Buying and selling homes in this competitive real estate market demands that we use every available tool – especially online resources -- to ensure that our clients reach their goals."

Jon Gray, president, agrees. "As a company, one of our goals is to constantly expand the depth



Devon Previte.

of our in-house expertise so having yet another real estate professional with Devon's technological ability is very exciting for

our firm," he says. "Devon brings a critical set of skills to the table that will benefit every client who works with her."

The East Boston resident finds that her fashion background is another plus during house tours when clients are trying to "see" what their new home could look like or visualize their own belongings in a different setting.

J Barrett & Company Established in January 2007, J Barrett is a service-oriented company that has quickly become the premier privately-owned real estate firm on the North Shore. The

company serves the North Shore and Cape Ann areas from offices in Beverly, Gloucester, Ipswich, Manchester, Marblehead, and in Prides Crossing.

## LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

### DePAULO NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Anamarie DePaulo of East Boston was named to the Dean's List at Stonehill College. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.

About Stonehill College

Stonehill College, a Catholic institution of higher learning, was founded by the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1948. Located on the beautiful 384-acre cam-

pus and former estate of Frederick Lothrop Ames in North Easton, Massachusetts, it is a community of scholarship and faith, anchored by a belief in the inherent dignity of each person.

Through more than 100 academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, business and pre-professional field, Stonehill College provides an education of the highest caliber that fosters critical thinking, free inquiry and the interchange of ideas for over 2,500 students.


Stonehill College educates the whole person so that each Stonehill graduate thinks, acts and leads

with courage toward the creation of a more just and compassionate world.

### SHERAN NAMED TO LASELL UNIVERSITY DEAN'S LIST

Kaylene Sheran of East Boston, a Lasell University student, was named to the dean's list for their academic performance in the fall 2021 semester.

Students who receive this honor have completed at least 12 credits as a full-time student and have achieved a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.



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