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Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Eastie man back in court in connection with fatal car crash

By John Lynds

The 22-year-old East Boston man arrested last month in connection with the fatal car crash on Bennington Street that killed a Rhode Island college student and seriously injured her friend was back in court last Friday.

Dylan Ethridge returned to East Boston District Court for the first time since the May 5 accident that killed Amber Pelletier, of Rhode Island and seriously injured her friend from Saint Leo University, Ava Salvi, of East Boston. Sources who knew the group of friends said Pelletier was allegedly in Eastie visiting Salvi for the weekend.

Ethridge, who was surrounded by friends and family last Friday barely moved or spoke before Judge John Mc-Donald called his case.

Friday's court appearance by Ethridge was largely procedural as the case is being moved to Suffolk Superior Court.

Suffolk County D.A. Rachel Rollin's office confirmed that Ethridge would be indicted on vehicle homicide charges on Wednesday, June 19, in Suffolk Superior.

Prosecutors allege that Ethridge was operating a gray Mazda on Bennington Street at a high rate of speed immediately prior to the crash at

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East Boston High School graduates the **Class of 2019**

This year's Valedictorian Address was delivered by Sabrina Ruiz. Here Ruiz delivers her address as the EBHS Class of 2019 looks on.

By John Lynds

Last Friday afternoon 296 seniors who are part of the Class of 2019 walked across the stage at East Boston Memorial Stadium to pick up their diplomas as part of East Boston High School's Com-

mencement Exercises.

a warm breeze the girls wore yellow robes and the boys wore blue to represent Eastie's colors. At noon the class had walked into the stadium and taken their seats.

Graduation kicked off with Police Officer Gabe Rosa singing the National Anthem, and the Pledge of Allegiance With the sun shining and followed. The transfer of the

school colors, a tradition at every graduation followed with two students from the Class of 2019 presenting the colors to two students from the Class of 2020.

Delivering the 2019 salutatory address was Udaya Sathiyamoorty.

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and other park features to

make way for the city's ambi-

In her comment letter, Edwards called on the BPDA to re-envision the proposed planning and zoning for Suffolk

Edwards calls on BPDA

to re-envision Suffolk Project

Downs to promote equitable and sustainable development that is compliant with the Fair Housing law and reflective of Boston's economic and ethnic diversity.

By John Lynds

and Development Agency's

(BPDA) public comment pe-

riod for the proposed rede-

velopment of Suffolk Downs

closed at the end of last

month, City Councilor Lydia

Edwards submitted her com-

ments calling for the BPDA to

re-envision the project.

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Boston's greatest opportunity to build the middle class by creating thousands of good jobs, but without substantial changes to the project and dedicated public investment, the proposal will create an unaffordable, physically separate and segregated neighborhood, likely in violation of state and federal law," said Councilor Edwards. "The Boston Planning and Development Agency needs to present a plan or protocol for Suffolk Downs that reflects the economic and ethnic diversity of the surrounding area, prevents concentrations of wealth or poverty and cre-

"Suffolk Downs presents

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Curtis Guild Elementary receives Seal of Excellence

Photos and story by Marianne Salza

"I am welcome here. You are welcoming here. Everyone is welcoming here," shouted Curtis Guild Elementary School students in solidarity on June 12.

The Guild became the third school in the Boston Public School district and the 16th school in the country to receive the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Welcoming Schools Seal of Excellence, a nation-wide project that honors schools for their dedication to inclusion.

"This is an amazing accomplishment," said Laura Perille, Interim Superintendent. "This is exactly the kind of collaboration of family and community that makes the Guild a welcoming school. I hope your award inspires more students to go the extra effort."

The school was recognized for its outstanding efforts in creating a welcoming environment such as professional development training for staff, and classroom libraries

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Walsh cuts the ribbon on the \$4.7 million Noyes Park renovations

Following the completion of the East Boston Little League season last year, the

City of Boston began con- open spaces that hosts numerstruction on the \$4.7 million project to rehab Noves Park neighborhood's largest public es's old fencing, stone walls

ous sporting events.

Construction crews were in Orient Heights, one of the busy all year removing Noy-

tious park restoration project. Last Wednesday, during his Neighborhood Coffee Hour, Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department officially cut the ribbon on the new and

improved Noyes Park. "Noyes Park has undergone major reconstruction and we are proud to share the results of the hard work that went into this project with the East Boston community," said Mayor Walsh. "The new and improved Noyes Park will be a place that children and families will enjoy for many years to come, and I want to

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Frankie and Sheera, K-1, show how welcoming the Curtis Guild School can be last Wednesday, June 12, during a ceremony to mark the award given to the school. The Guild became the third school in the Boston Public School district and the 16th school in the country to receive the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Welcoming Schools Seal of Excellence, a nation-wide project that honors schools for their dedication to inclusion.

Mayor Martin Walsh joins the community and members of the late Anthony 'Tony' Capozzi's family to cut the ribbon on the completed Noyes Park rehab.

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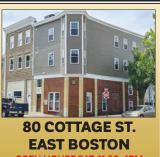
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ates a neighborhood where are all welcome."

In a conversation with Edwards she told the East Boston Times that HYM Investment has been in the neighborhood for the past two years preparing the residents for what is about to come to the Suffolk Downs site.

However, she said with the plans now filed the conversation has shifted to zoning and she wants the community to have more time to digest the impacts---both positive and negative.

"Overall this is one of the greatest opportunities for East Boston to create something meaningful," said Edwards. "What I would love is more time. HYM and Tom (O'Brien) have been talking to the community for two years and building a relationship with the community. Now that the conversation has shifted to zoning we haven't had the same amount of time and the same amount of conversations. We are creating base rules for all other development that will come after Suffolk Downs so all I ask for is six more months. We've had the comment period for four months so another six months I don't think is a lot to be asking.

With 10,000 units proposed the Suffolk Downs site could easily rival the population of the North End or even Charlestown once completed and Edwards said she wants to ensure HYM is developing a 'community' and not just an isolated development.

In detailed comments filed with Mayor Martin Walsh and the BPDA, Edwards urged the BPDA to extend the project comment period, solicit comments on fair housing from city agencies and experts in the field, promote more sustainable transportation and undergo a comprehensive re-examination of the project.

"Without changes to the proposed zoning, we are going to see the development of another Seaport," said Edwards. "The BPDA has active and discretionary decisions it can make to protect Boston residents, prevent displacement of East Bostonians and promote a sustainable community open to all residents."

Since the public comment period began until its closing on May 31, Edwards ran a series of meetings in Eastie concerning the project and urging residents to submit comments.

"A lot of the public comments that came from East Boston resident came because of those meetings we held," she said. "This is not like the casino where there was a lot of opposition and it ultimately failed here. People are not saying 'don't do this' they just want to be heard. HYM should be excited about the energy and the fact residents involved want to help (HYM) make this a better project for the city."

Edwards laid out recommended changes to the project that include:

- Increasing the required affordable housing on site at affordability levels matching incomes of East Boston residents.
- Increasing 2- and 3- bedroom units on-site to house East Boston families.
- Ensuring fair housing by through targeted and intentional review of development.
- Requiring public review of all binding housing, transportation and other legal agreements prior to project approval.

• Asserting public ownership of roads and open space to promote the public good and preserve eligibility for state grant funding.

- Requiring upfront mitigation payments to fund ESOL programs.
- Expanding civic spaces and creating opportunities for new educational and health-care facilities on-site.
- Public-private collaboration to identify contracting opportunities for MWBEs.
- Reduce proposed parking on-site (currently far above city's guidance).
- Shifting proposed private investments in expanding Route 1A to affordable housing and public transportation.
- Dedicating and seeking additional public resources to the project.
- Ensuring the BPDA also consults research by the BPDA and other parties regarding the demographics of the neighborhood.

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Effort underway to get Greenway named after Mary Ellen Welch

By John Lynds

For more than a half century Mary Ellen Welch was the steward of social, political and environmental activism in the neighborhood.

Welch, a longtime community activist and school teacher, helped bring a neighborhood with the least amount of open space to a community with award-winning-sprawling parks and greenways.

Sadly, on Thursday, March 7 Eastie lost Welch after she battled an illness for several months.

However, there was one cause that was near and dear to Welch's heart and now a movement is underway to have the Boston-owned section of the East Boston Greenway named after this neighborhood legend and icon.

At a community meeting last week Welch's long-time friend and collaborator, Friends of the East Boston Greenway President Karen Maddalena announced the group's intention to name the first section of the Greenway that was completed over two decades ago.

As one of the founding

members of the Friends of the East Boston Greenway, Welch worked for decades to take a neglected stretch of the old Narrow Gauge Railroad and transform it into a system of lush landscaped park so residents could enjoy a stroll from Jeffries Point to Orient Heights.

At the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association meeting Maddalena passed around a petition that was eagerly signed by those in attendance.

JPNA members then took at straw-poll on whether the group should write a letter in support.

The result was unanimous support.

Welch was one of a small group of Eastie residents who believed the trash filled, abandoned freight railroad tracks could become a welcoming, safe Greenway that would remove years of contamination in the midst of the neighborhood.

In the years that followed, the Greenway would become a beautiful green space for children to ride their bikes, seniors to stroll and residents to make connections through and across the neighborhood.



Mary Ellen Welch's longtime friend and collaborator, Friends of the East Boston Greenway President Karen Maddalena announced the group's intention to name the first section of the Greenway that was completed over two decades ago.

Once approved by the City of Boston, the section of the Greenway stretching from Marginal to Porter Street will bear Mary Ellen Welch's name.

The Friends of the East Boston Greenway have also established the Mary Ellen Welch Memorial Fund to help raise money for future Greenway improvements and programs.

Ways of contributing to the Friends of East Boston Greenway are available on the contribute page of the website: https://eastbostongreenway.com/contribute/ or can be mailed to Mary Ellen Welch Greenway Memorial Fund, PO Box 74, East Boston, MA 02128.

Eastie nonprofits receive \$21,500 in small grants from Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Better Beaches Program

By John Lynds

Each year Save the Harbor/ Save the Bay's Better Beaches grant program funds free kayaking, beach parties and a host of other activities along East Boston's shoreline during the summer months.

Last week four Eastie non-profits received a total of \$21,500 in grant money to support free summer beach events throughout the neighborhood as part of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) annual Better Beaches Program.

The grant money will allow organizations like Piers Park Sailing Center, East Boston YMCA, NOAH, and the Harborkeepers to host events such as Kayaks to Go, Sunset Family Fitness, Kayaking on Constitution Beach, and the Second Annual East Boston Marine and Maritime Festival.

Save the Harbor President Tani Marinovich said this year's grants will see the return of many well-attended events from previous years, along with some newly funded events. Grants support concerts, kayaking, family beach festivals, youth beach parties, songs and stories by the sea and art on the shore along with several other beach related activities. All events funded by these grants are free to the public and are hosted in the region's beachfront communities like Eastie.

"Each year we look forward to these great events that get people excited about going to the region's public beaches," said Marinovich. "The beaches



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are our most important natural resources, but also serve as a cultural resource that helps connect communities and bond neighborhoods."

The grant will enable the YMCA to again hold its annual "Beach Kick-off Day" on Constitution Beach to raise awareness about their summer food service program. The event will feature face painting, sand castle contests, sports, games, arts and crafts, music, and an opportunity for community members to meet with organizations that will be offering programs on Constitution Beach during the summer.

The grant award will also support the 'Y' late season movie night, campfire night, and beach activities for local

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youth in late August. The 'Y' will also use the events to highlight the Ashley Street Youth Center near the beach, which will give children the opportunity to continue their activities indoors and also provide the summer food service program when the beach is closed due to weather.

Over at NOAH, Executive Director Phil Giffee said the grant money will be used again for free kayaking at Constitution Beach all summer long.

Last summer, the free kayaking program at the beach run by NOAH's Youth Crew had more than 3,000 participants. That number coupled with the kayaking regatta and other waterfront boating events showed that over 3,300 boaters were on the water last summer in Eastie.

The Harborkeepers will use the money to host the second annual Maritime Festival at Constitution Beach that drew over 1,000 people last summer while Piers Park will again run the Kayaks To Go at the Sailing Center.

In total, more than \$210,000 was awarded in Better Beaches Program grants. These grants will allow 37 organizations in nine communities to fund nearly 150 free events on the region's public beaches from Nahant to Nantasket in 2019.

Nahant to Nantasket in 2019. Funds to support the Better Beaches Program come from DCR, JetBlue and the proceeds of the Harpoon Shamrock Splash fundraiser. Since Save the Harbor/Save the Bay began the Better Beaches Program partnership with the Department of Conservation & Recreation in 2008, they have awarded almost \$900,000 in small grants to support nearly 500 events on the region's public beaches for kids and families in Eastie Lynn, Nahant, Revere, Winthrop, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull.

"Contained within the state parks system are incredible 'close to home' beaches that provide excellent recreational opportunities for visitors and their families to enjoy," said Department of Conservation and Recreation Commissioner Leo Roy. "The Baker-Polito Administration works incredibly hard at fostering strong partnerships with stakeholders like Save the Harbor/Save the Bay in an effort to increase access and provide unique programming at state beaches and other natural resources."

With the support of The Boston Circus Guild and JetBlue, this year's line-up also includes 10 free Life's A Beach Festivals, featuring trapeze artists, acrobats and jugglers, as well costumed storytellers, performing pirates, a community art project by Save the Harbor's artist in residence Robin Reed and mandalas in the sand by intertidal artists Andres Amador.

"At JetBlue, we are committed to our community and fun is one of our core values," said Donnie Todd, Corporate Social Responsibility Liaison for Jet-Blue, who led a team of over 30 participants in this year's Shamrock Splash. "More than 3,000 JetBlue crewmembers call Boston home, we cherish our harbor and proudly support Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the work they do on the region's public beaches. Service and giving back are in our DNA at JetBlue and our mission to inspire humanity is what guides us as a company. Between the Corporate Social Responsibility team's work and our Crewmembers' passions, the common theme is good - JetBlue For Good."



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thank everyone involved for Noyes Park. bringing this great new park to life.'

The ribbon cutting also marked the naming of the park's baseball diamonds after the late Anthony 'Tony' Capozzi.

Capozzi, who worked for the city's Parks Department, served East Boston Little League for more than 35 years as a coach, umpire, groundskeeper, concessioners, or any other task that he had to for the children of Eastie. In many ways Capozzi, who died in 2009, was "East Boston Little League" and for over three decades Noyes Park was his second home.

He was also a past member of Girls Softball Board of Directors, coached Pop Warner Football as well as East Boston Youth Basketball.

Capozzi's family was on hand to celebrate the naming of the baseball diamonds and helped the Mayor cut the ribbon to the park.

Following a series of community meetings over several months, residents and the city agreed upon a final design for

The plan the city came up with reconfigured the largest of the three baseball diamonds and shifted home base over towards the basketball courts behind the Marty Pino Center. This shift allows enough room to add a fenced in regulation Little League field in other unused space at Noyes Park.

The Little League Field on Saratoga Street was converted into a multi-use, AstroTurf field for both softball and soc-

Funded with a \$4.7 million investment from Mayor Walsh's Capital Plan, including a \$400,000 Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant and a \$100,000 grant from Youth Lead the Change, improvements include new LED sports lighting, a synthetic soccer/softball field, a fenced and irrigated baseball field with batting/pitching cage and covered player's benches, a fenced and irrigated Little League field with scoreboard and covered player's benches, a playground for ages 5 to 12 and 2 to 5 with



Members of the late Anthony 'Tony' Capozzi's family during the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Noyes Park's baseball diamonds were named in honor of Capozzi who spent over three decades involved in Little League.

rubber safety surfacing, a rope climber and dish swing, a 2 to 5 play structure and tot swings, splash pad, two basketball courts, a walking loop and exercise station, new trees, and rain gardens.

Noyes Playground is one of the largest playgrounds in East Boston at 8.22 acres. The park has traditionally served baseball, softball, Little League, soccer, and as a playground. The comprehensive

renovation approach allowed the Parks Department design team to look at ways to separate uses while diversifying and providing additional uses within the park. This project was done in coordination with a tidal gate being installed by the Boston Water and Sewer Commission at Constitution Beach to stop tidal flooding from entering the site along Saratoga Street.

Councilor Lydia Edwards to kick off scholarship fund assisting local parents

Lydia Edwards plans to kick off her newly established non-profit, the Edwards Empowerment Fund, with a party on Cunard Tavern's roof deck this Thursday, June 20 at 6:00 p.m. All proceeds collected will go to the Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship, a scholarship aimed to benefit local parents who are active in the community and are currently seeking secondary degrees at Boston-area colleges.

"To honor the Maverick Street mothers, we celebrate the legacy of leaders whose shoulders we stand on and helped shape the history of East Boston," said Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards. "Scholarship recipients will be shining examples of what it means to be involved and engaged members of the community. They are individuals who continue the important work of the original mothers by advocating for a better East Boston."

The Maverick Street Mothers organized community protests in the 1960's against the proposed airport expansion.

Boston City Councilor The protest was widely publicized as both women and men from the community formed a blockade using baby carriages to stop construction and delivery trucks on Maverick Street.

> Thursday evening's event is an effort to raise money for the scholarship fund to disperse in the Fall semester. All applicants must have at least part-time custody of minor child / children, or guardianship of adult child / children, demonstrated hardship, demonstrated dedication to the community in the spirit Maverick Street mothers i.e attending PTA meetings, fundraisers, volunteering in the community, attending civic associations, etc. and attend any accredited institution, but committee will make case-bycase determination to prevent predatory institutions from benefiting from aid.

This is a ticketed event. If you plan on attending, kindly RSVP by visiting this link: https://secure.actblue.com/ donate/eefkickoff or by contacting gabriela.coletta@boston.gov or (617) 635-3200.

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"To start, I would like to give a moment of appreciation to the person who inspired me to become a computer scientist: Mr. Foster," said Sathiyamoorty. "If it weren't for him, I wouldn't have had the head start I needed to begin my programming career, nor the confidence to advance it. He's an all-around great guy whom I share a lot of my hobbies with. Not to mention, he's the only teacher I've ever met (and probably will ever meet) who assigned me games for homework.'

Sathiyamoorty said Foster was not the only teacher he wanted to thank for helping him along the way.

"Mr. Glavin, I'm grateful that you made every day of sophomore year interesting by teaching us facts outside of your field, like how blood comes from bone marrow," he said. "Ms. Coolidge, for showing us all of those documentaries on food and health in freshman year, as I took advice from them myself. "I say supposed to be because

And Ms. Fabian, for giving us the most essential skill of all—Photoshop—that I gladly used to turn myself into Thanos last year. To all of my teachers, and even the ones I never had the chance to meet, thank you for putting in the effort to make learning enjoy-

Sathiyamoorty also thanked all the parents in the audience.

"To our parents, we owe you a permanent gratitude for your continued support and guidance in our lives," he said. "If it weren't for everything you've sacrificed to guide us on our paths, we wouldn't be standing here today. Anyone can hold the title of parent by simply having a child, but it takes a true family member to put their child's needs above their own desires."

Address was delivered by Sabrina Ruiz.

"Graduation is supposed to be our happy day," said Ruiz. perhaps it isn't that way for everybody, as you all may have personal obstacles that you have to overcome. But today - this day - you should feel proud. The Class of 2019 is here for a reason. With numerous paths and stories intersecting, we still somehow reached the same destination: this stage. Life can feel beyond our control at times. But what I - what we - should remember is this: we possess the judgment to set our own boundaries and acknowledge what it is we desire. This is the first step to building and expanding our inner strength."

Offering words of advice to her class, Ruiz urged her classmates to enjoy the small moments in life.

"Because now, I stand here on this beautiful day to tell you this: Enjoy small moments of This year's Valedictorian happiness while they last, because honestly, life is too short to dwell on the bad," she said. "None of us can predict what awaits us. Life may fall apart whenever it wishes, and our

only control is how we choose to respond to that reality. We don't know what is going to happen after today, or tomorrow. So I choose to celebrate, right here, right now, with all of you. I feel more alive than I ever could have dreamt. I feel the inspiration, the determination, to persevere. The rush of emotion, that everybody here deserves to feel. With support or not, we all achieved something, being gathered here in this moment of life. We did

Other invited guests who addressed the graduates included Michael Loconto, chairperson from the Boston School Committee; the honorable Roberto Ronquillo, Jr., Chief justice of Boston Municipal Court and East Boston High School headmaster Philip Brangiforte. Others on the platform for the occasion included City Councilor Annissa George, State Rep Adrian Madaro and David Arinella, dean of coaches for East Boston High School.

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approximately 1:10 a.m. on Sunday, May 5. The vehicle struck several parked vehicles and a cement planter on the roadway center median before coming to a rest on its roof.

One passenger, later identified as Pelletier, suffered fatal injuries in the crash and was pronounced dead at the scene. According to reports Salvi was seriously injured but survived.

According to the District Attorney's Office Ethridge allegedly left the scene on foot and was nowhere to be found when police arrived. His attorney Peter Marano said his client went to go seek help.

Ethridge allegedly went to a friend's house after the crash and later checked himself into Mass General Hospital were police finally caught up with

Pelletier was a 2016 graduate of La Salle Academy and had just completed her junior year at St. Leo University in Florida where she majored in psychology and minored in education. Her future dream was to complete graduate school and counsel children in hospital settings. As a young girl and throughout college, she participated regionally and nationally in cheerleading and dance. She participated in the Patriots Junior Cheerleading program and for many years was with the Dance Theater of Rhode Island in Cumberland. She was a National Grand Champion in dance competition. She worked hard throughout college and when at home on school breaks, was adored by children at her job with Dr. Daycare.

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The news that North American right whales -- considered to be the second-most endangered marine mammal in the world -- have been migrating further north into Canada in just the past two years because of a shift in their traditional feeding grounds that has been brought about by warming waters in the eastern part of the Gulf of Maine is yet another indication of the direct and indirect consequences of climate change and global warm-

The situation is this: Water temperatures in the eastern Gulf of Maine have warmed more than just about any body of water on the planet thanks to a shift in ocean current patterns that have been caused by the loss of sea ice in the Arctic.

As a result of the warmer water temperatures in the eastern Gulf, the population of the copepod Calanus finmarchicus, a tiny flealike creature that hibernates in deep water over the winter and comes to the surface in the summer, where it then becomes food for the right whales (who scoop them up by the millions with their sieve-like baleen), has declined by 90 percent.

This has forced the right whales to move further north into the St. Lawrence Seaway in pursuit of the copepods.

However, unlike in the Gulf of Maine, where regulations have been in effect for decades to protect the right whales from ship-strikes and the effects of lobster and fishing gear, no similar regulations existed in the St. Lawrence Seaway until just this past year -- but only after more right whales were killed in 2017 than in any previous year by ships and netting.

The Canadian government finally imposed regulations designed to protect the whales and now is monitoring the right whales by air in order to provide virtually around-the-clock surveillance of these wonderful creatures. As a result, there were few reported deaths in 2018.

However, taking such steps is doing nothing more than applying the proverbial band-aid to just one of the many adverse effects caused by the overall problem of climate change.

The change in the right whales' migration patterns is just another nail in the coffin of these animals, whose total population numbers around just 400. It is thought that unless something miraculous occurs, the No. American right whale will become extinct within 20 years -- and even that might be optimistic giv-

rapid increase in climate change that is accelerating at a rate far faster than even the most-dire warnings had predicted.

The No. American right whales are the proverbial canary in the coal mine for every living creature on the planet. Their migration in the pursuit of food mirrors what is happening across the earth, not only in the animal world, but for humans as well. This is why the U.S. military views climate change not only as a direct threat to our naval bases because of rising ocean levels, but also as the gravest threat to world peace in the coming decades because of instability in regions of the world from where hundreds of millions of people will be forced to migrate in order

Scientists tells us that the window of opportunity to stop global warming and climate change is closing with every passing day because of the refusal of governments to take the steps necessary to save the planet as we know it.

It already may be too late to save the North American right whale from extinction. We can only hope that we still have a chance to save us from ourselves.

Your opinions, please

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GUEST OP-ED

Updates to trash and recycling pickup will improve efficiency and convenience

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

One of the most fundamental ways we can improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods is by proactively addressing the basic needs of our residents. The men and women of our Public Works Department do a great job keeping our communities clean and in good condition for the benefit of us all. We are always striving to do a better job in delivering the exceptional city services that our residents deserve, which is why we are excited to be making updates to our citywide waste collection services.

Beginning on July 1, trash, recycling, and yard waste collection will begin at 6 a.m. in every neighborhood across the City, one hour earlier than the current 7 a.m. start time. This change will allow work-

ers to get a jumpstart on their Hokey is a city employee day-long routes. It also means that they will complete their work earlier in the day, reducing congestion on city streets during peak hours.

While these changes may seem small, it is always our top focus to listen to the feedback of our residents and make the changes that are necessary to best meet their needs. These changes to the trash collection schedule will build on the efforts we've made over the last several years to ensure high-quality services for residents and keep our neighborhoods in great condition.

Over the last several years, the City has taken several proactive steps to ensure high-quality services for our residents. We've created six full-time Hokey positions to keep sidewalks and streets clean of litter and debris. A

who works on foot with basic equipment to clean city streets. In addition, the City hires upwards of 20 seasonal Hokeys each year to assist with citywide cleanup efforts.

We've partnered with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection on a "Recycle Smart" campaign. Through the campaign, we're looking to inform residents on placing proper materials in the recycling bin and separating problem materials that cause contamination. We're also desure cleanliness on our main thoroughfares.

Just a few weeks ago, we concluded our "Love Your Block" projects in each neighborhood, a program that was established to unite neighbors and communities for a day of cleanups in community gardens, public spaces, and schools. These projects are a great way to foster a culture of community by bringing people together who share a common thread: love of their neighborhood.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with residents in communities all across the City of Boston to make sure their neighborhoods shine. I encourage any resident with questions about their trash collection schedule to download our free ploying more assets through "Trash Day" app. App users our Highway Division to en- can also view a calendar for their home's collection dates, set reminders and get notifications of schedule changes. Information is also available on our City website, www. boston.gov.

Martin J. Walsh is the Mayor of Boston.

Lendlease seeks to use future Piers Park II property for temporary parking

By John Lynds

With another construction season in full swing, developer of Clippership Wharf, Lendlease appeared before the community last week with a proposal that could dramatically cut down on on-street parking by construction crews working on the waterfront development project near Maverick Square.

For months, Eastie's elected officials like Rep. Adrian Madaro have been fielding phone calls from angry residents in and around Maverick complaining that too many construction workers building the 80-unit condo development are parking in the neighborhood.

Lendlease's Erik Tinkhauser and Cranshaw Construction's Chris McCann added that the workers are subjected to parking tickets or have to constantly move their vehicles every two hours to avoid being ticket or towed. This, Tinkhauser and McCann said, cuts down on productivity at the construction site.

Lendlease community relations liaison Paul Scapicchio said Lendlease and Cranshaw have come up with an idea they wanted to run by the community.

use of the waterfront parcel

on Marginal Street that will

be the future site of Piers Park

Scapicchio proposed the

Phase II for temporary parking for construction workers. The Massport-owned parcel is currently in the design phase and will be empty until construction on the waterfront park begins sometime next

Scapicchio said Lendlease is proposing to utilize the parcel as a short-term parking alternative for approximately 235 vehicles to support the construction of Clippership Wharf and the Clippership Apartments.

In exchange for use of the parcel Scapicchio said Lendlease would charge a fee for workers parking at the site that would in-part be donated to local nonprofits. The hours of operation for the parking lot are expected to be from 6 a.m.-4 p.m

Scapicchio said that Lendlease has been in discussions with Massport over the past 12 months, but were told to come to the community first.

"Currently, there are approximately 90 workers per day are using on-street parking," said Scapicchio. "This requires them to park as much as 1/4 mile away from the jobsite, and to move their cars every two hours. The goal is to be able to access the Piers Park Phase II lot by July 2019, when the number of construction workers for these proj-

ects will reach a peak." Scapicchio said the area



Lendlease's community relations liaison Paul Scpaicchio pitches a plan to use the future Piers Park Phase II site for temporary parking for construction workers in order to cut down on onstreet parking.

would be lit using existing light poles and timers would turn the light on between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m.. The lights would be shut off at night as to not disturb neighbors.

Some residents, especially those on Orleans and Cottage Streets, said due to the narrow streets it would be preferable if the entrance to the parking facility was on Piers Park. This way workers would not have to travel through some of the more thickly settled areas of Jeffries Point and could enter the lot from So. Bremen

Scapicchio said every effort would be made to control noise from the parking workers and clear signage will be used to direct the workers using the proposed parking area.

The proposal will also be before the Piers Park Advisory Committee (PierPAC) who oversees security and maintenance issues at Massport owned waterfront parcels.

A straw poll was held, with 10 residents in favor of the proposal and 16 residents opposed.

Scapicchio and Lendlease committed to present again at a future Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association (JPNA) monthly meeting if this proposal moves forward.

COMMUNITY NEWS

JEFFRIES POINT **NEIGHBORHOOD** ASSOCIATION **AGENDA**

Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Agenda

Wednesday, June 19, 2019; 7 - 8:30 p.m.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center: Training Building

250 Sumner Street AGENDA (subject to

464 Sumner Street- Proposal to change the occupancy from a three-family to a four-family. Also, to renovate the building, including a rear and fourth story addition.

We thank the EBNHC for letting us use the space.

We MUST be out of the building by 8:30 p.m..

2019 Planning & Zoning Meeting dates are available at jeffriespoint.org

Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association Board of Directors:

Cindy Baxter | Rachel Blomerth | Mary Cole | Margaret Farmer | Andrew Pike

GOVE STREET CITIZENS ASSOCIATION **MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA**

Monday, June 24, 2019

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Catherine Leonard-Mc-

Lean Community Room Logan Airport Rental Car

Welcome and Announce-

Boston Police Updates -Sergeant Martin & Officer

Office of Neighborhood Services Updates – Lina Tramelli

Community Preservation Act Funding – Thadine Brown * Discuss overview, process & projects

Friends of the East Boston Greenway - Nat Taylor

Name Change Proposal Neighborhood Updates -

Nat Taylor **Project Presentations:** 48 Geneva Street – A proposal to erect a 6 unit residen-

tial building. 1st Presentation/NO VOTE - Attorney Richard Lynds

273-279 Maverick Street -A proposal to erect a 5 story mixed use building with 41 dwelling units with space for 1 retail establishment.

2nd Presentation & VOTE

- Attorney Richard Lynds LOCATION: The Catherine Leonard-McLean (formerly Noddle Island) Community Room is located on the first floor of the Logan Airport Rental Car Center, situated at the end of Porter Street. Free event parking in front of

the building and in the Porter Street parking lot adjacent to the building.

SUPPORT GROUP MEETING SCHEDULED

National Alliance on Mental Illness Greater North Shore is hosting a Family & Friends Support Group and a new Individual (Peer) Support Group on Wednesday June 26, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Beverly Hospital, 85 Herrick St., Beverly MA. The two groups are for family and friends of those dealing with mental health challenges and for individuals (peers) and they meet the last Wednesday of Every Month. For more information e-mail csadkowski@yahoo.com or call 617-984-0504 and leave a message. Also visit www.namigreaternorthshore.org.

EAST BOSTON HIGH **CLASS OF 1969 50TH REUNION**

September 28, 2019 Winthrop Elks Lodge 191 Washington Ave. Winthrop, Ma 02152

7 p.m.-11 p.m. \$50 Per

Any classmate who has not received a 'save the date' postcard, or for more info

Please contact Corinne Barisano via (Caggiano) email: Ronny731@aol.Com.

MAYOR WALSH **ANNOUNCES 2019 COFFEE HOUR SERIES**

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 20th Annual Neighborhood Coffee Hour Series in local parks citywide through June

"I look forward to the Neighborhood Coffee Hours every year as a way to start the spring season by getting out to the neighborhoods to engage directly with our residents," said Mayor Walsh.

The Neighborhood Coffee Hours give residents the opportunity to speak directly with Mayor Walsh and staff from City departments about open space and other needs in their neighborhoods. Through these discussions and a suggestion box at each site, Mayor Walsh looks forward to hearing how the City of Boston can improve upon local parks, public areas, and city services.

Participants will enjoy coffee and breakfast treats provided by Dunkin' Donuts and fresh fruit from Star Market. In addition, each family in attendance will receive a flowering plant grown in the city's greenhouses as a gift from Mayor Walsh. Residents at the event will also be eligible to win a raffle prize from Dunkin' Donuts. Information will be available on City programs from the Boston Public Library, Boston Public Schools, Boston Police Department, and Boston Centers for Youth & Families.

All coffee hours will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. Locations are weather permitting. Dates for the full schedule of Mayor Walsh's 2019 Neighborhood Coffee Hours are as follows:

Wednesday, June 19 Mozart Street Playground 10 Mozart Street, Jamaica Plain

For more information and updates on possible weather cancellations, please contact the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505, online at Facebook or Twitter @bostonparksdept, or by visiting www.boston.gov/ parks.

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.

Kiwanis Club of East Boston First and Third Tuesday of every month 6 p.m. at Spinelli's Restaurant in Day Square. New members welcome

Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association Second Monday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club, 665 Sumner St.

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

ley St.

Friend of the East Boston Greenway Fourth Thursday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center. 395 Maverick St. All are welcome to attend.

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.

EAST BOSTON SOCIAL CENTER'S SENIOR PROGRAM NOW **OFFERING SPANISH**

LANGUAGE CLASSES The Senior Program at the East Boston Social Centers is now offering Spanish Language Classes for adults over 60 years old. Classes are held every Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Room 209. All are welcome to attend. Class is taught by Mr. Montaro. No need to register, just come by on Wednesday at 10 a.m. for this fun class. The East Boston Social Centers is located at 68 Central Square.

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.

EAST BOSTON **SENIOR LUNCH PROGRAM**

If you are 60+ years of age, the East Boston Social Centers at 68 Central Square in East Boston has a table and a meal waiting for you!

The Senior Lunch Program sponsored by ETHOS Congregate Meal Program provides a hot, nutritious lunch, along with wonderful socialization, Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A suggested donation of \$2 is asked.

We welcome seniors from

our East Boston Community and surrounding areas.

LEARN ITALIAN FREE

The class will be held at Robert DeLeo Senior Center, 35 Harvard Street Winthrop for residents age 55 and above.

Whether you have Italian ancestry, or just want to learn one of the world's most beautiful languages, join us at informal and friendly Italian language and culture classes. Wednesday afternoons from 1:15 to 2:45 p.m.

For info call 617-846-8538.

EAST BOSTON TECH MEETUP

The purpose of the East Boston Tech Meetup is to build a community of people currently working in tech or those aspiring to move into a tech career who live or work in East Boston. These meetings will be held in the heart of Maverick Landing conveniently located steps from the Maverick T station, in the Maverick Landing Meeting House at 31 Liverpool Street.

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Public Notice of Environmental Review

Logan Airport Parking Project PROJECT: **LOCATION:** Boston, Massachusetts PROPONENT: Massachusetts Port Authority

Massport filed a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment with the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs and the Federal Aviation Administration on or before May 31, 2019, in accordance with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act ("MEPA" M.G.L. c. 30, S.S. 61-621) and the National Environmental Policy Act. Copies of the Draft EIR/EA may be obtained from:

> Stewart Dalzell Massachusetts Port Authority Logan Office Center One Harborside Drive, Suite 200S East Boston, MA 02128-2909 (617) 568-3524 - SDalzell@massport.com.

Copies of the Draft EIR/EA are being sent to the Public Libraries of Boston (Main, Charlestown, and East Boston branches), Winthrop, Chelsea, and Revere where they may be reviewed. The Draft EIR/EA is also available on Massport's website at http://www.massport.com/massport/about-massport/project-environmental-filings/. The Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs will publish notice of the Draft EIR/EA in the Environmental Monitor on June 10, 2019, will receive public comments on the Project for an extended period of 47 days, and will then provide a Certificate outlining the scope for the Final Environmental Impact Report ('Final EIR") within approximately 10 days.

A Public Information Session is scheduled for:

Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 6:00 PM Logan Airport Rental Car Center Cathy Leonard-McLean Community Room 15 Transportation Way East Boston, MA 02128

All persons wishing to comment on the Project should write to:

Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attention: MEPA Office Page Czepiga, EEA #15665 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, Massachusetts 02114

Richard Doucette Federal Aviation Administration ANE-600 1200 District Avenue



Burlington, MA 01803

By Stewart Dalzell, Massachusetts Port Authority

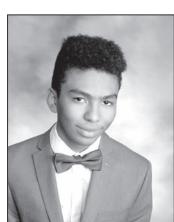
LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

EAST BOSTON STUDENT **GRADUATES FROM BOSTON COLLEGE** HIGH SCHOOL

On Sunday, May 19, 2019 at Boston College High School's 155th Commencement, President Grace Cotter Regan and the Board of Trustees presented diplomas to 253 members of the class of 2019. Mr. Stephen Hughes, a 1973 graduate of BC High and Principal of the school, gave the address.

Among the graduates was: Ivan F. Cesar, who plans on Wentworth Institute of Technology in the fall.

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,500 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more http://www.bchigh. edu



Ivan F. Cesar.

WAGNER **GRADUATES FROM COLBY COLLEGE**

Wilhelmina R. Wagner, of East Boston, was one of 462 seniors who graduated from Colby College in Waterville, Maine, May 26, 2019, receiving a bachelor of arts degree at the College's 198th Commencement. Award-winning television writer David E. Kelley was the guest speaker.

Wagner, who majored in biology with a neuroscience concentration, attended Winchester High School and is the daughter of James Wagner of Boston, Mass., and Mary Wagner of Arlington, Mass.

David E. Kelley, creator of popular and critically acclaimed shows from Ally Mc-Beal to Big Little Lies, spoke to a crowd of more than 3,000 and urged Colby College graduates to reject a career that is "not so terrible" and instead pursue what will make them truly fulfilled.

Acknowledging that his advice might seem banal, he urged students to do what gives them joy. "Cling to the [inner] scream," Kelley said. "Keep it in there because so many, after failing to get what they want, decide the easier route is just to invalidate the want and pretend it was never a goal to begin with, and you become a little more deadened

Founded in 1813, Colby is one of America's most selective colleges. Serving only undergraduates, Colby offers a rigorous academic program rooted in deep exploration of ideas and close interac-

tion with world-class faculty scholars. Students pursue intellectual passions, choosing among 58 majors or developing their own. Colby's innovative and ambitious campaign, Dare Northward, will support deeper connections between the College and the world and a fully inclusive experience for all Colby students. Colby is home to a community of 2,000 dedicated and diverse students from more than 80 countries. Its Waterville, Maine, location provides unique access to world-class research institutions and civic engagement experiences.

GALDAMEZ RETURNS **FOLLOWING** RESEARCH PROJECT

Marilyn Galdamez of East Boston, a member of the class of 2020 majoring in biomedical engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense, hands-on research through the WPI project center in Thessaloniki, Greece. The project was titled Mapping the Complexity and Future Vision of the Egnatia Corridor. In their project summary, the students wrote, "Through analysis of primary and secondary data sources, this study aimed to provide an integrated understanding of current conditions along Egnatia for the Major Development Agency of Thessaloniki to use in future urban development projects."

At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete

a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to addresses an important societal need or issue. About twothirds of students complete a project at one of the university's 50-plus off-campus project centers, which are located around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives-and make a difference before they graduate.

"The WPI project-based curriculum's focus on global studies brings students out of the classroom and their comfort zones and into the global community to apply their knowledge and to solve problems," said Professor Kent Rissmiller, interim dean of the WPI Interdisciplinary and Global Studies Division. "Students are immersed in all aspects of a different culture, from the way people live and work to the values they hold to the foods they eat - all valuable perspectives for surviving and thriving in today's global marketplace. They also learn the meaning and magic of teamwork; make a real and meaningful difference in their host community; and gain a competitive edge for any resume, or graduate or professional school application."

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in

project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 50 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 14 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing;

LASELL COLLEGE STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

cyber, data, and security sys-

tems; learning science; and

more. www.wpi.edu

Lasell College announced students named to the Dean's List for their academic accomplishments in the Spring 2019 semester.

To be named to the Dean's List, Lasell students must complete at least 12 credits as a full-time student and achieve a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Hatan Alqaffas of East Boston

Gina Munoz of East Boston Kaylene Sheran of East Boston

DEAN'S LIST **HONORS** ANNOUNCED AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the Spring 2019 semester.

Among students from East Boston earning dean's list honors is/are:

Ashley Benitez (Junior) John DiGiacomo (Sopho-

Karen Ruiz Moreno (Freshman)

Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/ Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions. A growing number of innovative teaching and research initiatives span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty and students in the undergraduate, graduate and professional programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.

AROUND THE CITY

SEAPORT AFTER WORK CRUISES

Starting June 27, Seaport Sangria After Work Cruises, Boston's biggest after work floating deck party, with dancing , Dj, and gorgeous views of the city and Harbor Islands, is held every Thursday, on the MV Provincetown II, June 30-August 25, 5:30-6:30 p.m., with Bay State Cruise Co,.200

\$30, discount offered with code "Summer". Patrons must be 21+ years old, with proper identification. There's also Summer Party Cruises Thursdays, 7-10 p.m., with boarding at 6:45 p.m. \$40, discount also. bostoneventguide.com,781-444-7771.

TYLER HENRY

Lynn Auditorium welcomes medium Tyler Henry discussing "Life Lessons I've Learned from tive audience Q&A June 23, 3 City Hall Square, Lynn.

ROX FILM FESTIVAL

The annual Roxbury International Film Festival celebrating people of color is held June 19-29, including the open documentary, Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am," June 20, 4:30 p.m., and a pre-film live performance by Alexandria King. Festival opener is Jennifer Sharp's Fine Arts, Boston. Besides the museum, the festival is held at Hibernian Hall, Haley House Bakery Cafe, and Berklee College of Music. The festival is held at the museum.

WINE AND FOOD PHEST

Phantom Gourmet features its Italian wine and food phest Saturday, June 22, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and 2:30-5 p.m., at Seaport Blvd., Commonwealth Pier. Boarding starts at 5 p.m. the Departed," performing live readings and leading an interaction for the Museum of Salem NH. A \$99 ticket pays ported by the Barbara Lee Family

for four admissions, single tickets, \$30, but at the door, \$40, if available. Ticket limited. Patrons must be 21+ years old. PhantomGourmetItalian.com.

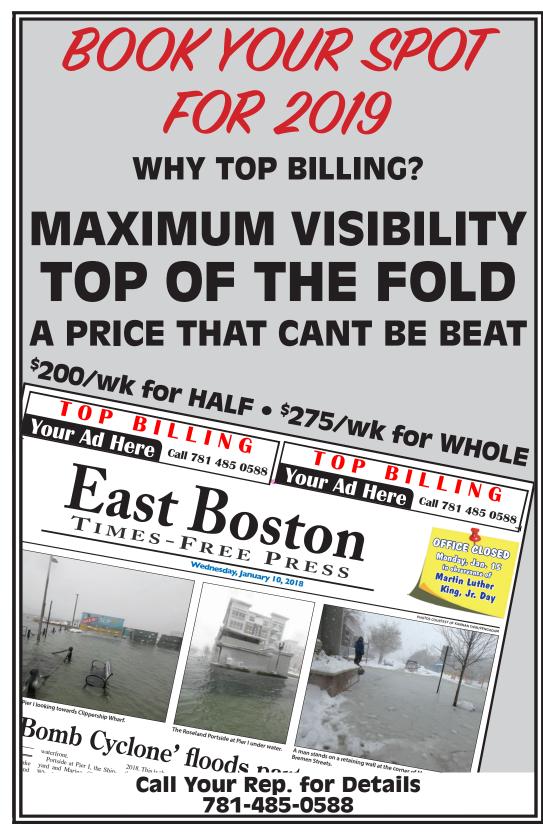
BOSTON SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL KICKOFF **CELEBRATION**

The Women's Suffrage Centennial Coalition and the Mayor's Office of Women's Advancement's Greater Boston Foundation, is held Tuesday, June 25, 5-7 p.m., at Faneuil Hall, One Faneuil Hall Square, Boston. Free, open to the public.

PRIED

Works by national and New England, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer-identifying crafts artists are on exhibit through June 30 at the Society of Arts and Crafts, 100 Pier Four Blvd. at Seaport Blvd. second floor, MBTA Silver Line, Courthouse Station, free, open





REP. ADRIAN MADARO SPRING FUNDRAISER

Last Thursday at the Hilton Garden Inn over 300 family, friends and supporters turned out for Rep. Adrian Madaro's annual spring fundraiser and reception.

The evening included food, music and a speech by Mada-

In his speech Madaro provided the crowd with legislative updates and other work he is doing at the State House to help Eastie thrive.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and Enzo Polcaro.



Rep. Adrian Madaro addresses the crowd.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Kathy and Stevie Scire from Carlo's Catering.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and Ed Deveau.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with City Councilor Lydia Edwards.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Veterans Secretary Francisco Urena



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Salesian Boys & Girls Club Director Michael Triant.



Rep. Adrian Madaro talks with supporters during his fundraiser.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Sal LaMattina and City Councilor Michelle Wu.



Liana LaMattina, Rep. Adrian Madaro, Angel H. Rodriguez and Ariel Madaro.



Rep. Adrian Madaro fist pumps Rocco Pasquariello while his dad, Executive Director of the Social Centers Justin Pasquariello, looks on.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with members of the Pizzicannella Family.



Rep. Adrian Madaro poses with seniors during the event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Dan Lyons, Jess Smith and John Tyler.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Jason Ruggiero, Melissa Allen and Joseph Ruggiero.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Jim Kearney and Hilton Manager Steve Haley.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with EBNHC Vice President Steve Snyder and EBNHC CEO Manny Lopes.



The team from Piers Park Sailing Center was on hand to offer Rep. Adrian Madaro their support.



Rep. Madaro and his family. From left, Jacopo Madaro, Maya Bond, Ariel Madaro, Rep. Madaro, Debra Cave and Lauren Owens.

MAYOR MARTIN WALSH'S NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE HOUR

Last Wednesday morning Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department hosted the Annual Neighborhood Coffee Hour Series at the newly rehabbed Noyes Park.

"Coffee Hours give me another opportunity to meet with residents, answer their questions and

discuss all that the City of Boston has to offer," said Mayor Walsh. "Our parks provide a great backdrop for conversation and I look forward to hearing from more of my constituents throughout the spring and summer."

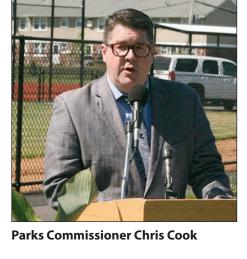
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Mayor Martin Walsh talks with BPD Cadets that will soon be sworn in as officers at last week's coffee hour.





Damien Margardo and Joe Weddleton.



Mayor Martin Walsh recieves a BPD jacket from Sergeant Jimmy Martin.



Students from a local preschool and their teacher enjoy the newly rehabed Noyes



Mayor Martin Walsh addresses the crowd.



Jason Ruggiero, Sal LaMattina and Tom

Councilor Lydia Edwards and Mary Ber-



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Soon to be BPS Superintendent Dr. Brenda Cassellius (center) with EBHS Headmaster Phil Brangiforte and Academic Superintendent Tommy Welch and his family.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Manlio Mendez and John Walkey.



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East Boston Greenway's Gove Street crossing undergoes a transformation



Over 35 volunteers helped transform this section of the Greenway over the weekend.

By John Lynds

of the East Boston Greenway

underwent a transformation

an army of volunteers helped

transform this section of the

Greenway into a vibrant pla-

za. Volunteers spent two days

painting the pathways at the

Gove Street entrance, plant-

ed flowers, placed adirondack chairs at various locations

so visitors to the Greenway

part of a placemaking 'pop-

up' by the Friends of the East

For over a year Greenway

members have been trying

to activate this portion of the park system that runs from

Eastie's waterfront to Consti-

fall members sponsored live

music as well as talking ses-

Last summer and into the

The transformation was

could kick back and relax.

Boston Greenway.

tution Beach.

On Friday and Saturday

over the weekend.

The Gove Street entrance

the Greenway.

Over the winter the Boston Society of Landscape Architects (BSLA) kicked off an East Boston Greenway Design Challenge in conjunction with the Friends of the East

Boston Greenway's vision. BSLA Executive Director Gretchen Rabinkin and the BLSA asked landscape architects to share some designs plans and ideas with the BLSA and the community for both short term and long term solutions for the section of the East Boston Greenway at Gove Street.

The challenge builds upon efforts with several visions for the space as part of the community driven campaign to activate the spot with community events and outdoor music.

The winner of BSLA's design challenge contest was Tool Design.

Building upon a foundation already laid by community sions with residents to get activists, Tool Design took feedback on what they would its inspiration for their winlike to see happening more at ning design from ideas float-

AND A HOME RUN.

Carol Truncale's story isn't just about how she prevailed through a severe childhood case of scoliosis, or curvature of the spine. It's

nessages we know: don't give up, and remember to give back. If Carol's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, hen its telling here has been well worth while.

severe childhood case of scoliosis, or curvature of the spir about what she did when she grew up.

She became a nurse—a decision inspired by the suppor dedication she received from her own medical team during he years of treatment and successful recovery.

Carol Truncale's story leaves us with two of the most control



The newly painted Gove Street entrance outside the Gumball Factory complete with plantings and chairs.

ing around the neighborhood as well as some of the events held around the Gove Street entrance last summer.

"We had 35 volunteers over the two days who did a great job painting and planning," said Greenway Coordinator Michelle Moon. "The response of the improvements to Gove Street crossing have been overwhelmingly posi-

Moon added there will be music and other events at the location over the next few

"It was exactly as you had dreamed it would be, but even better," said Greenway member Jane O'Rielly of the transformation. "Two streams of parents and children going to the two schools in opposite ends of Gove Street. One stream of people and



The newly painted pathways at the Grove Street crossing on the East Boston Greenway.

exclaiming, "Wow! What is ment and praise."

children going toward Por- this?" Part of the fun was ter. Lots of people going to the surprise. People wonder work, especially at the health how it happened, and who did center. Regular traffic, plus it. But those who did do it dog walkers---and all of them deserve public acknowledge-

OBITUARIES

Elena Rodrigues

Longtime employee of Lombardo's in East Boston

Elena (Scoppetuolo) Rodrigues of Windham, NH, formerly of Orient Heights, East Boston, passed away on Sunday, June 16 surrounded by her loving family.

Elena was employed for many years at Lombardo's in East Boston.

She was the beloved wife of the late Charles Rodrigues, loving mother of Charles Rodrigues and his wife, Ann of Saugus, Dana Rodrigues and his wife, Laura of North Andover, Russell Rodrigues of Tewksbury, Donna Scalfani and her husband, Donald of Peabody, Darlene Estes and her husband, Warren of New Hampshire and the late Charlene Rodrigues; dear sister of Julia Scoppetuolo and her husband, Robert Clausen of Florida, Josephine Scoppetuolo and her husband, Leonard Nelson of Boston, Anthony Scoppetuolo and his wife, Philomeena of Wilmington and the late Theresa Shire, Mary Cimino and Joseph and John Scoppetuolo and adored grandmother of 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchil-



dren. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and

cousins. Family and friends will honor Elena's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach Street, Revere today, Wednesday, June 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again at 9:30 a.m. Thursday before leaving in procession to St. Joseph- t. Lazarus Church, 59 Ashley St., East Boston, for a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in her honor at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden. For guest book and directions: www.vazzafunerals.com.

Agostino Martucci

Of North Carolina, formerly of East Boston

Agostino Martucci of North Carolina, formerly of East Boston, passed away on June 12 at the age of 80.

He was the beloved husband of Adelina (Barletta) Martucci of East Boston, devoted father of Enzo and his wife, Susan Martucci of North Carolina, Bruno and his wife, Cindy Martucci of Stoneham and Angela and her husband, Felix Imbriano of East Boston and the cherished grandfather

Funeral arrangements were by the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, East Boston.



Agostino was laid to rest in Woodlawn Cemetery in Ev-

Joanne Marie Raia

Of Florida, formerly of East Boston

Joanne Marie (D'Alessandro) Raia of Largo, Florida, formerly of East Boston, died on May 25. She was 72 years

She was the beloved wife of the late Ronald Raia; cherished daughter of Antionetta (D'Angelis) and the late John D'Alessandro; much loved sister of Diane LaVertue and her husband, Ronald of Winthrop and mother of Sharon and Brian Kelly of Florida.

A Memorial Mass will be



held honoring her life on Friday, June 14, at 10 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Church, Brooks Street, East Boston.

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immigration, think critically about current events, and are encouraged to defend one an-

"We love our students and our community just the way

stocked with books that cele- they are," asserted Principal tures. Our background is part of brate diversity. Students have Karen McCarthy. "This is a city been learning about identity and that takes a stand. We are a more gender equality, are discussing connected school than we were a few years ago. The Guild is a diverse community. We speak close to a dozen languages, practice different religions, come from different countries, and have different family struc-

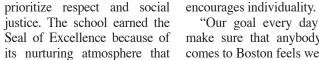
what makes us who we are."

The Guild began collaborating with the Boston Public Schools (BPS) Office of Equity in August 2016 to develop a welcoming institution that fosters inclusion and works to abolish bias-based bullying.

Guild faculty and students



Third graders performing, "If You Want to Sing Out."



"Our goal every day is to make sure that anybody who comes to Boston feels welcome

and knows we value who they are," declared Mayor Martin Walsh. "That's what makes Boston strong."



The Curtis Guild Elementary School received the Welcoming Schools Seal of Excellence on June 12.



Principal Karen McCarthy.



Mayor Martin Walsh.



Yamileth Pineda and Nelly Gomez.



Luiann, Welcoming Schools ambassador, and Lily Holland, second grade teacher.



Mayor Martin Walsh, Rep. Adrian Madaro, Principal Karen McCarthy, holding a citation from the Boston City Council in recognition of the Guild's Seal of Excellence, and Councilor Lydia



Incoming Superintendent Brenda Cassellius, Interim Superintendent Laura Perille, Rep. Adrian Madaro, Mayor Martin Walsh, HRC Director of Children, Youth and Families Program Ellen Kahn, Principal Karen McCarthy, and Councilor Lydia Edwards.



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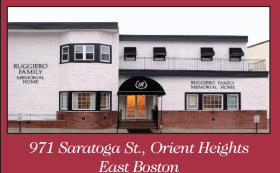
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2019 GRADUATION

Sabrina Ruiz 2019 Class Valedictorian

I am Sabrina Ruiz. Some of you know me, some of you don't. But I'm up here regardless, and I hope that my words will help make today a bit more memorable for all of

Graduation is supposed to be our happy day. I say supposed to be because perhaps it isn't that way for everybody, as you all may have personal obstacles that you have to overcome. But today - this day - you should feel proud. The Class of 2019 is here for a reason. With numerous paths and stories intersecting, we still somehow reached the same destination: this stage. Life can feel beyond our control at times. But what I - what we - should remember is this: we possess the judgement to set our own boundaries and ACKNOWLEDGE what it is we desire. This is the first step to building and expanding our inner strength.

You may be graduating with spectacular grades, or merely by a thread. But it doesn't matter how you got here, because you have the capacity to choose how you step into the next phase of your life. Anybody who has the audacity to assume your intelligence by a letter grade, or by your mistakes, is truly in the wrong. I learned to see the world through a new lens thanks to an assortment of people in my life. And I can tell you right now, most had a less-than-perfect GPA.

During my high school career, I often stressed with the illusion of perfection, but finally had to tell myself: Get. Over. It. It was not until as of late that I realized no one can be perfect, thus I am not perfect. YOU are not perfect. NONE of us are perfect. Going out into the "real" world with these misconceptions is self-destructive. Accepting our imperfections is far more refreshing than laying claim to a lie; facing this truth gives tion, to persevere. The rush of you the power to take chances emotion, that everybody here velopment as I ventured into and risk failure, because no matter the outcome, it would not change the fact that no one is perfect. And that is okay.

The night before my AP Literature exam, interestingly enough, is when I learned this the hard way. My motivation felt drained. I was tired, everything I had achieved up until this point seemed to have lost its worth. I allowed the trepidation to overtake me, as I stressed the future more than ever. My mistake was: I had been too hard on myself. Even with all the blessings around me, I rarely lived in the present and only aimed towards my future goals -- I often overlooked the small moments of happiness that life - at times - graciously offers.

The morning of the exam, I was shocked when three amazing friends surprised me at my house with my favorite drink, and a wake up call. They referred to my achievements, everything I should be proud of, and my own value. This did wonders. That same morning, I aced my exam - I think - we'll find out in July -I felt awoken through a sense of belonging...thanks to my trusted and caring friends.



lucky to have support like this. But I want everybody here to think about a moment where they felt a sensation of joy, even if it was for a split second. These are the moments we should treasure.

Because now, I stand here on this beautiful day to tell you this: Enjoy small moments of happiness while they last, because honestly, life is too short to dwell on the bad. None of us can predict what awaits us. Life may fall apart whenever it wishes, and our only control is how we choose to respond to that reality. We don't know what is going to happen after today, or tomorrow. So I choose to celebrate, right here, right now, with all of you.

I feel more alive than I ever could have dreamt. I feel the inspiration, the determinadeserves to feel. With support or not, we all achieved something, being gathered here in this moment of life. We did it.

That being said, the following people I would like to properly express my gratitude towards, for getting me here.

Thank you to East Boston High and Northeastern University for honoring me with this Valedictorian scholarship. It's all I've worked towards for four years, and despite any changes in my mindset, some of which have been drastic, this is the one goal I set that has never changed.

To my family, and especial-

Thank you, Mom. For forever giving me advice and wanting to see my success. Even when we fail to see eye to eye, I know you always have my best interests at heart and that knowledge has given

me confidence to grow. Thank you Dad. I am blessed with your endless positivity and faith. I like to believe you've passed on your optimism and artistic perspective to me, and I couldn't have asked for a better father. Dad, you're the real MVP.

Thank you, Sam, because I know not everybody is I would not have been born

without your request, literally. The truest partner in crime I could have asked for, it is your belief in me and encouragement that has made me proud to be your younger sister.

To my teachers, and especially:

Thank you Ms. Murray. You have been like a second mother to me since sophomore year. Thank you for recognizing my true potential and inspiring me to realize that confidence is an essential tool for whichever path I

Thank you, Dr. C, for your patience and understanding nature. I always appreciated your guidance as I struggled with a subject that was often difficult. I've lost count of the amount of times I've stayed after school for extra help, but those sessions were an important stage in my deaccepting struggle and challenging myself.

Thank you, Mr. Mac-George, for all the ways you expanded my horizons -- from the inspiring museum and ICA field trips to the stash of food and supplies, it is in this class that I realized the importance of breaking boundaries.

To my amazing companions, and especially:

Thank you Cristian, for being the best friend I could have ever wanted and needed. You're a true gem. Your support and belief that I could achieve more than I ever hoped for never went unno-

Thank you Kenny. There is too much to say about you honestly. But your acceptance of me as I am throughout the ups and downs has made me truly cherish you. In my darkest days, as cheesy as this will sound, you have served as my

Thank you Ivanna. It is insane how close we have gotten in such a brief time period and the amount we have endeavored. From our impromptu adventures to eventful memories like the carnival or birthday celebrations, I will always treasure them. The grass is truly greener when I'm with you, you beautiful soul.

To, you all, the Class of 2019: We are all heading down different paths, whether it be college, work, undecided, marriage, or traveling. Hearing stories of how individuals here have contributed to something in this crazy world, I honestly believe our purpose in life will become clear, and that we will be recognized for our extraordinary accomplishments..

Use your voice. Remember your value. Make mistakes. Create stories. It is your life. Congratulations, everyone!

Udaya Sathiyamoorthy 2019 Class Salutatorian

Greetings, family, friends, teachers, and faculty, and welcome to East Boston High School's class of 2019 graduation ceremony. Just as [Name] said, my name is Udaya Sathiyamoorthy. I'll be honest with you, I was pretty thrilled about being told I was the salutatorian until I heard that I had to make a speech. "Great, now I have to make both a 5-6 page ELA essay and this before I get my diploma." But seriously, I'm honored to have this one last chance to thank everyone who helped me get to this point.

To start, I would like to give a moment of appreciation to the person who inspired me to become a computer scientist: Mr. Foster. If it weren't for him, I wouldn't have the head start I needed to begin my programming career, nor the confidence to advance it. He's an all-around great guy whom I share a lot of my hobbies with. Not to mention, he's the only teacher I've ever met (and probably will ever meet) who assigned me games for homework.

He's not the only teacher I want to thank for helping me along the way. Mr. Glavin, I'm grateful that you made every day of sophomore year interesting by teaching us facts outside of your field, like how blood comes from bone marrow. Ms. Coolidge, for showing us all of those documentaries on food and health in freshman year, as I took advice from them myself. And Ms. Fabian, for giving us the most essential skill all—Photoshop—which I gladly used to turn myself into Thanos last year. To all of my teachers, and even the ones I never had the chance to meet, thank you for putting in the effort to make learning

To our parents, we owe you a permanent gratitude for your continued support and guidance in our lives. If it weren't

enjoyable.



for everything you've sacrificed to guide us on our paths, we wouldn't be standing here today. Anyone can hold the title of parent by simply having a child, but it takes a true family member to put their child's needs above their own desires. Sure, no family is perfect. We can bicker among ourselves, nag each other, and argue all day about trivial issues. But disagreements and rise to the occasion when we're needed, we'll be just fine in the end.

Last but not least, my friends, for sticking through this entire journey with me since the very beginning. Back in 4th grade, I was just that weird kid who played with pencils in class. Then in 8th grade, I was the guy who brought large bags of Cheetos to school every day just because I could. And now in our future successes.

12th grade, where we played games of UNO in our free time, I was the person who recorded the number of wins every person had in Google Docs. No matter how crazy I was throughout these 12 years, every single one of you embraced that weirdness and fostered a genuine relationship with me. For that, I can't be thankful enough. I couldn't so long as we move past our have made it this far without

Class of 2019, all of you have an intrinsic potential for greatness, a greatness that cannot be measured by how well you do in the classroom or how high your test scores are. Whatever that may be, I hope you never lose sight of who you are now. Let the bonds we've created together carry us through life's many obstacles, and be the base for

Phillip R. Brangiforte Headmaster East Boston High School

Good Afternoon faculty, staff, invited guests, family members, and of course, students. I am humbled and honored to stand before you for the 139th East Boston High School Commencement ceremony to celebrate the graduating class of 2019!

I can personally attest to the magnitude of this occasion, because 33 years ago I walked across the stage and received my diploma from this historic educational institution.

And as your Headmaster for at least the next 60 minutes I have one final request. Would each and every one of you please stand up?

Thank you.

Now search the audience and find your parents or guardians who have helped you reach this defining mo-

I want you to look them in the eyes and in the words of my grandfather... "Never ever forget how much they have sacrificed to make you the person you are today."

Now give them the biggest and loudest round of applause you can!

Thank you.

Your parents and family members deserved that moment - for they fought to get you out of bed ever morning: scratched and saved to put clothes on your back and food on the table: they are your first teachers, your best listeners, and your greatest supporters.

They have stood by you every step of the way. They have loved and supported you, and picked you up when you fell down. That kind of love never stops. They do not



ask for gratitude – but for you to work hard, be happy, and reach your highest potential.

Your presence here is as much a celebration of their hard work and determination as yours. So always make them proud!

Four years ago, you began a new journey at East Boston High School: In that time, I have watched all of you grow from excited and energetic adolescents to mature and responsible young adults ready to face life's adventures and make your mark on the world.

Today, I am extremely proud of all of you...and I have to also say...my daughter, Nicolette, who some refer to as my favorite or my twin.

Today, she will receive her diploma, which I will get to hand to her, and she will become one of the several members of my family to graduate from East Boston High School.

It's not every day a father

gets to go to work with his daughter or gets ask to the prom at my age.

Thank you for making the last four years memorable and

special. I love you! I am grateful that such amazing students - who not only come from Boston, but from all over the globe – have helped shape her high school The diversiexperience. ty of this class is its greatest strength. Your tolerance and acceptance of each other is a model that people across our nation should follow. And whatever your race, ethnicity, religious background, gender identity, or sexual orientation, everyone who walks across this stage today is now part of my and Nicolette's extended family, so remember that you will always be a Jet; my door will always be open, and Eastie will always be your home.

Today we come together to celebrate the graduation of the class of 2019. These graduates embarked on a long journey, which comes to a conclusion today. You may ask:

"What purpose has this journey served?" Yes, you will receive your diploma that states you have completed your requirements, but that's not all...

With the help of your dedicated teachers, you have completed a journey that will prepare you to meet the many obstacles that lie ahead. The time has come for you to succeed on your own.

I hope that your time here has given you the knowledge and determination to face the

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Class officers from left to right: Jennifer P. Colon, Alejandra V. Bonilla, Angelica D. Acosta, and Naylene A. Rivera.



The Class of 2019 pose for pictures prior to the graduation ceremony outside East Boston Memorial Stadium.



The Class of 2019 arrives for graduation inside East Boston Memorial Stadium Friday afternoon.



National Honor Society grads get together for a group picture



Nicole Brangiforte receives her diploma from her dad, **EBHS Headmaster Phil Bran**giforte.



Judge Roberto Ronquillo delivering the keynote address.



Valedictorian Sabrina Ruiz and Salutatorian Udaya Sathiyamoorthy



School Committee Chair Michael LoConto speaks.



Boston Police officer Gabe Rosa sang the National Anthem.

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world's challenges with courbehind your school friends. age and confidence.

Soon you will be starting a new way of life armed only with what you have learned. That's a challenging thought. Are you prepared for it?

Martin Luther King once said that, "injustice anywhere hard to make your dreams is a threat to justice every-

We, as parents and educators, hope that we have through hard work. instilled in you the ability to recognize and react to the injustices of the world.

For there may be times when you must speak up for your convictions against the majority, when others will not;

Or times in which you must act decisively when others, who may fear the consequences, cannot.

Your graduation is a testament to your self-respect; however, your self-respect does not mean anything without the respect and regard for others, which is the foundation of any democratic soci-

for others and their ideas that justice and equality can truly

flourish.

Don't forget them because they are part of who you are. Stay in touch, make that call. If you do, you will maintain relationships that will last a lifetime.

I hope that you will work come true. Nobody else can do that for you. There is nothing sweeter than success

Education is the great equalizer, and no one can ever take away what you have accomplished over the past four

Nelson Mandela once said "It seems impossible until it is done." Well you did it!

Wearing that cap and gown, as 138 graduating classes have done before you, shows that you have achieved that goal.

I know that you are ready, and the next journey will not be easy, but remember that East Boston High School will forever be your home.

A home to any who have fallen along the way and need It is only through respect some words of encouragement to get back on track.

A home to those willing to share their experiences with Today you are leaving the next generation of stu-

A home to all who wear the blue and gold.

Today

I urge you to celebrate because it is a day for celebra-

I want you to be happy because happiness spreads.

As you join myself, Nicolette and thousands of distinguished individuals as alumni of this great institution, as part of this wonderful extended family, it is my sincere hope

that when asked, "Where did

you graduate from?" you are as proud as I am, to say, "I graduated from East Boston High School."

And today, I hope

That you embrace your education and evolve into lifelong learners.

That you will always be proud to wear the Blue and Gold.

And that you will forever represent the Class, Pride, and Tradition of East Boston High School.

Congratulations to the Class of 2019 and may God Bless You!



The Class of 2019 lines up to receive their diplomas at East **Boston Memorial Stadium.**





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Kaylee Bonilla

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North Suffolk Association's Armando Alfano Fund Northeastern University/Boston Public High School Scholarship Valedictorian

Phillip Brangiforte and Richard F. Diaz Memorial Scholarship

POSSE Scholarship Ronnie Woods Memorial Scholarship Ronnie Woods Memorial Scholarship

Roscoe L. Coolidge Jr. Memorial Scholar Athlete Award Run for Your Dreams Scholarship

Salvatore Lombardo Memorial Scholarship Award Salvatore Lombardo Memorial Scholarship Award

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Juliana Trejo Bryan Cedano Rodriguez Christopher Aguerrido

Zaira Garcia Marco Palma Perez

2019 ATHLETIC BANQUET AWARD RECIPIENTS

2019 Athletic Banquet Awards

Cheerleading Coaches' Award Elaine Halkopoulos Memorial Award - Most Valuable Cheerleader Cheerleading Unsung Hero Award Vanessa Bigby Most Valuable Player's Award Volleyball Most Improved Player Volleyball Coaches' Award Girls Soccer Coaches' Award Girls Soccer Lady Jets Award Girls Soccer Unsung Hero Award Boys Soccer Most Valuable Player Boys Soccer Most Improved Player Boys Soccer Unsung Hero Award

Thomas Nealon Memorial Award - Most Valuable Football Player Rocky and Joey DiNicola Memorial Award - Outstanding Senior Football Player Miguel Restrepo

Anthony Borzillo Memorial Award - Unsung Hero Indoor Track Outstadning Female Senior Indoor Track Outstadning Male Senior Indoor Track Coaches Award MOST IMPROVED SWIMMER Most Valuable Swimmer Swimming Outstanding Underclassman Girls Basketball Most Valuable Player

Recipient Stephanie Martinez

Crissia Cartagena Meghan Kinney Nicollette Brangiforte Dahiana Gomez Ziara Garcia Julianna Bonilla Andrea Vasquez Florence Gutierrez Walter Flores Milton Alfaro Bryan Cedano Nathan Mattera

Dom Russo Sabrina Ruiz Abel Fuentes Roberto Dubon Joseph Guzman Ramy Laribi Michael Forbes Alexandria Day

2019 Athletic Banquet Awards

Girls Basketball Coaches' Award Girls Basketball Sportsmanship Award Boys Basketball Most Valuable Player Boys Basketball Coaches Award Boys Basketball Most Improved

Gary Girolamo Memorial Award - Most Valuable Hockey Player Rocco Jesso Memorial Award - Most Improved Hockey Player John Parziale Sr. Memorial Award - Hockey Sportsmanship Award

Outdoor Track Unsung Hero Outdoor Track Outstanding Underclassman Outdoor Track Outstanding Female Athlete Most Valuable Softball Player

Unsung Hero Softball Julius "Joe" Vennochi Memorial Award - Most Valuable Baseball Player Donald "Donnie D" Dilorenzo Memorial Award - Outstanding Senior Baseball

Baseball Unsung Hero Girls' Tennis Most Adaptable Wildcard Boys Most Valuable Tennis Player

Most Improved Softball Player

Blue & Gold Award Male

Blue & Gold Award Female Anthony Albano Memorial Most Valuable Player Award - Male Anthony Albano Memorial Most Valuable Player Award - Female

Catherine Morales

Recipient

Sabrina Gaglione Valentina D'Ampolo Maicor Brito Richard Sanchez Jean Bermudez Anthony Bocchino Mikey O'Neill Ryan Gray Gavin Castillo Johan Sepulveda Stephanie Faiella Theresa Forbes Jenny Pimentel Nasja Taylor Josh Rivera Antonio Gerardi **Javier Mercedes** Kevin Kubinec Domenic Russo

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SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT



Antoinette Albano-LeFevre and Nicolette Brangiforte, recipient of the Anthony Albano Memorial Scholarship.



Edna Martinez, Yancy Portillo, Marco Palma Perez, Claudia Rodriguez, on behalf of Carlos Velasquez, Lesly Portillo, and Juan Lopez, recipients of EBHS JROTC program awards, with Lt. Col. Lee Fife.



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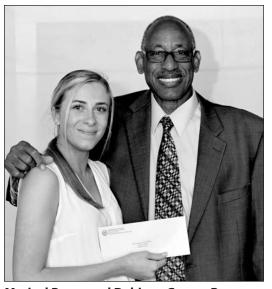
ast Boston High School (EBHS) celebrated the determination and strength of its ✓ graduating seniors during The 16th Annual Academic Scholarship & Awards Ceremony on June 12 at the VFW Post, Beachmont. The spirited young men and women are motivated leaders who were recognized for their commitment to the community and involvement in

"They've been able to overcome obstacles that have prepared them for future successes," said Phillip Brangiforte, headmaster. "Our students have persevered and are now reaping

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Joshua Kaplan, Juliana Trejo, recipient of the Thomas Wilson Memorial Scholarship,

and April Roberts.



Marisol Reyes and Dahiana Gomez Reyes, recipient of the Bunker Hill Community College President's High School Scholarship.



Headmaster Emeritus John Poto and Alyssa Moses, recipient of the John A. Poto Legacy



Jenry Garcia Durante, recipient of the Gates Entrepreneurship Scholarship, and Leyda Garcia.



Bridget LePage, recipient of the Carrie **Ann Brangiforte Strike Out Colon Cancer** Academic Scholarship, with Alexandria and **Carrie Ann Brangiforte.**



Sabrina Ruiz and Udaya Sathiyamoorthy, recipients of the Franklin Medal Awards.



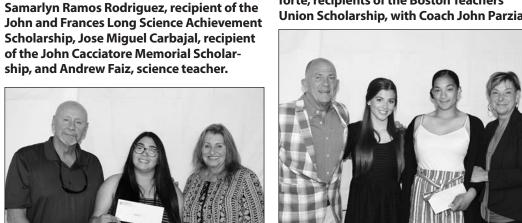
Headmaster Emeritus Mr. Rubin and Anitra Williams-Nance with Zaira Garcia, recipient of the Keith Nance Memorial Scholarship.



Sebastian Montoya and Nicolette Brangiforte, recipients of the Boston Teachers' Union Scholarship, with Coach John Parziale.



Claudia Rodriguez, accepting on behalf of Eva Aleman, recipient of the Phillip Brangiforte and Richard F. Diaz Memorial Scholarship, with the Brangiforte Family.



Alejandra Bonilla, recipient of the East Boston High School Halfball Scholarship, with Bill O'Brien and Eleanore Campagna.



Dean of Coaches David Arinella, and Cynthia Rozzi with Theresa Forbes, recipient of the John J. and Frances Arinella Annual Memorial Scholarship, and Nasja Taylor, recipient of the Catherine C. Arinella Annual Memorial Scholarship.



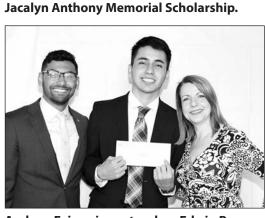
Amanda August, recipient of the National Honor Society Scholarship.



Amanda August, Katherine Heffron, and Angelica Acosta, recipients of Massport **Authority Scholarships.**



Naylene Rivera, recipient of the Roscoe L. Coolidge, Jr. Memorial Scholar Athlete Award, with Donna Coolidge-Miller, and Carly Bettano.



Robert Anthony, Alexandria Brangiforte, and Nicolette Brangiforte, recipient of the

Claudia Rodriguez, on behalf of Morgan Malone, and Damian Reed, recipients of the Ronnie Woods Memorial Scholarships, and

Andrew Faiz, science teacher, Edwin Polanco Aviles, recipient of the Judith Blanco and Andrew Faiz Scholarship, and Judith Blanco, assistant headmaster.



Meghan Kinney and Theresa Forbes, recipients of the Michael Jones Memorial Scholarship, with Mrs. Katie Rinaldi.



Roxana Lemus and Bertha Ruiz, with recipients of the East Boston Savings Bank Scholarships, Michael Molina Mendez, Myah Morales, Heally Gonzalez Lopez, and Michelle Bui.

EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019 SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT



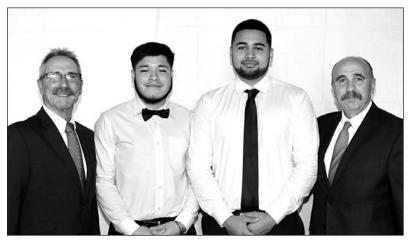
Sabrina Ruiz and Briana Brancato, recipients of the Salvatore Lombardo Memorial Scholarship Awards, with the Lombardo family.



Katherine Heffron, recipient of the Andrea Harvey Foundation Memorial Scholarship, with Shirley and Cedric Harvey, Elena James, Jennifer Miles, and Laura Gross.



Phillip Brangiforte, headmaster



Coach Turi Lonero, Christopher Aguerrido and Bryan Cedano Rodriguez, recipients of the Turi Lonero Student Athlete Soccer Scholarship, and Coach Lorenzo DiBenedetto.



Briana Brancato, recipient of the Leslie H. Kimbrough Scholarship, with Shirley and Cedric Harvey, Elena James, Jennifer Miles, and Laura Gross.



Carolyn Palmisano, recipient of the Maria Tassone Memori-



Sebastian Montoya Parra and Meghan Kinney, recipients of the **American Student Assistance Education and Career Planning** Scholarship, with members of the American Student Assistance.



Guadalupe Pena, recipient of the Dr. H. Elaine Halkopoulos Memorial Scholarship, with Tyler and Andrea Phinney, and Dr. Tony Lori.



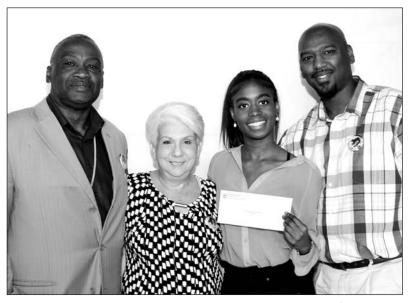
Ezequiel Rivera Pla, recipient of the

Massport Robert

Larsen Memorial



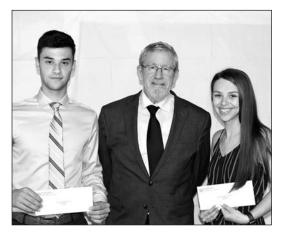
Anamaria Moreno, recipient of the Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Public Service Scholarship.



Bobby Bigby, II, Carmen Pittella, Zaira Garcia, recipient of the Vanessa Bigby Memorial Scholarship, and Bobby Bigby, III. Former Volleyball Coach Vanessa Bigby passed away in February.



Theresa Forbes, Tiana Tassinari, Senior Advisor, State Rep. Adrian Madaro, and Bridget LePage.



Dominic Russo and Alexandria Day, recipients of the East Boston High School Blue and Gold Awards, with Kevin Matthews.



Franklin Soriano and Gabrielle Mellone, recipients of the James J. Celona Perseverance Awards, with The Celona family.



Lesly Portillo and Ryan Velez, recipients of the North Suffolk Association's Armando Alfano Fund.



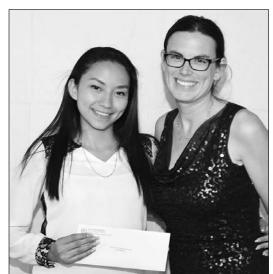
Christian Johnson, recipient of the EBHS **Senior Alumni Reunion Association Schol**arship, with Roberta Perry and Al Repucci.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL **CLASS OF**

2019



Sabrina Ruiz, recipient of the Northeastern University **Boston Public High** School Scholarship.



Milena Romero, recipient of the Run for Your Dreams Scholarship, and Caroline Ballou.

EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019 ATHLETIC AWARDS



Valarie Edwards was the volleyball coach for more than 20 years at East Boston High School. Her memory was honored by the inauguration of the Valarie Edwards Award. Pictured here are her family: Bobby Bigby (husband), Coach Carmen Pittella, Diana Gomez (coaches award), Zaira Garcia (coaches award), Nicolette Brangiforte (Vanessa Bigby Award and MVP), Clarita Prudencio (assistant coach), Valarie Edwards (twin sister), Carol Bigby (daughter in law), and Bobbie Bigby (son).



EBHS Football MVP Nate Mattera (center) with the family of the namesake of his award Thomas Nealon: Kathy Orlando (sister), Barbara Rosatto (sister), Bryan Nealon (brother) and his daughter LeAndra (2nd from right). Nealon was a former player who passed away in 1972 two years after graduating from East Boston High, run track and played football earning his nickname was "The Sponge" due to his ability to get out of a pileup.



The two Anthony Albano MVP Award recipients are unanimously voted on by all their coaches based on their leadership skills as well as their athletic abilities. This year saw Nicolette Brangiforte (2nd from left) and Josh Rivets (2nd from right) being recognized for their hard work. Headmaster Philip Brangiforte (Nicolette's father), Anthony Albano Jr. (the son of the award's beloved and missed namesake), and former EBHS Headmaster Mike Rubin are proud to see the students be awarded.

East Boston High held their annual Athletic Awards Ceremony at the Beachmont VFW Hall on Tuesday, May 29. Athletic achievement, in conjunction with their academic efforts, of the Class of 2019 was celebrated. This year's ceremony held a poignant feeling as the Volleyball Coach of East Boston High Vanessa Bigby, who passed away Feb 17, was remembered fondly and saw her name memorialized in the inauguration of the Vanessa Bigby MVP Volleyball Award.

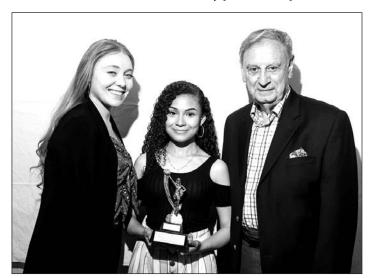
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East Boston High School Valedictorian Sabrina Ruiz and her Dad, Rafael, are excited for the festivities to begin.



Girls' Basketball Boy's Baseball trophies await to be awarded; the inscribed names blocked by painter's tape.



Cheerleading Coach Renee Rich, Elaine Halkopoulos MVP Award recipient Crissia Cartagena MVP, and the life partner of the award's namesake Anthony Lori. Elaine Halkopoulos was the previous cheerleader coach, administrator, and teacher for 40 years.



UMass Boston-bound recipient of the prestigious Blue And Gold Award, Alexandria Day, stands with East Boston High's current Headmaster Philip Brangiforte and previous Headmaster Mike Rubin.



MC and Dean Of Coaches David Arinella (Class Of 1970), Headmaster Philip Brangiforte, Athletic Director for BPS Avery Esdaile, and East Boston High Athletic Director Michael Smith.



Cheerleading Coach Renee Rich (second from left) with Coaches Award recipient Stephanie Martinez, Cheerleading MVP Crissia Cartagena, and recipient of the Unsung Hero Award Meghan Kinney.

EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019 ATHLETIC AWARDS



Lamis Laribi, the mother of EBHS swim MVP Rami Laribi, presents Coach David Arinella with a cake for his 67th birthday.



Stephanie Martinez is presented with the Cheerleading Coaches Award from Coach Renee Rich.



Coaches Eliza Cassella (Girls Basketball) and Carmen Pittella (Girls Volleyball).



East Boston High School coaches for 2019 are proud of helping their student athletes achieve their dreams.



East Boston Volleyball Coaches Clarita Prudencio and Carmen Pittella with Bobby Bigby and Valarie Edwards, the husband and twin sister of renowned volleyball coach Vanessa Bigby, who passed away Feb. 17.



Volleyball MVP Nicolette Brangiforte presents a jersey to honor the memory of beloved volleyball coach Vanessa Bigby, who passed away Feb 17, to Coach Bigby's twin sister Valarie Edwards and husband, Bobby Bigby. The MVP was named in honor of her as well.



Merrimac College-bound recipient of the prestigious Blue And Gold Award Domenic Russo (center) stands with East Boston High's current Headmaster Philip Brangiforte and previous Headmaster Mike Rubin.



Coach Jason Harris is comforted by assistant coach Miles Layne while lamenting the loss of Coach Vanessa Bigby, who passed away Feb. 17.



EBHS Soccer coach Lorenzo Di Benedetto (2nd from left) with Most Improved Player Milton Alfaro, MVP Walter Flores, and Unsung Hero Award recipient Bryan Cedano.



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Frances J. Masucci Date of Death: 07/17/2013 A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Carmen Caponigro of Cape Coral, FL requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the

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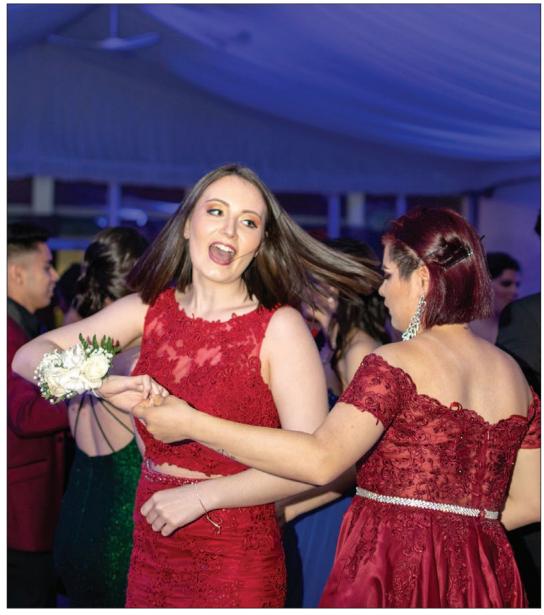
■ ast Boston High School celebrated its Senior Prom on June 6 at the Hyatt ✓ Regency Boston Harbor, where students glamorously strolled along the Harbor Walk, posing for pictures in front of the glimmering night skyline.

Once the sun had set, friends raced to the center to dance bachata beneath the blue-lit tent. Students cheered as they viewed creative videos filmed by prom king and queen candidates to demonstrate their cooking, dancing, and singing

"I've been here for all four years. Every single day, I try to make people feel better about themselves and make them smile," said Nelly Santiago, who believes the prom king and queen should uplift their peers with joy and confidence. "I know we're at school to study, but why not have fun? I've had many great memories."

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Above: Friends dancing bachata. At right: Students twirling on the dance floor.

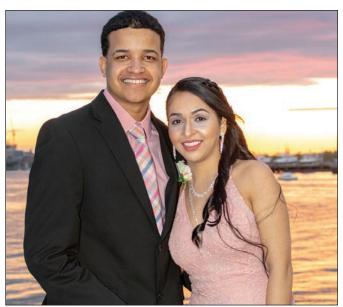




Student Council: Co-Presidents, Ashley Figueroa and Sebastian Parra, with Angelica Acosta, Alejandra Bonilla, Jennifer Colon, Nasja Taylor, Tana Brown, Naylene Rivera, and Melanie Agudelo.



Friends gathering along the Harbor Walk at sunset.



Albert Almanzar and Sara Perez.



Jason Harris, Physical Education teacher, and Gabby Mellone. Nelly Santiago and Lesley Castillo.



Cruz Hernandez, Carlo Marin, Marco Lopez, and Ever Romero.



EBHS staff Jason Harris and Eliza Cassella, with students, Jazmyne Valencia and Takhari Robinson, with Ricardo Perez, and Myles Layne.



Paige Douyotas and Ryan Skoczylas.



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