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East Boston community leader Guarnaccia, dies at 85

By Cary Shuman

Joseph John Guarnaccia, a lifelong resident of East Boston and one of the original members of the East Boston Athletic Board, died April 16, 2022. He was 85 years old.

Mr. Guarnaccia served for 50 years on the East Boston Athletic Board, maintaining a loyal commitment to the youth of East Boston that also included his volunteer work as president of the East Boston North Little League and in coaching positions in the East Boston Pop Warner Football and youth baseball organizations.

Mr. Guarnacchia was also the proud father of three outstanding children, Rocco Guarnaccia, Pia Penney, and Dr. Joseph Guarnaccia.

Longtime Athletic Board official David Arinella said that Mr. Guarnaccia "treated every new member of the Board, including myself, with the utmost respect."

"He was an old-school gentleman of the first or-

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DAFFODIL DASH



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uring the Daffo-

Steve Walsh, Milena Gil, and Isabella Walsh, 4-years-old, of East Boston, during the Daffodil Dash on the Suffolk Downs Track on Saturday, April 16. See Page 2 for more photos

Trustees of Reservation update community on Piers Park Phase III

By John Lynds

With a recent influx of cash from the federal government the Trustees of Reservation are confident that construction on the Piers Park Phase III will begin in spring 2023.

At a community meeting last week Gabriela Ramirez, who has been providing regular updates for the Trustees to community groups, a final design on the park should be hashed out soon with the community and after construction begins, the park should open in 2025.

"I want to thank everyone that attended our Community Design Review in February," said Ramirez. "We really appreciate everyone's feedback and the interactions I've seen from community members in our Facebook group. Listening to the

feedback we got last year in our design survey and in the fall in our programming survey, we're excited for the evolution of the project. We think we're heading in a direction that allows for more programming and improving the quality of the marine and habitat we want to bring to the site."

The updated design for Piers Park III released in February features open green lawns with stunning views of the Boston skyline, a kayak launch, tidal pools, and marine and upland habitats. The park will offer unique and exceptional public access to the water, something frequently requested during public outreach.

These new design elements gathered through public feedback courtesy of Eastie residents includes less open water in

favor of larger and more accessible landscapes.

The new design maintains unique and exceptional public access to the water with an additional access point to the uplands area of the park while preserving the site's maritime history.

The new design also adds more areas for habitats and robust ecological zones within the park such as a tidal pool and salt marsh

marsh.

Ramirez said the Trustees of Reservation is still working on tweaking the design and will work with the community on a final design this summer.

"Construction is going to start in spring of 2023," said Ramirez. "Then we're hoping for an opening sometime in spring 2025. So until then we will continue our robust community dialogue during the ongoing design process."

Ramirez said the Trustees of Reservation launched an interactive site through its website

that allows residents to interact via a comment wall.

"You can text us your feedback, you can respond to some questions, and it's in multiple languages so it's very accessible for community members across East Boston," said Ramirez. "We hope you'll join us on this site to continue to join the conversation and share your feedback with the team."

The project recently secured \$2 million in Congressional Directed Spending (CDS) federal funding thanks to the efforts of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S.

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BPDA approves Day Square project

By John Lynds

At its April board meeting the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) approved the large mixed-use development pitched for the Day Square area.

Developer Redgate submitted a Project Notification Form with the BPDA last year and wants to transform a 50,000 square foot lot at 355 Bennington St. into a six-story building containing the 170 dwelling units, ground floor retail, accessory parking, and amenities and services

for building residents. The rental housing project includes 82 parking spaces and the 7,000 square foot retail space.

The site, which currently houses a single-story commercial business and paved lot, is bounded by Bremen Street, Bennington Street, the Martin A. Coughlin Bypass Road, and Excel Academy Charter School.

Redgate plans to demolish the existing building and construct the new six-story building.

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Edwards runs Boston Marathon to raise money for Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship fund

By John Lynds

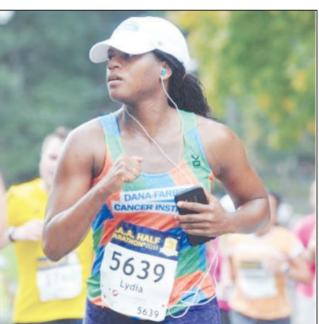
On Monday, Sen. Lydia Edwards ran the 126th Boston Marathon to raise money and support the Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship fund she established while on the Boston City Council.

Funded through the Edwards Empowerment Fund, the Maverick Street

Mothers Scholarship is named in honor of the group of Eastie mothers that protested Logan Airport expansion in the 1960s and provides scholarships to working moms and dads so they can attend community college.

"Many parents involved in community activities,

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Sen. Lydia Edwards ran the Boston Marathon Monday to raise money and support the Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship she founded while on the City Council.

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THE DAFFODIL DASH AT THE TRACK AT SUFFOLK DOWNS

By Marianne Salza

Suffolk Downs Track was lined with yellow flowers during Revere Parks and Recreation's April 16 Daffodil Dash. Some 150 runners, with

their families, danced among the daffodils, played corn hole toss, and had their faces painted before participating in the marathon along the former horserace track.



Brady, 5-years-old, and Logan Trowt, 6-years-old, of Bever-



A girl playing with the balloon arch finish line.



Four-years-old, Milo Grady, of East Boston, playing corn hole toss.



Joseph and Mason Duca, 10-years-old, with Shannon Rich,



Families playing corn hole toss.



Alex Cintolo, 6-years-old, Isaac Grahame, 9-years-old, and Evelyn Grahame, 6-years-old, of Revere.



Emilia, 4-years-old, and Ella Polsonetti, 7-years-old, of East



Children race for the finish line during the April 16 Daffodil Dash at Suffolk Downs.



Cuotis, 6-years-old, Vanessa, and Charles McCollin,



Little ones racing in the Daffodil Dash on the Suffolk Downs Track.



Boys race down the Track during the Daffodil Dash on the Suffolk Downs Track on Saturday, April 16.



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Farrah Robinson, 8-years-old, Raymond Hurley, 7-years-old, Sophia Hurley, and Daniella

Hurley, 9-years-old.



An artist rendering of the proposed plan for 355 Bennington Street.

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After a few initial community meetings the developer has already dropped the number of units from 180 to 170 and concluded an online survey to get feedback from residents on what they would like to see happen at the site. The survey asked residents what amenities, benefits, changes, additions, retail space uses and improvements that can be made in Day Square to make it more user friendly.

In its approval state-

site is, "an underutilized lot on the eastern edge of East Boston's Day Square will be redeveloped to provide 170 new residential units, including 24 income-restricted units, while unlocking key pedestrian and transit connections in East Boston". "The project site at 355

ment the BPDA wrote the

Bennington is critical to the community vision laid out in PLAN: East Boston, an active planning initiative led by the BPDA, to connect the Mary Ellen Welch Greenway and the Silver Line to Day Square," wrote the BPDA. "Also in line with PLAN: East Boston, the developer has agreed to construct streetscape improvements along Bennington and Bremen Streets to support the revitalization of Day Square and to establish the new pedestrian and bicycle amenities in the neighborhood.

Eastie, city's weekly COVID positive test rate increase signals new surge

By John Lynds

East Boston and the city may be in the middle of another surge of COVID cases as the subvariant of the omicron strain, known as BA.2, takes hold across the US. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) the BA-2 variant is now the most dominant strain in the country.

The new strain, according to the CDC now represented 54.9 percent of new cases for all the new cases at the end of March, up 27 percent from two weeks prior to the latest report.

The subvariant of the omicron strain is around 30 percent more infectious than the BA.1 omicron strain, which was already more transmissible than earlier strains and was responsible for the last surge at the end of 2021. ast week,1,019 Eastie

residents were tested for the virus last week and 7.1 percent were positive--this was a 54 percent increase from the 4.6 percent that tested positive as reported by the BPHC on April 11. Seventy-two additional

Eastie residents contracted the virus between April 11 and April 18 and there are now 14,818 confirmed cases in the neighborhood since the start of the pan-

citywide Boston's weekly positive test rate also increased last week and is now well above the 5 percent threshold.

ed citywide last week and of COVID deaths is now 5.3 percent were COVID at 1,452.

percent increase from the 6.3 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on April 11. The statistics released

positive--this was a 19

by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus increased 0.95 percent last week and went from 171,251 to 172,876 confirmed cases since the start of the pandemic. There were four addi-

tional deaths in Boston According to the BPHC from the virus in the past 16,669 residents were test- week and the total number

EBMS Director Gladys Oliveros to leave

By John Lynds

After nearly three years as the East Boston Main Street (EBMS) Director, Gladys Oliveros will be leaving her post for a new position with Mayor Michelle Wu's Administration.

Oliversos, who took over for outgoing EBMS Director Max Gruner back in 2019, has been a fixture in East Boston since immigrating from Colombia 35 years ago.

"East Boston Main Streets would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Gladys Oliveros for her service to our organization and the East Boston community," said the EBMS Board in a statement. "She has been deeply dedicated to our mission, working extremely hard to connect local businesses and community members to the resources they need to grow and thrive."

Oliveros tenure as EBMS Director coincided with some of the most challenging times in the organization's history, but she stepped up to meet the moment over and over again. "She worked to keep

our local businesses afloat during the pandemic by helping secure millions of dollars in loans and grants for them," contited the statement from the board. "She launched and managed beautification projects in various parts of the community. She consistently went beyond her core duties to care for neighbors in need, doing things like distributing food and grocery cards to families that felt the worst of the effects of the pandemic. East Boston Main Streets and the East Boston community will truly miss her service in this role. However, we are ex-



East Boston Main Streets Director Gladys Oliveros will leave her post at the community non-profit for a new position with Mayor Michelle Wu's Administration.

cited that she will continue to serve our community and extend her reach to many other Bostonians in her new role within Mayor Michelle Wu's Administration." Prior to joining Main

Boston Center for Youth and Families' Paris Street site. A native of Barranquilla, Colombia Oliveros moved to Eastie over three

Streets, Oliveros worked

as a program supervisor at

decades ago. Before working for BCYF Oliveros founded Casa de la Cultura. Casa de la Cultura is a Community Center focused on the Latino population of Eastie--offering education, information, recreational and cultural events promote diversity growth among our community. The organization offered language classes, computer classes, chess classes for kids, citizenship's classes as well as immigration services, and fitness.

The nonprofit community improvement organization

to fostering an inclusive community that supports the growth and well-being of the small business community and residents has now begun its search for Oliveros's replacement.

"We are now looking for another great community leader to lead our organization," said the board. "Our hiring process has begun to find a new executive director. Please email info@eastbostonmainstreets.org for any inquiries or check out our posting on indeed.com."

Main Streets started as a novel idea-to take a stretch of Eastie's business district along Meridian Street decimated in the 1970s by poor design, steel grates and unsightly signage and transform it into an attractive commercial area with a uniformed

Throughout the 1990s EBMS exploded onto the scene handing out grants to business owners on board with Main Streets's vision of storefront improvements and a more welcoming business.

Brian Golden leaving BPDA as Director

Special to the Times-Free Press

Development Agency (BPDA) Director Brian Golden announced that he will conclude his tenure after serving for more than eight years as the chief executive of the agency. As the BPDA's chief executive, Golden has managed the biggest building boom in Boston's history, while ushering in holistic reforms that have improved how the agency supports the residents of Boston. He focused on improving transparency, accountability, and community engagement, while furthering equitable outcomes throughout Boston's neighborhoods. As Director, Golden led an intensive operational reform effort over multiple years and rebranded the agency from the former Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) to the Boston Planning and Development Agency to better reflect the agency's mission.

"The Board has seen first hand the instrumental work Brian has led to support economic development and new housing opportunities that lift up our communities, while creating a more transparent, accountable BPDA that better serves the people of Boston," said BPDA Board Chair Priscilla Rojas. "On behalf of

the Board, I thank Brian for his many years of service to our city and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors." "During my time on the

Board I have witnessed

the transformative impact

of Brian's leadership to



Brian Golden.

create long lasting positive changes that are improving our neighborhoods by creating more opportunities for Boston residents to succeed, and stabilizing Boston's finances through increased tax revenues," said Dr. Ted Landsmark, BPDA Board Member. "I thank Brian for not only his leadership at the BPDA, but his friendship, and am grateful for his commitment to creating a stronger, more resilient Boston for generations to come."

Appointed as Executive Director/Secretary in 2009 by Mayor Thomas M. Menino, and permanent Director by Mayor Martin J. Walsh in 2014, Golden is the longest serving leader in the agency's 65-year history. Over the past eight years, he has steered more than 90 million square feet of development approvals through the BPDA's permitting process. This total reflects approximately 49 million square feet of residential development, as well as 32 million square feet of commercial, institutional,

life science, hotel, retail,

and industrial develop-

ment. These projects rep-

resent approximately \$43 billion of investment. The approvals include approximately 46,000 new housing units, nearly 11,000 of which are designated as income-restricted and available at below market rates. These developments support over 80,000 permanent jobs, over 90,000 construction jobs, and 46,000 additional induced (indirect) jobs. Since 2019, over 20 percent of new housing units approved each year have been income-restricted; over 35 percent of units approved in 2021 were income-restricted. Boston has a higher percentage of income-restricted affordable housing than any other city in America.

Golden grew the BP-DA's planning capacity, dedicating the resources and personnel necessary to complete the first general city plan since 1965, Imagine Boston 2030, which the BPDA board formally adopted in 2017. He also initiated a variety of community planning efforts in Roxbury, East Boston, Allston-Brighton, Jamaica Plain, Dorchester, South Boston, Mattapan, Newmarket, Downtown (including the Municipal Harbor Plan), and the Raymond L. Flynn Marine Park (Master Plan Update). Many of these plans seek to nurture Boston as one of the world's great life science clusters by creating a framework for increasing the number of facilities for life science uses. Since 2014, the BPDA has planned over 14

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EARTH DAY REPORT, 2022: THE PLANET IS DOOMED

We were around for the first Earth Day in 1970.

We clearly recall the incident a year earlier that spurred Congress and President Richard Nixon to create the Environmental Protection Agency when the Cuyahoga River, which feeds into Lake Erie in Cleveland, literally caught fire after a spark from an industrial plant on the shoreline ignited the chemicals and other pollutants that laced the river.

The Boston area was not much better. The mid-1960s song, Dirty Water, which is played at Fenway after a Red Sox victory, was about the famously-polluted Charles River. In addition, until the Deer Island treatment plant was built in the early 1990s, Boston Harbor was considered the most-polluted harbor in the U.S.

The Clean Water Act and the modern Clean Air Act, both of which enjoyed wide bipartisan support in Congress, came into existence in the aftermath of the creation of the EPA as the result of the environmental movement and enjoyed widespread support throughout the country. However, terms such as global warming and climate

change were not in the lexicon at that time. We thought that if we could clean-up our waterways and air by reducing the levels of pollutants, everything would be

And to a large extent, the goals of cleaner air --

lead was removed from gasoline, there are far fewer coal-burning plants -- and cleaner water -- we now can swim in the Charles and Boston Harbor -- have been

But fast-forwarding 50 years, we now can see that we did not anticipate the global scale that air and water pollution would achieve thanks to industrial development in Third World countries and real estate development in our country.

Nor did we know then that the buildup of greenhouse gases would lead to a warmer and more dangerous planet. Indeed, we recall reading in U.S. News and World Report a cover story in the mid-1980s that predicted that the effect of air pollution would be a colder planet. According to the article, the climate in Florida would resemble that of New England within 100 years or so because, it was theorized, smog would block out the sun's rays.

But, as is evident today in the news headlines every day, just the opposite is occurring.

The Antarctic, the coldest location on the planet, re-

cently experienced an episode of warm weather unlike any ever observed, with temperatures over the eastern Antarctic ice sheet soaring 50 to 90 degrees above normal. The warmth has smashed records and shocked sci-

At the globe's other pole, the Arctic is warming three times faster than the rest of the planet and atmospheric scientists are trying to better understand the processes contributing to such swiftly-rising temperatures.

In Australia, the Great Barrier Reef continues to experience unprecedented coral bleaching because of rising seawater temperatures. In Florida, the manatees are dying at unprecedented rates because they are starving, thanks to the run-off from housing and agricultural developments that is choking the seagrass, their main food

All in all, our planet is in far worse shape, despite many notable successes, than it was on the first Earth Day in 1970. And the sad reality is that at the rate we're going, in another 52 years things are going to be exponentially worse.

4/20, 2022: TIME TO LEGALIZE MARIJUANA

As our long-time readers know, we have been advocating for the full legalization of marijuana for more than 25 years.

Despite the large number of states where marijuana is sold legally (38, including medical use-only states), the federal government still labels marijuana as a Schedule I drug, the same category as heroin and other truly dangerous substances.

But as we now know thanks to the release of White House tapes, the Schedule I listing of marijuana in 1970 had no basis in fact or science. The Nixon administration placed marijuana into the Schedule I category solely to use it as a means for prosecuting Black and minority communities and handing out lengthy sentences even for possession of small amounts of marijuana.

Thanks to the real-time experience of fully-legalized marijuana for the past 10 years when Colorado became the first state to do so in 2012, we now know that marijuana is as benign a substance as exists and has many significant medical uses.

In addition, marijuana legalization has not led to an increase in use among young people as some had feared.

The U.S. House recently passed a bill that would legalize marijuana nationwide. We hope that the Senate can take up the legislation soon and make this common-sense measure a reality.



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GUEST OP-ED

Living life lighter

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Carrying baggage is exhausting. When traveling we often pack more than we need. When making a trip it's always easier to travel light.

Life is a trip. The longer we live the more we seem to pack and try to carry. Our mind has so many shelves, drawers and spaces for luggage of all shapes and sizes. We have this giant closet inside our brains that we fill up throughout life.

Your mental closet is filled with memories that are good and not so good. You may have spaces filled with grief, sadness, hurts, rejection, loss, failure, disappointments, defeats and more. You also hopefully have stored up some happy times, victories, successes, celebrations, achievements, love, relationships and peace. Hopefully your mind is

filled with more positive happy events.

I heard the story about a young man who loved his cat. The cat died and his mother gave him permission to bury his cat in the backyard. The mother became appalled when she discovered her son was digging up the cat every few days to see how the cat was doing. Too often we live our lives this way. We dig up old stuff that needs to remain buried forever.

Too often the mind carries what cannot be physically buried, good or bad. We are frequently impacted by what we keep stored. One cold morning, a little boy put his backside up against an old coal stove. The hot stove burned his bottom and he knew never to do that again. What we have stored up in our minds can often serve us well. Wisdom is gained the hard

way. The school of hard knocks is educational and expensive. We pay dearly throughout life to learn the hard way. Thus, what we have stored up can be very valuable to us as we face additional life challenges and opportunities.

Your past decisions, work, interests, achievements, failures and mistakes all play a part in where you are today. This could be very good. Or, it could be very bad. If you learned from your mistakes and moved forward then you may be further ahead than you ever imagined. If you didn't learn from your mistakes and you continue to make them then frustration and sadness is haunting you.

Today is a new day. You can't change the past. You do not know the future. Live your best life now. Dispose of as much baggage as you can. Do away with old resentments and

regrets. Forgive people. Forgive yourself. Don't live in the cemetery but live with hope of seeing your loved one in a better place.

Paul, the author of Philippians said it this way, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week In over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

News in Brief

GOVE STREET CITIZENS ASSOCIATION **MEETING AGENDA**

Gove Street Citizens Association meeting for Monday, April 25, starts at 6:30 p.m.

Register for Zoom for this meeting: https:// govestreet.org/2022/april-2022-meeting/

All speakers will be available to answer questions from the community.

Announcements min)

SPARK Boston meetup on Tues., April 26, 6-8PM, at The Quiet Few

Stand Up for Eastie petition meetups on Sat., May 7th

Rockland Trust (Orient Heights) from 11AM-

12PM Lo Presti Park from

1PM - 2PM Community updates (20 min)

Boston Police Dept. update from Sgt. Cintolo

Water and sewer pipe replacement in Gove Street area

Boston Water and Sewer Commission has contracted with RJV Construction

Upcoming Blue Line

service disruption April 5 to May 8: service will be suspended between Airport and Bowdoin stations with alternate shuttle bus and ferry services provided

service will be suspended between Wonderland and Orient Heights stations with alternate shuttle bus service provided

East Boston neighborhood liaison, Nathalia Benitez-Perez Updates on fire at 183

Maverick Street in Febru-

Flight attendant crash pad on Geneva Street

Natasha Perez on Bremen/Orleans project Piers Park III design

update, Boston Waterfront Initiative Trustees (10 min)

Vote on 284 Maverick Street development project, Drago and Toscano, LLP (10 min)

Our meetings take place on the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30p. All meetings are currently being held on Zoom.

MASSDOT ADVISORY FOR EAST BOSTON

Overnight Soil Removal and Site Restoration Work Adjacent to the MBTA's Blue Line Airport Station

Work will begin on Monday, April 25, and will take place nightly, Monday through Friday,

during overnight hours

from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Work is anticipated to May 12 to May 29: last through the summer

months.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing it will be conducting overnight construction operations in the area immediately behind the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Blue Line Airport Station in East Boston. The work is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 25, and will be conducted nightly, from Monday through Friday, during overnight hours from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the following morning. No lane closures are anticipated for this work and there will be no impacts to MBTA train or bus service. This work is anticipated to last through the summer months.

The work will include the removal and disposal of unsuitable soils and materials and the restoration of sites in accordance with approved plans and environmental permits/requirements.

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Last week, Rep. Adrian Madaro held a meet and greet and served as a guest bartender at the Quiet Few on Sumner Street.



Dozens of supporters and friends turned out for the event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro, as guest bar tender, serving drinks to John Cassmassina and Andrew Pike.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Donnie Todd.



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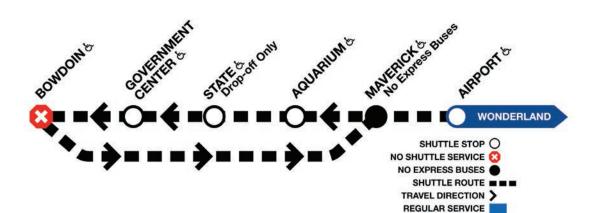
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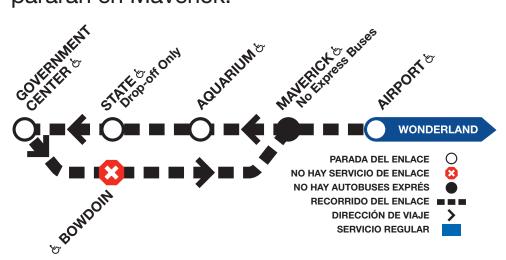
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EAST BOSTON TRACK IN ACTION IN BOSTON CITY LEAGUE MEET

The Jets competed against New Mission in a Boston City League track meet Tuesday, April 12 at White Stadium.



Brandy Aguilar aims her javelin throw.



Adam Ayed runs with the pack in the 1 mile run.



Arisai Cordova (407) and Angelica Parada (425) at the start of the 1-mile run.







Michael Portillo follows through on a javelin throw that travelled 95-feet 9 inches.





Alex Valencia soars in the long jump.



Jeremy Nunez-Pena rears back in his windup of the discus throw.



Giovanni Angelico sticks the landing in the long jump.



Jeremy Ramos in the 400mm hurdles.



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As competitors stumble, Jalen Jones (424) takes the 400x100 relay handoff from Alex Valencia (462).



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Golden // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

square miles, representing almost 30 percent of Boston's land mass. During this time, the BPDA planning department has added over 24 new staff members and hosted an average of 80 in-depth community engagements a year.

As Director, Golden has managed over 20 million square feet of BP-DA-owned property, prioritizing public land for public good. Among its assets, the BPDA owns and operates the Raymond L. Flynn Marine Park (RLFMP) in South Boston, whose tenants employ more than 4,500 people, and much of the Charlestown Navy Yard. Golden has transformed the public disposition process for BPDA-owned land, adopting a transparent, accessible approach that emphasizes thorough community input. In 2018, the BPDA also adopted diversity criteria for all Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for public land. This criteria requires those seeking to develop BPDA land to first explain how a proposed project advances equity and benefits diverse constituencies. Since then, the BPDA has released over 16 RFPs and designated ten development projects meeting the diversity criteria. These include the Blair Lot, Parcel 8, and the Crescent Parcel in Nubian Square, as well as 24 Drydock and Parcel M in the RLFMP, and Building 108 in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Golden launched an RFP in 2021 to seek a developer for the BPDA- owned seven acre Parcel P3 in Roxbury, and responses are currently under review.

In 2020, Golden announced the creation of the first ever Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI). Today that office is led by a Director of DEI and supported by a team of community engagement managers. ODEI has led the implementation of the BPDA's first Language Access Plan, formally adopted in 2021, to ensure that non-English speaking residents can participate in the BPDA's work in a meaningful way.

In addition, Golden has overseen the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (OWD) which supports Boston residents through job training, educational opportunities (such as free community college), and financial empowerment programming. Since 2014, OWD has trained approximately 40,000 individual Bostonians, with funding provided primarily through commercial development linkage payments.

In recent years, Golden has promoted transforma-

tional policy changes that put Boston at the forefront of addressing major challenges that cities are facing in the twenty-first century. His efforts have positioned Boston as the leader in fair housing practices by becoming the first city to place Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements into its zoning code. This innovative policy seeks to address effects of past racial bias in housing. Golden also required new development and retrofits to prepare for the impacts of coastal storms and sea level rise, going beyond more limited areas identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). He promoted zoning code provisions that eliminated off-street parking minimums for affordable housing, thereby streamlining the process for the approval of needed affordable housing while supporting climate goals and reducing traffic congestion.

Last month, the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize announced that Boston was being honored as a Special Mention for the 2020 World City Prize, based on the city's holistic work on climate resilience, improving housing affordability and mobility options, and fostering civic participation. Boston was

the only city in the United States honored in the 2020 prize cycle. Boston's submission was led by Golden and BPDA staff, which hosted the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize nominating committee for a visit in 2019 with City of Boston agencies, non-profit organizations, institutions, business leaders, and community stakeholders. In 2020, the American Planning Association (APA) honored Boston with an Excellence in Sustainability Award for its Coastal Flood Resilience Design Guidelines. Those guidelines became the basis for recently codified Coastal Flood Resilience Zoning Overlay District (CFR-

An attorney since 1993, Golden is a former member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, where he served the Allston-Brighton neighborhood of Boston. He was also the New England Regional Director at the US Department of Health and Human Services, a Commissioner at the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy, and a member of the Board of Directors at the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. Golden has served as a US Army officer, active duty and reserve, for more than 25 years. His military experience includes duty in Bosnia, Iraq, and Israel/West Bank. Golden is a graduate of the Boston Latin School and Harvard College. He received a Master's degree from the US Army War College and a law degree

liam and Mary's School of Law. Golden will continue to serve as Director through the end of the month.

As the City of Boston's urban planning and economic development agency, the BPDA works in partnership with the community to plan Boston's future while respecting its past. The agency's passionate and knowledgeable staff guides physical, social, and economic change in Boston's neighborhoods and its downtown to shape a more prosperous, resilient, and vibrant city for all. The BPDA also prepares residents for new opportunities through employment training, human services and job creation. Learn more at bostonplans.org, and follow us on Twitter @BostonPlans.

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parent teacher associations, and social justice movements are struggling with fighting for their children's future and education, and obtaining their own," said Edwards. "The Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship benefits local parents who are active in their community and are looking to further their education. We are just under our goal of raising enough money to award three moms or dads a scholarship to community

college." Edwards added, "The Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship pays tribute to the men and women who came before us and fought for our community. It honors parents who are doing the work today and allows us to invest in their leadership so that our community is stronger. The Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship that honors mothers and parents that have fought for our community of East Boston. These parents in many cases were organizers and proud activists fighting for social justice, community, open space and our neighborhood."

Edwards said today, many parents involved in community activities, parent teacher associations, social justice movements are struggling with fighting for their children's future and education and obtaining their own. This scholarship is intended to continue to plant the seeds of activism and to forever

memorialize the women who came before us and whose shoulders we stand on today.

The Maverick Street Mothers organized community protests in the late 1960s against Logan Airport expansion construction. The protest was widely publicized as women, mostly mothers, formed a blockade using baby carriages to stop construction and delivery

trucks on Maverick Street.

The Maverick Street Mothers protest was in response to the construction trucks bringing fill for a Logan expansion project. The trucks drove very fast down the densely populated Maverick Street, creating an unsafe situation for children, the elderly and the mothers that took their children out for walks or to run errands.

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

The group became known as the 'Maverick Street Mothers' and their protest became the true beginning of environmental justice in Eastie and marked the opening salvo and first victory in the neighborhood's famed transportation justice

struggles.

After a series of clandestine community meetings it was decided that only women and children would participate in the

demonstration because many felt if men were involved it might lead to fights and violence. The group notified the media, put out a simple press release and the next day, September 28, the demonstration began.

As the dump trucks arrived the mothers, most pushing their children in baby carriages, blocked the street.

The State Police arrived to restore order to the street and when the Maverick Mothers refused to back down. The State Police began to drag and push the mothers to the sidewalk so the trucks could continue. However, former Mayor Kevin White, who was being kept abreast of the situation, sent in the Boston Police to counter the State

Police's use of force.

The Boston Police made the trucks stop and ordered the protest to continue.

That night the event was all over the evening

When Massport caught wind that the protests would not end, but continued the next day, Eastie's elected officials pointed out that there were several other viable truck routes on Massport property that could be used.

After negotiations, Massport agreed to use the alternative truck routes and the Maverick Mothers scored a major victory during the era of Logan expansion.





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Three years ago, the Trustees of Reservations submitted the only bid to Massport's call for a private/public partner to come forward and help fund the design and con-

struction of Piers Park Phase III.

The dilapidated pier is adjacent to Massport's award winning Piers Park and the future Piers Park Phase II project.

Phase II project.

The \$2 million will contribute to the construction of the park – an estimated \$35 to \$40 million project that is being funded largely through philanthropic

contributions The Trustees

is raising from a mix of private individuals, foundations and corporations. To date, \$28.5 million has been committed to build Piers Park III.

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OBITUARIES

Mark Christopher

Retiree of the City of Boston, Traffic Lighting Division and 50 plus year member of the Orient Heights Yacht Club

Mark R. Christopher of Plymouth, formerly of East Boston, passed away on Saturday, January 15 at 70 years of age.

Mark was an employee for the City of Boston -Traffic Lighting Division for 40 years. He was also a member of the Orient Heights Yacht Club in East Boston for over 50

The beloved husband of Eileen M. (Goglia) Christopher, he was the loving son of Alice Christopher and her late husband, Gerald; devoted father of Mark Jr., Jason and his wife, Amanda and Justin and his loving companion, Naomi, all of Plymouth; dear brother of Allyn Christopher and David Christopher and his wife,

Marilyn; cherished grand-



father of Julian, Charlotte and Violet and treasured step-grandfather of Noah and Julia.

Family and friends will honor Christopher's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St., on Saturday, April 23 for a memorial visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

To leave an online condolence, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Joseph John Guarnaccia

Dedicated member of the East Boston Community and a true community activist

Joseph John Guarnaccia, a life-long resident of East Boston, passed away at home on Saturday, April 16 at the age of 85.



Joe was the long-time North East Regional Sales Manager at Fisher Scientific. He was a

US Army veteran of the Korean and a graduate of St. Michael's College (VT). Joe was a dedicated member of the East Boston community and a true community activist. He was a Past President of East Boston Little League (North), Past President of the East Boston Athletic Board. He loved coaching East Boston Pop Warner and East Boston Little League. He was a member of the St. Mary's Star of the Sea Men's Club. He will be missed by all.

The beloved husband of the late Paula (Ricci), he was the devoted father of Rocco Guarnaccia and his wife, Christine of Wilmington, Pia Penney and her husband, Steven of East Boston and Joseph Guarnaccia and his wife, Melissa of Windham, NH; cherished grandfather of Joseph Robert, Zachary Matthew, Joseph Charles, Sarah Faith and Chris-



topher Ricci. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor Joe's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St., East Boston, today, Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. before leaving in funeral procession to Sacred Heart Church, Brooks St., East Boston for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass in celebration of Joe's life. Services will conclude with Joe being laid to rest with his beloved wife, Paula at Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden.

In lieu of flowers, please make a gift donation in the memory of Joseph J. Guarnaccia to the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder clinic at: www.massgeneral.org/ about/support. To leave an online condolence, please visit www.ruggieromh. com.



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Malden Catholic's Principal, Rose Maria Redman, accepts the position at Bradford Christian Academy

Rose Maria Redman, Principal of Malden Catholic, has accepted the position of Upper School Principal at Bradford Christian

During her two years at Malden Catholic, Principal Redman has successfully led the school through the pandemic and accomplished the key strategic goal that the school had set forth for her which included aligning the curriculum and the overall experiences of MC's Boys and Girls Divisions. Bradford Christian Academy has been led by interim Upper School Principal, Margaret Cottrell over the past year, and Mrs. Redman, who resides in Methuen, MA, will begin her new position at Bradford Christian Academy in Lawrence, MA on July 1,

Jeffrey P. Smith '95 'P24, 'P26, who is currently Malden Catholic's Girls Division Leader, will be promoted to MC Principal on July 1, 2022. Smith began his professional career in education at Malden Catholic in 2000 and has held several leadership roles at the school including Leader of the COVID-19 Task Force, Assistant Principal, Social Studies Teacher, Head Football Coach and the Interim Director of Athletics and Facilities, for over the past 20 years. He is also on the Board at Xaverian High School in Westwood and serves

as the Chair of the Education Committee. Smith has a Master of Education in School Administration from Emmanuel College and is currently enrolled in a Doctoral Program for Educational Leadership at the University of Wyo-

"We are grateful for the contributions Rose Maria made to Malden Catholic. She has been instrumental in leading the growth and integration of our Boys and Girls Division and we wish her tremendous success in her new role at Bradford Christian Academy," stated John K. Thornburg, Malden Catholic President. "With over two decades of significant contributions to Malden Catholic, Mr. Smith will be able to transition seamlessly into the new role."

According to Rose Maria Redman, "I have enjoyed being part of the success Malden Catholic has experienced over the past couple of years, and I am grateful to the faculty, staff, and students who made me feel so welcomed."

Victoria Kennedy, President and Head of School Bradford Christian Academy commented, "We are delighted to have Rose Maria join Bradford Christian Academy. Her depth of experience as Principal at both Malden Catholic and at Presentation of Mary Academy, has made her the ideal person to lead our upper Since 1932, Malden

Catholic High School has

shaped emerging leaders in our community, claiming a Nobel Laureate, a Senator, two ambassadors and countless community and business heads among its alumni. Annually, graduates attend some of the nation's most renown universities including Harvard, Georgetown, Brown, Cornell, Tufts, Georgia Tech, Boston College and Amherst College. Foundational to student success is Malden Catholic's codivisional model which offers the best of both worlds, single-gender academics during the day and integrated social and extracurricular opportunities after school. Malden Catholic is known in the community for its rigorous academics, SFX Scholars Program and award-winning STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) with electives such as Robotics and Engineering Design. Malden Catholic curriculum is designed to improve individual growth mindset, leadership principles, success outcomes along with integrating the Xaverian values of trust, humility, compassion, simplicity and zeal. https://www. maldencatholic.org/

Bradford Christian Academy has been uniting learning with purpose in the lives of students since 2004. Serving grades kin-



Jeffrey P. Smith will be promoted to MC Principal

dergarten through 12th, Bradford Christian Academy prepares students for college and life beyond with rigorous academics featuring small class sizes and individualized attention. Outside the classroom, Bradford Christian Academy offers students competitive athletics as members of the New England Private School Athletic Council (NEPSAC), a wide variety of performing and visual arts programs, and service opportunities locally and abroad. In 2018, Bradford Christian Academy became an AP Capstone Diploma granting school. Bradford Christian Academy graduates attend selective universities including Boston College, Bowdoin, Brown, Cornell, Georgia Tech, Holy Cross, Notre Dame, and Oxford University. Alumni serve in many fields including healthcare, business, technology, the arts, education, and ministry. https:// www.bradfordchristianac-

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In the matter of: Frederick Nicosia Of:East Boston, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Frederick Nicosia is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object

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or before 10:00 A.M. on the

return date of 05/10/2022.

This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceed-

ing may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 08, 2022

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 4/20/22

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK, SS. DOCKET NUMBER: 21E0007 To Heirs of the late Robert

Salamone, late of Boston, in said County of Suffolk and to all other interested persons. A petition has been presented to the Probate and Family court of Suffolk County in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by Marie Pirrello of Revere in the County of Suffolk, Angela Buchan of Revere in the County of Suffolk, Josephine Parziale of Revere in the County of Suffolk, Dolores Paluso

of Tamarac in the State of

Revere in the County of Suffolk, James E. Kearns of Wilmington in the State of North Carolina and Frank J. Forti of Saugus in the County of Essex, representing that they, hold as Tenants in common and an undivided share of certain land lying, Boston, MA in said County described as EXHIBIT A The land with the buildings thereon situated and numbered 192 Paris Street, in that part of Boston called East Boston and being shown as Lot A on "Plan of Land in East Boston, Mass., by Joseph A. Meninna, Reg. Prof. Engr., dated. June, 1948", and recorded with said Deeds, Book 6442, Page 462. Said Lot A is further bounded and **SOUTHEASTERLY:** on Paris Street, as shown on said plan, twenty-six (26) feet; NORTHEASTERLY: by a three (3) foot passageway, as shown on said plan, one hundred (100) feet;

Florida, Richard DiPerri of

NORTHWESTERLY: as shown on said plan, twenty-six (26) feet; and SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lot 22 as shown on R.H. Eddy's Plan

Suffolk Deeds at the end of Book 406, by a line running parallel with the dividing line. Between Lots 219 and 220 on said Eddy's plan and one (1) foot northeasterly therefrom, as shown also on the Meninna plan referred to above, one hundred (100)

of Section 2, recorded with

Containing 2600 square feet of land, more or less. Together with a right of way over the passageway as now laid out between the house on the granted promises and the house on the premises adjoining on the southwest, said passageway forever to remain open and unobstructed. Subject to the right for the benefit of the owners of the premises adjoining on

the southwest to enter upon

said passageway for the

purpose of making repairs. Together also with a right of way over the three (3) foot passageway on the northeasterly side of the granted premies for the purpose of painting and making repairs to the premises herewith granted. Said passageway is to be kept forever locked by su stable lock and key by the grantor referred to in a deed recorded at. Book 6442, Page 462, his heirs and assigns. Being the same premises

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conveyed to Benedetto Salamone and Angelina Salamone by deed dated July 1, 1948, and recorded at said Registry, Book 6442, Page 462. Benedetto Salamone died on May 23, 1964; see death certificate recorded

herewith. setting forth that they desire that all of the following described part of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$825,000.00. (Eight Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand) Dollars praying that the partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to the law and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in

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Boston Area Rape Crisis Center teams up with Congresswoman Pressley for Walk for Change

By John Lynds

U.S. Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley will once again attend the Boston Area Rape Crisis Center's (BARCC) annual Walk for Change scheduled for Sunday, April 24 at Constitution Beach.

BARCC's Ellie Olson said The Walk for Change is the largest event in New England raising awareness of sexual assault, harassment, and abuse and offering visible community support for survivors.

"It is an inspiring day of community, healing, and hope with 1,500 participants," said Olson. "We are excited for Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley to return as our keynote speaker for Walk. Beyond the walk, there are a variety of activities during the event such as sign making, photo booth, yoga, food trucks, vendors, and childrens' activities."

Pressley, who has been



U.S. Congresswoman **Ayanna Pressley to attend** the Boston Area Rape Crisis Center's (BARCC) annaul Walk for Change Sunday in

vocal about being a surivior of child sexual abuse as well as a victim of sexual assault while a student at Boston University, has said. "As hard as it is for us to grapple with the idea that we could be vulnerable to such a violation, it is even harder for us to accept that someone we love

could violate someone in such an egregious way. That is why this is such a challenging issue for us to take on as a society."

BARCC is the only comprehensive rape crisis center in the Greater Boston area with a catchment area of 29 cities and town, an estimated 4.6 million

"We serve over 15,000 survivors of sexual violence, their loved ones, and community members each year for our free and confidential services for ages 12 and up," Olson.

The 13th Annual Walk for Change will be the largest event in the region that brings together a community of survivors, their loved ones, and others to further the path towards healing and ending sexual violence.

Registration for the Walk is free and registration can be completed at barccwalk.org.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

WATER DISCOUNT **VOTE FAILS TO**

by District 6 City Councilor Giovanni Recupero to submit a home rule petition to the state legislature giving homeowners a 20 percent discount on their water and sewer bills failed to gain council approval at Monday night's meeting.

units.

reasoning for the discount at a subcommittee meeting held last week. Council President Roy Avellaneda listed a number of reasons he was opposed to Recupero's proposal, and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino said he had no official opinion, since the move would have been revenue neutral for the

"The only thing this is

But Recupero said the savings to homeowners would be a drop in the bucket compared to the over \$28 million the city brings in annually from

The councilor noted that the move would be similar to the shift in the property tax rate that puts a greater burden on commercial rather than resi-

"The biggest stakeholder (in Chelsea) is the person who owns a home and lives here and puts all of their money in this city, so why shouldn't they get something in return? Recupero asked. "All we have to do is send this to the state legislature, and I'm very doubtful that they will let this happen, because it is the first time something like this is ever

Ambrosino said he had no opinion on whether the council should move for-

ward with the home rule legislation, since it would be revenue neutral for the city and shift the costs onto other users.

"The city is still going to collect the same amount of water and sewer revenue to run our system," said Ambrosino. "What this would do is exactly what would happen in the tax situation where you are simply shifting the burden from owner-occupants in the city to non-owner occupants. They would pay a higher water and sewer bill than they would in the absence of this."

Even if the home rule petition made it to the legislature, Ambrosino said the odds of it passing at the state level were likely

"My sense is that when the legislature sent this to the Department of Revenue to look at, that they would not look kindly on this," said Ambrosino. "It is not something that they would typically do, and it is so unique that these kinds of programs are difficult to get past the DOR."

Avellaneda said he had several issues with the home rule petition, starting with Recupero's characterization that the city could send it to the legislature, and then the council could later decide if they wanted to enact the discount.

"Let's not mistake that," he said. "What we send to the legislature is asking them to approve something that is vehemently supported. You are basically asking them for a rubber stamp.

Avellaneda also said that the discount for homeowners would basically be asking someone else to subsidize their water use.

"Unlike taxes, the use of water and sewer in my opinion, is a utility, the same as gas, the same as electricity, and I can't dictate how much a building uses or a homeowner uses," he said. "They pay what they use, and I have no way of knowing that. You are asking this city council to subsidize a homeowner's water bill.

"To make someone else pay for someone's use of water and sewer when it is a utility and not a tax, I think it's unfair."

At Monday night's regular council meeting, the vote was 5-5 to introduce the home rule legislation, meaning it failed to move onto the State House.

THREE-YEAR PROJECT IS **UNDERWAY**

EVERETT - City Councilors heard about the three-year project for the reconstruction of Ferry Street from Rich Street on the Malden line to the Revere Beach Parkway, stretching more than 2.5 miles, and Elm Street from Ferry Street to Woodlawn Cemetery. The \$33 million project

will include:

Full reconstruction of

all pavements, sidewalks, driveway aprons, curbs, and handicap ramps; an all-new drainage system that will reduce the likelihood of flooding during major storm events; new decorative street lighting; new traffic and pedestrian signals; replacement of the Chelsea/Ferry Street traffic signal with a small roundabout that will reduce traffic congestion at this intersection; re-

construction of Glendale

Square, adding additional

sidewalk space, outdoor dining space, bike lanes, and trees/landscaping; allnew water main infrastructure; and all-new gas main infrastructure (this work was already completed in

Erik Swanson, Director of Engineering, laid out the timetable to the councilors at Monday night's meeting.

The project officially started on April 4 and will entail temporary water lines for the homes along the route. Smaller lines of six inches will replace the 10" water lines that exist presently and will be in use until the project is completed with a new 10inch line.

Some councilors were concerned whether these smaller lines will provide sufficient water pressure in fighting a fire.

However, Scott Dalrymple, the Provisional Chief of the Everett Fire Department, assured the councilors that everyone feels confident that with another engine, sufficient water pressure would be available to fight a fire.

"This is a long time to complete," Councilor Wayne Matewsky told his colleagues, adding, "I have concerns about residents and businesses."

Councilors were told that this project is timed to have the smallest impact on residents and business-

Councilor Richard Dell Isola asked about overnight parking and was told that overnight parking will be allowed, as well as some work done at night in addition to work during the day. He also urged that city officials meet with residents after about five

months to hear their views. Perhaps the most interesting part of the project will be replacing all the lights at Chelsea St. and Ferry St. with a free flowing roundabout. Some councilors were skeptical

about this design. Councilor Marchese noted that there is "a lot of underground utility work that will be going on."

However, Matewsky seemed to speak for his colleagues when he said, "This is a much-needed project," noting that it has been more than 40 years since Ferry Street has been extensively renovated. The federal government will provide \$25M in funding and the City of Everett will pick up the remaining \$8M.

On the city's web page, Mayor Carlo DeMaria informed Everett citizens that, "Like all construction projects, this project will, at times, require some lane and road closures as well as other inconveniences to those who live and travel along Ferry and Elm Streets. The City and MassDOT will communicate with affected residents in advance of work being done near their property and provide means for any feedback or complaints during the construction process. "The estimated time

frame to complete this work is approximately three years, with work beginning this upcoming April through November of 2024. While this is a long period of time, it is expected that construction will occur in segments, meaning that individual portions of the roadways will be mostly affected for only one year of the project. We will communicate

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der," said Arinella. "They don't make that anymore. That mold is broken. You don't see it."

Arinella said Mr. Guarnaccia contributions to the East Boston community were noteworthy. His magnetic personality, warmth, and generosity in spirit and giving were uplifting to all with whom he associated. Mr. Guarnaccia was also a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. "He was a veteran and

served his country with distinction," said Arinella. "He returned to East Boston and made a positive impact on people's lives. He was the voice of Savio sports for the longest time and involved with Little League and Pop Warner football. His first and only desire was for kids in this community to be recognized on a larger level than just East Boston.

The Athletic Board gave Mr. Guarnaccia one of its highest accolades by naming the Joseph Guarnaccia Humanitarian Award in his honor. "He is the only person on the Board that won both an achievement award and a special recognition award,



Joseph John Guarnaccia, a lifelong resident of East Boston and one of the original members of the East **Boston Athletic Board.**

and we had our prestigious humanitarian award named after him," noted Arinella. "Joseph Guarnaccia was held in high esteem by everyone."

Arinella said there have been many outstanding individuals who have nobly made their own mark in the community, "but Joseph Guarnaccia was just one of a kind when it came to treating new members of the East Boston Athletic Board and being such a superb president and role model.'

Former Dom Savio sports great Jimmy Mosca, a recipient of the Athletic Board's Athlete of the Year Award, recalled the

fun-filled, sports experiences when Mr. Guarnaccia would join his father, James Mosca Sr., and Red McWilliams on annual trips to watch the Beanpot Hockey Tournament at the Boston Garden. "Mr. Guarnaccia and

my father were best of friends," said Jimmy Mosca. "They went to the Beanpot about 30 years in a row. I was with them on the Blizzard of '78. They got home that night, but I didn't. They had left early, but Joe Lamour, Anthony Camiolo and I were seniors at Savio, and we ended up sleeping there."

Mosca said that Mr. Guarnaccia was always very supportive of Savio and a great friend and neighbor. "He was a tremendous person. He loved Savio and did a lot for the school. We were neighbors for 30 years. He lived on Homer Street, and I lived on Moore Street. about two or three houses away. I knew his children, Rocco and Joe G. and Pia. They're all great people. Mr. Guarnaccia will be sorely missed by all. Joe was such a wonderful guy.'

PASS COUNCIL CHELSEA - A proposal

Recupero was attempt-

ing to have the legislature pass a bill that would have given the discount to owner-occupants of condominiums, and all residential homes of four or fewer Recupero laid out his

doing is sending it forward to the state to see whether they will allow it or not; let us decide for ourselves whether we want it or not," said Recupero. "I'm a homeowner, and I know you can say, 'oh well, why should everybody else make up the difference."

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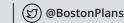
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LYNN ROTARY HONORS STUDENTS

LYNN - The Lynn Rotary Club continued its tradition of recognizing eighth graders for their scholastic and community endeavors at its March 31 meeting. The students recognized were: Marilyn Chavez-Lopez, Thurgood Marshall Middle School; Alan Long, Lynn Vocational Technical Institute; Andrew Smith, Pickering Middle School; Michael Mattera, St. Mary's School; Tiffany Dorsey, North Shore Christian School; and Gilbert Gilva, Breed Middle School. Three times a year starting in January, the Club will recognize one student from each Lynn public and private school. There are eight middle school programs in Lynn.

The students are invited to a luncheon meeting at the Olde Tyme Italian Cuisine and are individually presented with an award certificate as well as a gift card to Barnes & Noble bookstore. The Club is grateful to River Works Credit Union for its support of the program.

VISCONTI WANTS MORE PROFESSION-ALISM AT MEETINGS

REVERE - Council President Gerry Visconti took a moment of personal privilege at the outset of Monday night's meeting to address the topic of Coun-

cil decorum during meetings.

"For the past several meetings, there's been a trend in these council chambers where political posturing has gotten in the way of professionally addressing the issues that come before us. The unprofessionalism, the sarcasm, the interruptions, and the side conversations that take place – that's gotten way out of control," summarized Visconti.

The leader of the 11-member Council took responsibility for the lack of consistent decorum in the Chambers "and for that, I want to apologize to the residents of Revere."

"We have the honor of sitting in these seats because the residents have elected us to do a job," said Visconti. "Sometimes we forget that we are here for the people and not the politics."

Visconti said he will begin to enforce rules that will limit councillors to three minutes when speaking on an issue. He added that City Council Clerk Ashley Melnik will manage the time limits.

"In closing, I ask that we all respect the decorum in these Chambers, and more important, we respect one another," said Visconti.

COUNCIL NAMES NEW TOWN MANAGER

WINTHROP - At the Winthrop Town Council meeting on April 5, Council Pres. James Letterie named Anthony "Tony" Marino as his choice for Winthrop Town Manager.

Marino was one of three candidates chosen by the Town Manager Search Committee. Pres. Letterie thanked the candidates for applying and said that they all had the experience and qualifications necessary to be good town managers.

"All three took the time to get to know Winthrop, meeting citizens and department heads," he add-

Pres. Letterie said he chose Marino, who is the current Town Manager of Ipswich, due to his professional background and his understanding of the unique challenges facing a seaside community.

Council confirmed the nomination in an 8-0 vote (Councilor Joseph Aiello was absent.)

"I was thoroughly impressed by [Marino]," said Councilor John Munson, citing his sense of humor and energy level.

Pending contract negotiation, Marino would start his new position as Winthrop Town Manager on May 23.

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Pres. Letterie thanked the search committee and John Petrin of Paradigm Associates for narrowing the field of candidates, which also included Anthony Ansaldi of Malden and Thomas Guerino of Vernon, VT.

"This process was meticulous, transparent and prompt," he said.

The council president also praised Interim Town Manager Terence Delehanty for his "leadership, compassion and undying love" over the past 11 months. During that time, Delehanty has overseen two budget processes; the loss of a CFO, assessor and treasurer; the retirement of the fire chief; a town election; a new town council; and COVID response.

"I can't thank him enough for leading us through this transition," said Pres. Letterie. "We are very lucky to have him."

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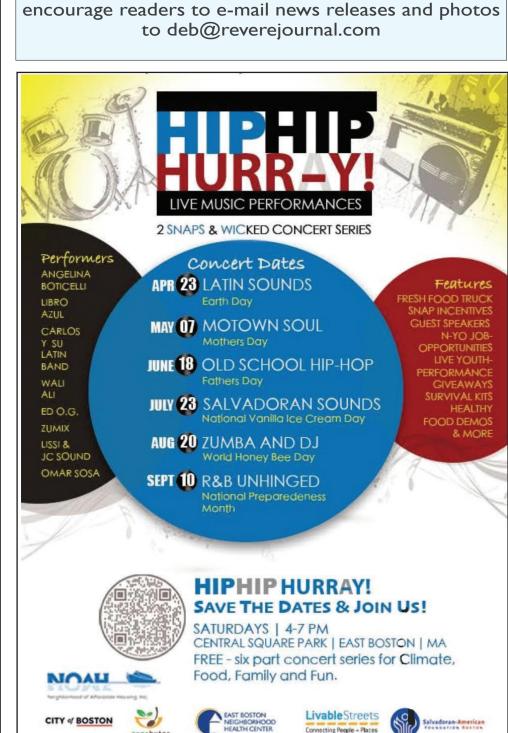


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Friends, family, honor Richie 'Hawk' Halas on his 70th birthday

By Cary Shuman

There was a time when there were two candlepin bowling establishments in Chelsea, George Michelson's Broadway Bowling above Slaton's Furniture and Chet Pawlak's Chelsea Square Alleys on Winnisimmet Street.

And the king of candlepin bowling in Chelsea was Richie 'Hawk' Halas, although Hawk himself humbly considers the great Max Valentin to be the best bowler to ever come out of Chelsea.

"Max won 12 consecutive matches on Don Gillis' "Candlepin Bowling" show," said Halas. "That's an amazing streak and Max had a tremendous career. His brother, Izzy, was a fine bowler, too."

Halas is 70 years old now, having just celebrated the milestone at a party at MIXX 360 in Malden. Several of his longtime bowling league mates from Chucky Vozzella's Central Park Lanes in East Boston attended the celebration.

"I had so many fun bowling experiences at Central Park Lanes," said Halas. "The 1-2-3 Ball, the tournaments, the TV rolloffs, the Friday Night Pro League – Chucky runs such a great house and I'm so grateful to him and all my friends in Eastie for being such wonderful, generous people. If I could turn back the clock, I would do it all again."

At the party there was great food and fun, and the family even came up with the creative idea of having a "Hawk Halas" souvenir candy bar that was given to all guests.

Sports a big part of his life in Chelsea

The son of Anthony Halas Sr. and Phyllis M. Halas, Richard Halas was born on March 16, 1952. He had a brother, Anthony Halas Jr.

He graduated in 1971 from Chelsea High where he played basketball, baseball and football. His coaches were Arnold Goodman (basketball), Joseph Bevere (baseball),

and Anthony Tiro (football).

By high school, he had already become a prolific candlepin bowler, making an appearance on the Junior Bowling show where he lost to Bob Olivero, also of Chelsea.

"Bob beat me 103 to 97 at Boylston Bowladrome," recalled Halas.

"I had started bowling when I was seven years old, because I lived near the bowling alleys. George Michelson, the owner, and his assistant, Al Botka, took me under their wings."

Halas played baseball for Buster Leach's Giants in the Chelsea Little League and for Coach Larry Notkin's Red Sox in the Chelsea Pony League where he was a standout, right-handed pitcher.

"We won three championships," said Halas. "Larry was a great coach." We had some terrifiv players, Tommy Fazio, Jimmy "Joe" Ippolito, Joe Von-Handorf, Bobby Breau, Billy Lanzo, Richard Christopher, John Moran, and Wally Jones. The Braves were our main rival. They had Joel Gallant, Rico Tyre, Paul Wedge, Howie Yanoff, Dickie Taraskiewicz, Sal Yebba. Joel Gallant was the best pitcher in the league."

He later played in the Chelsea Municipal Fast Pitch Softball League for the Alderman DiOrio Club, Ed Grill's and Durant Paint. "The games used to pack Carter Park with fans," said Halas. "Those were great days."

A Hall of Fame bowling career

When he was 19, Halas made his first appearance on Don Gillis' famed bowling show. Known for his textbook form, his phenomenal pin-picking ability, and his sportsmanship, Halas competed 45 times on TV bowling shows and was inducted into the Candlepin Bowling Hall of Fame. Richie Halas and Peter Flynn set a record for the highest combined score on the

Channel 5 show.
"I bowled 422 and



Richie Halas, with professional bowler Joey Stella of East Boston.

lost to Peter Flynn who bowled 437 – it was a great match," said Halas.

Hawk practiced regularly and was prpud to represent Central Park Lanes in the Pro League, arguably the most competitive league on the candlepin bowling circuit.

Gratitude to his family

Hawk said he was grateful to his wife, Linda, and their daughters, Colby O'Connor and Courtney Halas, for their support of his bowling career. Courtney's inspiring cheers from the audience for her father at Sammy White's Brighton Bowl were very much a part of the hallowed Halas bowling tradition.

"I married Linda on June 5, 1982," said Halas. "We have our 40th anniversary coming up in June. I have two fantastic daughters, Colby and Courtney, and two grand-children, Evan, 7, and Hannah, 4.

"I've had a great life," continued Hawk. "Every day I wake up I thank the good Lord. I had a good job with FedEx, and I enjoyed every minute of it. Of the 32 years that I was there, I think I called in sick twice."

Halas is enjoying his retirement and works three days a week for Deluxe Limousine. He has cut way back on his candlepin bowling, the sport that made him a household name in New England.



The contingent from Chucky Vozzella's Central Park Lanes in East Boston, front row, Ricky Tranito and Joey Stella; back row, Ricky Gay, Jonathan Boudreau, guest of honor Richie Halas, Bob Ryan, Butch Hunter, and Fran Sicotte.



The Halas and O'Connor families, pictured at Richie 'Hawk' Halas' 70th birthday celebration. Front row is Richie 'Hawk' Halas. Back row, from left, are Courtney Halas, Linda Halas, Kayla O'Connor, Lauren O'Connor, Mike O'Connor, Laura O'Connor, and Colby Halas.

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Richie 'Hawk' Halas, with his wife, Linda Halas, and his daughters, Colby O'Connor (left)



The Anderson family, front row, from left, Charlie Anderson, Barbara Anderson, and Paula Anderson. Back row, from left, Bob Bailey, Taylor Anderson, Linda Anderson Halas, Richie Halas, Scott Longmuir, Brittany Longmuir, and Dean Anderson.



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