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Ships from around the world tied up across Boston's Seaport. See Pages 8 and 9 for more photos.

MA Legislature finalizes Fiscal Year 2027 budget, delivers record investments without raising taxes

Special to the Times-Free Press

Without raising taxes on Massachusetts residents, the Massachusetts Legislature delivered a Fiscal Year 2027 budget that drives down costs

for residents, boosts the state's economy, and adds to the state's savings account.

The plan makes record investments in public education, unlocks new housing production, strengthens the state's

public transportation systems, and protects vulnerable residents from the impact of federal cuts.

The bill spends \$63.4 bil-

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Edwards votes in favor of legislation safeguarding social media for minors

Special to the Times-Free Press

The Massachusetts Senate passed legislation that would rein in social media's most addictive features in order to

make platforms safer for young users.

The bill, S.3164 An Act Protecting Children From Addic-

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FOOTBALL REUNION



Players from the East Boston High School football teams of 1967 and 1968 met with their coach, Carmen Scarpa, at Burton's Bar and Grill in Hingham on Thursday, July 9. Many old wins, no losses, were discussed with many laughs! Shown, (front row) Mike Navarro co-captain 1968, Guy LaCorte, and Dom Cammarata. Back row, Joe Mellilo co-captain 1968, Rich Cedrone, Kevin Mitchell, Ralph Genzale, Steve Gaeta captain 1967 and Coach Carmen Scarpa.



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ENJOY THE REVERE BEACH SAND SCULPTING FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND

The 22nd annual Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival is set for this weekend, Friday-Sunday, July 17-19. This free event once again will feature world-class master sand sculptors, food trucks, live entertainment, and a Saturday night fireworks display.

The theme for this year's festival, "Boston Welcomes the World," is in keeping with the recent World Cup games that were hosted by the city and the visit of the Tall Ships, which have drawn millions of visitors from all over the world to the Greater Boston area.

Since its inception in 2004, the Sand Sculpting Festival has become a renowned annual event that attracts sand-sculptors from across the globe. This year's festival will feature sand-sculpting artists from the Netherlands, Poland, Canada, Hawaii, and California, whose works will transform Revere Beach, the oldest public beach in the United States (which celebrated its 130th anniversary on July 12), into a dream-like landscape of wondrous dimensions.

The festival is a celebration for young and old alike. Beyond the sand sculptures, there will be 75 food trucks and exhibitors, interactive activities, amusement rides, fireworks, and a vibrant atmosphere, creating a memorable experience for attendees of all ages.

The exact location of the festival is on Revere Beach Boulevard (between Shirley and Chester Aves.). The dates & hours of the festival are: Friday (July 17) 10 AM – 10 PM; Saturday (July 18) 10 AM – 10 PM; and Sunday (July 19) 10 AM – 8 PM.

In light of the expected heavy traffic and limited parking, the best means of transportation to the festival is the MBTA's Blue Line, which features convenient stops at Revere Beach and Wonderland stations, both of which are just steps to the beach.

The Revere Beach Sand Sculpting Festival, which once again has come together under the auspices of the Revere Beach Partnership and the City of Revere, is one of those "not-to-be missed" events of the summer season for every member of the family -- and we urge as many of our readers as possible to make plans to attend the festivities.

LETTER to the Editor

IT HAD BEEN A GREAT WORLD CUP UNTIL...

To the Editor,

Your piece did not address the problem that caused Team USA to be embarrassed prior to their game with Belgium. It was the so called President of

the United States that brought embarrassment. Not only to the team but to his office and our Country as a whole.

The one good thing that came out of it was the Belgian Team mocking him directly after the game.

Please set the record straight by leaving out U.S. officials and pointing the finger of shame directly at DJT, as he likes to address himself.

Thank you

Mike Kennedy

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Mariana Iranzi Concert: Wednesday July 15th at 4 pm

Musician Mariana Iranzi performs a bilingual and interactive show for the whole family. Enjoy a rich mix of original

and classic children's songs both in Spanish & English that will make everyone sing, move, and play along. Recommended for ages 0-5.

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Sports community fondly remembers legendary Herald writer Danny Ventura, 66

By Cary Shuman

The East Boston community is paying tribute to Boston Herald high school sports editor Donato "Danny" Ventura, who died on July 7, 2026, following a courageous battle with cancer.

Mr. Ventura had officially retired last August after a superb 35-year sportswriting career. He garnered numerous awards, including the National High School Sportswriter of the Year Award.

Mr. Ventura and his wife, Carla, lived in East Boston for several years and attended numerous events in the neighborhood. Mr. Ventura's photo appeared with his columns and for marketing purposes in the Herald, and local business owners would recognize him instantly, often chatting with the personable journalist about sports and other topics of interest.

If East Boston High School or any high school in the city was competing in a big game, Ventura was sure to be there covering it in person. At athletic events throughout Massachusetts, Ventura was greeted with respect and admiration by coaches, athletic directors, and parents who appreciated his interesting feature stories about athletes and accurate reporting of games.

Readers of the Herald sports pages thoroughly enjoyed Danny V's "Sweet 16" rankings and game predictions. The Herald's daily competition with the Boston Globe brought out the best in both, giving readers the premier major-city duo in high



Donato "Danny" Ventura

school sports coverage in the nation.

Colleagues at the Herald spoke of Ventura's professionalism, work ethic, passion for high school sports, and helpfulness.

"I'm pretty confident that I wouldn't be where I am today without Danny," said Jim Clark, former Herald high school sports editor and current assistant director of the MIAA. "After spending my first two years at the Herald on the sports copy desk, I agreed to take over as the high school editor in August 2000. Having Danny alongside - with his tireless work ethic, incredible passion for high school sports and telling the stories of student-athletes, and incredible institutional knowledge - was an invaluable asset.

"I am proud of the work we did together and I am grateful to have been able to call him a friend and colleague for so many years. Danny was also

incredibly supportive in my move to the MIAA, and we maintained that professional relationship right up until his retirement a year ago.

"Danny's impact on high school sports in Massachusetts will never be forgotten," concluded Clark.

Talented sportswriter Matt Roy covered games for the Herald under Ventura's helmsmanship. He praised his mentor's personal kindness and his helpfulness in his career.

"It is so typical of the person Danny was that not many of us knew he was battling cancer," said Roy. "That's just how he was, staying out of the spotlight and shining it on others.

"I've known Danny for nearly my entire career, and he always was so kind and helpful to me when I started out. To eventually become one of those guys who he trusted to be part of his staff was a dream come true and all of us will work our tails off to reward that faith he had in us.

"It's been said many times over the last few days and I couldn't agree with it more: The likes of him probably won't come around again. He was the best and it's a loss that is immeasurable," said Roy.

Former Daily Item sports editor and Harry Agganis Games executive director Paul Halloran also paid tribute to Ventura's immense contribution to the sportswriting profession.

"Danny Ventura combined a tireless work ethic and a wealth of institutional knowledge with a deep passion for his job and

an endearing personality. He was a genuinely good guy who cared more than most. His coverage of the Agganis All-Star Games over the years was most appreciated and the Foundation was proud to present him with the David C. Weidner Media Award in 2007. I enjoyed our many conversations and interactions over the years, and I will miss him greatly."

Former sportswriter David O'Connor, director of communications for Everett public schools, said, "I'll never walk into Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium without thinking about Danny V. He was an unparalleled professional and even better person, and I join the countless people who had the pleasure of knowing him in sending my thoughts to his wife

and family."

Revere High School Athletic Director Frank Shea called Ventura, "an icon" in sportswriting.

"Obviously, he was an icon for high school sports coverage," said Shea. "He was a guy who would always pick up the phone no matter what time you called him. He was always very supportive and always willing to write encouraging, positive stories about our student athletes. But I think the best compliment I can give Danny is that he was a better guy than he was a writer. He was just a tremendous person and he's going to be sorely missed."

A funeral Mass for Mr. Ventura was held Monday at the St. Columbkille Church in Brighton.

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Bike Repair Workshop with Boston Bikes: Tuesday, July 21st from 3:30-5:30 pm

Join us for a hands-on bike repair workshop led by Bos-

ton Bikes. We do all basic bike repair including: patching flat tires, aligning brakes, and adjusting gears and shifters.

ESOL Conversation Group: Thursdays from 7-8 pm

Practice speaking English

with other adult learners in an informal and friendly group setting. The group is led every Thursday by a volunteer teacher and will take place in-person. This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

BizUnlocked Boston Business Access Program celebrates 14 graduates

Special to the Times-Free Press

On Saturday, June 28, the Office of Small Business celebrated the 14 graduates of the BizUnlocked Boston Business Access Program. This is the inaugural year of BizUnlocked Boston, which is executed by Tessi Consulting.

BizUnlocked Boston is a business access program that connects small business owners to the resources, expertise, and relationships they need to build lasting businesses that create jobs, stability, and sustainability in our communities. Designed for early-stage entrepreneurs, the program connected the selected business owners with resources, expertise, and peer support to help strengthen and grow their businesses.

The pilot program took place from May 13 to June 27 and blended collaborative in-person workshops, interactive virtual sessions, and group technical assistance with small business experts.

“This program came from a need to equip early stage businesses with the information and



The 14 graduates from the inaugural year of BizUnlocked Boston Business Access Program.

resources to avoid common pitfalls businesses make in their beginning years,” said Director of Small Business Alieshia Porcena. “It has been years in the making. Over the years, we have learned a lot from businesses and their varying experiences, and adapted that information into this program. We wanted businesses to feel part of the Boston small business

ecosystem from the start, and support them as they unlock their full potential.”

Applications for BizUnlocked Boston launched on March 17 and attracted 168 applicants. Applications were reviewed based on demonstrated commitment, readiness to fully participate, and alignment with the program’s goals. The Office of Small Business and Tessi Consulting selected 14 business owners for the pilot cohort. The participants represented a diverse range of industries, including print and publishing, education and social impact, and health and wellness.

“Entrepreneurs thrive when they have access to the right tools and support at the right time,” said Christie Lindor, Founder and CEO of Tessi Consulting. “BizUnlocked Boston was created to equip entrepreneurs with the knowledge, confidence, and community they need to navigate challenges, seize opportunities, and grow thriving businesses. It has been an honor to partner with the City of Boston to help make that vision a reality.”

Over five weeks, these businesses participated in a dynamic

blend of collaborative in-person workshops and interactive virtual sessions. This pilot program included a combination of live instruction, technical assistance, and self-guided assistance designed to support their learning and business development. Through the program, business owners strengthened business operations, leveraged technology to improve efficiency, developed marketing plans, and built a stronger foundation for long-term growth.

“Throughout the program, we gained useful tools and knowledge that successfully helped me develop a full business plan and pitch deck to support the operations and functions of my business,” said Shawn McNamara of Odd Jobs Media LLC. “It was a huge success in further developing the business to make it better serve the Boston community and beyond.”

During the program, business owners gained a clear understanding of business planning, operations, marketing, and financing. They also completed an initial business plan that will serve as a roadmap for growth or be used to pursue funding opportunities. After the program, participants have access to six months of support sessions led by technical assistance service providers. Following graduation, business owners will continue to receive support through six months of group technical assistance sessions led by small business experts.

The BizUnlocked Boston cohort is as follows:

Bak and Beverage, Food and Beverage

BlackBrownBoston, Education and Social Impact

Boston Fire Escape Pros, Construction & Safety Services

BostonToSalemTours, Tourism & Hospitality

Corte Visual, Media and Creative Services

DMS Consulting, Profes-

sional Services

Groovy Thrifty LLC, Retail and E-commerce

Locd in Boston, Beauty

Lovey Ledgers, Professional Services

Mats Boston, Health and Wellness

Odd Jobs Media LLC, Printing and Publishing

Salon25, Beauty

Tugboat Toy Company LLC, Retail and E-commerce

Valet Waste Solutions LLC, Cleaning Services

“I truly appreciate the support and exposure BizUnlocked provided during my startup journey. The encouragement from fellow participants and the connections I made along the way were invaluable,” said Sofia Baliakhova of Tugboat Toy Company. “The program challenged me to think outside the box and consider diverse perspectives, which helped me grow immensely as an entrepreneur. Having such a comprehensive wealth of knowledge consolidated into a single program was incredibly helpful. Ultimately, I feel like BizUnlocked gave me the exact key I needed to unlock both my personal potential and the full potential of my business.”

The Office of Small Business is dedicated to connecting entrepreneurs with tools, resources and guidance to successfully start, grow, and build a business in Boston. Through the Office of Small Business, the City seeks to provide support to business owners to enhance their economic impact on our communities. Since 2022, the Office of Small Business has provided over 11,608 hours of one-on-one Technical Assistance for over 530 businesses; funding over 70 storefront signage and facade renovation projects; and streamlining the process and reducing financial barriers for participation in the annual Outdoor Dining program.

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Boston Family Golf Nights at city courses announced

Special to the Times-Free Press

Mayor Michelle Wu joined the Boston Common Golf and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department to celebrate the launch of Boston Family Golf Nights, a new pilot program that makes it easier and more affordable for families to learn and enjoy the game of golf together. Beginning in August at both George Wright and William J. Devine Golf Courses, this program is designed to introduce families to golf with beginner friendly introduction followed by discounted evening rounds of golf on both of the City's top-rated municipal

courses.

The announcement coincides with the launch of Common Ground, Boston Common Golf's community platform dedicated to expanding access to golf throughout Greater Boston and New England. Through this partnership, Boston Common Golf will invest in programs and resources that help make golf more accessible, including the donation of three Full Swing golf simulators to the City of Boston, two of which will be installed at the City's municipal golf courses to support instruction and year-round programming.

"Boston is a national leader

in creating opportunities for young people to learn, grow, and reach their dreams. Through partnerships like this one, we're expanding access to recreational programs and helping more young people learn how to play golf without barriers," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "We're grateful to Boston Common Golf and The Busyhead Project for investing in our youth and helping make the game more accessible across our city."

To celebrate the launch, more than 70 youth from across Boston participated in golf instruction at George Wright alongside 2x Gram-

my-nominated multi-platinum singer-songwriter and Boston Common Golf Limited Partner and Ambassador Noah Kahan as well as Boston Common Golf player and Massachusetts native Keegan Bradley. The event was hosted in partnership with Boston Common Golf and The Busyhead Project with young golfers from Boston Public Schools, Boston Parks and Recreation programs, and Youth On Course in attendance.

"At Boston Common Golf, we believe the game should be accessible to more young people across our region," said Mark Lev, President and CEO of Boston Common Golf.

"Common Ground reflects work we've been committed to since day one and provides a framework for how we'll continue to invest in opportunities that introduce more kids and families to the game. We're grateful to our partners and to the City of Boston for helping make that possible."

The Boston Family Golf Nights pilot program is designed specifically for beginner golfers aged 7-17 and their families. Participants will learn the fundamentals of the game, including golf etiquette, equipment, course safety, and basic

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tive Social Media Feeds, will decrease the addictive aspect of social media for minors by disabling the 'algorithmic feed' and alerting users when they have been using the platform for a prolonged period. This aims to improve safety, mental health, and education of minors across Massachusetts.

"We have a responsibility to protect young people across the Commonwealth and that is exactly what this bill intends to do," said Senator Lydia Edwards. "The addictive features social media currently relies on have serious impacts on young users, and I am proud to vote with my senate colleagues keeping their safety in mind. Thank you to Senate President Spilka, Chair Rodrigues, and Senate Majority Leader Creem for recognizing the urgency of this issue and acting accordingly to protect our youngest residents."

Key provisions of the Act:

Turns Off the Most Addictive Features. Requires that all social media platforms adopt default settings for minors that limit the most addictive aspects of social media—designed to keep people scrolling for hours,

often without realizing how long they have been in the app. These default settings include:

Disabling the 'algorithmic feed'—where social media companies capitalize on users' personal online data to pick what content they see

Disabling 'autoplay' and 'infinite scroll'

Requiring that users receive a reminder after using the app for one cumulative hour in a 24-hour period, then additional reminders every 30 minutes thereafter

Turning off notifications between 12 a.m. and 6 a.m.

Minors would not be able to change these default settings, while adult users would maintain control over their own settings. Social media companies would be required to utilize age assurance methods identified by the Attorney General to determine whether a user is a minor.

Respects the First Amendment. Preserves users' First Amendment rights by ensuring that none of these default settings infringe on their ability to engage in free speech, access online content, or participate in public or private online conver-

sations.

Steps Up Privacy, Security for Minors. Ensures increased safety for children by requiring apps to create additional default settings, which users would have the option to disengage, include:

Disabling the visibility and sharing of a minor's precise geolocation data

Limiting direct messaging and content sharing for minors to their connected accounts, e.g. 'friends'

Limiting the visibility of posts and other content on minors' pages to their connected accounts

With respect to a minor's precise geolocation data, the default setting could only be changed by the minor with their parent's consent.

Preserves the Ability for Vulnerable Youth to Find Online Community. Minors would be able to change these additional default settings relative to sharing or receiving messages or content if they choose to. This acknowledges that social media in smaller doses can have benefits for isolated or disconnected kids, including LGBTQ+ youth

who may not live in affirming households or communities.

Shields Personal Data. Ensures that any age assurance methods used to change settings must protect users' data. Users must be able to verify their age through a method that either does not rely solely on a government-issued ID or that otherwise allows them to remain anonymous to the platform.

Included in this legislation are two amendments filed by Senator Edwards:

Social Media Platform Definition (Amendment #3)

This designates a platform as a "social media platform" if it either primarily displays content through a feed or primarily allows users to create, share, or interact with content. The original definition required both conditions to be met, which would have exempted platforms like Snapchat—which use addictive features and present safety risks for minors, but which do not primarily display content through a feed.

This exempts some sites that may otherwise fit under the definition of "social media platform" but for which the ap-

plication of these regulations would be nonsensical and/or overly onerous. Examples include Wikipedia, the Trevor Project's TrevorSpace, and GitHub. These are sites that may be used for homework or for seeking affirming and life saving support.

This clarifies that the Attorney General's role is to regulate how age signals work across different systems, not to require every operating system to use them. Requiring all operating systems to add age signals would be difficult for open source projects, where many people contribute code. It could also create security risks if the feature is not implemented well and raise free speech concerns by requiring open source projects to include specific code.

The bill will now move to a conference committee to reconcile differences between House and Senate versions. Read the full bill text at malegislature.gov/Bills/194/S3164, and stay updated on bill progress at malegislature.gov/MyLegislature/About.

53rd Festival Betances in Boston's South End

Special to the Times-Free Press

On Saturday, July 18, Festival Betances, New England's longest-running Latino cultural festival, returns for its 53rd year, at Plaza Betances, 100 West Dedham Street, Boston, bringing thousands of residents, families, artists, and visitors together for a free, full-day celebration of Puerto Rican culture, music, food, art, and community. Hosted by Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción (IBA), this year's theme, "Boricua Legacy: Shaping America's Story," honors the contributions of Puerto Rican communities to Boston and the nation as part of the America 250 commemoration. The festival will feature a community parade through Villa Victoria, live musical performances, cultural demonstrations, local vendors, food, art activations, and family-friendly programming throughout the day.

Headlining this year's festival is internationally acclaimed salsa orchestra Luisito Ayala y La Puerto Rican Power, joined by Brenda K. Starr, Fabián Torres, and Liberty Vibes, the U.S. Army Reserve's premier salsa ensemble.

The 2026 festival also marks a milestone moment as the first Festival Betances following the opening of La CASA: The Center for Arts, Self-Determination and Activism, the largest Latino cultural center and community hub in New England. Festivalgoers will also have the opportunity to experience an exhibition inside La CASA, further connecting the celebration to IBA's new home for Latino arts, culture, and community storytelling.

As part of Boston's Everyone250 initiative, the festival will also include the unveiling

of a historical marker at Plaza Betances honoring Dr. Ramón Emeterio Betances and the legacy of Villa Victoria residents who organized to resist displacement during Boston's urban renewal era.

For more than five decades, Festival Betances has served as a cornerstone of Boston's Latino community - celebrating culture, resilience, and belonging while elevating the stories and histories that shape the city. The 2026 festival connects this longstanding cultural tradition to a new chapter for IBA through La CASA, while contributing to a broader effort to expand and reimagine how Boston's history is told during the nation's 250th anniversary.

Schedule:

12:30 – 1:00 PM: Welcome remarks by Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, CEO of Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, national anthem (U.S. & Puerto Rico) performed by Adel Velez and unveiling of the Everyone250 Plaza Betances marker.

1:00 – 2:30 PM: Community Parade

2:45 – 4:00 PM: Liberty Vibes – U.S. Army Reserve Salsa Band

4:15 – 5:30 PM: Fabián Torres

5:45 – 7:15 PM: Brenda K. Starr

7:30 – 9:00 PM: La Puerto Rican Power

La CASA programming will take place from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM, and Protest to Pride Exhibit Tours will be offered at 4:00 PM, 4:30 PM, and 5:00 PM inside La CASA.

Elected officials opening the event include:

Nick Collins, State Senator

John Moran, State Representative

Ed Flynn, City Councilor

Julia Mejia, City Councilor

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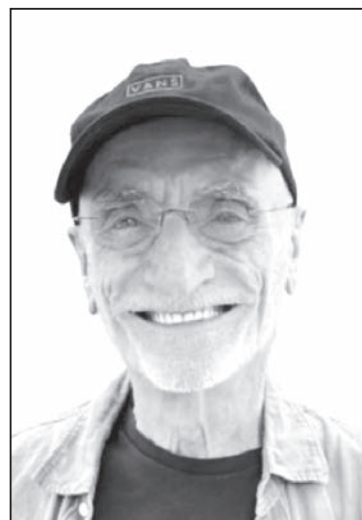
Retired owner of "Rockport Design"

John "Jack" Boyce, 81, of East Boston, passed peacefully on July 7 from complications of ALS.

Jack was born in Malden in 1945, graduated from Malden Catholic High School in 1963 and received his B.A. in industrial/product design from the Massachusetts College of Art in 1967. After college, he worked as a graphic designer for several agencies, including Cardinal Graphic Design. Later he began working for himself and continued to do so under the name "Rockport Design" until his retirement in 2019.

Jack had an adventurous soul and traveled extensively. His first big trips were to South America, where he went to Machu Picchu and the Galapagos Islands, and then to southeast Asia where he visited Bali, Thailand, and Angkor Wat. After becoming a certified scuba diver, he visited and dived the Great Barrier Reef in Australia, the Mamanuca Island chain of Fiji, Roatan, Bonaire, and his favorites, Turks and Caicos and Cozumel. After Jack stopped diving, he shifted his travels to "the opera capitals of Europe," visiting La Scala in Milan and opera theaters in Paris, Rome, Verona, and Venice.

In addition to opera and scuba diving, Jack loved the City of Boston, nature, and gardening. In his later years, he had a container garden on his terrace



and a view of the city's skyline. He loved nothing more than waking up in the morning and opening his eyes to birds carrying twigs from his garden to build nests, the garden in bloom, and the Boston skyline as a backdrop.

Jack leaves behind his husband, Stewart Landers, of East Boston, his sister, Michelle (Boyce) Tuttavilla and brother-in-law, Michael Tuttavilla of Lynn; brother Steven Boyce

and sister-in-law Annette Boyce of Manchester, NH; sister-in-law Cheryl Volpe of Winter Haven, FL; his nephew, C. Michael Smith of Lynn, his nieces, Lisa Boyce of Manchester, NH; Laura (Boyce) Dreimiller and John Dreimiller of Ballston Spa, NY; Rachael (Boyce) Manfra and Derek Manfra, and great niece, Julie Manfra of Manchester, NH. Jack was predeceased by his father, Charles F. Boyce; his mother, Anne (Nelson) Boyce, sister, Linda Boyce; brother, Jim Boyce, and sister-in-law, Karen (Atkinson) Boyce.

A celebration of Jack's life will be held Saturday, July 18, at 11 a.m. at Buonfiglio Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, in Revere. The celebration will continue after the service at Amrhein's in South Boston.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Compassionate Care ALS in Falmouth, MA, at ccals.org or to Care Dimensions at caredimensions.org.

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lion, a 4 percent increase from last year, and includes \$2.7 billion in Fair Share funds that will support public education and transportation as voters intended. The budget raises no taxes and adds \$51 million to the state's 'Rainy Day' Stabilization Fund, which is projected to reach a historic \$8.2 billion balance by the end of Fiscal Year 2027.

"As a result of the Trump Administration's sweeping federal funding cuts, reckless trade policies, and war with Iran, this budget has come during a period of significant economic uncertainty. That's why I'm incredibly proud of the investments that this budget makes despite those challenges, from funding for free school meals and for the final year of the Student Opportunity Act, to robust support for the MBTA, to nearly \$10 billion for cities and towns across the Commonwealth – all without raising taxes," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I want to thank Chairman Michlewitz and my colleagues in the House, along with our partners in the Senate, for working to ensure that this budget delivers for every community across Massachusetts."

"This final \$63.4 Billion Fiscal Year 2027 conference committee report will better position the Commonwealth for the challenges that lie ahead while also ensuring that we protect the programs that some of our most vulnerable populations rely on the most. Whether it is greater investments into programs like housing stability, food security, or early education the initiatives contained in this budget are a reflection of our shared values," said Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Chair of the House Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). "By reinvesting in the people of the Commonwealth we will continue to assist those in need while making our economy

more competitive and equitable for years to come. I want to thank Speaker Mariano for his leadership during this budget process, as well as my fellow House conferees, Representative Diggs and Representative Smola. I also want to thank my counterparts in the Senate, specifically my co-chair Senator Rodrigues, for their partnership in bringing this proposal over the finish line."

"I'm incredibly proud of the funding we secured for East Boston in this year's FY27 budget," said Representative Adrian C. Madaro (D-East Boston). "These funds will empower organizations throughout the community with the resources to provide programming and services to East Boston residents, improve our environment, and celebrate the culture and history of the neighborhood. I thank local residents and nonprofits for their partnership and service to our community and look forward to continued collaboration ahead".

Funding secured by Representative Madaro for East Boston organizations and projects in the FY27 budget include:

Constitution Beach Patrols – To ensure continued safety and security at Constitution Beach, funding is being provided to continue regular state police patrols and monitoring at Constitution Beach.

Maverick Landing Community Services – to provide for a Housing Support Station in East Boston, Rep. Madaro secured funding Maverick Landing Community Services. The housing support station provides information, education, and assistance on housing rights, housing applications, and eviction and foreclosure issues for tenants and homeowners.

Mutual Aid Eastie – Providing funds to Mutual Aid Eastie to support their mutual aid programming and assistance to local residents and families in

East Boston

Neighbors United for a Better East Boston – Funding through the budget will provide resources for NUBE to facilitate work in civic engagement and community programming throughout East Boston.

Center for Community Development and Solidarity - Appropriations will aid CCDS in providing support and community organization toward the creation of worker owned cooperatives. This funding will support CCDS in their search for permanent space to base their operations.

East Boston Community Soup Kitchen – East Boston's only soup kitchen will be bolstered by funding to provide food aid and other critical services to those most in need in the East Boston community.

Tree Eastie - Funding will help support Tree Eastie's successful work expanding the tree canopy in East Boston through the planting and maintenance of new trees on streets, in parks, and in yard across the neighborhood.

Harlem Lacrosse – This earmark will support lacrosse programming at Harlem Lacrosse's East Boston site based at the McKay school.

East Boston Main Streets – This budget earmark will allow East Boston Main Streets to revitalize community signage in our main squares and neighborhood business corridors.

East Boston Veterans Museum – The East Boston Veterans museum is an exciting piece of the renovations to the ITAM and American Legion Post. These funds will support the further development and expansion of the museum.

Paris Street Community Center Programming – Resources allocated in the state budget will support unique Special Olympics programming at the Paris Street Community Center.

Golden Thread Project – A

new project developed to highlight the history and culture of East Boston, this earmark will support the initial stages of East Boston's Golden Thread, creating public markers and information to highlight East Boston's role in the history of immigration, maritime commerce, and more.

East Boston Senior Center – The East Boston Senior Center has continued to be an invaluable resource and social hub for seniors in East Boston and surrounding communities. Funding will support programming and events through the East Boston Senior Center.

Health Safety Net – Covers services provided by NeighborHealth under the Commonwealth's Health Safety Net program, allowing them to continue to provide essential services to under-insured and uninsured individuals in our community.

Funding for these organizations and programs builds off funding that Representative Madaro was able to secure for the neighborhood in the Fair Share supplemental budget bill recently approved by the legislature, including:

Friends of the Children – Running an excellent K-12 youth mentorship program in East Boston, this earmark will support Friends of the Children Boston in expanding their impact in the community.

NeighborHealth PACE – Providing critical medical-necessary patient transportation and home meal deliver, these funds support the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) operated through NeighborHealth.

Piers Park Sailing Center – Supporting the vital sailing and maritime educational programming at Piers Park Sailing Center, a key after school and summer education program in our neighborhood.

East Boston Social Centers – One of the largest childcare

providers in the neighborhood, this earmark will fund community-based initiatives for kindergarten through the East Boston Social Centers.

Boston Scores – As the 2026 World Cup continues to be celebrated in Boston, this earmark allowed Boston Scores, a non-profit based in East Boston promoting youth development through soccer programming, to operate the East Boston FC soccer program and Festival 2026 programming to celebrate housing the World Cup, including important youth cultural exchange programming.

East Boston School STEM – New experiential STEM and innovation programming offered for public K-6 schools in East Boston will receive much-needed funding.

YouthConnect – A longtime program in the community that has helped high-risk youth and families alike by providing community-based mental health services and intervention, this earmark will continue to support their work in the neighborhood.

Salt Marsh Restoration Education – These resources will support efforts by the University of Massachusetts Stone Living Lab to research salt marsh restoration techniques in East Boston.

East Boston Ferry – Bolstering the operation of the MBTA ferry between Long Wharf in the North End and Lewis Mall in East Boston. The continuation of this year's route includes later hours, the expansion to year-round service, studies for additional ferry stops, and new tap-to-pay options on board.

Other provisions that were part of the final FY27 budget include:

Education

The agreement completes the Legislature's commitment to fully fund and implement the Student Opportunity Act with \$7.66 billion in Chapter 70 aid

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to public school districts, an increase of \$297 million over Fiscal Year 2026 and the highest level ever, along with a record \$160-per-pupil minimum in local school aid.

The budget also revives the Foundation Budget Review Commission (FBRC) to examine the K-12 funding formula and assess how the state can address rising costs in special education, student transportation, personnel, and educator health care statewide.

The agreement funds the Special Education Circuit Breaker at \$654.6 million to help students who need support, which, combined with \$152 million from the recent Fair Share supplemental budget, brings the total investment to \$806.6 million, reimbursing school districts for 75 percent of the costs of educating students with disabilities and complex needs.

Other education investments include \$475 million for the Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) grant program to support early education and care providers' day-to-day operational and workforce costs, \$137 million for the MassEducate and MassReconnect free community college programs, \$20 million for rural school districts, and \$180 million for universal free school meals, which serve nearly 150 million free meals to Massachusetts kids every year.

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Wu announces final FIFA World Cup watch parties at City Hall Plaza

Mayor Michelle Wu announced details for the City of Boston's final slate of free, family-friendly FIFA World Cup watch parties, including the Semi Final matches, the Third Place Match, and the FIFA World Cup™ Final. These watch parties will bring residents, families and visitors together at City Hall to experience the final matches of the tournament and to celebrate Boston's summer as a host city.

"This summer, Boston has become America's best ambassador as a beautiful, wel-

coming, family-friendly city that is a home for everyone," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "As we enter the final stages of the FIFA World Cup, we are thrilled to collaborate with partners to keep the celebrations going and make the most of this opportunity for our residents, businesses, and all the visitors still enjoying summer in Boston. Thank you to State Street for helping us bring these final World Cup watch parties to City Hall Plaza, and for such strong leadership helping Boston shine throughout

this summer."

The watch parties are part of Mayor Wu's efforts to host free, community-based World Cup programming to communities across Boston. The City's watch parties are made possible in part by State Street.

Wednesday, July 15

FIFA World Cup Semi Final - Argentina vs. England
City Hall Plaza, 3 p.m. ET

Saturday, July 18

FIFA World Cup Third Place Match
City Hall Plaza, 5 p.m. ET

Sunday, July 19

FIFA World Cup Final Match
City Hall Plaza, 3 p.m. ET

To date, the City of Boston has hosted 11 community watch parties across neighborhoods, bringing fans together to watch matches and celebrate the tournament. Previously, the City partnered with Big Night Entertainment Group and The Bowery Presents on earlier watch parties to provide more opportunities for residents, families and visitors to enjoy matches and share in the ex-

citement of the World Cup.

For the latest information and additional details on the City's watch parties, and a list of free watch parties taking place across Boston, visit: www.boston.gov/watchparties.

Residents and visitors are also encouraged to support local businesses during the tournament. Find local businesses showing matches on the City's Neighborhood Business Guide and additional summer programming at boston.gov/summer.

New England Aquarium releases 10 rehabilitated sea turtles off Cape Cod

Special to the Times-Free Press

Ten sea turtles were released Wednesday evening into the waters off Cape Cod, Mass., in the New England Aquarium's second local beach release of the season. The group included six Kemp's ridleys, two loggerheads, and two green sea turtles, all equipped with a combination of satellite and acoustic tags for researchers to collect data on the animals' movements.

For the past seven months, staff at the Aquarium's Sea Turtle Hospital in Quincy, Mass., treated the hypothermic turtles for a variety of life-threatening medical conditions, including pneumonia, dehydration, and trauma. Staff veterinarians cleared the sea turtles to return to Nantucket Sound from West Dennis Beach.

"Each sea turtle release reminds us of what this rescue and rehabilitation work is all about," said Adam Kennedy, Director of Rescue and Rehabilitation at the New England Aquarium. "We dedicate months to the turtles' recovery, and sending them back to the ocean is exactly what we work toward. This work is critical to the long-term survival of these species."

Under the U.S. Endangered



Kemp's ridley sea turtle "Snowcone" heads into Nantucket Sound from West Dennis Beach on July 8, 2026. CREDIT: New England Aquarium

Species Act, loggerhead, green, and Kemp's ridley sea turtles are threatened or endangered, facing threats including climate change, ocean pollution, and degradation of their habitats. Rescue and rehabilitation efforts help to conserve these species.

Scientists from the Aquarium's research arm, the Anderson Cabot Center for Ocean

Life, worked with the Rescue team to tag the turtles for post-release monitoring. The tags collect information about the turtles' behavior, habitat use, and survivorship, which helps inform sea turtle conservation and protection efforts, especially in New England where little is known about these species. This season, the team is using a combination

of satellite tags for real-time data and acoustic tags for longer-term tracking; some of the turtles will be added to the Aquarium's Sea Turtle Tracker for the public to follow their journey. This sea turtle work is permitted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service through Permit Number ES69328.

"The tracking data we gather after each release helps us bet-

ter understand and protect these species for the long term," said Dr. Kara Dodge, research scientist in the Aquarium's Anderson Cabot Center. "Research like this is what allows us to make meaningful, lasting progress for science-based sea turtle conservation."

Several of the turtles released this week were treated for traumatic fracture injuries that have since healed. "Curlz," a green sea turtle, sustained a head fracture, while "Buckaroo," "Leelawadee," and "Modern Love," all Kemp's ridley sea turtles, each sustained plastron fractures. "Cavolini," also a Kemp's ridley, also sustained a fracture injury. Aquarium staff, volunteers, and interns have a tradition of naming the turtles receiving long-term care, with this year's theme being font-inspired names.

During the 2025 cold-stunning season, the Aquarium treated nearly 500 live sea turtles that were rescued from the shores of Cape Cod from November to December by staff and volunteers with Mass Audubon's Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. Getting these turtles back to full health requires a collaborative effort between biologists, veterinarians

East Boston students awarded Massport Memorial Scholarships

Special to the Times-Free Press

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) announced the recipients of the annual scholarships honoring the memory of longtime employees Deborah Hadden Gray and Donna Rauseo. The 2026 scholarships were awarded to East Boston residents Anh Nguyen and Lela Lahyani.

“We’re excited to award two Massport Memorial Scholarships to outstanding students from East Boston,” said Massport CEO Rich Davey. “Anh and Lela have demonstrated strong academic excellence and dedication to their community through volunteer work. We wish them continued success in the years ahead.”

Anh Nguyen: 2026 Deborah Hadden Gray Memorial Scholarship Recipient



Lela Lahyani with her award.

The Deborah Hadden Gray Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a high school student who is a resident of the City of Boston, Chelsea, Revere or Winthrop. Hadden Gray worked for Massport for 20 years and served as Port Director from 2012-2015. She had a tremen-



Anh Nguyen with Deborah Hadden Gray's husband.

dous impact on Massport’s Maritime mission and was a strong advocate for the working port, and the jobs and businesses it supported, while carefully balancing the priorities of the South Boston community.

Anh is a graduate of East

Boston High School and will be attending Boston University. She has been involved in the East Boston community through her volunteer work with Boston Public Schools STEM Scholars and the SeaPerch program at the Eliot K-8 Innovation School.

Lela Lahyani: 2026 Donna Rauseo Memorial Scholarship Recipient

The Donna Rauseo Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a student who resides in East Boston. Rauseo was a graduate of East Boston High School and for more than 20 years was the executive assistant to Thomas J. Kinton, Jr. when he served as Aviation Director of Logan Airport and later as CEO and Exec-

utive Director for Massport.

Lela is a graduate of Boston Latin School and will be attending Boston University in the fall. During her time in high school, she volunteered with NOAH (Neighborhood of Affordable Housing) and NeighborHealth, both in East Boston.

Massport Memorial Scholarship applications are judged by a committee made up of Massport employees and a representative of the late employee’s family. Students interested in applying for the 2027 internship can learn more about eligibility requirements and the application process by visiting the Massport scholarship page at Massport.com.

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techniques through hands-on instruction, including practice in the simulator. After completing the introductory sessions, families will have the opportunity to put their new skills into practice during reserved evening tee times at George Wright or William J. Devine Golf Courses, where they can enjoy an affordable round of golf together with continued guidance from staff.

"Our municipal golf courses are some of Boston’s most beautiful public spaces, and they belong to everyone," said Boston Parks Commissioner Diana Fernandez Bibeau. "We're grateful to partner with Boston Com-

mon Golf to help remove barriers to the game and create new opportunities for Boston families to experience golf together. Through Boston Family Golf Nights and the broader Common Ground initiative, we're expanding access to our municipal golf courses with affordable tee times and welcoming programming that will inspire the next generation of golfers."

The program will be offered after 6:00 p.m. on alternating weeknights at both George Wright Golf Course and William J. Devine Golf Course and will include discounted evening tee times at \$25 for a foursome

with families with up to two adults and two children. Free club rentals will also be available, helping remove barriers for families trying the sport for the first time. Each instructional session is limited to 12 participants.

Registration for Boston Family Golf Nights opens August 3 at boston.gov/family-golf. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks visit boston.gov/parks, call (617) 635-4505, join our email list, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on X, Facebook, Instagram, and @parks.boston.gov on Bluesky.

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and researchers. There are 19 turtles remaining at the Aquarium’s Quincy facility, which will be released off Cape Cod this summer once medically cleared by Aquarium veterinarians.

The New England Aquari-

um is a nonprofit research and conservation organization that has protected and cared for our ocean and marine animals for more than 55 years. We provide science-based solutions and help shape policies that create

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Wu urges caution as Boston issues heat advisory

Special to the Times-Free Press

The City of Boston is reminding residents and visitors of hot weather safety tips as high temperatures are forecast for Tuesday, July 14 and Wednesday, July 15. The highest heat indices for this period are expected to range from 95°F to 103°F with little relief overnight.

“As we face another heat wave, our primary focus is keeping every member of our community safe,” said Chief of Emergency Preparedness Adrian Jordan. “We continue to ask residents to not only look out for themselves but to check in on neighbors, elderly family members, and pets who may be highly vulnerable to these high temperatures.”

The City of Boston is taking immediate action to provide heat relief to residents and visitors. During a heat wave, Boston Emergency Medical Services typically experiences a 10-15% increase in calls to 9-1-1 for people of all ages. Anyone can feel the impacts of extreme heat, regardless of age or medical conditions. Some of the resources available include: AlertBoston, the City’s opt-in emergency alert system that provides guidance during major emergencies; cooling resources across the city; educational materials focused on kids’ safety; Boston Centers for Youth & Families

locations and state-owned pools. All information about these and other City resources are available at boston.gov/heat.

This year, the City has updated its heat preparedness categorization thresholds and language for hot weather events to be in line with other partners and ensure resources are allocated efficiently. The City will now issue a heat advisory if there is a heat index of 95°F for 2 hours over 2 consecutive days or 1 day with a heat index of 100°F for 2 consecutive hours. Additionally, the City of Boston will now issue an excessive heat warning for 1 day of a heat index of 105°F or above for 2 or more consecutive hours or a temperature increase of at least 25°F within a 24-hour period of time with the high temperature reaching 90°F or above.

Stay Informed

Residents can sign up to receive updates through AlertBoston, the City’s emergency mass notification system, by phone, text, or email for information regarding extreme weather events. AlertBoston notifications are available in 11 languages.

Residents, families and visitors are encouraged to visit boston.gov/heat, a city webpage with resources and tips to prepare for and stay safe during heat events. The page also has specific information for parents, older adults, people with disabilities,

individuals experiencing homelessness, and others.

Places to Cool Off

Splash pads are open at various parks and playgrounds throughout the city. Several city pools are also available for swimming. Find an updated list of splash pads, pool locations and their operating hours at Boston.gov/pools.

Boston Centers for Youth & Families community centers are available during normal business hours on Tuesday, July 14 and Wednesday, July 15 for people to come in and cool off. Find locations and hours at Boston.gov/BCYF.

Boston Public Library locations are also available for residents to seek relief from the heat during their regular hours on Tuesday, July 14 and Wednesday, July 15. Patrons are welcome to participate in BPL’s summer programming for kids, teens, and adults.

The City issued the following heat safety tips:

- Stay hydrated. Drink plenty of fluids regardless of activity level. Avoid alcoholic beverages and liquids high in sugar or caffeine.
- Keep cool with frequent cool showers, shade, and air conditioning or fans. More tips for cooling down at home can be found on boston.gov/heat.
- If you can not avoid being outside, take breaks in the shade,

drink water constantly — even if you are not thirsty — and watch for warning signs like dizziness, nausea, or confusion.

- Know the signs of heat exhaustion. Heavy sweating, cool and clammy skin, dizziness, nausea, and muscle aches could all be signs of heat exhaustion. If symptoms persist, call 9-1-1 immediately. Do not delay care. Heat is the leading cause of weather-related deaths in the U.S. and can exacerbate underlying illnesses.
- Adults and children should use sunscreen containing an SPF-30 or higher and wear protective, loose-fitting clothing including long sleeve shirts and hats.
- Secure all window air conditioner units according to the manufacturer’s specifications.
- To help prevent electrical fires, always plug air conditioners and fans directly into a wall outlet. Never use extension cords or overload power strips, as these can overheat and create a serious fire hazard.
- If you are heading to a beach, lake, or pool to beat the heat, swim where lifeguards are present. Always watch children near the water and make sure they are wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket.
- Please call or check on neighbors, especially older adults and people with disabilities.
- If you are an older adult and need help getting to a cooler space, the Age Strong Commission offers discounted taxi vouchers for seniors and people with disabilities. Call 617-635-4366 for more information.
- Please keep pets indoors, hydrated, and cool as asphalt and ground conditions are significantly hotter and unsafe during heat.

Information and resources to support individuals experiencing homelessness:

- If you see a person experiencing homelessness or individuals out in the heat who appear

immobile or disoriented, please call 911.

- The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) utilizes a city-wide network of emergency shelters, outreach providers, city agencies, and first responders to assist those in need of shelter.
- Boston Public Health Commission’s emergency shelters have air conditioning and are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and when temperatures are 90 degrees or above, amnesty is in place for those with nonviolent restrictions. Men can access shelter at the 112 Southamptn Street Shelter, and women should go to the Woods Mullen Shelter at 794 Massachusetts Ave. BPHC and the City also work closely with other shelter providers to ensure that no client is without shelter, food, resources, and a cool respite from the heat.
- Shelters are available any time of day or night for those in need.
- Boston Public Health Commission’s street outreach teams providing recovery services continue operating as normal from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekends transporting people to shelter, day spaces, treatment, home, or places of origin. During this stretch of extreme heat, outreach workers will be passing out water to those who need it.

Youth and Outdoor Safety:

- Hot weather affects infants and young children more than most adults because they heat up more quickly and sweat less. The potential impacts of heat on childhood health and development can be lifelong.
- Children and pets should never be left alone in vehicles, even for short periods of time.
- If you have a child under the age of 10 in your home, install child window guards in addition to screens on any open window that is more than 12 feet above ground. Falls are the leading cause of injury for children under the age of six.

Real Estate Transfers

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Legacy Assistant President	Eb3 Holdings LLC	319-327 Chelsea St	\$18,000,000
Cargo Pgs LLC	Pfs Inc	320 McClellan Hwy	\$15,000,000
Wible, Daniella Moorea	Morin, Justin Hunter	539 Sumner St #B	\$1,200,000
Skinner, Ethan	50 Lebanon St Rt	98 Prescott St #1A	\$512,400

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