

In 1897, Francis P. Church, an editorial writer for the New York Sun, received this letter from a little girl, and wrote the now-famous reply. It remains appropriate for this holiday season 107 years later.

Dear Editor,
I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus? Virginia O'Hanlon 115 West 95th St. New York, N.Y.

Dear Virginia,
Your Little Friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little.

In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus.

He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginia.

There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make

tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal life with which the childhood fills the world would be extinguished. Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove. Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is not a sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that is not proof that they are not there.

Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world. You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue.



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POSTAL SERVICE
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YEAR'S DAY

Post Office locations nationwide will be closed on Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, and New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022.

All Post Office locations will be open, and regular mail delivery will resume, on Monday, Dec. 27, 2021, and Monday, Jan. 3, 2022.

Some Post Office locations may have extended hours leading up to the holidays, while others may have limited hours on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24. There are currently no plans for limited hours on New Year's Eve, Friday, Dec. 31. Customers are advised to always check with their local Post Office for hours of operation.

Blue collection boxes with final collection times before noon will not be affected by an early closing Dec. 24.

If a box has a final collection time after noon, its mail may be picked up earlier. For mail pickup on Dec. 24, customers are asked to either put their mail into blue collection boxes by noon regardless of the final collection times posted on the box, or take their items to one of our more than 34,000 Post Office locations.

Customers who are unable to mail items before

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Visconti likely has the votes to be the next president of Revere City Council

By Cary Shuman

After a highly productive first term on the Revere City Council that included one year as vice president, Gerry Visconti reportedly has the votes to



Councilor-at-Large Gerry Visconti.

become the new president of the Council when it reconvenes in January.

While Visconti would not confirm his imminent ascendancy to the top position on the 11-member Council, sources close to the Council indicate that Visconti is the choice of his colleagues to lead the Council in 2022.

Visconti served one term on the Revere School Committee before running successfully for councilor-at-large in 2019. He was the chair of the Council's Ways and Means

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ELKS SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER TO THOSE IN NEED



Exalted Ruler of the Lodge of Elks, Jewel Martin (right) oversees the filling of the Christmas baskets that will be distributed to Revere families. Read more on Page 2.

Three community-based organizations receive grants through Raise Up Revere Fund

Special to the Journal

Last week, Mayor Arrigo and representatives from both Amazon and United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley presented three grant awards to community-based organizations who continue to go above and beyond for Revere residents. The Raise Up Revere fund, which was established in April of 2020, is focused on meeting the immediate needs of Revere families and small businesses that have been most severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as longer-term strategies and innovative ideas that will continue to move Revere forward as a community. Recipients this year include HarborCOV, CAPIC, and

the First Congregational Church Food Pantry.

"The three organizations chosen today continue to step up to the plate when our residents need them the most," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "We started the Raise Up Revere fund at the beginning of the pandemic to support community-driven organizations that work to give back to our residents. I'm proud of how we've utilized these connections so far and am excited to see the fund continue to build capacity over the coming years."

In 2020, four nonprofits and organizations were awarded grants through the fund. This year, due to a generous \$35,000 donation from Amazon

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CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS CHEER AND DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AT THE SENIOR CENTER



Happy Birthday to Leah Sasso and Marilyn Tobey shown above with Santa, Debbie Peczka DiGilio, Ann Eagan and Rose Laverde. Shown to the right, Marie Voto wearing a holiday decorated mask during the December Birthdays and Christmas holidays party at the Rossetti Cowan Senior Center last Tuesday, Dec. 14. See more photos on Page 14.



Rep. Giannino receives major award from Saugus River Watershed Council

By Cary Shuman

State Rep. Jessica Giannino received the River Stewardship Award from the Saugus River Watershed Council "for outstanding contributions

toward protecting natural resources and public health in the Saugus River watershed."

Giannino accepted the prestigious award in person Dec. 11 at the organization's annual meeting

and dinner at The Marina at the Wharf, Revere.

"I am honored to receive the SRWC Stewardship Award," said Giannino. "The Saugus River

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License Commission okays license for taqueria

By Journal Staff

The Revere License Commission addressed a full agenda of items at the commission's regular monthly meeting last Wednesday, December 15.

Chairman Robert Selvitch and fellow commission members Daniel Ocena and Linda Guinasso were on hand for the meeting.

The chief highlight of the meeting was the approval by the commissioners of a license for a new

taqueria restaurant on No. Shore Rd., to be operated by the present owner of Esquite Taqueria on Shirley Ave.

The commission also approved, with two exceptions, a host of licenses for 2022.

Following are the agenda items and the commission's actions on each:

Item #1

The Brewster Company, LLC d/b/a McDonald's, 339 Squire Road, Jeff Brewster, LLC Manager, Application for Trans-

fer of a Common Victualler and Entertainment License: Application of The Brewster Company, LLC d/b/a McDonald's, for transfer of a Common Victualler and Entertainment license from Sarah L. Teck Management, Inc. All operations to remain the same.

Discussion and vote: Mr. Brewster appeared on behalf of himself and told the commission that the only change in the license will be a change of

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PLAYGROUND DEDICATION AT BEACHMONT



Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo, Massachusetts State Rep. Jessica Ann Giannino, School Committee member-elect John Kingston, Beachmont School Principal Chris Freisen, teachers Stacey Dascoli, Molly Savage, and Kate Malone (far right), and Special Education Asst. Director Joanna Rizzo. See more photos on Page 5.

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Forum

HAVE A MERRY -- AND SAFE -- CHRISTMAS

The holiday season usually is the most wonderful time of the year.

But Christmas, 2021, is anything but wonderful, even for those of us who are among the most fortunate in our society.

Our collective stress and anxiety levels are at an all-time high thanks to the recent arrival of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, which has upended the holiday plans for many of us.

Each and every day, the virus is killing almost 1300 Americans, a statistic that has become mind-numbingly routine. That figure still is well below the 3000 deaths per day a year ago at this time, but still, it translates into 500,000 deaths per year.

Hospitals once again are at full capacity in many states, with coronavirus patients filling emergency rooms and crowding-out those who have other health issues.

This was not the scenario we had envisioned a few months ago, when it appeared that we had COVID-19 under control.

For those of us who are fully-vaccinated with three shots of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines (or one J&J plus one of the those other two), the effects of the Omicron variant are proving to be fairly mild, akin to having a bad cold.

But for anyone who is unvaccinated, infection with the Omicron variant is proving inescapable thanks to its high-degree of transmissibility. And as the statistics demonstrate, the chances of becoming seriously ill are dangerously-significant.

Although the pandemic has eviscerated the usual holiday celebrations that bring together family, friends, and colleagues, adding to our mental health issues, especially for older Americans, the toned-down holiday season offers us an opportunity for reflection, a chance to reach an appreciation for the things that really matter in our lives: The health and safety of ourselves and our loved ones, as well as the urgent need to assist those who find themselves in dire straits this holiday season.

We hope that all of our readers will heed the warnings of our public health officials and that those with the means to do so will help the vast numbers of our less-fortunate fellow Americans.

We wish all of our readers a merry -- and safe -- Christmas.

WHY CHRISTMAS?

Dear Editor,

In quiet moments, we know we stand before God as sinners. None can claim perfection. In the end, no economic status, title, skin color, creed, religious denomination, nationality, position, heritage or possessions will matter. Only the condition of our soul towards God and His Son Jesus will count.

Israel in the Old Testament knew God, but she

wandered away, began worshipping idols. Similarly, America's idols are money, power, sex, entertainment, greed, forms of addictions and luxury. The drifting from God has brought unjust behaviors into our culture. Human life is devalued resulting in abortions, euthanasia and assisted suicide, all considered acceptable solutions to the inconvenience of unplanned pregnancies, painful illnesses or suffering depression.

Many at Christmas will ponder God invading mankind by being born human in the humblest means possible. Jesus, our Savior, advocate, and defender against the evil one, understands the downcast, the disadvantaged, the marginalized. He experienced it first hand as a human being. His sacrificial death and resurrection from the grave provide forgiveness and hope. "God did not send His Son into the world to condemn

it but that through Him the world might be saved." John 3: 17

The empty idols of this world will never satisfy the soul. Only God's forgiveness through Jesus does that. Why Christmas? Because, "God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16. Have a Blessed Christmas!

Lucia Hunter

LETTER to the Editor

GUEST OP-ED

Atmospheric changes happening in Revere; Part Two

By Kathleen Heiser

We can make change happen right here in Revere. We owe it to ourselves, our children, and generations to come. Will you help "Plant Seeds for Reconciliation"?

The first major step is scheduled to take place Wednesday, December 22nd. Happily, there are 22 newcomers to the United States preparing to share their stories. These stories will be prepared for display and in the very near future they will begin

appearing in various public venues.

Might you be willing to share your family's "Coming-to-America" story? We know that we are all immigrants, whether we or our families came over on the Mayflower, flew in on a jet, or walked across the border.

We have many commonalities. I don't know you. I ask you to teach me. We need as many willing persons as possible to remember the reasons their ancestors left their homelands, their families, their

culture, and even their language to venture to a new beginning.

Was it war, threats, political oppression? Was it hunger, poverty, and/or just endless struggle? Was it the promise of streets paved in gold? So many came: some ran with just the clothes on their backs and prayers on their lips; some died; some were turned away. All faced difficult and heartbreaking decisions for what they hoped would be a chance for a better life.

They paved the way for

our lives today. Each story is different, but there are many commonalities that run throughout. Please be open enough to help make a change in these difficult times.

Kathleen Heiser is the President of the Beachmont Improvement Committee, as well as a volunteer on many other committees within the city. She is a retired RPS first-grade teacher, a published poet, and a writer.

GUEST OP-ED

Gift ideas for Christmas

been life as usual for most of us.

You may have watched Chevy Chase in National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. He becomes over the top stressed out when his Christmas lights won't work and he literally kicks, stomps and curses a blue streak across his yard. It's a funny scene. Mostly because in some way we've all been there a time or two.

Most of us enjoy giving if we can. We enjoy giving to the people we love. Christmas trees, decorating, eating and gatherings are all a part of the season. However, we become frustrated when we lose sight of the big picture.

The big picture includes looking around and beyond our Christmas pain. Millions of people would simply be thrilled to have the problems that some of us have. Many people are in the nursing home and will never go to the mall again. Some have a terminal disease and this may be their last Christmas. Depression will weigh heavy on many who have lost their homes, buried loved ones or experienced financial devastation from medical care or natural disasters. Most of these people would love to have a house to decorate or gifts to buy for a loved one.

Celebrate Christmas this year. Give away some

special gifts. Give gifts that money can't buy or time cannot fade. Give love, give forgiveness and give some mercy. Extend these generously to yourself. If you can't give them to yourself it's impossible to give them to others.

The little baby that Christmas celebrates became a man and taught people that we should love God and love others as we love ourselves. Herein is part of the rub. Too often people stop loving themselves. Life becomes imperfect, we fail, get hurt or mad and we kick Santa or the reindeer across the yard. Unfortunately,

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Watershed Council was founded 30 years ago in 1991 to protect and restore the natural resources of the Saugus River watershed. The organization works to improve water quality, restore river habitat and fisheries, educate students about the environment, and promote public access and enjoyment of the watershed. I am so thankful for this distinction, and I look forward to working with the watershed in the future to protect this important environmental asset in our community."

Debra Panetta, president of the Saugus River Watershed Council, and Jackie Mercurio, treasurer, praised Giannino during the award presentation ceremony.

"I am happy and thrilled that we have Rep. Jessica Giannino here tonight receiving one of our awards," said Panetta. "She has been a tireless advocate for our environment and our community."

Mercurio said she was honored to present the 2021 River Stewardship Award to Giannino.

"Tonight we honor Massachusetts State Rep. Jessica Giannino," began Mercurio. "Rep. Giannino has spent the past year hitting the ground running, listening to our constituents' environmental issues, concerned about our community's health issues, working to pass legislation to preserve our waterways, and even volunteering to teach seventh-grade science classes about what happens when plastic fills our waterways, and the importance to reduce, reuse, and recycle."

Mercurio said that Giannino had "big shoes to fill" as the successor to Rep. RoseLee Vincent, "a fierce advocate for our area's environment, who brought our voice to the State House for years."

"Rep. Giannino has picked up right where Rep. Vincent has left off, without missing a beat," said Mercurio, noting Giannino's key testimony for environmental bills protecting local communities.

"Rep. Giannino is bold and a force to be reckoned with," said Mercurio.



Jackie Mercurio (left), treasurer of the Saugus River Watershed Council, and Debra Panetta, president, present the 2021 River Stewardship Award to Rep. Jessica Giannino for her outstanding contributions toward protecting natural resources and public health in the Saugus River watershed.

"This past year she's worn her heart on her sleeve, especially when representing Revere, Saugus, and Chelsea."

Mercurio credited Giannino and the Revere City Council (by an 8-1 vote) for going on record opposing the expansion of Wheelabrator.

"Rep. Giannino, all this hard work and great partnerships you've created over the past year are the reasons why the Saugus River Watershed is honored to present you this award," said Mercurio. "We are excited for the bright future you are working toward in pro-

tecting the ECAC, our waterways and marshes - and thank you for your amazing contributions in protecting our environment."

Accompanying Rep. Giannino to the annual dinner was her grandmother, well-known Revere resident Joann Giannino. Interestingly, the two women began their evening by showing their support at the Revere Coat Drive event at Dryft before heading to The Wharf.

Altar'd State, a women's clothing business located in Lynnfield, was also a recipient of the River Stewardship Award.

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City departments respond to letter from Disabilities Comm.

By Journal Staff

The Revere Commission on Disabilities held its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening, December 14.

Chair Ralph DeCicco, vice-chair Pauline Perno, and members, Mario Grimanis, Jason Barone, and Enza Goodwin were on hand for the meeting that

was held via Zoom. The principal discussion of the evening centered around a letter that the commissioners had sent to various city departments last month asking for the departments to enforce the city's ordinances pertaining to matters that affect the ability of persons with disabilities to use the city's sidewalks

safely. The letter was sent to the mayor's office, the Parking Department, and the Inspectional Services Dept. (ISD). The commissioners outlined a number of specific issues that create hazardous conditions for persons with disabilities, including the placement of trash and recyclable bins on side-

walks, yard waste pushed onto sidewalks, cars parked on sidewalks, large vehicles that overhang driveways onto sidewalks, and construction equipment and port-a-johns that are placed on sidewalks.

Poor lighting also was presented as another issue that makes traversing the city a hazardous proposition for the disabled.

Although none of the city officials who received the letter were able to attend the meeting, chairperson DeCicco told his fellow commissioners that Michael Wells from ISD said his employees are working to resolve issues with the trash containers and with the Building Dept. to resolve construction equipment on sidewalks.

The Parking Dept. also said it is trying to resolve the issue of vehicles overhanging driveways and parking on sidewalks.

A communication was received from the mayor's office regarding the availability of forms for senior citizens and disabled citizens to apply for a reduction in their property tax bills and their water and sewer bills if they are facing financial hardship.

A person may receive up to \$200 in relief. Funding comes from voluntary contributions by Revere taxpayers. Appli-

cations are available online or by calling the city treasurer's office at 781-286-8136.

DeCicco informed his colleagues of a meeting he recently attended, along with state legislators, state officials, and advocacy groups such as Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, that discussed improving access to the state's beaches for individuals with disabilities.

DeCicco noted that on Revere Beach for example, there is no availability of beach buggies and there are no mats that go over the sand at the portals to the beach. He also said there is a need for automated signalization in order to access the beach from across Revere Beach Boulevard.

"Some cutouts are too high for persons with disabilities to get to the beach," added DeCicco, "and there are very few handicapped parking spots. The legislature should allocate a percentage of the DCR's annual budget specifically for projects and events for persons with disabilities."

DeCicco also informed his colleagues that the vacancy on the commission has been filled. He said that new member Robert Brown will join the commission at its January meeting.

Vice-chair Pauline Perno concluded the meeting by reading the commission's current COVID-19 protocols:

"The Commission on Disabilities, due to Covid 19 and the safety of all residents, is trying to limit in-person appointments due to the unavailability and use at our present office location. Residents can speak to staff from our 311 Constituent Service Center Monday through Friday when you call our office at 781-286-8267. They will be able to answer most questions, but if they are unable to or if you would like a call back from our office, please ask to be transferred to the Disability Office's voicemail and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

"As always, please let us know if you would like something discussed or brought up and added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can let us know if you would like to speak on any issue or concern. The Commission is here to help and assist all the disabled residents and families of Revere."

The commission's next meeting: (via Zoom) is scheduled for Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 6:00 PM.



Mayor Brian Arrigo (far left) and Amazon Sr. Manager of External Affairs Jerome Smith (far right) present a check to Pastor Tim Bogertman and Wendy Baur from First Congregational Church.

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and supplemented funds through an anonymous donor, the fund is able to award each organization with a \$20,000 grant – totaling \$60,000 that will be reflected through community-based work. Existing partners who have received the award in the past include The Neighborhood Developers (TND), Union Capital Boston, Moroccan American Connections in Revere (MACIR), Women Encouraging Empowerment (WEE) Revere, and The First Congregational Church of Revere Food Pantry. The Raise Up Revere Fund also funded five \$10,000 "Shot at a Healthy Future" scholarships – awarded to fully-vaccinated residents to boost incentive around the vaccine.

"The Raise Up Revere Fund has been instrumental in helping our community weather the pandemic and its ensuing economic hardship," said Jerome Smith, Amazon's Sr. Manager of External Affairs. "As a company, we're thrilled to partner with them and ensure their funding can go even further in assisting our most vulnerable neighbors."

One recipient of the grant this year is HarborCOV, a non-profit organization that provides free safety and support services, along with housing and economic opportunities for those affected by domestic violence and abuse. Executive Director Kourou Pich plans to use the \$20,000 grant for emergency housing – one of the most visible and critical needs experienced by survivors of domestic violence.

"Partnerships like the Raise Up Revere fund are key to ensuring our communities emerge from this crisis stronger and more



Mayor Brian Arrigo and Amazon Sr. Manager of External Affairs Jerome Smith present a check to Cary Havey of CAPIC.

resilient than before," said Bob Giannino, President and Chief Executive Officer at United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley. "Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, we have seen the power of municipal, business and community leaders coming together to raise up the needs of their residents and catalyze the resources needed to address them. We're grateful to Mayor Arrigo for his continued partnership and to Amazon for the generosity they have demonstrated throughout our region."

The First Congregational Church Food Pantry is another 2021 recipient – the \$20,000 grant will be used to further efforts at the weekly Food Pantry by assisting in IT and computer relief. Throughout the course of the pandemic, the First Congregational Church Food Pantry operation grew exponentially. Now the Food Pantry is combined with the City of Revere "Food Hub" team and operates out of the Food Hub at 200 Winthrop Ave (the previous League for Special Needs building). The pantry continues to see a record number of families during their weekly food events.

CAPIC (Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc), is the third and final recipient of this year's award. Through the utilization of \$20,000 in Raise Up Revere funding, CAPIC will provide comprehensive emergency support services to at-risk Revere individuals and families who are in crisis mode; specifically, temporary emergency placements, such as hotel placements. CAPIC's Emergency Assistance Program will also provide support to individuals and families once they obtain permanent housing, such as gift cards to purchase food, furniture, and basic household items.

Donations to the fund can be made online or via your Donor Advised Fund by including "The Raise Up Revere Fund" in your recommendation details. Our tax ID number is 04-2382233. You can also send a check to the following address: United Way of Massachusetts Bay, PO Box 51381, Boston, MA 02205-1381. Please make checks out to "United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley" and include "The Raise Up Revere Fund" in the memo of your check.

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Christmas' most wonderful characteristics- mercy and forgiveness.

The Christmas story is about a child who came to show us the way. He showed us how to love, forgive and be merciful. Some of the people in

your life probably need it more than you know. Give generously and start with yourself.

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Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Wonderful New Year!



Brian Arrigo & Family
Mayor of Revere

Merry Christmas!



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Gerry Visconti
School Committeeman & Councillor-at-Large Elect

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PLAYGROUND COMMUNICATION BOARD UNVEILED AT THE BEACHMONT SCHOOL

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

On Wednesday, Dec. 15, students and parents joined teachers and staff at the Beachmont School as well as elected officials for the dedication of the new Playground Communication Board outside of the Beachmont School.



Students at the Beachmont School play before the dedication of the board.



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Jess Lopez (center) with her daughters Bella and Jezebel who are students at the Beachmont School.



A Beachmont School student surveys the playground's rock garden.



Beachmont School student Yannis Palomares tries out the bullhorn.



Teacher Kate Malone helps a student get his gloves on.



Principal Chris Freisen calls the adults to attention as the students continue with their playtime.



Beachmont School teachers Stacey Dascoli, Kate Malone, and Molly Savage, speak about the process in getting the Playground Communication Board in the playground at their school.



Beachmont School teachers Molly Savage, Kate Malone, and Stacey Dascoli cut the "ribbon" and inaugurate the Playground Communication Board.



School Committee member-elect John Kingston, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Massachusetts State Rep Jessica Ann Giannino, and Principal Chris Freisen speak to cable news about the Playground Communication Board at the Beachmont School.



Beachmont School teachers Stacey Dascoli, Molly Savage, and Kate Malone were instrumental in bringing the Playground Communication Board to their school.



Beachmont School students examine the Playground Communication Board.



Students at the Beachmont School play.



Beachmont School teacher Molly Savage points out details of the Playground Communication Board to her students.



Graduates of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy who are now members of the Revere Fire Department are pictured above following their graduation ceremony. From left, are Hernando Ortega-Bueno, Tyler Angelo, Dylan Stuart, Jacqueline Snyder, Joraan Bohannon, and Jarel Pemberton.

Six Revere firefighters graduate from Mass. Firefighting Academy

Staff Report

Six Revere firefighters graduated from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Dec. 17 at the campus in Stow.

The diverse group includes two female firefighters, Tyler Angelo

and Jacqueline Snyder. Jacqueline is the sister of current firefighter George Levasseur.

The other graduates are Hernando Ortega-Bueno, Dylan Stuart, Jordan Bohannon, and Jarel Pemberton.

Dylan Stuart is the son

of retired firefighter Michael Stuart and the brother of current firefighter Tyler Stuart.

For Hernando Ortega-Bueno, it has been a time of much happiness as his wife gave birth to a baby boy during his final week of classes at the Academy.

All six firefighters have served in the various branches of the U.S. military.

The graduates completed the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program.

“First responders are on the frontlines protecting their communities, and these newest firefighters are needed now more than ever,” said State Fire Marshal Michael Ostroskey. “The rigorous professional training they’ve received provides them with the physical, mental, and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely.”

Revere Fire Chief Christopher Bright congratulated the newest members of the Department and wished them success in their careers in the firefighting profession.

REVERE LODGE OF ELKS #1171 SERVING THE COMMUNITY AT CHRISTMAS TIME WITH FOOD BASKETS TO THOSE IN NEED OF A LITTLE CHEER

The Revere Lodge of Elks has been serving the Revere community for many years in many different capacities, scholarships, sports programs, clothing and food drives and many other charitable programs. About 20 years

ago the Christmas Basket program came to be part of the annual Christmas Holiday events. About 25 Revere families that proposed for this program from members are delivered a basket of food, with a turkey, all the fix’ns,

fruits and vegetables too. The Elks are proposing to double that count in 2022. Their Christmas donations also include a generous check to the Revere Police Department’s toy drive for Revere children of all ages.



Turkey’s and Christmas Joy for everyone. The Revere Lodge of Elks #1171 packages 23 bags of food to be delivered to Revere families in need of a little Christmas Cheer during these tough times. Shown in photo with Exalted Ruler Jewel Martin, Maureen Lee, Sandra DeFrancisco, Kenny French, John French, Rich White, Sharon White, Robert Mahoney, Alesca Schena, Daniel Powell Sr., Laura Smith, Gene Hannon and Jimmy Hannon. The Revere Elks Lodge 1171 wishes all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

FIRST CHURCH TOY AND FOOD DRIVE



Pastor Tim Bogertman of First Congregational Church with Ward 1 City Councillor Joanne McKenna and Mayor Brian Arrigo shows with a hefty sum of toys being donated as part of the local toy drive.

Lincoln School receives MSBA Accelerated Repair Project grant

By John Lynds

Last week State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg, Chair of the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), and MSBA Executive Director/Deputy CEO John K. McCarthy announced the MSBA Board of Directors approved a \$2.63 million grant for an Accelerated Repair Project at the Abraham Lincoln School in Revere.

The grant from the MSBA will help offset the

\$3.63 million total project cost for repairs at the school that includes fixing windows and doors at the Lincoln.

“The Accelerated Repair Program allows us to make critical repairs to more schools in less time,” said Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “By improving the learning environment for our children, the Program also makes schools more energy efficient and generates significant cost savings.”

The main goals of the

Accelerated Repair Program at the Lincoln School is to improve learning environments for children and teachers, reduce energy use, and generate cost savings for the district. The program provides funding for the repair or replacement of roofs, windows, and boilers in schools that are otherwise structurally, functionally, and educationally sound.

“The MSBA continues to partner with Massachu-

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EBNHC distributes At-home Covid-19 test kits to use ahead of the holidays

Staff Report

Ahead of the holiday,

staff and volunteers at the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center’s

Community Resource and Wellness Center gave out At-Home Covid-19

Test Kits to hundreds of community members this week in addition to giving out food, masks, diapers and other critically needed resources.

“We know that families will be celebrating the holiday season together over the coming weeks, and we wanted to give our community another tool to help combat the spread of COVID-19 and celebrate the holidays safely...testing, masking, and vaccination remain critical to slowing and stopping the spread of COVID” said Greg Wilmot, Interim President and CEO at East

Boston Neighborhood Health Center. East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is also sharing sup-

plies with other community organizations ahead of the holidays.



Pictured here in front of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center’s Community Resource and Wellness Center at 282 Meridian Street is Interim President and CEO Greg Wilmot, Wellness Center Director Kathy Field and employees and volunteers of the Wellness Center – at-home test kits in hand!



A member of the community stands with Health Center leader Greg Wilmot as she comes for weekly food and also leaves with a few test kits for family members to use before they gather for the holidays.

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Councillor Powers is on the road to recovery

By Cary Shuman

Ward 5 Councillor John Powers is resting comfortably at his home after a brief illness.

Powers, whose attendance record at meetings

has been near-perfect in his 22 years on the Council, missed the last two meetings, including the final session of 2021.

“I feel a lot better, just have to take it easy until after the holidays,” Pow-

ers said Tuesday.

At the Dec. 13 meeting, Powers was honored for his two decades of service with the placement of a plaque on the Legislative Bench in the Council Chambers. Colleagues

praised the statesman for his impressive record of accomplishment as a councillor and for always looking out for the best interests of his constituents.

“I’m looking forward to 2022,” said Powers, who

was defeated in his bid for re-election. “My interest has always been in the best interests of the City of Revere and if anyone has any concerns or questions, give me a call.”



Ward 5 Councillor John Powers

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ownership.

“Everything in the operation will remain the same,” said Brewster.

There were neither any opponents nor any opponents and there were no questions from the commissioners.

The application was approved 3-0.

Item #2

Mass. Trips, Inc., d/b/a Esquite Taqueria 1150 North Shore Road Emiliano Moreno, Manager, Application for a Common Victualler License: Application of Mass. Trips, Inc. d/b/a Esquite Taqueria, Emiliano Moreno, Manager, for a Common Victualler license to be exercised at 1150 North Shore Road. Requested hours are Monday – Thursday 11 a.m. – 11 p.m., Friday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 1:30 a.m. Requested seating is 18.

Discussion and vote: Mr. Moreno of 370 Ocean Ave. appeared for himself and explained to the commissioners his new restaurant venture at 1150 No. Shore Rd. at the former location of Larry’s BBQ.

“Following the success of our restaurant on Shirley Ave., we’re looking to expand our business, focusing on take-out during the pandemic,” said Moreno. “We’ll be following the model of taquerias in New York City. Our present restaurant closes at 9:00 and we’re looking to provide food for those who want to eat later. We’ll be hiring 12-15 additional employees. We’ll still be a family-oriented business; There’ll be no alcohol.”

“I’ve eaten at your place on Shirley Ave. a few times and am very excited for your new location,” noted Selevitch.

“This will be a great location for this new business,” Guinasso added.

There were no proponents or opponents and the request was approved 3-0.

Extended New Year’s Eve hours:

In a separate piece of business, Selevitch noted that on New Year’s Eve, the commission has allowed dining and entertainment establishments to stay open until 3:00 a.m., though service of alcohol still is shut off by 2:00 a.m.

“The only thing we’re doing is allowing the entertainment license to be extended to 3:00,” said Selevitch. “This is something we’ve done for the past few years.”

The motion was approved 3-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) advisory regarding recent news about non-consensual drugging occurring at bars, clubs, and other licensed premises.

2. ABCC notice of approval of application of Los Compadres Oaxaqueños, LLC d/b/a B & M Grill for a Wine/Malt restaurant license.

3. ABCC notice of approval of application of Orange Grove Market, Inc., for a change of license category to All Alcohol.

4. ABCC notice of approval of application of Colwen Management, Inc. d/b/a Staybridge Suites/Holiday Inn Express – Revere for a change of man-

ager.

5. ABCC notice of approval of application of Primos Partners, LLC d/b/a Fajita’s Sports Bar & Restaurant for a change of license category to All Alcohol.

LICENSE RENEWALS

The commission gave its imprimatur to the routine renewal of licenses for the following businesses and clubs with two exceptions, which are discussed below:

Automatic Amusement Devices

Beachmont Yacht Club, Inc., 168 Pearl Avenue

Patriot Civic Club, Inc., 93 Patriot Parkway

Revere Lodge #1171 of the B.P.O.E. of U.S.A., Inc., 198 Shirley Avenue

Twin Corp. d/b/a Margaritas & Martinis Food & Spirits, 488-490 Broadway

Boulevard Café Corp. d/b/a Sammy’s Patio, 63 Revere Beach Boulevard

KST Corporation d/b/a Bill Ash’s Lounge, 78 Revere Beach Boulevard

Sons of Revere, LLC d/b/a Sons of Revere, 8 Revere Street

Common Victualler Northgate Partners, LLC d/b/a Joe’s Market, 338 Squire Road

Mahavir Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Convenient Market & Deli, 270 Broadway

Prezioso Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Vinny’s Food Market, 296 Malden Street

SE North Shore, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Food Store #27471C, 1120 North Shore Road

Squire Road Station, Inc. d/b/a Nour Market, 174 Squire Road

A.M. Pizza, Inc. d/b/a Domino’s Pizza, 570 Broadway

AMBU, LLC d/b/a Subway, 3 Everett Street, Unit 3D-2

Calixto, Inc. d/b/a Bridge Pizzeria, 800 Washington Avenue

Demoulas Supermarkets, Inc. d/b/a Market Basket, 275 Squire Road

Dimino Brothers Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Dimino’s Subs, 190 Revere Beach Parkway

Dolcan, LLC d/b/a Istanbul Diner, 120 VFW Parkway

El Tipico Salvadoreno Restaurant, Inc., 227 Revere Street

Felicita D’Alelio d/b/a Brewin’ Café, 311 Broadway

Gil Lopera, Inc. d/b/a La Abuela Carmen Products, 154 Squire Road

Gyong Ho, Inc. d/b/a Flaming Grill & Buffet, 31F Furlong Drive

Happy Garden Revere, Inc. d/b/a Happy Garden, 80 Revere Beach Boulevard

Kwan Fe Cheung d/b/a China Garden, 750 Washington Avenue

La Esquina del Sabor, Inc., 1 Unity Avenue

N. Pizza, Inc. d/b/a Nonni’s Pizza, 750 Washington Avenue

Revere Pancakes, Inc. d/b/a IHOP 4732, 105 Squire Road

S&S Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, 145 Broadway

Salvi’s Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, 30 Squire Road

Salvi’s Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, 5 Ward Street

Sayar Food Market, Inc., 3E Everett Street

Seak Ly Kong d/b/a Thmor Da Restaurant, 144 Shirley Avenue

Wendy’s of New England, LLC d/b/a Wendy’s #6205, 39 Squire Road

Wendy’s of New England, LLC d/b/a Wendy’s, 42 Furlong Drive

Club – All Alcohol Beachmont Yacht Club, Inc., 168 Pearl Avenue

Broad Sound Tuna Club, Inc., 567 North Shore Road

Patriot Civic Club, Inc., 93 Patriot Parkway

Point of Pines Yacht Club, Inc., 28 Rice Avenue

Revere Lodge #1171 of the B.P.O.E. of U.S.A., Inc., 198 Shirley Avenue

American Legion Post #61, 249 Broadway -- (The fees were waived by the commission)

Beachmont VFW Post #6712, Inc., 150 Bennington Street

Joseph Leon Mottolo Post #4524 V.F.W. U.S., Inc., 61 Lucia Avenue

Entertainment Northgate Partners, LLC d/b/a Joe’s Market, 338 Squire Road

A.L. Prime Energy Consultant, Inc., 655 Revere Beach Parkway

Squire Road Station, Inc. d/b/a Nour Market, 174 Squire Road

BJ’s Wholesale Club, Inc. d/b/a BJ’s Wholesale Club #175, 5 Ward Street

Demoulas Supermarkets, Inc. d/b/a Market Basket, 275 Squire Road

Dolcan, LLC d/b/a Istanbul Diner, 120 VFW Parkway

La Esquina del Sabor, Inc., 1 Unity Avenue

General On-Premise – All Alcohol

Sons of Revere, LLC d/b/a Sons of Revere, 8 Revere Street

Innholder – All Alcohol Colwen Management, Inc. d/b/a Staybridge Suites/Holiday Inn Express – Revere, 245 Revere Beach Parkway

Driftwood Special Servicing, LLC d/b/a Four Points by Sheraton Revere, 407 Squire Road

MHF Logan Operating V, LLC d/b/a Hampton Inn Revere, 230 Lee Burbank Highway

Innholder – Malt/Wine Revere Hotel Realty, LLC d/b/a Avid Hotel Boston Logan Airport – Revere, 405 American Legion Highway

Innholder Hotel Colwen Management, Inc. d/b/a Staybridge Suites/Holiday Inn Express – Revere, 245 Revere Beach Parkway

Driftwood Special Servicing, LLC d/b/a Four Points by Sheraton Revere, 407 Squire Road

MHF Logan Operating V, LLC d/b/a Hampton Inn Revere, 230 Lee Burbank Highway

Revere Hotel Realty, LLC d/b/a Avid Hotel Boston Logan Airport – Revere, 405 American Legion Highway

Package Store – All Alcohol

Beachmont Wine and Spirits, Inc., 116 State Road

Blanchards Revere, Inc., 286 American Legion Highway

Gorgio Liquor Mart,

LLC d/b/a Gio’s Liquors, 765 Broadway

Netraa, Inc. d/b/a Dairy Mart, 160 Squire Road

Nilhar Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Woody’s Liquors, 266 Broadway

Northgate Partners, LLC d/b/a Joe’s Market, 338 Squire Road

Phromi, Inc. d/b/a Beachmont Liquors, 669 Winthrop Avenue

Shree Rang, Inc. d/b/a E-Z Liquors, 750 Washington Avenue

Shuban, Inc. d/b/a Parkway Convenience, 190A Revere Beach Parkway

TBS Beverage, Inc. d/b/a Ocean Liquors, 210 Shirley Avenue

Trinity Convenience, Inc. d/b/a Land of Liquor, 1164 North Shore Road

Package Store – Malt/Wine

A.L. Prime Energy Consultant, Inc., 655 Revere Beach Parkway

AMBE Corp. d/b/a Broadway Convenient Mart, 632 Broadway

Gasco Oil, Inc. d/b/a Gasco, 520 Broadway

Mahavir Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Convenient Market & Deli, 270 Broadway

Nishtha, LLC d/b/a The Breadbasket Discount Store, 535 Broadway

Orange Grove Market, Inc., 158 Shirley Avenue

Prezioso Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Vinny’s Food Market, 296 Malden Street

SE North Shore, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Food Store #27471C, 1120 North Shore Rd

Shayona Management, Inc. d/b/a Anthony’s Supermarket, 760 Broadway

Squire Road Station, Inc. d/b/a Nour Market, 174 Squire Road

Yaksh, Inc. d/b/a Beachway Beer & Wine, 40 Furlong Drive

Parking Lot

MHF Logan Operating V, LLC d/b/a Hampton Inn Revere, 230 Lee Burbank Highway

Rockwall Realty Trust, 1380 North Shore Road.

Jean Geary, the proprietor of the parking lot at 1380 No. Shore Rd, appeared before the commission to seek a reduction of the \$100 fee per space for the 45 spaces for her commuter parking lot.

“I had very few cars in 2020 and you gave me a reduced fee of \$25,” said Geary. “There are more commuters than in 2020, and I would be willing to go up to \$50 per space.”

“I have a problem doing it for one and not others,” said Guinasso, who suggested a better solution would be for Geary to have a permit for 25 cars and pay full price for the reduced number of spaces.

“And if things pick up, you can ask for more cars,” added Selevitch.

Geary modified her license application to 25 cars and that number was approved by the commissioners at the full price of \$100 per car.

Pool Table

Beachmont Yacht Club, Inc., 168 Pearl Avenue

Boulevard Café Corp. d/b/a Sammy’s Patio, 63 Revere Beach Boulevard

Broad Sound Tuna Club, Inc., 567 North Shore Road

Patriot Civic Club, Inc., 93 Patriot Parkway

Revere Lodge #1171

of the B.P.O.E. of U.S.A., Inc., 198 Shirley Avenue

R K & E Corp. d/b/a BK’s Bar & Grill, 264 Ocean Avenue

Restaurant – All Alcohol

21 Revere Beach Blvd, LLC, 21 Revere Beach Boulevard

381 Revere Beach, LLC d/b/a Bianchi’s at the Sand Bar, 381 Revere Beach Boulevard

388 Broadway, LLC d/b/a Volare, 388 Broadway

99 West, LLC d/b/a 99 Restaurant & Pub, 121 VFW Parkway

Argueta & Piche Corp. d/b/a Nino’s Restaurant & Bar, 7B Everett Street

Beachmont Pizza Corp. d/b/a Luigi’s Pizzeria, 616 Winthrop Avenue

Boulevard Café Corp. d/b/a Sammy’s Patio, 63 Revere Beach Boulevard

Burbank, Inc. d/b/a Full Rack Smoke House, 297 Lee Burbank Highway

Cafeteria Las Delicias Colombianas, Inc., 86 Shirley Avenue

Cinco de Mayo II d/b/a Pancho Villa Mexican Grill, 124 Centennial Avenue

DeMaino’s Restaurant, Inc., 14 Malden Street

Eddie Mac’s Lounge, Inc. d/b/a The Volcano Room, 377 Revere Beach Blvd.

Four Partners, Inc. d/b/a Antonia’s at the Beach, 492 Revere Beach Blvd.

The commissioners said they could not approve the application at this time while there still are matters pending before the ABCC.

“As much as we hate to put people out of business, we need to have compliance with the laws. We need to hold this license in abeyance until the questions are answered,” said Selevitch.

Boulevard GA Restaurant II, Inc. d/b/a Santorini Restaurant, 376 Revere Beach Boulevard

H & R Partners, Inc. d/b/a Valsos Table & Bar, 139-141 Shirley Avenue

Hook & Reel, Inc., 151A VFW Parkway

KST Corporation d/b/a Bill Ash’s Lounge, 78 Revere Beach Boulevard

MFRP Corp. d/b/a The Squire, 604 Squire Road

Final approval for this application also was held in abeyance by the commission pending the sign-off by the city for alterations being made to the premises. The commission however, issued a temporary license.

Mirage, Inc. d/b/a Mirage Restaurant, 220 Lynnway

Ocean 500 of Revere, LLC d/b/a Dryft, 500 Ocean Avenue

Ocean Ale House of Revere, LLC d/b/a Fine Line Tap Room, 500 Ocean Ave.

R K & E Corp. d/b/a BK’s Bar & Grill, 264 Ocean Avenue

Revere Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Tio Juan’s Margarita’s Mexican Restaurant, 85 American Legion Highway

Rice Passions, Inc., 163 Squire Road

Rincon Limeno Revere, Inc., 260 Broadway

Route 1A Restaurant Group, LLC d/b/a The Marina Restaurant at the Wharf, 543 North Shore Road

S & V Partners, Inc. d/b/a Valsos Café, 123 Shirley Avenue

Scalzi Hospitality Cor-

poration d/b/a Casa Lucia, 61 Lucia Avenue, 2nd Floor

Taqueria Eucalipto Corp. d/b/a Las Vegas Restaurant, 107 Shirley Avenue

Triangle Pro, Inc. d/b/a Billy Tse’s, 441 Revere Street

Twin Corp. d/b/a Margaritas & Martinis Food & Spirits, 488-490 Broadway

Two Brothers Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Murray’s Tavern, 118 Broadway

Uno Restaurants, LLC d/b/a Uno Chicago Grill, 210 Squire Road

White Label, LLC d/b/a Easy Pie, 649 Squire Road

Wonderland Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Oceanside Events Center, 1290 North Shore Road

Woo Gee, Inc. d/b/a Peter Woo’s, 374 Broadway

Restaurant – Malt/Wine

Los Compadres Oaxaqueños, LLC d/b/a B & M Grill, 843 Broadway

Miba Corporation d/b/a El Penol 2, 570A Broadway

Noah & Victoria Corporation d/b/a Blanca’s Bakery & Restaurant, 341 Broadway

R & M Foods, Inc. d/b/a D’Parma, 288 Broadway

Salomon Ramos Corp. d/b/a Café Costa del Sol, 366 Broadway

Yutaka, Inc. d/b/a Yutaka Fine Asian Cuisine, 339 Squire Road

Restaurant – Wine, Malt, and Cordials/Liqueurs

Azam Incorporated d/b/a The Cutting Board, 744 Broadway

Primos Partners, LLC d/b/a Fajita’s Sports Bar & Restaurant, 46 Revere Street

Class 1 Motor Vehicle Dealer

Black Marble Motorcycles, LLC d/b/a Boston Harley-Davidson, 649-1 Squire Road

Class 2 Motor Vehicle Dealer

Arkon Motors, Inc. d/b/a 1A Auto Way, 441 Lee Burbank Highway

Atlantic Auto Body, Inc., 529 Broadway

Espo Enterprises, Inc., 22R Whitin Avenue Extension

John Sica d/b/a Commonwealth Auto Sales, 335 Lee Burbank Highway

Kevin Auto Sales, LLC, 1087R Broadway

Miguel A. Gonzalez d/b/a La Joya Auto Sales & Service, 1420 North Shore Rd.

N.L.R. Corp. d/b/a Nick’s Auto Sales, 141 Lee Burbank Highway

Touriya Aitelhadj d/b/a Wonderland Auto, 1176 North Shore Road

Gold, Silver, Precious Metals, Jewelry Dealer

Rachana Jewelry, Inc., 156 Shirley Avenue

Lodging House

RHouse1, LLC, 72 Dehon Street

Pawnbroker

Andrew Sica d/b/a Suffolk Pawn, 333 Lee Burbank Highway

Secondhand Dealer

Andrew Sica d/b/a Suffolk Pawn, 333 Lee Burbank Highway

Nyan Group, Inc. d/b/a Cash Point, 7C Everett Street

The board voted to meet in-person starting with next month’s meeting on January 19, 2022.

OBITUARIES

Beverly Daigle

Former Bartender at DeMaino's Restaurant and the ITAM Post



Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours on Thursday, December 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rt. 107) Revere for Beverly A. (Bailey) Daigle, who passed following a long illness on Saturday, December 18 at the Kaplan Family Hospice of Danvers. Her Funeral Service will be conducted immediately following the visitation in the Funeral Home at 7 p.m. Interment will be held privately.

Her death comes only 14 days after the passing of her 99-year-old mother, Lena R. "Lee" (Aldoriso) Bailey.

Beverly was born in Boston and the family moved to Worcester in her early years. She came to Revere with her family, was schooled here and was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1958.

Beverly worked soon after her children were born. She worked in the hospitality industry after receiving her Bartenders License. For a time, she was with the Top Hat Lounge, which became Stars, in Peabody. She later worked at the ITAM Post on Lucia Avenue in Revere for some years. Her last and happiest time was the almost 10 years she worked as a bartender at DeMaino's Restaurant in Revere. Beverly's most engaging personality drew not only her faithful customers but also won her many, many friends.

Beverly was the daughter of the late Lena R. "Lee" (Aldoriso) Bailey, Francis J. Bailey and William Quinn; the be-

loved and proud mother of Carol Gerard of Tewksbury, Francis J. Daigle of Dorchester, Saugus Police Detective John B. Daigle of Saugus, Eric M. Daigle of Dracut, Michelle L. Daigle of Lowell, Patricia L. Daigle of Revere and the late Robert Daigle of the Cayman Islands. She was the dear sister of Patricia I. Bailey-Childers of Coral Gable, FL., Joanne Bernard of Tennessee, Joyce Maher and her husband, Kevin of Salem, William Quinn and his wife, Sue of Topsfield and the late Carolyn Joyce Bailey, the late Wayne Quinn and his surviving wife, Joanne of Washington State.

She is also lovingly survived by 17 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren and her best friends, Richard Oliver and Carole Nutile of Revere. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertuccioand-smith.com

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

Mary Fortucci

Her personality and her food were loved by all



Mary A. (Froncioni) Fortucci of Melrose, formerly of Revere, passed away on December 18 at the age of 96.

Born in Quebec, Canada on June 3, 1925 to the late Joseph and Anne (Fasoli) Froncioni, she was raised in Quebec and attended school there before coming to the United States.

She was the beloved wife of the late Carlo Fortucci, loving mother of the late Robert Fortucci and the late Patricia Wojcik, proud grandmother of Carla, Robert and Josh and is also survived by two great-grandchildren. She was the sister of Christine Bean, Rita Froncioni, and the late Robert Froncioni.

Mary and her late husband Carlo raised their family in Revere, where they lived for many years. She also lived in Boston and in Melrose for the last 20 years at the Steele House. Mary volunteered as bookkeeper at the Steele House for many

years, for Bingo and other events. She was fluent in both French and Italian. Mary was a fantastic authentic cook in her kitchen and her personality and food were loved by all.

Visiting Hours will be held at the Gately Funeral Home, 79 W. Foster St., Melrose, today, Wednesday, December 22 from 9 to 11 a.m. A Funeral Service at 11 a.m. will be followed by interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, 302 Elm St., Everett. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. To leave an online message of condolence, please visit gatelyfh.com.

James Angelo Buono

Late Commission Judge for Mass. State Racing Commission



James Angelo Buono of East Boston passed away on December 17.

He was the late Commission Judge for the Massachusetts State Racing Commission.

The beloved husband of Rita (LaVertue) Buono, he was the loving father of James Buono and his wife, Suzane of Melrose, Jared Buono of East Boston, John Marzilli and his wife, Kristine of Wilmington and Renee Waters and her husband, William of Plymouth; dear brother of Francine Billet of New York, Rosalind E. Faretra of Winthrop and the late Leopold "Butchy" Buono. He is also survived by five loving grandchildren: Cameron, Kai, Lily, Kael and James.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights) East

Boston, today, Wednesday, December 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. and again on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. followed by a funeral procession to St. Joseph-St. Lazarus Church, 59 Ashley St., East Boston for a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in his honor at 12 noon. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

In lieu of flowers donations in James' memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, PO Box 189,3 Memphis, TN 38101-9950. To leave an online condolence please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Thomas Doherty

Retired Revere Police Sergeant, US Marshall and former architect



A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 758 Salem St., Lynnfield, today, Wednesday, December 22 at 11 a.m. for Retired Revere Police Sergeant, Thomas E. Doherty. Please meet directly at Church. Per order of the Archdiocese of Boston, masks are required in the Church. Entombment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery - Versailles Mausoleum, Everett.

Just like he dealt with all experiences in life, Thomas E. Doherty managed his illness with strength, valor and grace and wanted to spend as much time with his loved ones as possible.

Thomas passed away on December 15 at the age of 83. On his final day, he was surrounded by his beloved wife of 50 years and his three daughters, who he adored more than anything else in this world. His legacy will live on the hearts and minds of everyone he interacted with.

In 1957, he joined the U.S. Army and after his tour was complete, he earned his Architectural Degree at Wentworth Institute of Technology and Boston Architectural College. He spent many years working as an architect and designed many commercial buildings located in Boston, including the Cambridge Court House, and the church where he married his wife.

In 1973, he moved on from architecture and found the career that he loved as he joined the Revere Police Department, where he served the community with integrity and honor for thirty-five years. He firmly believed that people deserved a second chance or sometimes even a third and treated everyone he encountered with respect and understanding.

He retired as a Sergeant from the Revere Police Department in 2003 and soon thereafter became a United States Marshal and began working at the John Joseph Moakley Court-house in Boston.

Thomas enjoyed life's simple pleasures. He loved going out for a nice

meal with his family, going to the movies, playing the lottery, reading books, watching Fox News and TV documentaries about history, boating at Wingersheek Beach, coffee dates with his wife and dog Natasha, riding his lawn tractor, investing in the stock market, watching movies, swimming in the ocean and in his pool, diving, shooting at the range, traveling to Florida and Aruba, whiskey toasts with his son-in-law, Jarrod and playing with his grandchildren who adored their Papa.

Thomas is survived by his beautiful wife, Marilyn T. (Prizio) Doherty of Saugus. He was the loving and proud father of Andrea T. Doherty - Marino and her husband, Anthony L. of Lynnfield, Danielle M. Doherty - Wirwicz and her husband, Jarrod D. of Middleton and Evelyn T. Doherty - Terfry and her husband, Christopher M. of Lynnfield; treasured papa of Angelina TD., Gianna D., Mason J., Thomas J. and John C. and his late Maltese Dog, Natasha; dear brother of Noel F. Doherty and his wife, Marcia of Woburn and the late James N. Doherty, Jr. and Sheila A. Tomkins. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, friends, fellow Revere Police Officers and U.S. Marshal men and women.

At the family's request, please omit flowers. Remembrances may be made to the Children's Neuroblastoma Cancer Foundation by visiting <https://www.cncfhope.org>

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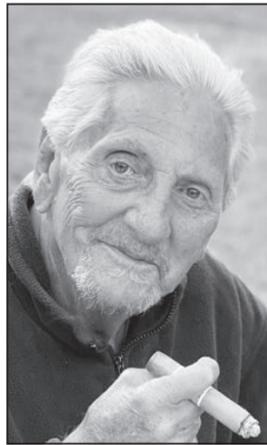
Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours on Tuesday, December 28 from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rt. 107) Revere for Gerald L. "Jerry" Pollastrone, Sr., 82, who died on Wednesday, December 15 after a brief illness. A Funeral Service will be conducted in the Funeral Home following visiting hours at 12: 15 p.m. Interment will be held privately.

Jerry was born in Boston on February 1, 1939 to Paul P. and Mary (Stella) Pollastrone. Raised in East Boston along with his brother, Ralph, he was educated in Boston Public Schools and was a graduate of East Boston High School, Class of 1959.

Jerry enlisted in the United States Army National Guard and proudly served his country for eight years as a reservist. He became a union plumber in the Boston Local 12. He put his time in and then worked for the City of Revere Housing Authority as a plumber until his retirement.

He was married to Carole A. Nickerson Pollastrone for 40 years. Together they lived in East Boston and then Revere where they raised their children, until moving to Everett in 2010. Jerry was a very loving husband and father who instilled moral values and respect in his children. He demonstrated to his family wisdom with words and actions that he lived by. He was always present in his children's lives and attended any school or athletic event they were involved in.

Jerry was also a man who liked to laugh, joke and have a good time. He was all about being hap-



py and living each day surrounded by the people he loved. Throughout his life, he was very active and athletic. He enjoyed playing golf as often as he could. He was an avid bowler and a member of several bowling leagues. He also played in a men's over 40 softball league.

The beloved husband of 40 years to Carole A. (Nickerson) Pollastrone of Everett, he was the loving and proud father of Paul Pollastrone of Revere, Gerald I. "Jerry" Pollastrone, Jr. and his wife, Krista of Moultonborough, NH, Leanne Pollastrone and her companion, Victor Calheta of Everett; adored "Papa J." of Ayla Leigh; dear brother of the late Ralph Pollastrone and special uncle of Linda Pignone and her husband, David, Kenneth Pollastrone and his wife, Jean and Laurie Pollastrone, all of Florida.

He is also lovingly survived by many friends and extended family.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Shriners' Hospitals for Children, 51 Blossom St, Boston, MA 02114.

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Joseph Oreto, Sr.

Polaroid Retiree



Family and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Mass on Monday, December 27

at 10 a.m. in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere for Joseph Oreto, Sr., 87, who passed after a long illness on Saturday, December 18 at the VA Boston Healthcare System of Brockton. Please meet directly at church.

Per order of the Archdiocese of Boston, masks are required in church. Interment

will follow at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne at 1:45 p.m.

Born, raised and a life-long resident of Revere, he was a graduate of Revere High

School, Class of 1952. In August of 1954, he entered the U.S. Marine Corps and

served honorably until his discharge on August 15, 1958 as a Sergeant.

He married to his one and only, Emily J. (Cadle) Oreto, and they had five children. Emily was stricken with metastatic cancer and passed on October 16, 1980 at only 42 years of age. "Joey" was faced with raising five children, with help from his

Mom and Dad, the late Joseph M. Oreto and Grace M. (Fabiano) Ore-

to and other Oreto family members.

He had a thirty-six-year career with Polaroid Corp., as a lead mechanic within the Film Department. He was prompted to take an early retirement in 1999 and continued to be a dedicated dad, grandpa, son, brother and uncle.

He was the proud father to Deborah J. McToomey and her husband, Michael of Quincy, Joseph S. Oreto, Jr. and his wife, Sonia of Revere, Ronald S. Oreto of Medford, Darrin J. Oreto of Revere and Scott C. Oreto of Weymouth; cherished grandpa to seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and dear brother of Lillian F. Hibbard and her husband, Hugh of Revere and the late Frank P. Oreto and the late Carol A. Consolo. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

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Subcommittee and Council vice president this past year.

Visconti has been lauded often by his colleagues and his constituents for always doing what's right for the city while not being afraid of making the difficult decisions that might not be the most popular.

A graduate of St. Dominic Savio High School and Northeastern University with a degree in Accounting, Visconti, 52, succeeds Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto as council president.

"I think Councillor Zambuto has served the city well for 22 years," said Visconti. "I was honored to be his vice president and I think he did a great job. We're going to miss him on the Council."

Visconti is the owner of locally based Middlesex Mortgage Financial, a mortgage company. He is the treasurer of the Revere youth hockey organization

Visconti will be leading the City Council that has four new members, Councillor-at-Large-Elect Dan Rizzo, Councillor-at-Large-Elect Marc Silvestri, Ward 3 Councillor-Elect Anthony Cogliandro, and Ward 5 Councillor-at-Large Al Fiore.

Serino has support for Council vice presidency

Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino is in line to be the next vice president of the Revere City Council. Serino confirmed he



Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino.

has the votes to be second in command of the Council come January.

"The vote is in January, but that's the way it looks, yes," said Serino, who was elected to a second term as Ward 6 councillor without opposition in November. "I'm incredibly honored. I look forward to serving as the Council vice president. There will be a lot of work to do in the new year with new members of the Council. I look forward to collegially working with everyone, members of the Council, Mayor Brian Arigo, and the Administration to continue to make Revere the best it can be."

Serino will be beginning his third year on the Council. He has served as chair of the Veterans Affairs Subcommittee and on the Ways and Means, Zoning, Public Safety, Health and Human Services Subcommittees.

Serino, who turns 30 on Jan. 11, is a graduate of Malden Catholic High School and Saint Anselm College where he received his bachelor's degree in Political Science.

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the scheduled collection box pickup times on Dec. 24 should visit the online Postal Locator tool at tools.usps.com to find Post Office locations that may be open late.

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NORTHEAST METRO CULINARY PROGRAM REOPENING JAMES WALLACE BREAKHEART INN

Superintendent David DiBarri and Northeast Metro Tech Culinary Program Head Liz Beals are pleased to announce that the James Wallace Breakheart Inn will soon reopen to the public for sit-down meal service.

The COVID-19 pandemic prompted the closure of the James Wallace Breakheart Inn Restaurant — Northeast Metro Tech's in-school restaurant — in 2020, but the restaurant will reopen to the public on Wednesday, Jan. 5.

Students in the Culinary Program prepare all meals served at the Breakheart Inn from scratch each day, and serve them as well as part of the Culinary Program curriculum.

From Jan. 5 onward, the 52-seat restaurant will be open Tuesday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Reservations can be made by phone on the day of service. To make a reservation call: 781-246-

0810, x1114.

Guests wishing to enjoy a meal at Breakheart Inn will need to wear a mask to enter the building, at the main entrance to check in, and to enter the restaurant. Masks may be removed when guests have been seated and must be put back on when getting up from the table.

As the restaurant reopens, Chef James Nolan will join the team in the back of the house as a new chef instructor. Chef Nolan is a graduate of The Culinary Institute of America, and brings 29 years of teaching experience and over 35 years of professional cooking experience to the Culinary Program. Chef Nolan is energetic, positive and looking forward to bringing new ideas and new skills to the students.

"I'm excited that our students will once again have the hands-on learning opportunities that the James Wallace Breakheart Inn provides when it is fully operational," said Superintendent DiBarri. "We will have ample safety measures in place to maintain social distance and safety amid the pandemic, and we invite the community to stop by and see what our students are cooking."

32BJ SEIU CONGRATULATES LYDIA EDWARDS ON HISTORIC VICTORY IN STATE SENATE RACE

The following Statement is attributable to Roxana Rivera, Executive Vice President of 32BJ SEIU:

On behalf of the airport

workers, cleaners, and security officers of 32BJ SEIU throughout Massachusetts, I am overjoyed that Lydia Edwards has been elected as State Senator in the primary election. This historic win is long overdue; when she is officially sworn in after the general election in January, Senator Edwards will be the first Black woman to represent this heavily BIPOC district where over 2,000 of 32BJ workers live and thousands more work.

Lydia Edwards is a fierce advocate for social justice, and has been one of workers' strongest allies throughout her time on the Boston City Council. She has stood shoulder to shoulder with airport workers in their fight for better working conditions, a union, and raises for these essential workers ravaged by the COVID-19 pandemic, and with her

help, these airport workers have won significant change. She has already made positive change as a City Councilor through her housing and transportation advocacy work, and we know she will continue to get the job done for Boston and the entire state.

As we face another pandemic winter, inflation, and inequity, we need to keep electing change-makers like Senator Edwards into office. The members of 32BJ SEIU will enter 2022 with a more hopeful view due to Edward's victory!

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THE REVERE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Revere Council #16550 of the Knights of Columbus celebrated Christmas at their last meeting. After conducting regular monthly business, the members were treated to a delicious Chinese Food dinner from Peter Woo's of Revere.

The Revere Knights are currently in planning a clothing and food drive to help local

residents in need, and members are selling raffle tickets for several gift card baskets.

The Revere Knights of Columbus #16550 St Michael the Archangel wish to extend the warmest Christmas greetings to all and a very Happy and Healthy New Year as well.



Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council #16550 John Verrengia and all the members of the St. Michael the Archangel Council Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Revere Public School hosts community forum webinar

By John Lynds

In the wake of an alleged sexual assault outside of school and subsequent student protest where 10 percent of the Revere High School student body walked out and staged a protest at City Hall, Revere Public School officials held an emergency community forum webinar Monday night to address some concerns and answer questions.

Again, like the statement sent home to parents, RHS Principal Dr. John Perella did not go into too much detail of the incident but assured the public that it was reported to the proper authorities and protocol was followed once allegations came to light. However, as rumors and some misinformation of the incident began to spread on social media it caused an unfortunate firestorm of backlash and criticism of school staff and administrators—painting a picture that they were not doing enough to address the issue.

“Unfortunately in the vacuum of not knowing what happens or what is happening causes increased anxiety and fear for what is taking place,” said Dr. Perella. “I can share with you as a parent who has kids in school right now I know how that must feel. As I had mentioned earlier, the confidentiality component (in this case) is really challenging. Specific to the accusation we did communicate, as best as we could. I can say that this is a challenging time for our school and there are lots of issues and concerns in our community and in our country. So there are a lot of things that are taking place. Our number one priority is to do as we are doing tonight, to communicate with all of you to share as much information as we're able to but also to listen to questions. I can acknowledge that we need to do a better job of communicating quickly with as much information as we're able to.”

RHS Social Worker Margaret Sullivan said that

prior to the alleged incident a lot of students were already dealing with a lot of social emotional stressors in their life that can be easily triggered by an alleged sexual assault. However, in the recent incident Sullivan echoed Dr. Perella's comments that all protocols that exist that deal with a very serious issue like sexual assault were followed.

“In the last two years we've moved into a pandemic and that has exacerbated stressors for students,” she said. “Students are now back in school and being asked to be in a normal regular school day. So that's been quite a challenge. They have heightened anxiety about the uncertainty that's going on in our society and in their world, as well as the adjustment of being back in school and all the other stressors that are going on. So when these issues come up for students in terms of sexual assault it's brought to us, the social workers, or if it's brought to an administrator or teacher and the

social workers are brought in to be a support throughout the whole process.”

Perella said there are also situations in which the administrative team and the school counseling team, particularly the school social workers, work in collaboration and in tandem.

“The school social workers are in the role of supporting the students and are often doing outreach to the individual families about the needs of students in these situations,” he said. “Whereas the administrator that works with that students at different grade levels is the one that often takes the lead in the investigative piece and connect some of the different guidelines that are set by the state by the federal government in terms of how different scenarios are investigated, how they're connected with different outside agencies—whether that's Revere Police, the department of children's families, or the other agencies that the school has an ongoing relationships with.

The Assistant Principal for the class in a school is very often, when situations like this arise, working very closely with a school social worker for that student, and we are communicating with that person to make sure that the student has support in these situations and kind of make sure that our responses are appropriate to our role and that the school is address the needs of students when different situations arise.”

Going back to a point that Dr. Perella made earlier in the webinar, Revere Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly said administrators are now ‘decision makers’ when it comes to situations like sexual assault whether on or off school property.

“We immediately involve the authorities because they are the experts who know how to work with any sexual assault victim,” said Dr. Kelly. “One thing I'll say is the Revere Police has a great group of officers who specialize in this area. And even though they are not school

resource officers, they've been hugely helpful. When a student discloses that they've been sexually assaulted, they come in and they know how to do forensic investigations and really work with the students to make sure they're safe and protected—especially if it's a student who's under 18.”

In the end Dr. Perella said, “We have to find a way to thread the need to support confidentiality and the sensitivity on many of the topics we're talking about, as well as continuously share and engage the community so they know what's happening in the school. And that's a real challenge for all schools and one of the things that we are dedicating ourselves to right now and throughout the rest of the school year and moving forward is to further engage with all of you and to continue to have these conversations and address specific concerns that are in the community.”

VACCINE FACTS

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REVERE HIGH SCHOOL 2021-2022 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM



Head Coach Chris Porrazzo with Asst. Coaches Michael Micciche, Tommy Chea and Ariana Rivera with the RHS Girls Varsity Basketball Team. Front row: Bella Stamatopoulos, Elaysia Lung, Capt. Haley Belloise, Diane Mancina, Capt. Skyla DeSimone. Back row: Nisrin Sekkat, Lea Doucette, Capt. Carolina Carvalho-Bettero, Belma Velic, Maressa Nunes Oliveira, Isabella Utero.



Head Coach Chris Porrazzo with the seniors, Maressa Nunes Oliveira, Carolina Carvalho-Bettero. Back row: Skyla DeSimone, Diane Mancina and Isabella Utero.

RHS SPORTS Roundup

RHS GIRLS BASKETBALL OPENS WITH TWO WINS

The Revere High girls basketball team opened its 2022 season in fine fashion under new head coach Chris Porrazzo with a pair of victories over Greater Boston League rivals Everett and Somerville this past week.

In the season-opener against defending GBL champion Everett last Tuesday, the Lady Patriots came away with a 62-39 triumph.

Senior captain Carolina

Carvalho-Bettero turned in a powerful all-around performance, pouring in 26 points, grabbing seven rebounds, and nabbing four steals.

Freshman Belma Velic achieved a double-double in her varsity debut, hitting for 16 points and pulling down 14 boards.

Sophomore captain Haley Belloise also reached double figures in the scoring column, striking for 14 points. Haley also grabbed three rebounds and made three steals.

"The team was very motivated to open up the season against Everett,"

said Porrazzo. "Everett won the GBL in the shortened season last spring and we knew we had our work cut out for us.

"We might have been a little too amped to start the game and during our first couple of possessions we were a little out of rhythm," Porrazzo added.

"I think when Elaysia (Lung) stepped up to the

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Head Coach Chris Porrazzo and Asst. Coaches Michael Micciche and Tommy Chea with the Patriot Varsity Captains: Haley Belloise, Carolina Carvalho-Bettero, and Skyla DeSimone.

Chesna twins to serve as captains for Northeast Metro Hockey team

Staff Report

The Northeast Metro Tech hockey team will look for leadership this season from two student-athletes who have been teammates for 18 years.

Senior forward Tom Chesna of Revere has been elected as Captain for the 2021-2022 season, which opens on Saturday, Dec. 11. His twin brother, Dom Chesna, has been chosen as Assistant Captain.

The brothers have been on the ice since age 4,

when their parents John and Sandra Chesna taught them to skate using chairs for support.

Both joined the Knights team as freshmen, and will earn their fourth hockey letter this year.

"The first day I got here last year, I could see they were natural leaders," said Coach Brian Capistran, who is in his second season. "Their teammates voted them in as captain and assistant captain. They're great kids, and

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Tom Chesna, left, will serve as Captain of the Northeast Metro Tech hockey team this season, while his brother Dom will serve as Assistant Captain.

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free throw line and calmly knocked down two free throws to get us on the board, it really helped us settle down," Porrazzo continued. "She's such a steady presence for us. Her impact on the game may not always show up on the stat sheet, but Elaysia does all the little things and all the dirty work that make her a pivotal part of our program.

"After those free throws we really hit the gas. I liked our ball movement and the way we ran the floor, but our defense was really the key to our win," Porrazzo noted.

Two nights later, the Lady Patriots easily dispatched Somerville, 56-20.

Carvalho-Bettero hit for 14 points to go with four rebounds and three steals. Senior captain Skylia DeSimone was a terror on defense with seven steals. Skylia added five points and three assists to the winning effort.

Scrappy sophomore Bella Stama also made a nice contribution to the Revere cause with four points, three steals, two rebounds, and two blocked shots.

"We wanted to avoid a letdown against Somerville and we did that pretty emphatically from the jump," said Porrazzo. "Our defense created a lot of pressure up and down the court which generated most of our offense.

"As a coaching staff, we like how the team opened up the season, but we know we have lots of areas to improve," said the coach. "We are happy to be 2-0 and now we know we have a tall task ahead of us playing Lynn Classical on the road. That's not an easy place to play and they are an extremely well-coached team. Our players are preparing, working hard, and will certainly be up for the challenge."

Porrazzo and his crew were scheduled to take on the Lady Rams last night (Tuesday) and then will play in a holiday tournament in No. Reading next week Monday and Tuesday.

GIRLS TRACK TEAM RUNS PAST EVERETT

The Revere High girls indoor track team defeated Greater Boston League rival Everett in their home and season opener this past Friday by a score of 52-29 at the Merullo Fieldhouse.

First-place finishers for the Lady Patriots were: Liv Yuong in the 50 yard hurdles with a clocking

of 9.1 seconds; Kyra Delaney in the 300 meter dash in a time of 49.8; Yasmin Riazi in the 600 meter dash in 2:05.2; captain Alannah Burke in the 1000 meter run in 3:37.2; and Rocio Gonzalez in the mile in 6:43.3.

Second-place finishes for Revere were recorded by: captain Jerelys Canales in the 50 yard dash; Jessie Jones in the 300; Hiba El Bzyouy in the 600; captain Fatima Hartout in the mile; and Liv Yuong in the high jump.

The 4 x 400 relay team of Y. Riazi, K. Delaney, J. Jones, and A. Burke topped their Everett counterparts with a winning time of 5:00.3.

Coach Racquel MacDonald's squad also has competed in two invitational meets at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston at which some of the team members posted some excellent personal records (PR).

Captain Alannah Burke ran a 3:26.29 in the 1000, which puts Alannah only 0.6 of a second away from a state-qualifying time.

Other PRs for the Revere girls included: Yasmin Riazi in the 600 with a PR of 2:03.20; Kyra Delaney in the 300 with a PR of 48.48; and Jessie Jones in the 300 with a PR of 49.50.

"There's great talent on the team this year and we're looking forward to a great season," said MacDonald, who herself was a star performer for the RHS girls track program in the early part of the last decade.

MacDonald and her crew are scheduled to compete at Somerville today (Wednesday) and will entertain Lynn Classical next Wednesday.

STRONG OUTINGS FOR RHS BOYS BASKETBALL IN SEASON-OPENING WEEK

The Revere High boys basketball team turned in a pair of impressive performances in their season-opening week against Greater Boston League rivals Everett and Somerville.

Coach David Leary's squad put up a strong fight against Everett last Tuesday before falling by a score of 67-53 (a final result that was not remotely reflective of the close battle that prevailed until the closing minutes) and then came back two nights later to take the measure of Somerville, 46-37.

Revere, whose season ended at Everett last year

in the GBL playoffs, was looking for revenge in the 2022 opener and the Patriots came out on fire early.

Playing aggressive full-court, pressure defense and behind the lights-out shooting by senior tri-captain Jack D'Ambrosio, who had 12 points in the opening quarter, the Patriots jumped out to an early 13-3 lead.

Everett called a timeout to try to stop the momentum and that worked briefly until RHS senior tri-captain James Clauto (seven points, four assists, six steals) had a nice, athletic finish plus the foul and senior forward Ramadan Barry had a nice finish on the fast break to give the Patriots a 17-7 lead to end the first quarter.

The first few minutes of period two were played pretty evenly as the teams exchanged baskets, but Revere would run into some foul trouble thanks to being a little bit overly-aggressive in the press defense.

The Crimson Tide made their free throws and were able to trim the lead to four points midway through the second quarter.

The Patriots would need other players to step up and that is exactly what they got before halftime, as senior center Jean Saint Dick had a nice finish inside; junior guard Domenic Boudreau (five points, five rebounds) had a nice pull-up jumper in the lane; junior sharpshooter Sal DeAngelis (six points, three assists) knocked down a big three-point shot on the fast break; and sophomore forward Glen Kule also drained a three-pointer to push the Patriots' lead to 27-20 with two minutes remaining before the half.

However, Everett began to employ their own full-court press that created Revere turnovers. The Crimson Tide also continued to make their free throws and the combination really hurt the Patriots, as Everett cut the lead to just 29-27 at halftime, despite falling way behind early.

RHS head Coach David Leary was encouraged by the early start, but disappointed with the mistakes.

"We played with great energy and Jack (D'Ambrosio) was on fire early, but we turned it over way too much and our fouling allowed them back in the game," said Leary.

Everett hit for only five baskets in the first half and none in the first quarter, but made 17 free throws in the half. The Patriots had four starters with two or more fouls at halftime and com-

mitted 17 turnovers.

Revere was able to start the second half with its normal starting five and D'Ambrosio (21 points, six rebounds) found his hot hand again with two nice drives to the hoop and another three-pointer.

However, Everett began to rev up its offense as well, as Roger Vasquez (25 points) and John Monexant (15 points) both found their shooting touch after a quiet first half.

Revere still led, 36-32, midway through the third frame, but the Crimson Tide continued to pressure the ball and created more Revere turnovers.

Other than a jump shot and free throw by DeAngelis and a Boudreau free throw, the Patriots' offense went cold to end the quarter and Everett finally stole the lead, 43-40, heading into the final quarter.

The two teams again went back and forth early, as Revere senior center Hamza Ghouh had a nice put-back layup. Vasquez and Monexant hit two tough shots in the lane for Everett and then Revere senior forward Ramadan Barry (seven points) knocked down a three-pointer from the top of the key and made a nice baseline drive for a layup to keep Revere close, 51-47, with four minutes remaining.

Everett made two steals and layups to push the lead to 55-47. After a Revere timeout, Clauto made a high-flying layup and then two more free throws to keep Revere in it, and with 2:48 left on the clock, Everett clung to a slim 55-51 lead.

Unfortunately for the Patriots, Everett made two three-pointers down the stretch and all of their free throws, while Revere would only get a pair of free throws from D'Ambrosio to close the game out, leaving Everett on the winning end, 67-53.

"We can take a lot of positives out of this game," said Leary. "We came in with only two guys (Clauto and D'Ambrosio) with any varsity experience and were able to compete with a very talented and experienced Everett team. We obviously have a lot of work to do, but this was a big first step. We are proud of these guys and we just need to keep grinding."

Two nights later on Thursday, the Patriots rebounded with a 46-37 triumph at Somerville.

The Patriots got off to a slow start. Somerville did a nice job in their half court man-to-man defense, denying senior tri-captains Jack D'Ambrosio, Ihssan Mourourane, and James Clauto from getting the ball and any good looks at the basket.

Fortunately for Revere,

the Pats' pressure defense was excellent, so Somerville likewise was not scoring.

D'Ambrosio (nine points, eight rebounds) finally got Revere going with a fast break layup and a put-back.

Mourourane sank two free throws and junior guard Sal DeAngelis (eight points, four assists) nailed a deep three-pointer and a free throw and the Patriots led 10-7 after one quarter.

Revere again found themselves in early foul trouble, as Clauto picked up his second early in the second quarter. Without their point guard, the Patriots were having a hard time scoring until the reserves gave the team a spark. Senior forward Ramadan Barry slashed to the basket for a nice layup. DeAngelis made a free throw and then set up his teammate, junior forward Vincent Nichols, with two beautiful back door layups.

Nichols, just returning from an ankle injury he suffered in the Melrose scrimmage, had another nice driving layup and Revere led in a low-scoring first half, 19-18.

The Patriots experienced more of the same after the intermission, as the defense from both teams was smothering. The Highlanders, led by point guard Jean Francois (25 points), began to start their run and took a 24-20 lead midway through the third quarter.

Leary used a timeout and made a few substitutions and Revere found their rhythm. Senior center Hamza Ghouh (four points, 11 rebounds) made two put-backs, Nichols (13 points, seven rebounds) drained a three-pointer and two free throws, and junior guard Domenic Boudreau (seven points) also knocked down a three-pointer, extending the Patriots' lead to 34-26 at the close of the third frame.

Somerville would not go away that easily, as Francois again got going with a fast break layup and a three-pointer of his own, cutting the Revere lead to 34-31 with six minutes to go.

D'Ambrosio, after a quiet second and third quarters, sank a huge three-pointer, and then the highlight of the game for the Patriots happened after that.

Mourourane got a steal and tossed an outlet pass upcourt to DeAngelis, who in turn threw a tip pass to Boudreau for the layup, a play that was right out of the fast-break playbook of the 1986 Boston Celtics.

Nichols would again drive to the basket for two points and then DeAngelis and Boudreau closed

out the game successfully at the foul line to ice Revere's first win of the season.

"It wasn't pretty, but we'll take it," said Leary. "It's a road win in the GBL.

"Our young guys were huge tonight," the coach continued. "Vincent (Nichols) and Sal (DeAngelis) combined for 21 off the bench and Domenic (Boudreau) made some big plays down the stretch. That's a team win."

"James (Clauto) played great defense without fouling in the second half and Hamza (Ghouh) was a monster on the boards," Leary added. "We had good balance and we just need to keep grinding."

Revere was scheduled to host Lynn Classical last night (Tuesday) and then will meet Peabody at Winthrop High School next Tuesday at 2 p.m. in a holiday tournament. The Patriots will play again at Winthrop High on Thursday in either the championship or consolation game of the tourney.

BOYS TRACK TEAM RUNS PAST EVERETT

The Revere High boys track team opened its season on a high note with a 65-20 victory over Everett in the season-opening dual meet of the 2022 season.

A number of Patriots grabbed first-place in their respective events: Ricardo Goncalves handily won the 50 yard hurdles with a time of 7.3; Mark Marchese took the 50 yard dash in 5.99; Sam ElAstri captured the 600 dash in 1:47; JV Cunha won the 1000 in 3:04.3; Victor Pelatere took first in the mile in 5:44.7; and Kenan Batic won the two-mile run in 12:11.9.

Tom Desir and Javan Close took first and second place in the high jump with the top leaps of 5'4";

Second-place performances were turned in by: Javan Close in the hurdles in 9.0; Allen Hou in the 50 dash in 6.0; Keny Guerrero in the 300 dash in 43.7; Rami Ameziane in the mile in 5:51; and Mohamed Ouakani in the two-mile in 12:18.8.

Third-place points were scored by: Mudathir Hussein in the shot-put with a throw of 33'9.25"; Felix Burgos in the 50 hurdles in 9.7; Mario Ramirez in the 300 dash in 44.5; Zarius Bilimoria in the 600 in 1:57; and Marvin Aviles in the 1000 in 3:37.4.

Coach Sam Rose and his squad are scheduled to take on Somerville today (Wednesday). They will host Lynn Classical next Wednesday.

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not just on the ice."

The Chesnas earned Commonwealth Athletic Conference All-Star honors in the 2020-2021 season, which was shortened due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The best thing about playing with your brother? Dom Chesna: "You're able to share the successes, the highs and lows. It's special."

Tom Chesna: "He makes me look good. We know where each other is on the ice without looking."

Inside Northeast Metro, both brothers have been accepted into the school's National Honor Society/National Technical Honor Society chapter. Dom

Chesna also is a member of the school's SkillsUSA chapter; last spring he placed second in the SkillsUSA district competition and qualified for the state competition.

The brothers agree on the main source of their success. "In school and in sports, we wouldn't be in the position we're in today without our parents," Tom Chesna says.

Tom Chesna is studying in the Plumbing pathway, while Dom Chesna is studying in Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration pathway. Both are talking about starting their own company in the future.

"Congratulations to Tom and Dom for being

elected Captain and Assistant Captain," said Anthony Caggiano, Revere's representative on the Northeast School Committee. "They're examples on and off the ice for their teammates and all students, and I look forward to attending games this season."

The Northeast Metro Tech Knights open the 2021-2022 hockey season on Saturday, Dec. 11, against Methuen High School. The game will be played at 8 p.m. at Allied Veterans Memorial Rink, 65 Elm St., Everett. The full Northeast Metro athletic calendar can be found here.

RHS BOYS BASKETBALL FALLS TO EVERETT CRIMSON TIDE ON THE COURT

Photos by Bob Marra

the night with tenacious defense and their offense heated up as the Crimson Tide pulled away to a 67-53 win over Revere Tuesday night at Everett High.

Revere raced out to a 13-3 lead midway through the first period, but Everett responded the rest of



EPP AWAY: Revere's Dom Boudreau (22) extends the ball away from Everett's Roby Dormevil.



STUFFED: Revere's Hamza Ghoul blocks a shot attempt by Everett's Roby Dormevil.



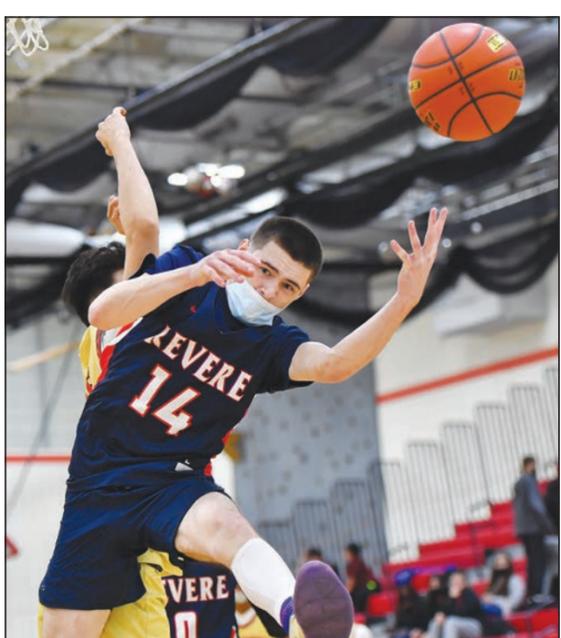
SEEKING SPACE: Revere captain James Clauto looks to separate from Everett's Roger Vasquez.



BOARD MAN: Revere's Jean Saint Dick uses one arm to fend off Everett's David DeSouza his other arm to grab a rebound.



HOT POTATO: Everett's Jaysaun Coggins (22) looks on as Revere's Jean Saint Dick (11) and Dom Boudreau try to keep a loose ball in play.



DERAILED: Revere Captain Jack D'Ambrosio is knocked off balance as he is fouled during a drive to the hoop.

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CLOSE QUARTERS: Revere Captain James Clauto (1) had little room to maneuver as he is defended by Everett's Steven Cordero.



ELBOW TO ELBOW: Revere's Dom Boudreau (22) and Everett's John Monexant (11) mix it up.



TUG OF WAR: Revere's Dom Boudreau and Everett's Steven Cordero (4) tie up the ball.



CAUGHT IN THE ACT: Everett's Roby Dormevil was called for an illegal dribble as he raced away from Revere's Hamza Ghoul.

THE ROSETTI COWAN SENIOR CENTER CELEBRATES DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Last Tuesday afternoon the Rosetti Cowan Senior Center on Winthrop Avenue was filled with local seniors enjoying a delicious Chinese Food lunch, the terrific entertainment of Joey B-Bop and a visit

from the big guy himself, Santa.

Every month the seniors that celebrate their birthdays are recognized, and December is no different. City Councillors Gerry Visconti and Council Pres-

ident Tony Zambuto were on hand to wish them all a happy birthday. A special happy birthday to Elanor Cerbone turning 94 years young this month.



Adele Stacy, Ann Mini, Phoebe Goulkin, Marie Voto and Anne Straccia having a great time last Tuesday afternoon.



Helen Sigouin, Lorraine Poccio, Marie Buckellew, Fermina Mangone, Carmela Noe and Gerri Pfeifer enjoying the Christmas party.



Denise Rampelberg and Linda Doherty enjoying the entertainment.



Francine Cataldo poses with Santa.



Joey B-Bop and company, entertainer/DJ.



Celebrating Christmas, Emilie Eustace, Cheryl Kelley, Lorraine Repoli, Claire DeDominicis, Barbara Iovine and Connie LaBonte.



Mary Vigliotta bets a gift from Santa.



Elanor Cerbone turned 94, celebrating her birthday with Santa, City Councillors Gerry Visconti, Tony Zambuto, and Director of Elderly Affairs Debbie Peczk DiGiulio.



Serving birthday cake, Karen Knapp, Cecilia Gil and Eleanor Vieira.

Leftover safety: extending your holiday meals

Staff Report

Enjoying terrific food is one of the highlights of the holiday season. However, all good things must come to an end, including the holiday celebrations. But holiday meals often bring leftovers and leftovers can help stretch out your holiday cheer. According to Mystic Valley Elder Services Registered Dietician Candace Quigley, it's important to assess the safety of the foods that are leftover. "If perishable foods, such as meat, poultry,

cooked foods, cheese, cut up fruits and vegetables, were out for more than two hours, they should be discarded," she says. "The last thing your winter season needs is a bellyache—or worse—caused by improperly stored leftovers. And after the holidays, you may find yourself with a particularly full refrigerator."

To keep your food tasty and free of nasty bacteria, follow these food safety tips (adapted from the Federal Food Safety Service):

Keep food out of the danger zone: Bacteria grow rapidly between the temperatures of 41° F and 140° F. After food is safely cooked, hot food must be kept hot at 140° F or warmer to prevent bacterial growth. Make sure to refrigerate the food within 2 hours of cooking food or after it is removed from an appliance keeping it warm.

Cool food rapidly: To prevent bacterial growth, it's important to divide large amounts of hot food into shallow containers so

it reaches the safe refrigerator-storage temperature of 41° F or below as fast as possible. Cut large items of food into smaller portions to cool. Cut turkey into smaller pieces and refrigerate. Store turkey and stuffing in separate containers.

Wrap leftovers well: Cover leftovers, wrap them in airtight packaging, or seal them in storage containers. These practices help keep bacteria out, retain moisture, and prevent leftovers from

picking up odors from other food in the refrigerator. Immediately refrigerate or freeze the wrapped leftovers for rapid cooling.

Store leftovers safely: Leftovers can be kept in the refrigerator for 3 to 4 days (gravy should be used within 1-2 days) or frozen for 3 to 4 months. Consider marking your leftovers with the date.

Reheat leftovers safely: When reheating leftovers, be sure they reach 165° F as measured with a food thermometer. Re-

heat gravy, sauces, and soups by bringing them to a rolling boil. When reheating in the microwave, cover and rotate the food for even heating. Arrange food items evenly in a covered microwave safe glass or ceramic dish, and add some liquid if needed. Be sure the covering is microwave safe, and vent the lid or wrap to let the steam escape. The moist heat that is created will help destroy harmful bacteria and will ensure uniform cooking.

REVERE LODGE OF ELKS 1171 CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS AT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BASH



Penny Linatopi and Rose Pellegrino having a great time at the Christmas Party.



There were no Grinch's at this party last Friday night, Ken Buckley and the Exalted Ruler Jewel Martin.

The Revere Lodge of Elks celebrated the Christmas Holiday in a big way last Friday evening. Their annual Christmas party open to all members and their guests was a terrific evening of fun and good cheer. DJ Arthur Dauer, and always in a festive attire kept everyone entertained throughout the night, mixing traditional Christmas songs with a litany of rock and rap tunes of the holiday season. The event was catered by Dom's of Malden, having a selection of shrimp and scallops, beef and other

tasty treats for everyone's liking. Donations were taken for the toy drive, that gave the Revere Police Department \$1,000 for Revere children for Christmas Day. The Revere Lodge of Elks continues to give throughout the year in all ways making Revere a better place and gives back to those members who unselfishly give throughout the year. Merry Christmas from the members of the Revere Lodge of Elks on Shirley Ave.



No Santa did not shave his beard, this is Kenny Buckley welcoming everyone to the party.



Recognized for their outstanding and continuous service to others, Michelle Trickett, Jewel Martin and Alessa Schena.



DJ Arthur Dauer and the Big Mac, Tillmon McNeal.



Exalted Ruler Jewel Martin welcomes the lodge's newest member Rose Pellegrino and one of her oldest and dearest friends to the lodge and the Christmas Party.



Lena Cardone from Dom's of Malden serving up lots of delicious food at the party last Friday evening.



Debbie Shaheen and Jimmy Carlton enjoying the evening with their friends at the Revere Elks Lodge.



Jenn Cotto with her friends, Michelle Trickett, Mary Mahoney, Trish Bryant, Robert Piercy and David Holden.



Salvi Moribito with guests, Dollie Butler, Kenneth Nunley, Marcella Haynes and Lisa Pelci.

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GreenStar Herbals Cannabis Recreational Dispensary opens in Chelsea

By John Lynds

The GreenStar Herbals cannabis recreational dispensary officially opened its doors in Chelsea on December 15 at the site of the former King Arthur's Lounge.

The new, state-of-the-art cannabis facility now offers one of the most extensive selections of organic craft cannabis in the state.

GreenStar President/CEO Thomas Morey said GreenStar Herbals provides the finest grade cannabis to adults in Massachusetts and its products are organically produced and laboratory tested for safety, potency, and consistency.

"It was almost a three year process of permitting, knocking down the old King Arthur's and building this brand new state-of-the-art dispensary," said Morey. "We are happy to say that we are up and running and really excited to get the word out."

GreenStar, which has two other dispensaries in Maynard and Dracut, MA, has been a success story in the cannabis industry



Shown above and right, the interior of GreenStar Herbals new facility in Chelsea.



through its partnership with Green Thumb Industries.

"Green Thumb is one of the world's largest cannabis companies," said Morey. "They've got scientists around the United States and so they manufacture the "Rhythm Brand" of products that are really a high end product line. So it made sense for us to, you know, partner with them. We're able to not only provide their product but provide a number of other products through all the best cultivators in Massachusetts and that's one of the things that GreenStar built

its reputation on. I like to think we have the highest quality product along with a great in-house retail experience."

The in-house experience includes a fireplace, beautiful art on the wall, and a player-piano.

"We really try to give our customers a great option and variety of all the different strains in Massachusetts as well as a good experience when they shop here and it's worked out very well for us," said Morey.

Located a half-mile from the Encore Casino and a hop, skip and a jump from Everett, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston and Lynn, Morey hopes GreenStar can start to penetrate these markets as another option for adult cannabis users in the area.

"We're really excited to open business and work in partnership with the city," said Morey. "In fact, the majority of our employees are from the Chelsea area. That's what we try to do is we try to give back to the city in terms of charity and to putting people to work."



The outside of GreenStar Herbals new state of the art facility at 200 Beacham St. Chelsea.

REVERE THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago December 22, 2011

Brazen thieves stole the tires and rims from a Honda Civic that was parked overnight on Caruso Street, leaving the car resting on cinder blocks.

With housebreaks and jewelry thefts on the rise, city officials are considering an ordinance regulating second-hand metals dealers that calls for upping the hold period for purchased jewelry from the current seven-day period to somewhere between 15 and 30 days. It also calls for photographing every purchased item and issuing daily electronic buying reports (with photos) to the police for tracking potentially-stolen items.

Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol, We Bought A Zoo, and War Horse are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago December 24, 2001

A state report reveals that Revere has added 272 units of affordable housing in the past decade, bringing the total number of affordable units in the city to 2025, slightly over the 10 percent threshold required by the state of every city and town. Revere is one of only a handful of communities in compliance with the state mandate.

Ginny Segee was sworn-in as the city's first female firefighter last Wednesday. Michael Bowden and Peter Napolitano also were sworn in as new firefighters, bringing the total number of firefighters in the department to 102.

Santa Claus made his annual tour of the city last week in an event sponsored by the Revere Police and Action Emergency Services.

Acting Gov. Jane Swift, in an exclusive interview with the Revere Journal, discusses her modest upbringing and family background and her dedication to public service.

The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring, Monsters Inc., and Ocean's Eleven are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago Dec. 24, 1991

State Rep. William Reinstein has filed a bill that would freeze auto insurance rates. The State Insurance Commissioner has approved a 6.9 percent increase in rates that would cost the average Revere motorist \$58 an-

nually. Revere residents already have among the highest auto insurance rates in the state.

City Councilor John J. Jordan and 75 residents met in the American Legion Hall to form a non-profit organization called the Revere 2000 Community Development Corporation. The group is seeking to give city residents some control over low-income housing in Revere.

The Prince of Tides is playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago Dec. 23, 1981

Senate Pres. William Bulger has named Revere State Senator Fran Doris to be the chairman of the Special Commission on the Concerns of Vietnam War Veterans. The commission will look into whether state agencies are being responsive to the concerns of Vietnam War vets.

A fire of suspicious origin destroyed the cafetorium and caused smoke and water damage to the Whelan School Monday. However, Supt. of Schools William J. Hill said the school will resume classes as usual when students return from their vacation break.

Meryl Streep and Jeremy Irons star in The French Lieutenant's Woman at the Kincaid Theatre in Winthrop.

50 years ago Dec. 23, 1971

Mayor-elect William G. Reinstein will be sworn-in on Monday, January 1, with a gala reception and ball set for Wonderland Ballroom.

The City Council has voted to approve the borrowing with bonds of \$12.5 million for a new Revere High School. The lone councilors opposed were Fran Doris, Gerald Esposito, and Donald Zolla.

Shaft, with music by Isaac Hayes, is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago Dec. 21, 1961

The Revere Journal will host a Christmas party for its 60 newsboys. Publisher Sidney Curtis will treat the boys to a full-course dinner and present them with a gift of a tool box.

Spencer Tracy and Frank Sinatra star in The Devil at 4 O'Clock at the Revere Theater. Space Children is playing at the Revere Drive In.

70 years ago Dec. 20, 1951

The legislature has approved funding for construction of a Northeast Expressway from the Mystic River Bridge that will cut through the western side of the city and Cows Hill to the north. However, the Revere Planning Board has gone on record as preferring a plan that would alleviate traffic congestion by the construction of a highway that would begin at the Revere Beach Parkway cross Fenno St., run parallel with Broadway behind the veterans housing at Fenley and Newhall Sts., where it then would split, with one branch going to the circle at Squire Rd. and the other extending to the traffic circle at Revere St., and from there across the marsh to North Shore Rd. The board said its highway plan would pick up traffic from the Marblehead-Lynn direction, Lynn proper from Rt. 107, and traffic from Route 1, the Newburyport Turnpike, Everett, and Malden.

The family of former resident Pfc. Frank Charido has been told that Charido still is missing in action in Korea. He first was reported missing in action in February in the war's opening months.

Gene Kelly stars in An American in Paris at the Revere Theater.

80 years ago December 24, 1941

Revere draft boards 128 and 129 will be issuing a call for all 1-A men to report for physical exams in the near future. All able single men and married men without dependents are expected to be classified to be held in readiness for large draft calls.

Despite the war started by the Japanese, Revere residents will celebrate the Christmas holiday with cheer and happiness. Homes and businesses are bedecked with holiday gaiety and churches will have special music to greet Christmas.

Revere has the appearance of an armed city, with Army trucks and anti-aircraft guns positioned throughout the city.

A luxuriously-modern United Supermarket opened its new store this week at 321 Revere St. The store features large windows to allow in sunlight and wide aisles to allow shoppers to pass back and forth without congestion.

Ronald Reagan stars in International Squadron at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.



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MBTA Board approves contract with Boston Carmen's Union (Local 589)

Staff Report

The MBTA Board unanimously approved of a new contract between the MBTA and the Authority's largest union, the Boston Carmen's Union (Local 589).

"This contract acknowledges the invaluable contributions of thousands of MBTA employees charged with providing safe and reliable service on a daily basis," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poflak. "I want to express my sincere gratitude to all of the Authority's unionized employees. The successful contract negotiations reflect our joint desire to maintain and grow a workforce that will allow the MBTA to deliver the levels of service necessary to meet ridership de-

mands, today and in the future."

The contract and its provisions are in effect for two years, beginning July 1, 2021, and lasting through June 30, 2023. Included within the contract are provisions for annual wage increases of 2.5% on July 1 of 2021 and 2022.

The contract also includes a provision for a "pandemic payment." Every Local 589-represented employee employed during the declared pandemic period (March 15, 2020, to July 1, 2021) will receive a one-time payment of \$2,000. Employees who retired during this period will receive a pro-rated share.

The new contract also addresses the current staffing challenges facing the MBTA. In order to

recruit new hires into the positions of bus and train operators, the MBTA may offer a signing bonus of any amount, to be paid in a manner set by the Authority. Should the MBTA pay such a bonus, the same bonus shall be offered to any incumbent who was hired within the preceding six months from the time the hiring bonus is paid to any new hire.

This new contract increases the training wage paid to MBTA recruits as they get their Commercial Driver's Licenses (CDL), learn to be an operator on the MBTA system, and play a vital role in getting the people of Massachusetts to work, home, and everywhere in between. Under this new contract, people with good driving records and a high

school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) test can in eight weeks receive their CDLs and become MBTA bus drivers making over \$33,000 per year with the opportunity for overtime, tuition reimbursement, medical and dental benefits, a pension, and career growth opportunities.

The contract also includes a provision for a "diversion payment." Every Local 589-represented employee who is on the active payroll on March 1, 2022, will receive a one-time diversion payment of \$2,500. In return for this payment, the MBTA is permitted to outsource diversion/shuttle bus work beyond the limits outlined in the December 2016 Letter of Understanding. This exemption is tempo-

rary and expires on February 28, 2024.

The contract included an update to paid holidays. Juneteenth National Independence Day will replace Bunker Hill Day as a guaranteed paid holiday under the Agreement.

The contract also included an update to paid personal leave. Effective January 2022, all full-time and part-time employees will receive two paid personal days per year, which are not subtracted from sick leave, regardless of the employee's service and sick leave usage. Previously, employees received one day, provided they had two years of service and 50% of their sick leave bank unused; the personal day was also subtracted from the individual's sick leave bank.

Any unused personal days will be cashed out at the end of the calendar year.

The contract was also updated in an effort to reduce the number of part-time employees. The MBTA currently employs 470 part-time Operators represented by Local 589. Under the Management Rights Statute, the Union is prohibited from negotiating any limit on the MBTA's right to hire part-time employees. The contract provides an incentive for the MBTA to convert part-time Operators to full-time Operators by establishing "Special Class Runs." A Special Run will be picked and performed under the same terms as all other full-time assignments, including a 40-hour weekly guarantee, overtime, and full benefits.

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Revere Police Department responded on the listed dates. The log is a public record and available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

MONDAY, DEC. 6

0054: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Squire Rd. and Charger St. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

0204: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle (MV) on Dale St.

0214: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Sumner St.

0331: Threats on Walnut Place. The officer filed a report.

0453: Disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

0503: Disturbance on Walnut Place. The officer provided assistance.

0618: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Winthrop Ave. The officer issued a citation to a 40 year-old Chelsea man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV.

0752: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Broadway. The officer issued a citation to a 21 year-old Lynn man for the criminal offenses of unlicensed operation of an MV and negligent operation of an MV.

0754: Breaking and entering into a motor vehicle (MV) on Charger St. The officer filed a report.

0810: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Lynn St. The officer provided assistance to another agency.

0819: Noise disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer filed a report.

0820: Assault on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

0855: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1121: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broadway.

1157: An officer provided assistance to another agency on School St.

1223: Abandoned motor vehicle on Sherman St. The officer provided assis-

stance.

1245: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage on Borden St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1304: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Garfield Ave. and filed a report.

1305: An officer provided assistance to another agency on the Revere Beach Parkway and filed a report.

1324: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broudsound Ave. and filed a report.

1327: Suspicious activity on Garfield Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1328: Unwanted person on No. Shore Rd. The officer spoke to the party.

1356: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on VFW Parkway.

1400: An officer arrested a 45 year-old Revere man for a crime committed in another jurisdiction and performed a courtesy booking for the police department from that jurisdiction.

1445: Unwanted person on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1447: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Broadway.

1501: Suspicious activity on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

1518: Threats on Newhall St. The officer filed a report.

1519: Larceny on Furlong Drive. The officer filed a report.

1559: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Overlook Ridge Terr.

1615: Vandalism on Barrett St. The officer filed a report.

1723: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Revere and Pomona Sts. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1725: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on the Revere Beach Parkway and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1803: Unwanted person on Warren St. The officer filed a report.

1907: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Squire Rd. and Charger St. The officer issued a citation to a 23 year-old Roxbury

woman for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV.

1946: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Lee Burbank Highway.

1953: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Ocean Ave.

2038: Noise disturbance on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

2040: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Squire Rd. and Charger St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

2123: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

TUESDAY, DEC. 7

0136: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle on Tracy Alan Way.

0843: An officer provided assistance to another agency on the Revere Beach Parkway.

0900: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Broadway.

0910: Suspicious activity on Dehon St. The officer spoke to the party.

0958: Lost/found animal was returned home on Bixby St.

1047: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

1221: Suspicious activity at Tuttle and Breed Sts. The officer spoke to the party.

1243: Larceny on Philomena Ave. The officer filed a report.

1259: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

1302: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle on Derby Rd.

1329: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage at the Revere Beach Parkway and Borden St. The officer provided assistance.

1335: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1415: Suspicious activity on Agatha St. The officer spoke to the party.

1543: Unwanted person on Pearl Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1608: An officer kept the peace on Dolphin Ave.

1652: An officer provided assistance to a citi-

zen on Walnut Ave.

1738: Threats on Vane St. The officer filed a report.

1758: Unwanted person on American Legion Highway. The officer restored the peace.

1913: Citizen complaint on Ocean Ave. The officer filed a report.

1923: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Pomona St. The officer restored the peace.

1941: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Ward St.

2022: Disturbance on Rose St. The officer restored the peace.

2030: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Squire Rd. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2044: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Ward St.

2048: Unwanted person on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

2139: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Cooledge St.

2322: Noise disturbance on Yeamans St. The officer provided assistance.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8

0517: Parking complaint on Oak Island St. The officer provided assistance.

0906: Shoplifting on Broadway. Officers arrested Shane P. Silva, 42, of 589 Broadway, for the criminal offenses of shoplifting by concealment of merchandise in an amount greater than \$250, armed robbery, and illegal possession of a knife in violation of the city ordinance.

1047: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Sigourney St. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1123: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Mills Ave. and No. Shore Rd. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1146: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Broadway.

1157: Parking in a handicapped spot on Mountain Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1223: An officer provided assistance to another agency on the Revere Beach Parkway and filed a report.

1252: Parking complaint on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1317: Disabled motor

vehicle (MV) on School St. The officer provided assistance.

1328: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Salem St.

1403: Parking complaint on Waite St. The officer filed a report.

1440: Motor vehicle trespass on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1444: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Shirley Ave.

1510: Disturbance on Rose St. Officers arrested a 26 year-old Revere man on an outstanding warrant.

1540: Parking complaint on Abruzzi St. The officer provided assistance.

1640: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Fenno St. The officer restored the peace.

1702: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1719: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1729: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on No. Shore Rd. The officer filed a report.

1744: Lost property on Cecilian Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1751: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Thorndike St. and filed a report.

1818: Lost/found animal on Fenno St. The officer provided assistance.

1847: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Beach St. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1856: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2120: Threats to kill on No. Shore Rd. An officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 25 year-old Brookline woman for the criminal offense of making a threat to commit a crime.

2334: Noise disturbance on True St. The officer restored the peace.

2354: Breaking and entering into a building on Everard St. The officer provided assistance.

0127: Unwanted person on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

0749: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Shirley Ave. The officer assisted the parties with the ex-

change of papers.

0755: Threats on School St. The officer filed a report.

0826: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer restored the peace.

0919: Disturbance on Tuscano Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1100: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Kilburn St. The officer will file a report.

1108: Abandoned motor vehicle (MV) on Sherman St. The MV was towed.

1113: The trespass tow of an MV was reported on Ocean Ave.

1120: Lost/found property on Summer St. The officer provided assistance.

1413: Disturbance on Hichborn St. The officer spoke to the party.

1450: Unwanted person on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1452: A motor vehicle that had been reported as stolen was recovered on Broadway.

1454: Lost/found property on Beverly St. The officer provided assistance.

1619: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Proctor Ave. and Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1742: Motor vehicle accident at No. Shore Rd. and Oak Island St. The officer filed a report.

1844: A motor vehicle accident on Furlong Drive was referred to another agency.

1848: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1849: Parking complaint on Whittin Ave. The officer issued a parking ticket.

1912: Disabled motor vehicle (MV) on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1952: Parking complaint at Folsom St. and Broadway. The officer issued a parking ticket.

2018: Disturbance on Hichborn St. The officer filed a report.

2058: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer restored the peace.

2112: Parking complaint on Adams Ct. The officer provided assistance.

2127: Noise disturbance on Butler St. The officer restored the peace.

2143: Abandoned motor vehicle on Yeamans St. The officer issued a parking ticket.

2154: Suspicious activity on Wolcott Rd. The officer filed a report.

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District Attorney Rollins releases updated guide for homicide survivors

Staff Report

As Survivors of Homicide Awareness Month comes to a close, District Attorney Rachael Rollins released an updated Survivors of Homicide Victims Resource Manual designed to ensure that those who have lost loved ones to violence have access to vital information and resources.

"Serving survivors is central to the work of the office I lead, not just during Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness Month, but always. We honor those who have been stolen and support the loved ones left behind at every step of their long journey toward accountability and healing," District Attorney Rollins said. "In the wake of their loved one's violent death, homicide survivors encounter prosecutors, victim witness advocates, police detectives and service providers – all of whom offer vital information to survivors as they are reeling and experiencing profound trauma and grief. This newly updated manual is a tool that survivors can use and refer to on their schedule to ensure they always have information and access to the services and resources they are entitled to and may

require."

The manual was first drafted in 2003 under the leadership of former Chief of SCDAO's Victim Witness Assistance Program (VWAP) Kara Hayes. Hayes is a valuable partner in this space and currently serves with distinction as the office's Director of Restorative Justice a valuable resource, with details on service providers, contact information for involved agencies and the team assigned to their loved one's case, other guidance and helpful information.

Current VWAP Chief Charlene Luma led the effort to update the manual. The new edition now includes information for survivors of individuals who die during encounters with members of law enforcement. It also provides information on the Project for Unsolved Suffolk Homicides (PUSH), an initiative launched by District Attorney Rollins to review unsolved homicide case files with fresh eyes. Since the inception of PUSH, SCDAO staff have reviewed approximately 200 case files and the office has secured indictments against three individuals in unsolved homicides that occurred in the 1980s and 1990s.

The previous manual was only available in

English. Now, the updated manual will also be available in Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, Haitian Creole, Chinese and Vietnamese. This will ensure that more Suffolk County families that unfortunately experience the tragedy of a homicide will have equal access to information and resources. In addition, under the Rollins Administration and the excellent management of Luma, approximately 50 percent of the outstanding VWAP staff speak at least one language in addition to English.

As part of her office's recognition of homicide survivors, District Attorney Rollins earlier this month hosted the SCDAO's 11th annual Survivors of Homicide Breakfast. The event is held each year during Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness Month, which runs from November 20 to December 20. This marked District Attorney Rollins' third year hosting the event and the second year that the breakfast was forced to be held remotely due to the pandemic. District Attorney Rollins and members of her office were joined on the virtual event by Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, who spoke during the ceremony; incoming Boston City

Council President Ed Flynn; Boston City Councilors Michael Flaherty and Kenzie Bok; Senator Sal DiDomenico; as well as numerous members of law enforcement, community partners and service providers. During the event, District Attorney Rollins honored three survivors of homicide who have turned their profound grief into action serving fellow survivors and their communities. This year's honorees were Beverly Parham-Jordan, Debra Johnson and Ruth Rollins. This year marked the first time any awards were presented during the event.

"The holidays can be one of the most difficult times of the year for survivors of homicide. It's important that we remember those stolen by violence and their loved ones left behind to pick up the pieces. It is important that we honor victims and survivors," District Attorney Rollins said. "No matter my title, I will always stand beside those who have lost loved ones to violence and ensure that they have the support and resources that they are entitled to and often desperately need. I'm grateful to our partners in law enforcement – especially the Boston Police Department Homicide Unit and the

Suffolk County State Police Detective Unit – for their tireless and diligent work supporting survivors and holding accountable violent individuals that harm and have taken a life."

During 2021, the City of Boston has experienced a decrease in serious and violent crime, including a large drop in homicides. To date, there have been 43 murders in Boston during 2021 – notably lower than the five-year average of 51 murders a year. These reductions are a testament to the strong partnerships between local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

"But one homicide is too many," District Attorney Rollins said. "These numbers are in no way meant to minimize the trauma and harm survivors of homicide endure. Rather, we strive to continue disrupting violence – with The Crime Strategies Bureau – instilling hope – with PUSH and the indictments we have secured – and offering transparency – with the first-in-the-nation Discharge Integrity Team."

Tragically, this year Suffolk County has also experienced 37 motor vehicle homicides; the hate-fueled double homicide of Staff Sgt. Ramona

Cooper and retired State Trooper David L. Green in Winthrop; and three murders in Chelsea, including the domestic violence murder of Paula Andrea Ortiz Ramirez whose estranged husband is expected to be arraigned tomorrow on a murder charge in his hospital bed at a local hospital, the beating death of Geraldo Mendoza Bonilla and the fatal stabbing of Cyndell Rodriguez.

Homicide and acts of violence deeply impact entire communities. The Boston Public Health Commission's Boston Neighborhood Trauma Team (NTT) provides access to support through its 24/7 hotline by calling 617-431-0125. The NTT offers immediate support services to those impacted by community violence, referrals for behavioral health services, community outreach and healing groups and a variety of other services.

Survivors of homicide victims who would like to speak with a member of our office to learn more about available resources or for information on their loved one's case should call the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office Homicide Unit at 617-619-4240.

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Public Hearing Storage of Flammables Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 13 of the Massachusetts General Laws that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, January 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Mario S. Marengi, 42 Nahant Ave., Winthrop, MA 02152, seeking a Chapter 148 License from the Revere City Council to enable the appellant to operate a commercial garage at 22 Naples Road, Revere, MA 02151. A copy of the aforementioned proposed application is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk 12/22/21 R

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Last Tuesday, Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards won the Special Election Primary for the

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After her historic win supporters, friends and family gathered at Spinelli's to celebrate her victory.



Suffolk County Sheriff Steve Thompkins with State Sen. and candidate for Lt. Gov., Adam Hinds.



Lydia Edwards with her mother, Bridgett.



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Metro Credit Union partners with The Salvation Army for holiday gifting

Staff Report

Metro Credit Union, Massachusetts' largest state-chartered credit union, recently partnered with The Salvation Army in support of their annual Angel Tree Toy Drive program. This marks the fifth consecutive year that Metro has participated in the program.

The Salvation Army national holiday assistance program provides new clothes and toys for children who otherwise may

go without gifts. Locally, the Angel Tree program serves about 800 children from 350 families.

Donors select anonymous children (known as "Angels") and fulfill their wish lists, which include a toy of the child's choosing and sizes for essential winter clothes. The Salvation Army has been serving the community of Chelsea through the program for the past six years.

"The credit union philosophy of 'people helping people' is especially



From L-R: Isael Gonzalez, Commanding Officer at The Salvation Army with Metro Credit Union employees Charlene Bauer, SVP of Outreach, Advocacy and Chief Development Officer and John Prendegast, Operations Specialist.



From L-R: Metro Credit Union employees Traci Michel, Chief Operating Officer; Marie O'Neill, SVP Engagement, Experience and Marketing; Robert Cashman, Chief Executive Officer; Charlene Bauer, SVP of Outreach, Advocacy and Chief Development Officer; Erik Porter, SVP Chief Financial Officer; and Jim Herndon, SVP Human Resources with toys donated by employees.

prominent during the holiday season, and Metro's employees went above and beyond to support families in need this year through the Angel Tree

Program," said Charlene Bauer, SVP of Outreach, Advocacy and Chief Development Officer of Metro Credit Union.

During December

2021, Metro employees fulfilled holiday wish lists for 75 children in need. The credit union looks forward to continuing their involvement with the

program in years to come. For more information about Metro Credit Union, please visit metrocu.org, or follow Metro Credit Union on LinkedIn.