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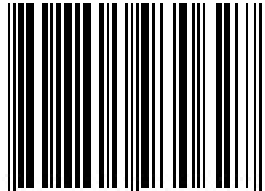
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### NEWS Briefs

#### DOG LICENSES 2019 NOW AVAILABLE

Dog Licenses for 2019 are now available to purchase online. Alternatively, the annual census will arrive at homes in early January - residents can return both the census, as well as renewal dog information in one envelope to our office.

#### APPLY FOR YOUR 2019 PARKING PERMIT ONLINE

Red 2018 Permits Expire on Monday, Dec. 31

Online applications for 2019 Resident Parking Permits are now being accepted. Red, 2018 permits expire on Monday, Dec. 31.

There is no fee for a parking permit if you apply online. There is a fee of \$10 for a visitor's placard whether you apply online or in person. This fee is waived for senior citizens or residents with a valid handicapped parking placard or plate issued by the RMV. Online permit applications are fulfilled by mail. Please <https://www.town.winthrop.ma.us/resident-parking-program/pages/resident-parking-stickers> to determine if you are eligible for a parking permit.

In-Person applications for 2019 permits will be accepted during Town Hall business hours. There is a \$5 fee for a permit if you apply in person. This fee is waived for senior citizens or residents with a valid handicapped parking placard or plate issued by the RMV.

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## Center development receives pushback

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Residents certainly let a developer for a Center Business District property know how they feel about having new development on Somerset Avenue.

"It looks like Revere Beach," said one man, and this sentiment agreed upon by others.

Envelo Properties of Boston and Newport purchased the property at 10-16 Somerset for \$1.2 million over a year ago and are seeking to build 40 units on the site of the old Dollar Store.

Last Thursday night at the E.B. Newton, Joanna Schwartz, a principal with Envelo, presented her idea for a possible five-story apartment building with parking on the first level.

Schwartz held her own as she was shot questions, comments and complaints about her idea.

Resident Frank Constantino said the photograph of the development as shown in the newspaper was taken from the

opposite direction on Woodside Avenue making it appear large in comparison to the rest of the center. He noted that an automobile in the photo was turning in the wrong direction. He also questioned the plan to have parking for 34 cars.

"This blocky design looks like a Lego structure and something transplanted from Revere Beach," Constantino, an architect, said.

The developers will be seeking relief from the Planning Board and Zoning Board for parking requirements, as well as density, height and setbacks.

Without naming former Town Manager James McKenna, Constantino questioned early work in the Center Business District (CBD) process under him, contact with developers, and possible prior agreements.

"Many people are understandably disturbed by the project and our town folk should have a consensus as to what the Center should

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#### HOLIDAY PARTY AT THE SENIOR CENTER



Jean Wood, Jo Grillo, Gerry Cash and Edna Crews enjoying lunch and music at the holiday party hosted by the Robert A DeLeo Senior Center. See more photos on Page 16.

## Santa's traveling Winthrop with Firefighters on December 24

The annual arrival of Santa Claus in Winthrop on top of a fire truck will happen on Monday, Dec. 24 starting

at 4:30 p.m. on Deer Island. Give a special notice to the refurbished reindeer atop the fire truck. A special shout out

should also be given to the driver. The full, turn-by-turn route for Santa's Ride can be found on Page 12.

#### Fire Department thanks resident for revitalized reindeer

By Kate Anslinger

As the Winthrop Fire Department gears up for another Christmas Eve making the rounds with Santa in tow, they have a lot to be thankful for. This year the big man in red, will be accompanied by revitalized reindeer atop his sleigh, thanks to one kind-hearted resident.

When resident, Nick Rosa heard that the reindeer that serve as the fire truck's centerpiece on Christmas Eve, were deteriorating and had aged beyond belief, he stepped in and volunteered his talent and services. As a longtime carpenter, Rosa felt confident that he



Doug Mead and Dennis Boudrow (Santa's longtime driver) carry the new and improved reindeer out to the fire truck.

had the skills it would take to refurbish the antlers, which were hanging on by a thread.

"Over the years, these ant-

lers have hit so many trees during Santa's Christmas Eve

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### TRASH NOTICE

Due to the Christmas Day Holiday on Tues. Dec. 25, 2018, trash will be delayed by one day. Mon. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> pickups are on schedule. Capitol Waste Services, Inc.

### HOLIDAY DEADLINES

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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 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 to 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 Virginias.

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 child-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 chimney 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, may, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Monday, Dec. 10

Report of a grey Ford that almost struck a pedestrian at Shirley and Veterans Road. Erratic driving. BOLO given to units. 91 made contact with the owner of the motor vehicle. It was the glare of the sun and driver did apologize to the pedestrian.

Passerby called in to report at the beginning of River Road a landscaping truck with the words ‘Tom’s Landscaping’ hit a red vehicle and kept driving. 95 stopped the landscaping truck over the bridge in East Boston. East Boston PD notified and are en route. 93 on the scene with EB PD and he gathered all the information needed from the driver of landscaping truck. He will be attempting to advise owner of the other vehicle. 93 was able to make contact with owner of the other vehicle.

Officer off with suspected shoplifter on Thornton Street and River Road. Officer retrieved unopened item from the party and will be returning it to the store. Item returned and the party was advised of trespass notice from the store.

Delta 6 called into control looking for middle school student who left the building. Faculty member is following behind the student. 93 is in two-man car and is also on the scene. Officers have visual of student until she arrives home on Summit Avenue. Delta 6 clear and is returning to the school.

Party came into the station to report that a package that he received after shopping online from walmart.com arrived empty, without the items he had purchased. Party reports that the package does not appear to be opened or tampered with in anyway. Walmart was contact and he was advised to come to the police station to file an incident report.

Caller works at the library and states there is a man up in the stacks sleeping. Wants his removed. Caller also states that the police knows who he

is. Officers removed the party from the library and advised him that he is not allowed to return. Party was asleep in the corner of the second floor. It is the same party from the past few weeks.

Party states that on the corner of Fremont and Pauline streets there is a tall male party screaming obscenities. Nothing showing upon unit’s arrival. Units checked the area and could not locate the male party.

Caller states that by the flagpole near the benches on Golden Drive there are two female parties and one of the females is on the ground crying. Units checked the area and nothing was showing. Unit was finally able to locate the party described and police requested medical for an evaluation. Female is extremely intoxicated. Made contact with her mother who stated she was home earlier and was sober. Mother does not want her back at the home if she’s intoxicated. Female going to Whidden voluntarily. She was transported by Action.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

UMass Lowell requesting assistance to contact a juvenile involved in a larceny. Parents live in Winthrop. Parents made contact.

Assisted Boston Detective with a warrant to subject on Veterans Road. BPD all set.

Report of a pedestrian struck at Walden and Pauline streets. 60-year-old white male was struck. Conscious and alert at this time. Delta 1 and Delta 5 on the scene as well as Alpha 1. Male was taken to Beth Israel. Citation was issued for crosswalk violation.

Report that in front of the school a black male is asking for money, going car to car and knocking on windows. Made contact with the male and the party was cooperative. He was advised to avoid the schools.

Male party came in to ask if

anyone had turned in his black wallet today. He lost it this morning at the 7-Eleven on Revere Street. Unfortunately, it was not turned in as of yet.

Two youths walked in to report that when they got home on Marshall Street they discovered open doors. Mother would like officers to check the home before they enter. Units made entry and the homeowner also on the scene. Home is safe.

Caller is reporting an erratic driver at Crest and Grovers avenues. BOLO given out to units.

Parking complaint for a commercial vehicle at George and Bowdoin streets. Caller states that the car has been parked there for a couple of weeks and was previously tagged by WPD. This is an ongoing issue. Another parking citation was issued.

Police requesting medical aid for male party at Siren and Shirley streets. Party was transported to the Whidden voluntarily for 94C issues.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

Two vehicles were towed from Governors Drive by Todisco Towing.

Party from Governors Park reported she called about her house being broken into Saturday but she was sectioned. Spoke with the party and no burglary occurred.

Caller on Revere Street stated a suspicious package was left in front of his house. Caller stated that the address on the p package did not exist. She did not recognize the name on the package and it felt like there was something strange inside. Item retrieved from address, and will be brought to the station. Amazon was contacted to pick up the package and will turn it to where it needs to go.

Party states that his inflatable boat was stolen from the Cottage Park Yacht Club.

Report of suspicious female walking on Locust Street. Officer spoke to the subject and

told her to stay off people’s property.

Assist with traffic for a possible fire on Nevada Street. All units clear, services were rendered.

Caller on Winthrop Street stated that someone gave her a set of keys that were found somewhere in the area. Caller does not drive and would like to give the keys to the police. Unit clear with a set of keys that were found on a bench near the marsh area. Keys will be at the station if owner calls for lost and found items.

Party on Shirley Street states sewage is leaking into his basement. He stated that this is an ongoing issue from a broken pipe in the street. DPW notified.

Female caller reports a 24-year-old white male she met online physically assaulted her on Veterans Road. She does not know his exact name or address. She is not from the area. 91 will be giving a courtesy ride to the female party to Orient Heights train station.

Thursday, Dec. 13

ACO and Revere ACO off for quarantine on Myrtle Avenue. A citation was issued.

Party on Bellevue Avenue reports she would like her boyfriend removed as he does not reside there and has an active warrant. WMS check reveals an active warrant. WPD has one in custody.

Male party came in to report that an Asian female residing on Nahant Avenue confronted him (verbally and physically) while he was walking his dogs for clients. He stated that last summer her husband did the same thing. He just wants this reported on the log and not processed with court action. Party was advised of his rights.

Received a faxed copy of a summons from Boston PD issued to subject on Winthrop Street. Parent was served in hand with summons for juvenile.

Caller from Governors Park reports that last night his car was hit in the lot. Today they went back to the lot and found a pickup truck that happened to be there last night. It had marks on it that seem like it may have been caused from a possible collision with his car. Parties involved are working it out on their own. Services were rendered.

Four vehicles were towed by Todisco Towing from Gov-

ernors Park for either fire lane violations or no sticker.

Friday, Dec. 14

Report of an erratic driver at Revere Street and Highland Avenue. White SUV sped up through the crosswalk. BOLO given out to units. 93 was in the area and did not see anything.

Party came in to report cash and possibly his Massachusetts driver’s license missing from his wallet while he was patronizing the Winthrop Marketplace earlier this morning. 91 spoke with the manager and viewed the surveillance video which did not turn up anything to confirm the property was allegedly lost/stolen at that location.

Principal reports receiving a phone call about a suspicious situation on Cottage Park Road.

Caller on Sargent Street is in possession of a dog who has a collar but no tags. Medium-sized black-and-brown dog. Call called back to state that the dog and his owner were reunited ACO was cancelled.

D6 off with a toddler alone in the area of Shirley Street and Mermaid Avenue. Units walking around the neighborhood with the toddler attempting to locate parents/home. D6 contacted principal of Ft. Banks who identified the toddler from a picture. Father of the child on the scene. Child was reunited with father. D6 will file a report. All units clear.

Party on Locust Street states she witnessed three suspicious white men on a porch. Party said she received a picture of the three men from her friend that lives on the street. Caller was notified to call us about the three individuals. Unit off on foot in the area attempting to locate the subjects. Area search negative. Nothing showing in the area.

Unit off with illegally parked motor vehicle on Woodside Avenue. Registration is expired. Officer will assist the owner in renewing online. The registration was renewed.

Saturday, Dec. 15

Calling party on Putnam Street wants call log entry only at this time. Does not want to see an officer. Reported that her doorbell rang a short time ago and it was a known party who has been ha-

assing her.

Party on Putnam Street reports that someone is trying to break in. Unit off with black Mercedes that may be involved in the incident at the Bank of America. Female party received a citation for traffic infractions. Also given a verbal warning to change her New Hampshire license to a MA license. The party was also advised to stay away from the Putnam Street location. This is an ongoing harassment issue, no breaking and entering.

Woman at Tafts Avenue and Shirley Street calling in about a suspicious male party whose jeans are falling off of him. Older white male. 92 and 93 responded. Units did a thorough check in the area anon one fits the description.

Caller on Winthrop Street states she thinks that someone tried breaking into her house last night because she woke up and her side window was broken and there are hand prints around the window. 92 reports exterior porch window broken. No sign of entry or attempted break-in. No items taken.

Call from headquarters in regard to construction equipment being stolen from a resident’s house on Corrina Beach. Resident requested an officer so they can report the property stolen.

Male party on mountain bike looking into cars on Cottage Park Road. 91, 92 and 93 on the scene. 93 reports all units check all the adjacent streets in the area and the individual was not seen.

Calling party on Shirley Street states she wants a subject out of her house. He does not live there and is harassing her for money. No weapons. Verbal in nature. Caller states she will be out front waiting for police. She was advised of her 209A rights and subject left the area. Peace was restored.

Report of loud noise on Shirley Street. Unit spoke with the resident and it was just a few kids playing video games. They will keep the noise down for the night.

Caller on Main and Pleasant Street states a vehicle is driving very erratically. BOLO given to the units.

Party on Jefferson Street states a subject ran out of the house, does not know what

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Somerset Avenue //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

look like,” Constantino said, adding there needs to be a thoughtful transformation into a business district that will be in the town for decades.

Schwartz, acknowledged the car in the photo is going the wrong way, which she said was a drafting error. She said the plans, on file for the public, show many different angles.

“My goal is to share the information the way I have it today,” Schwartz said.

Represented by Attorney James Cipoletta, Schwartz reminded the crowd at the meeting that the Master Plan for the center had been adopted by the town a year and a half ago.

“That is the blueprint for the town as it is today,” she said, reminding all that she had nothing to do with the master plan. She then introduced Assistant Town Manager David Rodrigues who has a planning background, and will be working on the center.

Schwartz also said the building looks out of scale because they are the first to come into an area of single level buildings.

“I know there are several other projects in discussion and possibly coming down the pike just after ours. The CBD will get built up,” she said. “But that’s not me that’s the Planning Board and Zoning Board, Winthrop’s Master Plan.”

People got a little testy. “Can we agree that the status quo can’t stay the way it is,” Schwartz said. “There’s got to be some common ground. Can we agree that this decrepit, empty eyesore can’t stay like that?”

One lady took exception with the use of the word “decrepit” and she was more concerned about the height of the building at five-stories. Schwartz said they did

conduct shadow tests and determined it was not an impact. The neighbors differed. Schwartz added that a shadow test was also done at 35 feet and had almost the same result.

“A lot of people here have their life invested in their business or their houses,” said resident Jack Dowd, who then asked the developer how much money had been invested in the property.

Schwartz confirmed that it is her company’s first multi-family development.

Then the issue of parking came up and resident Mary Mahoney said people are going to have more than one car, they’re going to have visitors.

“There’s no place to park in the center right now,” Mahoney said. “The traffic in the center is disgusting and you want to bring more in? There are too many units.”

Former Town Council President and project abutter Tom Reilly said he has a number of concerns. First, the area is zoned for two and a half stories. He said the Planning Board said the rest of the center is zoned for four stories because they wanted to give

relief to abutters.

“A lot of neighbors felt they were not consulted appropriately during this new center zoning,” Reilly said.

He also wanted to know where any overflow parking from the development would go.

“We have optimized parking on site to the best of our ability. There will be overflow and some sort of impact on traffic and parking,” Schwartz said, adding that overflow would be more of a nighttime situation.

Resident Joe Quigley asked what would happen to the site if the developers couldn’t make it work.

“We’re here and we want this to work. I’m not thinking about an option that doesn’t work,” Schwartz said. “If we can’t get the investors in the property sits the way it is, we sell at a loss and you guys pray someone else will come in to town.”

Resident Jean Coughlin said communication from the town, and the lack there of, is why people are so frustrated.

The developer is expected at the next Planning Board in January or February.

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Left to right: John Rich, Jeff Perrotti, Santa, Dennis Boudrow, Mike Lopez, Nick Rosa, and Doug Mead.

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route and they've endured some extreme weather conditions," said Dennis Boudrow, the longtime driver of the truck that takes Santa around town.

With the help of resident

Gary Capone, Nick spent 60 hours making fiberglass repairs, welding the base of the antlers, shaping them, and sanding them down before he put a fresh coat of paint on

them. The revitalized antlers are beyond durable and the grateful firefighters are confident that they will last another 50 years.

## School Supt. awards Finn with certificate for academic excellence

By Kate Anslinger

During Monday night's School Committee meeting, Superintendent Lisa Howard presented the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents' Certificate of Academic Excellence, to Christopher Finn.

"As I thought about who was deserving of this citation, I needed to take a moment to think about what ac-



Superintendent Lisa Howard presents Chris Finn with the academic excellence citation.

ademic excellence meant, and the more I thought about the meaning, the more I thought of excellence as a journey of how you get from where you were to where you are today," said Howard. "I decided to choose a student who exhibited internal motivation, strong leadership skills, and someone who is giving, humble, patient and honest, and Chris

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OUR *Opinions*

ENJOY THE HOLIDAY SEASON

This is a wonderful time of the year, to paraphrase the song, with holiday music playing in the malls and on our car radios, resurrecting our earliest childhood memories -- even for the younger set -- of Christmases-past.

We choose just the right tree, decorate it carefully with our family-heirloom ornaments, and when we first turn on the lights, it brings a smile even to the oldest among us.

Despite the hectic rushing to and fro, everybody it seems, is in a good mood. We endure the traffic, the long lines in stores, and more, because we know that what we are doing will bring joy and happiness to others.

For those of us with young children, we get to see Christmas through their eyes, giving us a second-chance to experience the wonder and joy that we felt when we were their age.

Although all of us celebrate Christmas in our own way, the common thread is one of peace, joy, and happiness, regardless of religious or secular beliefs. Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or a Seinfeldian Festivus, the spirit of the season imbues us with a sense of togetherness that (unfortunately) only comes once a year.

We wish all of our readers a happy holiday season.

ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS --  
SAFELY

Christmas this year is part of what for many people will be a four-day weekend, which means that for many of us, we will be indulging in the "Christmas spirit" early and often.

By no means do we wish to cast negative thoughts, but we would be remiss if we did not remind all of our readers to enjoy the holiday weekend safely. This especially means that we should be careful not to drink and drive, not only as to ourselves, but also as to those whom we know and love.

If someone appears to be under the influence, it is incumbent upon all of us not to let that person get behind the wheel of a car. Call an Uber if you have to -- if it is within our ability to prevent a tragedy, we must be sure to do so.

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LETTERS to the Editor

**Dear Editor:**

As a staunch advocate for smart economic development in Winthrop, I believe the current proposal for the old Dollar Store site in the Centre is not it. It is a monstrosity.

Ask those in Winthrop -- whether it be residents, visitors, or business owners -- what they like about our community and chances are they will say the "small-town charm." Disconcertingly, there is a push underway to destroy this.

Winthrop is already the most densely populated town

in the Commonwealth (#9 overall). We rank ahead of such bucolic burgs as Lynn and Lowell. Yet some argue we must develop at even greater density and taller heights, no matter the consequences to quality of life.

For those who want to re-side in a condo city, there are plenty of surrounding communities to choose from. For those of us who want to continue to live in a small town, let us have Winthrop.

**Yours truly,  
Eric Gaynor**

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Town Council hears from Transportation Advisory Committee

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

It's been two years since the Transportation Advisory Board began its work, and they visited the Town Council Tuesday night to give an update on what has been done and what the future might hold.

Julia Wallerice, chair of the committee, said bus service in town has been improved, and there is more that can be done.

"Buses are ultimately our most efficient and potentially effective ways to decrease congestion and facilitate smart development that does not increase traffic and rely on large volumes of parking," she said. "Still there are many simple, low-cost acts we can take locally to create a better

bus experience."

Some of those options include official bus-stop signs, parking restrictions at each bus-stop and bus-stop accommodations such as benches, trash receptacles and bus shelters for riders.

Wallerice added other things to consider are signs around town for speed limits, school zones, bicycles, bus stops, pedestrian crossings and parks.

Bike lanes are also something to be considered to support a safe bicycling environment. Intersection safety is another area Wallerice would like to see the town work on, especially the intersection of Main and Pleasant streets, as well as others around town.

She also suggested the town consider the adoption of Vision Zero, to eliminated

all traffic fatalities while increasing safe, health, equitable mobility for all setting a new standard of safety on the streets of Winthrop.

In other Town Council business:

- Town Manager Austin Faison wanted to introduce the idea of Opportunity Zones, a low-cost way for developers to obtain financing for projects. Areas he said he would consider would be Delby's Corner area, down Shirley Street and part of Winthrop Shore Drive.

"It's a funding source for hedge fund developers from the federal government based on the census track," Faison said. The incentive for the developers are tax benefits. "Giving people low-cost

funding."

Faison said Assistant Town Manager David Rodrigues will be working on this and is ready to move forward when asked. The Opportunity Zone program was created in 2017 and aimed at distressed areas.

The Opportunity Zones program provides a tax incentive for investors to re-invest their unrealized capital gains into Opportunity Funds that are dedicated to investing into Opportunity Zones designated by the chief executives of every U.S. state and territory.

"This is important in potentially positioning Winthrop against Maine or Cape Cod as in why would drive there when you can be in Winthrop," Faison said.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT:

Junior dedicates extra time to perfecting golf swing

By Kate Anslinger

Jack Sicurella is athletically versatile, playing golf, hockey, and baseball, but his talent goes beyond his ability to juggle three sports, and instead, it's his hard work that has gotten him to where he is today.

Most would guess that the high school junior has been hitting golf balls his entire life, but Sicurella only started playing golf two years ago and he has already been named captain of the team and conference All Star for next season.

It all started when Sicurella was looking for a fall sport

to play. Knowing that some of his friends had been on the golf team from their freshman and sophomore years, his interest was piqued in the sport, so he did what all good athletes do...he practiced. Picking up a golf club for the first time, he spent the entire summer before his junior year practicing every free moment he had. It didn't take him long to realize that he loved the sport and soon he was landing himself a spot on the high school team.

**What accomplishment are you most proud of?**

My biggest accomplishment was this past golf season



Jack Sicurella.

when I was named captain of the team for next season and named conference All Star.

**How do you stay in shape for golf and keep yourself sharp in the off-season?**

I get better by playing every day. I'll play anywhere from nine to 36 holes and if I can't go outside and play, I putt and chip for as long as I can. I love to play the sport because whenever I'm playing it, I'm always enjoying it and I can never get enough.

**What is your favorite subject?**

Math would be my favorite subject in school. I hope to be an accountant someday.

**Who is your role model?**

My parents. They are very supportive of everything I do.

**Do you have any career/college goals?**

I would like to get a degree in accounting, and I want to play college golf somewhere.

Chris Finn // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

Finn is the epitome of all of those things."

As a senior at Winthrop High School, Finn is a member of the National Honor Society, on the yearbook committee, a mentor in the

Life Skills class, a volunteer for Relay for Life and Walk for Hunger, a student council member, and captain of both the varsity hockey and tennis teams.

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# WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

By G. David Hubbard • Photos courtesy of Stephen F. Moran

## ARTICLE 858 - SANTA'S FIRE ENGINE RIDE - DEDICATED TO FORMER FIRE CHIEF CHARLES FLANAGAN

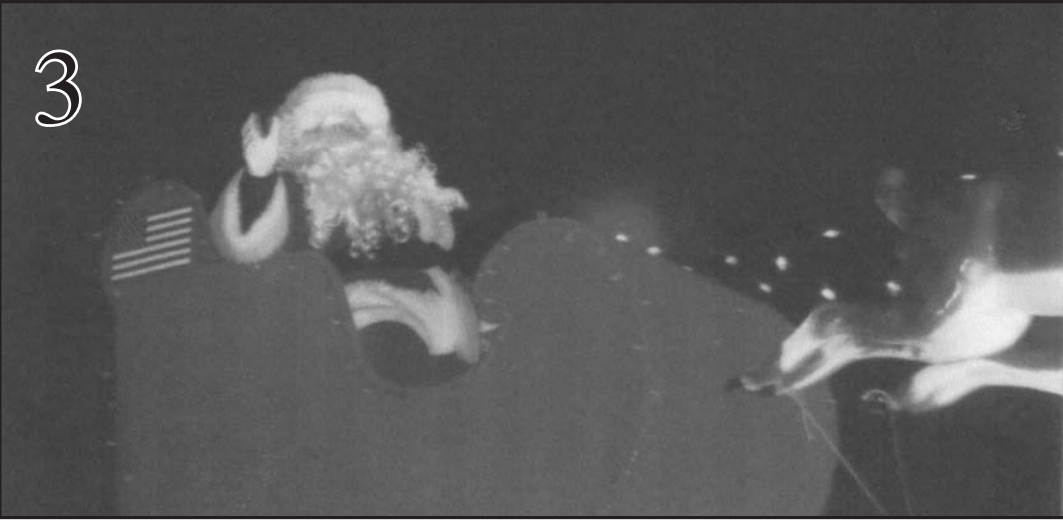


The tradition of inviting Santa Claus to tour through our town on Christmas Eve commenced about 83 years ago and still continues today as shown in picture #1 taken by Sy Chersonson in 1995. This article is dedicated to former Fire Chief Charles Flanagan who in the late 1950s directed the enhancement of this event from its simple beginnings to providing accommodations for Santa and his sleigh to be carried on a fire truck. He carefully laid out a route that provided ready access to those desiring to see Santa while avoiding low hanging tree limbs and wires that could harm him. He also had to ensure that the ability of the Fire Department to provide fire protection to the town was maintained during this time. Traditions such as this are wonderful for our children, as well as the rest of us that are still young at heart. It was in the mid 1930's that Santa was first invited into Winthrop to ride around town in an open car and then stop at the highly illuminated barn behind Benison's funeral parlor at 174 Winthrop St. where the children could sit and talk to him. During the Second World War years, the visits were put on hold but in the 1950s Santa again agreed to resume his visits to Winthrop. In picture #2 taken, by Vera Fussell, the Am Vets Post 48, under the guidance of their youngest Commander Robert

W. Murray Sr. and Nick Crosby, reactivated the tradition by transporting Santa, seen waving from a chimney, around town on Dec. 24, 1956. They wanted the children to have a personal visit from Santa before going to sleep on Christmas Eve. Based on these initial efforts, Santa suggested that the tradition be expanded so he could ride in his sleigh through the streets of the town. John "Red" Forristall, John Nugent and Doctor Etherington led the implementation of this idea and under the direction of Charles Flanagan it evolved into what we have now. Picture #3 shows Santa in the Sleigh atop the Fire Truck during the 1960s and 70s. Many firefighters, fire alarm and police signal men and fire engineers, including Dan Honan, Charles Flanagan, Dave MaGah, Paul Flanagan, Dennis Boudrow, Chuck Flanagan, Bill Vecchio, James O'Connor, Joseph Wadkins and Norman Gill, to name a few, have spent many hours on Christmas Eve to make sure that this tradition is maintained. Recent Fire Chiefs Paul Ford and Larry Powers, along with current Fire Chief Paul Flanagan, have ensured that this event is continued. This concept of transporting Santa on Christmas Eve is unique to Winthrop. For 40 years, a rest break was scheduled in the Highlands to refuel the generators and receive refreshments

served by Dave and Claire Hubbard. WCAT continues to photograph and broadcast live the progress throughout Santa's trip and thereby provide a continuous update of the projected times when they will arrive at each street. As with many popular events, such as our Santa Christmas Eve ride through town, other programs evolved from it to benefit children. Our Fire and Police departments local Toys for Tots program, as depicted in picture #4, was established as shown in the early years. Today, toys are gathered and given to the local Houses of Worship for distribution to needy children in town. Winthrop's own Edward R. Snow developed the Flying Santa program to distribute gifts to Lighthouse families which continued for many years.

Our heartfelt thanks and gratitude for the countless hours unselfishly given on Christmas Eve are extended to those who established this tradition and have continued it for over three-quarters of a century so that our children and grandchildren could enjoy seeing this visit from Santa. Our thanks also to Santa who continues to arrange his busy schedule to visit Winthrop. "Then and Now" would also like to thank all the Flanagan's for their historical input to the preparation of this article. "Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight".



# THE MORE Things Change ...

Items selected from past issues of the Winthrop Sun, The Winthrop Review, The Winthrop Visitor, The Transcript and The Sun-Transcript

### 20 years ago Dec. 17, 1998

The long-awaited MCAS test results show that there needs to be improvement statewide. Although Winthrop's fourth-and eighth-grade tests scores mirrored the state averages, that was no consolation because the state average was so low. At the 10th-grade level, Winthrop students were average in English language arts, but considerably below the state average in math, science, and technology. School Superintendent Joan Connolly said the Winthrop schools' performance should serve as a catalyst for teachers and parents to change the way they approach education.

A 20-year-old local young man received 16 stitches in his head following a savage beating early Sunday morning at a party on Siren St. in which the victim's three assailants repeatedly clubbed him with the blunt side of a hatchet and a rock. The victim's family said that a leather jacket given to him on his birthday on December 8 was so blood-soaked that it was ruined.

The Board of Health has asked the selectmen to place an article on the warrant for the annual spring town meeting that would transfer responsibility of the town's trash collection from the board to the DPW.

The Winthrop Fire Department has announced Santa's route for his annual ride through the town on Dec. 24. Santa made his annual visit to the Winthrop Beach fire station Saturday.

The Winthrop Police Department hosted the second annual Christmas Basketball Tourney at Winthrop High this weekend, featuring eight police department hoop teams, to benefit the WHS track program.

*The Prince of Egypt, You've Got Mail*, and *A Bug's Life* are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago Dec. 21, 1988

A two-alarm fire last week engulfed a Sea View Avenue home, leaving two families homeless for the holidays.

Contract negotiations between the town and Police Department are ongoing with both sides hoping to reach an agreement by Jan. 10.

Approximately 180 prisoners were evacuated from their cells at Deer Island when an electrical fire sparked a smoky grass fire.

Point Shirley residents soon will be able to take part in a new soundproofing program for their homes under the auspices of the Community Development office.

*Working Girl, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, and *My Stepmother is an Alien* are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago Dec. 20, 1978

Attorney Robert E. Noonan and James Polo have filed a class action lawsuit on behalf of the 4558 property owners in the town against the Board of Assessors. The lawsuit in Suffolk Superior Court alleges that the assessors are assessing property in an unfair and discriminatory manner. Noonan noted that large lots are being assessed at less per square foot than smaller lots.

Santa will ride through the town's streets atop a fire truck courtesy of the Fire Department on Christmas Eve.

The Personnel Board once

again has sided with Police Chief David Rice and overruled a decision by the Board of Selectmen withholding holiday pay for Rice.

Long gasoline lines once again threaten to plague Americans after a 14 percent increase in the price of a barrel of oil by the OPEC cartel that was announced this weekend.

Eliot, Whittier, and Hardy has relocated its offices to 57 Putnam st.

John Travolta and Olivia Newton John star in *Grease* at the Kincade Theatre.

### 50 years ago Dec. 19, 1968

Winthrop Police, following a month long investigation., have arrested three local teenagers for the burglaries of three homes. Patrolman Arthur Floyd, working with fellow officers Angelo LaMonica and Mike McManus, became suspicious of the 15-year-old and two 17-year-olds when the trio were apprehended for drinking and wearing some of the jewelry that had been reported stolen in one of the housebreaks.

Vandals sprayed paint across the doors of St. John the Evangelist parochial school over the weekend.

Police are investigating the thefts of hundreds of Christmas lights from local residences in recent weeks.

Santa will ride through the town's streets atop a fire truck courtesy of the Fire Department on Christmas Eve.

Alan Alda stars in *Paper Lion* at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 60 years ago Dec. 18, 1958

The Special Town Meeting approved by a margin of 2-1 the creation of an Urban Renewal Authority for the town, thereby rejecting an Advisory Committee recommendation to delay action on the Planning Board's article to create the authority. Members also approved \$1,500 in initial expenses for the new five member board.

A triple Golden Anniversary fete was held recently for three prominent local couples, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob A. Rosenbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Goldberg, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fogel at the Temple Tifereth Israel.

Selectman Melvin T. Carver has announced that Revere St. may reopen to traffic this week if repairs to a broken sewer line proceed as scheduled.

Police are investigating a third break in at the Ham's store in the Highlands at 50 Crest Ave.

Robert Wagner stars in *Love and War* at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 70 years ago Dec. 16, 1948

The School Committee has voted a \$400 increase for the maximum teacher's salary that will take effect on Sept. 30 for about 30 teachers. However, the committee failed to take action on the teachers' request for an immediate pay boost, effective Jan. 1, for all 120 teachers.

The second annual Christmas seven-mile walk sponsored by the Winthrop Brotherhood will start at 1 p.m. from the Community Building on Dec. 26.

More than 500 Elks and guests rolled out the red carpet to welcome home fellow Elk Andrew Biggio, who recently was elected the first Grand Exalted Ruler of the newly created Metropolitan District.

Four Latvian refugees, including Capt. Rosenberg and his wife, who were among the 29 refugees who landed in Boston aboard a 65-foot ketch in July, will open the Home Pastry Shop in the Centre, formerly Eliot and Taylor's Bread and Pie Shop. The group has received the financial backing of kindhearted people in the area.

Ray Milland stars in *Sealed Verdict* at the Winthrop and State theatres.

### 80 years ago Dec. 17, 1938

The Elks are planning a monster smoker for December 19 at their clubhouse.

Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur star in *The Plainsman* at the Winthrop and State theatres.

### 90 years ago Dec. 22, 1928

A general meeting of all the teachers was held Monday afternoon at the Junior High School with about 125 teachers present. The teachers were asked to emphasize the following points: good citizenship and English, including reading, writing, and spelling.

Nearly 100 members and guests enjoyed a sumptuous catered dinner for the annual reading of reports and election of officers of the Winthrop Golf Club.

Greta Garbo stars in *Mysterious Lady* at the Winthrop and Dream theatres.

### 110 years ago Dec. 19, 1908

A well-attended meeting of the Citizens Civic League was held at War Veterans Hall on Pauline St. Mr. David Floyd submitted information about Winthrop's fire insurance rates which showed that in 1900, all of the town's buildings were rated at a minimum level, but that today, many structures are rated "ordinary risk," which means that their rates are greater than the norm. Floyd said this is the result of unrestricted growth and overcrowding of buildings in recent years.

A letter to the editor notes that many dog owners are complying with state law, but that a few allow their dogs to roam freely without collars or licenses. The writer urges Winthrop's police authorities to enforce the law.

### 120 years ago Dec. 23, 1898

Winthrop commuters are pleased with the decision of the railroad company to give single ride tickets to Boston for eight cents.

The plans for the relocation of Crest Avenue, which was washed out in the recent storm, have been submitted by the selectmen to the Metropolitan Park Commission.

A hearing before the selectmen on the proposed electric rail line in town was well attended. President Melvin Adams of the steam line said he objected to the proposed electric line, which would consist of eight miles in the town, because it will cross the steam line at various points.

### 130 years ago Dec. 21, 1888

The adjourned town meeting will decide whether to approve the selectmen's plans for the repair of Crest Ave., recently damaged in the storm, at a cost of \$450.

A few Winthrop residents already have left town for their winter homes in Florida.



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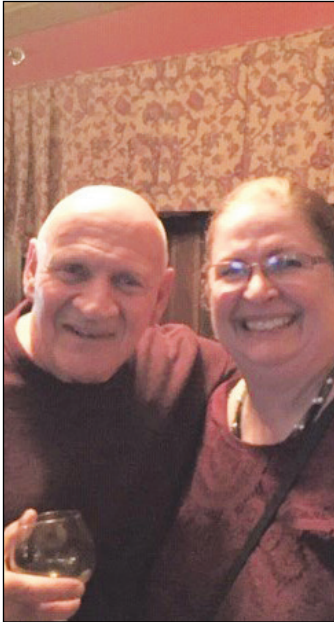
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Vincent Morana of Port Charlotte, Fla., passed away at the Fawcett Hospital in Port Charlotte on Nov. 29. He was 82 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved son of the late Louise (Mulone) and Joseph Morana, he was a resident of Florida since 1990 and previously lived in Billerica. Prior to his retirement, he was employed as a senior electrical engineer in the analysis laboratory at GTE Sylvania.

He was the devoted husband of the late Irene (Pietrasik) and the loving father of Stephen Morana of Billerica and Vincent Morana, Jr. of New Hampshire; dear brother of Marie T. Chase of Winthrop and the late Anthony Morana and Anita DeStefano.



Services and committal were private.

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Life holds so many facets this earth is only one  
Just think of her as resting from the sorrows and tears  
In a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days and years  
Think how she must be wishing that we could know today  
How nothing but our sadness could really pass away  
And think of her as living in the hearts of those she touched  
For nothing loved is ever lost and she was loved so much*

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up in heaven up to you.  
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way she went but wants to speak to an officer. Unit spoke to the party and she believes she may have gone to a friend's house on Myrtle Avenue. Unit will go and check. Units reports they spoke to the female and she is safe and fine. She cants at the friend's ouse and adults are home.

Sunday, Dec. 16

Ex-boyfriend is calling stating he just broke up with his girlfriend on Winthrop Street. She is not taking it well and making Q5 statements, stating she is going to cut herself. He would like a well-being check on her. He spoke to her about two hours ago, and he has been trying to call and text her for a little over an hour and she has not responded. Caller called in on a 911 burner phone. Unit spoke to the party and everything is ok. This is

an ongoing issue with the ex. She was advised of her rights. Walk-in to report that she and her mother ordered a Samsung Galaxy 42mm watch from Amazon. Amazon delivered the package on Main Street and the package was sealed. When she opened the package she observed that the watch as missing. She notified Amazon and they told her she needed to report the incident to the police for a refund.

Report of an erratic driver on Revere Street driving towards Short Beach. State Police are being notified.

Caller on Quincy Avenue states that right in front of her house there is a commercial Ford pickup truck. States it has been parked there since Friday with no residents' sticker. Units clear and citation issued.

Fire alarms are sounding on Crest Avenue. No smoke or fire showing but police will assist with traffic control. All units clear along with fire department as well.

Winthrop Senior Center News  
December 20 – December 26, 2018

Hours: Mon-Thurs:8:30-4pm/Fri:8:30-2:30pm

<b>Thursday, December 20</b> 12:00pm – Lunch 12:30pm – The Senior Center will be closing at 12:30pm
<b>Friday, December 21</b> 9:30am – Exercise Class 10:00am – Ceramics with Gerry 10:30am – Line Dancing with Cindy 11:30am – Cards and Cribbage 12:00pm – Lunch
<b>Saturday, December 22</b> 10:30am – Zumba with Cindy
<b>Monday, December 24</b> 9:30am – Exercise 10:00am – Art Class with Dawn 12:00pm – Lunch 1:00pm – The Senior Center will be closing at 1pm
<b>Tuesday, December 25</b> The Senior Center will be closed.
<b>Wednesday, December 26</b> 9:30am – Exercise Class 9:30-11:30am – Kelly's Nails on Wheels (Manicures cost \$10; Appointment Required) 10:30am – Yoga with Kathleen (\$5) 10:30am – Tap Dancing with Tracy (at the Methodist Church) 12:00pm – Lunch 1:15pm – Italian Class with Michael

For additional information on our services, activities, programs, or to view our newsletters, lunch menus and more, visit our website: [town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging](http://town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging).

**Senior Center Holiday Schedule**  
**Thursday, December 20th:**  
the Senior Center will be closing at 12:30pm  
**Monday, December 24th:**  
the Senior Center will be closing at 1:00pm  
**Tuesday, December 25th:**  
the Senior Center will be closed  
**Monday, December 31st:**  
the Senior Center will be closing at 1:00pm  
**Tuesday, January 1, 2019:**  
the Senior Center will be closed

**Hearing and Vision Support:** The Low Vision and Hearing Impaired support groups will not meet in January or February. The next meetings for these two groups will be in March 2019.

**Zumba with Barbara:** Classes are canceled for the rest of December and will resume the week of January 7, 2019.

**Senior Lunch:** If you would like to come for lunch, please call the day before by 12:00pm so that your order is counted for the next day. Thank you!

**Play Chess with the Winthrop Middle School Chess Club:** Beginning January 2nd members of the WMS Chess Club will be at the Senior Center on Wednesdays, from 3-4pm. No previous knowledge of chess is necessary. Beginner and experienced players are welcome to come and play. If you would like to sign up, or would like more information, please call the Senior Center at 617-846-8538. All equipment will be provided.

**Indoor Walking Club:** The Indoor Walking Club will be starting Monday, November 26th; walkers can use the Middle/High School Monday-Friday from 4:00-5:00pm (when school is in session). If you would like walk, please sign up at the Senior Center. You will also need to fill out a CORI form (forms are available at the front desk of the Senior Center).

**Technology & Learning with Betsy:** The next learning session with Betsy Duplin is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th and 22nd from 2:00-3:00pm. Bring your laptops, smart phones, or tablets, along with your questions. Learning this new technology can open up a whole new world for you.

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memories, the  
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you.  
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Rembering you is easy,  
we do it everyday.*

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that never  
goes away.  
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VIKINGS FALL TO LYNN CLASSICAL RAMS 81 - 39

RAMS BRING HEAT TO WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL

Photos by Bob Marra/  
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The Vikings endured an 81-39 pounding at the hands of a potent Lynn Classical Rams team Tuesday night, Dec. 18, at Winthrop High School. Sophomore Cam Conway led

Winthrop with 18 points while Engjell Ramadanoni added eight more. But the Rams showed just too much firepower, pouring in 47 second-half points to blow open a game that was 34-18 at the half. The Vikings travel to Lynn English for a 7 p.m. game Thursday night.



FLOOR BURN: Cam Conway hits the deck as he tries to take the ball from Lynn Classical's Deontae Plouffe.



HOW'D THAT HAPPEN? Cam Conway (#33) has the ball stripped away by Lynn Classical's Dyrrell Rucker.



ROUGH PLAY: Winthrop's Chris Castro encounters rough going under the net.



RACE TO THE BALL: Bryan Conceicao (#22) chases after a loose ball.



TAKING ONE FOR THE TEAM: Chris Castro maintains a stoic look as he absorbs a drive by Lynn Classical's Jaylen Johnson.



SLEIGHT OF HAND: Austin Daigneault (#15) dribbles behind his back to keep the ball from Lynn Classical's Jeff Hill.



IT'S MINE: Winthrop's Dave DiCiccio wrestles for possession with a Lynn player.



COMING THROUGH: Cam Conway barrels his way between Lynn Classical's Jeff Hill (#10) and Tony Palavra (#25)

Roundup // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Kirsten Griffiths, Brooke Costin, and Abby Holmes all getting some significant ice time.

"Casey Petersen and Fallon Hurley also have been working very hard and pushing for ice time on the back end," Martucci continued. "We are very lucky to have so many strong defensemen."

The Lady Vikings were scheduled to host Marblehead last night (Wednesday) at Larsen Rink. They will host Falmouth (Maine) next Thursday during the vacation week. Face-off for that game is at 3:30 p.m. and is part of a hockey doubleheader with the boys' team against their foe from Maine.

**LADY VIKINGS WIN SEASON OPENER, DEFEAT BEVERLY**

The Winthrop High girls basketball team opened its 2019 season with a hard-fought, 42-38 victory over Beverly under new head coach Rick Pulsifer.

Although the Lady Vikings led at all of the intervals, the contest was a closely contested affair from the opening tip to the final buzzer.

Winthrop grabbed a slight edge at the end of the first period, 9-7, and increased their advantage to 26-20 at the intermission.

The Lady Vikings held a slight advantage in the third period to leave matters at 34-25 entering the final eight minutes.

However, the Lady Panthers refused to give up and fought back with some timely shooting, eventually moving out to their first lead of the contest, 38-36, with just under a minute to play.

It now was the Lady Vikings' turn to show some grit. With just under 30 seconds remaining, Winthrop had possession, but pressure defense by Beverly resulted in a loose ball. Sophomore Grace Galuris raced to the ball, scooped it up, and started driving to the basket.

When Grace found herself double-teamed, she dished a pass to sophomore Lily Pulsifer, who was on the baseline. Lily stepped back behind the three-point arc and drilled a trey to put Winthrop up by one, 39-38.

The Lady Vikings then employed a box-and-one defense to try to shut down Beverly's hot shooter, Anderson, who already had burned Winthrop for 15 points.

The Winthrop defensive scheme forced the Lady Panthers into a pair of rushed shots and the Lady Vikings grabbed the rebounds. Beverly intentionally fouled Winthrop sophomore Maura Dorr, who showed no signs of pressure at the line and calmly swished two free throws to give Winthrop a 41-38 lead.

After a missed shot and another intentional foul by Beverly, Dorr was back at the charity stripe, where she hit the front end of her one-and-one with three seconds to play to put the game on ice.

Dorr ended up with 18 points on the night. Fellow sophomore Caroline Earl also reached double figures with 10 points and Galuris struck for eight to lead the WHS scoring attack.

The Winthrop junior varsity Lady Vikings, under the direction of new head coach Ben Cimmino, also enjoyed a successful evening, defeating Beverly, 23-16.

The JV squad trailed 6-0 at the end of the first quarter. Winthrop was getting good looks at the basket, but could not get anything to fall, as their shots rimmed out.

Although the Lady Vikings'

shots started to to fall in the second period, they trailed at the half, 13-7.

However, the Winthrop defense stepped up in a big way up after the intermission, holding Beverly to only three points in the entire second half and outscoring the Lady Panthers, 16-3, to go on and win the game, 23-16.

Leading scorers for Winthrop were sophomore Lily Skomro and freshman Emma Forsyth with five points apiece. Freshmen Sam Galuris and MacKenzie Acevedo both chipped in four points.

The Lady Vikings were scheduled to play at Lynn Classical this past Tuesday and will host Lynn English tonight (Thursday). They will play in the Pope John XXIII Christmas Tournament next week on Dec. 27 and 28, opening with a contest against North Reading.

BOYS BASKETBALL BATTLES BEVERLY

The Winthrop High boys basketball team traveled to Northeastern Conference power Beverly this past Friday, battling hard for most of the way before eventually falling by a score of 75-58.

"We were in it until early in the fourth quarter," said WHS head coach Dave Sacco. "We shot the ball well, but just couldn't get stops on the defensive end."

Senior Chrono Washington led the Vikings in the scoring department with 24 points. Also reaching double figures were junior Engjell Ramadan with 20 points and sophomore Cam Conway with 10 points.

The Vikings opened their season with a non-league encounter against Malden Catholic last Tuesday. Winthrop was within striking range midway through the third period, but MC pulled away for an eventual 78-41 victory.

The Vikings were led by

Conway 15 points and Ramadan, who had a nice double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

"We battled them until the three-minute mark in the third quarter when we were down eight with a chance to cut it to six," Sacco. "However, we couldn't convert and from that point, the wheels fell off pretty fast."

"We have a lot of new faces on the roster," added Sacco. "We graduated 10 seniors and have only one player back from last year's team with varsity experience. We're very young and inexperienced and in our league, guys are going to have to grow up fast and on the fly."

Sacco and his squad were set to play Lynn Classical this past Tuesday and will travel to Lynn English tonight (Thursday).

FOUR LADY VIKINGS WIN IN MEDFORD MEET

Although the Winthrop High girls indoor track and field team came up on the short end of a 47-38 decision to Medford last week, a number of Lady Vikings turned in fine performances.

Four Winthrop girls won their individual events: Marykate Pote in the shot put with a toss of 28'-1"; Daniella Zanelli in the hurdles in a time of 8.5; Devon Barry in the 1,000 in a clocking of 3:55.2; and Camilla Miranda-Llovera in the two mile run in 13:02, which was a full minute faster than Camilla's nearest competitor.

The Lady Viking 4 x 400 quartet also was victorious, edging their Medford counterparts by a slim half-second in an exciting race, 5:07.3-5:07.8.

Three Winthrop girls placed three points onto the

WHS side of the scoresheet with second-place finishes: Olivia Brandi-Miller with a high jump of 4'-2"; Clare Nargi in the hurdles in 9.1; and Nora McCarey in the 300 dash in 46.2.

Adding single points to the Winthrop total with their third-place finishes were: Alexandra Gibbons in the 300 in 47.7; Ella McCarey in the 1,000 in 4:06.8; Brianna Marley in the mile in 6:52.8; and Anyra Silva in the two-mile in 15:38.

The Lady Vikings took on Somerville this past Tuesday. Their next dual meet will be after the holiday on January 3 against Saugus.

WHS BOYS DO WELL IN MEET WITH MEDFORD

The Winthrop High boys indoor track and field team captured first place in four events in their meet last week with Medford in which the Mustangs prevailed by a score of 55-29.

The four winning performances for the Vikings were: Julian Osorio in the high jump with a leap of 5'-2"; Cam Martin in the hurdles in 8.9; Bobby Hubert in the dash in 6.0; and Cormac MacPhail in the 1,000 in 2:47.9.

Kim Haddar and Ryan Kfoury scored three points for Winthrop with second place efforts, Haddar with a high jump of 5'-2" and Kfoury in the 300 dash in 41.8.

Three Vikings grabbed third place to score a point for Winthrop: Brandon Preble in the shot put with a throw of 32'-8"; Matt Skoboleff in the 600 dash in 1:36.9; and Ryan Cash with a mile run of 6:05.4.

The Vikings were set to be back in action this past Tuesday against Somerville and will face Saugus for their next dual meet on Jan. 3.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

BEEF TENDERLOIN WITH ROASTED SHALLOTS

Ingredients:

3/4 pound shallots, halved lengthwise and peeled

1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil

salt and pepper to taste

3 cups beef broth

3/4 cup port wine

1 1/2 teaspoons tomato paste

2 pounds beef tenderloin roast, trimmed

1 teaspoon dried thyme

3 slices bacon, diced

3 tablespoons butter

1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

4 sprigs watercress, for garnish

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). In 9 inch pie pan, toss shallots with oil to coat. Season with salt and pepper. Roast until shallots are deep brown and very tender, stirring occasionally, about 30 minutes.

2. In a large saucepan, combine beef broth and port. Bring to a boil. Cook over high heat until the volume is reduced by half, about 30 minutes. Whisk in tomato paste. Set aside.

3. Pat beef dry; sprinkle with thyme, salt and pepper. In a large roasting pan, set over medium heat on the stove top, saute bacon until golden. Using a slotted spoon, transfer bacon to paper towels. Add beef to pan; brown on all sides over medium high heat, about 7 minutes.

4. Transfer pan to oven. Roast beef until meat thermometer inserted into center registers 125 degrees F (50 degrees C) for medium rare, about 25 minutes. Transfer beef to platter. Tent loosely with foil.

5. Spoon fat off top of pan drippings in roasting pan. Place pan over high heat on stove top. Add broth mixture, and bring to boil; stir to scrape up any browned bits. Transfer to a medium saucepan, and bring to simmer. Mix 1 1/2 tablespoons butter and flour in small bowl to form smooth paste; whisk into broth mixture, and simmer until sauce thickens. Whisk in remaining butter. Stir in roasted shallots and reserved bacon. Season with salt and pepper.

6. Cut beef into 1/2 inch thick slices. Spoon some sauce over, and garnish with watercress.

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# Winthrop girls hoop plays well in OT loss to Classical

By Cary Shuman

The future may be now for the Winthrop High School girls basketball team.

Led by a talented sophomore class, the Lady Vikings took an always-tough Lynn Classical team in to overtime before falling to the Lady Rams, 50-48, Tuesday night.

Winthrop trailed by seven in the fourth quarter before sophomore guard Carolyn Kinsella launched the comeback with a drive for a basket. Sophomore Caroline Earl hit a two-pointer before she followed with a stop-and-step basket (“We call that the Earl Step,” said head coach Rick Pulsifer) to tie the game at 37-37.

Classical surged ahead in the final minutes, but sophomore Lily Pulsifer connected on a clutch three-pointer with 18 seconds left to tie the game at 43-43, ultimately necessitating overtime.

Classical took the early lead in OT, but once again it was Kinsella leading the comeback with two free throws and a three-pointer.

But Classical was able to



WHS Girls Basketball Head Coach Rick Pulsifer.

hold on when sophomore Maura Dorr’s left-handed 10-footer missed connection right at the buzzer.

Dorr was outstanding in defeat for the Vikings, finishing with a game-high 15 points on the heels of an 18-point performance in a season-opening win over Beverly. Earl had nine points while Kinsella also scored nine, including a nifty steal and coast-to-coast basket. Senior Emma Turner also played well for Winthrop.

Classical Coach Tom Sawyer was impressed by the new-look Winthrop contingent.

“They remind me of those old Winthrop teams when they had that outstanding class that

came through,” said Sawyer. “They start four sophomores and they’re talented kids. We knew last year they were really good as freshmen. They had us down 10-0 in a game last year.”

Rick Pulsifer, who has succeeded Kristin Degou as Winthrop’s head coach, was pleased with his team’s effort against Classical, one of the top teams in the Northeastern Conference for the past few years.

“That was a great game and to start four sophomores and battle a team as good as Classical is, it was a good overall effort,” said Pulsifer. “Lily nailed a big shot for us to push the game in to overtime. Three of our sophomores started last year and we have good depth with eight sophomores, so the future looks bright for Winthrop basketball.”

Meanwhile, Maura Dorr has emerged as a player-to-watch with a total of 33 points in two games. “Maura is an incredible athlete and even when she’s not scoring points, her defense is causing problems for opposing teams,” said Pulsifer.



Winthrop High Head Coach Rick Pulsifer speaks to his players during halftime of the Lady Vikings' game against Lynn Classical Tuesday night in Lynn. Also pictured is Assistant Coach Ben Cimmino (left).

## AROUND THE CITY

### MUSIC AT CLUB PASSIM

Boston-based musicians perform Dec. 19, 8 p.m., in concert Wintery Songs in Eleventy Part Harmony, members \$23, non-members, \$25; Boston Celtic music Ensemble, Fellswater appears, Dec. 20, 8 p.m., \$18/\$20; Aine Minogue follows, Dec. 21, 7 p.m., \$23/\$25. Lori McKenna, and Teenender, opening act, is sold out Dec. 22, 23; Celtic fiddler and cellist, Elizabeth and Ben Anderson, perform at a live music brunch, Dec. 23, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; comedy song concert JewMongus appears, Dec. 24, 7 p.m., \$23/\$25; and Melissa Ferrick appears Dec. 26, 27, at 7 p.m., \$25/\$30. 47 Palmer St., Cambridge.

### JIMMY TINGLE

The celebrated comedian-political satirist-commentator performs his stands-act: “Why Would A Comedian Run for Office?,” Saturday, Dec. 29, 8 p.m., at The Cabot, 286 Cabot St., Beverly. TheCabot.org, info@thecabot.org, 978-927-3100, thecabot.org/event/jimmy-tingle.

### HEADING HOME

Boston Jewish Film Festival presents the theatrical premiere of “Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel,” through Dec. 20, at West Newton. bostonjewishfilm.org.

### CINDERELLA

The touring company of Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “Cinderella” appears Dec. 18-30, at Emerson Colonial Theatre, Boston. Tickets start at \$39.50. EmersonColonialTheatre.com.

### MUSIC AT THE CABOT

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy headlines, Dec. 20; Night Ranger, Dec. 22; Jimmy Tingle does standup, Dec. 29; and Peter Wolf celebrates New Year’s Eve, all at 8 p.m., at The Cabot, 286 Cabot St., Beverly. 978-927-3100, thecabot.org.

### TINY TIM’S CHRISTMAS CAROL

Tickets are selling out fast, but there’s still time to see Greater Boston Stage Company’s produc-

tion of Ken and Jack Ludwig’s “Tiny Tim’s Christmas Carol,” through Dec. 23, with an all-star Boston cast: Dec. 18, 19, 10 a.m.; Dec. 20, 11:45 a.m.; Dec. 22, 23, 11 a.m., 395 Main St., Stoneham. group rates, student matinees. greaterbostonstage.org, 781-279-2200.

### WHAT THE DICKENS!

Cambridge Youth Dance Program presents the dance-theater show, featuring contemporary dance, ballet, tap, hip-hop, flamenco, projections, narrations, and more, through Dec. 23, at John Hancock Hall, 180 Berkeley St., Boston: Friday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 2, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. \$25-\$65. cydp.org.

### MIRANDA

Atlantic Works Gallery features new works by George Shaw and Dominick Takis through Dec. 28. Reception Third Thursday, Dec. 20, 6-9 p.m., 80 Border St. Third Floor, Boston. Gallery

hours Fridays, Saturday, 2-6 p.m., and by appointment.

### BARBERSHOP CHRONICLES

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### ELDERS ASKED ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

CHELSEA – There has been no shortage of discussion about what people think about public transportation service in Chelsea, but many of those conversations don't always include the elderly, and that is one of the largest populations to use the service.

Last week, GreenRoots staff and a graduate student from Boston University gathered to speak to seniors in a multi-lingual, confidential discussion about what needs to be improved.

"We wanted to have this conversation because so many seniors depend on public transportation," said Sarah Levy of GreenRoots. "We want to know what is working and what is not working. We hope this will be a conversation on how to improve public transportation for you all. It's not going to be us coming one time and going away."

The group was lively and many seniors turned out for the meeting.

Some of the answers were unique to the older population.

"The strollers are often a problem for us," said one woman. "Seniors get on with canes or walkers and the baby strollers block the space. When the bus starts going, they can't get to a seat because the strollers slow them down. They can fall down."

Added one woman, "I would suggest that they have strollers get on in back. That gives more space for seniors in the front."

Another request was to educate the young people and adults about getting up to provide a seat for an elderly person.

"I hope the T can have an educational campaign to better let young people know that they are supposed to get up and provide a seat for an elderly or handicapped person," said one man.

By and large, though, the biggest complaint for seniors was the infrequent service and the inaccurate time schedule.

"If you don't come at the right time, you have to wait another hour," said one woman. "The 111 is usually ok, but the 116, 117 and 112 are always late and they are too crowded. Sometimes you can't get on because it's full and then you have to wait an hour for another bus."

Added another woman, "Many people are left behind because the buses are so crowded. They are left standing there in the cold because there is no room for them."

Other major concerns were:

- There needs to be more places to get a Charlie Card in Chelsea.

- The MBTA needs to schedule a time to come to Chelsea to do photos for Senior ID Passes.

- There needs to be more regular 111 buses and fewer 111C buses.

- The Chelsea loop bus to the Mystic Mall needs to be more predictable, and it needs to also go to the Parkway Plaza.

### RINCONS LIQUOR LICENSE SUSPENDED

CHELSEA – Rincons Latinos Restaurant on Washington Avenue has been no stranger to appearing before the Licensing Commission over the past several months.

At the Thursday, Dec. 6 meeting, it was a case of enough was enough for the licensing commissioners, as they voted to suspend the 373 Washington Ave. restaurant's liquor license for eight days. The suspension, largely leveled for repeated instances of exceeding the posted capacity of the establishment, will be served during four weekends over December and January.

A police inspection in October found 42 people in the restaurant, well above the

posted occupancy limit of 17. Police officials also claimed there was missing signage and insufficient lighting in the restaurant.

Attorney John Dodge, representing Orlando Pineda of Rincons Latinos, argued that his client is planning to install a second handicap accessible bathroom in the restaurant. That move would double the occupancy limit of Rincons Latinos from 17 to 34, he said.

"That is the only thing that has been reducing the occupancy level in the restaurant," said Dodge. "It isn't a safety concern in regard to (the number of people) in the restaurant."

"It's just breaking the law and not following rules," countered Mark Rossi, the Licensing Commission chairman.

Dodge said Pineda is doing his best to run a business and will spend upwards of \$7,500 to install the new bathroom to comply with regulations.

"Mr. Pineda has put his life and soul into the place, and he lives right upstairs," Dodge said.

Dodge also noted that the police withdrew a previous charge against the restaurant from the fall that people were illegally bringing cases of beer into and out of the restaurant.

"Mr. Pineda and his brother Ricardo are trying to do the right thing," Dodge said. "They are doing their best to increase the occupancy. I question the fundamental fairness (of the charges)."

Commission member James Guido took exception to Dodge's accusation of unfairness.

"They have had plenty of chances," he said. "The biggest complaint now is the occupancy and we are going to try to deal with that."

Commission member and Inspectional Services Director Mike McAteer said he has been dealing with the occupancy issue and plans for an additional bathroom since July with no movement on the issue from the Pinedas.

Rossi said Dodge was basically taking a "no harm, no foul" approach to the occupancy violations and that the Pinedas have not made enough effort to address them over the past six months.

"The explanation has been, ehrrrr, it's a big enough place and nobody got hurt," Rossi said. "They have not taken the proper steps to alleviate the matter. Now, you are saying give me more time so I can try to make this right."

The commission members batted around several possible punishments, from a 30-day license suspension to outright revocation, before deciding on the eight-day suspension meted out over four weekends.

Rossi said if the establishment violates the 17-person occupancy limit before approval for expanding to 34 people, it will be subject to license revocation proceedings.

In other business, the commission took its annual vote to allow extended New Year's Eve hours to 2 a.m.

The commission also approved giving a six-month extension to Samir, Inc. to find a new location to use a wine and malt beverage license.

### BACK TO DRAWING BOARD FOR ISD ORDINANCE

EVERETT – It's back to the drawing board for a plan to amend an ordinance that would change how the Inspectional Services Department (ISD) handles pre-occupancy inspections for landlords looking to rent vacant apartment units.

Over the past six months, Councilor-At-Large Michael Marchese has been pushing forward a plan that would give landlords more leeway to prevent apartment inspections without first notifying the landlord.

The proposed change has raised the ire of James Soper,

the City's Inspectional Services Director, as well as public safety personnel. The major issue has been the wording in the ordinance which requires the City to notify landlords before conducting an inspection.

In effect, Soper and Fire Chief Tony Carli said this would prevent tenants from requesting an inspection if an inspection is taking place in another unit and would limit inspections of units where inspectors believe there may be an emergency situation, such as a fire or gas leak.

"I'm asking you not to change the ordinance," said Carli at Monday night's City Council meeting. "It is one of the biggest tools we have to fight problems in homes."

Marchese countered that his proposal has nothing to do with safety. He said Inspectional Services is required to do an inspection before occupancy of a vacant unit and any common areas in a building.

"They are supposed to do an inspection so it is safe for new tenants, so I am not sure what the issue is," he said.

What the ordinance does do is prevent inspectors from entering other parts of a building, or other units, without first contacting the landlord.

"We have no intention of running amok," said Soper.

But, he added inspectors should have the right to inspect an area if they believe there is an illegal unit or if they are asked to inspect a unit by another tenant.

"The change (the councilor) does not seem to be getting is the wording in Section D, which limits inspectors to go into another apartment if asked," Soper said.

He said Marchese's changes would also violate state law.

Ward 1 Councilor Fred Capone presented an amendment to Marchese's proposed changes that he said would be fairer to tenants and still help protect the rights of landlords. That amendment will be taken up in committee before coming back to the Council for a vote.

"The intent is to stop tenants from piggybacking on apartment inspections," Capone said. Unless it was an emergency situation, Capone said tenants would have to contact Inspectional Services for a separate visit.

Soper said he would be happy to give more input into Capone's amendment in committee.

"I feel bad that the councilor (Marchese) spent six months on this, when it should have been stopped from day one," said Ward 5 Councilor Rosa DiFlorio. "I want to make sure we do not put language on the books that is not enforceable."

•In other business, the Council voted to postpone a request from the mayor to transfer funds between several City department salary accounts.

The Council did accept a \$1,000 donation from Schnitzer Steel Industries for the city's toy drive, and a donation of \$600 from the Carmen A. Schiavo Association for the city's Department of Veteran Services.

•In the plastic bag realm, the Council had a first hearing of an effort to ban thin plastic bags, a ban similar to the one in Boston that goes into effect this Friday, Dec. 14.

The Everett ordinance would now go to committee for further discussion. One aspect, however, that was stressed by councilors is that any retailer who has a surplus of plastic bags would have one year after the enacted ban to use them up without getting fined. A similar ban in Chelsea was pushed back last year by many retailers who said it would levy more costs upon them.

### RED SOX FOUNDATION DONATES TO EASTIE SCHOOL



Jumping for Joy. Kennedy School Principal Kristen Goncalves (right) and her staff from the Patrick J. Kennedy School jump with Boston Red Sox mascots Wally and Tessie after the Red Sox Foundation and Franklin Sports donates new gym equipment to the school.

### CITY ANNOUNCES WINTER STORM PLANS

EVERETT – With the snow season now upon us, the City is well prepared for both snow removal and emergency measures. The Mayor recently met with his senior staff to ensure that the procedures, staffing, and supplies for snow removal and parking enforcement are effectively in place.

The City has reaffirmed their strategy for notifying residents of parking bans. Parking bans and restrictions will be implemented and enforced ahead of storms to ensure that cars have been removed before the snowfall, so that plows can properly remove snow from streets. Once the decision has been made to declare a snow emergency, the information will be made available to residents through robo calls, postings on ECTV, social media, website and by the activation of the blue emergency lights along main arteries. Residents can also call 311 for any information.

For this snow season, December 2018 – March/April of 2019, the year used for parking bans will be 2019 – an odd numbered year – thus vehicles should park on the ODD side of the street. For secondary streets, where parking is normally allowed on both sides, when a snow emergency is called parking is ONLY allowed on the side of the street where the house numbers are odd. This would apply for the entire snow season. However, streets that are one-sided parking you must remain on the side that is usually allowed. As always, there is no parking permitted on main arteries during a parking ban.

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Failure to follow parking ban and snow emergency regulations will result in the ticketing and towing of vehicles.

The Code Enforcement Department would also like to remind people when shoveling not to throw snow back into the street. This hinders the efforts of the City to effectively plow our roadways, and is subject to fines. Also, using objects to reserve parking spaces on City streets is prohibited by City ordinance.

The Mayor and his administration ask that all residents help the City achieve a successful snow removal season by following these regulations, and thank everyone in advance for their cooperation. For more information, please call the Mayor's Office at 617-394-2270.

### GSCA STILL AGAINST DEVELOPMENT

EAST BOSTON – While members of the Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) did not take an official vote on the proposal to develop the former Mount Carmel Church property into 112 units of housing, one member asked for a show of hands.

"By a show of hands, how many people are 'not' happy with the height of the development?" asked the GSCA member.

While the developer plans to renovate the church and construct four-story row-houses on the vacant parcel along Frankfort Street, the developer's plan to construct a six-story building at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that will replace the existing convent has some concerned.

Most in the audience raised their hands in opposition of the six-story building that will replace the convent.

While it seemed most were happy with the parking ratio and design of the row-houses the height of that one building that is part of the development seems to be a point of contention among GSCA members with some saying it will cause added claustrophobia in the already thickly settled Gove Street neighborhood.

"It's too tall," said another member. "You will be choking us. We need air, we need oxygen, we need open space. It's just too big. I feel like all this development going on is sucking the air out of the community."

Developers Timothy White and Richard Egan officially filed an expanded Project Notification Form (PNF) with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) in October for the Mount Carmel Church project.

According to the developer's PNF filing, White and Egan plan to take the shuttered former Catholic Church, the adjoining rectory, the convent across from the church and the large vacant lot on Frankfort Street that was once owned by the Boston Archdiocese and create approximately 120,430 square feet of residential space and about 22,140 square-feet of open space.

In total the project will include 112 units and 84 parking spaces, 71 of which are located in a below-grade garage. Thirteen of the 84 parking spaces will be located off Lubec Street in a new landscaped lot as part of the project.

The renovated Mount Carmel Church building will include 14 residential units.

The existing rectory and convent buildings will be razed and the vacant Frankfort Street parcel will include the construction of a new building that includes 98 condominium units. The rectory building located at 128-134 Gove Street, and the convent are both com-

promised structurally and are not suitable for human habitation according to current Boston building codes.

According to the filing the proposed project will provide market-rate and affordable units with a variety of unit sizes and styles to accommodate Eastie's diverse and growing population.

The unit designs will vary and include apartments and lofts. The unit mix for the 112 units will comprise a mix of studio units, one-bedroom or one-bedroom-plus-den units, and two-bedroom units.

Thirteen percent of the units will be designated as affordable in accordance with the BPDA's Inclusionary Development Policy (IPD).

In the PNF, White and Egan wrote that the former Mount Carmel Church building "will be the cornerstone of this development".

"This will be a respectfully reused converted into spacious loft-style living units that capture the soaring interior spaces and volume of the building," they wrote. "There will be three levels of residential units with the top-floor units capturing the currently hidden truss space above the vaulted ceiling. The exterior of the building, including its brick and stone façade, will be restored. It will be sensitively repaired where religious iconography was removed. The front door and side window openings will be lowered to the ground to better connect the building to the street and surrounding landscape."

The developers will also create a reflective outdoor space along the widened sidewalks at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that honors Mount Carmel's history.

On the vacant lot the developers plan to erect a building that mirrors the brick row-houses along Frankfort Street. The four-story structure will extend along Frankfort Street and articulate as individual row-houses with separate, raised entrances and planter boxes. The fourth floor will contain setbacks for private deck space while reducing the massing along Frankfort Street.

This design was in response to many residents at past meetings not liking the modern design of some of the buildings. The original design included a mix of glass and other materials but residents asked the developer to consider replicating the architectural styles of the turn of the 20th-century brick buildings along Frankfort Street.

The developers will also construct the six-story building at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that will replace the existing convent.

At Monday night's meeting residents asked, if the project is approved, how long it would take to construct.



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White said ideally he would like to do the entire project in one phase to cause as little disruption to the surrounding neighborhood and the Donald McKay School.

“Once construction begins it would take 14 to 18 months,” said White. “Ideally we would like to schedule work in the summer months when children are not in school at the McKay. Our construction management plan will be aimed at safety and keeping traffic flowing smoothly around the site. If we are unable to the project in one phase our plan is to start with the church and use the vacant lot on Frankfort Street as a staging area and then move to the Frankfort Street parcel once the church and convent is completed.”

White and Egan purchased the property in 2015 for \$3 million.

**FRIENDS OF THE EAST BOSTON GREENWAY ANNOUNCE NEW COORDINATOR**  
EAST BOSTON - The Friends of the East Boston Greenway announced the appointment of Michelle Moon as the neighborhood's new Greenway Coordinator.

Moon is an urban planner who works on greenways, parks, placemaking, and active transit projects in collaboration with community-led groups, nonprofits, and local governments.

Moon is currently the project manager for the Fairmount Greenway in Boston, and has worked on the Watertown Community Path, at the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, The Esplanade Association, and The Trust for Public Land.

Moon said all of her work centers around connecting to people with places and nature, as well helping to improve access to a healthy lifestyle.

“I’m very excited to join the Friends of the East Boston Greenway,” said Moon. “It’s great to work with a group that has a long history of committed members combined with new energy to the group to continue to maintain and improve the East Boston Greenway.”

Longtime Friends of the East Boston Greenway board member Karen Maddalena said Moon is a wonderful pick.

“Michele Moon is a wonderful addition to the Friends of the East Boston Greenway,” said Maddalena. “With her past experience and expert knowledge she will do a wonderful job in her role as the Greenway Coordinator.”

Eastie Farms’ Kannan Thiruvengadam, who has been doing a lot of Greenway programming and volunteerism, called Moon “an energetic person.”

“She has good knowledge of the organizational ecosystem in the City of Boston and prior work experience in green space-related coordi-

nation work from Fairmount Greenway in Dorchester,” said Thiruvengadam. “Such cross-neighborhood connection and collaboration has exciting possibilities.”

Longtime Friends of the East Boston Greenway member and advocate Chris Marchi, who played a huge role in extending the Greenway to Constitution Beach several years ago, said the Friends group is lucky to have Moon.

“She has a long history of supporting open space and greenway projects and working with community residents and government officials,” said Marchi. “Michelle (Moon) is a great addition with a tremendous amount of experience.”

Moon said that when she is not working on public open space issues you can find her riding her bike or hiking in the White Mountains.

### LYNN TAX RATE ANNOUNCED

LYNN – The City Council, based on information from the Board of Assessors, set the tax rate for fiscal year 2019. Taxpayers can expect to see the results in their January 2019 tax bill. The average residential bill will go up by \$123 and the average tax bill should be about \$4,656.

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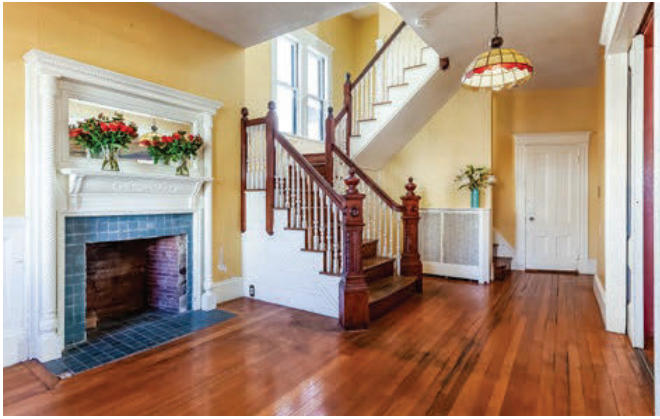
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