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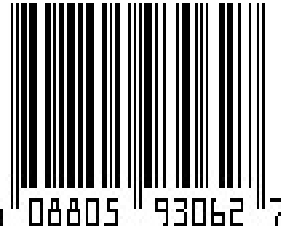
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CINCO DE MAYO IN THE MARSH

The Friends of Belle Isle Marsh and the Department of Conservation and Recreation invite residents to join in the May in the Marsh event on May 5, from 1-3 p.m. Attendees should meet at the reservation on Bennington Street for a fun Cinco de Mayo, with live animals, live music, information tables and activities for all. This event is free and open to the public.

RUN, WALK OR ROLL MAY 5

WINARC is hosting its annual "Run, Walk, or Roll Fundraiser" at Deer Island on Sunday, May 5 at 11 a.m., rain or shine. Donations help support current recreational and educational activities for participants with special needs:

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WAA 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

Beverly Brody-Barisano, founder of the Winthrop Art Association (WAA), celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Association on Friday, April 26, during the organization's annual Spring Show. Brody-Barisano started the WAA 50 years ago by putting an ad in the Winthrop Transcript looking for others who might be interested in art. Over time, it has grown into a strong family of Winthrop creatives.

— IT'S STARTING TO FEEL LIKE SPRING —



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

WIHA CELEBRATES ARBOR DAY: Pictured above, Michael Herbert, Stephanie Honan, Claire Hubbard, Christine Reilly, Anya Panagakos, Evelyn Feeley, Tony Joneck, and George Rainville during the Arbor Day celebration on April 27 at the Deane Winthrop House. Spring cleaning was done around the grounds and a tree was planted. See more photos on Page 7.

PHOTO BY KATE ANSLINGER

SPRING BIKE KICK-OFF: Pictured left, Ben Flanders cruises through the bike rodeo during the annual Spring Bike Ride on Saturday, April 27. Though it was a bit chilly, it didn't chase off children and adults ready to ride.

Restorative Justice seeks volunteers in Winthrop

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Winthrop became a Restorative Justice Community in October 2018 and now community volunteers are being sought to join in the program and embrace a partnership with One Winthrop.

Restorative justice is system of criminal justice, which focuses on the rehabilitation of offenders through reconciliation with victims and the

community at large.

"It's a community-driven initiative affirming and celebrating our commitment to social values of diversity, compassion, community and respect," said Erin Freeborn, state executive director of the program, who spoke at the Winthrop Public Library last Thursday night. "We are a community police partnership. Winthrop is one of our newer communities to partici-

pate and we are looking for as many volunteers as possible."

Communities for Restorative Justice, also known as C4RJ, is an emerging and blossoming part of our criminal justice system," Freeborn said, adding that Chelsea is the closest community to also use restorative justice on cases such as shoplifting, breaking and entering, vandalism and more.

"The mission of C4RJ is to help the victim, restorative justice is victim centered process," Freeborn said, adding that participating communities pay \$2,500 in dues each year.

Winthrop resident and volunteer Elaine Abrams, one of two Winthrop volunteers said, "it's a wonderful program

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MassSTART program builds overall success in students' lives

By Kate Anslinger

The Arthur T. Cummings School (ATC) is home to many great afterschool activities, one of which is MassSTART.

Operating in partnership with North Suffolk Mental Health Association and Winthrop

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WINTHROP GETS READY FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

The Gorman Fort Banks Elementary School is ready to welcome and register kindergarten eligible students for the 2019-2020 academic year. Children must be five years old by September 1, 2019 and reside in Winthrop.

Registration occurs by appointment only and will take place at the school as follows:
May 1st 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and May 2nd 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and May 3rd from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All registration materials must be completed and required documentation provided in order to register a student.

Registration packets are available on line at www.winthrop.k12.ma.us and in the registration office located outside the front entrance of the Gorman Fort Banks School.
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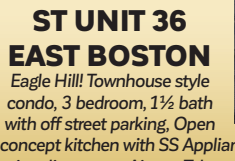
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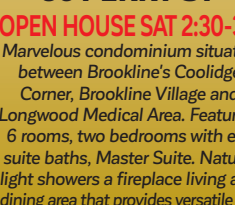
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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Monday, April 22
Minor motor vehicle accident at Revere and Summit Avenue. Papers were exchanged.
Party complaining about vehicle on Revere Street. Caller claims there is a white pickup truck and minivan that have been parked on the old dump road for 2-4 weeks. 92 headed over to Argyle Street. Swiss port headquarters was spoken to regarding employees parking their cars illegally. Officer spoke to the manager and they will be removing the abandoned vehicles from the dirt road.
Motor vehicle stop at Winthrop Street and Wadsworth Avenue. Owner is registering his vehicle with his smart phone now. Operator is known to the officer.
Calling party on Pauline Street is owner of convenience store. He states a car has been parked in the one hour parking since early this morning. Vehicle has been moved. Units cleared.
Motor vehicle stop at Cumberland Farms. Registration was canceled. Shows no vehicle make, model or color. Two in hand and requesting G&J for a tow. Cancel the tow, party is showing proper paperwork, just purchased, and will have another licensed driver take the vehicle. One in custody for two counts of warrant arrest.
Party came to the station to report being threatened as well as members of his family by the estranged father of his son's former girlfriend.
Unit off speaking to a female party on Waldemar Avenue.

Tuesday, April 23
Caller from Governors Park states there are three male parties inside the lobby being very loud. Spoke to two male parties who both live there and they are going inside for the night.
911 open line from a landline on Bowdoin Street. Static in the background. When number was called back, there was more static in the background. No answer at the

door. 91 attempting to contact via phone. 91 spoke with resident at address and there was no emergency.
Caller states there is street sweeping on Hawthorne Avenue and no one is moving their vehicles or being ticketed. Street sweeping has a deal and will handle it when she gets there.
Five motor vehicles tagged on Hawthorn Avenue for hindering street sweeping.
Motor vehicle stop on Woodside Avenue. Verbal warning for stop sign violation. Units made him aware he needs to update his license since he has been living in Massachusetts for over two years.
Investigation follow-up on Winthrop Street. Clear, unable to locate.
Party on Summit Avenue states there are dogs in a car in and they have been there for about two hours. 93 requesting a second officer. 91 responded. 93 requesting a tow. 93 states the dogs are in the vehicle in cages. 93 canceling the tow but incident number given. Party will be summoned.
Elderly female on Tewksbury Street called business line stating she has no hot water. Female started talking about the fire department and trash barrels. Seems somewhat confused. Officer will check her well being. 93 and 91 on the scene. 93 states subject is fine but has no hot water. She was informed to contact a plumber.
Reporting party on Shirley Street states a male party knocked on her door and tried to enter her house. She believes he was under the influence of something. He is now heading towards the vicinity of the fire station. No weapons seen. 91 off with subject at Elmwood and Washington Avenue. Units requiring medical and they are en route. Party is being transported to the hospital, possibly related to diabetes.
Party came in to report he sideswiped a vehicle on Kennedy Road, causing damage to the other vehicle's driver's

side mirror. Report to follow.
Report of possible silver Jeep on fire on Pauline Street. WFD on scene. Motor vehicle overheated. No danger and the vehicle will be towed.
Caller on Charles Street states that object in his basement is broken. He believes that his new tenant broke the objects. Officer reports he spoke to the landlord and weights were tipped over a broken mirror. He does not want to press charges and he will handle civilly and determine what route is best to take with tenant. Officer also reports evidence of 94C activity.
A quarantine was issued from dog bite on Sunday on Bartlett Road.
Caller at Governors Park states that his neighbor is making threats toward him. Officers going to speak with neighbor. Officer spoke with both parties. Issue was over road rage and parties were advised not to both each other anymore.
Party on Main Street reports there is a kid standing in the middle of the street talking on his cell phone. He won't leave the street. Officer reports male party was having an argument with a friend when a passerby asked him if he wanted him to call the police, in which the male stated "That's fine if you want to". The other male party left the scene prior to officers' arrival. Peace was restored and male party will be heading home.

Wednesday, April 24
911 call on Grovers Avenue. Male party stated he was playing with his Apple watch and accidentally dialed 911. 91 spoke to family and they stated it was an Apple watch 911 dial and it was accidental.
Calling party stated there are cars parked on Madison and Bowdoin and there is street sweeping today. Caller was advised there are units going around to check.
Party on Revere Street states an employee made threats to another employee. No weapons. Subject left in grey Acura SUV. Units off to Governors Park talking to party. Units clear, talked to all parties involved. No threats made. Parties were advised to stay away from Cumberland Farms to avoid further issues.
93 off with motor vehicle on Shore Drive. Citation issued for failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.
911 hangup from Main Street. Pinging within six

meters of location but went straight to voice mail on call back. Spoke with parties in the area and nothing showing. As officer was leaving party made himself known to officer stating there was a verbal argument over parking spot. Other party left the scene.
Harbor 1 at the Cottage Park YC with the sailing team.
Motor vehicle stop on Douglas Street for red light violation. Citation given. Massachusetts resident and he was advised to obtain a Mass driver's license.
Report that vehicle has been parked on Winthrop Street for a year. It has a rejection sticker on it. White Chevy Monte Carlo. Officer reports G&J has vehicle and owner will be getting a summons for offensives.
Caller on Johnson Avenue reports that some guy came to her door, asking a lot of questions about solar panels. Officer spoke with male in question. Party was advised to get a permit.
Party on Linden Street reports that her son is throwing rocks and flipping off random people. 8-year-old boy. Requesting an ambulance. No transport, the child and mother went back in home.
Report that between Nevada and Forrest Street, two men and one female seems like they were rushing to take things out of a trash bin. Officers off with party on Shirley Street. Officers report party used to live at the house and went to get things. He was retrieving items of his that his landlord threw in the trash. Landlord on the scene and she was told that she had no right putting party's belongings in the trash. Officers are arranging to put all his items back in room tonight. Party will be arranging to come back tomorrow to get the remaining items. There should be no further issues. All items were put back into the house and secured. Transportation has been set up for tomorrow.

Thursday, April 25
Assisted ATF on Sagamore Avenue. One under arrest for warrant. Did a courtesy booking.
Follow-up investigation on Winthrop Street. Clear, spoke to the subject.
Motor vehicle stop on Winthrop Street. Verbal warning for one way violation.
DPW flagged down officer. They found an elderly man who seems to be lost. Party's

family member called him and told police he is visiting from Philadelphia and staying on Marshall Street. 92 gave party a ride home.
Marine 1 reports being in the water at the CPYC with the high school sailing team.
Caller at Seal Harbor reports that there is a used syringe out from. This was called in by the front desk. Item picked up and disposed of at the station.
Party states he received a scam call from some one demanding money. He did not give any personal information.
Frequent caller on Woodside Avenue states people outside being very loud. Unit stated there was one person outside.

Friday, April 26
92 stated there was a sign that was struck at the corner of Willow and Washington Avenue. Unit was able to move it off to the side.
Parking control issued seven tickets to vehicles on Shirley Street.
Caller from repo states vehicle being towed on Girdlestone Road. Party called back and paperwork issued and vehicle was released back to the owner. Vehicle was not towed.
Motor vehicle accident at Antique Table. No injury. Minor in nature. Truck left the scene. Victim does to want to pursue anything.
Party came to the station to report regarding several threatening and harassing text messages from unknown telephone numbers. Party filled out victim/witness statement. The text messages/pictures were documented and she will allow detectives to access her phone on Monday.
911 call from Main and Hermon streets. Party states there was a car accident involving the vehicle behind her. Vehicle was towed.
Todisco Towing checked into police headquarters to report towing vehicle from Governors Park for a parking violation.
Female party on Court Road called 911 asking for the hospital phone number. It was an elderly person and unit was going to check her well-being. Officer spoke to the female who confirmed it was accidental. She meant to dial 411.
Todisco Towing reports towing vehicle from Governors Park for being a trespass vehicle.
Abandoned vehicle called

in on Franklin Street. It has been there for months. Officer spoke to the reporting party and will attempt to make contact with the registered owner. Unit unable to locate the registered owner. A 72-hour sticker will be placed on the vehicle and will be towed if not moved within the time frame.
Caller on Revere Street states that she witnessed a male party fighting with the owner of the business. He knocked the owner to the ground. He left heading towards East Boston. Owner stated that she did not want medical assistance. 92 requests EMS. WFD and Action responded. The victim's cell phone was also stolen during the altercation. Attempted to get a ping from the phone carrier. 94 located the phone on Harvard Street. Canceling with Verizon. Units report the altercation occurred because the party wanted a refund for services rendered and the owner/victim refused. The owner does not know the suspect by name. The liquor store next door may have surveillance video of the incident. Units will follow-up with them tomorrow. Victim refused medical transport and was evaluated on the scene. Area search for the suspect was negative.
A cell phone was turned in at the station that someone found while he was walking in the area outside the station. Through contacting phone number that appeared on the home screen unit was able to determine the identity of the owner of the phone.

Saturday, April 27
Report that two cars are blocking street on Sea Foam Avenue and are parked on the sidewalk. The two vehicles were moved from the sidewalk.
A dispute between neighbor and contractor on Villa Avenue. Units spoke with involved parties and peace was restored.
Party came to the station to report the theft of an iPad.
Vehicle on Hagman Road with expired registration. G&J requested to tow the vehicle. They have the vehicle and owner will be mailed a citation for allowing an unregistered motor vehicle on a public way.
Follow-up from incident from previous night. Attempting to recover surveillance

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Special Olympics, Bowling, Dances, Hip-hop, Sing-alongs, Arts and Crafts, and Field Trips.

Registration on May 5 is from 9:30-10:30 a.m. before the event. After participants have finished their walk around the island, there will be refreshments, music and raffles available. For further information contact Nancy Giuffre (co-president) at 617-640-4292.

WINTHROP ELEMENTARY STUDENTS HONORED

A Winthrop second-grader is this year’s top winner in UMass Lowell’s annual Cool Science Contest, which teaches K-12 students across Massachusetts about how they can use art to teach the public about climate change.

The competition asks students from around the Commonwealth to create artwork that illustrate important aspects of the science behind climate change. The best of these submissions are displayed in and on Lowell Regional Transit Authority buses, where they educate thousands of

passengers and others each day. This year, more than 240 young people participated in the competition.

Lucas Mason, a student at William P. Gorman Fort Banks Elementary School in Winthrop, is this year’s recipient of the UMass Lowell David Lustick Award, which recognizes outstanding achievement in the contest.

Lucas and other Cool Science winners, their parents and teachers were honored during a ceremony on Friday, April 26 at O’Leary Library Learning Commons on UMass Lowell’s South Campus, where the students’ artwork was displayed in a gallery-style exhibit and inside an LRTA bus parked outside the venue. As Cool Science’s overall winner, Lucas’ entry was emblazoned on the side of the bus.

Presenting Lucas with the award was Jill Lohmeier of Westford, an associate professor of curriculum and instruction in the UMass Lowell College of Education. The honor is named in memory of Lustick, a former Nashua, N.H., resident and UMass Lowell College of Education professor who was a nationally recognized champion of

environmental education. Lustick and Lohmeier founded Cool Science in 2013 to study the effectiveness of using artwork on public transit to educate people and stimulate interest in learning more about climate change.

Gia Ceresani of Winthrop, a second-grader at William P. Gorman Fort Banks Elementary School, is a runner-up.

Lohmeier continues this work today with fellow researchers UMass Lowell Art and Design Prof. Stephen Mishol and Prof. Bob Chen, director of UMass Boston’s School for the Environment.

“When we survey bus riders each year, we find they know more about climate change and are more interested in learning about it after seeing the students’ artwork,” Lohmeier said. “Adults can learn a lot from kids and are often more interested in the students’ messages than in lessons from other adults.”

Mishol has been impressed with the quality of artwork he sees in the contest.

“Each year, I am amazed that these young artists continue to find new ways to address the issue of climate change. It’s clear participants have a real connection to this subject.

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footage for business on Revere Street. Surveillance was unable to capture anything useful.

Caller on Cutler Street states there is a party in the backyard with loud music. Party was inside and very cooperative. He is shutting it down for the night.

Sunday, April 28

Vehicle blocking driveway on Bates Avenue. Caller is trying to park his vehicle. Parking citation issued. Owner moved the vehicle.

Caller on Cutler Street states that her neighbor is yelling and slamming stuff.

Unsure if it’s a party or a fight. Units spoke to the owner of the apartment. They are keeping the noise down for the night.

Unit off checking a running motor vehicle at the Public Landing. Couple of parties were sent on their way.

Caller on Shirley Street had a past argument with owner of restaurant. She was then kicked out of the restaurant and proceeded to walk home. She would like to speak to an officer. Units spoke to the party and it was a small verbal argument. Party is staying in for the night.

Unit checked the state of a

party in a vehicle on Shirley Street. Party was taking a nap in her car before walking into her residence.

Calling party on Somerset Avenue states that her neighbor has left for the day and left her TV on extremely loud. Services were rendered.

Resident on Somerset Avenue came in to report an ongoing harassment from upstairs neighbor. Just wanted it on record.

Grovers Avenue reports rusty water. DPW notified.

Walk-in from Bowdoin Street to report a past breaking and entering by her daughter’s ex-boyfriend.

MASSPORT PRESENTS EMERGENCY RESPONSE RADIOS TO TOWN



The Town of Winthrop used part of Massport’s PILOT payment to purchase emergency response radios for the Winthrop Police and Fire Departments. The presentation ceremony celebrated the partnership between Massport, Winthrop, and the elected officials. Front row, from left, are Council President Ron Vecchia, Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, Acting Massport CEO John Pranckevicius, Sen. Joseph Boncore, Town Manager Austin Faison, and Massport Director of Government and Community Relations Alaina Coppola. Back row, from left, are Sgt. Judy Racow, Deputy Chief John Goodwin, Sgt. Mary Crisafi, Detective Timmy Callinan, Detective Dawn Armistead, Communications and Interoperability Manager Steve Staffier, Winthrop Fire Chief Paul Flanagan, Massport Fire Chief Joseph DeGrace III, and Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty.

I think the students realize their work can make a positive difference in this issue for the future,” Mishol said.

Contest participants benefit in other ways, according to Chen.

“From my talks with award winners in the past, I’ve learned of many positive impacts, including some students who have found the award to be the highlight of the semester and even helped turn their school year around,” Chen said.

Cool Science research is

conducted by the College of Education through the UMass Lowell Center for Program Evaluation, which is managed by Shanna Rose Thompson of Dracut, who holds a doctorate in education from the university. UMass Lowell undergraduate students who helped survey LRTA passengers for the project include history major Sarah McDermott of Billerica and biomedical engineering major Sarnise Compere of Easton. They were joined by graduate students Kimberly Gonzalez, Bangsil

Oh and Kathleen Ralls, all of Lowell; Martin Trice of Marblehead; and Jared Dmello of Tyngsborough.

Cool Science’s partners include the LRTA and ATA Outdoor, which donated advertising space on the bus fleet, and Stone Jetty Marketing & Design, which prepared the artwork for display. Cool Science is sponsored by UMass Lowell and its College of Education.

The event honored Lucas as well as other first-place finishers and runners-up.

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meeting were drafts.

Envelo Properties of Boston and Newport purchased the property at 1026 Somerset (the former Dollar Store) for \$1.2 million over a year ago after being vacant for 10 years.

Attorney James Cipoletta, who represents developer Joanna Schwartz and Envelo Properties, said yesterday that he filed a petition with the Zoning Board of Appeal two variances – one for height, one for dimensional requirements.

“I am happy that the town is going through this process as you call it. I am also very confounded at the moment, encouraged but confounded.

This is the first step of the process. The reality goes on mortgage payments go on, people who are living this everyday. Who have been dealing with this process for many years at this point.

I look at this map. I was here before the Planning Board three weeks ago and a letter was read from the zoning officer, who now is somehow not included in this process and who ruled my property abuts residential district – which I vehemently disagree with.”

She added that this sends her project into a very long, a costly and very uncertain approval process with the town. She

contents here property does not abut a residential district.

“But confounded as to how the town got to a point three weeks ago the official zoning officer is making a ruling and three weeks later, in public, being the official mantra of the town. The official map of the town is different and now is being presented as a being of a process,” Schwartz said.

“The zoning enforcement officer was held independent of this process,” said Rodrigues. “He’s never seen these maps. We’re viewing these for future projects.”

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EFFORT TO BAN ROBOCALLS

Robocalls are the new plague of the digital and cell phone era.

According to some estimates, Americans received 48 billion robocalls last year, up from 30 billion in 2017. It used to be that only a person’s land line would be subject to telemarketers, but these days our wireless phones also are being deluged on a daily basis with these annoying phone calls from robocall centers that typically operate from overseas.

The latest nuance in the robocalling game is spoofing, whereby a robocall essentially hijacks a local phone number, tricking the receiver of the phone call into thinking that the call is coming from someone in one’s hometown.

No one is immune from the scourge of pre-recorded robocalls trying to scam us out of our money. And the calls seem to never stop coming. The deluge of these robocalls have become the number one complaint of Americans who have a phone line -- which is to say, just about all of us.

Robocalls have become an epidemic that must be stopped and to that end, U.S. Sen. Ed Markey has introduced a bill, known as the TRACED Act, that will give authorities and the telecom companies the ability to find, catch, and prosecute scammers.

The TRACED Act gives the FCC the authority to levy civil penalties against scammers, extends the window from one to three years to take action against intentional violators, and requires telephone providers to adopt call authentication technologies to verify that incoming calls are legitimate.

This bill already has overwhelming bipartisan support -- one of the few things that Republicans and Democrats can agree upon these days -- and recently passed a Senate committee by a 26-0 margin.

Each of us can show our solidarity behind ending the scourge of robocalls by calling Sen. Markey’s office to become a citizen co-sponsor of the TRACED Act.

Let our elected officials know that the sooner Congress takes action, the better.

WILL APRIL SHOWERS BRING
MAY FLOWERS?

As Bob Dylan noted, ‘you don’t need a weatherman to tell you which way the wind is blowing.’ Similarly, we have not needed a weatherman to tell us that this has been a particularly rainy April.

However, we learned this week just how rainy it has been with the news that this April has set the record for the most days with rain. The previous record had been 19 days, set in 1912. However, as this is being written, we are poised to attain a new mark of 21 days with rain.

We hasten to point out that this has not been the wettest April. Although total rainfall is more than three inches above normal for the month, it still is well below a record-setting total.

Yes, the mild temperatures have been nice -- this April reportedly is in the top 10 for warmest-ever -- but with all of that the wind and rain, especially coming off the ocean, we have not been able to enjoy the warmth as much as we would have liked.

Hopefully, the old song about April showers bringing May flowers will be predictive of the month ahead. So we thought it would be appropriate to publish a verse from that old song, which has been around since the 1920s:

*Though April showers may come your way
They bring the flowers that bloom in May
So if it's raining have no regrets
Because it isn't raining rain you know, it's raining violets
And where you see clouds upon the hills
You soon will see crowds of daffodils
So keep on looking for a blue bird
And list'ning for his song
Whenever April showers come along*

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LETTERS to the Editor

Great Times for Biking
in Winthrop!
DEAR EDITOR:

Thank you to the more than 300 people (judging by how many hot dogs and ice creams were enjoyed) who came out last Saturday to fix a flat, take a ride, try a Lime-E bike, plant a flower, and grab a new helmet at the Winthrop Spring Bike Kickoff and Ride! We're grateful for our continued partnership with the Winthrop Police and MassBike in mak-

ing the event such a success, as well as to Linda Calla from Coldwell Banker and Stephen Hines from Robert Paul Properties for donating bikes to the raffle. Congrats to the winners! Thanks also to FKO, Harbor City Church, Lime Bike, Winthrop Cyclworks and Mothers Out Front for bringing even more value to the event.

For those who weren't able to make it or stop by our table, we'd like to share the exciting news that the House

recently voted to include Rep. Madaro's budget amendment request for funding to help extend the East Boston Greenway from its current terminus at Constitution Beach to Orient Heights and all the way to Winthrop! What an asset this could be for our town. Thank you to Speaker DeLeo for approving this request and to everyone in town who made calls and wrote emails and signed our petition to support it. Now, it's on to the Senate where Sen. Boncore will have

a chance to weigh in and help make this critical funding official.

We'd also like to invite Winthrop residents to take our short community survey about biking patterns and preferences in our town. Whether you bike every day or never want to set foot on pedal, we want to hear from you:

<https://tinyurl.com/winthropbike>

Julia Wallerice

GUEST OP-ED

Fighting the opioid epidemic with care and data

By Alexander Acosta

A little more than a year ago, I had the opportunity to visit Maryhaven treatment facility in Columbus, Ohio, to hear from those recovering from the effects of addiction. The visit was an impactful one. I met with individuals who talked about the terrible impact addiction had on their families. I heard from employers looking to offer a second chance to those in need. I heard from both about the importance of job skills and having a job in recovery.

With National [prescription] Take Back Day this week, the Department of Labor released new informa-

tion on what we have learned about the opioid crisis and how we are improving our effectiveness in overcoming its challenges.

In 2017, President Donald Trump's administration declared the opioid epidemic a national public health emergency and directed all executive agencies to use every appropriate emergency authority to minimize the devastation. Since 2017, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' (OWCP) has dedicated significant resources to stem the abuse, misuse, and proliferation of opioids to protect 2.7 million federal workers from harmful opioid prescrip-

tion practices.

The use of opioids to treat injured federal workers continued, virtually unchecked, until 2017. The capability to monitor dose level and duration by the department was not even available until operational changes were instituted that year. Since we started this effort, a series of successes can be attributed to the implementation of a four-point strategic plan: (1) effective controls, (2) tailored treatment, (3) impactful communications with employees and providers, and (4) aggressive fraud detection.

The strategic plan's core is a process where the department continuously gathers information and analyzes

data. The results yielded great progress:

- 51 percent decline in new opioid prescriptions that last more than 30 days;
- 59 percent decline in claimants prescribed a morphine equivalent dose (MED) of 500 or more;
- 31 percent decline in claimants prescribed a MED of 90 or more;
- 30 percent decline in overall opioid use; and
- 24 percent drop in new opioid prescriptions

A recent study highlights the unique challenges facing a legacy population of injured federal workers who have

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what speaks to me. It is the opportunity to effect a change in someone's life, the offender ("responsible party" as C4RJ says) gets to take responsibility and the victim gets to speak about what they really felt."

Terri Bracy, the second Winthrop volunteer, has participated in C4RJ in the past. "We work at the front end of the criminal justice process," Freeborn said.

During Freeborn's presentation a video is shown with six people sitting on chairs in a circle. One is the responsible party, two are victims, another guides the group -- they do this only if they want to.

It works the same in Winthrop with the police suggesting what cases would work best with restorative justice.

It works well for home breaks, vandalism, stupid



Terri Bracy, Erin Freeborn and Elaine Abrams.

crimes young people commit, the ones that land you with a police record that can impact you for life and a host of other crimes.

There is an advisory group and a board of community leaders who give program strength and endurance to the process.

"The difference in restorative justice and a court case is who decides the outcome," Freeborn said.

The police will recommend a case for restorative justice, there is a discussion about the case, if the victims are interested in participating

and if the person who responsible is taking ownership of the incident they proceed. There are intake interviews with both parties. They also ensure everything is safe for those involved. "Our program was created as a community police partnership to respond to crimes," Erin said, adding they partner with the Middlesex and Suffolk District Attorney's Office also.

"We provide a space where the victim can address the person who harmed them," Erin said "And where the responsible party can better understand."

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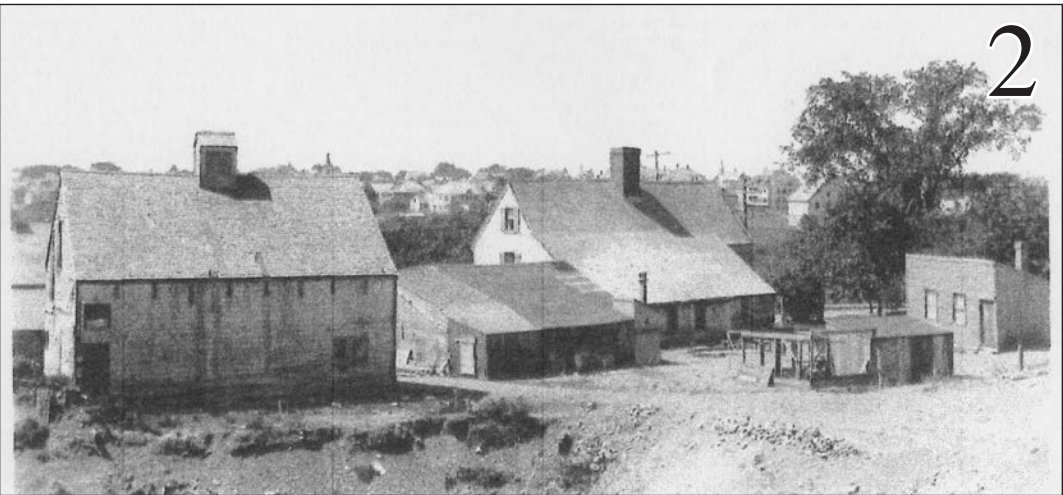
Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

ARTICLE 877 - THE DEANE WINTHROP HOUSE DURING ITS FIRST 382 YEARS



Dean Winthrop House, built in 1630, Winthrop, Mass.



Periodically we like to re-view the very early days of Winthrop’s history. One must be aware that when the English first arrived our entire peninsula was covered with trees inter disbursed with lush fields of grass and salt water marshes. It was a place of great beauty where the Native Americans (Indians) came to spend the summer, play games and enjoy ocean breezes along with the many varieties of sea food that were available for the taking. In 1635, the Puritans of Boston first used Winthrop as a place to keep their livestock of cattle, sheep and goats under the care of a resident herdsman, William Cheseborough. Because of its rich soil and close proximity to Boston, Pulling Pointe’s value as a site for salt-water farming became evident. Salt water hay, which was good fodder for livestock, could be easily grown here and transported to nearby Boston for their animals to feed on. Such salt-water hay reproduces through its root system instead of by seeds and our rich beds of kelp provided the fertilizer for such crops. Winthrop thus became a desirable place to establish a homestead for farming. A structure of some sort was constructed between 1637 and 1639 by the first owner of this Deane Winthrop House site, Captain William Pierce. In 1637 all the land in the then Pullen Pointe was allotted to fifteen men for farm-

ing with the understanding that a dwelling had to be built on each parcel within two years for the owner to retain title. Said shelter would have been of the first settlement period similar to those that can be seen at the reproduction of the 1627 Plymouth settlement i.e. one room built of wood, plastered with clay and having a fireplace. There would have been a loft above for the children to sleep and any windows would have had waxed parchment paper in them. While not fully verified, some of the timbers from it were probably used in the original part of the current house. It is doubtful that the Pierce’s ever lived here but had servants run the farm. Their residence was on Pierce Alley in Boston where State Street is today.

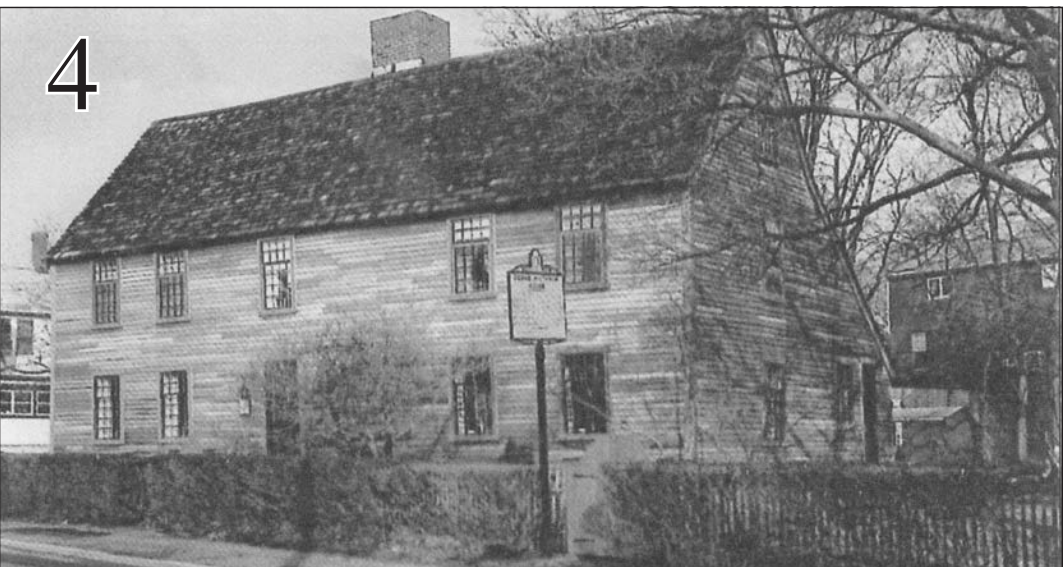
The left (westerly) side of this house was initially constructed as an addition about 1675 with a fashionable facade gable in the roof and windows with diamond shaped panes in lead glazing. It was then enlarged about 1695 to its full width and had a second facade gable in the roof. The attic framing does not have a ridgepole and is fastened together with pegs as was done in the late 1600’s. In 1754, the current basement was constructed, the house reset onto the new foundation and the large five flue chimney built on the base of the original 1675/95 chimney. The full width lean-to across

the rear of the house appears to also have been added about the same 1754 period. At this time the outside appearance was converted to a Georgian period design with double hung windows, as seen today, and the two facade gables removed. It is today believed to be oldest continuously lived in home in the country, the oldest building still standing in what was old Boston, and is reported to be one of the very few wood frame houses that has survived to current times.

Picture #1 shows the Deane Winthrop House as it appeared from the street about 1890 and picture #2 depicts it from the rear with its associated farm buildings during the same period. Picture #3 is of the first floor West room known as the Great Room where formal dinners and parties were held. It was here that Deane’s daughter Mercy was married to Atherton Haugh in 1699. Picture #4, taken in 2002 by James Forster, depicts the house as it appears today. Our community has much to be proud of with this 382-year old house still standing and being preserved by the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association for today’s residents to enjoy. Tours of the house may be arranged by calling 846-8606. The association holds Strawberry Festivals annually in June to which the public is invited.



West Room of Deane Winthrop House



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 April 29, 1999

The annual town election is set for this Monday, with the hotly-contested selectman’s race between incumbent Gerald Ogus and challenger Michael Delehanty, the President of the Police Union, highlighting the balloting.

Longtime residents are mourning the passing of former selectman Henry O’Connell, who died peacefully at the age of 77 at the Chelsea Soldiers Home, where he had been residing for the past few months. O’Connell served as a selectman from 1958-64 and again from 1969-72. He was a graduate of Winthrop High Class of 1939, Boston College in 1943, and Boston College Law School in 1949. He served in the Coast Guard in WWII in the Pacific, where his ship was torpedoed and eventually was towed 4,000 miles for repairs. He was known as an authority on municipal affairs and parliamentary procedure. He was a life member of the Cottage Park, Winthrop, and Pleasant Park yacht clubs, as well as the local K of C and veterans organizations, and served as President of the Mass. Boating and Yacht Clubs Assoc. in 1964. His brother, Richard “Dick” O’Connell, was the general manager and vice-president of the Boston Red Sox for many years and is credited with reviving the Sox during the Impossible Dream season.

Winthrop police officer Giulio Bonavita fired five shots at the tires of a motor vehicle that was being operated by a 15-year-old youth from South Portland, Maine, after the youth tried to run down Bonavita and fellow officer Robert McFarland as the duo approached the vehicle at the dead end alley behind Surf Cleaners. The youth escaped in the motor vehicle and took off through the Center at a speed estimated at 70 m.p.h., but eventually crashed into the stone wall at 182 Main St. The car belonged to the youth’s mother, who recently had moved to Winthrop and whom the youth was visiting.

40 years ago May 2, 1979

Town Meeting wrapped up its business for 1979 by voting for a budget of \$10.7 million at its third and final session Monday night. Advisory Committee Secretary Dave Hubbard said that the budget is 2.7 percent more than last year’s and will add about \$1 to the tax rate for a new rate of \$39.60. Among the hotly-debated articles was the one calling for an appropriation of \$142,000 for the hiring of a private company to pick up the town’s trash and haul it to the RESCO plant in Saugus. A separate contract for the removal of garbage was approved for \$46,420. Members also approved overwhelmingly the article calling for a new set of town by-laws to address

dog control issues and the hiring of a full-time Animal Control Officer.

Winthrop Community Hospital will observe National Hospital Week with an open house this week.

50 years ago May 1, 1969

State Rep. Ralph Siriani has asked his fellow No. Shore legislators to join him in opposing a proposal to construct a third harbor tunnel as part of the package for construction of a sports stadium. Boston Mayor Kevin White and Mass Turnpike Authority Chairman John Driscoll unveiled the plan calling for a new sports stadium that would house the Patriots and the Red Sox, to be built with public funds, using revenue from the two existing harbor tunnels and the new third tunnel. The stadium would be built in the Suffolk Downs area.

The Chamber of Commerce will honor Arthur Soper as its annual Good Citizen, it was announced this week by Chamber President Lou Rossetti.

The first-ever Winthrop Arts Festival was declared a success, despite the inclement weather, with several hundred persons attending the festivities over the weekend at Winthrop High School. John Raimondi, Eileen Kirby, Ann Montone, Evelyn Picardi, and Beverly Brody Barisano were among the winners in the various categories.

60 years ago April 30, 1959

Officials are set to break ground today for the construction of a second harbor tunnel, which will bring the long-awaited dream of local motorists to reality. The new tunnel will cost \$53 million.

Dial telephones soon will replace the current phones in Winthrop, though it will be awhile before they can be used as such.

Ephraim Brest, the Chairman of the Mass. Port Authority, which recently took control of Logan Airport, told the weekly meeting of the local Rotary Club that the introduction of jet aircraft has increased passenger volume at Logan by 40%. Brest said that Logan is “at the crossroads of the world in air flight.” Brest noted that more people now cross the Atlantic by air than by sea. He announced that there will be \$19 million worth of improvements made at Logan in the coming two years. He said that Logan’s expansion will be good for the local economy, particular for Winthrop, with many local residents expected to take jobs at the airport.

The chaplain of the Norfolk State Penitentiary, speaking at the Communion Breakfast of the Winthrop Knights of Columbus, blamed television for the increase in juvenile crime, stating that many shows on TV are immoral.

70 years ago April 28, 1949

The town will dedicate the intersection of Shirley St. and Washington Ave., known to all as “Ham’s Corner, in the memory of former businessman Jack Elkin, who was lost at sea aboard an L.C.I. (Landing Craft, Infantry) off the beaches of Anzio, Italy, during the war. Elkin operated the Beach Radio and Electric Co. on Washington Ave., just across from the railroad tracks, before the war. The business has since moved around the corner onto Shirley St. and is being operated by his brother, Frank.

Winthrop Police Officer Robert Crawford is being credited for the third time with saving a person’s life when he rescued nine year-old Billy Bidmead, whose home-made raft had overturned 100 yards offshore. Crawford’s previous rescues had occurred in 1934 and in 1941.

80 years ago April 29, 1939

Winthrop’s young folks seem to be getting married a lot lately, two months ahead of the usual June wedding dates.

90 years ago May 4, 1929

Frank A. Douglas, who served as Winthrop’s Superintendent of Schools for more than 30 years from 1895-1927, passed away this week while on a visit to his son and family in Ohio.

Rumor has it that a splendid new Post Office may grace the site of the Old Town Hall in Metcalf Square.

Winthrop’s streets pretty much are in a torn-up state because of the ongoing resurfacing work.

100 years ago May 3, 1919

About 300 overjoyed mothers, fathers, wives, and friends aboard the Narrow Gauge’s ferryboat, Brewster, gave a rousing welcome to the troop transport ship, Dakotan, which brought home the veterans of the 14th Railway Engineers, who were the first group of local volunteers to engage the Hun in Europe in the war. The Brewster was among a host of boats in Boston Harbor on Sunday morning to greet our boys who are returning home.

The State Senate has killed the bill that had been filed by Boston Mayor Peters that would have annexed many of the cities and towns in Greater Boston into the city of Boston.

The body of a Somerville druggist, who disappeared from his home two months ago, washed up at the foot of Sargent St., badly decomposed.

110 years ago May 1, 1909

The hearing by the selectmen to discuss the issue of granting licenses to the local express companies allowing for the transport of liquor from out-of-town to residents.

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been prescribed opioids over an extended period of time. Specifically, the study showed that nearly one-in-four injured workers in this group had been prescribed a high dose of 90+ morphine equivalent dose. This is important because the higher the opioid dose, the higher the risk for misuse and overdose death. Higher doses, greater than 100 MED, have more than two times the risk relative to lower doses. Additional risk factors, including the use of extended-release opioids and the associated use of certain interacting medications, were also identified.

The legacy challenges needed to be confronted. All

federal injured workers with a prescription of 90+ MED underwent extensive individual case reviews. Treating physicians were contacted and, as needed, nurses were assigned. Our goal was to work with the medical provider and injured worker to provide opioid treatment where needed, reduce the opioid risk level, and assist in securing the Tapering an addictive drug takes time and there are a host of interacting factors to consider, yet as the statistics prove, the intense focus produced a real difference. This effort is not the federal government deciding what is best for patients. Rather, the federal govern-

ment is acting as a responsible employer by caring about its workforce and ensuring that employees are getting the treatment and support needed for what can be a challenging recovery.

We are committed to (1) engaging individual employees and (2) analyzing the effects on the employee population as a whole. To win this battle, we must embrace a strategy that pursues accurate information, continuously evaluates that information, and invests the time necessary to find the right, healthy solutions for individuals struggling with opioids.

Alexander Acosta is the 27th U.S. Secretary of Labor.

WINTHROP IMPROVEMENT AND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

ARBOR DAY TREE DEDICATION

Photos by Marianne Salza

Friends raked leaves and cleared tulip patches during Winthrop Improvement & Historical Association's (WIHA) Arbor Day celebration on April 27. A cherry tree was planted on the Deane Winthrop House front lawn in appreciation of WIHA curator, Claire Hubbard, the organization's first female president.

"Claire does so much that goes unseen," said Michael Herbert, president. "Claire's continuous hard work is unmatched. We appreciate her steadfast involvement."

Entering the yard, a wooden, rose trellis was

dedicated to past president, the late, Ethel Kelley, whose brother, Bob Kelley, attended in her honor.

"She was a great communicator. She knew all our traditions," said Sandy Joneck-Schiff, vice president. "As we pass through this arbor, may her spirit always bring us comfort and strength."

Following the afternoon of turning soil and neatening the grounds, volunteers enjoyed cheery pie and coffee in the barn, where they received Eastern redbud seedlings that were donated by the Belle Isle Rotary Club.



Claire Hubbard with her family, Sandy Bradley, Dave Hubbard, II, David Hubbard, III, and Robert Hubbard.



Evelyn Feeley and Anya Panagakos raking leaves.



American Legion members.



Sandy Joneck-Schiff, WIHA vice president, dedicating the rose arbor to Ethel Kelley, whose brother, Bob Kelley, was present to celebrate the honor.

The Town of Winthrop
will conduct
Rabies Clinic
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from 9-11 am

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BIKE WINTHROP KICKS OFF SEASON

PEDAL POWER

Photos by Kate Anslinger

The chill in the air didn't stop bike lovers from gathering at Ingleside Park for the Spring Bike Kickoff last Saturday, April 27, hosted by Bike Winthrop, the Winthrop Police Department and MassBike. It was also made possible through the generous support of the Rebekah Lodge. The event provided entertainment and education for all ages and included free tune-ups, safety instruction, free helmets, hotdogs, and ice cream, and a bike rodeo for those new to riding.

"Bike Winthrop was thrilled to see so many people of all ages come out, even on a blustery chilly day, to celebrate the start of spring and have some fun in the name of biking," said Julia Wallerice, Bike Winthrop co-founder. "We wanted to make this event not just a chance to get out and ride around town but also to get your bike fixed, try out a Lime-E assist bike, and learn about what we're doing to make biking in and around Winthrop safer and more convenient. We're grateful for our partnership with the Winthrop Police and all the organizations and individuals who joined us in making the event such a success."

On a mission to enhance transportation for all residents, Bike Winthrop is working on a proposal with the Transportation Advisory Committee to create a network of bike routes in Winthrop and to expand the East Boston Greenway from Constitution Beach to Winthrop.



Stephen Hines shows off a bike being raffled off by Robert Paul Properties.



Ben Schad tunes up a bike for one of the event participants.



Members of Harbor City Church give out free cotton candy, popcorn, and frisbees.



Jen and Zara Powell.



Officer Samantha Petersen fastens a helmet on Norah Naffini.



Gianna and Linda Calla (Coldwell Banker) raffle off a bike.



Julia Wallerice addresses the crowd.



Julia Wallerice (Bike Winthrop co-founder), Chris Aiello (Bike Winthrop co-founder) and Stephen Hines (Robert Paul Properties).



Chief Delehanty addresses the crowd about bike safety.



State Sen. Joe Boncore takes a Lime-E bike out for a spin.



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Sports

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

WHS BOYS LACROSSE WINS THREE MORE, IMPROVES TO 8-

The Winthrop High boys lacrosse team continued to steamroller its way over its Northeastern Conference opponents, handily defeating a trio of NEC foes this past week.

The Vikings endured a rain-drenched field last Monday, but made the ordeal a worthwhile one with a 14-5 victory over Saugus.

After a slow start which saw the teams stand deadlocked at 3-3 after the first quarter, the Vikings began to take control, outscoring Saugus 11-2 the rest of the way to cruise to the win.

"We eventually turned the corner and were able to win the ground ball game and control the tempo," said WHS head coach Brian Donnelly. "Saugus always gives us a tough game, as they are well-coached and always very physical. After a slight slowdown, our defense really stepped it up in the second half of the game and our offense started to get going."

The Vikings traveled to Malden last Thursday and wasted little time in asserting their dominance en route to a convincing win.

"We were able to take care of business quickly and get a lot of the younger guys involved," said Donnelly. "The Malden game was an excellent team effort. Chris Ferrara had an outstanding game on face-offs, winning the majority of them, which allowed our offense to control the ball for the majority of the game."

This past Monday Winthrop hosted Salem on the turf at Miller Field. The Vikings once again went to work from the opening face-off, sprinting to a 9-0 in the first period.

"We were able to put some quick points on the board and control the tempo of the game," noted Donnelly. "This also allowed us to get some of our younger talent, like junior goalie James Stimpson, sophomore attack Stevie Purrello, and freshman midfielder Ari Hain, some valuable time."

The Vikings' success through the first half of the season truly has been a team effort, according to Donnelly.

"Overall, we have have gotten some excellent goals from our attack trio of Aiden Cifni, Matt Hurley, and Pat Sennott, who are really beginning to jive as a unit," said the coach. "Our first-line middies, Luke Evangelista, Joe Mahoney, and Austin Daigneaault, also are working well together. Luke is an excellent team leader on the field, creating opportunities for others and being in the right place at the

right time. Joe Mahoney is a coach's dream as an excellent utility guy who steps up in big situations. Austin Daigneault is coming into his own as our best dodger and shooter who is getting very comfortable going to goal.

"Our offense is complimented by an excellent defense, led by our senior goalie, Drew DiMento, who continues to be the best goalie in our league," added Donnelly. "Our long-stick middies rotate time between Jack Silva and Chris Rodriguez, both of whom are ground ball machines. Finally, our short-stick midfielder, Asa Baurle, has given us some excellent time that gives our offensive fielders some rest while adding a bit of intensity to our man-to-man defense."

Donnelly and his crew were set to travel to Dracut yesterday (Wednesday) for a tough, non-league contest. They will play at Everett today (Thursday), at Lynn Classical Monday, and at Medford next Wednesday.

WHS BOYS TENNIS WINS THREE, NOW 7-1

The Winthrop High boys tennis team continued to roll along, extending its winning streak to seven matches with a trio of victories this past week, all by scores of 4-1.

In a contest with the Triton Vikings last Thursday, the Winthrop Vikings' number one singles player, captain Corey Cherico, handily defeated his Triton Viking counterpart in straight sets, 6-1, 6-3. Senior co-captain Chris Finn, playing at second singles and who is undefeated this season, spun a shutout, 6-0, 6-0.

The WHS first doubles tandem of senior co-capt. Sam Yarrow and junior Kevin Dorr won their match handily, 6-1, 6-2, as did the second doubles duo of senior Alessio Narco and sophomore Augie Cheri-co, 6-2, 6-2.

Senior Rilind Bytyqi played well in the third singles slot, but came up on the short end of a 6-4, 6-2 decision.

The Vikings next took the measure of Gloucester this past Monday. Cherico cruised in straight sets, 6-1, 6-0, as did Finn, at second singles, 6-1, 6-2. Yarrow and Dorr won their match, 6-0, 7-5, and the duo of Bytyqi and Narco triumphed, 6-0, 6-1.

Senior Andy Angulo, slotted at third singles, fought hard in his encounter, but came up short in three sets, 6-3, 0-6, 6-3.

This past Tuesday the Vikings dispatched St. Mary's of Lynn on the local court. Junior Michael Lupo, playing at second singles, whitewashed his Spartan rival, 6-0, 6-0, as did Finn at third singles. 6-0. 6-0.

The Winthrop doubles teams of Yarrow and Dorr and

Augie Cherico & Narco likewise shut out their St. Mary's rivals by scores of 6-0, 6-0.

Corey Cherico took on a St. Mary's player, Brady Ryan, who is ranked third in the state. Corey played well in a losing battle, 6-3, 6-1.

There was a reunion of

sorts between Brady's mother, the former Laurie Gillis, and WHS head coach Marie Finn, after the match. Laurie played tennis for the Winthrop High girls team in the early 1980s when Finn was the coach of the Lady Viking tennis program.

"Reconnecting with Laurie after all these years makes you realize how quickly the time goes by," said Finn.

Returning to the present, Finn said of her current boys' squad, "This may be the most talented team, certainly in terms of our depth, in Win-

throp boys tennis history. We have a great group of boys who work hard at every practice and who give it their all in every match."

Finn has a group of 20 team members which include

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WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL 2019 BOYS TENNIS TEAM



The Winthrop Boy's Tennis Team took on Gloucester Monday at their home courts under Coach Marie Finn. See more photos on Page 10.

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WINTHROP HIGH HOSTS GLOUCESTER FISHERMEN, NETS

Photos by Emily Harney

The Winthrop Boys' Tennis team faced Gloucester in matches on the home courts this past Monday, April 29. The players engaged in singles and doubles matches.



First doubles players Kevin Dorr (L) and Sam Yarrow.



First doubles player Sam Yarrow.



Kevin Dorr leads the Winthrop boys tennis team in a rally before they face Gloucester Monday.



Second singles player and captain, Chris Finn.



First singles player and captain, Cory Cherico.



Third singles player, Andy Angulo chats with coach Marie Finn during Monday's match with Gloucester.



First doubles player Kevin Dorr.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

RESTAURANT-STYLE CHICKEN SCAMPI

Ingredients:

1 pound raw chicken tenders or strips

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons olive oil

1 (16 ounce) package spaghetti

1 teaspoon olive oil

1 green bell pepper, cut into 1/2 inch wide strips

1 red bell pepper, cut into 1/2 inch

wide strips

1 yellow bell peppers, cut into 1/2 inch wide strips

1 onion, chopped

2 tablespoons chopped garlic

1 1/2 cups four cheese Alfredo sauce

1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley

Directions:

1. Place chicken and flour in a large resealable plastic bag; seal bag and shake to coat. Heat 2 teaspoons olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Shake excess flour off chicken; cook and stir in hot oil for 4 to 5 minutes each side, or until golden brown and cooked through (juices run clear). Remove from skillet and place in a medium bowl; set aside.

2. Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add spaghetti and cook for 8 to 10 minutes or until al dente; drain, reserving 2/3 cup cooking water, and return pasta to pot. Set aside pasta and cooking water.

3. Wipe skillet with paper towel. Heat 1 teaspoon oil in skillet over medium heat. Add green bell pepper, red bell pepper, yellow bell pepper, onion, and garlic and cook and stir for 3 minutes. Cover, reduce heat to low and cook 3 minutes more or until vegetables are tender.

4. Stir in Alfredo sauce, cover and heat for 1 to 2 minutes. Remove from heat and add to reserved pasta in pot, then add reserved cooking water and chicken. Toss to mix, pour into serving bowls and sprinkle with fresh chopped parsley.

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A black and white photograph of a tennis player (Alessio Naco) in a ready stance on a tennis court. He is wearing a dark t-shirt and shorts, and is looking towards the net. A tennis ball is visible on the court.

Second doubles player Alessio Naco.

A black and white photograph of a tennis player (Andy Angulo) in a ready stance on a tennis court. He is wearing a dark t-shirt and shorts, and is looking towards the net. A tennis ball is visible on the court.

Third singles player, Andy Angulo.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT: Senior recognizes importance of down time

By Kate Anslinger

Many students struggle with the challenge of juggling multiple activities, academics and after-school jobs, however; senior, Faith Hunt has learned that setting aside dedicated time for herself every week, makes a big difference. Since she was two-years-old, Hunt has filled her calendar with dance lessons and rehearsals, and throughout the years she has been heavily involved in the Drama Society, volleyball, winter cheerleading, and student council. The busy senior has also volunteered at the 21st

Century program, until just last year, when she turned 16 and was promoted to an official employee. Hunt shares a bit about her future plans, the key to organization, and the one person who inspires her more than anyone else.

You are very active in school. Why do you think it's important to engage in multiple activities?

It's so important to be involved because you are introduced to a variety of environments that test you and people who you share common interests with.

How do you stay so organized?

It's important to form a consistent schedule for yourself so your week is organized. I also like to tackle one thing at a time and schedule time for myself. If I have a busy week, I always set aside an hour or two every few days to watch a movie or play guitar so I can recalibrate and de-stress.

Any college/career goals?

Next year I plan on going to Curry College and majoring in business management.

Who is your role model?

I know its cliché, but my mom, Kathy Gillis, is my best friend. Anyone that knows her story is absolutely amazed by the obstacles she has overcome and how she has flourished since her hardships. I used her name as my confirmation name, and I wrote my college essay about her. She has made countless sacrifices for me throughout the years and she has done everything to make my childhood comfortable and full of love. Her selflessness has shown me how far kindness and determination can get you. She isn't just a "role model," she's my everything. Everything I do is for my mom.



Faith Hunt.

MassSTART // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Public Schools, the program is designed to strengthen the bond between home and school to develop a student's learning capacity.

Every day after school, 15 pre-qualified students meet in the MassSTART office at the ATC to participate in a variety of activities geared toward social emotional learning, designed to enhance all aspects of their lives. Coping, team-building, and art therapy are all part of the curriculum that gives the students everyday tools that they can take back to their classrooms and to their home life.

"Many of our students have anxiety issues and social emotional struggles, and we are working hard to break the stigma, and teaching kids

that everyone is going through something," said Case Manager, Sophia Grayson, who has seen a major influx of kids interested in the program now that society is becoming more open about mental health challenges.

Since Grayson has been a case manager for the program, she has seen major progress in the students and there has been no shortage of grateful parents. One student in particular, 12-year-old Sky Rodriguez, entered the program incredibly shy and now has the lead role in the school play.

"I've made a lot of friends since I've been in the program and Miss Sophia helps me with a lot of things that have made me fearless," said Rodriguez.

Some students have even been selected to attend Camp Mitton, a three-week camp in Brewster, Massachusetts that offers structured activities and a consistent routine with water sports, therapeutic creative arts and daily reflection. In addition to bringing the selected students to the camp on the first day, case managers will also spend quality time with the students teaching them how to pack and organize their belongings.

As well as daily afterschool projects, each student has a weekly one-on-one lunch date with a case manager and the group attends monthly field trips and volunteers for Cradles to Crayons, WINARC and the North Shore Animal Shelter.



Gracie Curran greets Rachel Farley, Brooke Costin, and Chloe Robson before her show at Belle Isle Seafood.

Curran brings her band to Winthrop

Gracie Curran and the High Falutin' Band performed in a show at Belle Isle Seafood.

Curran, who grew up in Winthrop, entertained the crowd with rhythm and blues songs, including some from the band's newly released album, "Come Undone."

The band is currently on a national tour.

Among those welcoming Gracie (Brittany) back home were her sisters, Rebecca and Stephanie.



Former Winthrop High track star Rebecca Curran joins her sister, Gracie Curran, for a photo before the show.



Gracie Curran receives a phone call from her parents, who are in Florida and wanted to wish her well in her performance at Belle Isle Seafood.



Gracie Curran, joined on stage by her sister, Stephanie Curran Costin, who rolled out the red carpet for the show at Belle Isle Seafood.



Gracie Curran performs a song with the High Falutin' Band.

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a large contingent of freshmen: J.D. Parker, Ryan Kfoury, James Sicarella, Declan Donovan, Bobby Diaz, and Liam Turner. Junior team members include twins Michael and Jared Vecchio and Sal Campo. Two other seniors, new to the team this year, are Russell Nichols and Elias Hallestrand.

Finn and her crew have a busy week ahead. They were set to take on Danvers/Peabody yesterday (Wednesday) and will face Salem tomorrow (Friday). They will meet Somerville on Monday and Marblehead next Wednesday in what may be the biggest match of the season. The Vikings' lone blemish on their record came in the season-opener against Marblehead by a close score of 3-2. "That was a hard-fought battle and we're looking forward to the rematch," said Finn.

WHS GIRLS TRACK EDGES SAUGUS, 63-61

The Winthrop High girls outdoor track & field team earned a victory by the razor-thin score of 63-61 over Danvers last week in a meet held in Swampscott.

A quintet of Lady Vikings paced Winthrop to the victory with wins in two events each: Mary Kate Pote won the shot put with a throw of 29'-6" and captured the discus with a twirl of 65'-8"; Tessa Ferrandi took the high jump with a leap

of 4'-6" and the triple jump with a final landing of 30'-5"; Fiona MacPhail sprinted to victory in the 100 dash in 14.2 seconds and long-jumped 13'-8" to take first place in that event; Nora McCarey won two sprint events, the 200 (29.9) and 400 (68.7); and Camilla Miranda-Llovera doubled in the 800 in 2:58.8 and the two-mile in 13:33.

Those 10 triumphs accounted for 50 points for the Lady Vikings, who added an 11th first-place with a victory in the 4 x 100 relay, comprised of Julia Marcoccio, Ella McCarey, Tessa Ferrandi, and Clare Nargi. The WHS quartet won the race with a time of 61.6 compared to Danvers' clocking of 65.8.

Nargi scored points in two events, finishing second in the long jump with a leap of 13'-2" and third in the 100 dash in 14.3.

Marcoccio added three points to the Winthrop cause with a second place in the 800 in 3:06. Analise Bruno contributed a crucial point -- in a meet where every point was important -- with her third-place performance in the 110 high hurdles in a clocking of 21.8.

"The girls gutted out a nice win," said WHS head coach Warren MacPhail. "Mary Kate and Fiona continue to lead the team forward while Ella, Julia, and Tessa are adding much-needed depth."

MacPhail and his crew are scheduled to meet Gloucester

today (Thursday).

WHS SAILING TEAM READY FOR BUSY WEEK

Although the Winthrop High sailing team dropped its first race of the season, 5-0 to Concord last week, WHS head coach Catherine Domina is enthusiastic about her young team this season.

"We lost to Concord, but each race was very close," said Domina. The 2019 Viking sailors are led by a pair of captains, sophomore Antea Schlichting and junior Elizabeth Collins. Other returning veterans are Shane Fitzpatrick ('22) and John Cataldo ('21).

"In addition, this year we have a lot of team members, Michael Soares ('22), Jessica Soares ('22), Gio Monteiro ('22), and Ayat Walid ('21), who are totally new to sailing," said Domina.

"We also have a few members who are new to the team, but have a bit of experience under their belts: Ty Calinda ('22), Bruno Rabago ('22), as well as two eighth graders on the team with solid experience, Freddie Poor ('23) and Ben Prew ('23)," the coach added.

In addition to the Concord race, the Vikings met B.C. High in a pre-season regatta. "The B.C. High scrimmage was a great opportunity for the kids who don't normally skipper, so our best sailors took the crew, while the less experienced

sailors got a chance to grow their skippering skills," Domina noted.

Domina and her crews will have a busy stretch of their schedule in the coming week. They were scheduled to trek to Gloucester yesterday (Wednesday) and will host Swampscott today (Thursday) at their home port of the Cottage Park Yacht Club.

They will take on Beverly next Wednesday and the Landmark School next Thursday.

WHS GIRLS TENNIS WINS TWO STRAIGHT

After an 0-3 start to the season, the Winthrop High girls tennis team has won its last two matches, defeating Peabody and Gloucester.

In a 5-0 shutout of Gloucester this past Monday, the Lady Viking victors were Sofie LaFratta at first singles, Kirsten Griffiths at second singles, and Natalia Kirilova at third singles.

The tandem of Olivia Driscoll & Sara Fucillo defeated their Gloucester counterparts at first doubles and the duo of Sage D'Amelio & Hannah Capone triumphed at second doubles.

In the 3-2 victory over Peabody last Friday, Griffiths and Kirilova won their matches at second and third singles respectively. The first doubles pairing of Driscoll & Fucillo also prevailed to give Winthrop the victory.

Coach Mike Nickerson and his squad, who have their eyes set on reaching the .500 mark, were scheduled to take on Danvers yesterday (Wednesday) and Salem tomorrow (Friday). Next week, they will meet Somerville on Monday and Marblehead on Wednesday.

CAPPUCCIO WINS FOR BOYS TRACK

Chris Cappuccio scored eight points in two events for the Winthrop High boys outdoor track & field team in its meet with Danvers last week.

Chris leaped to a first-place finish in the long jump, outdistancing the field with his landing of 16'-8". He also took second place in the 200 dash with a clocking of 25.6 seconds.

Two other Vikings earned three points for the Winthrop side of the scoresheet with second-place finishes in their events: Patrick Haskell in the 100 dash in 12.1 and Michaelangelo Marcoccio in the 400 dash in 59.8.

A host of Vikings added single points with third-place performances: Michael Chaves in the long jump (15'-7"); Haskell in the triple jump (33'-0"); Pat Teixeira in the shot put (33'-1"); Andre O'Campo in the javelin (97'-11"); Mark Amatucci in the 400 low hurdles (68.7); Juan Guaque in the 800 (2:26.9); and Tony Nargi in the mile (5:06.8).

The Vikings are set to take on Gloucester today (Thursday).

WHS SOFTBALL LOOKING TO GET BACK ON TRACK

After a season-opening victory of 12-6 over Mt. Alvernia, the Winthrop High softball team has run into a rough patch, dropping its past five contests.

In a 6-0 loss to Saugus this past Tuesday, Rachel Farley had two hits. Rachel is leading the Lady Vikings in hitting with a .416 average and has been playing well in the outfield.

Teammates Bella Perrotti at shortstop, Stephanie Strangie in first base, and Cali Peterson at left field also have shone for Winthrop on defense.

"We have played the iron of the league," said WHS head coach Dave Duffey. "We have struggled to hit the ball, but we're hoping this will change over the next couple of weeks."

Duffey and his squad were scheduled to host Danvers yesterday (Wednesday) and will trek to Salem tomorrow (Friday). They will face Gloucester Sunday afternoon at Bentley College at 1:00 and will entertain Somerville on Monday. Marblehead comes here next Wednesday and they will journey to Beverly next Thursday.

WINTHROP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE \$10,000 DINNER

Photos by Cary Shuman

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce held its annual \$10,000 Dinner Saturday night at the Cottage Park Yacht Club.

Five winners split the jackpot, with each taking home a \$2,000 cash prize.

The guests enjoyed team trivia, a golf putting contest,

and a darts contest.

Russ Sanford won the golfing contest by sinking two consecutive putts. Paul Leavy was the winner in the darts contest, hitting the only bulls-eye in the final round.

Chamber Executive Director Betsy Shane thanked everyone for their support of the organization's annual fundraiser.



Chamber President Paul Leavy and Kathy Leavy.



Russ Sanford (far right) won the golf putting contest. Presenting the first-place prize are Lila Kanj and Paul Travaglini of First Priority Credit Union, and Vin Recchia.



Ann Ward (far left), Paul Leavy, and Betsy Shane (far right) congratulate the five winners of \$2,000 each in the drawing, Christine Millerick O'Keefe (representing Dave Hubbard); Julia Wallerice (representing Maya Wallerice), Kim MacElree (representing Boyd Insurance); Scott MacElree (representing Paul O'Sullivan); Kathy Leavy (representing Woodside Hardware).



The financial institutions table, East Boston Savings Bank, Webster First Federal, and St. Jean's, front row, Joe Steffano, Vera Carducci, Tom Hankard, Stephen Miliotis, Mariah Staffier, and Amanda Staffier. Back row, Kim Cash, Jennifer Russo, Maryann Russo, Rosemary Brenna, and Tina Talvi.



Andy the Trivia Buff did an outstanding job leading the trivia contest with challenging questions in current events, politics, music, sports, geography, 1990s television, and other topics.



Enjoying the Chamber's \$10,000 Dinner are Barbara Flockhart and Ernest Hardy.



Darts champion Paul Leavy with Vin Recchia of Chestnut Hill Wealth Management, who donated a set of Patriots' ticket to the winner.



The Hillbillies were the winners in the trivia contest, eking out a one-point victory. A key answer was someone at the table knowing that Hermit's Hermits sang the hit, "Henry VIII, I Am."



Former town official Russ Sanford and Suzanne Sanford.



Julia Wallerice and Chris Wallerice, with Lois Meinhardt (center), a professional dance teacher.



The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, led by President Paul Leavy and Executive Director Betsy Shane.

Monday Open Mic Night brings local musicians to Blackstrap BBQ

By John Lynds

On Monday night at Blackstrap BBQ in Winthrop Square the usuals are bellied up to the bar sipping drinks and chowing on some of the barbecue that has made Blackstrap a popular destination.

Around 7 p.m. local musicians begin filing in with guitars strapped to their backs or other instruments under their arm. They greet the regular customers, chat with the bartenders and then begin setting up on the stage that was recently built.

Owner Kate Economidas, who grew up in Rockport, says when she was younger

her hometown and the surrounding communities always had live music.

“It was something to do,” she says. “We’d go over to Gloucester or Beverly to see live music. It was huge part of my life.”

Economidas and Chef Chris Thompson opened Blackstrap BBQ in October 2010. The two met while working together at the legendary East Coast Grill in Cambridge and have since formed a partnership through their love of good, old-fashioned, All-American barbecue.

And now through their love of music.

Economidas recently decid-

ed to make Monday night’s Open Mic Night at Blackstrap to take full advantage of the stage the business built after expanding into the neighboring building a few years back.

At a recent Zumix event, a youth music program in neighboring East Boston, Ecominidas met Zumix Board President, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center Vice President and local musician Steve Snyder. Snyder, who helped bring live music to a local watering hole in Eastie, convinced Ecominidas Blackstrap would be perfect for a regular open mic night.

“Originally we were thinking about only doing it once a month,” said Economidas. “But Steve (Snyder) convinced me that we could pull it off once a week.”

Now, with Economidas’s blessing Snyder is the defacto host of Blackstrap Monday Open Mic Night.

Just past 7 p.m. Snyder gets the crowd warmed up with a few tunes. He’s soon joined on stage by Winthrop resident and Zumix instructor Edward Meradith on piano.

Then, after a few numbers Snyder begins inviting other musicians onto the stage to play.

Local artist Joey Free, who was quietly sitting at the bar working on a piece of art, leaps up and takes the stage. With Snyder by his side he begins rapping over Snyder’s guitar picking.

After that number Free rattles off some poetry.

By 8 p.m. the place is filling up and musicians are eagerly signing up to perform like Ilana Held. Held, armed with her acoustic guitar performs a set of original tunes.

She’s followed by about a half-dozen others throughout the night.

“The response has been amazing,” says Economidas. “People come out of the woodwork to perform here now. Also, there are customers that don’t even know an Open Mic is happening and next thing you know they are up on stage playing guitar and singing.”

For Snyder, he’s thrilled to expand live music in the area.

“I’m really thrilled to be hosting this new Open Mic in Winthrop,” he said. “Blackstrap BBQ already had great food, spirits and music and in building this new stage they have really displayed a great passion and commitment to live music. In just a short-time the level of talent at Open Mic Monday’s has been off the charts and I’m trying to build a vibe that brings community and artists together - often quite literally on stage.”

Blackstrap’s Open Mic Night are held each Monday starting at 7 p.m. And as their sign says all sizes, all colors, all ages, all sexes, all cultures, all beliefs, all religions, all types, all people are welcome.



Zumix Board President, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center Vice President and local musician Steve Snyder. Snyder, who is joined on stage by Winthrop resident Edward Meradith, hosts Blackstrap BBQ’s Monday Open Mic Night.



Ilana Held with her acoustic guitar performs a set of original tunes.



Local artist Joey Free performs some original poetry.

National Prevention Week coming up; CASA to hold events

The week of May 13-17 is National Drug Prevention Week.

“During this week, drug prevention workers will focus on primary prevention and the root causes of issues such as substance use in the schools,” said, Leighann Eruzione, executive director of CASA (Community Action for Safe Alternatives).

“Our goal for the week is to create awareness on how preventative programming and education can be impactful. Additionally, CASA workers are focusing on mental health as it was a significant area of need in our community,” Eruzione said

As the primary prevention coalition of the Winthrop community, CASA aims to help improve the quality of life for all Winthrop residents and provide a safer environment for children and youth by providing programming,

advocacy and educational opportunities for the community.

All across the United States, mental health related issues are on the rise at an alarming rate. Similarly in Winthrop, recent data results show an increase in depressive symptoms, anxiety and suicide.

According to 2018 data results, 40 percent of adolescents in Winthrop identify experiencing depressive symptoms with have a notable increase in rates of suicidal ideation and attempts.

In an effort to bring awareness and education to the community on these topics, CASA- in collaboration with the Town of Winthrop Health Department and Winthrop Public schools are hosting community events.

The specific events during this week are in response to the PNA (personnel needs assessment) data for depressive

symptoms, suicide and anxiety for the youth of Winthrop. Our events are targeted to help adults talk to youth about these topics and for youth to talk to adults or their peers on these topics. Our open house is to introduce the community to the comprehensive drop in program we offer at CASA. Using a clinical lense, we discuss relevant and “hot” topics that are impacting the health and wellness of today’s youth.

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FY2020 Town Manager's Proposed General Operating Budget Summary			
	FY2018 Actual	FY2019 Budget	FY2020 Recom
General Fund			
Revenue			
Property Taxes	27,862,688	28,998,132	30,041,563
Debt Exclusion	4,092,804	4,099,675	4,096,350
Overlay Reserve	-	(150,000)	(200,000)
State Aid	10,918,323	11,585,467	11,886,320
Excises	2,838,278	2,174,766	2,429,885
Investment Income	103,089	65,000	65,000
PILOTs	1,693,071	1,689,214	2,139,214
Departmental Revenue	407,773	537,000	498,000
Fines & Forfeits	332,318	497,000	312,500
Licenses & Permits	387,393	295,000	277,000
Penalties & Interest	213,399	186,000	186,000
Other Recurring*	885,940	726,522	775,522
	49,735,076	50,703,776	52,507,354
Non-Recurring Revenue			
Transfers from Other Funds	1,578,205		
One-Time Transfer for Capital			509,423
Total Revenue:	51,313,281	50,703,776	53,016,777
Expenditures			
Departmental			
General Government	2,760,693	2,751,167	2,861,475
Public Safety	7,071,674	7,268,634	7,499,939
Education	20,006,373	20,859,684	21,759,684
Public Works	2,665,744	1,230,075	1,244,481
Culture & Human Services	1,042,045	1,099,519	1,117,483
Departmental Expenditures:	33,546,529	33,209,079	34,483,062
Shared Expenditures			
Shared Expenses	840,006	2,067,289	2,130,265
Debt Service	4,206,815	4,163,675	4,158,950
State Assessments	-	838,619	1,012,242
Employee Benefits	10,223,979	10,030,114	10,412,835
Capital Purchases	825,703	-	659,423
Unclassified		320,000	160,000
Deficits to be Raised		75,000	-
Transfers	1,225,916	-	-
Shared Expenditures:	17,322,419	17,494,697	18,533,715
Total Expenditures:	50,868,948	50,703,776	53,016,777
Surplus (Deficit)	444,333	-	-
Enterprise Funds			
Revenue			
Ferry Enterprise**	428,710	460,000	460,000
Recreation Enterprise	269,698	356,000	337,748
Rink Enterprise	341,299	337,700	321,047
Harbormaster Enterprise	331,152	370,000	369,666
Water/Sewer Enterprise***	12,877,280	9,478,366	10,136,027
Total Revenue:	14,248,139	11,002,066	11,624,488
Expenditures			
Ferry Enterprise	348,333	460,000	460,000
Recreation Enterprise	346,579	356,000	337,748
Rink Enterprise	318,644	337,700	321,047
Harbormaster Enterprise	349,518	370,000	369,666
Water/Sewer Enterprise	11,020,770	9,478,366	10,136,027
Total Expenditures:	12,383,844	11,002,066	11,624,488
Surplus (Deficit)	1,864,295	-	-
* Includes \$668,048 Enterprise Indirect Cost Transfers			
**Includes \$100,000 General Fund Subsidy			
*** Includes project bond revenue			
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

INVESTIGATION
CONTINUES INTO
WOMEN HIT AND
KILLED BY BUS

CHELSEA - An East Boston woman was killed on April 18 at the Everett Avenue onramp when an MBTA bus hit and killed her.

On April 18 at approximately 5:31 a.m., an MBTA bus struck a two pedestrians, causing fatal injuries to one of them, on Everett Avenue in Chelsea just prior to the on-ramp to Route 1 southbound/Tobin Bridge.

Police said the investigation indicates the deceased pedestrian, Mary Ellen Pettiglio, 60, of East Boston, and a female relative with whom she was walking, where in the crosswalk at the time they were struck. The surviving pedestrian was transported to Boston Medical Center for non-life threatening injuries.

The crash remains under investigation by State Police detectives, Transit Police, and the Suffolk District Attorney's Office. The State Police Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Section and the State Police Crime Services Section are assisting in the investigation.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LOOKS AT
ADMINISTRATORS'
CONTRACTS

EVERETT - Two recent contracts for Everett Public School administrators have similar unprecedented, unlimited vacation and sick time accumulation that were contained in former Supt. Fred Foresteire's contract - stipulations that several School Committee members condemned only a few weeks ago.

Contracts for Assistant Supt. Kevin Shaw (approved this past March 4) and Assistant Supt. Charlie Obremski (approved in 2015) both include those very same stipulations allowing them to accumulate vacation and sick days year after year.

That same stipulation has now cost the Everett Public Schools more than \$400,000 over the last two years as Foresteire has moved to redeem

those days for cash.

School Committee Chair Tom Abruzzese said when Foresteire's issue came up last year, he said former School Committee Attorney Spencer Tobin indicated there was only one other contract with such stipulations - and that one was for the late Lona DeFeo.

"When it was presented to us at the time the superintendent brought this up a year ago in May, I specifically asked if there was anywhere else in the School Department where we were going to find this situation," he said. "I was told by then-Counsel Attorney Tobin that the only person was Lona DeFeo. She has passed away since then. Kevin Shaw did get an extension, but my understanding is he doesn't have a lot of time...That can't go forward. My understanding is he didn't have that many vacation days...Charlie is a person that takes vacation. I would assume, and it might be to my detriment, those vacation days won't be an issue...It's obviously nothing like former Supt. Foresteire."

School Committee member Frank Parker, who was chair when Obremski's contract was approved, said he wasn't as concerned about these two contracts.

"These are the only two contracts; this was not part of Mrs. Gauthier's interim superintendent contract," he said. "Am I concerned about it - no. We're talking two different people - guys that take vacation with their families. These are three-year contracts and they don't have that evergreen rollover like the former superintendent did. We were in a unique situation with this gentleman (Foresteire) that didn't utilize his vacation time."

He said in doing some research, he learned that a similar thing happened in the Randolph Public Schools, where a former superintendent was able to leave with \$575,000 in vacation buy-back.

"The next superintendent will not have an evergreen clause in his or her contract," he said. "It will be 2019 language and not 1989 language."

In Obremski's 2015 con-

tract, he was given 25 vacation days per year, and those days can be rolled over year after year and then redeemed for cash - just as Foresteire did.

"Upon retirement, resignation or death, the Assistant Superintendent of Business Affairs and Pupil Personnel Services, or his estate, will be paid for unused vacation days at the per diem rate then in effect," read the contract.

It wasn't certain by press time how many days Obremski had accumulated in his career - as the City was still working to calculate that information.

That contract, however, came well before the costly situation with Foresteire was revealed last year.

The contract with Shaw was just approved in March of this year, and it does also include the ability to accumulate vacation and sick days. That luxury, however, is stipulated to end with Shaw's current contract in 2022.

"The Committee and the Assistant Superintendent agree that the ability to accumulate unused vacation days without the approval of the Committee will not be incorporated into any future agreements or extensions and will end at the conclusion of the term of this agreement," read Shaw's contract.

Obremski's contract runs through June 30, 2022 - a five-year deal.

Shaw's contract is a three-year deal that also expires on June 30, 2022.

COUNCIL APPROVES
CHANGES TO
ADMINISTRATIVE
CODE

EVERETT -The City Council debated long into the night on Monday, April 22, during a three-and-a-half hour meeting while torrential rains buffeted City Hall. The key agenda item was the long-awaited vote on the City's administrative code, which principally divided Councilors over the language regarding the Library Board of Trustees (LBoT) - eventually approving the change in a 6-4 vote.

The Council was due to

EMPTY BOWL FUNDRAISER



PHOTOS BY DEREK KOUYOUNJIAN

The year 2019 marked the eighth annual Chelsea Empty Bowls fundraiser to help raise awareness to and funds for combatting food insecurity. Here, Julia McDermott, Yahirra Guzman, and Sylvester Valdez hold their recently purchased bowls during the event on Thursday, April 18, at the Williams School.



hold a vote on the administration's proposed changes to the City's Administrative Code, and the meetings leading up to the vote made it clear that the issue would be contentious and divisive. There had been significant pushback from community members, library trustees and Councilors on the reduced role of the LBoT implicit in the new language. The changes had been proposed in accordance with Massachusetts State Law and also the last will and testament of the library's founder, Frederick E. Parlin.

The new language regarding the LBoT narrows the scope of its duties to the following:

- The City would take over the human resources duties of the LBoT;
- the City Treasurer would become the default treasurer of the LBoT;
- the LBoT would go from overseeing the whole library system to overseeing the man-

agement of the trust left by founder;

•and the trust would be used to purchase items benefiting the library but for no other purpose.

Prior to holding the vote, those in opposition pleaded their case as to why the Council should reject the admin code changes outright. (There wasn't an option to reject only part of the proposed changes.) Councilors, as well as community members, spoke again in opposition, espousing an "If it's not broke, don't fix it" mentality.

Councilor Michael McLaughlin said he would have to reject the changes to the admin code based on its language referring to the LBoT.

"This is an up or down vote. I support a lot of what's in this document, but I can't support changes that would affect our libraries that have run for decades," he said. "Not on my watch."

Councilor Fred Capone

echoed his colleague's sentiments.

"The Board of Trustees has been in place for 139 years," he said. "There is absolutely no reason to change this. They're doing a stellar job."

Those in favor of the new admin code spoke in support of the changes to the library language.

"Nobody should be taking this personally," said Councilor Rosa DiFlorio. "I'm a checks and balances person. If something works 80 percent and doesn't work the other 20 percent, then you vote for it."

Councilor John Hanlon originally thought he could approve just part of the admin code, which he had worked laboriously to amend, before being told that it was an up or down vote.

"I put tons of hours into that code, and I have to stand by the work that I did on it," he said.

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

Bid for
Miller Field House
Structure - Insulation
Project
The Town of Winthrop (Owner) will receive sealed Bids for the Miller Field House Structure Insulation Project until 11:00 AM local time on May 16, 2019 at the Procurement Office, 1 Metcalf Square, Room 6, Winthrop, MA 02152, Attention: Monica Ford, Chief Procurement Officer, at which time the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Project being bid is subject to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149 and prevailing wage rates as issued by the Director of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, Department of Labor Standards under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27D inclusive, as amended, apply to this Project. A pre-Bid conference will be held onsite on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. The Miller Field House structure is located on Cross St., across the street from the Winthrop Middle/High School, 400 Main St., Winthrop, MA 02152 at the turf stadium. Bidding Documents may be picked up at the Owner's offices, Town of Winthrop, MA, 1 Metcalf Sq., Rm 6, Winthrop, MA 02152 on or after May 2, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. Bidding Documents may be obtained on or after May 2, 2019 at

8:30 a.m. or electronically at mford@town.winthrop.ma.us with the subject line "Winthrop MA - Miller Field House Structure - Insulation Project". Monica C. Ford Chief Procurement Officer

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Winthrop Town By-Laws, a public hearing will be held on May 8, 2019, at 8:00 P.M. in the Jos. Harvey Hearing Room, Winthrop Town Hall on the Notice of Intent from Spangaro Babine, LLC to remove and rebuild portion of house and rebuild in the same footprint, and add decks on timbers. PROJECT LOCATION: 191 Court Road, Winthrop, MA. NOTE: A copy may be obtained from the Conservation Office at the Winthrop Public Facilities Building. At said hearing all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. WINTHROP CONSERVATION COMMISSION Norm Hyett, Chair

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Facilities Building. At said hearing all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. WINTHROP CONSERVATION COMMISSION Norm Hyett, Chair

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By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Darren J. Brennan to "MERS", Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, and its successors and assigns dated May 2, 2005 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, in Book 37034, Page 92, as assigned by Assignment of Mortgage dated February 3, 2014 and recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 52678, Page 330, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM, on May 10, 2019, on the premises known as 9 Dolphin Avenue, Winthrop, Massachusetts, the premises described in said mortgage, together with all the rights, easements, and appurtenances thereto, to wit: The land in the buildings thereon situated in said Winthrop, now numbered Nine (9) on Dolphin Avenue, bounded and described as follows: NORTHWESTERLY: by Dolphin Avenue, forty-five (45) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lot A on a plan entitled by Whitman and Howard, which plan is referenced to below, one hundred (100) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY: by land now or late of Wilson and, forty-five (45) feet; and NORTHWESTERLY: by Lot C on said plan of Whitman and Howard, one hundred (100) feet. Terms of Sale: These premises are being sold subject to any and all unpaid real estate taxes, water rates, municipal charges and assessments, condominium charges, expenses, costs, and assessments, if applicable, federal tax liens, partition wall rights, statutes, regulations, zoning, subdivision control, or other municipal ordinances or bylaws respecting land use, configuration, building or approval, or bylaws, statutes or ordinances regarding the presence of lead paint, asbestos or other toxic substances, sanitary codes, housing codes, tenancy, and, to the extent that they are recorded prior to the above mortgage, any easements, rights of way, restrictions, confirmation or other matters of record. Purchaser shall also

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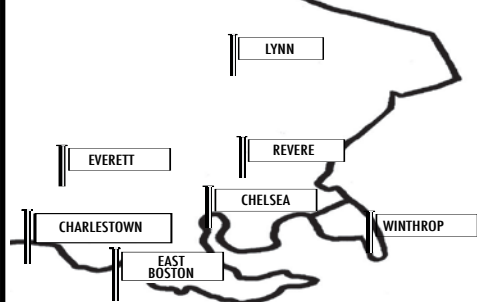
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Docket No. SU19P0690EA Estate of: Donald Patrick Sullivan Date of Death: 11/28/2018 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Ronald P. Sullivan of Reading, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right

to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/07/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 26, 2019 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate 5/2/19 W

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Councilor Anthony DiPierro also spoke in defense of the changes to the admin code, specifically the language redefining the duties of the LBoT.

"I was surprised to learn that [the LBoT doesn't] function under an experienced and trained Human Resources department like the rest of the City does," he said.

Ultimately, six Councilors (Dell Isola, DiFlorio, DiPierro, Hanlon, Matewsky and Simonelli) voted for the new administrative code while four (Councilors Capone, Marchese, McLaughlin and Napolitano) voted against it.

Councilor McKinnon was absent.

According to Assistant City Solicitor Matt Lattanzi, the newly revised administrative code for the City of Everett will go into effect this Saturday, April 27, as per Article 5 Section 1 of the City of Everett Charter.

NE CASKET COMPANY MAY BE LOCATING ELSEWHERE

EAST BOSTON - The 75-year-old East Boston business that Louis Tobia Jr.'s Italian grandfather founded may not return to the neighborhood.

The New England Casket Company, which has won numerous awards in the industry for its innovation and casket designs, suffered a devastating

fire last month that completely destroyed the company's manufacturing warehouse on Bennington Street just past Orient Heights MBTA station.

On Friday, March 15 a nine-alarm fire ripped through the widely successful business that manufactures handmade caskets for sale to distributors that in turn sell them to funerals and families.

After the Boston Fire Dept. spent hours battling the fire all that was left of the longstanding local family-owned company that employed over 100 people was rubble.

Last week WBZ's Karyn Regal reported that Tobia doesn't think he can rebuild in Eastie and will most likely take the business elsewhere.

Tobia is looking at locations like the former Malden Mills site in Lawrence as well as a site in Chelsea.

The New England Casket Company was known as the inventor of the 'Concord Casket' designed by Tobia's grandfather. Retailing for around \$25,000 it became the casket of choice for the rich and famous and the likes of Muhammad Ali, Heath Ledger, Walter Cronkite, Joan Rivers and Tip O'Neill all were all reportedly interred in the Concord.

According to the Boston Fire Dept. the first alarms for a fire on the roof of the plant's sounded at around 3 p.m. on March 15. For a few hours Boston Firefighters tried to extinguish that flames that

seemed to be contained to the casket company's roof.

However, Tobia later explained that one of the plant's furnace exhaust pipes started the fire and because the fire was above the building's water sprinkler system the system was never activated. Flames and burning debris began falling through the roof and into the plant below that contained mostly highly flammable lumber and chemicals for varnishing caskets.

By early evening the fire had spread to a very rare nine-alarm blaze as fire stations from across the city rushed to Eastie to contain the blaze.

The huge building, which abuts the MBTA Blue Line between Orient Heights and Suffolk Downs train stations, is close to 100,000 square feet and burned for nearly 12 hours.

The fire forced the suspension of the Blue Line from Airport MBTA station to Wonderland station for three days.

More than half of all on duty Boston firefighters from across the city fought the inferno into the early morning hours and the heavy thick black smoke could be seen from as far away as Lynn. The smoke and wind conditions forced the City to evacuate a portion of the hill around Orient Avenue. Officials feared the burning chemicals inside the plant was causing toxic conditions in and around the fire.

WELCH MEMORIAL FUND BEING SET UP FOR GREENWAY

EAST BOSTON - For over a half century Mary Ellen Welch was the steward of social, political and environmental activism in the neighborhood.

Welch, a longtime community activist and school teacher, sought to house the poor, improve the air quality in Eastie and helped bring a neighborhood with the least amount of open space to a community with award winning sprawling parks and greenways.

Sadly, on Thursday, March 7 Eastie lost Welch, a legend and an icon.

While tributes poured in from every corner of the neighborhood of Welch's work in her beloved community, one cause was near and dear to her heart.

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

"Mary Ellen (Welch) was one of a small group of Eastie residents who believed the trash filled, abandoned freight tracks could become a welcoming, safe Greenway that would remove years of contamination in the midst of the neighborhood," said Welch's longtime friend and Greenway President Karen Maddalena. "The Greenway would become a beautiful green space for children to ride their bikes, seniors to stroll and residents to make connections through and across the neighborhood. She was sure Eastie would rally to the Greenway. "Oh, yes, they will love it!" she replied about the far-fetched idea in 1990. And she was so right."

Now the Friends of the East Boston Greenway have established the Mary Ellen Welch Memorial Fund to help raise money for future Greenway

improvements and programs.

"When we lost Mary Ellen on March 7, 2019, we lost a dear friend and neighbor, a community leader, a wise advisor and passionate advocate for social and environmental justice, a devoted daughter of East Boston and a proud Bostonian," said Maddalena. "A school teacher for decades in East Boston, Mary Ellen was a born teacher, helping us all to learn, to advocate and to demonstrate for a more just world for everyone. How generous she was with her encouragement, how gentle she was with her correction. We all learned from her, and those lessons are now part of us."

Maddalena said she and the entire Council are now inviting the community to join in the efforts to continue enhancing the Greenway along the path that Welch led.

"We also wish to create a special location along the Greenway by way of honoring Mary Ellen's vision, her compassion and her faith that East Boston deserved this new parkland connecting East Boston's harbor, beaches, parks and marshes," said Maddalena. "Please help us honor Mary Ellen by helping us continue her work and to create a beautiful special site for all to enjoy and remember. We appreciate gifts of all sizes."

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

RUSSO SELECTED AS PERSONEEL DIRECTOR

LYNN - The Lynn City Council unanimously approved the Mayor's recommendation to have Drew Russo become the next Personnel Director for the city.

"We are excited to bring Drew Russo on as the Personnel Director," said Mayor Tom McGee in a statement. "We

conducted an impartial and robust hiring process, we organized a selection committee to carry out the interview process and make recommendations. The position was posted to the public and two rounds of interviews were held."

The Mayor continued, "there was a good group of candidates, but during the interviews Drew clearly emerged as the front runner. The selection committee unanimously recommended him for the Personnel Director position. Drew has been active in the community, brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this key position in City Hall. He will be a great addition to the administration and I look forward to working with him."

Robin Ennis from the Mayor's Office explained that the process included hiring the Collins Center and human resources experts. They met with department heads and city hall staff to find out what was important to them in a personnel director.

Russo, 37, a Lynn native, has been the executive director of the Lynn Museum/Lynn Arts for the past four years. Prior to that he district director for former U.S. Congressman John Tierney. He is also a board member at the Lynn Community Health Center.

"I think my experiences have prepared me to really do the work of this job, to bring a human resources approach to the Personnel Office," Russo said. "It's an honor to be here. I'm excited to get going."

Russo is a graduate of St. Michael College in Vermont. He and his wife Patricia live in Pine Hill.

MARIJUANA CULTIVATION SITE APPROVED

LYNN - The City Council granted a special permit for the first marijuana cultivation center in Lynn at 71 Linden St.

Bostica, LLC was approved for a 40,000 square-foot "grow facility" on the site of the Harvard Folding Box Company.

Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1

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Stevenson, Richard J
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Chapman, Andrea
Petrucelli, Carla

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WAA CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

ART APPRECIATION



Photos by Marianne Salza

The Winthrop Art Association (WAA) celebrated its 50th



Above: Glenn and Paula Engman, with Glenn's third place cyber art image, "Say a Prayer."

Left: Christine Flynn and Diane Modica admiring the artwork.

anniversary with a Spring Art Festival, featuring 134 pieces of artwork, on the April 26-28 weekend. Members honored Beverly Brody-Barisano, who founded the organization in 1969.

"It's stronger than ever," said Dawn Mahoney, WAA president. "We're family."

In 1964, Beverly married and settled in Winthrop. Her interest in meeting people who enjoyed art led to her placing an ad in the Winthrop Transcript, hoping neighbors and friends would join her in forming an art association. The WAA started with 10 members.

"We've expanded over 50 years. It's amazing," said 80-year-old painter and former art teacher, Beverly Brody-Barisano, WAA founder. "The whole thing is a community. Art is a part of life. It's the first language."



Third place winner in acrylic painting, Ken Fine, and his wife, Ella, with Ken's painting, "Floral II."



Richard Honan, with his mixed media piece, and grandson, Christopher Rodriguez.



Richard Gay, in front of his driftwood piece, "Large Fish," with wife, Jane Vitagliano.

This Week in Sports

Date	Time	Activity	Versus	Location
5/2	4:00pm	Lacrosse: Boys Varsity (Date changed from 05-03-19)	Everett	Madeline English School
5/2	4:00pm	Outdoor Track: Varsity	Gloucester Saugus Swampscott	Miller Field
5/2	4:00pm	Sailing: Club	Swampscott	Cottage Park Yacht Club
5/3	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys Varsity	Salem	Veterans Field (Winthrop)
5/3	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys JV	Salem	Ingleside Park
5/3	4:00pm	Softball: Girls Varsity	Salem	Mack Park
5/3	4:00pm	Softball: Girls JV (Location Changed)	Salem Charter Academy	Castle Hill Park
5/3	4:00pm	Tennis: Girls Varsity	Salem	Salem Willows Park
5/3	4:00pm	Tennis: Boys Varsity	Salem	Winthrop High School
5/4	TBD	Outdoor Track: Varsity MIAA	TBA	Plymouth South High School
5/4	9:00am	Outdoor Track: Varsity NEC Fresh/Soph	TBA	Danvers High School
5/4	3:00pm	Baseball: Boys Varsity (Date & Time Changed from 04-23-19)	Saugus	World Series Park-Belmonte Middle School
5/6	TBD	Lacrosse: Boys JV	Lynn Classical	TBA
5/6	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys Varsity	Somerville	Trum Field
5/6	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys JV	Somerville	Dilboy Stadium
5/6	4:00pm	Lacrosse: Girls Varsity	Stoneham	Stoneham High School
5/6	4:00pm	Softball: Girls Varsity	Somerville	Little League Field
5/6	4:00pm	Softball: Girls JV	Somerville	Little League Field C
5/6	4:00pm	Tennis: Girls Varsity	Somerville	Winthrop High School
5/6	4:00pm	Tennis: Boys Varsity	Somerville	South Courts at Tufts University
5/6	5:00pm	Lacrosse: Boys Varsity	Lynn Classical	Manning Field
5/7	4:00pm	Outdoor Track: Varsity	PVMHS	Danvers High School
5/7	5:30pm	Lacrosse: Boys JV	Gloucester Danvers Medford Public Schools	Miller Field
5/8	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys Freshman	Marblehead	Veterans Field (Winthrop)
5/8	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys Varsity	Marblehead	Seaside Park
5/8	4:00pm	Baseball: Boys JV	Marblehead	Marblehead High School
5/8	4:00pm	Lacrosse: Girls JV (Time Changed)	Revere	Harry Della Russo Stadium
5/8	4:00pm	Sailing: Club	Beverly High School	Cottage Park Yacht Club
5/8	4:00pm	Tennis: Girls Varsity	Marblehead	Winthrop High School
5/8	4:00pm	Tennis: Boys Varsity	Marblehead	Seaside Park
5/8	4:30pm	Softball: Girls Varsity	Marblehead	Little League Field
5/8	4:30pm	Softball: Girls JV	Marblehead	Little League Field C
5/8	5:30pm	Lacrosse: Girls Varsity (Time Changed)	Revere	Harry Della Russo Stadium
5/8	5:30pm	Lacrosse: Boys JV	Essex Technical	Miller Field

PVMHS — Peabody Veterans Memorial High School



Sarah Casaletto, Barbara Survilas, Cheryl Bloom, Howard Bloom, and Bunny Dean Murray.



Dawn Mahoney, WAA president, and Beverly Brody-Barisano, WAA founder, with her painting, "Shades of Sundown."



Elizabeth Luti beside her photograph, "Red Panda," with her sister, Brittany Shamhart, and mother, Donna Luti.



Alana Locke and Alyssa Mortimer beside their self-portraits, with Eva Kearney, Head of Winthrop High's Art Department.



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