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WINTHROP FORMS COMMITTEE TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR 2020 CENSUS

Town Manager Austin Faison and Town Clerk Carla Vitale are pleased to share that the Town of Winthrop has formed a Complete Count Committee to encourage resident participation in the 2020 Census.

The Town Council approved the formation of the committee on Tuesday, Aug. 13. The committee includes Vitale, who will serve as its chairwoman, as well as Assistant Town Clerk Joanne DeMato, School Committee Chair Tino Capobianco, Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Director Betsy Shane, Winthrop Public Library Director Diane Wallace, Winthrop Public Library Assistant Director Mary Lou Osborne, Winthrop High School Student Hajar Iaouf, Council on Aging Director Kathy Dixon and Founder of local nonprofit Mi Amore Jeff Carlson.

Over the coming months, the Complete Count Committee will disseminate 2020 Census information, provide support to census takers and raise awareness about the importance of participating in the 2020 Census.

"We encourage everyone to participate in the 2020 Census so that we can provide the most complete, accurate information about our town as possible," Town Clerk Vitale said. "We're excited to launch this new committee, and to work together to inform our residents about the importance of taking part in the census."

According to Secretary of State William Galvin's website dedicated to the Massachusetts 2020 Census, the census impacts how much federal and state funding is given to communities for various projects in areas including education, transportation

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Seniors Alex (left) with his brother and twin, Dante Cattaneo.

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THE TOP 1%

St. Mary's seniors Alexander and Dante Cattaneo score high on SATs

1600. That is the ultimate number seniors hope to reach on their SAT's. It isn't easy with the average score being 1060. According to the College Board, "2.1 million students took the 2018 test and 7 percent of the students (145, 023) scored between

1400-1600. Less than 1 percent (21,000 students) scored between 1500-1600." Considering those odds, it's amazing that not one, but two St. Mary's seniors scored in that 1 percent. Twins Alexander and Dante Cattaneo, who live in Winthrop, scored 1550 and

1580, respectively. When they received their scores, Alexander was "both very surprised and very excited" while Dante "was kind of disappointed to get so close to a perfect score and not actually

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Winthrop gears up for a successful 2019-2020 school year

By Kate Anslinger

While students have been out of school for the summer, the district's administration and school committee members have been busy updating and revising policies and procedures to align with the district's strategic goals. One of the top priorities is ensuring new teachers get the proper

direction that will allow them to have a successful year. Curriculum Director, Lori Gallivan has played a major role in a new program that provides a mentor for new-to-the-district teachers. The two-day program provides new teachers with an introduction to technology and safety, ALICE training, an orientation of the building, and education on the

new curriculum assessments.

"I think this program will take away a lot of guessing and it will allow for support of the new teachers," said Superintendent Lisa Howard.

In addition to preparing teachers for the school year that lies ahead, all items from the school facilities checklist

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Norah Grimes accepts role as ATC Principal

By Kate Anslinger

After serving as the interim principal for one year, Norah Grimes has taken on the role of Principal of the Arthur T. Cummings School, effective July 1. From 2012 to 2018, Grimes held the position of Assistant Principal of the Gorman Fort Banks (GFB) Elementary school. She has

spent several years working as a reading specialist and as a Consultant Teacher of reading. During her time as the assistant principal of the GFB School, Grimes was the Transition Liaison for the construction of the new middle/high school as well as the Supervisor of Attendance for Winthrop Public Schools.

Grimes has big plans for

the upcoming school year and is looking forward to welcoming a new group of students in grades three through five. With the help of her colleagues, Grimes plans on reinstituting "team teaching," in grade five. This model of teaching consists of each grade-five teacher leading two

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School Committee moves forward with playground project

By Kate Anslinger

After reviewing and analyzing price quotes from two reputable playground and equipment design companies, the School Committee

has decided to move forward with Ultiplay Parks and Playgrounds, the same company that built the Gorman Fort Banks playground. Following the committee's direction, Superintendent Lisa Howard met with the Town Manager

to discuss funds, considering the 2020 school budget was funded below service level, leaving no room for additional projects, staffing or new ini-

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Council approves bike lane feasibility study

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

The Town Council approved a feasibility study last week for painting a bike lane on Veterans Road.

Supporters say that installing a bike lane along Veterans Road connects a huge portion of the town, and also connects Lewis Lake, the center of the town and the beach. There is a huge safety increase when you use bike lanes, supporters contend.

"This is about making Winthrop a great place to get around," said Julia Wallerice,

chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee. "It's not about turning Winthrop into Somerville or Cambridge. It's about pulling together past studies and moving forward."

Chris Aiello, urged support of the study and said it's a safety issue and quality of life.

As for covering the cost of striping the bike lane, Wallerice said there are grants and kickstarters that can be used. "There are people in the community that really want to so this go forward. To make Winthrop a better version of what it already is."

Wallerice gives update on Better Bus Program

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

As chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee, Julia Wallerice gave an update on the Better Bus Program,

which has been going on for the last year and a half.

Wallerice said that they came up with three recom-

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A MEET-AND-GREET AT TEMPLE TIFERETH



Deborah Levenson and Rabbi David Joslin take a break from mingling to pose for a photo at the Temple Tifereth Israel meet-and-greet hosted last Sunday, Aug. 18. See more photos on Page 8.

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Monday, August 12

Calling party on Emerson Road would like a subject to leave. He is tearing apart her home. No weapons. Peace was restored. Verbal only and the male left for the day.

Motor vehicle accident on Johnson Avenue with injury. Fire/medical enroute. 93 reports one transport to MGH. Accident report to follow.

99 and 91 attempted to serve warrant to subject on Otis Street. Negative service at this time.

Party came in to report he was advised to turn in a cell phone that belongs to his ex-girlfriend by the Amesbury PD due to an ongoing issue between them. Amesbury was contacted and they confirmed. They will notify the owner to pick it up.

91 and 99 off attempting to serve warrant to subject on Bellevue Avenue. Negative service made.

Assisted fire on Highland Avenue with traffic for a motor vehicle on fire. Blue motor vehicle on fire.

State Police reports drone just east of Winthrop. 800 feet south of Runway 27. Units checked the Point Shirley area, Coughlin Park, Public Landing and the water tower and could not locate anyone with a drone.

91 reports a minor motor vehicle accident on Winthrop Street where a silver Nissan Altima, no plate, fled the scene. Minimal damage. Altima occupied by three males and left the scene heading towards Metcalfe Square. BOLO given to the units.

Male party came in to report someone took an ever-

green shrub from his yard. He states there are two cameras pointed directly where it was taken.

Caller on Cross Street states that his neighbor has his grill on the sidewalk grilling and he feels it is a danger and would like police to address the issue. Officer spoke to the resident who is moving the grill to his driveway.

Motor vehicle stop on Main and Paine Street. Citation issued for red light violation.

Tuesday, August 13

Report of a loud party on Myrtle Avenue. This is an ongoing issue between the neighbors. 91 reports no party and no one being loud. Homeowner was just working on his boat and units will clear.

Follow-up investigation on Sunset Road. Officer spoke to the subject.

Follow-up investigation on Shirley Street. No answer at the hoe.

Abandoned motor vehicle on Summit Avenue. Party does live there and is on vacation. Parking ticket issued.

Follow-up investigation on River Road. Unit spoke to a family member at this address.

Follow-up investigation on Myrtle Avenue. Party was not home.

Traffic control for a gas leak on Lincoln Street. Party on scene giving the National Grid crew a difficult time. 91 responded to alleviate the situation.

Follow-up investigation on Linden Street. Unit spoke to the niece of the party they were looking for. Message will be passed along.

Unit off serving paperwork to subject on Atlantic Street. The party no longer resides there and lives in a sober facility.

Party stated he was on Veterans Road when he observed a male come out of a small red vehicle and go up to a porch and take a package. He believes he stole the package. Could not get a plate off the car. Log entry made as there is no exact location to dispatch a unit to and there is no victim at this time.

Report of a white pickup truck parked illegally at Twist and Shake. No parking zone. This was called in by an off-duty police officer. Vehicle left prior to unit arrival.

Wednesday, August 14

Report of a vehicle going down the wrong way on a one-way street. This happened on Shirley Street. Female party stated that she was looking for her daughter with whom she got into a fight with. Daughter has run away from the house. Female party was given a warning about wrong way.

93 transporting 15-year-old female party from headquarters. Mother and daughter got into a fight. Daughter ran away. Units located the daughter and they are both at the station.

Motor vehicle stop on Main Street. Driver state she has an international license. She is awaiting a licensed driver to take possession of the vehicle. She was cited for red light and unlicensed operation. Female party only has passport in her possession.

Assisted Boston PD attempting to serve a warrant to subject on Maryland Avenue.

BOLO given to unit for an erratic operator of motor vehicle. No direction of travel given.

Minor motor vehicle acci-

dent on Pleasant Street. Unit stood by for paper exchange.

Reporting party came into the station to report being the victim of a fraud. She was contacted by a female statin that she was a representative of Apple and then connected her to another representative who was male. He supposedly ran diagnostics on her computer and then told her she needed better security to protect her. He then instructed her to purchase \$500 Apple gift card at Stop & Shop and call him with the card number. Everything appeared legitimate and she did as was instructed. She learned that once he had the number the card was rendered useless and her \$500 was gone. She knows that there is no way to recover her money but wanted to make us and the public aware and not make the same mistake she made.

Report that five males are urinating behind the marina on Shirley Street. They are in a red Chevy pickup and are now headed towards Washington Avenue. The parties were gone prior to unit's arrival.

Caller on Pleasant Street states there is always loud music and a fire going in the backyard. 91 states that Pleasant Street is all quiet. Units spoke to owners and they invited officer into the home and into the backyard. The residents were having a fire with a cover for cooking which is legal. Also upon arrival, there was no music playing.

Party on Johnson Avenue states he has footage of the parties who are ringing bells in the area. He also thinks his vehicle got damaged by one of the parties when they were passing through his driveway. Unit clear, unable to identify the female party. If the issue continues the unit will work to identify the female.

Caller on Pond Street states

there are teenagers making a lot of noise in the playground and she is trying to sleep. Units clear, parties have been moved along.

Thursday, August 15

Report of an abandoned motor vehicle behind house off of Argyle Street. It requesting G&J for tow. Vehicle is on private property.

Caller stated there is a black Honda Accord in the parking lot of Coughlin Park with only three tires on the car and the fourth is on the ground with a jack on top of it. Unit reports the owner lives across the street and he was attempting to change the tire and the jack broke. He is waiting for a tow.

Party on Shirley Street states a kid ran through her driveway from her backyard with a bike and then through another neighbor's driveway. 93 reports nothing showing at this time. All units clear, unable to locate the male party.

Motor vehicle stop at Dunkin' (Donuts) on Main Street. Citation issued for a red light violation.

Two males, yelling at a female. Units clear, non bonafide. station Parties were yelling to the sister for a phone charger.

A dog walker came in to the station to report that the dog she was walking got out of the house. ACO was already aware of it and knew who the owner was.

Caller on Pebble Avenue states there is an elderly male party, Asian, on her front steps and he is knocking on multiple doors in the neighborhood. The party seems confused and does not speak English. Calling party asked the party if he needs help and the party said yes. Caller states that he looks lost. 91 confirmed BOLO on missing person from earlier. 91 is taking the party to Boston. Boston A7 notified and will meet WPD at home with Boston EMS. 91 on the scene on W. Eagle Street, East Boston. Male was reunited with his family.

Caller on Kennedy Road is seeking a ride through the CLEAR program to seek assistance in getting to a detox for a substance use disorder. Sgt. Gregorian was consulted and contacted the caller and set up a taxi ride to Melrose/Wakefield Hospital through the voucher program with Ride Right Transportation Services provided through CLEAR.

Report that three women are being very loud on the third floor of an apartment on Washington Avenue. Station received a second call on these parties. Unit drove around the entire building and stated that no one was on the balcony and no noise could be heard.

Friday, August 16

Caller on Shore Drive states that he heard someone attempting to kick in his back door. He stated he saw a male with dark hair and no shirt and shorts. Last saw the male party in his rear driveway which faces Dolphin Avenue. Units checking and saw no one. Caller also stated that after leaving his residence the male party ran up Shore Drive towards Crest Avenue looking into vehicles. Caller was able to retrieve the footage of the break-in and will attempt to retrieve it later and send it to the station. Unit extensively searched the area with nothing showing.

Niece who is located in California states that she has not been able to reach her aunt in three weeks. She lives on Somerset Avenue. The party is fine.

Party came in to request a well-being check of her sister whose property was found on Shore Drive this morning. Party she was with resides on Pearl Avenue. There was damage to the front of the motor vehicle. The vehicle is parked

in front of a hydrant. The party walked up while officers were waiting to enter the home.

A male and female party came into the lobby video taping with their cell phones and live streaming on Facebook. They identified themselves as Auditing America and they stated they had questions to ask us. Sgt. Feeley spoke with them at the window. They were polite and cordial. The encounter lasted 2-3 minutes. They exited the lobby and then came back to tell us we passed.

General disturbance at the post office. Male party wearing shorts. Units report patrons were just buying stamps and made a few other customers feel uncomfortable recording with their phone. They were sent out of the area.

Two parties, male in shorts and female, both recording everyone making people feel uncomfortable. Called in by employee at the post office. This is a duplicate call.

Post office employee states same people are calling the office and harassing her. Party was not cooperative on the phone and would not give much information other than wanted to speak to the police. This is the same caller as before. Officer advised the employee of the organization and what their purpose was. Also advised them that what they are doing is totally lawful. Since this is a federal agency they were also advised to notify the Postal police. Unit clear, report to follow.

Caller states there is an elderly gentleman outside of Swetts Liquor who seems lost and disoriented. Male is known to the officer and lives at the Arbors. Unit will be giving the male party a courtesy ride back to the Arbors.

Caller at Governors Park reports that the neighbor downstairs is banging on the ceiling.

Saturday, August 17

Party on Jefferson Street states a child is running through the apartment upstairs and he cannot sleep. Units spoke to calling party and advised him nothing can be done about a loud child and to contact management.

Caller on Shore Drive stated she can hear her neighbor making weird noises and smacking himself. She isn't sure if anyone else is in the apartment with him. 91 states that the door may be open and they can hear someone that may be in distress in the apartment. Units did knock prior and will be awaiting Sierra 4 to arrive prior to entry. Party then came to the door. Sierra 4 is standing down. Male party came and spoke to the units and nothing is out of place or out of the ordinary seems to be going on.

Caller states that in the direction of the water on the beach across from Sea Foam Avenue she can hear a woman screaming. State Police notified and will be responding as well. Unit did not hear anything and asked a few residents who were in the area and they did not hear anything. Units clear.

An ongoing issue at Governors Park with neighbor banging the ceiling.

Manager at the East Boston Savings Bank would like to speak to an officer about harassing phone message left on phone about an employee.

Whit female who is unwanted is in the lobby of the Arbors. Peace was restored. Party will be contacted when her check arrives. She was an ex-employee.

Sunday, August 18

Caller at Cumberland Farms states a party was in there earlier and shoplifted. Shoplifter was identified by the clerk and confirmed by surveillance video. Officer is familiar with the party. He will be summoned for this of-

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STUDENT HIGHLIGHT: Donovan heads to Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By Kate Anslinger

While Emily Donovan will miss the familiarity of Winthrop’s small-town perks, she is looking forward to her new adventure at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. From the moment that Donovan set foot on the campus, she loved everything about the university that prides itself on a rigorous science and engineering program. Donovan is up for the challenge and is looking forward to the project-based curriculum. She will use all that she has learned while at Winthrop High School to excel in the college classroom.

Why did you choose Worcester Polytechnic Institute and what will you be majoring in?

When I toured WPI, I instantly fell in love. Everything, from the campus, to the



Emily Donovan

curriculum, to how the terms and courses are set up. It just felt like a perfect fit for me. I will be majoring in Chemical Engineering.

What will you miss most about Winthrop?

I will miss all of my friends and family in Winthrop, and I will also miss the familiarity of everything and every-one that comes with growing

up in such a small town. All throughout high school I was involved in the Winthrop High School Drama Society. Joining drama freshman year was probably one of the best choices I have ever made. The friends I made, the things I learned, and the sense of accomplishment that came with putting on the shows that we did was unlike anything else. I was also a part of the mock trial team. In mock trial I learned valuable lessons about teamwork and responsibility. I’m looking forward to trying out some different clubs and activities while I’m at college.

Who is your role model?
My role models are definitely my parents. My whole life they have both worked so hard to provide for our family. The two of them have taught me so much about what dedication and good work ethic truly look like.

Norah Grimes //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

content areas. Students will change classrooms and be assigned a homeroom, similar to the schedule that a middle school student would have. Students will then change classes for different subjects such as math and social studies.

“There are many advantages to this model, primarily that it allows us to focus on teacher strengths and greater student outcomes,” said Grimes. “Also, having only



Norah Grimes.

two subject areas to cover instead of four provides for a greater level of expertise for the teachers.”

Grimes believes that the partnership with families, teachers, and students is crucial for learning, growth, and student achievement. While serving as principal, she hopes to witness meaningful collaboration among teachers and elevate expectations that create a positive school culture and responsibility.

Playground //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

tiatives.
“I have worked very closely with the Town Manager and Principal of the ATC to keep them up to date on the costs and planning involved,” said Howard. “We have discussed various funding po-tential for a project of this size which is in excess of \$140,000. The Town Manager and I decided that the best potential chance of funding this large project was through a request from the Winthrop Foundation.”

The Winthrop Foundation is a non-profit that was created as a result of the \$2.5

million that was donated by MassPort in June. The donation has been placed in a non-profit charitable trust to support local projects and organizations. The Winthrop Foundation is comprised of an appointed Board of Trustees that will determine where funding goes. Since the playground is used by the school, during the school day and also continuously occupied by the larger community after school hours, on weekends and during the summer, the hope is that the funds will be provided by the foundation.

The request for funding has been drafted, complete with the quote and will be submitted to the Foundation as soon as they open the process to submit such requests.

“We are hopeful that the request will be approved,” said Howard. “Once approved for funding, we will move forward with scheduling the project.”

Since the playground was inspected in 2016, there have repairs completed as well as a weekly custodial monitoring checklist for additional repairs.

Better Bus //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

mendations to increase ridership and improve the appeal of riding the bus for the 3,000 Winthrop riders every day..

First, is to increase services through high frequency, running every five-10 minutes rather than every 20 to 40 minutes, specifically the 712 buses that runs with high ridership along Shirley Street, Veterans Road and Revere

Street.

A second recommendation that has been discussed in the past, and discussed with representatives from Revere, is open a pilot a bus between Beachmont and Winthrop so that not everything is flowing into Orient Heights.

“This could be done with Revere or the extension of the Route 119 bus, or a smaller

shuttle,” Wallerice said.

The third recommendation is to fix the confusion and complexity of the buses. Riders have had to guess at the times that the bus will show up. Reliability and convenience are important key components to riders.

Riders will also some day see better signage and bus stop shelters.

Repucci will retire as executive director of CAPIC

By Cary Shuman

Robert S. Repucci, executive director of CAPIC for the past 41 years, will be retiring from the agency that assists residents in Winthrop, Revere and Chelsea.

Repucci, who has worked at CAPIC in various capacities since 1972, publicly announced his decision in a letter to friends Tuesday. He had informed the CAPIC Board of Directors at a meeting last Thursday.

Repucci, 68, said he will remain in the position until a successor is named. The succession plan to select a new CAPIC executive director has begun, and starting next week the position will be advertised in various newspapers and on social media platforms.

Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty has worked closely with Repucci for several years helping residents seeking heating oil, healthcare options, and housing.

“It’s a very sad day,” said Delehanty. “He was a great partner in Winthrop with providing services to people in need. He was someone we relied on heavily. His agency gave assistance to our seniors and other individuals who were in need following storms and disasters, and in situations where they couldn’t afford a burner or they needed a place to stay for a couple of days while their house was flooded.”

Delehanty said Repucci’s reach extended to recent high school graduates and young parents.

“He helped students just out of high school with services by placing them and getting them started,” said Delehanty. “Bob Repucci has been a cornerstone of the Winthrop Police Department’s success over the years in getting services for people in Winthrop. I have worked more closely with Bob during my last years as chief, but I knew him before I became chief. We will continue to be friends long after he’s retired.”

Repucci said his decision to leave CAPIC was a challenging one.

“This has been a challenging decision given my utmost devotion to CAPIC and my



Robert S. Repucci, CAPIC executive director.

need to safeguard the legacy of those who preceded me and those to follow,” wrote Repucci in his letter of retirement sent to friends and associates.

He said one of the reasons for deciding to leave the position at CAPIC was that “I’ve become growingly saddened and frustrated with the housing situation that we have in Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop. I’ve watched all these people that are essentially being forced out of their housing.”

“All this great residential building has caused rents to increase – the new developments are looking at \$1,800 to \$3,000 a month so the average landlord of a three-family house looks at that and says, ‘I’m only getting \$1,100, but I could get \$1,800 or \$2,000 a month, that’s one of the contributing factors why these rents are going up and I want to do something about it.’”

To that end, when Repucci leaves CAPIC he will assume the duties of executive director of the Winnisimmet Realty Corporation, whose mission is to acquire property for the interest of the CAPIC agency.

He said it will be tough to leave CAPIC and the outstanding, professional staff that he has overseen for more than four decades.

“CAPIC is my home and the people that work there are really family to me,” said Repucci. “Separation from the organization is going to be as tough as I thought because of all these issues that we have that are poverty-related and I’m working on.”

He said people’s “access to healthcare” is one of the issues

that brought him to work for CAPIC in 1972 “and here we are 48 years later looking at the same issue recurring and that’s in the presence of health centers which we didn’t have back then.”

Councillor-at-Large and former Revere mayor Dan Rizzo worked with Repucci to help Revere’s low-income residents through various CAPIC programs.

“It’s hard to put in to words not only what Bob Repucci meant to the city of Revere but the other communities he served, and the thousands of people that he and his organization have helped over the years,” said Rizzo.

Rizzo said Repucci impacted so many residents in a positive way on a daily basis.

“He helped make people’s lives just a little bit better – I think the remarkable work that he’s done will transcend generations,” said Rizzo. “I’ve never met a professional like Bob Repucci who not only did his job, but it was a passion of his, and I know this because we had so many conversations about people in need and how people would fall on hard times – and Bob Repucci lived every day to help others. His departure is going to leave a giant void. CAPIC does tremendous work and Bob was certainly front and center for all that work.”

Revere Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto, who has served on the CAPIC Board of Director for 20 years, lauded the retiring executive director, stating emphatically, “I don’t know a better public servant than Bob Repucci. He’s dedicated to helping the needy and he’s dedicated his whole life to helping the people that are on the margins. As a conservative guy, he taught me a lot about the compassion for people in need. He will be almost impossible to replace. He’s just a decent human being and really cares about people.”

“When you call Bob Repucci with someone in need, whether it’s housing or substance abuse of whatever it is, he never said no in the 20 years I’ve known him,” concluded Zambuto. “His response was always, ‘We’ll find a way’ and he always did.”



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After 2018's record-setting season in which our Red Sox won the most regular-season games (108) in their history and then vanquished the Yankees, Astros, and Dodgers in the post-season by a combined 11-3 en route to winning the World Series, it seemed that the sky was the limit for 2019.

We had the "best" manager in Alex Cora, guiding a group of young and exciting players -- led by Mookie, J.D., Xander, Andrew, and Rafael -- as well as a pitching staff -- paced by the "unhittable" Chris Sale -- that seemed destined to repeat as world champions.

But a funny thing happened from the end of 2018 to the beginning of 2019: Our Sox came down to earth.

When they did not re-sign their closer, Craig Kimbrel, perhaps the most essential position in baseball today, and then opened the season with a 2-8 start, it was evident that 2019 was not going to be a repeat of 2018.

Injuries piled up, pitchers went on and off the IL, and the magic of 2018 never reappeared. Mookie's ever-beaming smile had been replaced with the grimace of defeat.

As we write this, the Sox stand at 67-59, six games behind Tampa Bay in the extra wild-card spot, with Oakland in between.

In addition, they have a killer schedule in their final 36 games. And with Chris Sale essentially out for the rest of the season, the Sox' chances (which stand at 2.8 percent) of making the playoffs are shortening every day as surely as summer's fading sun. And even if they do make it, will they really be any match for any of the other playoff teams?

For young Red Sox fans, the disappointment of 2019 offers a life lesson: When you're on top, everybody wants to take you down.

For those of us who have seen this all before, the saga of the 2019 Red Sox brings to mind the line from the Impossible Dream record of the 1967 season (and yes, we still have our well-worn, vinyl album, as well as a CD of it) that has summed up so many Red Sox seasons both before and since:

When April's high aspirations,
Turned to September's tears.

Let's go, Patriots!

Forum



BEFORE THE SUMMER SAILS AWAY, ENJOY EVERY BALMY DAY

LETTER to the Editor

PARKING COULD SUFFER

Dear Editor,

At its last meeting, the Town Council voted to authorize the Town Manager to prepare a feasibility study for the implementation of a 6-foot wide bike lane on Veterans Road. The Council will review this study at its September 3 meeting.

If this bike land is implemented, no parking will be permitted on Veterans Road. Currently, there are approximately 70 to 80 vehicles parked there each morning. The Bike Lane implementation will also eliminate Snow Emergency Parking on Veterans Road. Two apartments developments will increase the amount of vehicles in the area. Business owners in this area will also be adversely affected, as their customers will have no place to park.

If parking on Veterans Road is eliminated, these cars will end up parking on the streets connecting Shore Drive to Shirley Street as well as on Shirley Street and

Shore Drive. Parking is already limited in these areas, so the Bike Lane will result in increased parking congestion in the Beach area. Also, many people park their cars on Veterans Road on Street cleaning days so as not to hinder street cleaning.

There is also an alternate proposal to make Veterans Road one-way. Since this thoroughfare is a major connection from Point Shirley to Revere St., traffic will have to be rerouted to Washington and Pleasant streets and fire engines will be delayed in responding to emergencies. If you think that traffic leaving town is bad now, think about how much worse it will be by placing a bike lane on Veterans Road. This will only make traffic problems worse.

Please contact the Town Council before the Sept. 3 meeting by telephone at 617-846-1742 x1034, or email at: town council@town.winthrop.ma.us and register your opposition to this Bike Lane.

John Stanley

SAFETY PROBLEM AT DEER ISLAND

Dear Editor,

I am writing to inform the MWRA of a safety problem at Deer Island. A problem that can lead to serious injuries, but can be easily rectified.

During the past few years the 2.6 mile walking path around Deer Island has become a popular destination for not only walkers, but bikers, skateboarders, roller bladders, and joggers. My wife and I use the walking path on a daily basis, and I use this route occasionally as a biker.

The 2.6 mile path around the perimeter of Deer Island is narrow in many places and is barely wide enough for a biker to pass two people walking side by side. On many occasions my wife and I have been passed by speeding bikers without warning, sometimes on our left, sometimes on our right, and today between us. On another occasion when startled by a biker, we moved to our right, the biker tried to pass on the right and fell off of his bike trying to avoid us. This is not unique to us, it is

also a common complaint of many people walking Deer Island. If a startled walker moves in the wrong direction, it can lead to a serious injury, or in my case, being on a blood thinner, life threatening.

As an experienced biker, I ride cautiously and when passing walkers from behind, I alert the walkers with plenty of notice that I am passing them on their left, and then proceed slowly past the m. However, many walkers wear headphones and the warning can't be heard.

As time goes on, the problem is going to escalate because there will be an increase walkers, bikers, and others vehicles. The easiest and safest solution is to instruct walkers to walk in one direction (clockwise), and the bikers travel in the opposite direction (counter-clockwise), from May 1 to Oct. 1. All that is needed is a sign at the entrances on both sides to indicate this safety directive.

MWRA, act now, don't wait for a serious accident to happen!!!

Robert E. Hudd

GUEST OP-ED

When drug prices mean more than sick patients

By Merrill Matthews

The Department of Health and Human Services has a new plan to cut drug spending. But it's not a change for the better.

To lower spending in Medicare Part B -- the component of Medicare that covers advanced, physician-administered medicines -- the agency plans to tie U.S. drug prices to the artificially low prices paid in other countries.

This would harm patients. Price controls may save the government money in the short term, but they would

slow the rate of medical progress.

In most developed countries, the government dictates the price of prescription drugs. Governments use this power to pinch pennies, often at the expense of providing access to the newest breakthrough medicines.

Creating just a single new medicine costs an average of \$1.7 billion and can take more than a decade. And only a handful of drugs sell enough to cover their research and development costs -- much less subsidize ongoing research into new medicines.

If the government decides drug prices, drug developers will have a harder time recouping those investments -- making investment less appealing. Progress towards therapies for illnesses like Alzheimer's and cancer would slow. New drug launches would become rare.

U.S. patients currently have better access to the newest drugs than any other country. Consider that 89 percent of 290 new drugs released between 2011 and 2018 were available in the United States at the time of their initial launch. By contrast, German patients had access to only 62

percent of these medicines.

Delayed access to new drugs is the unfortunate reality for too many people around the world. If we import their policies, we will import their diminished access to new drugs as well.

HHS's reform puts the financial interests of the federal government before the well-being of actual patients.

Merrill Matthews is a resident scholar with the Institute for Policy Innovation in Dallas, Texas. Follow him on Twitter @MerrillMatthews.

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have been checked off including an update to the PA systems, locks, door enclosures, and proper signage.

Students who don't meet the bus transportation requirements will have another option, as the MBTA is provid-

ing local bus transportation at a discounted rate. If a child is enrolled in the MBTA Student Pass Program they will have a reduced student fee of 85¢ per ride. If a parent is traveling with a child under 11 years old, the child can ride for free

and this discount is extended for up to two children per ride. For more information on the MBTA Student Pass Program please visit: https://www.mbta.com/pass-program/student

According to Superintendent Howard, there has been a great response from those who took advantage of community access to the Miller Field track. Over the summer, community members were allowed to use the track from 5 to 8 a.m., and 6 to 8 p.m., while it was staffed by

members of the senior center. Once the school sports schedules get determined, more community access hours will be added.

On Aug. 29, Superintendent Howard will address all school staff members and recognize teachers who have earned milestone years of service.

"After spending time with other principals, I feel that we are ready to go. Every single student has a complete schedule and there is equality in class sizes across the board."

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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association
By G. David Hubbard • Photos courtesy of Stephen F. Moran

ART 892 - MIRROR IMAGE HOMES #3



On Nov. 23, 2013. Winthrop "Then and Now" published the first of two articles on local mirror image buildings. Six sets of such homes have been discovered in town and have been photographed for your enjoyment. Each "pair" of such buildings were constructed by a single contractor who wanted these buildings to not look absolutely identical when sited next door to one another. However, to reduce the cost, they could be built to the same set of drawings. From a non historic viewpoint, we found these six sets of mirror image buildings to be unique and just wanted to share them with our readers. They are not related to any specific period of time since the oldest was built about 112 years ago and the latest about 18 years ago. The four such sets of homes previously presented are located at the following addresses:

- (a) 266 and 270 Main St.
- (b) 468/470 and 472/474

Pleasant St.
(C) 27/29 Lincoln St.
(d) 92/94 Lincoln St.
In today's article, Picture One depicts the only set of Queen Anne Colonial style mirror image homes in Winthrop. Built about a century ago, they are located at 27 and 29 Washington Ave. just opposite the opening to Thornton Park. All of the five pairs of mirror homes presented to date were originally built on what was, at the time, open land. The remaining sixth set of such buildings was built on part of the site of the Aloha Inn (see picture two), originally built about 1880 at the corner of Highland and Cliff avenues. Initially opened in 1885 by Mrs. A.W. Fitch, it was owned by Messer's Hill and White who also owned the Argyle House which is now the rear part of the Winthrop Arms where the kitchen and dining area is today. Picture three depicts the same Highland/Cliff Avenue corner after

the Inn was raised in 1963 and the three homes which now occupy this land were built. Picture four depicts the second and third house from the corner as seen from across the street. Please note that these two homes are also of the mirror image design featured in our article. We have written at various times about a number of different style homes that exist in Winthrop such as Victorian houses, homes with Mansard or Gambrel Roofs along with the over 150 T shaped homes that appear on the eight Streets that make up the Ocean Spray section of Shore Drive. We have also written numerous articles about the 56 plus Hotels, Inns and Boarding houses that have operated in Winthrop during its 1880 to 1935 resort period under 80 different names. If any of our readers have information on any of these resort facilities and would be willing to share it with us, please contact this writer.



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
Aug. 19, 1999
Abutters to the Winthrop Marketplace have filed an appeal in Land Court from the decision of the Winthrop Board of Appeals upholding the decision of the Building Inspector to issue a building permit for the use of the former Water Department building as a market. Their attorney, William DiMento, said "the town must be made to follow the law," while Mike Carney, the contractor for the project, stated that "the system is being used to beat up on people."

30 years ago
Aug. 23, 1989
Atty. General James Shannon has informed the town that his office has approved the overall new zoning by-laws, but he has rejected the amendments pertaining to illegally converted dwelling units. Town Meeting had approved the new zoning by laws in April. Shannon said the offending amendments constitute "spot zoning."
The Winthrop Golf Club, the Winthrop Y.C., and the Pleasant Park Y.C. have approved changes to their by laws within the three week deadline given by the selectmen after allegations of discrimination against women became public.

U.S. First Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Juan Torruella ruled last week that the PACE program instituted by Massport in June, 1988, is illegal, thereby confirming the U.S. Department of Transportation's ability to reject the PACE plan. PACE would have forced operators of small aircraft to pay higher landing fees during peak hours, and larger planes to pay lower landing fees, in order to reduce congestion at Logan Airport.

40 years ago
Aug. 22, 1979
Officers Fabiano and Vitale arrested a 22-year-old Winthrop man when they responded to a report of a housebreak by a woman who found a man in her kitchen with a flashlight at midnight. Lieut. McLaughlin and Detective MacFarland received thanks from a local couple whose home was broken into by four teenagers who took several hundred dollars worth of items. The officers solved the crime and the youths were forced to pay restitution.
Town Dog Officer Jack Van Buskirk is bringing charges against two dog owners whose dogs bit residents.
Forty of the 102 WHS football candidates are expected to make the annual trek to Camp Nellie Huckins for pre season football camp.
Roger Moore stars as James Bond in "Moonraker" at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago
Aug. 21, 1969
Winthrop police rounded up a gang of 24 East Boston youths near the new senior high school last Tuesday evening as they were massing for an attack on Winthrop teenagers on Shore Drive. A resident spotted the youths, who were armed with wooden clubs, knives, and pipes. Officers Crawford, Scholwin, Guenard, McLaughlin, and R. Staff disarmed the youths and then escorted them out of town.
Winthrop officials, including State Rep. Ralph Siriani, Selectmen Chairman Dick Dimes, and Public Landing Committee Chairman Norm Siefert met with state engineers to view the proposed site of the public landing near the Winthrop Y.C.
Town residents and businesses are demanding that Mass. Electric increase the power supply to the town. A

severe power drop during the recent heat wave brought voltage down to a dangerous level throughout the town.
Residents are being asked to give generously to aid the victims of powerful Hurricane Camille that wreaked havoc along the Gulf Coast states.
A group of 55 candidates for the 1969 WHS football team is expected to report for physicals to Dr. Nathan Caplan this week.
Walt Disney's "Peter Pan" is playing at the Winthrop Theatre.

60 years ago
Aug. 20, 1959
Three rescues were made this past week at Winthrop beaches. A 30-year-old man who was unable to swim and who fell off a cabin cruiser near the Winthrop Y.C. as it was leaving its float was saved by 15-year-old Stephen Kane. On Monday at Winthrop Beach,. Mrs. Louise Boudreau used the new 12 foot Red Cross surfboard to rescue a 6-year-old boy who had floated 100 feet off shore in his inflatable mattress. On the same day at Winthrop Beach, a 10-year-old girl who was taking swimming lessons suffered a seizure while in the water and was pulled out by swimming instructor Phyllis Chandler, who administered first aid until the Fire Department arrived.

The Winthrop Police station is about to receive a complete overhaul. Cost of the work and new equipment is estimated at \$10,000.
Winthrop's Joe Duplin won the Atlantic Coast championship for Star Class sailboats last week in Rockport, despite having to use a borrowed boat.
Millie Perkins stars in "The Diary of Anne Frank" at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago
Aug. 18, 1949
Town Meeting members voted to build a \$130,000 trash incinerator in the marshland north of Ft. Banks, but only after heated debate. Members also voted to dump the town's trash there for a year. Residents of the area voiced their opposition to the plan, but Selectman Peter Princi argued that the town had to find a place for a town dump somewhere. Housing Authority Chairman Edward R. Thomas said the site may interfere with plans for the new veterans housing in that area, but Selectman Robert E. Kirby said the town will do what is necessary to appease state officials on this issue.
The Katz family, of whom four brothers and a sister came to America more than 40 years ago and then went their separate ways all across the country, held their first family reunion here since they came to Winthrop in 1904. Only two of the brothers and the sister still are alive, but their niece, Mrs. Jack Avruch, whose father died before it was possible to get everybody together, arranged the reunion.
Five new cases of polio were reported this past week, bringing to eight the total for this season, the most ever reported in Winthrop. Dr. John Vaughan, Chairman of the Board of Health, cautioned that this is not of epidemic proportions and that most of the cases here have been mild.
Abbott and Costello star in "Africa Screams" at the Winthrop and State theatres.

80 years ago
Aug. 19, 1939
Arthur Boudeau, the Winthrop Schools Superintendent, is the new President of the Winthrop Rotary Club, which is beginning its second year.
Winthrop sailors competed in Marblehead Race Week festivities and acquitted themselves well.
Residents are in general approval of the new look given

to Pauline Street in front of the Centre firehouse. The street has been widened to allow ample space for fire trucks.
Greer Garson and Robert Donat star in "Goodbye Mr. Chips" at the Winthrop and State theatres.

90 years ago
Aug. 24, 1929
The selectmen have indicated that they are willing to lease to the federal government the land of the old town hall for the purpose of a new Post Office at a rate of \$1.00 per year, with the land to revert to the town in 20 years.

100 years ago
Aug. 23, 1919
Winthrop Post, American Legion, was organized at an enthusiastic meeting of 300 local veterans of the world war in the high school hall Monday evening. Capt. Richard G. Stoehr unanimously was elected commander.
It is reported that more than 3000 young women of French, British, and Scottish origin have come to our shores as new citizens, the brides of our servicemen.

110 years ago
Aug. 21, 1909
The threatened strike of the Narrow Gauge railroad employees has been resolved. The employees will accept a wage scale between what they demand and what management offered.
A 26-year-old Boston man, Alfred Scheinman, was held before Judge Barnes in East Boston District Court on a charge of speeding along Shore Drive. The judge imposed a \$20 fine, which the man will appeal.
Ft. Banks and Ft. Heath have played important roles in the war game exercises being conducted in Boston Harbor and throughout the state this week.
The Assessors' report for 1909 shows a total value of real estate of \$11,264,050, a gain of \$1,086,250 from 1908. The total amount to be raised by taxation is \$237,120, an increase of \$19,391. Revenue from other sources totals \$16,744. The school budget of \$56,750 is the largest of all town departments.
The total number of new dwellings has increased by 170 from last year. The average value of \$4,100 is attributable to the large number of two and three family homes as well as more expensive single family homes.

120 years ago
Aug. 25, 1899
The Superior Court has acted on the 10 miscellaneous by laws that Town Meeting passed in June. Some have been approved, but the ones concerning licenses for shows in which children under 15 years of age take part has been rejected.
Selectman Orlando Lewis, with a tax bill of \$2,502, is the top taxpayer in the town, according to a list just released by the town.

130 years ago
Aug. 23, 1899
The annual mock trial of the Aphelions was a howling success. The judges were impressive with their powdered white hair and flowing gowns. The indictment was a marvelous document, giving as it did, in the most humorous way, the law of pauper labor.
A summer boarder, in a letter to the editor, notes that Winthrop's pleasantness, its freedom from anything resembling the hoodlum element, and its fine views, as well as its proximity to Boston, make it the place par excellence for a summer sojourn of all of the places near the Hub. He notes only the lack of good summer houses as a drawback

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Encore Boston Harbor set to give away sports car

New Red Card promotions allow free parking during the week

By Seth Daniel

Encore Boston Harbor is looking to put a little pizzazz in the Labor Day weekend with a full day of giveaways and fun on Sunday, Sept. 1, a day that will culminate with a drawing to give away a McLaren sports car.

Encore President Bob DeSalvio said the giveaway will mark the first big day at the resort casino built on a major drawing. The winner will get a 2019 McLaren 5702 Spider (valued at \$200,000), or the option of \$100,000 cash.

“The car is a big one for us,” he said. “The final drawing will be around 7 p.m., but we’ll have preliminary drawings all afternoon. We start accepting entries at noon that day and there are drawings all the way from 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. We want to get a lot of people involved.”

The promotion will feature 10 people drawn from the entries every 30 minutes. Nine of the 10 names will get \$500 in credits, and the 10th name will get a slot in the final drawing for the car.

“At the end, we take all the finalists and draw the winner,” said DeSalvio. “They can take the car or the cash. The others that don’t win will get \$2,500 in credits.”

There will also be a second-chance drawing at 8 p.m.

“It’s a full day of promotions around that drawing that



Want a sports car? Then a good idea would be to report to Encore Boston Harbor on Sept. 1 for the McLaren sports car giveaway. Pictured here, the 2019 model will be given away in a random drawing at 7 p.m.

is really the culmination of our entire August promotional campaign,” he said.

•In addition, another major promotion now available for Red Card holders is in the realm of parking.

DeSalvio said they have started a promotion for free, midweek parking at the resort. Between 5 a.m. Monday and 5 p.m. Friday, Red Card holders will get free parking. On weekends, parking for Red Card holders is just one credit from their card.

“The idea behind this is that during the week, we have opportunity in the garage,” he said. “We get a lot of customers that ask for this because they go to regional resorts with free parking. We decided we can do it midweek, and then charge \$1 on weekends. That’s a way to reward those

playing in the casino. They can use the comp dollar on weekends and on weekdays they can park for free.”

•DeSalvio said they are also offering deeply discounted hotel rooms (up to 35 percent off) this month in a partnership with Expedia and Priceline.

He said that while they are building up their clientele, they wanted to take the opportunity to reward those with a Red Card.

“The idea is that as we continue to build up the hotel to full occupancy, we want folks to experience it,” he said. “We want people to experience the rooms. In the next few months, they start the convention business and discounts go down. So, in the opening period, we wanted to let folks experience the rooms.”

KC AND THE SUNSHINE BAND AT

ENCORE BOSTON HARBOR

Photos by Katy Rogers



The audience was up and dancing during the KC and the Sunshine Band performance at Encore Boston Harbor.



KC and the Sunshine Band had a tight groove.



KC and the Sunshine Band’s backup singers kept the show moving.



KC and the Sunshine Band put on an exclusive Red Card event, and showed many what the resort will bring to Everett on a regular basis.

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and public health. The census also impacts the state’s representation in Congress and how many votes it has in the Electoral College, as well as representation in state and local government.

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Recently the Winthrop Lodge of elks #1078 held a wine tasting to benefit Winthrop’s St. John’s Episcopal Church. The lodge is known for it’s endless charity and community service in and around Winthrop.

In the photo above; Father Walter Connolly, Rector of St. John’s Episcopal Church is shown receiving the check from Winthrop Elk members, Bettie Dalton and Agnes Noble.

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REVERE BEACH

MEMORIAL SEPT. 15

The Annual Revere Beach Memorial is a candlelight vigil for families and friends who wish to remember a loved one

that lost their life due to an overdose. The Revere CARES Coalition and the City of Revere are again organizing this touching event for Sunday, Sept. 15, at the DCR William G. Reinstein Bandstand on Revere Beach (rain or shine). The event begins at sunset, approximately 7 p.m., and will end around 8 p.m. Individuals can register a name to be read by contacting Revere CARES at 781-485-6440 before 3 p.m. on Sunday Sept. 15, or arriving between 5:45 and 6:45 p.m. on the night of the event.

Participants are invited to bring a photo of their loved one to be placed on the remembrance table or boards.

The program of the memorial consists of an introduction, inspirational readings/poems, lighting of candles,

reading of names of those being remembered with a fire bell after each name, closing remarks, the Serenity Prayer, and music on the beach.

The memorial arose due to the work of the former Revere CARES Coalition’s Opiates Task Force which in 2005 documented the depth and breadth of the Oxycontin and heroin problem in the community. The task force formed an action plan which City of Revere officials, Revere CARES staff, volunteers, and community partners have been working to fulfill. The Revere

Beach Memorial event was developed by a group of family members who lost a loved one to a substance use disorder. These community members and coalition volunteers comprise the event’s planning committee.

Money raised by the planning committee for the Revere Beach Memorial Fund will be used to help cover the costs of this annual event, support local addiction treatment programs, and provide educational scholarships to Revere High School students impacted by substance use

disorders. The first Revere Beach Memorial Scholarship was bestowed upon a graduating RHS student in 2012 and will be given to a graduating senior each year for the foreseeable future. Donations can be sent to Viviana Catano at the address below. Checks should be made payable to the Revere Beach Memorial Fund:

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KM, Winthrop, MA

TEMPLE TIFERETH ISREAL MEET-AND-GREET

Photos by Sue Ellen Woodcock

Temple Tifereth Isreal held a meet-and-greet Sunday evening at the temple on Veterans Road for new and older members. Live music was supplied by Max Whiting and the Musicmakers.



Temple Tifereth Isreal.



Amy Yorra, Emalie Novick and Mike Smith.



Lois Rosenthal, Esther Kaufman and Sylvia Whiting.



Rabbi David Joslin, center, speaks with Joanne and Haskell Jaffe.



Max Whiting and David Ehle play some tunes.



Sandra Pelligrino, Steve Miller and Eileen Wickham.



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Burt Figler and Ruth Houseman chat.

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‘Jersey Boys’ Dazzles Audiences at Bill Hanney’s North Shore Music Theatre

By Sheila Barth

I’ve reviewed shows at North Shore Music Theatre in-the-round since 1979, but I wasn’t prepared for the packed, multi-generational audience’s overwhelming response to “Jersey Boys” on opening night, August 7. Neither were the superb cast, musicians, and production crew.

Several times during Jonathan Mousset Alonso’s and backup singers’ stirring performance of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons’ hit songs, including “Two Silhouettes,” “Sherry,” “Big Girls Don’t Cry,” “Walk Like a Man,” “December ’63 (Oh, What a Night),” “My Eyes Adored You,” “Dawn (Go Away),” “Workin’ My Way Back to You,” “Rag Doll,” and others, the crowd burst into prolonged applause, and standing ovations.

I’ve seen several productions of “Jersey Boys,” since the musical debuted Nov. 6, 2005, at the August Wilson Theatre. Its appeal has never dimmed, continuing to delight audiences in 10 countries and

nationally.

Recently, I saw Ogunquit Playhouse’s dazzling production of “Jersey Boys,” and was blown away by its eye- and ear-popping magnificence. I wrote, “[Ogunquit] has a power-packed weapon, namely human dynamo Jonathan Mousset Alonso, whose voice, movements, and portrayal of 1960s+ singing sensation, Frankie Valli, is uncanny....His voice reaches off-the-chart ranges, his acting, movements, gestures and personality reflect the falsetto-phenomenon Valli, in his heyday.”

Mousset Alonso not only took the presidium stage by storm, but has also blown the roof and doors off, in Bill Hanney’s North Shore Music Theatre’s unprecedented, original immersive, one-of-a-kind 360-degree production. Kudos also to the fantastic cast and ensemble, helmed by Producing Acting Artistic Director Kevin Hill, who directed and choreographed this four-time Tony Award-winning musical; set designer Kyle Dixon, whose centrally



located, frequently rotating, two-story structure, and use of theater aisles captivates theatergoers; also to Jose Santiago, for his ubiquitous colorful spectrum of neon, blinking lights; Music Director Milton Granger and his stupendous musicians; and Dana Pinkston and her fabulous costumes.

Besides Mousset Alonso as Valli, Andres’ Acosta as Tommy DeVito, Luke Hamilton as Bob Gaudio, and Alex Puette as Nick Massi perfectly capture the group’s rhythm, harmony, and synchronicity that gained the Four Seasons hit after hit and a coveted place

in Cleveland’s Rock ‘n’ Roll Hall of Fame.

We’re catapulted back to the musical 1960s, but “Jersey Boys” isn’t your typical song-and-dance show. It’s a dramatic biopic of Belleville (Newark), NJ teen-age neighborhood singer Francesco Stephen Castelluccio, a.k.a. Frankie Valli, who rose from a tough working-class, Italian-American family neighborhood, after being discovered by wise guy friend-band member, Tommy DeVito, who declared, “The kid sings like an angel.”

Frankie’s falsetto voice was

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so unique, he quickly became the group’s lead singer.

His meteoric rise to fame wasn’t smooth, though. Valli became involved with the local mafia boss; three of the Four Seasons’ were imprisoned for minor infractions; Frankie married young; had an affair with a pretty journalist; and, sadly, the group’s fame tarnished because of DeVito’s \$150,000 gambling debts and non-payment of taxes to the IRS.

DeVito’s nonchalant attitude toward his overwhelming debts split the group. However, Valli’s neighborhood loyalty to DeVito and songwriter-singer sensation Gaudio’s

business acumen compelled the two to buy out DeVito, and pay his debts, assisted by mafia boss Angelo Carlo.

Valli faced additional heartbreak when his 22-year-old daughter Francine, who had a promising career as a vocalist, died of an overdose.

During Mousset Alonso’s plaintive solos, “Can’t Take My Eyes off You,” and his heartbreaking rendition of “Fallen Angel,” reflecting Valli’s immense grief over Francine’s death, theatergoers are hushed reverentially, but explode into pulsating, rhythmic applause during the finale, singing and dancing with actors lining the aisles.

Ben Butler- Civil War officer, gentleman, law-changer

By Sheila Barth

Research says most people are unaware of former Mass. governor-lawyer Benjamin Franklin Butler’s remarkable contributions to our commonwealth’s and country’s history. He lived from 1818 to 1893.

Playwright Richard Strand combines tongue-in-cheek, double entendre, clever, pithy dialogue with a snatch of history in his two-hour play, making its highly successful Boston-area premiere through Sunday at Gloucester Stage Company.

Strand doesn’t attempt to trace Butler’s flamboyant lifestyle, so we don’t learn much about the iconoclastic Massachusetts political leader-businessman-lawmaker-former Union military commander. Strand offers a specific incident, weaving in incidental historic facts.

currently at Gloucester Stage, starring four outstanding Equity actors.

Greg Trochilil’ created a handsome reproduction of Butler’s office at Fort Monroe, and Chelsea Keri’s historically-accurate costumes outfit Doug Bowen-Flynn, portraying military aide-college educated-West Point grad/Mexican War veteran Lt. Kelly, whose razor-sharp, comedic timing during verbal spars with Ames Adamson (superbly portraying Butler) is priceless.

Theatergoers applauded during repartees between the commander and dutiful lieutenant, and stood and applauded during verbal volleys between Adamson and terrific Shane Taylor portraying well-educated, fugitive slave Shepard Mallory, who demands to speak with Butler.

Terrified, Mallory begs Butler not to tell anyone he’s educated. He could be killed or worse.

Reprising his role as Butler, Adamson also shines during verbal exchanges with vexed Confederate Major John B. Cary (David DeBeck).

The play is entertaining and educational, but drags during the opening scene. Butler frustrates Lt. Kelly, when Kelly announces a desperate -and arrogant- Negro runaway slave demands to speak with him. Butler retorts, the only people who can demand to speak with him are his superiors and his wife. His prolonged expounding on the definition of “demand” and “request” becomes tiresome.

Besides, the Negro’s request is futile. Butler says the Anti-Fugitive Slave Act explicitly demands the immedi-

ate return of runaway slaves to their owners.

Also incongruous is Kelly’s abrupt shift from admitting he dislikes the arrogant Mallory, or Negroes in general, yet suddenly, aids Mallory.

Another minor script flaw is Butler’s repetitive ploy, insisting visitors drink his fine sherry with him. It becomes tedious.

Regardless, Sunday matinee theatergoers delivered a well-deserved standing ovation to this fine cast and crew.

On a personal note, Zack, 28-year-old, 24/7 health aide for my husband Richard, is originally from Nigeria and never saw live, professional theater previously. Knowing little American history, Zack was entranced by “Ben Butler,” and wanted to know more about him.

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get it.” They have taken numerous AP-and Honors-level classes both together and apart. When asked what it was like to have your twin in class, and did they compete against each other, Alexander said, “I like having my twin in class. It makes it easy to find someone to work on group projects or classwork with. There is a certain amount of competition, but also a lot of cooperation. We never directly compete against each other, but neither of us wants to fall very far behind the other. It almost feels more weird to be apart in class than together, but we are both successful in classes when alone.” Dante agrees that there “wasn’t

much of competition. I was always better! It is good to have someone to work with on projects.” The boys are also very active in the school. They play soccer and tennis, are members of the College Bowl team and Spanish Club, and participate in Campus Ministry and Rachel’s Challenge. In addition, they are both members of the National Honor Society. They both hope to participate in some “equivalent programs” in college. They look back at their St. Mary’s days as happy and enjoyable. They look forward to an exciting future as they attend Notre Dame together.

Shown in the photo to the right, Alex (second from left) and Dante (center, back) are pictured with fellow Winthrop graduates of St. Mary’s: Holly Doig, and Schuyler Kylie, Associate Head of School David Angeramo, Head of School Dr. John F. Dolan and Pastor Rev. Brian Flynn. (not pictured: Michelle Sheehan).



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Winthrop kids join Save the Harbor/Save the Bay for free cruises to the Boston Harbor Islands

In early August, 32 young people from the Winthrop Parks and Recreation summer program set sail to the Boston Harbor Islands on Bay State Cruise Company’s flagship Provincetown II on a free All Access Boston Harbor cruise hosted by Save the Harbor/Save the Bay.

The youth and teens enjoyed a day filled with fun, fishing, environmental exploration and songs and stories of the sea.

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay’s free All Access Boston Harbor program is a series of free day trips that bring local youth organizations out to Spectacle and Georges Island where they have an opportunity to learn the history of Boston Harbor and the harbor cleanup, explore everything the island has to offer, and enjoy Boston’s spectacular urban natural resources.

“What a great way to spend a summer day,” said Tani Marinovich, President of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay. “The Harbor Islands are truly Boston’s treasure, and we’re certain that the 230,000 kids and families that have attended these free trips since we began them in 2002 would agree.”

Over the summer Save the Harbor/Save the Bay’s free All Access Boston Harbor program will connect more than 10,000 youth and teens from more than 120 youth development and community organizations to the Boston Harbor Island National and State Park.

The day starts with an interactive history of the harbor, complete with storytelling, art and a touch-tank at the Rockland Trust Pavilion. From there, the groups make their way to the dock at the World Trade Center to board the boat and take a short ferry ride out to the islands, where they have the chance to try fishing, hiking, sports and beach exploration with Save the Harbor/Save the Bay’s Youth Environmental Education staff. The groups enjoy lunch on the island and return to the docks by early afternoon.

In 2019, Save the Harbor will host 26 free All Access Boston Harbor cruises that will connecting young people from all Boston neighborhoods and 43 cities and towns across the region, to the Boston Harbor Islands State and National Park. For many, these trips are their first opportunity to connect to the harbor islands and experience the marine environment firsthand.

Save the Harbor’s free All Access Boston Harbor cruises are made possible with Leadership Grants from the Cronin Development, the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, and Bay State Cruise Company.

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Save the Harbor/Save the Bay is a non-profit public-interest environmental advocacy organization for Boston Harbor, whose mission is to restore and protect Boston Harbor, the Boston Harbor Islands, our region’s beaches and the marine environment and share them with the public for everyone to enjoy.

For more information about Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, visit their website at www.savetheharbor.org, their blog Sea, Sand & Sky at www.blog.savetheharbor.org or follow their social media @savetheharbor.



A group of 32 campers from Winthrop Parks and Recreation spent a day on Georges Island in Boston Harbor in early August as part of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay’s All Access Boston Harbor Program that provides free environmental programming to youth groups in Boston and the surrounding towns.

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September 3	Students Report
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November 11	Veterans Day
November 28	Thanksgiving
November 29	Day after Thanksgiving
December 25	Christmas
Dec. 23-Jan. 2	Winter Vacation
January 1	New Year's Day
January 20	Martin Luther King Day
February 17	President's Day
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Teaching more than just dance: Nicole Zervas Dance Academy

By Sydney Ciano

Nicole Paolo, director of Nicole Zervas Dance Academy (NZDA), started dancing as a way to express emotion - a tool of communication. She opened her studio with the same goal in mind, with the help from her director, Sharon Tirrell, Paolo opened Nicole Zervas Dance Academy in 1989.

Throughout the next 30 years, she has watched her “students grow. Both emotionally and through their dance skill; and learn to have confidence in themselves and to be proud of who they are.” Paolo commented on how inspiring it is for her to be apart of that growth.

The NZDA studio is now coming on their 30th season, but regardless of what anniversary is being celebrated, Paolo is always reflecting on the previous year in order to improve her next recital. There is a key focus on growth that NZDA continues to act on, bettering all aspects of the studio.

Paolo describes this as striving to better the studio without comparing NZDA to other surrounding dance schools: “I respect all of the other dance directors and schools . . . [I] hope that we can all share the love of dance together.”

With this in mind, NZDA began hosting a Dance-A-Thon for Dana Farber Cancer Institute for the past two years. Last year, the studio brought surrounding schools together to raise money for cancer research through the art of dance. By dancing for a cause, it reminded Paolo of the reason she started dancing: communication:

“one voice, one mission,” She commented on bringing hundreds of students together for this event.

Nicole Zervas offers a variety of classes for ages as young as 18 months - Tiniest Toes, where the child is accompanied by a parent or guardian during the time. As the child gets older, they enter Tiny Toes and perform in a recital at the end of June. From there, multiple classes are available including ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, and tumbling. For older students, Latin, contemporary, pre-pointe, and pointe are also offered.

Paolo said she does not believe “dance should be judged with a trophy . . . dance is an art form.” So while there are many classes offered, NZDA does not have a competition team. Dance is a personal art, in her eyes, and that the individual should be valued with movement rather than awards.

Though each student goes through a process of weekly classes, hard work, memori-



Nicole Zervas pictured outside her dance academy.

zation, and dedication to prepare for the annual recital, the studio offers much more than dance. At Nicole Zervas, the students learn self-discipline, time management, and life balance between activities, school, friends, and family. It helps children become well-rounded, giving them skills they will use for a lifetime.

The students are also offered other opportunities to dance other than the recital, including the Madonna Della Cava Feast in the North End and occasionally Dance The World Disney events, to showcase their talents publicly.

Gianna Chianca, a current senior for this upcoming dance season, has danced for NZDA since she was three years old. She currently takes

almost all classes that are available, and has grown to love contemporary dance. She is an assistant for the younger classes as well and enjoys being apart of their dance experience.

As this is her senior year, Chianca commented on the family-like friendships she has made and how hard it will be to graduate and leave the studio. However, she hopes to return as an alumnus and down the road, a teacher.

Paolo sees the Senior Send Off as a new chapter, opening the doors for another part of their lives. So while Chianca is starting her last year as a student, NZDA will always be an open home for her. The bonds at NZDA are irreplaceable and last a lifetime. Many staff members danced at the

Several great reading ideas to inspire young students

(StatePoint) A new school year means new classes, new teachers and new schedules. At home, you can riff on this theme with new books that spark interest in different subjects. To open doors for young minds, consider the following titles:

- **Crafty coding:** For kids with a potential interest in computers and coding, consider “How to Be a Coder.” Breaking down the principles of coding into bite-sized chunks, it will get them thinking like computer scientists in no time. Learn about loops by

making a friendship bracelet, find out about programming by planning a scavenger hunt, and discover how functions work with paper fortune tellers. Children can then use their new knowledge to code by following instructions to build programs in Scratch 3.0.

- **Inspiring true stories:** In “DK Life Stories: Jane Goodall” kids can discover the inspiring story of Jane Goodall, a pioneer of primatology whose groundbreaking work changed the way we understand animals and ourselves. When she embarked on her career, women were discouraged from conducting scientific research, especially when that work meant living side by side with wild animals. A self-taught scientist, Goodall bravely ventured into the bush of Tanzania to discover the secret world of chimpanzees. This new biography series for kids from DK goes beyond basic facts to tell true-life stories of history’s most interesting people.

- **Edible science:** Cooking is chemistry, and all 20 science experiments inside “Science You Can Eat,” are edible and fun. Young minds can find out why popcorn go “pop,” explore how taste is affected by smell, then discover the secret to making the perfect cookie. Examining interesting ingredients and exciting eating, as well as peeking into the future

of food, kids will get a better understanding of what's happening with food and why.

- **A global celebration:** Young readers of “Celebrations Around the World” will embark on an exciting journey through the most interesting and important festivals, celebrations and holidays enjoyed by people all over the globe. From why skeletons dance at the Day of the Dead in Mexico to how the world’s biggest tomato fight -- La Tomatina in Spain -- gets cleaned up, stunning original illustrations and fascinating facts will inspire and inform children about cultures and religions from all over the world.

- **Medieval mania:** Spark an interest in history and architecture with “DK findout! Castles,” which includes lots to learn about medieval castles, including knights, jousting, sieges, drawbridges and forts. Kids can learn about castle design, from the earliest motte and bailey styles to stone fortresses and beautiful castles in Japan and India, as well as view some of the most impressive castles in the world. Packed with information and color, this book is part of a series introducing children to a range of topics in a fun, engaging way.

After school is the perfect time to explore topics of interest, and books can make learning new things fun.

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School officials gear up for new school year

By Kate Anslinger

On Tuesday, September 3, Winthrop Public Schools will open its doors to kick off the 2019-2020 school year. During the remaining days of summer, teachers will be busy setting up class-rooms, putting together lesson plans, and sending out supply lists. Like in years past, each school will have different start and end times, to lessen traffic and make for ease in drop off and pick up times.

Gorman Fort Banks School
Full day preschool: 8:15-1:15/early release 11:15
AM preschool: 8:15-10:45
PM preschool: 10:45-1:15
Kindergarten: 8:05-2:25/early release 11:15
Grades 1 and 2: 8:40-2:00/early release 10:50

There will be seven classes in kindergarten, first grade, and second grade.

Arthur T. Cumming School
Grades 3-5: 8:25-2:45
The suggested arrival time for students is between 8:15 am and 8:25 am and there will be no supervision on site until 8:15 am. Breakfast is available starting at 7:50 am.
It is important to pull up as far as possible when dropping off on School Street. At dismissal, do not “park” your car unless you are occupying a parking spot. No idling of cars at any time and no pets are allowed at dismissal. Students in grades three and four will line up and be dismissed by the cafetorium doors. Grade five students line up and are dismissed at the doors located closest to the corner of School St. and Hermon St.

Winthrop Middle School/High School
Middle School: 8:30 am-2:55 pm
High School: 7:55 am -2:20 pm



Students participate in a group study-session.

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Make a point to prepare for the new school year

(StatePoint) Teachers, students and families busy prepping for the year ahead all know that having the right supplies in and out of the classroom can help pave the way for a successful back-to-school season. With that in mind, consider these ideas to hit the ground running:

- **Math Class:** There’s no reason math needs to be your most challenging course. With the right calculator, it can be easy to view how mathematical concepts actually work. For example, the fx-CG500 brings touchscreen technology to the graphing calculator. Its extra-large screen allows for more complete and detailed viewing, and its drag-and-drop functionality enables students to quickly and intuitively pull information from one representation into another. Incorporating standard Natural Textbook Display, along with drop-down menus and a soft keyboard, it’s easy to use, so you can concentrate on what matters -- absorbing the material.
- **New Kicks:** Kids are active and growing quickly, which means their shoes are getting worn out and outgrown regularly. The new school year is a good time of year to take inventory of a child’s shoe collection and to replace sneakers and fashion footwear that no longer fit or aren’t in tip-top shape. This can help students return to school comfortably and ready for anything, from the hallways to the playing fields.
- **Swift Set-Up:** Time is of the essence during the school day and educators know how important swift set-up is. Tools that can help teachers transition between classes or components of a lesson plan are critical. Technology, such as the Superior Series from Casio’s LampFree Projector line-up, can help. Using the Moderator Function, teachers can select a presenter from anywhere in a classroom and project their PC onto the screen. Data, classwork and presentations from students’ devices can be shared via a wireless connection with ease. These features are designed to reduce set-up time in the classroom and keep students focused on the curriculum.
- **Ground Control:** Parents can keep everyone organized by creating a central location where plans are recorded, notes are written, to-do lists are made and paperwork is organized. Whether it’s in the mud room or kitchen, be sure to select a highly-trafficked location accessible to family members of all heights to reference and update. A wall calendar, paper organizer and chalkboard are just a few of the items to consider including in this space.
- **Get Creative:** Learning to play an instrument is a great idea for any student, as it can jump-start creativity, help students learn to focus and problem solve, and has even been associated with higher test scores. Check out instruments designed to assist in the learning process, such as the portable Casio I.K-265 Keyboard, which has the potential to open up a whole world of music with its 400 tones and 150 built-in rhythms, including the all-new Dance Music Mode. Touch-sensitive keys feature a lighting system to make learning fun, offering a great introduction to music-making.



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Five ways to set up the perfect workstation

(StatePoint) Before the school year kicks into high gear, it’s important to give yourself the tools needed for academic success and maximum organization.

Here are five ideas to set up the perfect workstation:

1. **Clear up clutter.** First, determine how you use items. If paperwork is referenced multiple times a week, store it on your desk in a file tray or upright sorter. If you use these items more rarely, you can store them in a drawer using a hanging filing system. Likewise, keep the tools you use most -- pens, pencils, calculator, on your desk. A compartmental caddy is a tidy way to store such items of varying sizes.
2. **Give it some life.** Plants can help liven up a work atmosphere, bringing vitality to the space. Improving indoor air quality and being associated with mental health benefits, houseplants are more than just beautiful. And introducing them to a workstation may just help boost productivity during long study sessions.
3. **Visualize it.** Great for prepping school presentations or easily viewing documents, a projector is a great addition to a student’s workstation. Those in the Casio LampFree

lineup feature high-brightness, are low-maintenance and have a lifetime of up to 20,000 hours, making them a good choice for students.

4. **Write it down.** No workstation is complete without a handy notebook, kept close by. Whether it’s making to-do lists, jotting down quick thoughts or taking notes, this is a must-have item, even in today’s digital world.
5. **Add it up.** A basic desktop calculator is essential to any student’s workstation. Those from Casio feature 12 digits, and run on both battery and solar power so you can work anywhere, and with independent memory, you can easily take breaks from tasks and return to them later.
6. **The right light.** If possible, set up workstations near sources of natural light for a mood and focus boost. For nighttime study sessions and for those without windows, high-quality task lighting is critical. Versatility is key, so look for a desk lamp with an adjustable neck as well as dimming capabilities. For space-savers, check out desk lamps pulling double-duty -- many of today’s models feature USB charging ports at their base.

Save time and money on Back-to-School shopping with these tips

(StatePoint) New grade levels and new routines mean it’s time to purchase back-to-school essentials that will help make this year a success. Though this time of year can be stressful for parents, a few tips below will go a long way to helping you navigate a new school year.

Now through Sept. 7, all customers can save \$5 on a \$15 purchase of school supplies, and teachers can save 20 percent on stationery items every time they shop with a valid ID. Downloading savings before you shop saves you time in-store and ensures you are getting the best possible deals on back-to-school items. For details, visit dg.coupons.com/coupons.

This season, don’t be overwhelmed as you take on your back-to-school shopping. With a bit of preparation, you can save time and money getting ready for the new academic year.

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REVIEWING THE NIP BAN ONE YEAR LATER

CHELSEA - One year into the ban on 'nips' – or small alcohol bottles – at least one city councillor is proclaiming victory based on ambulance data that shows major decreases in the numbers of alcohol-related transfers.

Councillor Roy Avellaneda said he has been monitoring data and anecdotal information surrounding the nip ban, which he advocated for a little over a year ago, and believes that the ban has resulted in major victories.

First among those victories is the numbers of alcohol-related transfers done by the ambulance in Chelsea.

“It’s been one year and it’s been the most significant feature in what we see with alcoholism and reducing the alcoholism that plagued the downtown,” he said. “If I was solely to look at how the number of ambulance transfers has decreased for alcohol-related calls, it strongly correlates to the time that the nip ban went into place.”

Date from Cataldo ambulance regarding alcohol-related calls shows that there was an astounding number of those transfers in the past. In 2015, there were 872 transfers, followed by 715 in 2016 and 742 in 2017.

The nip ban went into effect in the middle of 2018, and Avellaneda points out that the ambulance data begins to decrease at the same time.

In 2018, there was a decrease to 556 transfers, and this year, 2019, data would support that the transfers have nose-dived. As of June 30, there were only 127 transfers. Doubling that number in the second half of the year would still only result in around 260 transfers – which would be 50 percent less than in 2018 and nearly 600 fewer transfers than in 2015.

“My figures show a result of 66 percent fewer alcohol-related ambulance responses and I think that’s unbelievable,” he said, noting that public works personnel have also said they are experiencing less nip bottle litter issues too.

While other things might have also contributed to the decrease, including the advanced work of the HUB by the Police Department and its partners, Avellaneda points out that the HUB does great work but mostly related to opiate and drug issues. The alcohol issues, he said, stood out to him initially because they had plagued the downtown since he was a kid in the 1980s. It had become normal, and the numbers of ambulance transfers shocked him when he first saw that they numbered in the 800s.

They were nearly seven times greater than those of other issues, like opiates, and that’s when he said he decided to join the fight to ban nips.

“I felt we were focusing way too much on one issue and not enough on the other,” he said. “There were seven times as many responses for alcohol and we needed to do something on that too...It’s something I’ve seen since I was a kid. It got to a point where we just accepted it. When you talked to merchants about it, they would say, ‘Well, that’s Chelsea.’ That’s not the Chelsea we want and we don’t have to allow these behaviors – and by that I mean the behaviors of people who are selling these nips to people with a problem or addiction.”

The battle has been difficult, though.

While the City has instituted the ban, nine package stores in the city have sued in court, and that case is pending before the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commis-

sion (ABCC). The City is arguing that the ABCC doesn’t have jurisdiction, while the stores argue it does. That has been pending for many months, since earlier this year.

The process is slow because Chelsea has been the first community to successfully go through with a ban, despite the fact that many have tried and many desire to follow suit.

“There are a lot of eyes on this decision,” said Avellaneda. “There are a lot of communities around the state what want to try this. There are many that did try to pass it but the alcoholic beverage lobby is so strong they turned back. Chelsea has done it and all eyes in the state are looking at us to see if we can withstand a legal challenge.”

Surviving that challenge could be made even stronger if the data holds regarding ambulance transfers.

“There is no next step here, just monitoring the situation,” he said. “They didn’t just go buy the next size to drink. We aren’t seeing the next size bottles littering the streets. That argument is out. I believe we can see this made significant changes and we’ll just build on that.”

NOISE STUDY TO BEGIN IN CHELSEA

CHELSEA - Noise in the City’s Community Noise Lab was developed by researcher Dr. Erica Walker to take a more creative look into the relationship between neighborhood noise issues and corresponding health impacts.

Walker has partnered with volunteers in the neighborhood to take part in some lab-based experiments on how individuals respond to noise by measuring brain waves, stress and cardiovascular changes.

The study also sought Chelsea residents willing to place sound monitors in their homes for one year to test neighborhood noise.

At a meeting last week Walker said the study is moving into forward and will start collecting data on how noise impacts residents’ daily lives.

“The Community Noise Lab are gearing up to conduct a sound monitoring study in Chelsea this fall, starting on Friday, September 20,” said Walker. “Community members have expressed interest in allowing us to place a sound monitor in their homes and we are reaching out to start making arrangements for this to happen.”

Walker said she and MHHM intend to monitor noise in Chelsea for one-year in both a “hot” and “cold” season.

“During each season, we would like to place a sound monitor in an accessible, secured location on a resident’s property,” she said. “Potential locations could be a balcony, porch, roof, yard, or any location that works. The sound monitoring station will be outside and will need no electrical inputs.”

Walker stressed that the equipment does not record conversations.

“We will need to leave the sound monitoring station with community volunteers for one-week,” she said. “You can participate in as many one-week sessions as you would like to throughout the year.”

If you live in Chelsea and want to participate Walker said residents can start by filling out a brief form that can be found at <https://form.jotform.com/91614289131153>.

“A member of the Community Noise Lab team will reach out to you to make arrangements to place a sound monitor at your home,” she said.

Walker, who earned a ScD (Doctor of Science) degree from Harvard, has been interested for several years on how noise impacts health. Walker said she wants to bring her

Community Noise Lab to Chelsea and begin engaging the community on how noise impacts their daily lives.

“When I first started out I sort of assumed what the noise issue (in the city) was and what the impacts were but I quickly realized this is going to take a community effort,” said Walker. “So I’ve been grappling with what I want this Community Noise Lab to be. Typically in academia we do a top down approach to studying these issues but I wanted to try something different and try a bottom up approach.”

The bottom up approach, explained Walker, will start with no assumptions on how noise impacts residents living in Chelsea. However, Walker will collect real time noise monitoring data using sound measuring technology as well as an app that residents can download to their phone. Through the NoiseScore, an in-house smartphone app, residents can also participate and can register a noise event and provide notes on how the event made them feel both physically and mentally.

“I always use this example; imagine you are waiting for a bus at a bus stop and you can hear the bus coming and you can hear when the brakes start squeaking,” said Walker. “But even if you put your fingers in your ear you can still feel the vibrations of that sound in your body, the rumbling in your chest even though you are blocking out the actual sound. So there is a complete picture of sound that is not only heard but felt physically and I’m interested in how both those aspects of sound affect people.”

Dr. Walker’s research on the impacts of community noise is funded by a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The two-year, \$410,000 grant will fund a real-time sound monitoring network, which consists of a series of eight rotating sound stations; upgrades to Community Noise Lab’s smartphone app, NoiseScore, which allows residents to objectively and subjectively describe their environmental soundscape and map their responses in real time; a laboratory-based experiment examining the neurological underpinnings of noise exposure; and a series of community engagement activities ranging from sound walks to podcasts.

D’ONOFRIO DOES NOT HAVE ENOUGH SIGNATURES FOR BALLOT

EVERETT - A formal challenge to the signatures on School Committeeman Bernie D’Onofrio’s Nomination Papers Monday resulted in the disqualification of nine signatures by the Election Commission, which put D’Onofrio under the necessary limit of 250 and removed him from the ballot.

The unprecedented move, brought by School Committee candidate David Lindsey Jr., also eliminated the need for a Preliminary Election in September for School Committee.

“The total numbers of signatures certified by the Election Commission is 254 and we have nine signatures that have been rejected,” said City Clerk Sergio Cornelio. “That gives us 245 signatures now and that would remove Mr. D’Onofrio from the ballot... We will remove Mr. D’Onofrio from the ballot. He is in the 3rd position on the ballot and so everyone will move up a spot. It also takes us from eight candidates to seven, which means there will be no trigger for a Preliminary Election on School Committee at-large.”

Lindsey, who had gone through a roller coaster process to challenge the signatures – a process where the City had made a mistake on



PHOTO BY KATY ROGERS

World-famous vocalist Tony Bennett sang at Encore Boston Harbor on Thursday evening, Aug. 8, during a private event for exclusive Red Card holders. Bennett used the appearance at the new resort casino to help him celebrate his 93rd birthday, which was early last week. His daughter, Antonia, opened up for him. It was one of several private-invite shows that have and will continue to take place at Encore.

the deadlines, said he was happy to see the process play out correctly and that the Commission made a fair judgment.

“I can say that I feel very proud to be an Everett citizen today,” Lindsey said after the proceedings Monday at City Hall. “I feel that today objectivity was able to rein. I’m happy to see the process be carried out in an unbiased way. I look forward to earning the votes of Everett residents now.”

D’Onofrio had served on the School Committee for eight years, being the chair last year. Before that, he had served two years.

He said he was not able to make the meeting, which started at 4 p.m., due to having to be at work in Bank of America until 7 p.m. He had asked for them to make the meeting later in the evening so he could be there, but he said they wouldn’t budge on the time. That said, he indicated Tuesday morning that he didn’t intend to challenge the ruling and that he would finish his term and go back to being a non-elected citizen of the city.

“It is what it is,” he said. “I’ve told my supporters to let it go and we’ll move on. I’m not going to hire a lawyer. My full-time job is more important than this. I just want to thank the voters for all their support and the students and families that I’ve tried to help in my time on the Committee. I did it for the City and for the students. I’ll finish off my term and hopefully we get the right people in.”

Interestingly, D’Onofrio had leveled 38 challenges to the Nomination Papers of every candidate on the ballot. Those challenges were quickly dismissed by the Commission on Monday for being too vague.

D’Onofrio said he had asked them to pull the challenges when he found out he wasn’t going to be able to attend the meeting. He said he did it because he wanted to seem impartial, and that he had heard some were accusing him of racism in counter-challenging Lindsey’s signatures.

At Monday’s meeting, it was a packed house in the Keverian Room – a rare sight for a mid-August afternoon meeting.

After dismissing D’Onofrio’s 38 challenges, the Commission set to the real work of analyzing more than 50 signatures alleged by Lindsey to be fraudulent. It was a line-by-line process that took nearly two hours to sort through by Commissioners Dorothy Martin-Long and Brian McCarthy (who were joined by Cornelio and Director of Elections Linda Angiolillo).

“When you sign your name, you are vouching for this person,” Lindsey said. “I think everyone should have

the opportunity to sign their own name in this process. In this case, I think this candidate tried to circumvent the democratic process by either himself, or someone else associated, signing these signatures because many are basically the same signatures... Essentially, there were redundant signatures where you could tell one person wrote them. Sometimes it was two signatures that were the same, and sometimes it was as many as six or seven.

“There are sheets where it seems a continuous pattern where...the registered voters were not the people who signed them,” he continued. “I think in some cases they went down the voter rolls and wrote down the names... When people sign their signature, they’re not signing their last name first and then their first name. That was something that stood out to me at first that told me things might not be quite right.”

State law is clear that one person cannot sign for another person unless there is a medical hardship.

Lindsey’s presentation was elegant and appealed to the process and making sure every detail was followed.

The nitty gritty, however, was for the Commission to decide – going through every signature challenged by Lindsey and determining whether the handwriting was similar. As a rule, the Commission was advised that in “groupings” of one family, if they chose to reject signatures, they should keep one, and reject the others.

It was also noted that the Commission does not have the right to disqualify signatures during the traditional Certification process. They can only do the “deep dive” they did on Monday if there is a successful challenge by a voter.

After 90 minutes of going through the signatures one-by-one, the Commission emerged with nine rejected signatures. That was enough to disqualify D’Onofrio from the ballot and knock back the need for a Preliminary Election.

MBTA ANNOUNCES SCHEDULE FOR SYSTEM UPGRADES

EVERETT - The MBTA announced several planned system-upgrade construction projects will be accelerated, shortening some timelines by as much as 11 months for certain projects.

System upgrade work to improve reliability for riders on the Green, Red, and Orange Lines that was previously scheduled to take place only during limited overnight hours will now take place during entire weekends, requiring shuttle service around certain stations, including on the Orange Line between Tufts Medical and Sullivan

Square in October.

The accelerated work plans approved by the Fiscal and Management Control Board will deliver benefits to riders significantly faster and allow T crews to undertake multiple projects at the same time as opposed to performing projects one after the other during the limited overnight hours.

In June, the Baker-Polito Administration announced as part of the \$8 billion, five-year plan to modernize the MBTA, transportation officials would speed up planned work to improve the system faster. MBTA officials also announced they plan to undertake additional acceleration plans in the near future.

“Riders deserve a reliable, safe transportation system and while we understand this accelerated plan will be inconvenient for some riders, we believe these temporary diversions are necessary to improve the system that has been neglected for decades,” said Gov. Charlie Baker. “The MBTA will continue to evaluate upcoming planned projects for this fall and next year for additional opportunities to accelerate work where possible.”

Accelerated Projects:

- Orange Line: Downtown Crossing, Haymarket, and State Wayfinding and Station Improvements: The MBTA is replacing and adding new signage and cleaning, painting, and repairing stairs/tile within the station.

- The acceleration project will condense the project timeline by 11 months through six new weekend diversions on the Orange Line in October and November 2019.

- The T will also now replace 2,250 feet of track and clean and paint within Chinatown Station.

- Six new weekend diversions will take place between Tufts Medical Center and Sullivan Square on Oct. 5-6, Oct. 12-13, Oct. 19-20, Oct. 26-27, Nov. 2-3, and Nov. 9-10.

Six new weekend closures on the Orange Line between Tufts Medical Center and Sullivan Square Stations will take place in October and November 2019 to accelerate the pace of Orange Line improvement work. As with the Red Line’s broad limits in added weekend closures, the broad limits between Tufts Medical Center and Sullivan Square are necessary as these areas are “portal” access points for work crews to load in construction equipment and materials into the underground portions of the Orange Line. During these weekend shutdowns, alternate service will be provided with a robust communication plan in place to provide information to customers.

Work specific to improvements on the Orange Line levels at Downtown Crossing,

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Haymarket, and State stations will take place during these six new weekends, including improvements to the condition and appearance of each station, upgraded wayfinding/signage, cleaning work, painting, and other needed repairs. The addition of these six weekend shutdowns allows the MBTA to complete work on the Orange Line level of these three stations almost a year earlier than previously planned.

MBTA crews and contractors will also remove and completely replace the pit track in closed Orange Line stations during these six weekend closures, which would not be accessible to work crews without a complete shutdown. The Orange Line pit track in these areas is 30 to 40 years old and, while safe to travel over at reduced speeds, is also ready to be replaced. The broad closure limits on the Orange Line during these six added weekends in October and November 2019 also give the MBTA a valuable work window to perform repairs to platform edges, escalators, elevators, stairways, and fare equipment; perform track and power maintenance in the tunnels between stations, including the complete replacement of third rail insulators and third rail electrical connections; and perform tunnel debris clean-up work, reducing the risk of smoke and fire hazards.

•Green Line Intersection Upgrades: The MBTA is making 30 intersection upgrades on the B and C branches to mitigate the risk of service interruptions by replacing aged track.

- The acceleration plan condenses planned work by five months, by increasing the number of weekend diversions from 10 to 14 on these branches.

- This will help complete the project by December 2019 instead of May 2020.

- The T will now also replace 7,000 feet of track during the planned weekend diversions.

- Green Line D branch shutdowns are already scheduled for the weekends of September 14-15, September 21-22, September 28-29, Oct. 5-6, Oct. 12-13, Oct. 26-27, Nov. 2-3, Nov. 9-10, Nov. 16-17, Nov. 23-24, December 7-8, December 14-15, December 21-22, and December 28-29.

- Three new weekend closures on the Green Line B branch will take place during the weekends of September 7-8, Nov. 2-3, and Nov. 23-24.

- One new weekend closure on the Green Line C branch will take place on Oct. 26-27.

- Red Line: Park Street Wayfinding and Station Improvements: The MBTA is replacing and adding new wayfinding signage, adding 1,250 new lighting fixtures, and cleaning, painting, and repairing stairs/tile within the station.

- The acceleration plan condenses planned work by four months, by doing four new weekend diversions on the Red Line in November and December 2019.

- This will help complete the project by December 2019 instead of April 2020.

- The T will now also replace 900 feet of track and do tactile edge replacement on platforms during the diversions.

- Four new weekend diversions will take place between Kendall/MIT and Broadway on November 16-17, Dec. 23-24, Dec. 7-8, and Dec. 14-15.

- Red Line: Downtown Crossing Wayfinding and Station Improvements: The MBTA is replacing and adding new wayfinding signage, and cleaning, painting, and repairing stairs/tile within the station.

- The acceleration plan condenses planned work by 11 months, by doing four new weekend diversions on the Red Line in November and December 2019.

- This will help complete the project by December 2019 instead of November 2020.

- The T will also replace 900 feet of track and do tactile edge replacement work on platforms during the diversions.

- Four new weekend diversions will take place between Kendall/MIT and Broadway on Nov. 16-17, Nov. 23-24, Dec. 7-8, and Dec. 14-15.

These projects will mitigate the risk of service interruptions, improve safety for passengers, improve on-time performance, increase accessibility, and improve the customer experience.

The MBTA is also in the process of preparing an aggressive schedule of shutdowns for the 2020 construction season that may include weekday shutdowns in addition to a greater frequency of weekend shutdowns. Details of this plan are anticipated to be released in fall 2019.

JPNA VOTES FOR SUMNER ST. PROJECT

EAST BOSTON - The Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association (JPNA) voted 14-2 in favor of a four-unit condo project at 464 Sumner St. at the group's August meeting on Monday night.

Attorney for the project, Matt Eckel, said that after negotiations with abutters and the JPNA's Planning and Zoning Subcommittee his client made several changes to the project to address some of the neighbor's concerns.

"The project is to change the occupancy from a three-family residential dwelling to a four-family residential condominium dwelling," said Eckel.

Aside from changing the occupancy, Eckel said his client would renovate the facade of the building to give it a more historic look, as well as add a rear addition.

The original proposal presented to JPNA members included adding a fourth story to the building.

"After discussions with neighbors at the last JPNA Planning and Zoning Subcommittee meeting we have eliminated the fourth floor, but will add the additional fourth unit into the basement of the building," said Eckel.

With the fourth floor eliminated Eckel said his client also agreed to reduce the rear addition from 22 feet to 14 feet, increase the rear setbacks from 33 feet to 41 feet, increase open space to 1,021 square feet and reduce the overall size of the units by 150 square feet.

All the changes made the building more compliant and reduced the number of violations under the Boston Zoning Code.

The project now only needs variances for Use because it is changing from a three to a four family, Additional Lot Area, Floor Area Ratio, Open Space, Side Yard, Front Yard and Parking. However, Eckel pointed out that the Floor Area Ratio, Side Yard, Front Yard and Parking were all pre-existing and only triggered as a violation because of the plan to add a fourth unit.

POLICE ARREST SUSPECT IN ROBBERIES

EAST BOSTON - Boston Police believe they have caught the suspect sought in a string of commercial robberies in East Boston over the past few weeks.

On Aug. 4, Boston Police executed a search warrant in

Everett and seized evidence that may connect William Seabaugh to several commercial break-ins at Renegades, Luna Restaurant and other establishments in Orient Heights Square.

Police informed Seabaugh that he was the target of a police investigation in connection with the commercial robberies and towed away his black pickup truck. He was taken into custody for questioning, according to police.

Video surveillance captured a black pickup truck leaving the scene of some of the robberies. Video surveillance from cameras in and around Orient Heights Square also captured images of the suspect. Police believe Seabaugh fit this description.

In the first six months of 2019 commercial burglaries rose from three to 16 when compared to 2018. Police said when they see a spike like the one occurred this year it's usually the work of one or two suspects with a history of breaking and entering.

At a recent community meeting District A-7 Officer Dan Simons pointed out that the commercial breaks sometimes spike especially when there is one suspect hitting numerous businesses.

The thief first struck on July 1 at night long after Orient Heights Square restaurants and bars were closed. The suspect broke into Renegades on Bennington Street and later hit Luna Restaurant on Saratoga Street across from Noyes Field.

The suspect returned on July 5 and hit Renegades for a second time.

Working with business owners detectives said they had good video of the suspect and identified Seabaugh as a person of interest.

LITTLE LIBRARIES IN REVERE

REVERE - The Little Free Libraries program in Revere is off and running in 17 different locations in the city.

Mayor Brian Arrigo joined Project Manager Elle Baker and some of the key contributors to the program during a ceremony held at Gibson Park.

Revere residents are able to obtain free books from the colorful boxes that are situated mostly at parks but also at other sites such as the American Legion on Broadway and the Prospect House on Reservoir Avenue.

The idea is for residents of all ages to share books with their friends and neighbors by taking a book or leaving one for someone to find.

Baker said the project began in October when Margo Johnson and Kathleen Heiser, president of the Beachmont Improvement Committee, approached her about launching a citywide Little Free Libraries program.

"The first two libraries were installed in the Shirley Avenue area [by Rachid and Kristen Janjar] and that was their inspiration to bring it citywide," said Baker. "It was with Margo and Kathleen's idea and drive that we were able to all work together. We applied for some funding through the Revere Cultural Council and luckily we were awarded the funds."

Interestingly Baker's daughter, Victoria, was the artist for the Gibson Park book box.

Mayor Arrigo said it has been "incredible" to watch the process go from idea to installation.

"To watch everyone take their time and energy to make these Little Libraries go from blank slates to beautiful pieces of artwork - I'm thankful to

the people who took the time and effort to do the work and make these a reality," said Arrigo.

Arrigo thanked the program's key contributors, saying that "projects like the Little Libraries epitomize the work that people do every day to make the city a better place."

The mayor also credited Elle Baker for spearheading the effort on behalf of the city. "Elle has been tremendous in finding great ideas and then making sure the ideas move forward and get done. This park [Gibson Park renovations] is one small thing that Elle has done. She's made such an imprint in the city in our green spaces and things like the Little Libraries."

Heiser noted the important contribution of Margo Johnson in moving the idea forward and collaborating with Elle Baker on writing the successful grant application.

Heiser said that her son, Charlie Benjamin, and his friend, Ray Crimmins, built ten of the boxes. Heiser and School Committee member Carol Tye donated the five additional boxes.

Heiser also lauded Mayor Arrigo, who "was 100 percent behind the Little Free Library Project and made space available at City Hall to collect and stockpile donated books."

Margo Johnson said simply, "It's an honor to be part of the Little Free Library project. I went to see Elle and she believed in me, took it to the city, and the city made it happen."

Kristen Janjar and her daughter, Nora Janjar attended the ceremony. Nora painted the book box that is located at the Susan B. Anthony school complex. Kristen said she was excited to see the program expand citywide.

"We built it and installed the first Little Library at Sandler Square and the second one on Shirley Avenue and it's been going really well ever since," said Kristen. "And now they're putting in 15 more [libraries] and it's exciting. We started something new."

COMMUNITY SCHOOL AWARDED GRANT

REVERE - The Revere Community School, which serves Revere and surrounding communities, received a \$16,624 grant from The Foundation Trust to support its 2019-2020 initiatives addressing the learning needs and advancing the life prospects of immigrant and refugee adults and youth who are trying to build a new life after experiencing trauma, violence and other forms of life adversity.

This is the first grant the Revere Community School has received from The Foundation Trust, a private operating foundation that supports the ongoing work of small to medium-sized nonprofit organizations that provide vital services to under-resourced populations in the Greater Boston area.

Fatou Drammeh, Coordinator at the Revere Community School said "we are honored to be among the first round of grantees from the Foundation Trust to strengthen our program and increase our impact in the community. This grant will help us support more individuals by addressing language barriers and skill building for daily life and employment and support for families in Revere. At the Revere Community School, we believe that it is important to provide an array of support services if we are to properly support immigrants to be self sufficient and lead successful lives in the United States."

The grant from the Foundation Trust will enable the Revere Community School to support low or moderate-income Revere parents and high school students to participate in ESOL courses and/or continue their learning to improve their academic and personal situations. The program anticipates providing scholarships to 80 individuals over two years. The scholarship program will help to ensure the quality of our program by reducing the "dropout" rate - in this case, the adult learners and youth who do not enroll or who stop coming to class because they cannot afford it.

Dr. Joseph Spinazzola, Executive Director of the Foundation Trust said "the Revere Community School is doing tremendous work to elevate and empower high-risk communities in Revere. The Foundation Trust is proud to offer this grant to help them advance educational and employment opportunities for diverse immigrants."

The Foundation Trust funding will also help 80 low-income families and seniors (40 per year) purchase a computer after completing 15 hours of free computer training so that they can do homework, find jobs and connect with loved ones. A free citizenship classes will also be available to up to 60 individuals planning on taking the citizenship exam in the next 12 months.

Revere Community School unites life-long learners with community and partner resources to empower its adult learners and encourage workforce development, health and wellness, community awareness, and civic participation. Established in 2013, it's mission is to ensure quality, robust community-based learning opportunities for residents of Revere, where they can improve their English language skills, attend college preparedness classes, gain

employment and citizenship preparation. Revere Community School is a city-funded program under the Revere Parks & Recreation department, hosted and supported by the Revere School district.

Revere Community School serves a highly diverse youth and adult student population each year. About 90 percent of its students are English language learners. Students come from over 30 countries and speak more than 20 languages. Each year, over 600 adults and youth attend its courses to learn new languages, new skills, financial literacy, workforce development and civic engagement. The school currently offer a wide range of courses such as English for Speakers of Other Languages, High School Equivalency diploma (HISSET), Spanish, computer and citizenship courses to address the learning and educational needs of the communities. To learn more about the program, please visit <https://sites.google.com/rpsk12.org/revere-community-school/programs>, and connect on Facebook @ <https://m.facebook.com/reverecomunityschool> and Twitter @ RevereCommSch.

LYNN DPW TO HOLD BULKY ITEMS DAYS

LYNN -Lynn residents will have twice as many opportunities to dispose of large items in the next year thanks to a partnership with Covanta. There will be six Bulky Items Days to replace the three Dumpster Days that have been held over the last several years. The new dropoff location will at Covanta, 247 Commercial St., Lynn.

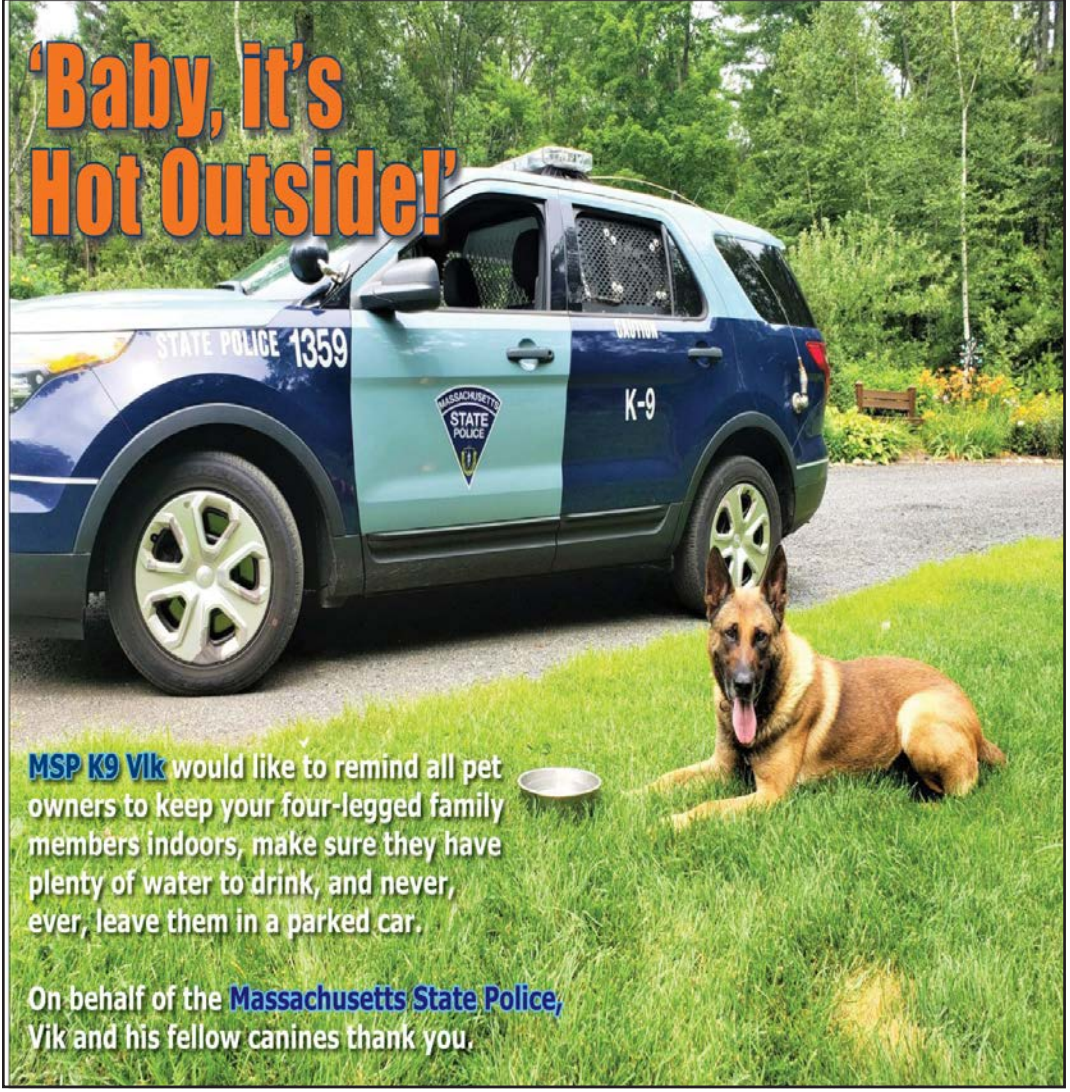
"We encourage residents take advantage of this service the City is providing in partnership with Covanta to dispose of bulky items and unwanted materials," said Mayor Thomas M. McGee. "Thank you to the Department of Public Works for stepping up and managing this program for the City."

The Bulky Items Days are scheduled for: Sept. 21, Oct. 12, Nov. 16, and May 16, 2020. Items may be dropped off from 8 a.m. to noon and may include: household items, fluorescent light bulbs, white goods, metals and rigid plastic. The following items are prohibited: paint, hazardous materials, construction materials. Enter through Circle Avenue.

The Bulky Item Days are for Lynn residents only (driver's license required); contractors and U-Haul trucks are not allowed.

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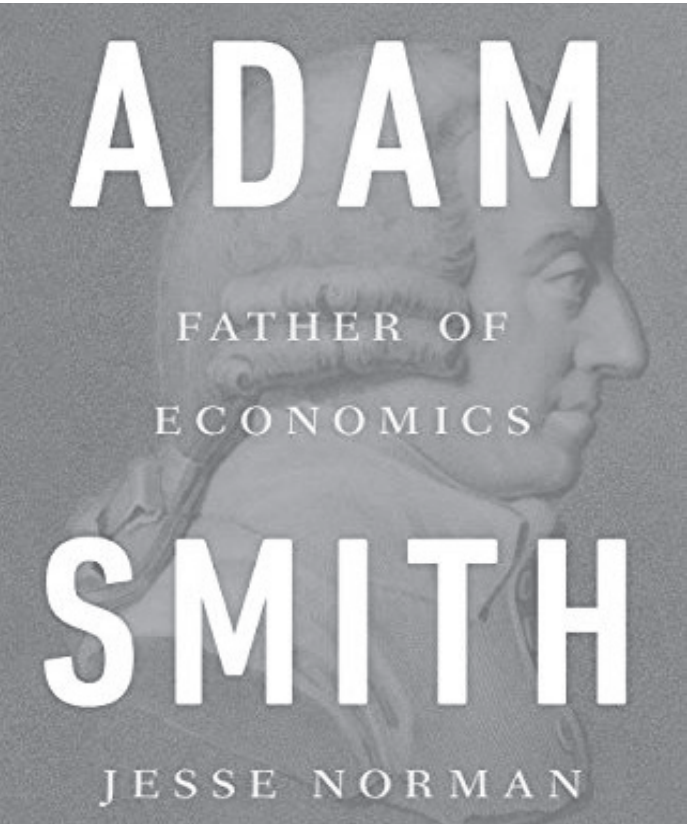
'ADAM SMITH: FATHER OF ECONOMICS'

By JESSE NORMAN

Reviewed By Bernie Kelly

Jesse Norman does an excellent job in tracing the life and work of a renowned author and theorist in “Adam Smith Father of Economics. The book is divided into two parts-The first dealing with Smith’s life, while the second part deals with his writings and their impact on society. Smith himself never married. His life was spent with his devoted mother and his cousin, who kept house for him. He excelled in school as a youth, and eventually he matriculated to Oxford. He did well there, but he felt somewhat out of place, partially because of his allegiance to the Scottish Renaissance which was taking place while he was attending Oxford. There was evidently some tension between his British classmates and the Scots with whom he identified.

After graduation he took a post as a tutor to an established family in Scotland, while also working on his own writings during his spare time. He corresponded with and befriended David Hume, the famous Scottish philosopher. The two proved the old maxim that opposites attract, with Hume being gregarious and outgoing, while Smith tended to be taciturn and introverted. Despite their personality differences, Smith and Hume became lifelong friends and their collegiality was the stuff of legends. “The Wealth of Nations” was Smith’s most famous work, but he also wrote “The Theory of Moral Sentiments” which gives an opposite view to the somewhat utilitarian sentiment evoked in his Magnus Opus. Smith also penned a series of lectures entitled “Letters on Jurisprudence” which are far less famous. Later in life Smith had plans to augment his corpus of writings, but he passed away before he had a chance to finish it off.



The second part of the book deals with the impact of Smith’s work. He was a strong opponent of slavery. He abhorred slavery -Condemns it as a matter of fact. Smith was an interesting character. It can be assumed from the fact that he never married that he was a single-minded scholar. He had close friendships, notably Hume, but he was something of a recluse. His writings stand as a testament to his life, especially “The Wealth of Nations” which is widely known as a precursor to most studies of economics as we know it today.

Jesse Norman himself is a graduate of Oxford University. In addition to this book, he also wrote “Edmund Burke: The First Conservative.” His writing style is concise and informative. His study of Adam Smith is a welcome addition to the annals of biography. Norman was a Governor of the UK National Institute of Economics and Social Research and a visiting Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford. “Adam Smith” is a book that you will enjoy reading. It is clear and well written. Norman has a gift for delineating the twists and turns of Smith’s career, as well as his foibles and eccentricities. Be prepped for an enjoyable perusal. Happy Reading!

Bernie Kelly

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AROUND THE CITY

RIVERFEST SEASIDE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Guster headlines in WXRV/92.6 The river’s free concert festival, also featuring Noah Kahan, Mt. Joy, and Tall Heights, Saturday, August 24, from 12 noon to 6 p.m. in Stage Fort Park, Gloucester. Kids can enjoy KidZone, and there’s BudLight Buid-a-Bar and Tito’s Handmade Vodka pop-up lounge, also several food vendors and more at this family-friendly event.

GAME GRUMPS LIVE!

Boch Center Shubert Theatre and AEG present YouTube web series Game Grumps live show, The Final Party, with Arin and Danny, 265 Tremont St., Boston, Friday, Aug. 23, 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$43.50, VIP packages also. bochcenter.org, 866-348-9738.

ROCKPORT CELTIC FESTIVAL

Brian O’Donovan and Maeve Gilchrist of A Celtic Sojourn curate Rockport Celtic Festival, including Celtic Appalachian Journey, Aug. 23, 7 p.m., \$45-\$69.; Celtic Session Upstairs, Aug 23,24, 10 p.m., \$25,\$10; Celtic Workshop, Harmony and traditional song accompaniment, Aug. 24, 2 p.m., \$10; Strings on Strings, Aug. 24, 7 p.m.. \$49-\$69; The Celtic Spirit, Aug. 25, 2 p.m., \$10;and Songs and Stories of the Sea, Aug. 25, 5 p.m., featuring an outstanding line-up of musicians, vocalists, ensembles, and more, \$49-\$69. Shalin Liu Performance Center, 37 Main St., Rockport. rockportmusic.org, 978-546-7391.

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THE PURISTS


Huntington theatreCompany presents the world premiere of Dan McCabe’s new play, “The Purists,” Aug.30-Sept. 29, directed by Tony-Grammy awards winner Billy Porter, starring Broadway’s J. Bernard Calloway, Morocco Omari, and John Scurti, Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2,8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m., days and times vary, Calderwood Pavilion, Boston Center for the Arts, 527 Tremont St., South End, Boston. huntingtontheatre.org,617-266-0800, or at the box offices at Calderwood Pavilion.




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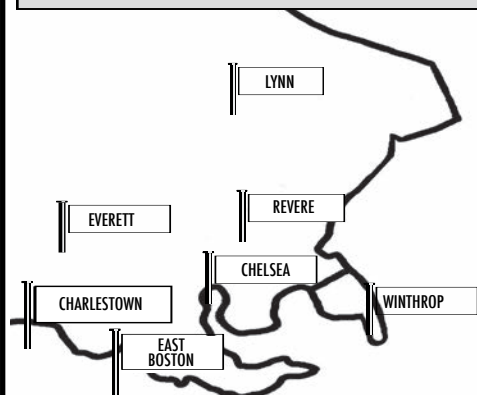
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The Gorman Fort Banks Elementary School is looking for a lunch monitor to work 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. daily. Qualified applicants will be willing to provide supportive assistance as well as daily outdoor time to large groups of students. Applicants must have at minimum a high school degree and previous experience working with early elementary students is preferred. This position calls for extreme confidentiality and will require safety prevention training and compliance with all district and state mandates. Interested applicants may call the main office of the school at 617-846-5509.

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PROJECT LOCATION: 131 Sewall Avenue, 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
8/22/19 W

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Banafsheh Ehtemam to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated August 12, 2011 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 48260, Page 294, subsequently assigned to MTGLQ Investors, LP by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in said Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 53677, Page 31, subsequently assigned to Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as trustee for MFRA Trust 2015-1 by MTGLQ Investors LP by assignment recorded in said Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 55528, Page 139 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00

AM on September 5, 2019 at 142 Washington Avenue, Winthrop, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: Certain real estate situated in Winthrop, in the County of Suffolk, with the buildings thereon described as follows: Parcel I contains 8,413 square feet of land and is shown as Lots 9 and 10 on a plan recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 1618, Page 499. Parcel II contains 4,286 square feet of land and is shown as Lot 8 on said plan. Reference to said plan is hereby made for a more particular description of the premises.
The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.
TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee,

the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.
Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as trustee for MFRA Trust 2015-1 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANDS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 15-013153
8/15/19, 8/22/19, 8/29/19 W

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 700 Governors Road, Winthrop, Massachusetts
By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by David MacPhail to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, said mortgage dated November 10, 2005, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, in Book 38566 at Page 139 and now held by U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by virtue of an assignment from JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT dated June 6, 2017 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 58488, Page 18, previously assigned by The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, a Corporation Organized and Existing Under an Act of Congress (FDIC) and Acting in its Receivership Capacity as Receiver of Washington Mutual Bank F/K/A Washington Mutual Bank, FA to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by virtue of

an assignment dated August 10, 2016 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 56608, Page 220 for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on September 6, 2019 at 1:00 PM Local Time upon the premises directly in front of the building containing said unit, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: Property Address: 700 Governor's, Winthrop, MA 02152
Unit No. 700-37 in the Governor's Park Condominium created by Master Deed dated July 10, 1986, recorded with the Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Book 12658, Page 189.

The post office address is 700-37 Governor's Park, Winthrop, Massachusetts. The Unit is laid out as shown on plan, which plan is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with said Master Deed and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided in M.G.L. Chapter 183A, Section 9. It is subject to and with the benefit of obligations, restrictions, rights and liabilities contained in General Laws, Chapter 183A, the Master Deed and the By-Laws filed therewith. The unit has the benefit of and is subject to the provisions of G.L.C., 183A, relating to condominiums, as that statute is written as of the date hereof, Master Deed and By-Laws referred to above and any By-Laws and rules and regulations from time to time adopted thereunder, and all other matters of recorded stated or referred to in the Master Deed as completely as if each were fully set forth herein all as the same, from time to time, may have or shall be amended. The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagees' Title see deed dated January 21, 2003, and recorded

in Book 30394 at Page 236 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds. Said Unit will be conveyed together with an undivided percentage interest in the Common Elements of said Condominium appurtenant to said Unit and together with all rights, easements, covenants and agreements as contained and referred to in the Declaration of Condominium, as amended.
TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.
FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale.
Other terms to be announced at the sale.
BENNETT & MCHUGH, PC 270 Farmington Avenue Farmington, CT 06032 Attorney for U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT Present Holder of the Mortgage (860) 677-2868
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for Determination of Applicability from Vincent Amara to replace existing asphalt driveway in same footprint with 4" crushed stone and 3" asphalt.
PROJECT LOCATION: 789 Shirley Street, 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.
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PROJECT LOCATION: 795 Shirley Street, Winthrop, MA.
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate And Family Court

24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Docket No. SU19C0407CA
In the matter of: John Henry Lovetere A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by John Henry Lovetere of Winthrop, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Giovanni Lovetri
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/05/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 15, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
8/23/19 W

LEGAL NOTICE

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
Notice is hereby given that the Board of License Commissioners will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday September 9, 2019, on or after 7:00 p.m. in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room, Town Hall, Winthrop, Massachusetts, 02152, upon on the Common Victualer's Application of Aaron Armitstead on opening Grace's Place located at 530 Shirley St., Winthrop, MA
At said hearing, all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.
All documents pertaining to this hearing can be viewed in the Town Clerks Office and/or the Board of License Clerks Office (Room 8-3) during normal business hours.
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Clerk-Board of License
8/22/19 W



FHPA AGENCIES & OTHER STATE/ LOCAL REFERRAL AGENCIES

BOSTON FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION
One City Hall Plaza, Suite 966
Boston, MA 02201-1054
617-635-4408

CAMBRIDGE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
51 Inman Street
Cambridge, MA 02139-1732
617-349-4396
CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS & OPPORTUNITIES
21 Grand Street, 4th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106-1561
860-541-3400

MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
51 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
207-624-6050

MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION
One Ashburton Place, Room 601
Boston, MA 02108-1599
617-994-6000

RHODE ISLAND COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
180 Westminster Street, 3rd floor
Providence, RI 02903-3768
401-222-2661/62

VERMONT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
135 State Street, Drawer 33
Montpelier, VT 05633-6301
802-828-2480

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
2 Chennell Drive
Concord, NH 03301-9053
603-271-2767

NEW HAVEN COMMISSION ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES
200 Orange Street, Room 402
New Haven, CT 06510
203-946-8160/8165

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