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CHA TO HOST DAY OF FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS FOR WOMEN

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), an academic community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville, and Boston's metro-north region, will once again host See Test and Treat, a day of free health screenings for uninsured and underinsured women on Saturday, Oct. 26. The event will be held at CHA Cambridge Hospital (1493 Cambridge Street, Cambridge) from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and is intended for women, transmen and non-binary people, ages 21-65, who lack health insurance and access to quality care.

See, Test and Treat is a national program sponsored by the College of American Pathologists Foundation to offer uninsured and under-insured people the opportunity to get important health screenings and information. In a single day, participants receive a pelvic and clinical breast exam, a Pap test with same-day results, a screening mammogram with prompt results, a connection to follow-up care, interpretive services, translated educational materials, health and wellness information, and a healthy snack. Child activities are provided to further reduce barriers to getting these important tests.

"See, Test and Treat embodies CHA's mission of caring for everyone, regardless of their ability to pay, immigration status or gender identity," said Rebecca Osgood, MD, chief of pathology, who is spearheading the event at CHA. "The most important piece of all of the free care that we provide is that it could possibly save lives. We are excited to build on the success of last year's

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PHOTO BY KATES ASLINGER

Left to right: Police Chief Terence Delehanty, Assistant Town Manager David Rodrigues, District Attorney Rachael Rollins, Superintendent Lisa Howard, and Deputy Chief John Goodwin

DA office holds Town Hall meeting for residents

By Kate Anslinger

On Thursday, Sept. 26, the District Attorney's office held a Town Hall meeting in the Neil Shapiro Center for Performing Arts at the high school. Winthrop was selected as the third installment of a three-part Town Hall series, following one at West Roxbury and one at Chelsea, earlier this year. The meeting served as an opportunity for residents to voice concerns to

District Attorney Rachael Rollins and receive updates on initiatives and issues that affect Winthrop.

The conversation was kicked off by the District Attorney Office's Director of Youth Safety and Outreach, Jackie Lamont, who has been in a relationship with Winthrop Public Schools for several years. Lamont's role in the district is to educate students on social media safety as a preventative measure against

child abuse and online exploitation.

"Winthrop is special to me and our office and District Attorney Rollins continues to not only support the programs that I am most focused on, but she embraces them," said Lamont. "It is so important to come out to the schools and prevent some of the things that can be prevented and it is so important for the DA's office

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A HEROIC RESCUE REMEMBERED

Dennis DeCarney saved a kayaker in distress from drowning

By Cary Shuman

Three years ago, on Sept. 15, 2016 to be exact, Winthrop resident Ondrej Bucek was kayaking in the waters off Winthrop when something went wrong. The 46-year-old Winthrop resident was in his kayak when a big wave hit the

side of the kayak, causing it to flip over. Bucek, who is originally from the Czech Republic, was sent reeling in to the water alone, hundreds of yards from shore with sunset approaching.

"I tried to make a turn and suddenly a big wave came out of nowhere and hit me on the side of my

kayak," recalled Bucek. "I hadn't checked the weather and the wind kicked up a bit and the waters were choppy. I had been out in the water on my kayak for several hours (3:30 to 7 p.m.)."

Then-Winthrop Deputy Harbormaster Dennis De-

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Dana Farber Mammography made a difference

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, and as director of public health and clinical services for the Town of Winthrop, Meredith Hurley, RN had decided that if the Dana Farber Mammography Van was going to be in town giving mammograms, that she has better check things out.

"That was in 2014 when I was 36 years old," Hurley said, even though the age guideline for screening was 40. Soon after her screen, Hurley's mother was diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 56. "Unbeknownst to me, which I had found out through my work with this, that another guideline is 20 years prior to your mother's diagnosis.



Meredith Hurley, RN.

If this is the case you can be screened."

"I was just testing out the van," Hurley joked.

Hurley's results would impact herself, her mother and potentially her children.

"Two days later they called and say they found something on the mammogram and that I needed to go back for further testing. Luckily, it was not cancer

but what they did find was atypical hyperplasia."

Atypical hyperplasia makes her risk for breast cancer four times higher than the average woman. Because of her results she was linked in to a prevention program at Brigham and Women's for six-month screenings, and meetings

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Boncore alone as candidate for Council President

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

It could have been an interesting election Nov. 5 in the race for Town Council president, two veteran councilors running for the same seat. At one point both Phil Boncore and James Letterie were signed up to run for precinct councilor and council president at the same time.

But after long and thorough consideration, Precinct Two Councilor Let-

terie, the one known for working the numbers, took his name out of contention.

Last Thursday night at the Winthrop Golf Club, with an introduction from Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo, 15-year Councilor-at-Large Phil Boncore announced that he is running for Council President. And he will be unopposed.

Letterie said that he thought about running for

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Faison shares updates on park, playground, school funding

By Laura Plummer

At the Town Council meeting on Tuesday, October 1, Town Manager Austin Faison shared a number of updates impacting Winthrop and its citizens.

-FY20 School Finance

The Division of Local Services recently finished their estimates for the state budget, which was finalized at the end of July. The budget allocates \$7.3 million to school funding, about \$100,000 more than what

was approved by Council. The estimate provides around \$17,000 in Charter School Reimbursement, almost \$50,000 less than what the town had originally expected. Between the school funding surplus and the Charter School Reimbursement deficit, this nets the town over \$57,000 in education aid surplus for FY20. Council will need to approve the increase in the budget.

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25TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIENDS GOLF TOURNEY



The 25th Annual Good Friends Golf Tournament was held at the Hibiscus Golf Club in Naples, Florida. Fourteen friends from Winthrop, most of whom have been friends since grade school, played a point quota match. The winners of this year's event were Jim Wall and Barney DeGregorio. Closest to pin winners were Bill Millar and Jim Wall. Shown from left to right, Barney DeGregorio, Luke Merchant, Steve Calla, Jim Riley, Don Milano, Chuck Zullo, Emilo Mattarazzo, Bob Katz, John Tipping, Jim Wall, Jack Decost, Scott Glucker, Rich Boudreau, Bill Millar.

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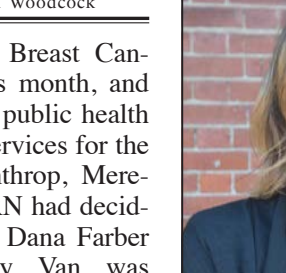
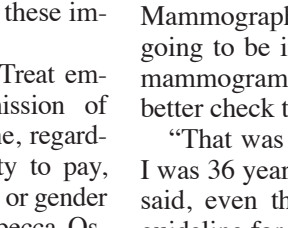
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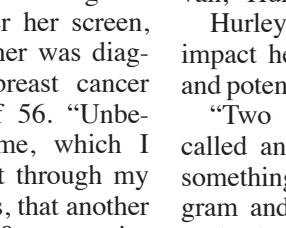
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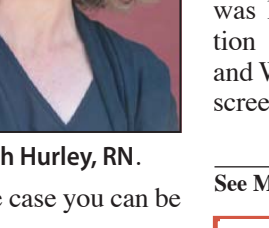
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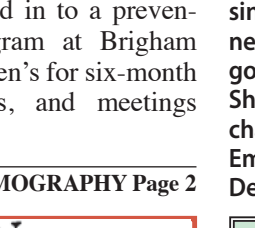
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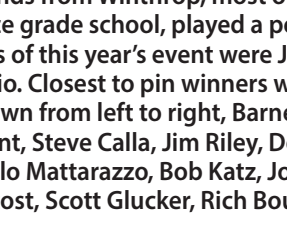
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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Monday, Sept. 23

Reporting party on Nevada Street stated no motor vehicles were tagged and the street sweeper could not properly clean the street. This is ongoing. A citation was given.

Party called headquarters to notify them about a deceased turkey at the end of Fremont Street near Buchanan Street. Sgt. Feeley will have an officer check it out.

An elderly male on Overlook got a scam call. He gave no information, just wanted it noted.

Report of a white Husky with no tags, no collar on Somerset Avenue. Oceanview Kennel was informed and they will be awaiting the dog's arrival. The owner called and will pick up the dog after work.

Party from Banks Street came to the station in reference to a past larceny which was reported on June 7. He needed to add a stolen credit card number and charges made to it.

Caller reported two scam calls.

Another caller claims the superintendent is tampering with her laundry. Caller cannot leave the window open because the super walks by and was shouting in the window. This is an ongoing issue. Caller will be in court the first of the year.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

Male party was looking into Dunkin' windows and then asking people for a light. He then was going back to stare at the workers. This was called in by a passerby. Unit reports no one matching the description at Dunkin'. Will search the area.

Units off execution of a search warrant at Grand View Avenue. One individual in custody for four counts of distributing Class A drug, possession of Class A drug and two counts of possession of Class B drug.

Caller on Winthrop Street reports a minor motor vehicle accident. No injuries. All parties exchanged paperwork. One party spoke to work and his work told him he needs to file a report.

Party on Quincy Avenue reports there is a motor vehicle parked on the street overnight and in the way of street sweeping. She is concerned that her part of the street won't get cleaned. If the owner cannot be contacted, motor vehicle will be tagged. The vehicle was

tagged for street sweeping.

Report of an elderly male party on Bartlett Road who appears to be confused. Possible dementia. Medical requested for male party. 86-year-old male enrollee to MGH via Action.

Report of two Civics racing down Main Street towards Magee's Corner. No plate given. Another call stating vehicles headed toward Winthrop Parkway towards Revere Beach. BOLO given out and Revere notified.

Party on Hermon Street states that a male party struck a retaining wall and left the scene. A construction worker witnessed the event. A green Nissan struck the wall with no further information. Neighbor came forward as the party who struck the wall. Information was exchanged and parties are satisfied.

Party came to the station earlier to ask about an officer and a badge number that doesn't exist here. Party went on to report that he received a call from the fake officer asking for him to put money on a Target card to avoid being arrested. Party followed the directions but then became suspicious. He came to the station and was advised of the scam and was able to cancel the transaction immediately at our direction. Party followed up with Target and his credit card. Everything okay at this time with no loss.

BOLO given out by East Boston. There was a party that had a firearm. Boston units were following the party and he was headed into Winthrop. Winthrop was given the information. Boston units and Transit stopped the vehicle before they entered Winthrop.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

Units are in the area of Somerset Avenue for an erratic operator going in and out of the lanes. This was called in by an off-duty Malden officer. Units found the vehicle but was unoccupied. Units are unknown which house the party went into. Units could not locate the male party. He will be getting a ticket later on for having no sticker.

Calling party states there is a woman sitting on the sidewalk. Caller stated she turned around and a purse was just sitting there and the woman was not there. She would like an officer to check the area and see if the female is still there. Caller was a passerby. 91 has the purse and it is coming back to a female party that lives on Winthrop Street. 91 and 95 will be checking the house now. Units located the party and she is home and well.

Party on Grovers Avenue states she can hear a male yelling. Received a second call that a male party is yelling outside. He was at the playground and now on Grovers. Sierra 6 requesting a taxi for two passengers to go to Saugus. Winthrop

Taxi en route. Parties were picked up by the taxi and unit assisted the owner of the vehicle and put the vehicle into the lot. Units will have the keys at the station.

Report of a large tree truck on the corner of Bowdoin Street making it difficult to take the turn. The truck will be moved.

Party came to the station to report he gave lawful right of possession of one of his motor vehicles a couple of weeks ago and the "friend" hasn't returned the vehicle and he is unable to get in touch with him. He stated that he has done this several times off and on. He was advised of his rights to pursue a civil complaint for conversion. A voicemail was left for the other party to contact headquarters. The original party came back to report that the car was just dropped off.

Calling party on Golden Drive states that her car was broken into last night. Nothing was taken.

Party came in to report that his motor vehicle was stolen from the area of Golden Drive. This was entered into CJIS/NCIC. Report to follow.

Caller on Shirley Street came in to report of speeding vehicles in the vicinity. He was requesting signage be posted. Party was advised to e-mail the TSAC and the Town Manager.

Report that on the ocean side of Mumford Street, a male party was flying a drone. Two males. Unit clear, parties have been advised and will be clearing the area.

Party on Ocean View Street requesting a well-being check on party. They work together and she hasn't heard from her since Friday night. Caller stated she called out of work sick on Saturday and she hasn't answered any of her calls or called her back. The reporter stated she drove by her house earlier today and the lights were off. She went back by tonight and the lights were on. The back door was open. Caller screamed her name a few times and no one answered. She is concerned for her safety at this time because this is not like her. It appears someone is caring for the party's animals but there is no one in the residence.

Thursday, Sept. 26

Motor vehicle accident at Dunkin' on Main Street. Minimum damage no need for an accident report. Papers were exchanged.

Well-being check requested for individual on Main Street. He was located and a female party came storming in there erratically screaming and yelling at units due to a discrepancy over court documents of who has guardianship. All parties were advised that the party they did a well-being check on is fine.

Husband called to report that his wife was walking the dog and the dog was attacked by a pit bull. This happened at the end of Bayview Avenue.

Male party on Golden Drive called and reported a past breaking and entering of his vehicle. He stated that some coins and music CDs were taken from the car. Report to follow.

Party stated that a party just walked onto their property on Washington Avenue. Last seen walking down the

street towards River Road. The individual walked onto the property and took pictures. Party did not leave when the caller asked him too, but the party has since left. Officer spoke to the calling party and she was upset at the fact that he party walked onto her property and would not leave when she asked. He then started taking pictures and became confrontational. He did end up leaving. The party is known to the officer and he will catch up with him.

Suspicious activity reported on Deer Island. State notified. White male was dropped off in a white motor vehicle.

Report of a black Chevy that backed into home on Circuit Road. Fire en route. G&J has the vehicle.

Party came into the station to report that her vehicle was struck while parked at the high school. She was parked on Cross Street when an unidentified vehicle sideswiped her car causing driver's side damage to her vehicle.

Party from HRI Hospital would like a well-being on one of her clients on Shore Drive. Party has not showed up to treatment for four days. They have been calling her and no response. No Q5 statements but she has a history of Q5 thoughts. Officer spoke to the party's husband and she went to PA to stay with family members for a while.

Two car motor vehicle accident with airbag deployment on Pauline Street. G&J was contacted for two tows. Male party is now claiming he is dizzy but does not want EMS. He is calling a friend to take him to the hospital. Units will be giving a female a ride to headquarters while she waits for a family member to pick her up. The male party returned to the station asking for medical. Male party was taken to MGH.

Friday, Sept. 27

Units responded to Revere to assist with tracking a robbery suspect. Unit was cleared as Revere called to say that our services were no longer needed.

Assisted a citizen to her house as she needed to get her AAA card. Her car broke down at the school. 91 dropped her back off at her car.

Report of two neighbors arguing. Male and female. The female went back inside the house.

Calling party on Somerset Avenue states a neighbor stated that someone may be in the house because the dog is out running around. He stated that his dog has jumped through the screen twice and thinks that someone may have been in his house. Caller isn't home and is afraid that someone broke into his house. Caller is on his way home. It was a misunderstanding as the friend of the homeowner is looking for the dog that got let out by mistake. Neighbor must have seen her and thought she was breaking into the house. Units are going off to try to locate the dog. The dog has been located.

Party came to the station to file report of identity theft.

Calling party stated that his car was broken into on Tuesday. He noticed today that an "inactive" debit card was taken. The party contacted his bank.

Motor vehicle stop at the

ARREST Report

Police arrested Nicholas Vaccaro, 25, 146 Grandview Ave, Winthrop on Sept. 24 and charged him with four counts of distributing Class A drug, possession of Class A drug and two counts of possession of Class B drug. On Sept. 28 police also arrested Christopher James Barbarisi, 25, of 24 Governors Drive, Winthrop and charged him with a warrant for his arrest and resisting arrest.

Winthrop Marketplace. Expired/nonrenewable and 92 states he will try to work with the owner as a small child was in the car. Operator was cited for operating an unregistered motor vehicle and also advised to take care of the unpaid parking ticket immediately.

91 reports a road rage incident that did to go any further than a verbal argument.

Party on Mermaid Avenue states that her neighbor across the street is in the middle of her Pit Bulls fighting. Police was requested. 93 requested medical aid and ACO to be notified. After speaking with ACO the owners were advised to quarantine the dogs for 10 days or bring them to a vet. The female party (owner) of the dog was checked out by Action and declined and further treatment.

Report of four individuals on Emerson Road. Units will ID the parties.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Report of a party passed out in a vehicle at Deer Island. Parties were sleeping after fishing.

Unit off with two parties on Veterans Road. Medical enroute. Party refused medical. 91 giving her a courtesy ride home.

Alpha Charlie 1 stated that on the Sept. 26, an altercation occurred between two dog at Crest Avenue in the parking lot. Both parties are going to work it out amongst themselves.

Assisted fire helping party who is locked out of his apartment on Veterans Road. Fire cleared before 93 arrived.

Two car motor vehicle accident with no injuries on Main Street. Both parties are alright.

Female on Pleasant Street to attacked by a dog. Black Lab. Victim is at East Boston Health Center. The landlord called this in. ACO will speak to the party.

Male party on Bowdoin and Buchanan Street is reportedly on a bicycle, looking into cars. He went towards Thornton Park. 92 in pursuit of a bicycle by the marketplace. Male party is near the 7-Eleven. Male party has barricaded himself in the garage at Governors Park. Unit 92 believes the male party may have paperwork. Units have the male party isolated in the garage and unknown if he is armed. One in custody for warrants. Sierra 7 requested medical for the detainee. Medical enroute. One in custody for warrant arrest and resisting arrest.

Report of a 20-year old female is lost trying to get home She is at the Public Landing. Unit stated that this was an exchange student who didn't speak English. she was lost. They got in touch with the family who picked her up.

Sunday, Sept. 29

Caller states that at the corner of Beach Road and

Myrtle Avenue a male and female are being loud outside on the second-floor porch. Unit reports he searched the area and spoke to a couple and they will keep it down.

Party at Governors Park states that someone is being loud. Unit reports he spoke to everyone and they will be going to bed for the night and the people who called are happy.

Caller states that the field across from Executive Apartments someone is yelling for help. She doesn't see him but ca him states. It could possibly be a fight. Unit requesting medical. They are at Cross and Shirley Street. Sierra 4 reports everyone only spoke Spanish and need a Verizon line to help. First male party took a cab back to Lynn. Second male party was dropped off at Winthrop Taxi and will be going to Chelsea. The female party is off to Whidden.

Walk-in to report that two days ago she found a homeless person sleeping on her porch on Orlando Avenue. She would like extra checks of the area. She was advised to call when it happens again.

Caller on Douglas Street report that the front passenger tire was slashed. Her ex-boyfriend had threatened to do it multiple times. They had a fight last night because she broke up with him and found the tire slashed today. She was advised of her rights.

Report of a verbal dispute with neighbors over money on Golden Drive. It was a civil matter over \$50. Both parties were advised of their rights.

Calling party states that she was driving by and saw a male standing on the front porch possibly 94C activity on Beach Road. Units requested medical aid. Party was passed out on the floor and units want him evaluated. Individual was evaluated and checked out by EMS. He was sent back into his apartment. He was very up front and honest. No signs of 94 activity.

Party on Bellevue Avenue came into the station to report that his neighbor is continually hitting his car. 92 and 93 going to keep the peace while both parties try to work it out amongst themselves. Peace was restored between the two neighbors. Both parties are going to work it out on their own.

Calling party on Charles Street states that her neighbor videotaped her 21-year-old daughter today as she and her boyfriend got into his car. The neighbor did this because the car was parked in front of his house. This is an ongoing situation. 91 and 93 did a motor vehicle stop. 91 cleared the stop with a verbal and was enrollee to Charles Street. Another parking issue between neighbors. 91 left his department e-mail with the other party who is not home to help solve the issue.

Mammography //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

with a small team of doctors and a radiologist who are keeping an eye on things.

Locally, Survivors by the Sea, a support group in Winthrop, did their own little poll and found that 63 percent found out about their cancer with a mammogram.

"Ten percent of the women being diagnosed

are under the age of 45," Hurley said, adding she has known several diagnosed with breast cancer from a routine mammogram.

The mammography van is coming to Winthrop, Tuesday, Oct. 15 in the parking lot at the Larson Rink on Pauline Street from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

You must pre-register

by calling Dana Farber at 617-632-1974. Hurley is available for questions at 617-846-1882 x1061.

#Love the Ladies Winthrop will provide food and wellness activities.

Winthrop Police, in recent years, have become proponents for mammography and the elimination of breast cancer. Last year

the department conducted a T-shirt drive that raised money for Survivors by the Sea and the Marie C. Petrilli Foundation. This year, the department is partnering with Public Health and Survivors by the Sea to bring awareness to the importance of mammograms and early detection.

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Center Business District zoning decision on appeal

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

The neighbors of the proposed development at 10-26 Somerset Ave. have filed a complaint in Land Court in Boston concerning a decision made by the Winthrop Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

The complaint seeks to appeal the decision of the ZBA made on June 27 as it pertains to the proposed development of 10-26 Somerset Ave., which is owned by Envelo with Joanna Schwartz serving as chief executive officer.

The Zoning Board of Appeals decided that the boundary of the Center Business District includes the adjacent property on 20 Cottage Park Road. Therefore, the development site does not abut a Residential Zoning District and consequently may build to a maximum of four stories.

According to the town’s municipal code, the maximum number of stories

allowed in the Center Business District – if it does abut a residential district – is two and a half stories.

The scope of the project includes demolishing an existing commercial building and constructing 30 apartments with four stories in a mixed-use building. But Schwartz was told she needed variances for the maximum height limitation and minimum rear yard setback by Building Inspector Al Legee. The Zoning Board of Appeals did not vote on Envelo’s applications for variances, believing 20 Somerset Ave. was within the Center Business District.

Tom and Donna Reilly, along with other neighbors on Cottage Park Road and Somerset Avenue, formed the Winthrop Neighborhood Association after they attended numerous meetings of the Planning Board, the Zoning Board and Town Council meetings regarding the boundaries of the

Center Business District. A major issue the group they wanted addressed is that 10-26 Somerset is in the Center Business District and directly abuts 20 Cottage Park Road, which is zoned Residential A and is the home of Rosina Ferrante.

“Consequently, plaintiffs current appeal pertains to the board’s incorrect decision regarding the zoning boundary lines of the Center Business District,” wrote attorney Jacqueline Doherty, who represents the neighborhood association.

Doherty also wrote that there has been “overwhelming evidence submitted demonstrating that the 20 Cottage Park Road has always been zoned residential and no part of the parcel of 20 Cottage Park Road is within the Center Business District. A count in the appeal also brings out a concern over spot zoning which occurs when one single lot is singled out for different treatment.

According to the complaint, the new 2014 Center Business District ordinance allows four-story multi-unit buildings, three-quarters of a parking space per unit, and multi-unit buildings within 15 feet of an adjacent residential property. Additionally, inadequate parking could be avoided by the developer paying



The rear of the old building is shown to the left, abutting the property on 20 Cottage Park Road.

the town \$2,000 for each required space. Members of the neighborhood association believe the 2014 ordinance gave every advantage to the developer and did not safeguard the neighborhood, Doherty wrote in the appeal.

On May 27, 2018 a petition from the residents sought to amend the 2014 zoning ordinance: a density standard of one residential unit per 2,000 square feet

as required throughout the town; side and rear distances of 50 feet between a multi-unit and adjacent residential home; a reduction in building height from four stories to two’ and realistic parking of two spaces per unit and eliminate the \$2,000 parking space buy-out.

The appeal also contends that under the Town’s Charter, the Town Council should have acted on the

May 27, 2018 petition to amend a 2014 zoning ordinance within 90 days. Instead no action was taken on it until Jan. 15, 2019 with a vote to indefinitely postpone.

Attorney James Cipolletta, who represented Schwartz in front of town boards, said the Board of Appeals “made an informed and correct decision and the project will go forward as a matter of right.”

Tino Capobianco will receive MASC award

By Kate Anslinger

School Committee Chairman, Valentino Capobianco has been selected to receive the 2019 Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) Division II All-State School Committee Award. The honor recognizes the many contributions that Capobianco has made to the students of the Winthrop Public Schools through his service on the school committee as well as his time spent advocating for children through the many activities that he is involved in.

In addition to his role as chairman of the school committee, Capobianco is a member of the Winthrop 2020 Census Committee, the Airport Hazards Committee, the Shore Collaborative Board of Trustees, and an elected member of the Massachusetts Demo-



School Committee chairman Valentiino Capobianco.

cratic State Committee.

On November 7th, Capobianco will be presented with the award at the MASC Leadership Awards dinner during the MASC/MASS 2019 Joint Conference.

“I am a proud son of Winthrop,” he said. “I was able to elevate myself because of the education granted to me by the town of Winthrop. I could have gone down different career paths but I chose pub-

lic service. It has been an honor to represent the residents of this town. I know our students will do great things and I cannot wait to see how incredible their accomplishments will be. I look forward to that day. I want to thank everyone involved in this process and I most importantly want to thank the residents of Winthrop.”

The goal of the MASC is to effectively promote school leadership and student achievement in Massachusetts. One of the main roles of the association is to provide professional development and act as a source of guidance and expertise to its members. In addition, the MASC helps school committees navigate their way through government leadership, media, state and federal administrative agencies related to K-12 Massachusetts public education.

Rescue // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Carney received notification from then-Winthrop Harbormaster Joe Montalto about the developing incident. And if not for the heroic efforts and the experience of DeCarney, who ultimately pulled a weakened and incoherent Bucek in to his boat during a dramatic rescue, the incident likely would have ended in tragedy.

“He [DeCarney] is my angel,” stated Bucek in an interview Sunday.

DeCarney recalled the incident in which the teamwork of the Town Harbormaster’s Office, the U.S. Coast Guard (Boston Sector), Winthrop Fire and EMS, Winthrop Police and the Massachusetts General Hospital helped save Bucek’s life.

“It was late in the day and there were a few people on Yirrell Beach,” said DeCarney. “A man was looking out in to the water and noticed Ondrej [Bucek] was having difficulty getting back in to his kayak. Unfortunately, the man who witnessed the incident had his attention diverted to his family. Forty-five minutes later the man returned and noticed that Ondrej was not visible from the beach. He made a call to the harbormaster, who at that time was Joe Montalto.”

The harbormaster notified DeCarney, who immediately drove to the beach and used his binoculars “to look out and scan the waters and see if there were any kayakers.”

“I didn’t see any kayakers or anyone floating around in the water,” said DeCarney. “But for some reason in my head I had a feeling that there could be something going on.”

DeCarney contacted Montalto and the decision was made to deploy a boat for a search and rescue operation. DeCarney also notified the U.S. Coast Guard that “we had a possible victim in the water, a kayaker in distress off of Yirrell Beach.”

DeCarney fled to the scene in one boat while Joe Montalto and Mark Sorrentino were deployed in a second boat.

“As I went to the area [of the last sighting of the kayaker], I determined that due to the amount of time that



Ondrej Bucek (center) expressed his gratitude to Assistant Harbormaster Dennis DeCarney (left) for the effort that saved his life on Sept., 2016. The two men reunited for an interview with the Sun-Transcript this week. Also pictured is Town Harbormaster Larry Powers.

had lapsed and the condition of the currents and the tide, he [Bucek] was going to be off-shore a distance,” said DeCarney. “I lined up at the Five Sisters in my boat and traveled northeast scanning the water. Twenty to 25 minutes in to the search, my partner and I happened to be staring to the right and we saw Ondrej’s head bobbing.”

DeCarney called out to Bucek, but there was no response. DeCarney moved the boat closer to Bucek and tossed out a life ring, but Bucek was unable to grab on to it.

“I got the boat up next to him, pulled on the side door, grabbed on to him and pulled him in to the boat,” said DeCarney. “I checked his vitals. He had a weak pulse. Both of his arms and legs were constricted. I wrapped him in space blankets. I called over to the other boat. Mark [Sorrentino] hopped on to our boat and he and my partner began to tend to him medically.”

DeCarney transported Bucek back to the Winthrop Town Pier where Winthrop Fire, Winthrop EMS, and Winthrop Police [whom DeCarney had notified] were on scene. The Winthrop contingent worked on Bucek for 20 minutes in the parking lot before he was transported by ambulance to Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston.

Bucek spent five days in the hospital before being released.

There is little doubt that the intuition and quick action of DeCarney saved Bucek’s life. Bucek had

been in the water for more than an hour before DeCarney pulled him from the water.

In fact, DeCarney was told by paramedics “that within the next five minutes or so, there would have been a body.”

Bucek remains eternally grateful to DeCarney. “I’m very thankful to Dennis and everyone who saved my life,” said Bucek, who also credited the physicians at MGH for their medical care.

Looking back at the successful rescue, DeCarney said, “Because of the choppy water and the fact that he was wearing a black life jacket, it was just amazing that going by, we were looking in his direction. If we were looking to the left for a foot or two, we would have gone right by him.”

Added DeCarney, “Ondrej had a will to survive. There is a reason why he is here today.”

It is unknown why DeCarney has not been officially commended for his heroic rescue.

But Winthrop Harbormaster Larry Powers said this week, “I think it’s important that people recognize what my officers do here. In this situation, we were very fortunate that it was Dennis on that boat. Dennis is a very experienced public safety officer, a very experienced boat-er and harbormaster. And Dennis’ qualifications and knowledge made a big difference in a situation like this. It’s certainly time that Dennis is recognized for his life-saving effort.”

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OUR Opinions

NEW COORS AD GLORIFIES PROBLEM DRINKING

“The official beer of Saturday morning,” is the reprehensible (and that’s the only word that comes to mind) tag line for a new TV ad for Coors Light beer that appeared during the football games this past weekend.

The ad depicts two roommates in their early to mid 20s who are preparing breakfast and then sit down on their couch to watch the football games while still clad in their pajamas.

They then break out the Coors Lights while eating breakfast and watching TV.

In our view, this ad represents a new low for a liquor industry that increasingly is targeting a younger and younger audience with messages that essentially equate having a good time with getting drunk.

Right after the Coors ad came one for Budweiser’s Platinum Light beer. We did not know why it was called platinum so we looked it up. It turns out that regular Bud Light has an alcohol content of 4.2 percent, but Bud Platinum has an alcohol content of 6 percent.

Here’s how Bud describes its Platinum product on its web site: “Platinum is back. And the memories are sure to follow. With a sleek new look and the same smooth, slightly sweet finish, it’s time to kick your night off the right way. The Platinum way.”

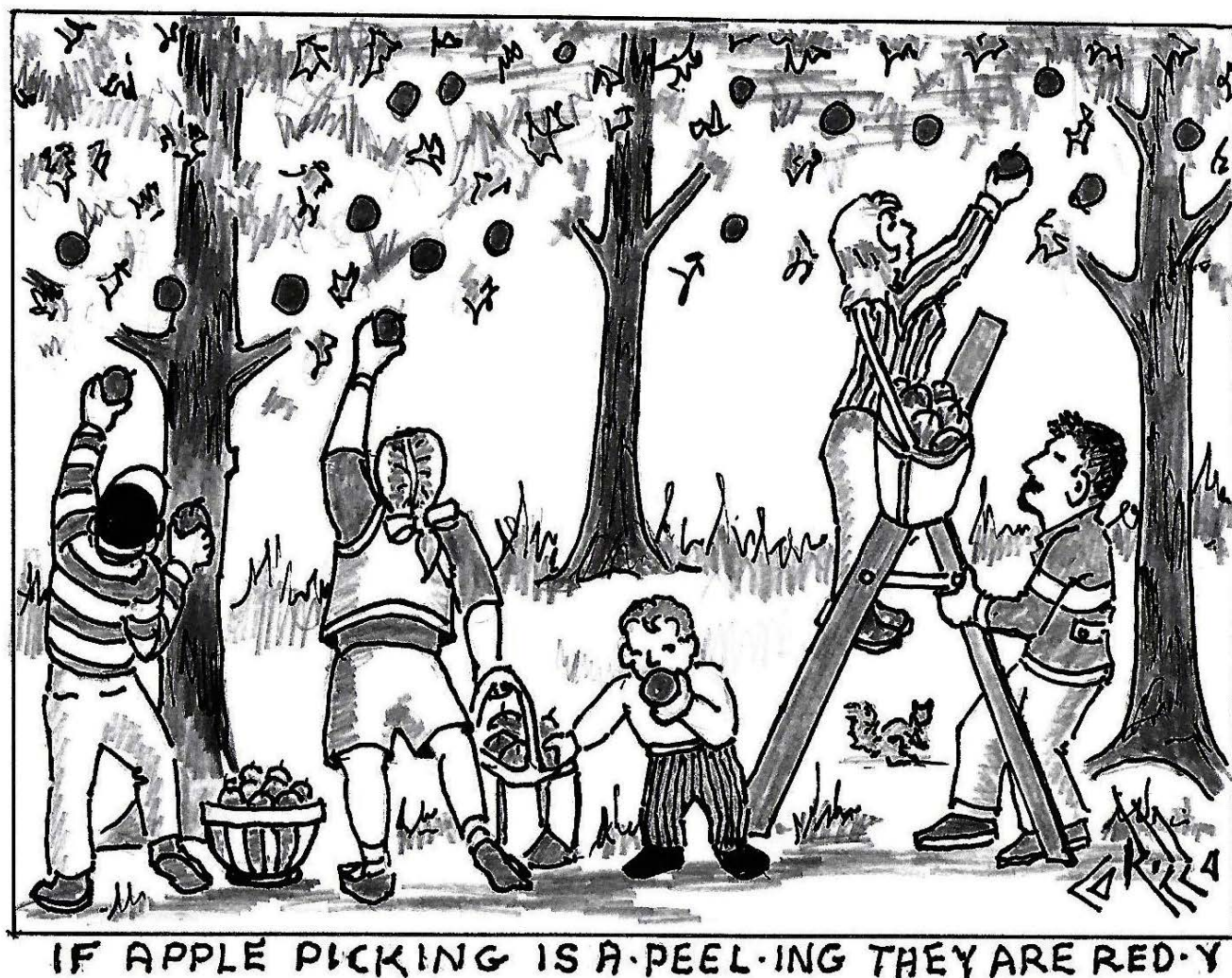
In other words, “kick your night off” is a euphemism for becoming inebriated faster. And what about this line: “And the memories are sure to follow.” Really? Drunken memories will be something to remember?

But the liquor industry is not the only one to blame. Universities also are now part and parcel of the problem of drawing-in underage drinkers. As the Wall Street Journal recently reported, a growing number of colleges are striking deals for in-stadium beer sales and sponsorships, in part to combat declining ticket sales.

The opioid crisis rightly has attracted national attention because of the number of overdose deaths attributable to drug abuse. However, the harm to individuals and society in general caused by drugs, legal and illegal, still pales in comparison to the harm caused by alcohol abuse.

It is clear that the big liquor companies, aided and abetted by our universities, are trying to attract young people to their products. Given that the research definitively has shown that drinking before the age of 25 can harm the still-developing brain, and that drinking while in the teen years can increase the risks of alcoholism by five-fold, the time has come for our government to step in and regulate alcohol advertising similar to what occurred in the 1990s when the tide was turned against Big Tobacco, which clearly was targeting a youthful audience with its Joe Camel and other advertising campaigns.

If encouraging “Saturday morning” drinking is considered acceptable in liquor ads, what’s next?



LETTER to the Editor

KUDOS FOR CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM

Dear Editor

The Winthrop Public Library staff deserves many kudos for the timely presentation on Wednesday night addressing the issue of climate change and how it is impacting our fragile peninsula that we

call home. While many of the facts feel overwhelming, we were able to come away with a sense that much is being done to help mitigate the effects of the changes that are in motion now. Town Manager Austin Faison highlighted impressive steps that he is leading to help ensure that Winthrop can survive ..and not become an isolated island

with rising sea levels.

One that stood out for me was the comprehensive green work done at Coughlin Park to restore the shore line to a natural barrier state- as opposed to outdated methods such as concrete walls to prevent flooding. Walking by that protected area and seeing the growth of a truly natural barrier. I’ve been so impressed

by the foresight measures such as this reveal. Go visit this beautiful seaside gem of a public park and see the evidence of enlightened planning for yourself. You will be assured that the our town is in good hands when it comes to working With Nature, not against Nature, to preserve our town.

Nancy O’Malley

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event where we were able to serve 60+ women. Most of them had no insurance and others had such limited insurance it created a barrier for them to receive care.”

More than 100 CHA staff, including pathologists, OBGYN providers, cytologists and radiologists, are volunteering their time to make See, Test and Treat possible.

In addition to the screenings, the day will be filled with other fun activities including a range of health education programs focused on nutrition, breast self-exams, and HIV screening and counseling. See, Test and Treat at CHA will also have a health fair component filled with mental health resources, smoking cessation information, colon cancer screenings, oral health information and much more.

To learn more about the event on Oct. 26, visit www.challiance.org/community/see-test-treat

or send an email to sprimeau@challiance.org.

NORTH SUFFOLK INTEGRATED COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (ICHNA) NOW AVAILABLE

The communities of Revere, Chelsea, and Winthrop will use the upcoming iCHNA and CHIP to work towards a North Suffolk region where individuals from all backgrounds and circumstances will have every opportunity to live a healthy life; and where local governments, health care providers, social service and community-based organizations, and community residents work in continuous partnership to improve health outcomes for all people in the region. Key findings developed from the iCHNA and CHIP will be provided to iCHNA Collaborative Organizations to aid implementation of sub-

sequent iCHNA and CHIP initiatives.

To view the final report, please go to <https://www.northsuffolkassessment.org/>.

FLU VACCINE

There will be a Flu Clinic vaccination held on Saturday, Oct. 5

In the DeLeo Senior Center at 35 Harvard St. from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The vaccine will be available for anyone aged 4 years old and over. An Insurance Card is needed for vaccination.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE TO MAKE PRESENTATION

The Winthrop Airport Hazards Committee will make a presentation before the Town Council on Oct. 15 regarding the Point Shirley aircraft noise. Residents will be able make a public comment during the meeting that starts at 7 p.m. in the Harvey Hearing room in Town Hall.

COFFEE WITH A COP OCT. 12

On Saturday, Oct. 12 officers from the Winthrop Police Department invite the community to come together at French Square in Winthrop Center to discuss community issues and build relationships, one cup of coffee at a time. All residents are invited.

Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department’s work in our town. It is our goal to create an experience where residents feel welcome to approach officers for casual conversation. The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies or emotional situations, which are not usually effective times to build relationships. *Coffee with a Cop* breaks down

barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

“We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers,” said Police Chief Terence Delehanty. “These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships.”

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

MASS DEP RELEASES DRAFT SOLID WASTE MASTER PLAN

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) has issued the Draft 2020-2030 Solid Waste Master Plan. The proposal seeks to increase diversion of food material, textiles and bulky waste items, provide financial and technical assistance for municipal waste and recycling programs, and enhance compliance and enforcement of waste disposal bans. A public comment period on the draft runs through Friday, Dec. 6, 2019, and includes five public hearings across the Commonwealth.

“The Draft Solid Waste Master Plan proposes aggressive goals for reducing our waste in the next decade and beyond,” said MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg. “The draft plan outlines a mix of regulatory, financial and technical assistance to move towards these goals, improve the Commonwealth’s waste management system, and provide important environmental and economic benefits for Massachusetts.”

The Solid Waste Master Plan establishes the Commonwealth’s policy framework for reducing and managing solid waste that is generated, reused, recycled or disposed of by Massachusetts residents

and businesses. The Draft 2020-2030 Plan proposes a broad vision for and strategies on how the Commonwealth will seek to manage its waste over the next decade and beyond.

From 2008 to 2018, Massachusetts’ per capita disposal dropped by 18 percent. The new plan proposes to build on this progress and further reduce the current annual total of 5.7 million tons of solid waste disposal by 1.7 million tons or 30 percent by 2030. The plan also proposes an aggressive longer-term goal to reduce trash disposal by 90 percent by 2050.

Initiatives included in the draft plan will:

- Increase requirements on the diversion of commercial food material from disposal;
- Improve the performance of recycling facilities handling construction and demolition materials;
- Provide financial and technical assistance to enhance municipal solid waste and recycling programs;
- Target the reuse and recycling of textiles, mattresses and other bulky waste items;
- Enhance compliance and enforcement of existing waste disposal bans and pursue additional bans on target materials; and
- Advance adoption of extended producer-responsibility systems for select materials.

The draft plan takes a balanced approach to meeting Massachusetts’ capacity needs for waste materials. This approach includes fostering opportunities to reduce waste up-front through source reduction and reuse, growing in-state capacity and markets to manage recyclables and food materials, and maintaining the moratorium on additional municipal waste combustion capacity.

For a full schedule of planned public hearings, check out this story on our website.

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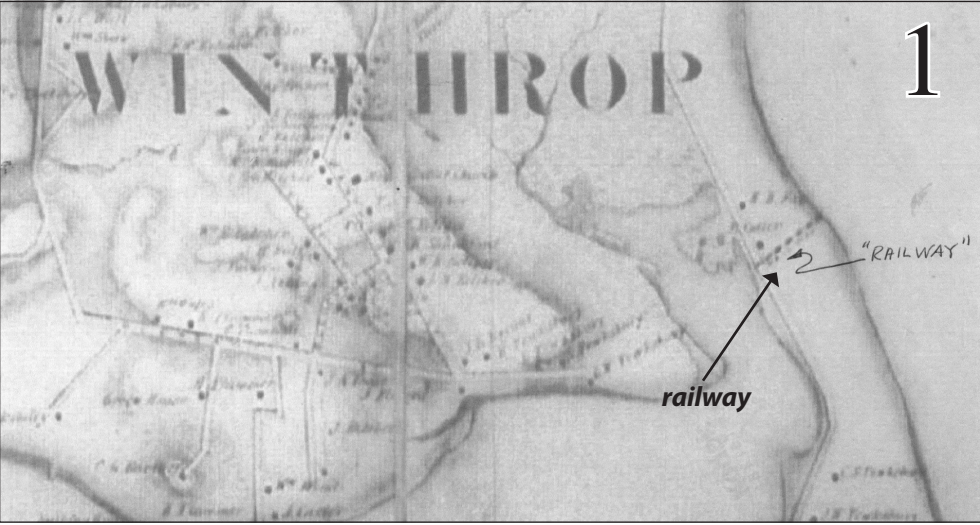
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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ART 898 - CUTLER STREET 1859 RIGHT OF WAY



One of the most fascinating aspects of studying history is to find a factual tidbit of information and then try to establish its historic significance. For instance, the Map on the cover of our Then and Now Mapping Winthrop Book, which we published in 2013, depicts an 800-foot-long-track running from our main ocean front beach, down what is now Cutler Street, to Boston Harbor as shown in picture #1. When looking at the recorded information on our town, there were about 88 homes and 450 people here in 1859. The first bridge to East Boston, from the West end of Main Street, was built in 1839 and we had just become a Town in 1852. The maps of 1852 and 1866 do not show such a railway in this location so it was there for only a short time. However both the 1866 map and the panoramic photograph of 1868 show a Rescue and Life Boat House on the beach just North of Cutler Street. Armed with this information, one has to question what the “railway” depicted on the map really represents? Was it a horse drawn conveyance to transport beach goers such as shown in picture #2, or was it perhaps a wood burning vehicle similar to the one portrayed in picture #3? There is also the possibility that the railway

transportation route shown on the map was, in reality, only an indication of a path or trail without rails upon which either type of the above vehicles, traveled back and forth between the two bodies of water. As to why it was built and what it was used for, four possibilities have been considered.

1. Beach goers from Boston could have boarded small boats and sailed to our western shore and then transferred to this “railway” for a ride to our large beach - - not a likely scenario since even Revere Beach had not yet been discovered by tourists or bathers and the North Shore ocean side resort activities were just beginning to be considered.

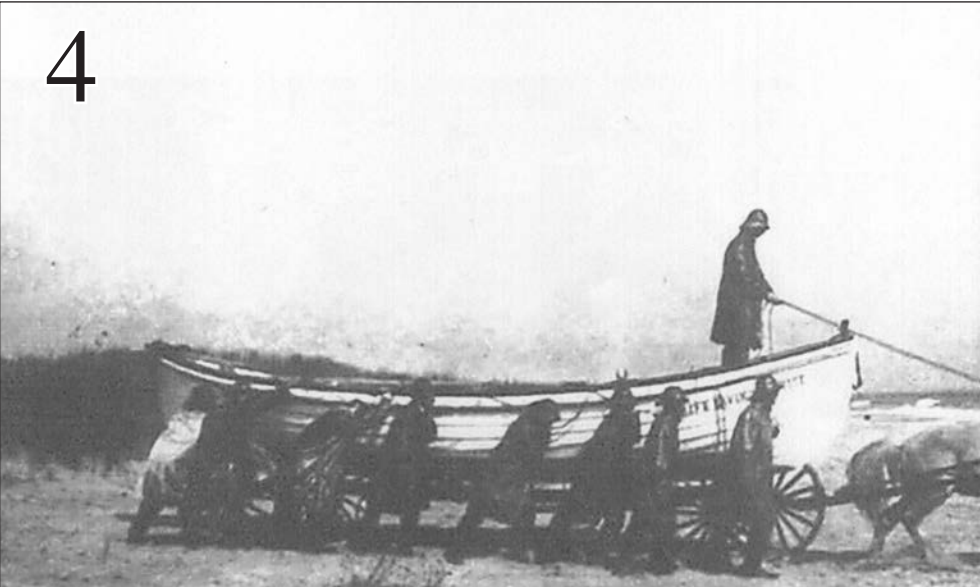
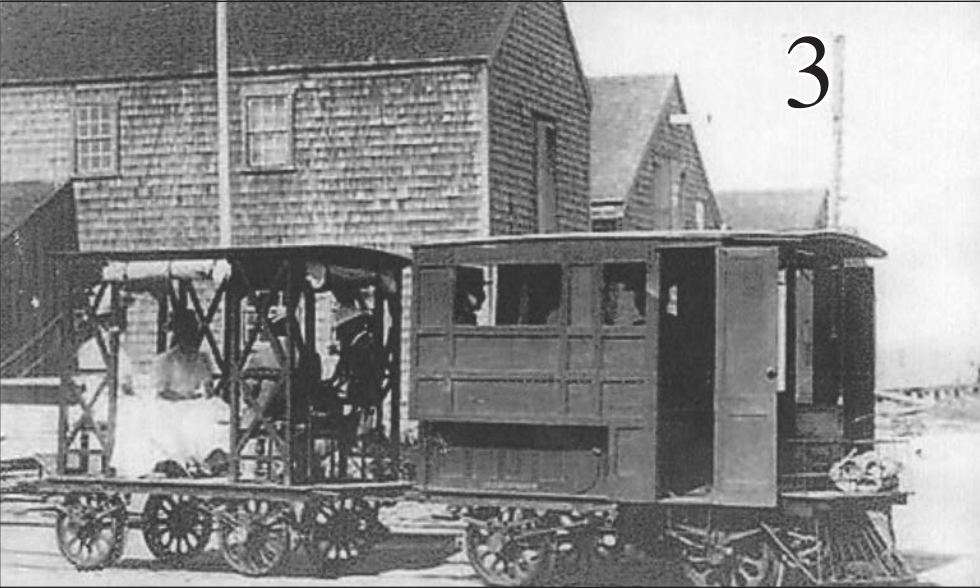
2. Perhaps sailing ships with cargo for Boston landed off our beach and transported said cargo, via this railway, to smaller ships that then conveyed it to Boston. Again, not likely since Shirley Gut was still wide and deep enough for ocean going ships to navigate directly to the wharves in Boston thereby not incurring additional costs.

3. As mentioned above, between 1859 and 1866, a Life Boat and Rescue Station was established on our Beach and this short lived railway could well have been the supply route to build the station and support its activities.

4. Just prior to the Civil War, the U.S. Military pur-

chased the area where Cutler Street joined what would later become Winthrop Shore Drive to set up cannon test range where they could fire across the water at a target suspended from two large poles set up at what would become Fort Heath about 1900. Perhaps this trestle supported this test range. Cannon balls were found in the Fort Heath area when the Fort was removed and the Seal Harbor Apartments were constructed in the 1960s.

Nine years ago, Then & Now discussed three of the above scenarios in an article and then asked for input from our readers. Steve Picciuolo, a friend of Dick Bangs, who is an excellent history buff, did some research on this subject and came up with the following plausible explanation for the use of this right of way. Most such Rescue Stations were designed to maximize the rescue services they could perform and Steve identified that such a station could easily respond to requests for help from both the ocean front as well as Boston Harbor by having a cleared path/ or rail line that ran to the Harbor upon which a rescue boat could be transported back and forth such as shown in picture #4. Thank you, Steve, for researching the question and providing your thoughts to us.



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 September 30,1999

The architect for the proposed new elementary school at Ft. Banks presented the School Building Committee with a plan to reduce costs for the new school by almost \$2 million in the wake of bids for the new school coming in well over the estimates.

The selectmen, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, have started the process to seek funding to study the feasibility of providing ferry service to Boston for local commuters.

The selectmen have set Nov. 18 as the date for the Special Town Meeting that primarily will address the issues of unpaid bills and the purchase of needed equipment that were put off by the spring Town Meeting.

WCAT has kicked off its annual Squash Raffle Fund-raiser. Local resident E. Arthur King once again will lead the effort.

Winthrop students scored in the average range on the recent verbal SAT tests with an average score of 507, which is two points more than the national average but four points less than the Mass. average. On the math SAT, Winthrop students scored an average of 473, 38 points less than the state and national averages.

“Boys Don’t Cry,” “American Beauty,” and “Jakob the Liar” are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago Oct. 4, 1989

The MWRA has scheduled a meeting for Thursday to address the path of a utility route that will run through the town.

The selectmen voted Monday to transfer funds from the free cash account to cover the town budget deficit.

The police department has put forth a plan to catch Halloween pranksters before they get a chance to perform any trick-or-treat tomfoolery.

“Lethal Weapon 2,” “Sea of Love,” and “Parenthood” are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago Oct. 3, 1979

The selectmen have approved the renewal of the permit for the Jones Chemical Company to deliver chlorine to Deer Island through the town’s streets on the condition that there be a police escort of all trucks.

A 29-year-old man and his 25-year-old female companion, residing on Shore Drive, were arrested on charges of auto theft when a police stakeout by Sgt. LaMonica and Detective McFarland yielded three stolen cars that were parked near their premises.

Town Shellfish Officer Robert Crawford warns all residents that shellfish taken from local waters is contaminated. A Marblehead family last week had to be hospitalized after eating clams which they had dug in posted areas.

State Sen. Michael LoPresti was the guest speaker at the Rotary luncheon this past week. LoPresti talked about the steps that the state is taking to help resolve the energy crisis.

A six-month money market certificate at Metropolitan Credit Union is yielding an interest rate of 10.778 percent.

“The Muppets Movie” is playing at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago October 2, 1969

The selectmen have set Oct. 27 as the date for a special town meeting to take up the issue of building a new junior high school on the site of the old senior high school as recommended by the School Plans Committee. The new school will alleviate overcrowding in the schools and allow for demolition of the wooden Centre School which has been slated for replacement for more than two decades.

Robert Pinnock, the Asst. Control Officer at Logan Airport, told the Rotarians at their weekly luncheon that Logan and 20 other major airports throughout the country are facing serious problems being created by a dramatic increase in air traffic.

Penal Commissioner Joseph McBrine has assured the selectmen that the escape siren now will be sounded whenever a prisoner escapes.

The Vietnam Cross of Gallantry was presented posthumously to Lance Cpl. John A. Countaway, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Countaway, at the Marine Barracks at the Charlestown Naval Shipyard.

James Garner and Walter Brennan star in “Support Your Local Sheriff” at the Revere Drive In.

60 years ago Oct. 1, 1959

The proposed town wide credit card plan is seen as a boost for local businesses and a convenience for local shoppers.

Frank Kirley will serve as Chief Marshal for the big Fire Prevention parade set for tomorrow.

Limited free vaccines of the Salk polio vaccine are available at the Board of Health. Young children and pregnant women are urged to take the vaccine.

A 9-year-old boy was seriously injured after being struck by a car while riding his bike.

More than 300 area residents met with officials from the Mass. Aeronautics Commission to voice their complaints about the fuel residue, noise, and low flying of the new, powerful jet airplanes that now frequent Logan Airport. State Sen. Mike LoPresti Sr. and Selectman Walter Van Dalinda made presentations on behalf of their constituents.

Frank Sinatra and Edward G. Robinson star in “A Hole in the Head” at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago Sept. 29, 1949

Compulsory auto insurance rates for local motorists are expected to decrease by 90 cents to a new rate of \$40.40. Revere auto owners pay the highest rates in the state at \$56.30.

Bus drivers for the local Rapid Transit will receive a seven cents per hour increase for their 48-hour work week.

Mrs. Virginia Wilder of Waldemar Ave. has been elected the President of the American Legion Auxiliary. She succeeds Mrs. Mae R. Merrill of Court Rd.

Alan Ladd and Betty Field star in The Great Gatsby at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

Miss Ruth Weiner, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Weiner of 93 Grovers Ave., has returned from a trip to Israel where she reports that she was impressed with the progress of the new nation, although the bombed-out buildings of the recent war have left scars all over the land. She also visited a cousin, Lazar Rubenstein, a Polish refu-

gee, who fought for Israel as part of the Pal-Mack, an army of European boys and girls. War tension is still high, especially in Jerusalem, where the Israelis occupy one part and the Arabs the other, with a narrow strip of land separating the two sides.

**80 years ago
Sept. 30, 1939**

Town Meeting, with 290 of 302 members present, did not adjourn until after midnight because of the great debate that ensued concerning the article calling for the town to allow the Boston Elevated Railway to operate the town’s public transportation system. The Narrow Gauge Railroad, which has provided service for Winthrop for about 50 years, is bankrupt and is destined to shut down shortly. Tempers flared as most speakers came pout against the El, including Eugene P. Whittier, a member of the Transportation Committee. Whittier denounced the selectmen, who have been in favor of the El, referring to one selectman as, “The Hitler of Sunnyside Ave.”

Some are predicting a big rally in the stock market following the outbreak of war in Europe because of the increased demand for supplies by all sides in the conflict.

A special service at St. John’s Episcopal Church will mark the 25th anniversary of Rev. Ralph Harper as the church’s pastor.

The Dead End Kids star with Ann Sheridan, Ronald Reagan, Bonita Granville, and Jack Searl in “Angels Wash Their Faces” at the Winthrop and State Theatres. Also playing this week is “Stanley and Livingston,” starring Spencer Tracy.

**90 years ago
Oct. 5, 1929**

An orderly meeting of the Planning Board was conducted despite a large crowd that filled the hearing room in the new Town Hall. The Board took up the issue of rewriting the town’s by laws concerning zoning and other building-related matters.

Winthrop’s movie theatres have announced they will start showing films on Sundays beginning October 6.

Plans for raising the \$3,000 necessary to erect a recreation house for the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association on the grounds of the Deane Winthrop House were laid out at the regular meeting of the association with 50 members present.

The Winthrop Co-operative Bank announces it has money to loan for home mortgages at a rate of six percent.

**100 years ago
Oct. 4, 1919**

The bicycle used by Rev. Ralph Harper, pastor of St. John’s Episcopal Church, has been stolen.

Many in town are confused as to when to turn back their clocks. Congress recently repealed the daylight savings act. We now should turn our clocks back on the last Sunday of October, which is October 26.

The large brick building on Shirley St. near Beach Station, known as the Winthrop Casino, has been purchased by Joel Bean, who has taken title from Myer Berman for a price in excess of the valuation of \$40,000. There are several stores, halls, bowling alleys, etc. presently occupying the 14,130 square feet of land.

OBITUARIES

Ann Marie MacMullen

Continental Airlines retiree

Ann Marie (Jagello) MacMullen of Winthrop passed peacefully on Sunday, Sept. 29 after a long illness at the age of 77.

Ann was born in Boston on Oct. 4, 1941 to the late James P. and Mary C. (Holerick) Jagiello. She graduated from Monsignor Ryan Memorial High School in 1959. On Sept. 30, 1961, she married and after some time, moved to Winthrop where she happily lived for many years. Ann actually loved to be out in the work field having been employed by Koplow Trimming, Eastern Airlines and then retiring from Continental Airlines in 2012.

Travel, especially to Aruba, was one of Ann's joys. Getting together and



keeping in touch with her friends and family also kept her busy.

Ann was the devoted wife of the late Robert B. MacMullen, loving mother of Carolann Vasconcelos and her husband, Ved of Milton, Paul MacMullen and his wife, Barbara, Diane MacMullen-Knanfi and her husband, Mo and Scot MacMullen and Audrey Inkiarto, all of Winthrop. She was the beloved Nana of Jennifer,

Amanda, Nicholas, Lauren, Christopher, William and Marissa; dear sister of the late Sr. Marion Jagiello, Jeanne Varney and Dorothy Jagello. Ann is survived by her brother-in-law Tom Varney, sister-in-law, Karen McMullen, brother-in-law, David McMullen, brother-in-law, Kenneth McMullen and his wife, Patti and many nieces and nephews.

Her funeral will be held from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, on Friday, Oct. 4 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church-Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section). Visiting hours will be held in the funeral home today, Thursday, from 4 to 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Ann's memory can be made to the Chelsea Jewish VNA @ www.chelseajewish.org. For guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Kathleen Ann Von Starkloff

She bestowed great love on all who surrounded her

Kathleen Anne Von Starkloff passed away after a short illness on Wednesday, Sept. 25.

Kathleen is survived by her adoring husband, Edwin Charles Kelly; her stepdaughters, Laurie Kelly of Omaha, Doreen Kelly-Carney of Cambridge, and Erin Kelly-Makol of Newton and her grandchildren, Tess, Hanna, Ryan and Abby, as well as by her sister, Rebecca (Starkloff) Busselle and brother-in-law, Sam Busselle, their children and families.

Until the end she affirmed her love of life as with her loving family she listened to her favorite movie, The Umbrellas of Cherbourg. The twinkling lights that a granddaughter brought to adorn her hospital room reflected her

eternal spirit. She bestowed great love on all who surrounded her.

Friends are invited to celebrate Kathleen's Life on Saturday, Oct. 5 with a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist in Winthrop at 9:30 a.m. Please go directly to the church. Burial will follow in the Belle Isle Section of Winthrop Cemetery and at a nearby casual gathering following the cemetery to share remembrances.

Donations in Kathleen's memory may be made to the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund at <https://pdjff.org/donate/>.

Funeral arrangements are from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. For guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

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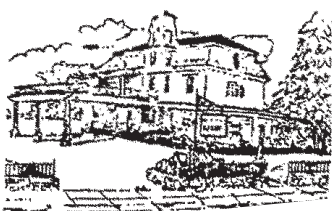
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Winthrop Senior Center News October 3 – October 9, 2019

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:30am – Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)
10:30am – Red Hatters Meeting
10:30am – Zumba with Barbara
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Bingo

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:00am-12:30pm – Podiatry Appointments with Dr. Kaplan (\$20; Appointment Required)
9:30am – Exercise Class
10:00am – Ceramics with Gerry
10:30am – Line Dancing with Cindy
12:00pm – Lunch

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00am-1:00pm – Winthrop Health Department Flu Clinic

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:30am – Exercise
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Bingo
6:15pm – Zumba Toning with Barbara

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:30am – Tai Chi with Cindy
10:00am – Arts & Crafts
10:00am – Bowling (at Winthrop Elks)
10:30am – Zumba with Cindy
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Art Class with Dawn
1:00pm – Chorus Rehearsal
2:00pm – Technology Class with Betsy

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:30am – Exercise Class
9:30-11:30am – Kelly's Nails on Wheels (Manicures cost \$10; Appointment Required)
10:00am – Caregiver Support Group Meeting
10:30am – Friends of the WCOA Meeting
10:30am – Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)
10:30am – Tap Dancing with Tracy (at the Methodist Church)
12:00pm – Lunch
1:15pm – Italian Class with Michael

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

Computer Lab: The Senior Center computer lab is open Monday-Thursday: 9am-3pm and Friday: 9am-2pm.

Take the Senior Van to Encore Boston Harbor Casino: The Senior Van will provide round-trip transportation to Encore Boston Harbor Casino every Tuesday. The van will pick you up at your home at 8:30am. The van will depart Encore at approximately 2:30pm. Round-trip ride costs \$10 and can be scheduled by calling the Senior Center at 617-846-8538. *You must be a member of the Senior Center to schedule a ride to encore. For information on becoming a member, please stop by the front desk of the Senior Center.

Technology & Learning with Betsy: The next learning sessions will be on Tuesday, October 8 and 22 from 2:00-3:00pm. Bring your laptops, smart phones, or tablets, along with your questions. Learning this new technology can open up a whole new world for you.

SHINE Counseling: Volunteer SHINE Counselors are here to help you with any health insurance questions you may have. If you would like to visit with one of our SHINE Counselors, please call the Senior Center (617-846-8538) to schedule an appointment.

Do you have any unused jewelry hanging around the house? If so, would you consider donating it to the Senior Center? We put jewelry on sale, with all proceeds benefiting the Senior Center. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Wednesday, October 16 (12:00pm): Lunch & Learn with Don Orione Home of East Boston. Join Debra Johansen for lunch as she talks about home safety for all of us. Space is limited; sign up at the front desk of the Senior Center.

Monday, October 21 (10:30am): Hoarding: The Next Step. Dr. Donald Davidoff, Ph.D., ABPDC, Chief of Neuropsychology at McLean Hospital and Research Assistant, Kay Jewels will offer a presentation on hoarding with a focus on solutions.

Monday, October 28 (10:30am): Online Safety with Robin Putnam of the MA Office of Consumer Affairs & Business Regulation.

Wednesday, October 30 (1:00-2:30pm): Boo Bash. Cost: \$2. Join us for our annual Halloween ice cream party. Entertainment by Squeezebox Stompers Duo. Tickets can be purchased at the front desk of the Senior Center.

Monday, November 4 (10:30am-12:00pm): Fall Risk Prevention Clinic with Cummings Physical Therapy. Come and learn how to keep yourself active without injury.

Monday, November 4 (10:30am-12:00pm): This & That Crafts Class with Linda Nugent. Cost: \$4. Join Linda in decorating canvas bags using everyday household items. All materials will be provided. Must sign up in advance, at the front desk of the Senior Center.

Wednesday, November 13 (12:00pm-2:30pm): Annual Thanksgiving Lunch sponsored by Championship Physical Therapy. Cost: \$2. Join us for a delightful thanksgiving luncheon, with entertainment by Smokin' Joe Cheffro.

UPCOMING TRIPS

All trips are payable by check only. Please make check payable to "Friends of the WCOA"

Tuesday, October 29: Plainridge Park Casino. Cost: \$29. Bus departs Senior Center at 9am.

Thursday, November 7: Allen Edwards "Home for the Holidays". Cost: \$98. Enjoy the vocal talents of this patriotic former police officer as he performs his "Home for the Holidays" show at the Log Cabin in Holyoke. Lunch includes: hors d'oeuvres, homemade soup, Stuffed Loin of Pork and Baked Schrod, vegetables, potatoes, dessert, coffee and tea. Sign up by October 6th.

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Kurt Millar announces candidacy for Precinct 2 Council seat

Kurt Millar is seeking the Precinct 2 Town Council seat. The following is his announcement:

“My name is Kurt Millar. I have the privilege to be a candidate for The Winthrop Town Council in Precinct 2. My family and I have been proud residents, graduates of Winthrop Public Schools, business owners and actively involved citizens in Winthrop for multiple generations. I would love to see current and future generations of Winthrop families- as well as those who are choosing to move into town-live, work and stay in Winthrop.

For over 25 years, as a DJ, I often silently support our town. I donate my services to I Love Winthrop Festivals, previous Chamber events, CASA, local charities, school dances, functions and fundraisers for those in need. Volunteering as a DJ and youth football coach has given me invaluable insight into how giving and supportive Winthrop residents can be for one another. I take pride in helping when and where I am able.

Though many might know me as DJ “Cuzzi”, I have a career outside of DJing. For over 13 years I have been employed with Gillette in South Boston. I have valuable experience as a Health Safety and Environment Leader and Preventative Maintenance Leader. My background in sustainability programs, OSHA Regulations, Incident Investigation/Elim-



Kurt Millar.

ination, planned and preventative maintenance, managing budgets, loss elimination, cost savings analysis, preparing cost/gap analysis, and employee development and training will be an asset to my role as your councilor. I will utilize my skill set to move Winthrop forward successfully as a servant leader for our residents. It is each member of the council’s responsibility to listen and hear the voices of all in their precinct. I feel the members of the council must vote the will of their constituents. Councilors should not vote for individual wants- but should choose that which can benefit all. This type of servant leadership helps to ensure our actions as a council will benefit our town. I will work diligently for Precinct 2 and for Winthrop.

Why I want to serve as your Councilor:

As a resident, I have been an avid observer of our town politics. We need change! That’s why I am running for Town Council. I am not afraid to question the status quo. I have listened, heard and want to

lead the change needed for our great town. I will strive to unify the council moving the town forward by ensuring the citizens are heard. Transparency and sharing information are necessary for our citizens to be engaged and active. Residents need to trust the council and our processes. Hearing constituents say the council is not realizing their decisions have consequences to each person they represent is concerning. “Decisions affect our values, lifestyles and our wallets.” We must understand how and why we are in our current financial situation. I will advocate for responsible growth to increase revenue while sustaining education and vital services budgets. We need to re-evaluate our contracts with the MWRA and MASSPORT. Winthrop faces unprecedented financial, environmental resiliency, failing infrastructure, traffic congestion and business sustainability issues. I have a keen sense for identifying cost savings and eliminating loss which will benefit all town departments. I have concerns regarding ongoing maintenance town wide. This must be addressed in all current assets and future planning. Having no conflicts of interest, (like not having a brick and mortar business.) I will not need recuse myself from voting on certain motions. I know I will be a positive addition to the council! If you are a constituent in Precinct 2, Kurt will work for you!”

Ruggiero campaign closes out strong summer, looks forward to active fall

Back in May when nomination papers became available, Stephen Ruggiero was the first candidate out of the gate to declare a run for public office, Town Councilor representing Precinct 6.

Throughout the summer, the “Steve for Six” campaign was hard at work knocking on hundreds of doors and attending community events to meet Precinct 6 voters. “I have enjoyed connecting with my neighbors. I find that the best way to understand the needs of our community is to engage in one-on-one discussions with my fellow Winthrop residents. I will be ready to tackle the major issues facing Precinct 6 and the Town of Winthrop.” Stephen is eager to get to work. “I look forward to collaborating with the members of our State Legislative Delegation, School Committee, and Public Safety officers, as well as other members of the Council to make Winthrop a better place to live and work.”

Stephen is a second generation Italian-American and the grandson of hard working former factory workers and retail sales clerks. He grew up in Winthrop attending Winthrop Public Schools, playing youth soccer and hockey, and worked his first job at a local business in Winthrop Center. At a young age, Stephen learned to love the town where he grew up. “Winthrop is a special town



Stephen Ruggiero.

and I would be honored to earn the opportunity to serve my neighborhood and give back to our community.”

In 2010, Stephen graduated from Winthrop High School as the President and Valedictorian of his senior class. He later went on to receive a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from Tufts University in 2014 and a Master of Business Administration from the Isenberg School of Management at UMass Amherst in 2017. Stephen has held a variety of positions in government throughout his career. In college, he interned on the federal level as a legislative analyst for the Department of Defense at the Pentagon. Upon receiving his Bachelor’s Degree, Stephen entered the workforce as a Bank Examiner at the Massachusetts Division of Banks where he worked to ensure fair and equal treatment of banking customers across the Common-

wealth. “My professional experience working in a wide range of government positions has shaped my perspective on how government can best function for all of its constituents.”

Stephen currently works for Eastern Bank as the Assistant Vice President of Compliance where he advocates for consumer protection. In his spare time, he serves on the boards of two organizations that are near and dear to his heart: Community Action for Safe Alternatives (CASA), which works to reduce substance abuse and other high-risk behaviors mainly through primary prevention efforts, and Winthrop Advocacy, Resources, Community (WINARC), which is dedicated to enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities. He has also served as a tennis coach at Winthrop High School.

“As a Town Councilor, I pledge to be nothing but honest, diligent, and transparent. I have the character, drive, vision, and temperament to best serve Precinct 6 and the Town of Winthrop,” said Ruggiero about his candidacy. “I humbly ask for your vote on Election Day.”

Learn more about Stephen Ruggiero and his campaign by visiting www.RuggieroForWinthrop.com, and please remember to vote in the municipal elections on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

FERRINO FUNDRAISER



Richard Ferrino is surrounded by family and friends. From left is Sam Faro, Lorraine Faro, Donna Flowers, Julianne Flowers, Don Flowers and Jillian Flowers.

Photos by Sue Ellen Woodcock

Incumbent Richard Ferrino will run unopposed for Precinct 1 and held a fundraiser last Thursday with friends and relatives at Belle Isle Seafood.



Richard Ferrino, right, spends some time with his father and retired Judge Ferrino.



Councilors often show up for each other’s fundraisers. From left to right are former Pre. 2 Councilor Paul Varone, Pre. 3 Councilor Peter Christopher, Pre. 6 Councilor Linda Calla and former councilor and Harbormaster Larry Powers.

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to meet with kids before things happen.”

The conversation shifted from school safety to the criminal justice system as DA Rollins shared her reasoning for joining the DA’s office. “Because we don’t get to choose our parents, where we live, or what school we go to, it can be a terrifying and threatening situation for someone entering the criminal justice system and I’ve seen a lot of hurt and traumatized people.”

Rollins shared her hopes of being able to rehabilitate people without incarcerating them and her belief that community service is a better choice than having taxpayers spend money that doesn’t get to the root problem of the situation.

“Instead of having taxpayers spend \$55,000 to \$70,000 a year to incarcerate someone, money could be better spent by assisting communities in working on the root problems that lead people to the justice system.”

School Committee Chairman Valentino Capobianco raised the topic of the gun issue in Massa-

chusetts, to which Rollins shared her experience of attaining her own license to carry. She explained the process, which took several months and included a background check, shooting test, and a class.

“An overwhelming amount of non-fatal shootings in Suffolk County, involve unregistered illegal firearms that have been scored on the black market.”

There is less than a 20-percent solve rate for non-fatal shootings and with limited resources, Rollins and her staff are in the challenging position of having to decide where to dedicate funds. Since she has been in her position, there have been 34 homicides in Suffolk County, stemming mostly from mental health, crimes of poverty and substance abuse. Within the same time period, Rollins has hired several new assistant district attorneys, a licensed clinical social worker, public health and public policy professionals, and data experts, all on her mission to get to the source of the problem.

“This job isn’t easy, but

it’s our obligation to keep the community safe.”

As the conversation of mental health deepened, one parent applauded the Winthrop School District for having onsite adjustment counselors, setting an example for other schools and serving as an added preventative measure. The Restorative Justice Partnership is another way that Winthrop was recognized as being a leader in helping more substance abuse victims than any other district in the commonwealth. While communities are focusing almost exclusively on the opioid epidemic, Winthrop is tackling the issues that lead to substance abuse.

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ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

PHIL BONCORE ANNOUNCES FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Attorney Phil Boncore, a 15-year member of the Town Council, announced last Thursday night at the Winthrop Golf Club that he is running for Council President in the Nov. 5 local election. Introducing him was long-time friend and Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo.



PHOTOS BY SUE ELLEN WOODCOCK
Current Town Council President Ron Vecchia stops in to visit with Phil Boncore.



Candidate for Town Council President, Phil Boncore with his family and friends, including new grandson Luciano.



State Sen. Joe Boncore speaks with Winthrop's first Council President Tom Reilly.



Councilor-at-Large Phil Boncore is introduced by Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo.



Phil Boncore is flanked by the first Council President Tom Reilly and Precinct 2 Councilor James Letterie.

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Town Council President, but that would have meant not being able to serve his precinct as he has for the last 14 years. Ballot positions will be drawn today for all races. “As Council President

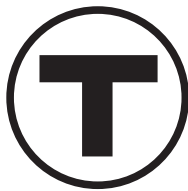
there are a number of major concerns – the Center Business District and the vacant Middle School building. There is also the concern about climate change and protecting our coastal areas so we don’t lose homes,”

Boncore said before this announcement. His son State Sen. Joe Boncore said his father is willing to work collaboratively on the issues. “Phil and I go back many a year. When you look at

my resume some of the first organizations I was involved with,” DeLeo joked. “I don’t know of any politicians that hold fundraisers when they’re unopposed.” DeLeo acknowledged

that from Day 1, he and Boncore have supported each other in whatever endeavor one chooses – in or outside of politics. “We need the type of experience Phil has,” DeLeo said. “And the type of love

he has for the community. I think we need to send a message that we need his leadership as the next president of the Winthrop Town Council.”



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Sports

WHS SPORTS Roundup

VIKINGS FALL SHORT, 14-13, AT DANVERS

The Winthrop High football team learned the truth of an ages-old sports axiom: Close only counts in horseshoes.

After falling behind 14-0 in the first half, the Vikings scored two touchdowns in the third quarter, but then failed on a two-point conversion after the second TD and a field goal attempt with 6:50 remaining in the game, leaving the Vikings a point shy at the final whistle, 14-13.

"Once again we played well, but we came up short," said WHS head coach Jon Cadigan. "Even though we trailed 14-0 at the intermission, I felt good about our prospects because we had moved the ball well against Danvers, only to have penalties set us back."

The Vikings proved Cadigan's analysis correct at the start the second half, moving the ball the length of the field after taking the opening kickoff, with quarterback Bobby Hubert taking the ball into the end zone from five yards out to slice the lead to 14-7.

After the Viking defense forced Danvers to punt on its ensuing possession, Hubert and Co. went back to work, driving 70 yards for another touchdown. Running back Austin Daigneault, who set up the Viking TD with a 60-yard scamper, went in from 10 yards out to make it a 14-13 affair.

The Vikings, who were successful on a pair of two-point conversions in the previous week's victory over Saugus, elected to go for two, but Hubert's bid fell short, leaving Winthrop trailing by a point.

The Viking defense then shone on Danvers' next possession, stuffing the Falcons on a 4th-and-one at the Danvers' 35. The Winthrop offense took over, but could not take advantage of the change of possession on the short field, with the drive stalling at the Danvers' 12 yard line, from where the field goal attempt was muffed.

The Winthrop defense forced Danvers to punt once again, giving the ball back to the Vikings with 2:30 left on the clock. However, Winthrop turned the ball over on downs to end their bid for a victory.

Cadigan was effusive in his praise of the effort turned in by his defensive unit in containing a high-flying Falcon squad that had rung up 85 points in victories in its first two games against Masconomet and Lynn Classical.

"Our defense was solid," said Cadigan. "Danvers had been successful running wide in its previous two wins, so our plan was to contain them on the edge and force them to go inside. Our junior outside linebackers, Steve Perullo and Ryan Hovermale, did a tremendous job in setting the edge. And when Danvers went inside, interior lineman Ian Harris, who led the team in tackles, was up to the task."

Hovermale and Harris shared the weekly Black Shirt award for leading the Vikings cumulatively in defensive metrics.

Cadigan also praised the play of running backs Daigneault and Tyler Rockefeller.

"We have relied on our quarterback, Bobby Hubert, for most of our offensive production, but Austin and Tyler have come into

their own in the past two weeks, which will add extra dimensions to our offensive attack," Cadigan noted.

The Vikings will play at Swampscott Friday evening for the first time under the new lighting at Blockside Field.

MAURA DORR SETS NEW WHS GOAL SCORING RECORD

Junior Maura Dorr set a new Winthrop High girls' soccer career goal-scoring record when she recorded her 50th goal last week in a contest with Beverly.

"Maura is a very talented, smart, and skillful player," said WHS head coach Tracey Martucci. "She's a great kid and we are very lucky to have her on our team."

Ironically, Martucci had held the WHS goal-scoring mark until her record was broken by Julie Dowson in 2008 -- and Dowson herself is now an assistant coach for the Lady Vikings and was on the sideline when Dorr topped her mark.

Dorr brought herself even with Dowson's career record when she racked up three goals in a 4-0 Lady Viking victory at Gloucester last Monday.

Senior captain Sydney Mignosa also reached the back of the Gloucester net in the triumph. Assists on the four Winthrop goals were earned by Emma Forsyth, Nora McCarey, Miya Grein, and Mia Martucci.

The win over Gloucester came on the heels of a big victory over Boston Tech. Not only did the Lady Vikings win by a 6-0 margin, but the triumph came against a Division 4 rival that placed Winthrop in good position to qualify for the post-season state tournament.

Mia Martucci led the offense with two goals. Single tallies were recorded by freshman Abby Holmes, freshman Emma Holmes, junior Grace Galuris, and Maura Dorr, with assists by Alex Gibbons (2), Mia Martucci, and Julia Marcoccio.

Martucci also had words of praise for the Lady Vikings' sophomore keeper, Manuela Mejia.

"Manuel has been outstanding for us," said Martucci. "She is a first-year goalie and has so much heart. She is going to be a huge help for us over the next two years."

"Also in the back line for us are Julia Marcoccio, Summer Tallent, Jenna Dorr, Sydney Mignosa, and Jill Johnson, who are just a few of our defenders who give us stellar efforts game-in and game-out," Martucci added.

The Lady Vikings, who now are 4-4, took on Danvers this past Saturday night and came out on the short end of a 9-1 decision in which Maura Dorr, assisted by Mia Martucci, scored the Winthrop goal.

"The girls played hard," said Martucci. "One thing that this team will never do is give up. I'm so proud of them. It's hard to continue to play and keep your mind in the game when a score is so lopsided. The positive of playing good competition is that it makes us a better team."

Martucci and her crew were set to take on Marblehead yesterday (Wednesday) and will travel to Peabody for another Saturday game at 4 p.m. They will host Swampscott on Monday.

FIFTY IS NIFTY! DORR SETS CAREER SCORING RECORD



Winthrop High soccer star Maura Dorr is shown holding a congratulatory flower bouquet after she set a new career goal-scoring record for the WHS girls soccer program by scoring her 50th goal last week. Dorr, who is only a junior, is shown being congratulated by WHS assistant coach Julie Dowson (WHS Class of 2008), who previously held the career goal-scoring mark, and Maura's sister, Jenna, who plays defense for coach Tracey Martucci's squad.



WHS CROSS COUNTRY GIRLS DEFEAT ENGLISH

Although the Winthrop High cross country teams are in the midst of a rebuilding season, WHS head coach Mark D'Amico has seen a lot of improvement in his runners through the first month of the 2019 campaign.

"We are in a rebuilding stage this year for the boys and girls, but have had some great performances," said WHS head coach Mark D'Amico.

The Viking girls team earned its first victory of the season with a triumph over Lynn English on the Deer Island course.

Lady Viking Beatriz Holzbach came in first place overall with a time of 19:07. Teammate Fiona MacPhail grabbed fourth spot with a clocking of 21:19. Libby Carney came across the line in fifth place in 20:20, followed by Ana Baurly in sixth in 21:22, Zara Powell in seventh in 25:31, and Heather Buccini in eighth in 27:16.

On the boys side, although the Vikings came up short, they received strong performances from captain Pat Haskell, who finished in second place overall with a personal record (PR) time of 16:22, and Dan Tracy, who was right behind Pat in third place overall with his own PR clocking of 16:33.

In the season opener with Swampscott, Haskell (16:28) and Tracy (16:36) were the top Viking boys. For the girls, Holzbach set a PR on the 2.7 mile Deer Is-

land course with a clocking of 18:44. She was followed by MacPhail in 21:45, Baurly in 22:07, Carney in 22:08, Powell in 25:43, Buccini in 25:49, and Carly Zichella in 32:23.

Both teams then traveled to Peabody for their second meet of the season. Haskell ran a PR time at the Brooksby farm course in 20:17. For the girls, Holzbach came in fifth overall in a clocking of 24:41, followed by Carney in seventh in 28:44, Baurly in eighth in 28:50, Powell came in 12th in 31:59, and Zichella in 13th in 35:10.

Last Tuesday the teams traveled to Gloucester. Baurly was the first finisher for the Winthrop girls, coming across the line in third place overall in a time of 30:43. Carney finished

fourth in 30:44, followed by Powell in fifth in 31:19 and Zichella, who ran her best race of the year, in sixth in 32:37.

For the boys, Andrea Opincaru led the way for Winthrop with a time of 26:16.

Both teams were set to host Lynn Classical yesterday (Wednesday) at Deer Island and will trek to Salem next Tuesday.

WHS VOLLEYBALL TEAM HOSTS PEABODY TOMORROW

The Winthrop High volleyball team has a busy week ahead. The Lady Vikings will host Peabody tomorrow (Friday), and

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WHS VIKINGS FOOTBALL VS. DANVERS

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The Vikings came oh-so-close to toppling the Danvers Falcons out of the unbeaten ranks, but came up just short, dropping a 14-13 contest Friday night, Sept. 27, in Danvers.

The loss left Winthrop with a 1-2 record and a dose of frustration over what might have been.

Danvers pulled out to a 14-0 halftime lead, but the Vikings came to life in the second half. Austin Daigneault set up both scores with a pair of long runs on consecutive series of downs. His first, a 21-yard scamper to the Danvers 8-yard line, set up a Bobby Hubert run that made the score 14-6, and Juan Sanchez kicked the extra point to make it 14-7.

After Winthrop's defense stifled Danvers, the Vikings got right back to work,

with Daigneault again in the lead. This time it was a 61-yard run off right tackle that set up his own 13-yard TD run two plays later that made it a 14-13 game.

Playing for the win, the Vikings went for two but Hubert was stopped short, leaving the score at 14-13 entering the fourth quarter. The Vikings continued to press but couldn't overcome the one point deficit. They reached the Danvers 12 yard line midway through the fourth quarter that set up a Sanchez field goal attempt, but a mishandled snap foiled the play.

Overall, the Vikings played well enough to win. Danvers had scored over 40 points in each of their first two games before hitting the Vikings defensive wall.

The Vikings schedule doesn't get any easier as the Vikings travel to Swampscott Friday night for a 7 p.m. encounter with the Big Blue, who sit at 2-1.



PICK-OFF POTENTIAL: Ryan Hovermale (#14) almost intercepts a pass intended for Danvers John Strangie.



BREAKING AWAY: Austin Daigneault (#33) leaves a pair of Danvers defenders in his wake as he escapes for a 61-yard third quarter run that set up Winthrop's second touchdown.



CRUNCH TIME: Bobby Hubert (left) Andre Ocampo (on ground, middle) put a crunching stop to a run by Danvers Rich Canova. The Vikings defense held the high-flying Falcons to only 14 points but fell short 14-13 Friday night in Danvers.



GOING NOWHERE: Andre Ocampo had Danvers Rich Canova in a bearhug that dropped the Danvers runner for a three-yard loss during first quarter action.



OUT OF REACH: Neither Winthrop's Bryan Conceicao and Danvers JP Kelter can get their hands on this pass. Danvers was called for interference on the play.



SIX MORE: Austin Daigneault stretches the ball across the goal line for a 13-yard touchdown run that put the Vikings within a point, but that's how things ended as the Vikings dropped a 14-13 decision to Danvers Friday night. Shown to the right, OPEN SPACE: Tyler Rockefeller breaks a tackle and picks up Winthrop yardage.



Shown right, NOT QUITE: Austin Daigneault can't quite come up with this pass on Winthrop's last offensive play of the night. Danvers took over and ran out the final 1:50 to escape with a 14-13 win.

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DeLeo, Polito visit MassRobotics plant

On Monday, Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito and House Speaker Robert DeLeo toured MassRobotics, the innovation hub for robotics and connected devices in Boston, and met with executives and interns from growing Massachusetts companies that have benefitted from the MassTech Intern Partnership program. The Intern Partnership is a six-year old program from the Commonwealth of

Massachusetts which provides cash stipends to support internships at growing tech companies. The visits included discussions with each of the companies and demos of their innovative products.

“Massachusetts’ highly skilled workforce is a key driver of the Commonwealth’s leading innovation economy, and ensuring a robust pipeline of new talent continues to be a pri-

ority of the Baker-Polito Administration,” said Lt. Gov. Polito, who co-chairs the Commonwealth’s STEM Advisory Council. “Successful programs like the MassTech Intern Partnership, which has supported nearly 800 interns at startups across the state, provide hands-on training opportunities at growing companies, bolstering the companies’ operations and giving participants a foothold into the job market.”

“The MassTech Intern Partnership Program sends a powerful message to innovators and entrepreneurs in the Commonwealth and around the globe: when it comes to the innovation economy, Massachusetts is the place to be,” said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo. “I am very proud of the success of this House-initiated program and I thank MassTech for its passionate commitment to implementing it, as well as the companies and students who have participated.”

Since the program’s launch in 2013, the Intern Partnership has supported nearly 800 interns at 324 tech firms across Massachusetts. These college and graduate student interns



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Lt. Gov. Polito, House Speaker Robert DeLeo and other officials visit MassRobotics in Boston on Sept. 30, 2019.

worked in a wide variety of technology companies in fields such as robotics, IoT, digital health, software and platform companies, cybersecurity, marketing tech, manufacturing, AI, education tech, big data and FinTech.

The Intern Partnership gives recent graduates a start into competitive industries that often rely on employees with prior experience, even at the entry level. The program increases the likelihood of students staying in Massachusetts after they graduate by rooting their technology career networks at in-state compa-

nies. The stipends also help small, fast-growing companies hire student interns that otherwise would not have the financial resources to support. In doing so, the program promotes economic equity, as many students lack the financial stability to pursue these valuable opportunities valuable as unpaid interns.

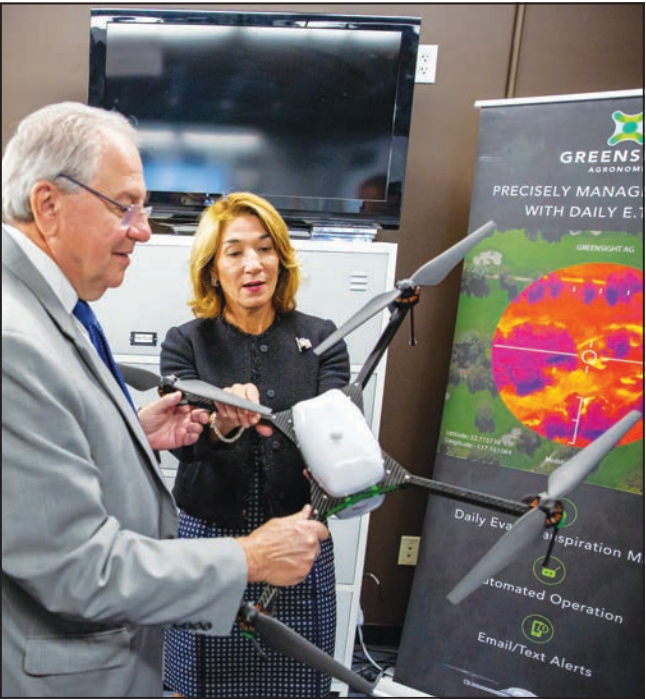
MassTech’s 2019 internship program supported 200 interns at 112 Massachusetts firms. This year, the program focused on the promotion of four priority sectors, which were the top sectors for intern placement, with robotics (47

interns) leading the way, followed by digital health (41), Internet of Things or IoT (19), and cybersecurity (9). The remaining interns were placed at a variety of tech sector companies.

Launched in 2013, the Intern Partnership is managed by the Innovation Institute at MassTech.

More information can be found at <http://www.mass-tech.org/intern>.

Applications for the next round of the stipend program will open in spring 2020.



House Speaker Robert DeLeo inspects a quad-copter drone at MassRobotics while Lt. Gov. Polito looks on.

WHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

20 years ago Sept. 30, 1999

The Winthrop High football team won its second straight contest over a Northeastern Conference rival, defeating Danvers, 27-13, Friday evening under the lights at Miller Field before a near-capacity crowd. Senior quarterback Greg Lepke tossed TD passes of 32 yards to junior Jonathan Cadigan and then connected with Keith Griffin for a 31 yard score. Griffin, a senior running back, ran for 168 yards and scored two more touchdowns on the ground for coach Tony Fucillo's squad.

The WHS girls soccer team dropped three con-

tests this past week and now stand at 1-5-1 on the season. In a 4-3 loss to Gloucester, Mia Lewis, Christina Hayes, and Michelle LaFrazia scored the Winthrop goals.

The WHS golf team, led by Matt Monahan, David Pomeroy, Brian Frazier, Peter Bettino, Joe Hayes, and Owen Trainor, won three matches this past week, defeating Everett, Swampscott, and Lynn English.

The effort by WHS boys track coach Pat McGee and Kathy Doherty to obtain funding to resurface the track at Miller Field has paid off, with the installation of the new surface on the track in late summer.

30 years ago Sept. 27, 1989

Coach Tony Fucillo's WHS football team proved no match for mighty Lynn English, a team that averages 245 pounds on the line and features a trio of speedy halfbacks, falling by a score of 40-8.

The Winthrop girls tennis team defeated Lynn Classical, 4-1, to earn its second win of the season.

40 years ago Sept. 26, 1979

The WHS football team continued its mastery over Marblehead, handily defeating the Magicians for the 12th straight time, 35-

6. Coach Bob DeFelice's starting sophomores paced the victory. Quarterback John Tiano hit on 9-of-13 passes for 146 yards and two touchdowns; tailback Chuck Sullivan ran for 58 yards on 11 carries and scored a TD; and wingback Joe Giaquinto gained 37 yards on five carries and also made a number of spectacular catches. Tight end Jim Petersen and captain Mike McGrath also scored touchdowns for the Vikings.

The WHS girls cross country team, led by top runner Debbie Alioto, has sped to a 3-0 record to start the season.

Winthrop resident Paul

Caruccio competed in the recent Nike OTC Marathon in Eugene, Oregon, finishing in a time of 2:24, a pace of 5:32 per mile, a clocking that is less than three minutes shy of qualifying for the U.S. Olympic trials.

Pericola's defeated Viking Oil to capture the 1979 Winthrop softball league title.

50 years ago Sept. 25, 1969

Although Danvers had not defeated Winthrop since 1960, the Falcons are favored to defeat coach Ed McFarland's football squad this Saturday in the 1969 season-opener. Winthrop's lack of experience and lack

of depth were evident at the annual Northeastern Conference Jamboree this past weekend under the lights at the Manning Bowl, as Winthrop dropped a 6-0 decision to Lynn English.

60 years ago Sept. 24, 1959

Coach Ed McFarland's Winthrop High football team will open its season at Methuen on Saturday. Winthrop competed in the annual North Shore Football Jamboree at the Manning Bowl in Lynn on Friday night and came up short in a 6-0 contest to St. John's Prep.

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then will travel to Matignon on Monday, to Northeast Regional on Tuesday, and then to Lynn Classical next Thursday.

Winthrop dropped its two contests this past week to the two top teams in the Northeastern Conference,

Danvers, which stands at 9-0 on the season, and Revere, which is 10-1.

However, thanks to the Vikings' previous victories earlier in the season over fellow Division 3 schools, the team learned that it has qualified for the post-sea-

son state tournament.

"The girls are very excited that we are heading to the tournament at the end of the month," said WHS co-head coach Rachel DeSolio. "They have been working hard and will continue to work hard leading up to

the playoffs."

ROUGH STRETCH FOR WHS BOYS SOCCER

The Winthrop High boys soccer team ran into a rough stretch this past week.

Last Monday the Vikings hosted Gloucester and came up on the short end of a 5-4 decision.

Kim Haddar scored two goals for Winthrop. Seniors Kevin Dorr and senior Abdul Hamada also reached the back of the Fishermen's net. Freshman Esteban Alvarez had an assist on the day.

"We played really well until the last three or four minutes and fell apart," said WHS head coach Kyle Gagin, "and that cost us the game."

Last Wednesday Winthrop traveled to Beverly and dropped a 6-2 decision. The Vikings trailed by only

one goal, 3-2, with 15 minutes left in the game, but the Panthers added three markers before the ref's final three whistles to claim the win.

Hamada had a goal and an assist. Sophomore JD Parker accounted for the other Viking tally with his first career varsity goal. Alvarez had an assist.

Last Friday at home against Danvers, Hamada scored the lone Viking tally in a 4-1 loss.

Gagin and his crew travel to Marblehead today (Thursday) and will entertain Peabody tomorrow (Friday). They will trek to Swampscott on Monday.

This Week in Sports

Date	Time	Activity	Versus	Location
10/3	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity	Marblehead	Marblehead High School
10/3	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys JV	Marblehead	Village School - Marblehead
10/4	4:00pm	Soccer: Girls Varsity	PVMHS	Donahue Complex
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10/4	4:00pm	Soccer: Girls JV	PVMHS	Kennedy Fields
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10/4	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity	PVMHS	Miller Field
10/4	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys JV	PVMHS	Veterans Field (Winthrop)
10/4	4:00pm	Volleyball: Girls JV	PVMHS	Winthrop High School
10/4	5:30pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity	PVMHS	Winthrop High School
10/4	7:00pm	Football: Boys Varsity	Swampscott	Blockside Field
10/5	10:00am	Football: JV	Swampscott	Miller Field
10/5	4:00pm	Soccer: Girls Varsity	PVMHS	PVMHS
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10/5	4:00pm	Soccer: Girls JV	PVMHS	PVMHS
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10/6	4:00pm	Golf: Varsity	Lynn Classical	Gannon Golf Course - Lynn, MA
10/6	4:00pm	Soccer: Girls Varsity	Swampscott	Miller Field
10/6	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity	Swampscott	Blockside Field
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10/6	4:00pm	Soccer: Boys JV	Swampscott	Swampscott High School
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10/6	4:00pm	Volleyball: Girls JV	Matignon	Fr. Matignon Athletic Complex
10/6	5:30pm	Soccer: Girls JV	Swampscott	Miller Field
10/6	5:30pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity	Matignon	Fr. Matignon Athletic Complex
10/8	4:00pm	Cross Country: Varsity	Salem	Winter Island
10/8	4:00pm	Volleyball: Girls JV	Northeast Metro	Northeast Metro. Reg. Voc. School
10/8	5:30pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity	Northeast Metro	Northeast Metro. Reg. Voc. School
10/9	4:00pm	Cross Country: Middle School	Beverly High School	Beverly Middle School
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10/9	6:30pm	Soccer: Girls JV	Malden Catholic	Miller Field

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Gov. Baker calls for four month ban on sale of vaping products

By John Lynds

At neighborhood smoke shops hundreds of e-cigarettes, vape devices, tobacco juices and vape related products are sold each day. Long touted as a safer alternative to cigarette smoking, vaping has become the fad for former smokers and those who never even touched a cigarette for the past decade. Vaping has also become the preferred method for cannabis consumption in the age of legalized marijuana in the state and both medicinal and recreational pot shop stock their shelves with THC-infused vaping oils. However, a recent outbreak in vape-related lung diseases and deaths have state’s and the federal government scrambling to figure out what exactly is going on with devices that promised to deliver nicotine and THC in a safe manner. Last week Gov. Charlie Baker declared a public health emergency in response to confirmed and suspected cases of severe

lung disease associated with the use of e-cigarettes and marijuana-vaping products in the state. The Governor called for a temporary four-month statewide ban on the sale of flavored and non-flavored vaping products in both retail stores and online. The sales ban applies to all vaping products and devices, including tobacco and marijuana. The ban takes effect immediately and lasts through Jan. 25, 2020. “The use of e-cigarettes and marijuana vaping products is exploding and we are seeing reports of serious lung illnesses, particularly in our young people,” said Gov. Baker. “The purpose of this public health emergency is to temporarily pause all sales of vaping products so that we can work with our medical experts to identify what is making people sick and how to better regulate these products to protect the health of our residents.” The Center for Disease Control (CDC) confirmed as of last week there are 805 lung injury cases reported from 46 states and

one U.S. territory related to vaping or vape products with 12 deaths confirmed in 10 states. The CDC has also received sex and age data on 771 patients. About 69 percent of patients are male. Nearly two thirds (62 percent) of patients are 18 to 34 years old; with 22 percent of patients between 18-21; and 16 percent of patients are under 18 years. All reported patients have a history of e-cigarette product use or vaping. The latest findings from the investigation into lung injuries associated with e-cigarette use, or vaping, suggest products containing THC play a role in the outbreak. CDC has received data on substances used in e-cigarettes or vaping products in the 30 days prior to symptom onset among 514 patients and about 77 percent reported using THC-containing products; 36 percent reported exclusive use of THC-containing products; about 57 percent reported using nicotine-containing products; and 16 percent reported exclusive use of nicotine-con-

taining products. However, the CDC said specific chemical exposure(s) causing lung injuries associated with e-cigarette product use, or vaping, remains unknown at this time. “No single product or substance has been linked to all lung injury cases and more information is needed to know whether one or more e-cigarette or vaping products, substances, or brand is responsible for the outbreak,” the CDC said in a statement. Earlier this month, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) mandated that Massachusetts physicians immediately report any unexplained vaping-associated pulmonary disease to the department. As of today, 61 cases have been reported to DPH. Three confirmed cases and two probable cases of vaping-associated pulmonary disease in the state have already been reported to the CDC. The rest are pending further clinical analysis. Vaping consists of inhaling and exhaling the

aerosol (often called vapor) produced by an e-cigarette or similar battery-powered device. E-cigarettes come in many different sizes, types and colors. Some resemble pens, small electronic devices such as USB sticks and other everyday items. The products are often compact and allow for discreet carrying and use – at home, in school hallways and bathrooms and even in classrooms. Two weeks ago the Baker Administration convened a group of pulmonary doctors and pediatric experts from Massachusetts to share what they have seen in their patients—especially youth—and their concerns about the trajectory of vaping-related lung disease. The experts shared information about the rapid rate of addiction to e-cigarettes, use and overuse of marijuana vaping products and cases of youth becoming hospitalized within two weeks of using vaping-related products. Baker said during the temporary ban his Admin-

istration will work with medical experts, state and federal officials to better understand vaping illnesses and work on additional steps to address this public health crisis. This could include legislation and regulations. The Administration will also work on providing more resources for a public awareness campaign and smoking cessation programs. “Vaping is a public health crisis and it is imperative that we understand its impact at both the individual and overall health care system level,” said Health and Human Services Secretary Marylou Sudders. “As a result of the public health emergency, the Commonwealth is implementing a statewide standing order for nicotine replacement products like gum and patches, which will allow people to access these products as a covered benefit through their insurance without requiring an individual prescription, similar to what our Administration did to increase access to naloxone.”

Climate change is an issue for the Town; Faison addresses concerns, future at meeting

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

What will climate change look like in Winthrop’s fu-

ture? It looks like what the town has been experiencing with flooding along Morton Street, Pico, Ingleside Park,

Shirley Street near the marina, Coughlin Park or other areas either effected by 100-year storms that seem to come every other year. Last Wednesday night about 30 people packed the Hazlett Room at the Library to hear about “Winthrop Engages: Climate Change” from Town Manager Austin Faison, Julie Wormser of the Mystic River Watershed Association and Leah Robbins of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. Last June the town received a municipal vulnerability program designation, which provides support and grants for cities and towns in Massachusetts to plan for resiliency and implement key climate change adaptation actions for resiliency. Faison said climate change even plays a factor into where the town can

build a public safety building. “It will have to be the best building in the whole town,” Faison said. “Climate change is here”, Faison said. “Last year was a prime example of how sustainable Winthrop is. During the Bombcyclone event, astronomical high tides were occurring at the same time as a N’oreaster. There was nowhere to put the water or to push it out.” The town is currently looking at plans for a large underwater storage container at Ingleside Park. A \$13 million Center Business District infrastructure is in the works to alleviate flooding in that section of Town. Winthrop has taken a proactive approach to flood control and sea level rise with the living seawall at Coughlin Park and officials

higher are pointing to it as an option to concrete seawalls. “There are serious concerns from my office and the region if Winthrop is severely impacted by rising sea levels,” Faison said, adding the greatest concern is being cut off. “We have to pursue this regionally. We want to be involved with Boston, Revere and Chelsea.” That’s what Julie Wormser, deputy director of the Mystic River Watershed, has been working on showing the areas around the Mystic River Watershed (from Boston Harbor to Chelsea and the tail end in Winthrop). What happens with sea-level rise? The rivers form a stronger connection and flood. Wormser showed a map of the area from 1850-2017. Around

the 1970s you see an inflection where the beginning of climate change seems to first show. “We can see the earth is getting warmer,” Wormer said. “We should be naming our rainstorms because we are getting so much damage from them.” Robins said she has been working with the 15 mayors and managers who make up the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition (Arlington, Boston, Braintree, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Newton, Quincy, Revere, Somerville, and Winthrop.) to tackle climate preparedness. In addition to the MVP program, there is also the SolSmart program making solar energy easy to access. She also stressed the importance of climate resilient zoning.

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BANANA APPLE BREAD

INGREDIENTS:

2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons ground cinnamon

1 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 cup butter, melted

2 cups white sugar

4 eggs

1 cup plain Greek yogurt

1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C). Grease two 7x3-inch loaf pans.

STEP 2: In a bowl, whisk together 2 3/4 cups of flour, 2 teaspoons of cinnamon, the baking soda, and salt until thoroughly combined. In a separate mixing bowl, beat the melted butter with 2 cups of sugar until smooth, and mix in the eggs, one at a time, followed by the Greek yogurt and vanilla extract. Stir in the flour mixture just until incorporated.

STEP 3: Fold in the bananas, apples, and chopped walnuts until combined; do not overmix. There should be small chunks of banana visible in the batter. Pour half the batter into each prepared loaf pan.

STEP 4: Mix the brown sugar, 1/2 cup of white sugar, 1 tablespoon of cinnamon, 1/4 cup of flour, and 3 tablespoons of softened butter together in a bowl until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle half the crumb topping over each loaf. Garnish each loaf with banana and apple slices.

STEP 5: Bake in the preheated oven for 30 minutes, then remove and cover each pan with aluminum foil. Return to oven, and bake an additional 15 or 20 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center of the loaves comes out clean. Allow to cool before serving.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

LAND TO BE USED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

CHELSEA - Land the City takes for nonpayment of property taxes could soon be used to bolster Chelsea’s affordable housing stock.

The City Council narrowly passed an order calling for a home rule petition that would give the Council the option to hand those properties over to the City’s Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board.

The measure now needs to be approved in the state legislature.

Currently, the City is required to offer up any properties taken for the nonpayment of taxes at auction to the highest bidder. The Council would maintain that option, even if the home rule petition passes.

“The city very rarely takes property for the non-payment of taxes,” said City Manager Tom Ambrosino. He said the City will usually bend over backwards with a property owner to settle the tax issues.

But, Ambrosino said, there are instances when the owner walks away from a property, or the City has to step in.

“On the rare occasions when we do have to take ownership by tax title ... the only way to get the property back on the tax rolls is through a public auction,” said the City Manager. “Affordable housing (developers) are almost always outbid by for-profit developers.”

This move would give the City Council discretion to auction property to the

highest bidder, or give it to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board, which could dispense of the property for affordable housing development.

Several councillors opposed the order, stating that the move would either limit income to the City, or further erode the Council’s powers.

“The City Manager states that it is rare that this happens, but it does happen,” said District 1 Councillor Robert Bishop, adding that there were several properties that went to auction a few years ago and brought in top dollar.

“I don’t think there is anything wrong with going to the highest bidder,” said Bishop.

District 3 Councillor Joe Perlatonda said his concerns stemmed from more power away from the City Council, noting that recent city charter changes took away parking, traffic, and licensing duties from the Council.

“This is a tough situation, but I have to vote ‘no,’” said Perlatonda.

But Councillor-At-Large Leo Robinson said the order does not diminish Council power.

“All this does is give us another tool we can use and an opportunity to control the property,” said Robinson.

Ambrosino agreed with Robinson’s assessment.

“This will create more power through the special legislation than you currently have,” he said. “Right now, the City Council has zero say and there is a public auction to the highest bidder.”

Councillors Enio Lopez and Giovanni Recupero joined Bishop and Perlatonda in voting against the order.

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ESTABLISHED

CHELSEA - A new commission approved by the City Council aims to improve access in the city for people with disabilities.

The Council vote adopts a Massachusetts General Law allowing for the creation of a Commission on Disability.

“As far as I can tell, the City has never had a Commission on Disability,” stated City Manager Thomas Ambrosino in a letter to the Council. “Such commissions are beneficial to a municipality.”

The commission assists cities and towns in ensuring compliance with state and federal laws that affect people with disabilities and often makes recommendations about new policies that help meet the needs of disabled residents, Ambrosino stated. In addition, the existence of a disability commission is often necessary when applying for state and federal grants that fund infrastructure improvements to establish Americans with Disabilities Act compliant buildings.

“I think this is badly needed in this city,” said District 1 Councillor Robert Bishop, adding that he had recently visited a new McDonald’s in the city and was surprised to find there were handicap accessibility issues.

•In other business, the

Council approved the appropriation of \$1.3 million in Chapter 70 state funding for the school budget.

During the public speaking portion of the Council meeting, Supt. Mary Bourque and School Committeeewoman Yessenia Alfaro-Alvarez were those who urged the Council okay the funding.

“The money is needed in our schools to put back cuts that were made,” said Bourque.

•Ambrosino recommended an increased sewer and water discount for senior residents, from 10 to 20 percent. District 6 Councillor Giovanni Recupero asked the City Manager to explore the possibility of giving seniors a 30 percent discount on their water bills.

“I do believe that our current 10 percent senior discount on water and sewer bills, applicable only to the unit in which the owner-occupant lives, is insufficient,” Ambrosino stated. “I agree a more robust discount is warranted. However, I also believe that 30 percent is too high.”

Ambrosino recommended the discounted rate go into effect with the Fiscal Year 2021 billing cycle.

The City Manager estimated the cost of the discount program will jump from \$35,000 to \$120,000 annually, with the increase absorbed by other ratepayers in the city.

•Council President Damali Vidot introduced an order requesting the Licensing Commission consider granting any function hall with a capacity of over 100 people the ability to ap-

ply for up to two one-day liquor licenses per month, provided the business is in good standing with the city.

•Councillor-At-Large Roy Avellaneda requested a conference with the city assessor to discuss the current appraised values of commercial and large residential properties and the City’s upcoming rate-setting order.

“There is a disturbing trend where I feel that a proper evaluation is not being done on some of our larger properties,” said Avellaneda.

•District 4 Councillor Enio Lopez requested that Ambrosino instruct the public works department add gravel and fix all empty tree pits that have an uneven surface level on Broadway.

•Councillor-At-Large Leo Robinson requested the Traffic and Parking Commission look at putting in a crosswalk across Williams Street between the police parking lot and Winnisimmet Lounge.

Robinson also tabled an ordinance introduced by Recupero that would have allowed residents to own four hens per parcel without Board of Health approval.

T-MOBILE SEEKS PERMISSION TO INSTALL ANTENNAS

EVERETT -At the City Council meeting on Sept. 23, Rosana Ferrante from ExteNet Systems responded to questions about the company’s petition to in-

stall small-cell antennas on 10 utility poles along five city streets with the goal of expanding T-Mobile network connectivity.

The exact locations of the proposed sites are 431, 573 and 642 Broadway; 141 Chelsea St.; 45, 180, 275 and 493 Ferry St.; 301 Main St. and 132 Union St.. The initial 10 sites are part of a larger vision that would include 41 sites throughout the city. The installations would only benefit customers of the T-Mobile cellular network.

Headquartered in Illinois, ExteNet provides communications infrastructure to major cell providers in order to help them meet the increasing wireless connectivity needs of their customers. Small cells consist of radio equipment and antennas that are attached to utility poles and streetlights and are used to transmit data to and from wireless devices. Unlike the cell towers found on rooftops and along highways, small cells are installed every few blocks.

“Instead of going bigger, it’s getting smaller and closer to the customer,” said Ferrante.

According to the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association, small cell technology is expected to explode in coming years, from 13,000 units in 2017 to 800,000 by 2026. This year alone saw a 550 percent increase in small cell installations, which are regulated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

Mystic Valley Elder Services delivers fresh produce to older adults as part of annual program

Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) recently



Mystic Valley Elder Services consumer Anita Costa from Stoneham received her fresh produce bag from her care manager as part of Mystic Valley Elder Services’ annual Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

delivered nearly 160 bags filled with fresh fruits and vegetables to homebound older adults as part of their annual Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program is funded by the Mass. Department of Agricultural Resources. MVES was granted funds to purchase produce from a local farmer, Carl Hills, from Kimball Fruit Farm in Pepperell, Mass. The program is designed to benefit local farmers and eligible low-income seniors who may not have such nutrition and fresh produce in their daily diet.

The bags of fresh produce are delivered by



Carl Hills from Kimball Farm in Pepperell, who provided the fresh produce, joins Mystic Valley Elder Services Nutrition staff Nancy Mullaly, Nutrition Care Manager, Carla Castillo, Linda Crowe, and Wendy Sturgeon, Nutrition Program Managers, as they bag fresh fruits and vegetables to be delivered by care managers to homebound older adults as part of Mystic Valley’s annual Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

MVES Care Managers to identified seniors they care for in the communities of Chelsea, Everett, Malden,

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Winthrop Town By-Laws, a public hearing will be held on October 9, 2019, at 7:30 P.M. in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room, Winthrop Town Hall on the Request for Determination of Applicability from Brad Fischer to construct new front entrance deck, renovate existing side deck, and

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WINTHROP HOUSING AUTHORITY TENANT BARBECUE

Courtesy Photos

It was a nice day at the Winthrop Housing Authority's Tenant Barbecue. A big thank you goes out to the members of the Winthrop Fire Department for handling the cooking of the hot dogs and burgers.



Peter Gill and Fire Chief Paul Flanagan.



Ann Jones, Maria Polcaro, Corrinne Corbett.



The Winthrop Housing Authority Board of Directors with WHA Executive Director Peg Tiernan Lyons. Shown are Fred Silck, Richard Honan, with Lucky the cocker spaniel, Peg Tiernan Lyons, Frank Ferrara and Peter Gill.



Tenants enjoying some sweet treats and one anothers' company during the BBQ shown in the photos above and below.



TEACHER HIGHLIGHT:

Spanish teacher Christopher Mercedes makes learning fun

By Kate Anslinger

If you walk by Christopher Mercedes' classroom in the middle of a lesson, you will naturally be filled with curiosity. The new high school Spanish teacher has found a way to make

learning a foreign language fun and engaging and you can hear the excitement of his students as they participate in an action-packed class. Mercedes gained his inspiration for teaching Spanish while working in the medical field. "While

working in hospitals and clinics, many of my co-workers expressed their regret for not taking Spanish class seriously while in school, so I set out to make Spanish fun and engaging so that the future generation of workers will be able to communicate with the people they serve since the Hispanic community is growing in the United States," said Mercedes, who chose to teach Spanish because he believes that knowing a foreign language is one of the best ways to network and open up job opportunities. Mercedes began his teaching career as a middle school Spanish teacher at Breed Middle School in Lynn and then spent a year teaching Spanish and French at Peabody Veterans Memorial High School. Originally from Peabody, he ended up teaching alongside many of the teachers he had while he was a student. In the interview below, the Malden resident shares what he loves most about teaching.

What do you love most about teaching?

I love being able to con-

nect with different students. Each student has their own unique story and I hope to be able to positively influence each of their stories.

Who inspired you to become a teacher?

My parents inspired me to become a teacher. My father has been teaching at the middle school level for many years. His love for educating has really inspired me. My mother transitioned from working in corporate America to becoming a teacher and she loves her decision to have entered the teaching profession. She taught me that you must pursue a career based on what you love to do and not based on how much money you are going to make.

What do you love about teaching in Winthrop?

I love the community feel in Winthrop. I feel like I joined a huge family. The staff are extremely friendly and united. It makes coming to work very easy. The students are also very respectful and get along very well, which makes for a pleasant work environment.



WHS Spanish teacher Christopher Mercedes.

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-Ingleside Park

Ingleside Park is in need of upgrades, which include improving the current storm drain infrastructure, creating subterranean storage and a pump station, and upgrading the tide gate and outfall at Donovan's Beach. The Town realized a study to gauge the size of the proposed drainage system and to explore other options for reducing flooding. The option with the best flood mitigation was then chosen for a concept design. The Town is currently submitting permit applications for the improvements and will be putting out a bid for developers.

- Education Financing Bill

The Massachusetts Legislature is currently weighing the possibility of the Student Opportunity Act, which beginning in FY21 would provide sizeable increases in educational funding for towns. Over the next seven years, it would create \$1.4 billion in school funding to offset the rising district costs associated with employee healthcare, special education, English Language Learner instruction, transportation, mental health services and low-income students. Once approved by the Legislature, the Governor will have to sign off on it. The Town is

currently exploring how the funding would impact Winthrop.

- Composting

The composting site will be open on October 4 for residents who need to dispose of yard waste and grass clippings.

-Cummings School playground

The Town Manager read a communication from Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard regarding the playground at the Arthur T. Cummings Elementary School. The district hopes to have renovations---which include a new surface and new equipment---completed by spring of 2020.

A surface study was completed on Sept.26. On Oct. 3, there will be a meeting of the town and school facilities managers, school principal and custodian to better understand playground needs, make recommendations for equipment removal and create a list of questions for the developer, Ultiplay. On Oct. 11, there will be a meeting of the building team and Ultiplay to review the proposal, discuss a community build option, find out labor costs and establish a schedule. On Oct. 18, the school will be updated on removed equipment and the future use of space.

Policy on political announcements, endorsements and op-eds

The Winthrop Transcript will accept political announcements from candidates for the general election through Oct. 14.

The announcements can be up to 500 words in length and include a candidate's photo.

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