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HARRY OLIFIOS **DEDICATION ON SUNDAY**

A ceremony honoring Harry Olifios will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. outside of the old Brown's Rexall Store at 214 Winthrop St.

Harry who died in May 2017 and owned Brown's for 32 years is remembered by his many friends as a kind man.

On Sunday family and friends will be on hand to have a street sign with Harry's name placed outside the former site of Brown's.

In October, family and friends dedicated a bench in Metcalf Square to Harry.

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Teachers voice concerns over unresolved contracts

By Kate Anslinger

Several teachers and staff members came out to Monday's night's meeting to voice their concerns regarding the unresolved school contracts, hoping to gain a joint understanding with the school committee.

"In January when the new town council is put in, we need to continue to fight for the Winthrop Public Schools," said Vasili Mallios, eighth grade math teacher and resident of precinct 5. "We cannot go in hearing a budget and seeing a deficit of over \$300,000 just for level services. The teachers, ESP's,

nurses, secretaries and the school committee need to start fighting now so that we do not see teachers teaching out of certification and not meeting the needs of our students because of resources. We need to do what's possible and we cannot let the town continue to use the excuse that we do not have enough money. When is that going to end? We want to make sure we are on the same page and we would love to work together to push the town in the direction we need to be in, in order for our schools be successful and see

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Town Manager updates include ZenCity and SeeClickFix

By Laura Plummer

At the final Town Council meeting of 2019, Town Manager Austin Faison shared a number of updates with the community.

ZenCity

ZenCity is a company that collects public data from a town's social media platforms, news channels and 311 calls and uses it to

inform local governments about what concerns are most pertinent to residents. It also claims to be able to measure public support for specific town projects.

According to ZenCity data for the month of November, the most discussed issue in town was human relations and services, with 2,529 interactions, a 153%

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WINTHROP CHAMBER WINTER PARTY



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

Jane Vitagliano, Richard Gay, and Paul Leavy enjoyed the Winthrop Chamber's Holiday party on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 90 Degrees Restaurant. A lively group from the Chamber helped to celebrate the occasion. See more photos on Page 13.

WSPA celebrates 35 years and kicks off Christmas Spectacular

By Kate Anslinger

The Winthrop School of Performing Arts (WSPA) is celebrating its 35th year of instructing students ages 3-18, and beyond, in dance, acting, vocal coaching and instruments. Owner and Director of WSPA, Trudy Macero, began the school with the idea that students could learn a variety of performing arts under one roof.

Kate's Corner

lagher, than you may find

it hard to believe that she

never pictured herself in

the field of education. The ESP, substitute teacher,

Quiz Bowl Co-Advisor, and

Student Council Advisor is

a fixture at the Winthrop

Middle School, often found

volunteering at local events

and getting creative with

fundraisers. She discovered

her passion for education

later in life, after working

for the Red Sox team pho-

tographer and in Faneuil

Hall for several years. And

while she doesn't get to

attend spring training or

rub elbows with famous

As a former professional performer herself, Macero saw a need for a business that would provide students with the opportunity to try out the various forms of performance, all in one location. And now, 35 years later, Macero gets to witness her former students. enrolling their own children in the same program that they loved as a child.

"It's so rewarding to see

she loves every minute she

spends working at the mid-

some of my first students come through the studio doors with their own children and relive the great memories that they had from so many years ago," said Macero.

Last weekend, the Winthrop School of Performing Arts presented, "A Children's Holiday Spectacular," which was a brain-

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LEILA!



celebrated at Neighborhood PACE in Winthrop.



Newspaper will be published on Tuesday, Dec. 24 & Dec. 31 The Christmas Advertising Deadline IS FRIDAY, DEC. 20™ The New Years Advertising Deadline IS FRIDAY, DEC. 27™

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> dle school and it shows. "Being creative with fundraisers always gets the students excited about them and makes them successful," said Gallagher, who still spends her nights and weekends working at Faneuil Hall. "Spirit Day and raffles have raised thousands of dollars which have been donated to charities and causes voted on by the students. Standing outside and freezing during a bake sale is much easier when the kids are energized and excited to work so hard.

My sister and I volunteer at the football games selling tickets, which is a great way to catch up with former students and to see old friends from around town."

Gallagher's fundraising efforts go beyond the average bake sale and she works hard to raise funds through social media and friends, on her mission to ensure all eligible students can attend

the annual DC Trip. "I'm very lucky that I love both of my jobs and have wonderful coworkers and bosses."

As one of five siblings,

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Due to the Christmas Day Holiday on Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019 Trash will be delayed by one day. Mon. 12/23 & Tues. 12/24 pick-ups are on schedule Capitol Waste Services, Inc.

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Monday, Dec. 2

Person states packages were taken from her front door. She will give a call when she returns home from work.

Caller states her neighbor is pushing her small Yorkie dog out the door, screaming at it and cal also hear her neighbor breaking things.

Party came into the station to report that package delivered to her home at 10:27 this morning, containing a pair of Air Force One sneakers worth \$100, was stolen from her front porch.

Party locked out of an apartment from within the house but was able to contact a locksmith.

Brother is concerned about his sister. Her brother stated he hasn't talked to her since yesterday, which is unlike her as they talk every day. He would like an officer to go to the home. Sister was asleep just woke up and will call her brother.

Caller states a male party wearing dark clothes was looking into houses then tried to get in one when he saw the person, he fled towards Ingelside.

Party came in to report a co-worker at the Arbors has created a hostile work environment for him. He has reported it to his supervisor but it has been continuing. He was advised to go higher up the management chain for the matter to be resolved.

A2 states Short Beach water is coming over the wall into one lane. It is starting to cause traffic.

Walk in report of a very minor motor vehicle accident involving a bicycle and car. The bicycle lost control and hit the car causing damage. No injuries. The bicycle owner agreed to take care of the damages. Citizen reports she was



Amy Gallagher.

Kate's Corner //continued from page 1

Gallagher was born to par- fundraiser and developed a ents who were extremely kind and loving, leading to her natural desire to give back. She has five nephews and two nieces who are on the receiving end of her love and support, and even her homemade baskets.

"I started making baskets 20+ years ago for my nephew Mark's kindergarten



hobby that I love. My pride and joy are my nieces and nephews who I love like they're my own. Whether we're on a road trip, hanging around and watching games or at cookouts there are always tons of stories and lots of laughs. Their friends have always been in and out of my house too."

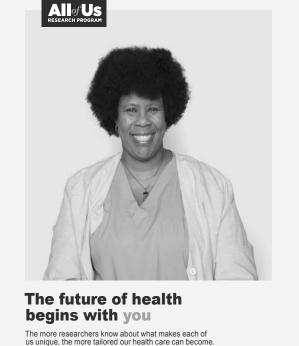
In addition to her busy life at the middle school and serving as a role model to her nieces and nephews, Gallagher is heavily involved at St. John's Church, running the Annual Breakfast with Santa

"There is always a need in one way or another and I love to help find a way to

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stopped at a stop sign at Walden and Lincoln. When she was almost through the intersection, a bicycle hit her car on the driver's side fender area minor damage.

Calling party reports that a light skinned male, 5'7". brown spikey hair, black jacket slipped a note under her door that read, "I don't mean to be creeping," but I would like to have a relationship with you, I'm willing to pay. Please answer yes or no and slip note back under door. Officer spoke to person he read the note, nothing criminal, just asking to be in a relationship. Advised if it happens again or if he comes back to contact police immediately so they can speak with him.

Party called and wanted it noted that he spoke with councilman regarding parking outside of his residence it's a 3-family and all units are handicap. Party explained to me that the councilman spoke to chief if police and got permission for vehicles to park in front during the s now emergencies. He has no paperwork stating this and just wanted it noted.

Tuesday, Dec. 3

Woman can't get into her house, may be intoxicated. Homeowner forced entered into her own home, no is-

Man turned in cell phone to manager at Larson Rink. Daughter called wanting

a wellness check on her

mother due to poor living conditions and altered mental status. Unit spoke to party they are fine. Party stated sometimes their daughter over reacts.

Wednesday, Dec. 4

Party called to report stolen delivery item: Power Smokeless Grill - Tristar Product (approx. value \$130.00). Ordered it late October; when she contacted company looking for delivery date, was told it had been delivered. Resident was told to contact FedEx. White Male out front

wearing blue sweatshirt stocking hat trying to get into the building. One in custody for disturbing the peace. Alpha 4 enroute with male party in Action ambu-

lance to the MGH. Cruiser will be following in the cruiser. Caller can hear his female neighbor screaming

and throwing things around the home. Has been going on for some time. Party came into to report

a hit and run which occurred this morning. Caller states there is a big red pickup truck parked on the sidewalk causing all the kids to walk in the middle

blocking the driveway and not the sidewalk. Caller states her ring doorbell is showing a bald male in a blue jacket with

of the street no plate giv-

en. Unit reports the truck is

a red stripe going in people's back yards in the area. She is not home but is getting video feed from her doorbell. Units report they checked the area. Male party is not there.

Party reports being harassed by an acquaintance from 20 years ago.

Person stating over\$100 cash was taken from the Children's Area. Would like an officer to come down. Report to follow.

Caller states his sister got sick in CVS earlier and she fell ill from the fumes they were using to clean a rug, he called CVS to get so me info and they would not give him any info.

Party came in about her daughter who is living with her. She wants her removed from the home. She was advised of her rights to seek her eviction through the court. Party also reports her daughter struck her son as she was watching him while she was at work. She would like to seek a hearing against her daughter.

Caller states a vehicle a small red car was doing circles with a party on top of the hood. They parked the car next to a white van. Just wants officer to check it out. Nothing showing motor vehicle as its engine cold and no one outside. Units Clear.

Friday, Dec. 6

Person stated he pulled a car over by flashing his

The last meeting between

headlights because he believed they may have been drinking. He would like a police to response to assist. Individual driving showed no signs of impairment just tired from a long day at work.

Saturday, Dec. 7

Party called from possibly Boston stating there was a domestic occurring inside the apartment. She was not on scene, would not give any names and said she was told this at a bar. She sounded intoxicated. Units report male party is there alone, no problems. Ongoing issue.

WPD was flagged down by a party regarding a past incident of a party walking his dogs off leash in the Deer Island area.

Sunday, Dec. 08

Party came into report his motor vehicle stolen.

Barking dogs, ongoing issue. Parties did not answer the door but a citation was left for the dogs. While on scene the dogs were let back inside but not contact made with the homeowner.

Party came in seeking assistance scheduling a time with his estranged wife that he could be escorted to pick up some belongings. No answer, message left for her to call the station so they can facilitate a peaceful pro-

Monday, Dec. 9

All quiet.

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our students thrive at the best possibilities that we can provide them as nurses, teachers, ESPs, secretaries and administrators.'

Former staff member, Joannie Singarella, shared her own experience, having to leave the district so she could earn a livable wage.

"I think it's so despicable and disgusting that a contract cannot be resolved and they've gone on so long. I left a job that I absolutely loved to make a livable wage. I'm tired of the town saying they don't have the money for the most important workers-the police, fire, and schools. It's about time that the town gives staff livable wages so that teachers can continue to do what they absolutely love to do."

In response to the teacher's comments, School Committee Chair, Valentino Capobianco released a statement on behalf of the committee, outlining the timeline of negotiations. the school committee and Winthrop Teacher's Association was held on December 11, 2019, with a mediator appointed by the Department of Labor Relations. After several hours of discussion, two additional sessions have been scheduled for January 2020, in an attempt to come to an agreement.

Capobianco shared the following closing state-

"Members of the Winthrop School Committee deeply value the Winthrop Teacher's Association, our ESP's, secretaries, nurses, custodians, staff, and most importantly our students. We need to continue to fund our school system beyond Chapter 70. It is our hope that we will reach an agreement that is fair to our staff, taxpayers, and driven towards student achievement."

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increase over the monthly average. Other popular conversations centered around education, public safety, political affairs and cultural affairs. Sentiment analysis showed that 58% of public sentiment was positive, compared to the 39% monthly average. Projects featured in conversations included the middle school site redevelopment, the 2020 Census and the Eruzione Center.

Town officials can use the data provided by ZenCity to inform its decision-making going forward. For example, an analysis of SeeClickFix showed that the launch yielded low public discourse but high positive sentiment. This may mean that more needs to be done to increase public use of the program. An analysis of Veterans Day conversations showed that residents were most interested in individual veterans and less interested in the Town Hall ceremony honoring veterans. A suggestion was to use individual veterans stories when publicizing events in order to boost attendance and engagement.

SeeClickFix

Faison announced that he wants to continue to grow public participation in SeeClickFix, as it is currently the most direct way to report infrastructure concerns to DPW. He noted that submitting work orders makes the town aware of issues, but does not guarantee a specific timeline for addressing them. Residents access Se-

eClickFix on their com-

puters or smartphones and directly report on things that need attention where they live and work. Town officials then manage the assignment of issues and communicate back to the citizen on any progress

Anti-Discrimination Training

On December 17, de-

partment heads attended an offsite training on anti-discrimination and anti-harassment policies, including sexual harassment. According to the state website, Massachusetts Law prohibits sexual harassment in the workplace and employers are liable for the sexual harassment by senior employees. Employers with six or more workers are required to develop a written sexual harassment policy and are

futhermore encouraged to provide training on sexual harassment at regular inter-

Grant money Winthrop received grant funding from the State for the purchase of computer and technological hardware, and vehicles for the DPW.

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Faison made a point to thank retiring Council President Ron Vecchia, and Councilors Linda Calla and Heather Engman for their service to the town and leadership to the commu-

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LEILA CELONA CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

Winthrop resident, Leila Celona, shed joyful tears as family and caregivers gathered around her in songful celebration of her 100th birthday. Leila, wearing a "Birthday Princess" necklace, tenderly patted the cheeks of nurses and friends, graciously blowing kisses to her loved ones at her November 13th party at Neighborhood Pace.

"She is the kind of person who loves everybody," described Leila's son, Stephen, who received a kiss on the cheek from his mother after helping her open the envelope to her golden retriever puppy and kitten birthday card. "She has a great personality. Everyone who meets her never forgets her."

State Representative Adrian Madaro presented Leila with a certificate of congratulations from the House of Representatives in recognition of the happy occasion and long life of achievements and memo-



Leila Celona, celebrated her 100th birthday with a party at Neighborhood Pace.

Leila was born September 16, 1919, has three children -- Josephine, Stephen, and Nunzio - and eight grandchildren. She has had the same best friend since she was five-years-old, Katie Berinado, of Eagle Hill, in East Boston.

She was an oil painter, sketch artist, and talented seamstress, sewing her own curtains and bedspreads, and transforming everything she touched into a piece of art.

"When I got married, she



Michelle Hagerty, Marketing Manager, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, and Rep. Adrian Madaro, who presented Leila with a certificate of congratulations for the momentous milestone.

made my wedding gown and beaded it by hand. And she broke her arm and was in a cast," boasted Leila's daughter, Josephine, who fondly recalled her friends visiting to drink coffee and play cards with her mother until one in the morning.

Stephen and Josephine feel blessed to have their mother with them, and remember their home being filled with music and people during the holidays.

Leila loved to sing with her late husband, Steve, who passed away at the age of 92. Steve was a professional musician and he and Leila adored singing with one another; even writing a song, "Bundle of Charms," when their daughter was

"She and my dad were very close," described Stephen. "They had a great life. They were beautiful

at every Christmas show

since the beginning by Tru-

dy's husband John Macero



One hundred-year-old, Leila Celona, with her children, Stephen and Josephine, and State Rep. Adrian Madaro



Leila Celona with her best friend for 95 years, Katie Berinado, who still lives independently in East Boston.

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storm of Trudy's 25 years ago when she decided that she wanted to showcase her dance, acting and voice students all together in one

venue during the holiday season. Over the years, the show has become a tradition in the community and is performed every other

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Santa pictured in the Christmas Spectacular put on by Winthrop School of Performing Arts.

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year in Winthrop with a singing and dancing Santa who happens to be a former Playmaker Star. In addition to providing acts that showcase a holiday theme, several children in the audience have their names and what they want for Christmas announced from the stage. The show has evolved through the years and new songs are added but there are a few songs that continue to be favorites, like "All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth" always performed by a six-year-old first grader with missing front teeth. Another favorite is "You're a Mean One Mr. Grinch" performed

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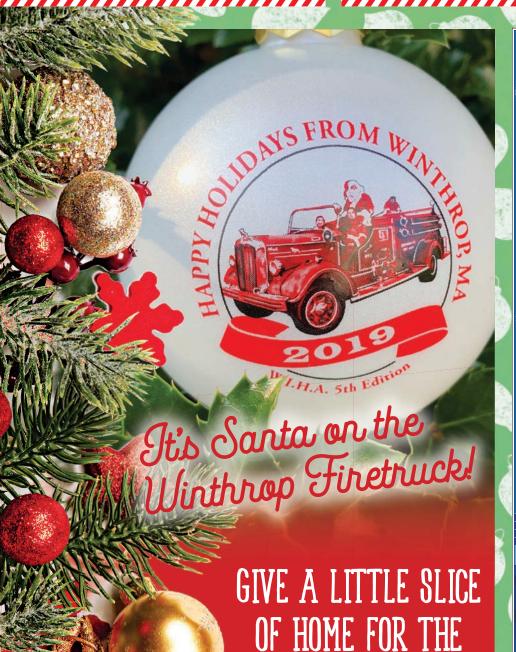
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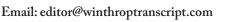
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GUEST OP-ED

Christmas is still special

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Make a mental decision that Christmas is going to be great. Our world exists in the space between our ears known as our brains. We can dread or hate something or just decide it's going to be wonderful.

Faking it is not always easy. We can fool people some of the time but we can't fool everyone all the time. The hardest person you actually have to fool is yourself. Sometimes we can fool ourselves for awhile and it's never fun fooling ourselves for a long period of time. Sometimes it's necessary to fool ourselves briefly if we need to convince ourselves of something in order to sur-

For example if you are going to be in a big gathering for Christmas there is probably going to be one or two obnoxious or ridiculous people in the crowd. You may already dread seeing them. Just convince yourself it is okay and that people are different and no one is perfect. Just decide to let ungratefulness, weird or negative comments roll off your back. You can override stupidity with Christmas cheer for a day. Just remember this is only

for a day or two. Also, this Christmas will not bring back any past Christmases. There will

be an empty chair or maybe several empty chairs. It may be tough and depressing when we think about how Christmas was a few years back. Christmas will never be the same for those of us missing loved ones and tears often come. Go ahead and cry but determine you won't spend all Christmas day crying. As you remember the past remember what it is about that person or Christmas you miss and hold tight to that joyful remembrance.

Keep in mind that this Christmas is still special because you are here in the world to celebrate the occasion. Whoever the people are in your life today hold them close and be merry together.

From the Old Testament the people of God were instructed by Joshua to "Hold tight to God, your God, just as you've done up to now." (Joshua 23:8) For all of us holding tight to our faith, our family, our friends and our life's values.

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Dear Editor,

Public schools have long been a hallmark of New England society. Our Commonwealth of Massachusetts possesses both the oldest law in North America requiring children to learn to read and write, and the oldest law in North America requiring that a municipality hire someone to educate them. Our public school system has long been ranked at the top of any list of the best in the United States. Despite this legacy of educational excellence, our schools are at a crossroads. The increasing cost of all levels of education and changing licensing requirements for teachers have thinned the ranks of professionals. Persistent lack of funding has limited the opportunities for students.

The Winthrop Teacher's Association, cognizant of our historical lineage and our vital importance, strives to provide the best education possible for all the children, past and present, of Winthrop. We seek equity in treatment, professional discretion in our planning and scheduling, and long term security for our members and their families. It is our opinion that these items are also in the interest of our students. A strong union binds strong educators, who help to create strong students. Strong students are the key to our future, both as a town and as a nation. We urge the Winthrop School Committee to settle a strong, fair contract as soon as possible, allowing us all to continue to the important work of building Winthrop's next generation.

We appreciate the continued support of Winthrop Public Schools and by extension, the people of Win-

Sincerely, WTA Executive Board

THANK YOU FROM WINARC

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank Roberta DiPierro and the Winthrop Elks for hosting their 40th annual WINARC Christmas Party. As chairperson for the event, Roberta and her events committee did a fantastic job in planning and preparing the party. Our special thanks go to Chris Daly, the Elks Exalted Leader, for securing funding for the event. Kudos to the Elks Emblem Club Ladies, Otto the cook, and the WHS football players for preparing and serving the food. Mr. and Mrs. Claus made a cameo appearance delivering gift bags for all, and Mojo entertained the crowd with his spirited singing and danc-

Speaking as a board member of WINARC and a parent of a special needs child, I can't begin to tell you how much Winthrop participants appreciate the fine work that you do. This

is evidenced by the smiles on the faces of our members who were up dancing to Mojo's singing, enjoying the tasty dinner, and delighting in the gifts in your

Christmas bags. The Elks Christmas party provides a venue where the WINARC participants can meet their friends, socialize, and dance together during the holiday season. It also gives an opportunity for parents, guardians, and group home workers to get together and communicate. Your party is considered a significant event in our calendar of activities, and we all look forward to it every

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish the Elks members a happy holiday season. This event captured the essence of the "Christmas Spirit". The good will and joy that you brought to our group members and their families yesterday represents to me what Christmas is truly about.

Thank you, Ralph Tufo

GUEST OP-ED

Looking back at my time on the Council

By Ron Vecchia

As everyone is aware this evening is my last town council meeting. I would like to take a few minutes to reflect on the last two years as your Town Council President.

It has been a very interesting journey to say the least and we have in spite some bumps in the road managed to keep this community moving forward. With the appointment of Austin Faison as our new town manager ,assistant Town Manager David Rodrigues and CFO Anna Freedman we entered a new chapter in town government.

Under this leadership team, in an effort to make government more transparent, many grams and systems have been implemented within town government to make access to information easier and faster. A redesigned town web site and real time availability of information has made access by citizens easier and timelier. In the end upgrades to how we conduct business has not only benefited residents but has made town employees more productive. The Town Manager was successful in

modernizing and stream-

lining the budget process

and provided a great deal

of transparency. As part of this continuing process he is constantly pursuing grants to secure funding for capital needs, infrastructure improvements and climate change resiliency. The TM is actively conducting a review of existing policies and practices and working to improve the towns risk management plan regarding employment law in an attempt to avoid future compliances law suites and unplanned legal fees.

We have been very active in responding and planning for climate change and the critical importance of facing its negative impact on our seashore community. Alternative transportation in the face of mounting traffic congestion leaving and entering Winthrop has made the need for expanding ferry service a priority. With the help of grants and creative scheduling we have completed two years of ferry service in the black, with no cost to the taxpayer. With the assistance of

Speaker DeLeo and Senator Boncore the MASS-PORT amended our current Pilot Agreement which increased our annual mitigation significantly until we are able to renegotiate the new agreement in five years. In the past year we

formed the Winthrop Foun-

dation which will provide

2.5 million dollars from MASSPORT over five years for worthy projects within our community.

The need for increase

in revenue continues to be the number one priority if we are going to generate an excellent quality of life and excellence in education for our citizens. We have completed the first step with the completion of the CBD zoning map and the Center Infrastructure Project which will start in early spring. I have asked the Winthrop Planning Board to fast track their recommendations for the old Middle School as the town completes the title search for the site. Responsible development whether in the center of town, the beach or the Highlands is essential if we are to broaden our tax base. Every year we face prioritizing where the money is allocated in the budget and although we have increased the percentage of dollars to the school department budget in the last two years there is still inadequacies in this important budget. We need to explore the need for a prop 2½ override to properly fund education in this town for

once and for all.

the members of the Town

Council that I have had the

pleasure of working with

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of

over the last two years, a special thank you to Councilor Calla who will be leaving the council after many years of dedicated service. To the leadership team, Austin, David and Anna, to School Superintendent Lisa Howard, the department heads and staffs on both the Town and School side, thank you for your continued hard work on behalf of the citizens of the town. Special thanks to our Council Clerk Denise Quist, for all you do each and every day for this council.

I would like to thank my Grandson Christian, he attends many of the council meetings, and I think he is following Papa's footsteps as he has already been involved in many elections. As assistant campaign manager of the Vecchia Committee, he was very much responsible for being elected. Finally I would like to

thank my wife Linda and all of my family for allowing me to be involved in town service. I have taken many hours away from family over the years and I look forward to having more family time. Thank you God Bless our town, God

Bless America.

Ron Vecchia is the Town Council President and longtime elected office holder in Winthrop.

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WINTHROP HISTORY WEBSITE: WIHAONLINE.ORG WINTHROP Then and Now

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

ART 909 - THE GHOST OF CAPTAIN WILLIAM PIERCE





"so I can talk to my friend

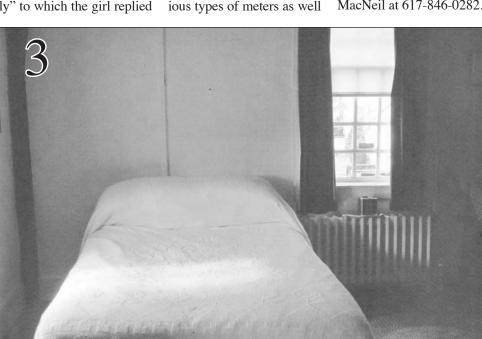
In 1637, Captain William Pierce built a two room wood frame house which, upon his death in 1641 while at sea "privateering" in the Spanish Main, was purchased by Governor John Winthrop for his son Deane, hence the establishment of the Deane Winthrop House on Shirley Street as we know it today. Many historic stories have been written about the house and the numerous changes that it has undergone. Since the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association acquired the home in 1905, they have had a continuous line of resident caretakers who not only lived there but made it available for people to visit and get a chance to see a rare artifact of early American history. See picture one for how the house appeared about 1700.

During the 1975 to 1994 period, various caretakers had unexplainable experiences such as a door closing, lights turned off, occasionally the smell of pipe smoke would enter the room, and twice they reported that their television set was turned off while they were watching it. A simple turning the switch back on reactivated it. One caretaker had a small 4 year old daughter who she put in bed about 9 o'clock each evening. One night the little girl tugged at her mother's sleeve and asked to go to bed at 8 o'clock which her mother complied with. The next night this request was again repeated and, thinking this a bit unusual, her mom asked the girl "why so early" to which the girl replied

the old sea captain." See picture two which depicts one of our rooms about that period. When further questioned, the girl said that the Sea Captain, in an old costume, came into her room and sat up on the dresser and, while smoking a long stemmed clay pipe, told her stories of sailing the seas and old Boston Harbor. Being concerned, her mother put the girl to bed and, after closing the door, sat down outside and listened. About 8 o'clock she could detect a faint odor of pipe tobacco smoke coming out from under the door and could hear her daughter's intense involvement in a conversation- - but only heard the young girl speaking never the other party. This went on for several days, perhaps even a week and then stopped. No explanation was given as to why it stopped. In fact today the mother remembers it vividly but the girl, now a young lady, has no recollection of the event. We have a Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association member, Ellen MacNeil, who is the founder of Spirits of New England Paranormal Investigations. When she heard me tell of the earlier event, she requested to have her group visit the house some evening and conduct a paranormal investigation in it. Two such investigations were conducted in many of the rooms in the house such as the bedroom where the girl slept as shown in picture three. Outfitted with cameras, voice recorders, and var-

as metaphysical tools, some disturbances were detected during both visits. As one of the attendees I witnessed the detection of the disturbances found in the house and when the equipment identified the presence of a man from the past I asked if he might be the Captain who used to meet with the young girl some 20 years earlier. The detected response was affirmative - - - so, as a wild guess, I asked if he might be Captain Pierce and again we received a positive response. Wow, what an experience. I later conveyed this experience to my family and my daughter Jennifer said that she used to occasionally baby sit this little girl and remembered that when the girl went to bed to talk to the Captain, my daughter became frightened and would call and talk to friends on the phone as to a way to keep her company.

What prompted me to write on this subject was the article about "Ghost Hunting" that appeared in the Globe North section of the Sunday January 29, 2012 newspaper. Regardless of whether you are a believer, a skeptic or just curious, searching for and detecting paranormal activity has its own unique methodology. A number of other such paranormal activities have been reported in our town. If anyone feels that they may have experienced such unusual feelings or energy levels someplace and would like to discuss it with this local group, you may contact them by visiting their website at www.spiritsofnewengland.org. or call Ellen MacNeil at 617-846-0282.





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 December 16, 1999 Supt. of Schools Joan

Connolly presented the 1999 MCAS results to the School Committee.The eighth grade results were the best among the various age-groups, with 66 percent of Winthrop students rating as proficient or advanced in English and Language Arts, compared to 56 percent statewide. Winthrop's 10th grade students also scored better than the state averages, with 44 percent scoring advanced or proficient in English compared to 34 percent statewide. However, in the fourth grade, 68 percent of Winthrop students fell into the failing or needs improvement categories in English, compared to 63 percent statewide.

A group of surfers, kayakers, and others braved the chilly waters of Winthrop Beach this past week to highlight their demands for cleaner water and mandatory water testing by the state. The event was sponsored by the Massachusetts chapter of the Surfrider Foundation and other environmental organizations.

Long-time residents are mourning the passing this week of prominent civic leader and local businessman Louis Rossetti. Rossetti, who was 75, opened a shoe repair business in Winthrop Centre in 1947 with his brother, Anthony, that eventually became Publix Shoe, a business that sold shoes and sneakers to generations of local residents. A veteran of World War II, Louis Rossetti served as President of many major town organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce, the Winthrop Rotary Club, and Winthrop Hospital.

"Stuart Little," "Girl Interrupted," and "Any Given Sunday" are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago December 19, 1979

Police report that housebreaks have been on the

A fire at 900 Shirley St. caused an estimated \$25,000 in damage.

Dollars for Scholars cookbooks are available for sale in local stores.

Former Mass. Governor John A. Volpe will head up the campaign in this state for former Texas Gov. John Connally, who is seeking the Republican Presidential nomination.

"Grease," starring Olivia Newton John and John Travolta, is playing at the Kincade Theatre and will show at matinees during the school holiday vacation

50 years ago Dec. 18, 1969

Operation Christmas Card is well underway at the E.B. Newton School, where students are preparing Christmas cards to accompany the gift packages from the Elks for our local servicemen in Vietnam.

U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy chaired a public hearing at the Barnes School in East Boston, where he heard from local residents who aired their complaints about the increase in noise from jet aircraft at Logan Airport in recent years.

Santa will make his traditional visit through-

out town atop a Winthrop Fire Department truck on Christmas Eve. Former local resident

William Ambrose has been named the Dean of Students at Bedford High School.

center in Winthrop was noted as a top priority for the town's teenagers at a prayer breakfast held by the Chamber of Commerce and Jaycees.

James Garner and Gayle Hunnicutt star in "Marlowe" at the Winthrop Cin-

60 years ago Dec. 17, 1959

Winthrop's share of the year-end disbursement of \$18 million from corporation and income tax receipts by the state amounts to \$69,120.

More than 300 persons attended the annual Town Republican dinner meeting at the Winthrop Arms at which U.S. Senator Leverett Saltonstall was the guest speaker.

With only seven members remaining and all of them advanced in years, the George Russell Camp 65 of the local Spanish American War Veterans has announced it will disband.

Santa Claus will arrive in Winthrop atop a U.S. Army missile for a ride through town on Dec. 19.

James Stewart stars in "The FBI Story" at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago Dec. 15, 1949

Andrew P. Quigley, 23, a Chelsea State Representative and long time summer resident of Pt. Shirley, has purchased the Winthrop Transcript from Sidney Curtis, who also owns the Revere Journal. The Transcript will compete with the town's other newspaper, the Winthrop Sun.

The Winthrop Housing Authority's task in selecting applicants for the 73 veterans housing units was made somewhat easier when only 255 families ended up submitting final applications. More than 500 applications had been expected.

John O'Connell has been named to fill the vacancy on the Planning Board by the unanimous action of the selectmen and Planning Board members.

The Advisory Committee held its fourth annual keynote dinner meeting for town officials at the Elks Thursday night with Chairman Thomas White presiding. Economy was the watchword for all departments with only Police Chief William Pumphret asking for a payraise for his men. Pumphret noted that the local police officers are the lowest paid in the area.

Ingrid Bergman and Joseph Cotten star in "Under Capricorn" at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

80 years ago Dec, 16, 1939

The State DPU has issued a 29 page report disapproving of the proposed dissolution of the Narrow Gauge Railroad by the company, stating that the shutting down of the railroad line would be disastrous to all of the communities it serves. However, the final decision on the fate of the railroad's reorganization rests with the federal bankruptcy court, where a petition has been filed by the company. The Metropolitan Po-

lice's old headquarters on the Highland end of Shore Drive has been torn down inasmuch s their new brick building is ready for occupancy.

in and leveled.

The need for a youth phrey Bogart head a big

There is much new con-The new lot of land acquired for the Winthrop Cemetery on the east side

of River Rd. has been filled James Cagney and Hum-

ties" at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

cast in "The Roaring Twen-

90 years ago Dec. 21, 1929

Charles Bennison, Chairman of the Community Christmas Tree Committee appointed by the Board of Trade, has established a Santa Claus headquarters at 216 Winthrop St. where Santa may be interviewed and orders left with him. Donations may be made to the Boy Scout's \$3000 fundraiser.

Warren E. Titus has been elected the new President of the Winthrop Golf Club. Gloria Swanson stars

in her first talking picture, "The Trespasser," at the Winthrop and Dream Theatres.

100 years ago Dec. 20, 1919

The thermometer registered 12 degrees below zero at the Center Station on Thursday, the coldest it has been in quite a few years.

The Elks held their annual charity ball Friday night at the Washington Ave. lodge.

110 years ago Dec. 18, 1909

The Winthrop Ministerial Association once again is protesting against the ball games being played on Sundays by the soldiers at Ft. Banks. They claim that playing ball on Sunday is a desecration of the Sabbath and that the yelling by several thousand fans is disturbing the residents of Beachmont and Winthrop. However, Col. Patterson said he has no intention of stopping the games, noting that Sunday ball games are played at other forts around Boston Harbor. He also said that the crowd is respectable and that there have been no disturbances since the young boys have been

kept out. The ladies of the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association held a Dutch supper and listened to an interesting talk by Mr. H. Miller of Boston, who discussed the topic of the need for long range planning by cities and towns. He said that planning is needed to make a city or town a desirable place to live, which will not happen if development goes unchecked..

120 years ago Dec. 22, 1899 People in all sections of

town are jubilant over the fare reduction from eight cents to five cents for a ride on the Narrow Gauge to Boston. That was quite a plum that the company placed into Miss Winthrop's stocking. It is reported in the Boston papers that the fare reduction will make Winthrop all the more attractive to prospective home buyers and a boom in the realty market is anticipated. The beautiful home of

Mr. and Mrs. William Bowes is in mourning after the loss of their youngest child, 15 year old Frank, when he succumbed after an operation that had been deemed necessary to determine what had been ailing him for many months.

130 years ago Dec. 20, 1889

struction going on in town, even though we are in the winter months. Winthrop Magee is erecting a large stable on Taylor St. and many new homes are being

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Sports

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

WHS GIRLS **HOCKEY OPENS** WITH 3-1 WIN OVER BEVERLY

The Winthrop High girls hokey team opened its season on a winning note with a 3-1 victory over Beverly, one of the Lady Vikings' chief rivals in the Northeast Hockey League, last Saturday afternoon at Larsen Rink.

Mia Martucci earned the distinction of scoring the first goal of the season for Winthrop, assisted by Julia and Emma Holmes, to give the Lady Vikings a 1-0 lead in the opening period.

Julia Holmes, assisted by Olivia Driscoll, reached the back of the Belmont net on a power play in the middle stanza and Sami DiMento added an extra insurance goal in the final period, assisted by Lily Tallent.

The visiting Lady Panthers broke up WHS goalie Summer Tallent's shutout bid with a goal in the final 40 seconds when Beverly pulled its goalie for an extra skater.

Tallent was immense in the Winthrop net, turning aside 39 Medford shots on

"It was a good game, allaround," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "Believe it or not, Beverly had more shots, though a lot were from the perimeter. Plus, we took a few penalties and that did not help.

"Summer Tallent was incredible, stopping 39 shots," added Martucci. "Many of those shots were from the outside, but still, there were some beautiful saves just the same. Summer is one of the top goalies in the state, and she is only a sophomore."

Winthrop exhibited its depth, playing all four of the teams' four forward lines: Mia Norris-Olivia Driscoll-Syd Mignosa; Julia Holmes-Emma Holmes-Mia Martucci; Lindinger-Jenna Jenna Dorr-Maddie Deeran; and Lily Tallent-Hannah Parker-Sami DiMento.

All four of the Lady Viking defensive tandems, Elle English-Fallon Hurley; Abby Holmes-Antea Schlicting; Brooke Costin-Amelia Spencer; and Casey Petersen-Adrianna Rizzotto, also saw action and played well.

"Our defense is pretty much all-new this year after the departure of a ton of great senior leaders," noted Martucci. "They played excellently."

Looking ahead to the coming season, Martucci expressed optimism about his young team.

"We are very young this year, but are looking forward to a great season," said the coach. "This is one of the most intelligent teams I have ever had, as we have a very unique distinction. We have all four Winthrop High class presidents on our team. Senior class president Ryan Parker, junior class president Jenna Dorr,

sophomore class president Mia Martucci, and freshman class president Mia Norris."

Winthrop will be led by four captains, seniors Olivia Driscoll and Sydney Mignosa and sophomores Summer Tallent and Mia Martucci.

"Olivia Driscoll is a great, all-around person," said Martucci. "Not only does she lead on the ice, but she is a leader in the classroom and in her everyday

"Sydney Mignosa is an absolute beast," continued the coach. "She is so strong, and knows how to lead as she also served in the captain's role for the soccer

"Summer Tallent is one of the top goalies in the state, but it is her work ethic and drive that make her a leader-by-example," Martucci added. "Mia Martucci is the one that I can always count on to be there; she is so dedicated and loyal to this program. She has a huge passion to win. We will lean on all four of our captains all season long."

The Lady Vikings once again will play in the NHL with fellow league members Peabody, Masconomet, Marblehead, Medford, and Beverly.

"We hope to reach the three goals we set as a team every season: Win our conference, make the state tourney, and play at the TD Garden for the state championship," said the coach.

and Martucci his crew were scheduled to host Medford last night (Wednesday) at Larsen and will trek to the Salem State University rink on Saturday to meet Marblehead.

"These are two more league games that we need to win in order to stay in line to win the conference," Martucci added.

VIKING SKATERS TAKE ON **MANSFIELD SATURDAY**

The Winthrop High boys hockey team is seeking its first victory of the season this week after tying non-league rival Dedham, 1-1, in the season opener last Wednesday and then dropping a 4-1 decision to Northeastern Conference North Division rival Beverly this past Saturday.

The Vikings' rivals in the NEC North for the 2020 campaign are Beverly, Marblehead, Danvers, and Gloucester. There are four teams in the NEC South: Lynn, Peabody, Saugus,

and Swampscott. Coach Dale Dunbar and his crew were scheduled to play at Lynn last night (Wednesday) and will travel to the Foxboro Sports Center on Saturday to face Mansfield.

The Vikings will return home to host non-league foe Oliver Ames next Thursday at 1:30 at Larsen

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WINTHROP VIKINGS GIRLS HOCKEY VS. BEVERLY



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ON THE MARK: Mia Martucci (24) scored Winthrop's first goal on the way to the Vikings 3-1 win over Beverly. Here she gets off a shot in front of a Beverly defender during the game at Larsen Rink on Saturday, Dec. 14. The Winthrop team features experienced players like Martucci and also three skilled eighth graders.



CELEBRATION TIME: Winthrop players mob forward Sam DiMento (88) after the eighth grader scored her first varsity goal

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WHS GIRLS HOCKEY KICK OFF SEASON LOOKING SHARP, 3-1 WIN OVER BEVERLY

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The Lady Vikings hockey team scored a goal in each period to open their 2019-2020 season with a 3-1 win over Beverly Saturday, Dec. 14, at Larsen Rink.

Mia Martucci got things going for the Vikings barely two minutes into the first period as she converted on a scramble in front of Beverly netminder Maddie Delano. Emma Holmes and Julia Holmes picked up assists. The Vikings doubled their lead with 11:53 left in the second period when Julia Holmes struck on a shot from the slot after taking a pass from Olivia Driscoll.

In the third period, eighth grader Sam DiMento connected on a shot from the right wing. Freshman Lily Tallent picked up an assist. The three goals were plenty for goalie Sumner Tallent, who lost the shutout with just 35 seconds remaining in the game when Beverly's Sadie Papamechail slid a shot through a crowd in front of the Winthrop net.



SETTING AN OBSTACLE: Winthrop's Emma Holmes (7) contains Beverly's Amanda Forziati (9) in the Beverly end.



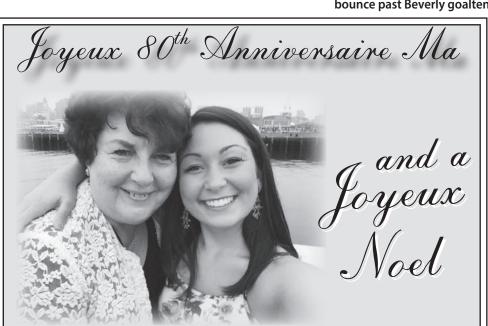
CONCENTRATION: Winthrop goaltender Summer Tallent keeps an eye on the puck as defender Julia Holmes (14) tries to clear.



JUST MISSED: Winthrop's Hanna Parker watches her shot bounce past Beverly goaltender Maddie Delano.



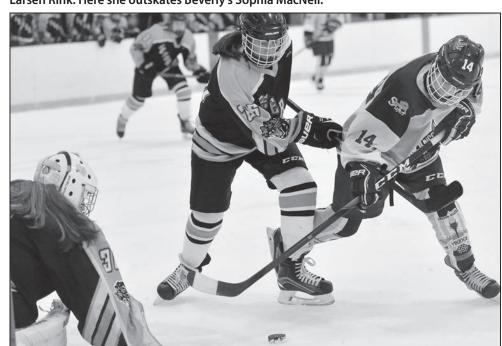
LET IT FLY: Mia Norris watches her shot on the Beverly net.







ON THE MOVE: Hanna Parker (53) is one of three eighth graders on a young Winthrop Vikings team that notched its first win in the season-opener, 3-1, over Beverly Saturday at Larsen Rink. Here she outskates Beverly's Sophia MacNeil.



CLOSE ENCOUNTER: Winthrop freshman Julia Holmes fends off Beverly defender Shea Nemeskal but her shot was blocked by Beverly goalie Maddie Delano.



ROUNDING THE TURN: Mia Martucci (24) turns the corner on Beverly defender Katherine

Purchell and closed in on the Beverly net.

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Joseph Abramo

Member of Council 162 KofC and usher at St. John the Evangelist Church

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and Gia Abramo.



Joseph A. Abramo, 88, Winthrop, passed away Sunday, Dec. 15.

Joseph worked for Raytheon for 40 years before retiring and working for the U.S. Air. He was also a U.S. Army Veteran who served during the Korean War. Joseph was a member of the Council 162 Knights of Columbus and an usher at St. John the Evangelist Church. He will truly be missed by his wonderful family, friends, and neigh-

He was the cherished son of the late Joseph M. and Mary (Scimone) Abramo, beloved husband of 60 years of Loretta (Cataldo) Abramo, devoted father of Lori Abramo O'Meara of

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Gaetano Saraceno

Member of the Augusta Club of Boston and the Revere League of Special Needs

Gaetano Saraceno of Trident Ave., Winthrop passed away at home on Dec. 14. He was 89 years old.

Born in Augusta, Sicily, Italy, he was the beloved son of the late Carmela and Giuseppe Saraceno.

A long time resident of Winthrop, he was employed as a shuttle driver for Hertz for many years. He also worked for American Biltrite, Dobbs and the United Airlines Flight Kitchen. He was a member of the Augusta Club of Boston for over 42 years and a member of the Revere League for Special Needs.

He was the devoted husband of the late Concetta (Silvestro) and the loving father of Carmela Knipe of Minnesota, Joseph Saraceno and Guy Saraceno, both of Winthrop, dear brother of Maria Serrante and her late husband, Alvaro, Concetta Saraceno, Silvio Saraceno and his wife, Milena, Domenico Saraceno and his wife, Angela and the late Luciano Saraceno and his wife, Maria and Francesco Saraceno; cherished grandfather of Daniel and



Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the visitation from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Saturday, Dec. 21 from 9 to 11 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 11:30 a.m. Services will conclude with interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Revere League for Special Needs 200 Winthrop Ave., Revere MA 02151.

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Nicole, Nicolas and Sofia Joy

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As long as life and memory last, we will remember thee. We miss you now our hearts are sore. As time goes by, we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face. No one can take your vacant plance.

Always in Our Hearts, & Sadly Missed Love Your Husband, Children & Grandchildren

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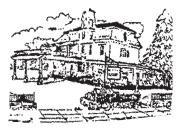
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Winthrop Senior Center News December 19 – December 25, 2019

Hours: Mon-Thurs:8:30-4pm/Fri:8:30-2:30pm www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:30am – Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)

10:30am – Zumba with Barbara

12:00pm - Lunch 1:00pm - The Senior Center will be closing at 1pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

9:30am – Exercise Class 10:00am - Ceramics with Gerry

10:30am – Line Dancing with Cindy 12:00pm - Lunch

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21 There will be no Zumba with Cindy.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

The Senior Center will be closed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 The Senior Center will be closed.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 The Senior Center will be closed.

to complete floor replacement work due to damage from last winter's burst pipe. We will reopen at 8:30am on Monday, December 30. *

*The Senior Center will be closed December 21 - December 29

Get the Senior Center's monthly newsletter emailed to you. You can now subscribe to have the Senior Center Newsletter emailed to you each month. To sign up, go to www. town.winthrop.ma.us/subscribe.

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, January 14 from 2:00-3:00pm. Bring your laptops, smart phones, or tablets, along with your questions. Learning this new technology can open a whole new world for you.

SHINE Counseling: Volunteer SHINE Counselors are here to help you with any health insurance questions you may have. They will be offering expanded hours during open enrollment (October 15-December 7). To make an appointment, please call the Senior Center (617-846-8538).

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

Thursday, December 12 (12:00pm): Senior Center Annual Holiday Party. Join us for our annual Holiday Party luncheon, catered by Spinelli's and entertainment from Alan LaBella. Cost: \$20, checks only; make payable to "Friends of the WCOA".

(12:00-2:00pm): Wednesday, December 18 ClearCaptionstm Bingo Binge. Join your local ClearCaptions Title IV Specialist, Nicole Kalukiewicz, for free bingo and lunch.

UPCOMING TRIPS All trips are payable by check only. Please make check

payable to "Friends of the WCOA" Thursday, December 19: Ken's Holiday Light Tour.

Cost: \$10. Enjoy the sights of holiday lights along the North Shore and a meal at Kelly's Roast Beef in Saugus (dinner is on your own). You must be a member of the Senior Center to sign up. WAIT LIST ONLY. Tuesday, January 21, 2020: Mohegan Sun Casino. Bus

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Senior Center at 9:45am. (\$29)

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COUNCIL **DELIBERATES** ON TIF

CHELSEA - During its final meeting of the year, the City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed tax breaks for the Innes Apartment Redevelopment Project.

The hearing will be held during the Council's regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Dec. 23, at City

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is requesting the Council approve a 15year Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement for the project. If approved, the TIF will give the developer a tax savings of about \$6.5 million over 15 years, will still bringing over \$4.6 million into the City coffers.

"Many of you are familiar with at least some aspect of this innovative joint venture between the Chelsea Housing Authority and developer Joseph J. Corcoran," stated Ambrosino in a letter to the City Council. "The project involves the demolition of the existing 96 unit Innes Apartment public housing development and the construction on that site of a new \$120 million development of 330 residential units and 7,000 square feet of commercial space."

Within the development, 96 units scattered throughout the complex will be reserved for Chelsea Housing Authority tenants, effectively replacing the outdated 96 units on the current

"Given the death of funding in the Commonwealth for the rehabilitation of existing public housing properties, this project provides a rare opportunity to develop new affordable housing for existing public housing tenants," the City Manager stated. He added that because the affordable component of the project is so significant, a generous amount of public support is needed to make the project

The Chelsea Housing Authority is providing the land for the project, and the state is kicking in approximately \$22 million in a combination of direct funding and infrastructure

The City's contribution consists of relief on building permit fees, a share of 40R funding provided by the state, and if approved by the Council, the property tax (TIF) relief.

The TIF proposed for the Innes project includes 80 percent tax relief for the first five years, 60 percent for the second five years, and 50 percent for the third five-year stretch.

Ambrosino noted that the parcel currently brings in no tax dollars for the City.

"The city has been supportive of the project because it promises significant housing benefits to 96 economically disadvantaged families in Chelsea," stated Ambrosino. "The reality is that, without this project and the TIF proposed here, these units will likely remain in their current distressed condition for many years." The Council approved a

request by District 5 Councillor Judith Garcia to hold a subcommittee conference meeting to address any questions about the project, although Councillor-At-Large Leo Robinson said there wasn't really a need for a subcommittee date since there will be a public hearing before the

Ambrosino said he was not opposed to a subcommittee meeting, as long as it is held before the scheduled Dec. 23 public hearing.

CRIME SEES A SPIKE IN CRIME

CHELSEA - A series of serious crimes have spiked concern in Chelsea this month, though Chelsea Police have already made key arrests in most of the incidents.

While the summer and fall were relatively quiet this year, suddenly a wave of activity showed up in December - starting with a series of break-ins to Chelsea High School.

"It was a busy week, but with a lot of success in terms of holding those responsible accountable for their actions," said Chief Brian Kyes.

•On Friday, Dec. 6, police responded to the high school at 5 a.m. for an unauthorized person in the school. That person was believed to be a suspect in three other breaks to the high school over the past three weeks. Other breaks occurred on Nov. 14, Nov. 21 and Nov. 24. More than 20 computers were stolen from the high school during the period.

Police Using State K-9 resources and school personnel, Police were able to locate the suspect in the school.

It is believed he entered the school through a window on the side of the building nearest the swimming pool.

Pierre Nrgle, 27, of Lawrence, was arrested and charged.

•On Monday, Dec. 2, around 3:30 p.m., a shooting incident occurred outside the laundromat at the corner of Essex and Ellsworth streets. Two individual, both armed, had got into an altercation outside. Both men fired rounds at each other though only one man was hit. The injured man was only grazed in the abdomen with no penetration wounds.

Police were not notified of the event until much later by the laundromat owner, and the ShotSpotter system didn't activate. The injured man was put under arrest at the scene. On Thursday, Dec. 5, Santos Canizalez, 19, of 155 Pearl St., was arrested and charged as the other half of the shooting incident.

•On Dec. 5, police got reports of an armed robbery at the cab stand in Bellingham Square. Around 7:30 p.m., Officer Hammond was reporting to work for his shift when he heard the radio call. Being in the area, he quickly located the suspect in the Square, who fled on foot. A chase ensued through the downtown, and the suspect was eventually apprehended in the Family Market on Fourth Street/ Broadway by Officer Hammond.

A firearm was located in close proximity to the suspect while he was hiding in the store. Felony charges against the suspect are pending.

•Finally, on Saturday, Dec. 7, the TD Bank in Bellingham Square was robbed at gunpoint at around 3 p.m. The suspect entered the bank wearing a motorcycle helmet and a mask. He demanded money and fled. Later on, he was arrested in Revere, with all the money apparently being recovered. The FBI is leading that investigation and charges are pending.

HANLON THROWS **SHORT-TERM RENTALS INTO** LIMBO

EVERETT - At the meeting of City Council on Monday, Dec. 9, Councilor John Hanlon dismantled the progress on short-term rental legislation in the City of Everett - something the

administration has been working to fine-tune for the last several months.

In preparation for a final vote on Dec. 23, Councilors were asked to enroll a new section regarding shortterm rentals to the City's Zoning Ordinance. The enrollment required a twothirds majority in order to pass, and failed to do so when Councilor Hanlon voted against it. His vote was critical, given the fact that three other councilors were absent.

There was a marked pause in the voting after voiced the councilor opposition. his City Clerk Sergio Cornelio, whose office has been one of the offices that worked tirelessly to draft comprehensive short-term rental legislation, was visibly flustered.

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio tried to get Councilor Hanlon to reconsider his position and he responded inaudibly. Following the vote,

Cornelio announced that the measure had not passed, effectively rendering the existing short-term rental legislation null and void. 'My office, along with

[the City Solicitor's Office] and James Soper (CBO of the Inspectional Services Department), has worked probably 25 hours on these ordinances. We've worked the whole year to amend this," he told Council. "I don't know what we're going to do with regards to short-term rentals. They'll be in limbo going forward. We will have people operating illegally."

Short-term rentals in Everett have been a major topic of conversation in recent months, with residents calling for City leadership to adopt stricter guidelines for operators. Council passed measures requiring owners to live at the property year-round and become licensed with the City. However, the failure to update the Zoning Ordinance may mean that there is no legal basis for enforcing these rules.

In conversations with The Independent, Council members expressed disappointment with Hanlon's Councilor decision.

"I can't believe this just happened. I'm in a state of shock," said Councilor DiFlorio, who originally introduced the need for short-term rental legislation earlier this year. "Nobody should be voting against that. We've been working on it for a year."

The councilwoman said that the ordinances may not have been perfect, but they were better than having none at all and could have been amended in the future.

"I have great respect for Councilor Hanlon, but I am disappointed to see that a piece of such importance to Everett failed to pass," said Councilor Michael McLaughlin. "This is one matter that can truly protect the residents of Everett." Councilor Anthony

DiPierro said he "wasn't really sure what to think" the councilor's about decision. "It's an ordinance we've

worked hard on for a long time," he said. "I'm not sure what his reasoning was for voting that way." Cornelio told The Independent that he was

working with the City Solicitor's Office to salvage the ordinances already in place. He is scrambling to call an emergency meeting of Council to enroll the measure before a final vote

at the Dec. 23 meeting. Failing to pass the shortterm rental legislation by the end of the year would mean having to reintroduce

it in 2020 with the new

Council. It would then have

MASSPORT'S WINTER COAT DRIVE



The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) is pleased to announce a successful turnout for its Winter Coat Drive. Over 100 employees donated their time and money to purchase coats and deliver them to over 80 children in East Boston. "We are proud to see the outpouring of support and generosity from our employees. We are committed to helping our neighbors in East Boston," said Massport Director of Community Relations and Government Affairs Alaina Coppola. "The coats we provided will help these children stay warm this winter, and their parents will have one less expense to worry about this holiday season." Massport delivered coats for 48 children at East Boston Social Centers and 38 children at Crossroads Family Center in East Boston. The children range in age from newborn to 16 years old. "The families who participate in East Boston Social Centers programs, and our staff, raved about the great coats donated by the generous Massport staff," said Justin Pasquariello, Executive Director of East Boston Social Centers. "These coats will keep our families warm throughout the winter and are bringing them a better holiday season. Thank you to the Massport team for making a big difference in many ways for our children, our families, and our community." "We are thrilled to partner with Massport on the Winter Coat Drive," said Shakira Floyd, Program Coordinator at Crossorads Family Center. "Massport has been a supporter of Crossroads for many years and we appreciate the generosity of its employees on projects like this one."

to pass through several stages, which Cornelio said would take two months at the very least, and more likely three to four months.

There was some speculation that Councilor who had Hanlon, historically supported the legislation, may not have fully comprehended what he was voting on at the time and may be reconsidering his position. The councilor did not

return a call from The Independent regarding his decision.

NANTUCKET LIGHTSHIP **DECLARED NHL**

EAST BOSTON - Since 2009, Eastie has played host to a national treasure. The giant red lightship docked on Marginal Street was declared a National Historic Landmark (NHL) in 1989. Since then there has been a push locally to restore the historic Lightship Nantucket, also known as Lightship No. 112 or simply LV-112.

Recently, the efforts to restore and preserve the Nantucket got a huge boost when it was awarded a Save America's Treasures (SAT) grant from the National Park Service, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment of the Humanities, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Announced this fall, a total of \$12.6 million in grants will help fund 41 projects in 23 states. The funds will support the preservation of nationally significant historic properties and collections throughout the country.

The U.S. Lightship Museum (USLM), the nonprofit organization that has been overseeing the Nantucket's restoration, will receive a \$487,500 grant to restore internal structural components provide and general maintenance critical to maintaining the integrity of the ship's hull and ability to remain open to the general public for decades to come. At the time of its

NHL designation the Nantucket was the last serving lightship and one of only two capable of moving under its own power. The ship, which was docked in Oyster Bay,

Staten Island at the time, and was purchased for \$1 by the USLM under the leadership of Robert Mannino, Jr. The ship arrived in Eastie in October 2009.

The U.S. Lightship Museum's primary mission is to restore and preserve the Nantucket Lightship

as a National Historic

Treasure, and operate the

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Landmark.

ship as a museum and floating educational center in Eastie that is open to the general public. In addition, the museum is currently providing interactive educational programs for grade school students and under-served youths in Boston, especially in the Eastie.

When LV-112 was a commissioned U.S. Coast Guard lightship from 1936 -1975 based in Boston, it was also utilized for marine biological, and environmental research by Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

"The funds from grants directed towards LV-112's restoration and preservation also benefits the community and local economy, as we will hire local contractors and purchase materials, equipment and services from regional vendors and suppliers," said Mannino. "Moreover, the generosity of private and public donors helps maintain our nation's important and unique historic sites, critical to preserving our country's heritage for everyone to learn from and enjoy. Learning from our past is so important in guiding us into the future."

Earlier this year, the USLM also was awarded \$575,000 from the City of Boston through a Community Preservation Act (CPA-Boston) grant. The CPA-Boston grant serves as the required matching funds for the SAT grant.

"The USLM is sincerely grateful to everyone for their support and assistance that were so instrumental in helping us obtain these two transformational grants, directed to Nantucket LV-112's restoration and preservation," said Mannino. "To perform the necessary restoration and maintenance work, LV-112 will need to be hauled out of the water and dry-docked, for which preparations are currently underway."

ADDRESSES CONCERNS WITH WASTE

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yard waste pickup is like

COUNCIL

MANAGEMENT LYNN - The City Council came face to face with Waste Management representative Ed Pacek to address concerns of poor work quality on behalf of the residents. The meeting between the Council, Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, Andy Hall, and Pacek came as a result of numerous complaints from residents

Ward 2 Councilor Richard Starbard admitted that the inconsistent trash and

nothing he has ever seen before.

"Over the past several months, I've sent out 18 emails to Ward 2 residents, all related to pick-up delays," said Starbard, who initially thought the delays were a result of the windstorms in October. "The problem has only gotten worse since then and leave bags have been sitting out in the rain and snow for weeks."

According to Pacek, the initial delay was a result of a miscommunication with the schedule. After a schedule had been published and sent out to residents based on the previous calendar year, the yard waste route was run the week of Thanksgiving instead of the following week when residents expected. In turn, residents waited until the week after Thanksgiving to put yard waste out, causing a light load the previous week, and a delayed pickup the next.

"Unfortunately, didn't notice that there was a week that had changed from one year to the next and we built our schedule based off of what the year before was," said Pacek. 'We didn't do our due diligence by looking at the calendar in advance and we will certainly do that in the future, instead of requesting a change midstream like we

According to Councilor Starbard, Waste Management's work looked more like missed streets and random missed houses, on dates when the residents expected their yard waste to be picked up. Starbard, along with his fellow councilors, compiled lists of missed houses to present to waste management and there were no improvements. One truck was seen picking up yard waste on the odd side of a two-way narrow street, and not returning to collect the even side of the street.

"There is really no rhyme or reason to what is going on," said Starbard. According to Pacek, one

of the challenges with yard waste pickup is that it's difficult to gauge. Unlike trash and recycling, yard pickup is an add-on service with drivers who aren't always familiar with the route. The volume varies and the assets remained fixed, so some weeks, the fixed two trucks are enough to get the job done, and other weeks the DPW needs to be notified so another truck can go back out the next day to collect the rest. While the delay in yard

waste pickup was what propelled the conversation, several other complaints arose over Waste Management's lack of service over previous months. Council President Cyr

said that this was the worst service he's seen it in his 16 years as councilor.

WINTHROP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WINTER PARTY



Paul Leavy and Jim Polino.



Russ Sanford laughing with Rick Roberts.



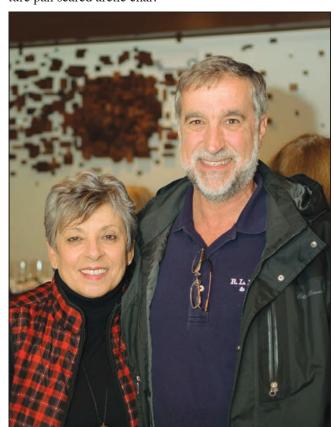
Marc Wallerce shares a toast with friends.



Marie and Kevin Randolph and Dan Carney.

Photos by Marianne Salza

Local businessmen and women gathered for an intimate dinner at 90 Degrees Restaurant on December 10 for the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Winter Party. Members mingled with friends, many dining at the new family-owned American bistro for the first time. 90 Degrees Restaurant serves a variety of cuisines from classic chicken wings to pan roasted Brussel sprouts, and their signature pan seared arctic char.





Ted Tiger, Tracey Honan, and Katie Tiger.



Russ and Suzanne Sanford, Paul Leavy, and Richard Gay.





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To know Winthrop is to love it

fourth While grade teacher Shannon Beaton has only been teaching for two years, she always knew that she wanted to teach. After working as a recruiter in downtown Boston, the Bates graduate and field hockey player decided to go back to school to get her Masters in Elementary Education. Soon after she started her graduate degree at Merrimack College, she was selected into the Fellowship Program, where she was placed at the Francis T. Bresnahan School in Newburyport. She worked primarily in a first grade classroom, while also assisting in grades pre-K through third.

"I truly believe that attending classes and simultaneously gaining experience in a classroom was an invaluable experience," said Beaton.

What do you love about teaching the 4th grade?

In my second year teaching 4th grade, I am loving it more and more. I love the connections and relationships that I am able to build with the students. It is so fun to observe a student's excitement when achieve their goals. I have previous first grade classroom experience, that being said, I enjoy the challenges of the 4th grade curriculum.

Is there anyone who inspired you to become a teacher?

My mother and grandfather. I could go on and on. Both have had such a positive impact on their students and communities. Selfless is the first word that



Shannon Beaton.

comes to mind when I think of my mother and grandfather. My mom is a teacher and coach at Pentucket and my grandfather taught and coached at Milton Academy for many years, he now volunteers his time as a coach at Pentucket.

What do you love about working in Winthrop?

The first thing my Dad told me when I was hired in Winthrop was, "to know Winthrop is to absolutely love it." I will never forget that, because every day I have learned that more and more. This is such a special community and I really have loved being a part of it. After my first week of teaching here, my cousin and grandfather were playing/coaching football against Winthrop. I went to the game and very quickly realized the pride and sense of community that Winthrop exhibits. I knew right away; this is exactly where I wanted to be teaching.

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MYSTIC VALLEY ELDER SERVICES HOLDS TOY AND COAT DRIVE

The holidays are synonymous with toys. It is a joyous time for most. But, for struggling families, it can be a time of stress and anxiety. Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) recently held a toy drive

where employees would donate toys to charitable organizations. The nearly 100 donated toys were divided between ABCD and the Salvation Army in Chelsea. As temperatures fall this holiday season, we can't forget about those struggling to stay warm. MVES staff also donated new and gently used winter clothing (coats, hats, gloves, etc.) to Mission of Deeds.

WMS CANDY GRAMS



Seventh-grade students and Student Council Members, Brooklyn Banfield and Gabby Shea work the Candy Gram table. Winthrop Middle School students are learning the importance of giving this holiday season and having a little fun while they do so. The "Candy Gram" campaign, allows students to purchase a candy cane for \$1 and attach a kind message for their friend or teacher to read. All funds raised will be donated to the ALS Foundation.

AROUND THE CITY

CRY IT OUT

Multi-award winning Artistic Director Danielle Fauteux Jacques directs Apollinaire Theatre Company's production of Molly Smith Metzler's play, "Cry It Out," December 20-January 19: Friday, Saturday, 8 p.m.; January 12,19, 3 p.m., Chelsea Theatre Works, 189 Winnisimmet St., Chelsea. Post-show reception with actors. 617-887-2336, apollinairetheatre.com.

BOSTON CAMERATA

Boston Camerata performs La Estrella: A Hispanic Christmas, Dec. 20, 8 p.m., at All Saints Church -Ashmont, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester; Dec. 21, 8 p.m.; First Parish Church of Newbury, 20 High St., Newbury; and Dec. 22, 4 p.m., at the Firist Parish in Cambridge, 1446 Mass. Ave., Cambridge. \$26-\$63, students, \$10. Bostoncamerata. org/performances/boston-se-

CALAMARI SISTERS

The Calamari sisters bring back their holiday music, fun, and dance, in their "Christmas special, through Sunday, January 5, at the Regent Theatre, 7 Medford St., Arlington, \$30-\$60. 781-646-4849, RegentTheatre.

THE NUTCRACKER

North Atlantic Dance Theatre presents "The Nutcracker, December 20, at 5 pm., Dec. 21. 12,5 p.m., and Dec, 22, at 12 noon, at The Cabot Theatre, 286 Cabot St., Beverly. Dar Williams performs Dec, 27 at 8 p.m., followed by Grateful Ball, featuring Tony Markelis of Trey Anastasio Band and Zach Nugent, formerly of Jerry Garcia Band, Dec.29, at 7:30 p.m. thecabot.org, 978-927-3100, Ticketmaster.

MICHAEL W. SMITH

The multi-Platinum, Grammy award-winning artist-author returns performing his special holiday touring concert, featuring special guest Marc Martel, Friday, December 20, at 7:30 p.m. 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell. \$34-\$104.lowellauditorium.com, 800-657-8774.

KOWLOON KOMEDY

Corey Rodrigues headlines December 20,21, at 8:30 p.m., followed by Paul D'Angelo, Dec. 27,28, at 8:30 p.m., Each show is \$20. New Year's Eve, usher in the new year at the Kowloon Restaurant at its party featuring Wild Fire Band in the Luau Room, Doors open at 7 p.m.; champagne toast, party favors, dinner buffet 7-9 p.m. Wild Fire Band performs 9 p.m.-1 a.m. 948 Broadway, Route 1N, Saugus. 781-233-0077.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

The Boston Community Lighting for Chanukah

Festival of Lights is held Wednesday, December 18, 4:30-10 p.m., at the Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave., Boston. The community candle lighting is at 6:30 p.m. free. Jartsboston.org.

PARADE

Moonbox Productions presents the touching musical through December 28, at Boston Center for the Arts Calderwood Pavilion, 527 Tremont St., South End., Boston.

A.R.T. SHOWS

Besides Moby-Dick, playing through Jan. 12, American Repertory Theater offers: Thumbelina, a Little Musical, Dec. 20-31; STL GLD with Cliff Notez and Latrell James, New Year's Eve, Dec. 31; the Sweetback Sisters Country Christmas Sing-along, Dec. 20,21. Amerianrepertorytheater.org, 617-547-8300.

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At 9 Wallis St., Downtown Beverly, mentalist Jon Stetson amazes, Dec. 20, \$30/\$36. Gimmelive, com, 978-525-9093.

HOUSE OF THE SEVEN GABLES HOLIDAY TOURS

The Turner-Ingersoll mansion, or House of the Seven Gables, is offering Four Centuries of Christmas house tours through December 31, 115 Derby St., Salem. 7gables.org. 978-744-0991.

ANNIE

Ogunquit Playhouse moves its season production of Annie," through December 22, to the Music Hall in Portsmouth, NH, featuring its all-star cast: Josie Todd, Robert Newman, the inimitable Sally Struthers, Broadway's Jeffry Denman, Angie Schworer, and Gail Bennett. Ogunquit Box Office, 207-646-5511, TheMusicHall.org.

HOLIDAY POPS

The Boston Pops Orchestra ushers in the holiday season, through December 31, with several surprise guests, at Symphony Hall, 301 Mass. Ave., Boston. 800-266-1200, bostonpops.org.

SCULLERS

Saxophonists Tucker Antell and Mike Tucker perform with the Ryan Parker Trio, Dec. 20, and the Etienne Charles holiday concert is Dec.. 21, at Scullers Jazz Club, Doubletree Suites by Hilton, 400 Soldiers Field Road, Boston. info@ scullersjazz.com, 617-562-4111.

WHITE CHRISTMAS

Irving Berlin's classic musical spins its musical holiday magic again, December 17-29, at Boch Center Wang Theatre, Boston. Tickets start at \$25. Bochcenter.org, 800-982-2787, Ticketmaster.

GAMM THEATRE

The holiday takes a nostalgic turn with the Gamm Theatre's production of "It's A Wonderful Life," a live radio play, through December 22, 1245 Jefferson Blvd.; Warwick, RI. Previews, \$33; tickets, \$45; children, students, \$20; 10-more group discounts. 401-723-4266.

FADE

Trinity Repertory Theatre presents its Latinx and creative team and cast through January 5, with Tanya Saracho's dramatic comedy, tickets start at \$27 .201 Washington St., Providence, RI. 401-351-4242, TrinityRep.com/fade.

DOLLY PARTON'S SMOKY MOUNTA N CHRISTMAS CAROL

Red Tail Productions and Paul T. Couch presents the new musical, through December 29, at Emerson Colonial Theatre, 106 Boylston St., Boston. Tickets start at \$39.50. emersoncolonialtheatre.com, 888-616-0272.

MOBY-DICK

American Repertory Theater presents the world premiere musical based on Herman Melville's classic novel, with music, lyrics, book and orchestrations by Dave Malloy, through January 17, tickets from \$25. Loeb Drama Center, 64 Brattle St., Cambridge. AmericanRepertoryTheater. org, 617-547-8300.

MIRACLE ON 34th STREET

Greater Boston stage Company presents the beloved, magical Christmas story, based on the Twentieth Century Fox classic movie, through December 22: Friday, 8 p.m., Saturday, 2, 7 p.m., Sunday, 2 p.m.; Thursday, Dec. 19, at 10 a.m., 7:30 p.m., 395 Main St., Stoneham. \$47-\$57; seniors, \$42-\$52; students with valid ID, \$20 group, Thrifty Thursday discounts. 781-279-2200, greaterbostonstage.org.

OLIVER

New Repertory Theatre ushers in the holiday season with classic musical tale, "Oliver!", through December 29, Mainstage Theatre, Mosesian Center for the Arts, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown. Tickets start at \$25. Student, senior, group discounts. 617-923-8487, newrep.org. THE NUTCRACKER

Boston Ballet recreates the

family joy, magic, and beauty of the season with Mikko Nissinen's The Nutcracker," through December 29, at the Opera House, Washington St., Boston.617-695-6955, bostonballet.org.

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Wintery Songs in Eleventy Part Harmony appear, Dec, 17,18, at 8 p.m., followed by Aine Minogue, Dec. 23 at 7 p.m., and Ellis Paul, Dec. 30,31. at Club Passim,47

Palmer St., Cambridge. \$25, members, \$23. Passim.org, 617-492-7679.

BERKLEE PERFORMANCE CENTER

Appearing at Berklee Performance Center, 136 Mass. Ave., Boston are Berklee Concert Jazz Orchestra: world premiere of original jazz music for the large ensemble, Dec. 17, and Shalom: Peace of the Season, Dec, 18. Berklee.edu/ BPC, 617-747-6038.

ART EXHIBIT

Art Exhibit on display through December 25, Saturdays, 2-4 p.m. at the Clock Tower Gallery, EB School and Cultural Center, 45 Pauline Road, Winthrop. winthropculturalcouncilorg.

BLUE HERON:

The prestigious group performs December 20,21, "Christmas in Baroque Germany," Praetorius, Scheidt, and others, at First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, Garden St., Cambridge.l

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Lyric Theatre of Greater Boston presents Ken Ludwig's stage adaptation of Agatha Christie's iconic mystery, through December 22, 140 Clarendon St., Boston. boxoffice@lyricstage.com, 617-585-

THE WICKHAMS: CHRISTMAS AT **PEMBERLEY**

Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon's new tale, based on the characters from Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice," is performed through December 22, at Merrimack Repertory

Theatre at Liberty Hall, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, 978-654-4678, mrt.org.

Theatre's Nancy L. Donahue

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Plan early to take the family and see Bill Hanney's North Shore Music Theatre masterpiece production of "A Christmas Carol," through Dec. 22: Dec. 22, at 2 p.m.; Dec,,20, at 7:30 p.m.; Dec. 21, at 2 and 7:30 p.m., 62 Dunham Road, Beverly. Tickets are on sale now at Nsmt.org, 978-272-2300.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Company Theatre presents Dickens' classic ghost tale through December 22, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, at 7:30 p.m.; matinees, Saturday, 4 p.m., Sunday, 3 p.m., at 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Companytheatre.com. 781-871-2787, companytheatre.

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ACE TICKET EVENTS

The Celtics take on the Pistons, Dec.20, and the Raptors, Dec. 28; The Patriots vie against the Bills, Dec. 21 and the Dolphins, Dec. 29; The Bruins take on the Islanders, Dec. 19; and the Predators, Dec. 21. Aceticket.com.

ROSE ART MUSEUM

The Rose Art Museum Brandeis University, 415 South St., Waltham, has on display Into Form: selections from the Rose collection, 1957-2018, through Jan.5, 2020, Gordon Matta-Clark's Anarchitect through Jan, 5, and the permanent installation of Mark Dion's The Undisciplined Collector. Free parking, admis-

JULIE KRAMER ROCK AND ROLL PHOTOGRAPHY

The photographer -on-air performer presents her new photography exhibition, "The Basement Archives: The Ghosts of WFNX: Volume II," through December 20. Free and open to the public, at the Boston Center for Adult Education, 122 Arlington St.,

Back Bay, Boston. **KIMSOOJA**

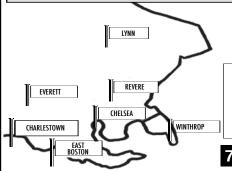
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Docket No. SU19P2699EA Estate of: Carol A. Cronin Date of Death 10/14/2019 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Deborah J. Hillman of Westford, MA and Marie L. Cronin of Westford, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests

that: Deborah J. Hillman of Westford, MA and Marie L. Cronin be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do

so, you or your attorney

appearance and objection

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at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/21/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice

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appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual

accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this

Date: December 09, 2019 Felix D. Arrovo Register of Probate 12/19/19

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COMMONWEALTH OF

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TRIAL COURT 19 SM 005775 ORDER OF NOTICE

Richard R. Coscia a/k/a Ralph R. Coscia Carol A. Coscia and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq): HSBC Bank USA, N.A. claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Winthrop, numbered 47 Washington Avenue, given by Richard R. Čoscia a/k/a Ralph R. Coscia and Carol A. Coscia to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems,

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8, 2004, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 34317, Page 161, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated November 2, 2017, and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 58972, Page 159, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on

that basis, then you or

your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before January 13, 2020 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on November 26, 2019. Deborah J. Attest: Patterson Recorder 19-035131 / FC01 12/19/19

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT**

(617)788-8300 TRUST CITATION Docket No. SU19P2448P0 In the matter Of: Pennetta Family Trust underwritten By Rita Bomarsi Penetta To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Felice Edward Bomarsi of Revere, MA requesting Removal of Current Trustee Rita Bomarsi Penetta and Appoint Felice Bomarsi Successor Trustee.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn. First Justice of this Court. You have the right Date: December 04, 2018 to obtain a copy of Felix D. Arroyo the Petition from the Register of Probate 12/19/20 Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object

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Members and guests of the Robert DeLeo Senior Center were wearing their best Christmas attire for the annual holiday gathering last Thursday, Dec. 12. Entertainment was provid-

ed by the Seaside Tappers and Winthrop High School student, Connor Clarke, wowed everyone with his Irish Step Dancing routine. Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo, presented a flag to Senior Center Director Kathy Dixon, and lunch was catered by Spinelli's.



Richard and Pat Carbone get ready to enjoy their lunch.



Ruth Vosolo and Edie Raymond work the registration table.



Diane Davis is all smiles as she taps her way through



Joanne Troisi, Gerry Gillis, and Marilyn Tobey work the



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Speaker of the House Bob DeLeo presents the flag to Senior Center Director Kathy Dixon.



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