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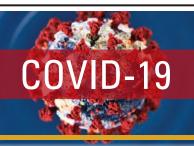
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By Laura Plummer

Town Council met remotely

for its regularly scheduled

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about the COVID-19 out-

-Moment of Silence

The meeting began on

a somber note, as Coun-

cil President Phil Boncore

called for a moment of

silence to honor the first

individual in Winthrop to

lose his life to the pandem-

ic. The 87-year-old veteran

was also the first person in

Massachusetts to succumb

to the virus. Council Presi-

dent Boncore also asked for

a moment of prayer for four

other residents who have

since tested positive, as

well as for Winthrop's first

-Emergency Fund

voted to transfer \$50,000

from the Town's Free Cash

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Committee, but Council

President Boncore brought

the matter to an emergency

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Town Council meeting dominated by COVID-19 updates

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As we face the public

soon as possible.

Operations Center

"People working there are doing an outstanding job," said Council President Boncore. "If there's a situation, let [them] know. We

-Practical Information All parks, playgrounds

and beaches are closed for the foreseeable future. The Town is willing to divert resources to breaking up any gatherings of ten or more. However, they prefer that

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vote to get it underway as

-Emergency

Winthrop has activated an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in order to monitor the spread of the virus and to streamline services to vulnerable residents. Residents who are self-quarantining must report this information to the EUC. The EUC is also coordinating food delivery to elderly, homebound or quarantined residents. The center can be reached at 617-539-5848, Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm, or via email at covid19info@town.winthrop.

want to take care of you."



Krystina Monahan shows off one of the masks she has been making to provide to medical professionals during the coronavirus crisis.

Winthrop resident uses talent to support healthcare workers

The COVID-19 pandemic has upended the lives of millions of Americans. For resident Krystina Monahan, the shift hasn't been easy, however; she is using the talent and resources that she has to help healthcare employees who are faced with dwindling supplies.

When the La Siesta bartender and mother of two heard that medical professionals were desperate for materials and protection, she stepped in and decided to use her talent to donate handmade masks.

"I can't imagine how scary it is to go to work every day during something like this, knowing that you don't have the proper supplies to protect yourself," said Monahan, who, in addition to bartending, makes home décor and accessories on Etsy for her business, Lovebug Handmade.

"While these handmade masks do not provide all of the same protection as a medical grade mask, they are better than the alterna-

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Council looks beyond pandemic

While the virtual Town Council meeting on Tuesday, March 24, was understandably dominated

by concerns about the COVID-19 coronavirus, members were also able to address normal business items impacting the community.

A resident from Precinct 6 called with concerns regarding French Square. French Square is being transformed into a parking lot to accommodate the displaced vehicles that will result from construction in

your provider directly. A telehealth program, which enables medical care over the phone while patients stay safe at home, has been implemented and is working well for patients and providers. Additionally, we have

al health services, contact

made other proactive changes that impact patient care. Patients who must come to the Health Center for necessary appointments are now limited to one adult and one child per exam room. The EBNHC buildings at 79 Paris Street and

Winthrop Neighborhood Health are both closed until further notice. These services have been temporarily moved to new treatment areas designed to reduce potential exposure. If you have questions about upcoming appointments and their locations, call 617-

569-5800. Many of EBNHC's patients are at high risk for COVID-19. This includes adults ages 60 and above, medically fragile children in the CATCH program,

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Local man dies from COVID-19

First death recorded in state from virus

Special to the Transcript

Town Manager Austin Faison, Public Health Director Meredith Hurley Police Chief Terence Delehanty and Fire Chief Paul Flanagan issued the following statement this past weekend following the death from COVID-19 of a local man last Friday:

"We are deeply saddened to announce that a Winthrop resident has died as a result of his contracting COVID-19, the illness associated with the Novel Coronavirus.

"The victim was an 87-year-old man with underlying health conditions. The fact is that this terrible virus has taken a life in our community, and that loss of life gives each of us pause and fills us with sorrow.

"We are aware that our resident is the first patient to die from COVID-19 in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

"We have been in contact with the family, and we relay from the family that they are deeply saddened and have requested privacy, and we ask that everyone respect their wishes during this difficult time."

> **Public Health Updates** The Public Health De-

partment reports one new case, bringing the current total number of cases identified in Winthrop up to four as of Tuesday, March 24.

The Town of Winthrop Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is streamlining the COVID-19 response effort and ensuring the continued delivery of services to residents. The EOC will remain operational until further notice. The EOC can be reached at 617-539-5848, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or by emailing CO-VID19info@town.win-

throp.ma.us. If any resident is currently under self-quarantine for symptoms or travel history, please contact the EOC at 617-539-5848 or COVID-19info@town.winthrop ma.us. All information will

be confidential. To receive COVID-19 updates from the state of Massachusetts, Text "COVIDMA" to 888-

Local Winthrop Updates

 All non-essential businesses are closed until April 7

All Parks and Play-

grounds will remain closed. · No gatherings of any

kind of more than 10 people at one time, in one place.

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See Our ad on Page 5 for information on our in-town subscription special, to help you stay in during this crisis.

WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Monday, March 9

Injured raccoon limping behind the EB Newton School. ALC1 Revere on scene has raccoon. Clear.

RN care manager called and stated that a visiting nurse was at said parties home and stated patient has low blood pressure and should go to the ER. Patient declined. Fire/ Medical on route. Male party is fine he was eating lunch. Units clear.

White male with a dark jacket running up and down Walden Street. Party given courtesy ride home by Unit.

Son called, he lives with his terminally ill father. He hasn't been able to reach him and line is busy. He wants a well being check. Officer spoke to father's visiting nurse. He is fine. Clear

Todiso Towing reports a trespass tow of the vehicle from the rear of Governor's

Unresponsive party at the 90-degree restaurant. Fire/EMS arrive to find party awake, conscious but confused. 65-year-old male was transported to the

Whidden Hospital via Action EMS.

Calling party reports Massa Playground with 30 youths destroying the Kiddie Play House. Units clear, nothing was vandalized. Spoke to parents and kids. Nothing is amiss.

Caller states there is a male party in a gray sedan. The vehicle is shut off. Just wants to make sure the party is ok. Clear, was a good intent call. The male party had pulled over to look at his cell phone.

Tuesday, March 10

72-year-old male injured from a fall, abrasion to head. Unit requesting medical aid. Male party refused to go to hospital. He was escorted back to his home. Clear

Walk in to report that tickets were purchased on Stub Hub with his credit card information. He did not order these tickets. Stub Hug reported that the buyer for the tickets is also from Winthrop and gave the information for police to fol-

Caller states his vehicle was hit, 2012 black Honda Civic. Damage to the front left of the vehicle.

Caller states that someone smashed her kitchen windows. She thinks this may have stemmed from an altercation that happened the other day. Caller also stated she cut her foot when she went outside. Medical was dispatched.

Party walked in with a dog they found in the area of Morton and Pleasant Park. Animal control returned dog to owner.

Caller states a man has 2 pit bulls off the leash at the soccer field by the cemetery. White male approximately 60 years old.

Caller states a female party came to his home and was banging on his door at 10 p.m. She left and returned and did the same thing at 10 a.m. He informed landlord who is looking to put a trespass order on her. He will call police if she shows up again.

Wednesday, March 11

Daughter would like well

being check on her mother; she spoke to her 2 days ago. Unit states no answer at the door. Also there is a lot of mail piling up at the door. Medical aid requested. They made contact with party and her well-being is

Party is from Mass Dot trying to let a female know her husband was injured at work. They tried to call but n o answer. He is at the residence but doorbell is not working. Unit reports notification has been made.

Thursday, March 12

Walk in report of a male outside harassing customers near the Post Office. Units report that the male may have left in a taxi. Units clear they have checked the entire area. Male has left.

Citation issued to drive for window tint at 17%.

Friday, March 13

Employee from CVS received a bad \$50 bill yesterday. Would like it reported. Unit will follow up.

Nick's Place also re-

ceived a fake \$50.00 bill last week.

Unit notes that a tractor-trailer came into the town the wrong way. Unable to make the turn onto Pleasant St. Unit is taking the truck out of town to get the truck back on route.

Caller reports children in the playground with one child assaulting another. Units spoke to all the children; they stated they were just playing tag, they were advised to calm down.

Caller states neighbors door is ripped off the hinges and on the ground, house seems empty. Caller finds it suspicious. Both storm door and main door in the back of the house. Units making entry into the home. Residents travel to Florida for the winter. Multiple neighbors stating the door may have been loose and taken off the hinges by the wind.

Saturday, March 14

Called in by Deer Island Security stating there is a vehicle in the front entrance parking lot that is refusing to leave. State Police has been notified and is en route. Vehicle left prior to officer arrival.

Silver vehicle no parking sticker parked the wrong direction. Parking citation issued for left wheel on the curb and a failure to display

a parking permit. Party came to station to report a dispute he had with tenant.

Calling party states a small dark vehicle speeds down her street every Saturday. She wanted incident noted.

Caller states a male party wearing a jacket with backpack was walking around her home looking into the windows. Units checked area as well nothing showing at this time.

Sunday, March 15

Caller states 2 trucks are hammering and working on vacant home. Have young children. Units report they spoke to parties, advised them it is Sunday, they will be wrapping it up for the

Town Council pulls off first ever remote meeting on Tuesday night

By Laura Plummer

On Tuesday, March 24, the Town Council was united virtually in the studio of the Winthrop Community Access Television (WCAT) for the first ever remote meeting in the body's history. Local governments around the Commonwealth have turned to virtual meetings in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis.

Since WCAT closed to the public on March 16, no staff or volunteers have been permitted to enter, except for Executive Director

Mike Cabral. The studio offered the space for the Council meeting, but could only accommodate four people due to safety precautions.

In attendance physically were Council President Phil Boncore, Council Vice President James Letterie and Town Manager Austin Faison. The men sat the requisite six feet apart at a makeshift conference table facing the camera. Council Clerk Denise Quist sat off-screen, moderating the members who attended remotely.

A second camera captured the screen where the other members joined the meeting via the online conferencing platform Zoom. Councilors Peter Christopher, Richard Ferrino and Robert DeMarco could be seen, while the remaining councilors were present through audio only.

Council President Boncore laid the ground rules for conducting the meeting remotely in order to ensure accurate meeting minutes. These included speaking clearly and muting when not speaking.

Council went through the agenda as it normally does-introducing items, getting feedback from councilors and then asking for public commentary.

Winthrop Town Council meetings are generally well attended and are known for their robust public input periods. While residents could not participate in person, they were encouraged to submit their concerns via phone or email.

"There are many people watching tonight," said one caller. "I want to thank everyone in the town who has

kept us safe. We appreciate

As expected, the first-ever remote meeting was not without its hiccups. There were some difficulties with muting and unmuting Zoom participants, microphone feedback and making contact with callers. But everyone was very pleased with the overall execution and the process will no doubt improve with practice.

Council President Boncore said the other boards and committees will be meeting virtually "as soon as possible." Committee clerks have been provided with Zoom accounts and instructions on how to organize and facilitate remote meetings.

"The group can chat and questions can come in on cell phone or email," said the Council President. "We may not have the same level of video, but we will have minutes taking."

Residents who wish to submit comments for the next Council meeting on April 7 can call or text 781-808-6014, or email councilclerk@town.winthrop. ma.us.

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tives that some nurses are being faced with. Some are forced to use a headband, bandana, or paper towel. They can also be used as washable covers for medical masks that are having to

be reused." Monahan began her mask-making journey one week ago and was grateful to discover online tutorials and an entire community of crafters with the same mission. So far, she's made over 50 masks, 25 which have been delivered to Mass General Hospital and East Boston Neighborhood Health Center.

To make the masks, Monahan sews elastics into the side seams of a nine inch by seven inch rectangle cloth. She then top stitches them with pleating on the sides to allow for an accurate fit. For added protection she makes them with two layers, cotton quilting fabric on the outside and cotton flannel on the inside.

"Craft stores have been selling out of the sewing elastic that is needed to make the masks. I fortunately have an abundance of fabric, elastic and mis-

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cellaneous craft supplies due to the nature of my small business."

While Monahan is faced with the same struggles as many out of work employees, she is finding the blessings in time at home with her family. Her two boys, (Elliot, 6 and Mason, 12) are used to witnessing her cutting, pinning and sewing at the dining room table.

"My partner, Chris Alberto, is also very supportive and helpful when it comes to balancing our parenting. The one blessing to come out of all of this is that we have a lot more time together now that we are all home, self-isolating. So even though I am spending a good amount of time on the masks, I still have the time to spend with my boys, playing games, doing puzzles or having movie

Monahan urges interested crafters to join the Facebook group, "Hands That Care," for links to patterns and tutorials. For more information, please email her LovebugHandmade@ gmail.com.

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residents take the initiative to socially distance.

Council President Phil Boncore said he was surprised to see a group of nine teens skating together at the skate park.

"We want them to play, but not in groups," he said. "Parents, watch your children. It's not a joke."

As of noon on Tuesday, March 24, non-essential businesses were ordered to close. Search online to see a full list of what is considered an essential business. Bars and restaurants can still serve take-out meals and offer curb-side pickup, and they were recently inspected to ensure proper sanitization.

"Support these businesses," said Town Manager

Austin Faison. "They are operating for you."

Municipal offices remain closed but residents can conduct business on the Town's website. Town Hall staff are working tirelessly behind the scenes so that business continues as usual. The Town is taking steps to ensure that its staff have the technology to perform their duties remotely.

Emergency services buildings such as police and fire stations are being cleaned and sanitized at regular intervals. The Department of Public Works has ordered a Clorox steam-cleaning machine for use in public buildings.

The Winthrop Food Bank is in desperate need of donations of non-perishable items and paper products to deliver to homebound residents. Donations are accepted 11am to 1pm at the Cummings School.

"This was the first day e did a dropoff from the food bank," said Faison. "We ran out."

Residents are urged to contact their primary care physician in the event they develop a fever, cough or shortness of breath.

-Winthrop Public

Schools The School Committee has been meeting virtually and Supt. Lisa Howard has been conferencing with administrators and other superintendents across the state. Together they are formulating a plan for educating students remotely. Her office puts out weekly newsletters, as do principals and teachers at all of the schools. Council urges parents to review these and to remain attentive to their children's educational needs. It is unclear whether schools will reopen before

The district is offering free bagged breakfasts and lunches to Winthrop school students. They are available for pickup at the high school. Leftover meals will be donated to the food pan-

The School Building Assistance Committee approved the purchase of four Clorox steam-cleaning machines to help keep the schools sanitized.

has been meeting remote-

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the CBD. Anita said she objected to the square being turned into a parking lot, claiming that it had once been a sacred Native American burial ground and that it had old-growth trees. "Poor decisions have

been made over the years," said the caller. "Please find alternatives to cutting down trees in the park and don't turn it into a parking lot." Town Manager Austin

Faison said that the Town

had conducted an environmental impact study on the site and that the engineers had been in touch with different tribal organizations that expressed interest in the project. It was decided that an archaeologist will be on the site during the con-Faison also said that the

trees currently in French Square are only 10 to 15 years old and not oldgrowth trees as the caller had claimed.

Gov. Baker has stated that he wants infrastructure construction work to continue despite the COVID-19 pandemic, so the Town is still expecting to break ground on the project on April 6.

-Transfer of Funds Council voted to autho-

rize the purchase of equipment for the Department of Public Works. This included a new F-750 dump truck for \$40,663, a new John Deere backhoe for \$26,225, and a new John Deere 544K front end loader for \$42,214.

A request to transfer \$35,400 from the Special Revenue Fund #520/Technology Grant to fund the second of a three-year software agreement with Open-Gov was postponed until the next meeting. According to its website, Open-Gov is an "integrated cloud solution for budgeting, performance, communications and reporting."

-Committee Reports

sentation was originally slated for March 24, but has been postponed until April.

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ly and has recommended favorable action on the aforementioned equipment purchases.

The newly reassembled School Building Assistance Committee met for a second time. It voted to approve the purchase of four Clorox steam-cleaning machines to help keep the schools sanitized.

The Public Safety Committee is postponing its meetings until after seques-The Miller Field Com-

mittee dedication ceremony has been postponed until the fall, but work is still being completed and is around 95 percent finished. **-Upcoming Events**

On Thursday, March 26, Town officials will be

meeting remotely with the project team for the CBD, including contractors and engineers. The Town's budget pre-

The Finance Committee

A MESSAGE FROM ELLIOT WHITTIER:

Adding delivery service to your business

the current COVID-19 crisis, many businesses are forced to take a different look at their operations, and some are looking to respond by adding or enhancing delivery services. Indeed, as of this writing, Governor Charlie Baker has instituted a ruling that food at bars and restaurants is to be limited to take-out and delivery only. What are the insurance ramifications of adding delivery services to your business operations?

If your restaurant (or other establishment) wanted to conduct delivery you can't just allow your employees to take their car and make deliveries for you. But there is a simple solution to address this for your business - adding a hired and non-owned liability policy to your insurance program.

What is a hired and non-owned liability insurance policy?

Hired and non-owned auto insurance protects you, the business owner, if you have employees who sometimes drive their own car, or even one they have rented, for your business use.

When your employee is using his or her own car, or



one that you have rented for business, and gets in an accident, your business could be liable.

Of course, you should confirm that your employee has a valid driver's license as well a current, in-force personal auto policy. Your employee must also notify their Agent or Carrier that they are using their personal vehicle for business pur-

What does a hired and non-owned policy cover?

Typically, what's covered are at-fault bodily injury liability and property damage liability claims including the cost to defend them.

What's is not covered?

Typically, what's not covered is physical damage for the rented or employee-owned vehicle, nor any damaged property being transported.

It is not expensive to add a non-owned auto liability policy. You can find out more by calling your insurance agent, or feel free to give us a call at Elliot Whittier Insurance at 617-846-5000 with any questions about coverage details, limitations, or for a quote.

This was written by Christine O'Keefe and Steve Roy of Elliot Whittier Insurance.

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• All public schools in Massachusetts are closed until at least April 7.

Winthrop Schools will be distributing Grab-and-Go Meals for any WPS student in need. Pick up will be Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the rear loading dock area of Winthrop High School. There is no cost for any student.

• All bars and restaurants will only be able to serve takeout customers.

• COVID-19 Tip Hotline available on the Winthrop Public Safety website for those self-reporting or for a concerned member of the community. The hotline can be found at https:// winthroppublicsafety.com/ covid-19-tip-hotline/.

· Canned goods needed! The Winthrop Community Food Bank will be accepting donations on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Cummings Elementary School. Drop offs will take place behind the school on School Street.

• The Food Bank is in need of canned goods, pasta, non-perishables, sealed baby formula, toiletries and paper products including toilet paper, tissues, napkins, and paper towels.

• Food will be distributed

on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11am-1pm. Individuals and Families that are IN NEED are welcome to the Community Food Bank at the Cummings School. Fresh produce and dairy products such as milk, butter, eggs and yogurt will also be distributed based on availability and on a first come first served basis. We appreciate your cooperation in helping to make this process orderly and efficient.

• If you are elderly, or homebound, please contact the Emergency Operations Center at 617-539-5848 so delivery arrangements can

• For more info about the Food Bank or volunteer opportunities, please contact Matt Rodes at mrodes@ town.winthrop.ma.us.

• Municipal offices will remain closed to walk in foot traffic at this time. Residents can pay taxes, parking tickets and apply for resident parking stickers online or by dropping payments and applications in the drop box located at the Town Hall front door.

 Residents can report DPW safety issues on the town website or by the "See Click Fix" on your mobile smartphone.

> **Health Guidance** As always, if anyone

displays symptoms of COVID-19, including a fever, cough or shortness of breath, they should not go to work or school and are advised to contact their primary care physician.

For residents that may be self-quarantined and require outside assistance or meal delivery, please email

fo@town.winthrop.ma.us. Residents are advised to practice social distancing by keeping 6 feet between people to prevent the spread of infection which includes handshaking and hugging. Residents are also encouraged to avoid group

the EOC at COVID19in-

activities and events. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, including under your fingernails. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol content) can be used when soap and water are not available.

Keep your hands away from your face.

Cover your nose and mouth when sneezing and coughing with a tissue and discard it immediately Cough into the sleeve over your elbow instead of your hand. Wash your hands often when coughing and sneezing.

Stay away from people who are sick and stay home when you are sick.

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asthma sufferers, pregnant women and other patients with chronic conditions and vulnerable groups. Our focus is on protecting these high-risk patients and providing them with high-quality, critical care.

Help us protect yourself,

- Staying six feet away from other people
- Avoiding large crowds and gatherings
- Practicing good hygiene such as washing your hands, using hand sanitizer, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your

If your COVID-19 risks are higher due to age, underlying health conditions, a weakened immune system, or pregnancy:

- Stay home and avoid situations of potential exposure
 - Do not travel
- Do not attend large

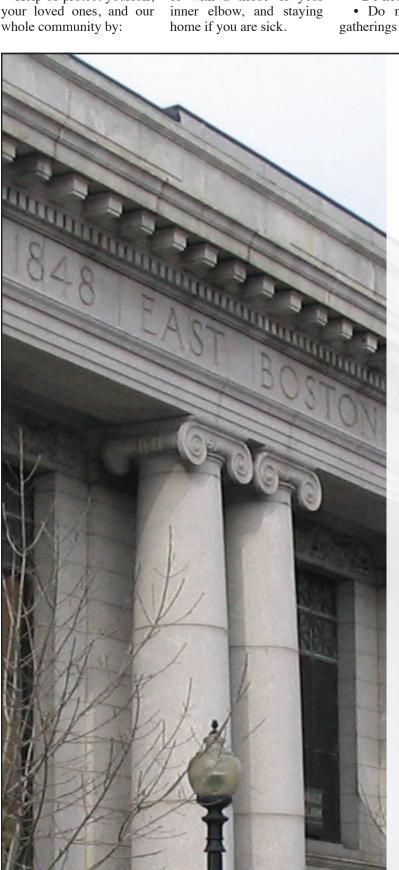
• Limit time spent in public areas

• Do not congregate in groups of more than 10 people

The EBNHC team is working tirelessly to protect our community. We care for all who need us, regardless of age, income, insurance status, language, culture or social circumstances. Our mission has not changed in 50 years and will guide us through this crisis.

Many of our team members are serving on the frontlines of patient care, risking their own health to treat those who need it. We have never been prouder of our team. But we cannot do

We all have a personal responsibility to protect ourselves and others. Practice social distancing and limit interactions with people who are at higher risk for COVID-19. We are a strong and responsive community. We will get through this crisis together.



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We have seen and been through past events that have affected the country and the world. As we navigate through this pandemic together, please know that we are here for you. I assure you that East Boston Savings Bank remains your strong neighborhood bank, supporting you, your family, your business and your community. It's because of your trust in us - and our faith in you - we will make it through these events together.

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I understand there are a bunch of unknowns with this pandemic but know this; East Boston Savings Bank has endured many devastating events in the past and has come through each of these stronger and more committed to our customers

Thank you for trusting in East Boston Savings Bank. Stay safe and we look forward to continuing working hard for you.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Gavegnano President, CEO and Chairman East Boston Savings Bank





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OUR Opinions

THANK GOODNESS FOR DR. FAUCI

Watching the daily press briefings of the White House Task Force on the current corona virus crisis, we know we speak for all Americans in being thankful for the calming and professional presence of Dr. Anthony Fauci, who has served as the Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) since 1984.

It's hard to believe that Dr. Fauci is 79, not only because of his energy, but also because of the spot-on answers he has for every question from the press, which often includes having to make sense of the typical off-base pronouncements from President Donald Trump.

It is fair to say that there are few in the entire world who has Dr. Fauci's breadth of experience and expertise in the realm of infectious diseases. If there is one person who is irreplaceable in our government at this critical time, that person is Dr. Fauci.

We know we join with all of our fellow citizens in thanking Dr. Fauci for his many years of service to our country and for all that he is doing today in order to help us through these difficult times.

THANKS FOR THE **MEMORIES, TOM**

For the past 20 years, there has been no public figure in New England who has been more well-known, and more idolized, than Tom Brady. Regardless of whether you are a football fan, male or female, young or old, everyone knows who Tom Brady is.

Up until this season, the thought of Tom Brady not finishing his career as a Patriot was unimaginable.

But this past week, Brady's departure for Tampa Bay was the emotional equivalent of a bucket of ice water in the face. The young man who grew from a last-round draft pick into a legend, both on and off the field, has left us with an ache in our hearts, even for those of us who don't know a first down from first base.

Tom Brady never has been the most athletic person on the gridiron, nor did he possess the strongest arm. But what he demonstrated during his 20-year career is that hard work, dedication, and mental toughness matter far more than natural ability.

It is a lesson that transcends the game of football and that constitutes the essence of what made Tom Brady the

In the vein of the maxim, "'Tis better to have loved and lost, than never to have loved at all," even though it may take another 20 years for the Patriots to get to the Super Bowl, the six championships that Tom Brady brought our region will forever be inscribed in our collective memories.

Thanks for the memories, Tom.

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LETTER to the Editor

ON THE COVID-19 **DISEASE**

Dear Editor,

The Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) poses a serious public health risk. It requires a serious response by government at all levels - federal, state and local, health care providers, and the public. It is not a time for political posturing, nor ignorance.

I am writing in response to a Letter to the Editor in the March 19 Winthrop Sun Transcript from Paul Caruccio entitled, "Coronavirus Proves Necessity for Border Wall".

Mr. Caruccio implies that closing our borders to immigrants would keep us safe from this pandemic and possible ones in the future. He suggests that the problem is coming from land, and the Asian nations Mexico and Central Amer-

First of all, coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that are common in people and many different species of animals. Rarely, animal coronaviruses can infect people and then spread between people such as previously with MERS and SARS, and now with this new virus. All three of these viruses have their origins in bats.

Second, the epicenter of the outbreak was in China. Other countries with the most serious community spread are Iran, continental European nations such as France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Portugal and Spain, the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) and Ireof Malaysia and South Ko-

There has been no serious threat from Mexico or Central America at this time.

Third, here is Massachusetts, of the 328 confirmed cases of COVID-19 as of March 19, 97, or 30%, are the result of a Biogen company management meeting held at a Boston Hotel. In addition, 46 cases are the result of local transmission, and 34 are travel related. Rather than building a

border wall right now between the United States and Mexico, we should be building up our capacity of hospital beds to handle the present crisis.

This is not a time for disinformation. Residents who want accurate information should turn to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) at the federal level, Massachusetts state government, and the Town of Winthrop's website. Information on the global situation can be found at the World Health Organization.

Fear and false information will not help us get through this pandemic. It diverts our attention and resources from finding solutions to adequate testing, sufficient treatment, and an effective vaccine.

Rhetoric from Caruccio is part of the problem, not the solution.

> **Bill Schmidt** Chair Winthrop Board of Health



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

10 years ago March 24, 2010

With the casino debate in Massachusetts expected to begin soon, the Town Council has named its own, three-person committee that will be the official voice for Winthrop when the discussion turns toward the proposed casino at Suffolk Downs) and its effect on the town. Councillor Jeanne Maggio's proposal to form a citizens' advisory casino committee was accepted, while the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce, under the direction of President Paul Leavy and Executive Director Eric Gaynor, has formed a casino committee consisting of Chamber members.

The topic of regionalization of services among area cities and towns took center stage in Winthrop this week when House Speaker Robert DeLeo came to Town Hall for a press conference to announce funds for a study to look into the feasibility of regionalization of municipal services for Winthrop, Revere, and Chelsea.

The Town Council's budget hearing will be held Saturday at the Senior Cen-

The Town Charter requires that budget forums be held twice a year. All of the town's department heads will be giving presentations about their budget and the potential challenges they see in Fiscal Year 2011.

The Winthrop Parks and Recreation Department will kick off its spring schedule this Friday evening with a youth basketball fundraiser at Winthrop High School.

"She's Out of My League," " Green Zone," "Remember are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago March 23, 2000

The MWRA Board of Directors has approved a new mitigation agreement with the town that will see Winthrop receive \$800,00 in the first year of the fiveyear pact, \$688,000 for the next two years, and \$600,000 in years four and five. The first mitigation package that was negotiated in 1988 had given the

selectmen

named Lieut. Brian Perrin

as the Interim Officer in

The

town \$24 million over a 12 year period during the construction of the MWRA plant on Deer Island.

have

Charge of the Police Department to succeed Lieut. Michael McManus, who has taken an indefinite sick leave. McManus had been the Officer in Charge for the past year after the selectmen refused to renew the contract of former Chief Thomas Shamshak, but last week the selectmen named Edward Shalvey, of Yonkers, N.Y., as the new chief, rather than McManus, who had been the other finalist. Perrin will serve as Officer in Charge of the department until Shalvey comes on board full time.

Groundbreaking emonies for the new Ft. Banks School are set for tomorrow. Long-time residents are

mourning the passing of lifelong resident George Iorio, a variety store owner on the Point for many years, who was active in local veterans affairs and who was instrumental in restoring the bunkers at Ft. Banks

Well-known local comedian Dave Fitzgerald, a Winthrop native, passed away this week after a long battle with cancer. He was 47.

"The Next Best Thing," "American Beauty," and "Wonder Boys" are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago March 26, 1980

School Supt. Michael Fortunato told the School Committee that the budget increase of \$415,000 for the next school year to a new total of \$6,239,793 is due primarily to skyrocketing energy costs. Fortunato described the budget as "barebones." A two-thirds vote of Town Meeting will be needed to approve the budget because it exceeds the four percent cap that was established by the legislature.

The selectmen are calling for the addition of three police officers to the depart-Sablone's Restaurant has

announced its will be closing its doors after 15 years of successful operation. The Winthrop High band

hosted the high school band from Chateaugay, Canada over the weekend, highlighted by a joint concert in Memorial Auditorium. "Star Trek" is playing at

the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago

March 26, 1970 The second session of

Town Meeting followed

the advice of the Advisory

Committee and voted down an article seeking to rezone 22 acres of marshland on Belle Isle March from light industrial to residential, a move that had been sought by developer William Zoppo, who has proposed the construction of high rise apartments buildings on the acreage. Members voted against the article, 101-79, even though Zoppo said that his complex would bring in an estimated \$350,000 in taxes. Town Meeting members also defeated by a narrow 99-96 margin an article that would have allowed restaurants with a capacity of more than 99 patrons to have a liquor license.

A suspect in the shooting of a Wellesley police officer was apprehended by Officer Mike McManus and Lieut. David Rice in the basement of 5 Wave Way.

A community television antenna system, CATV, also known as cable television, may be in Winthrop within a year, thereby making unnecessary the use of a TV antenna atop each house. Winthrop Cablevision is the company applying for the permit,.

Dustin Hoffman and Mia Farrow star in "John and Mary" at the Winthrop Cin-

60 years ago March 24, 1960

Town Meeting breezed through the budget in near record time, approving a total of \$2,616,650 for the budget and appropriations., including a \$300 pay raise for town employees. Parishioners

of John's Episcopal Church bade farewell this weekend to their rector, Rev. Gene Rose, and his wife. The many friends of for-

mer selectman Harold Katz turned out for a congratulatory dinner in his honor to celebrate his appointment as an Asst. U.S. Attorney. The affair was held at the American Legion Dugout, of which Katz is a member. A five year-old Pt. Shir-

ley boy was seriously injured when he was struck by a bus a short distance from his house. Bozo the Clown and his

circus show will appear at the Winthrop Theatre Saturday afternoon.

\$1,474,853 budget, togeth-

70 years ago

March 23, 1950

and Dream theatres.

er with \$32,000 in appropriations, after a motion by Frederick I. Crocker to consider each town budget separately was approved. Local realtor Eugene Whittier delivered a verbal chastisement to all residents when he asserted that the evils of gambling are not the fault of police, but of the town's citizenry who participate in

Cary Grant and Betsy Drake star in Every Girl Should Be Married at the Winthrop and State The-

80 years ago March 23, 1940

these activities.

With newly-elected Moderator John P. White presiding, Town Meeting members voted to reduce by \$500 the salaries of the principal Assessor, Town Clerk, and Collector of Taxes. Members reduced the Town Treasurer's salary by \$200. However, Town Meeting approved \$40,000

for WPA projects. The town garage was broken into Friday evening and the car of the visiting nurses was stolen. The vehicle later was found aban-

doned on Bowdoin St. James Stewart and Margaret Sullivan star in "The Shop Around the Corner at the Winthrop and State theatres.

90 years ago March 29, 1930

Town Meeting members approved a budget of \$806,326 and appropriations of \$86,232 as they completed action on all 62 articles on the warrant in just under three hours. The largest appropriation was an expenditure of \$50,000 for street improvements. Members also voted to change the name of Oakland St. to River Rd.

Mahaney has been taking all of the refuse trapped in the catch basins around town and is using it to fill in the lowland behind Town Hall and the American Legion Dugout. Mahaney said that within a short time, the town should have a level area for parking without spending a cent. A group of "listers" for

Street Supt. Timothy

the national census by the U.S. government is ready to cover the town. Jean Hersholt stars in

the all talking feature, "The Climax," at the Winthrop Town Meeting proceeded deliberately through a

East Boston Savings Bank announces assistance during the COVID-19 crisis

East Boston Savings Bank (EBSB) announced assistance for consumers and businesses facing financial adversity due to the economic impact of COVID-19, continued branch accessibility, as well as additional funding for local community organizations.

"East Boston Savings Bank has a rich history of servicing the City of Boston and its surrounding communities. It is our long-standing tradition to be responsive to the needs of people during good times and challenging times. We recognize that the rise of COVID-19 has created financial and other hardships for our customers and communities and we are committed to providing financial flexibility to the individuals, businesses and communities that we serve." said President, CEO and Chairman, Richard J. Gavegnano. "In our 172-year history, we have endured many devastating events and while these may be trying times, we will all stand together to get through this with the same integrity, strength and hard work we have practiced

throughout the century."

To support EBSB customers affected by the pandemic, effective immediately our bankers are ready to provide flexible solutions to relieve financial pressures. Initially, this support will include; upon request increasing individualized daily EBSB debit card spending limits, providing greater flexibility by increasing remote deposit limits to individuals, waiving penalties for early CD withdrawals and placing a 90-day foreclosure moratorium on EBSB residential loans. We will

continue to monitor the situation and make accommodations as the need arises.

Our employees are our greatest asset, and we are taking steps to keep them safe so they can continue to deliver exceptional service for our customers. These steps to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission include encouraging customers to bank remotely by using convenient and secure Online Banking, Mobile Banking, ATMs and our Automated 24-Hour Telephone Banking System (866-774-7705). We are

also reducing foot traffic in our branches by limiting access in the branch and encouraging the use of drive-up windows for conducting transactions as well as our ATMs which are available 24-hours a

East Boston Savings Bank will continue supporting local organizations throughout this ordeal. Additionally, we will immediately donate another \$100,000 to support organizations nonprofit throughout the Bank's footprint. These additional contributions will assist funding essential services to the public during this unprecedented crisis.

We also want to reassure our customers that we take their financial security seriously and that East Boston Savings Bank remains well capitalized and financially strong. In addition, all EBSB deposits are insured in full through the FDIC and Depositors Insurance Fund. Our top priority is to maintain a safe workplace for our employees, and a safe place of business for our customers. Thank you for your understanding.

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Funeral Homes adapting to life during the COVID-19 pandemic

By John Lynds

While Gov. Charlie Baker listed businesses performing funeral and memorial services as 'essential' businesses that can remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic and statewide shutdown of other non-essential businesses, local Funeral Homes have had to adapt accordingly.

With churches closed for Mass, cemeteries and crematoriums drastically changing how loved ones are laid to rest and health officials urging social distancing Funeral Homes in Winthrop, like Maurice Kirby Funeral Home and Caggiano Funeral Homes have had to become more

"We have moved to just doing private services," Peter Cagginao.

"When it first started we could only have 25 people in the funeral home and then 10 as of Monday so we are adapting every single day. Never know what's going to happen in the next

Caggiano said private service for immediate family includes a service at the funeral home and then a private graveside service where the priest offers final

"It's been very tough for people," said Caggiano. 'This week we had what would have usually been a very very large funeral but we had to do only a private service. So we've been adding stuff to our website and encouraging the public to send cards to the families or the funeral home and sign the online guest book. We are trying to provide as much as we can for our

Caggiano also said he has been considering online live streaming of private services.

"One company, Tribute Cast, has reached out," said Caggiano. "They are trying to get funeral homes to do more webcasting so I've been thinking about that as an option depending on how long this lasts. It's hard because we have had to change our business and the way we operate. We service the public and now we have to tell the public to stay away but we just want to keep everyone safe at this time."

"In accordance with C.D.C., the Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health and the Archdiocese of Boston guidelines on large gatherings, funerals and burials are private," said Warren Kirby. "All of us in the funeral business are on the same page on this. There's a limited number of people who can enter the building so we encourage people to send a card to the family or funeral home, leave a message of condolence on our website, or send a donation in the loved one's honor."

Kirby said while families are disappointed they are starting to get the reasons why social contract has to be limited at this time. "We are encouraging

families to have something, even if it is for an hour," said Kirby. "Until this gets resolved we will have to follow the guidelines and provide what we can pro-

Archbishop of Boston Cardinal Sean O'Malley made the painful decision recently to suspend Funeral Masses and other services within the church.

"We recommend that the bereaved be offered the opportunity for a graveside committal service during this time and a Memorial Mass when we are able to again offer the celebration of Mass and religious services at our parishes and churches," he said. "Thank you for your understanding of the ongoing unprecedented circumstances of the COVID-19 public health crisis and the importance of doing all that is possible in support of the health and well being of the people we serve and the wider community."

Cemeteries have even suspended some usual services that are part of a fu-

Over at Woodlawn Cemetery, in order to protect its staff from being exposed to the COVID-19, immediately implemented new proce-

The following was implemented and will last un-

til at least April; No Chapel Services will

take place. Mausoleum Services will take place on the patio outside Versailles Mausoleum. After committal services, families will disburse. They will not be allowed to view the entombment.

Columbarium Services will take place outside in the garden area. Families will disburse after the committal service and will not be allowed to witness the

Graveside services will take place as normal, but families cannot witness the lowering of the casket. They must disburse after the committal service is fin-

No cremation witnessing will take place.

The importance of social distancing amid COVID-19 outbreak

By John Lynds

All signs are pointing to a rapid spread of the COVID-19 virus in the next several weeks and the time now to start practicing social distancing is more urgent than ever.

The Town of Winthrop reported Wednesday that there have been four conpositive cases among Winthrop residents with one confirmed death of an elderly man last week.

So far everyone has heard the call from the President, Governor, town leaders and healthcare professionals to begin practicing social distancing.

But why is this such an important practice?

What we know so far is COVID-19 is behaving differently than the common flu, SARS or even H1N1. In those diseases the infected person begins infecting others once they start showing symptoms, i.e. fever, cough, sneezing.

Those studying COVID-19 and the rapidly changing situations across the globe now know the new virus can be spread

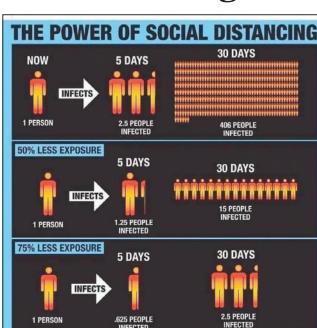
This is why social distancing remains an urgent defense to spreading the virus past the point of no

While many of those infected with COVID-9 recover, a percentage will develop a more harsher case of the virus, others will require hospitalization and those with underlying health conditions and are over the age of 60 may develop severe cases that could lead to pulmonary collapse and death.

For young healthy people social distancing is not necessarily to protect against the virus but a way to stop the spread of COVID-19 from relatively healthy people to a population more 'at-risk' of developing serious complications.

Dr. Emily Malavenda, a local physician living said she has been upset by what she has witnessed around town over the weekend.

"It has been quite upsetting for me to still see group gatherings this past weekend," she said. "I am going into work at a local hospital where I take care of many person to person even if the of my own neighbors and I infected person is showing am doing my best to keep



A graph showing the importance of social distancing amid the COVID-19 Pandemic

myself and our community safe. I understand how difficult this is emotionally and can only begin to imagine how difficult this is going to be financially, especially for those who don't have work during this time."

However, Malavenda said she can't do her job unless we do ours.

"Please commit strict physical distancing of six feet or more from non-household members if ies, solitary exercise, medical needs," said Malaveda. "Even though our governor has not yet enforced a stricter legal standard, we can be exemplary citizens and do the right thing. We can do this together. I know I am not the only one in this position. Do it for all of us."

A graph circulated by health care professionals shows the importance of social distancing.

If an infected person you must be in public for walking around unaware necessities such as grocer- they have the virus can, in

5 days time, spread the disease to 2.5 people. Those 2.5 others can, in roughly 30 days time, spread the virus to 406 people.

A person infected that practices a 50 percent reduction in their social activity by staying home would only spread the virus to 1.25 people in 5 days time. Those 1.5 people would then only spread the virus to 15 others in 30 days time.

The most compelling figure is if an infected person ups their social distancing by 75 percent they would potentially only infect .625 people in 5 days. Those .625 people would then only infect another 2.5 people in 30 days time.

These numbers are the power of social distancing in this time.

While telling people to limit social interaction, closing bars, and cancelling public events may seem draconian it is nothing new according to healthcare professionals.

A study of the 1918 Spanish Flu Pandemic that killed millions around the globe compared measures taken in Philadelphia compared to measures taken in population is infected. St. Louis.

As the Spanish Flu began to gain national headlines, city leaders ignored warnings and calls for social distancing by the government. It was the height of WWI and Philly officials decided to throw a parade for the soldiers leaving for Europe.

Three days later Philly's hospitals were overrun with sick and dying patients. By the end of the week 4,500 residents were dead.

However, in St. Louis city leaders listened to warnings and after its first confirmed case of Spanish Flu decided to close schools, playgrounds, libraries, courtrooms, and even churches. Work shifts were staggered and streetcar ridership was strictly limited. Public gatherings of more than 20 people were banned.

These measures kept the per capita Spanish Flu-related deaths in St. Louis to less than half of those in Philly some 900 miles

Most health experts agree that social distancing can have a huge effect on the spread of the disease before 1 percent of the total

Statistics for Massachusetts

COVID-19 cases in Massachusetts as of March 24

Confirmed cases of COVID-19

1159

+382 from the 23rd

Massachusetts residents subject to COVID-19 quarantine by current status as of March 17

Total of individuals subject to quarantine 2054

Total of individuals who have completed monitoring (no longer in quarantine) 886

Total of individuals currently undergoing

monitoring/under quarantine 1168

COVID-19 INFECTION BY AGE BRACKET

≤19 years of age: 24 20-29 years of age: **188** 30-39 years of age: **205** 40-49 years of age: **214**

50-59 years of age: **208** 60-69 years of age: **153**

≥ 70 years of age: **164** Unknown: 164

These do not reflect the most up to date numbers, as they were not reported by press time. Please scan the QR code to the left to see them.

Total Number of Cases by County

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Barnstable	40
Berkshire	37
Bristol	31
Dukes and Nantucket	2
Essex	118
Franklin	5
Hampden	24
Hampshire	8
Middlesex	304
Norfolk	129
Plymouth	64
Suffolk	234
Worcester	73
Unknown	90

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GRAND, KIDS

MaManus daughters make make it a point of carrying on family tradition

By Cary Shuman

Another member of the amazing McManus family has entered one of basket-

ball's most esteemed clubs. Milton Academy junior Devin Jane Hill, daughter of Brad Hill and former Winthrop High School All-Scholastic Maureen McManus Hill, and granddaughter of former Winthrop Police Chief Michael McManus and Carol Mc-Manus, scored her 1,000th career point in a game against rival Noble and Greenough in Dedham.

Maureen McManus Hill was first in the family and

the first girl in WHS history to reach the 1,000-point milestone. The sensational center on Coach Ron Spinney and Assistant Coach Jim Nimblett's team helped power the Lady Vikings to an Eastern Mass. championship in 1983. She went on to become Lafayette College's all-time leading scorer with 1,813 points and is an inductee in the college's Hall of Fame.

Erin Hill, Devin's sister, became a 1,000-point scorer at Martha's Vineyard High School where her mother, Maureen, was the head basketball coach. Erin also excelled at Tabor

Academy and the 6-foor-2-inch sophomore just completed her second season for the Yale University women's basketball team.

A 5-feet-10-inch junior forward, Devin Jane Hill had 800 career points following three seasons at Falmouth Academy and being named the Cape and Islands League Most Valuable Player in 2019. She was reclassified as a junior upon entering Milton Academy.

A moment to remember

After being fouled on one of her patented drives to the basket early in the game, Devin swished a free

throw for her 1000th point. The game was stopped to recognize Devin's achievement. It was a moment to cherish for the Milton star, her parents, who were in attendance, her teammates and coaches.

"It was the best feeling and having my teammates all around me, too, definitely helped," said Devin. "It felt like I was over a hurdle in my life and it was just very relieving."

Devin said her overall skills advanced this season under the direction of head coach Jaclyn Lyons, a former All-Scholastic at Reading High and Merri-



Milton Academy basketball star Devin Hill is pictured with her parents, Maureen McManus Hill and Brad Hill, after scoring the 1000th point of her career in a game against Noble and Greenough on Feb. 28.

mack College standout. The schedule has also brought highly competitive ISL (Independent School League)

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To Our Valued Customers

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the entire food supply chain has been stressed. There has been a tremendous increase in demand for all products creating uncertainty in the consistent availability of product and creating huge fluctuations in pricing for commodity items. For this reason, we wanted to reach out to our customers and provide some insight into the supply chain and how we will move forward. Unfortunately, we will be unable to offer sale items at this time. We apologize for the inconvenience, but appreciate your understanding. We are doing our best to keep our customers up-to date. Below is the most recent information that we have received

- 1) In order for many manufacturers to keep up with the increased demand, many are looking to focus on key SKUs to ensure availability and temporarily reduce production of some of the ancillary items in a line. For example some water companies are only producing 24pk water and no other sizes. Some paper companies are concentrating on the top 3 -5 toilet tissue and paper towel items and not the other packs of the same item. Some frozen meat companies are making the top 4 items in a category and not the balance.
- Manufacturers are asking for more lead time on orders to be able to meet demand.
- 3) Most manufactures are focused on the short term, due to the uncertainty of when things will stabilize.
- 4) Pricing especially on fresh commodity items like produce, fresh meat, and eggs can fluctuate very quickly sometimes daily.
- 5) Something we fear may cripple the fresh produce category in corning weeks and months is major labor shortages. Grow-

- ers have been facing shortages of labor for a few years, but due to the Coronavirus we may see a far worse scenario play out.
- 6) Supplies on many staple items are being rapidly depleted due to the historically high demand we've been seeing. A good example would be carrots, when a grower plants for his season a few months back, he does so based off anticipated demand. When we move through his supply in just a few weeks' time, it leaves a major gap behind it.
- 7) Another thing to keep an eye on is other countries that grow produce for the world, a good example is Chile. They have declared a 90 day state of catastrophe. This could lead to limited supplies of summer fruit such as citrus and apples.
- 8) Transportation The refrigerated truck market has seen rapid increases in cost based on elevated demand. We are seeing a tightening in capacity across the board with shortages across the country. The short term projections are continued rate increases and tightening capacity, the severity of which is evolving rapidly based on the changing conditions.

In addition to closing at 7pm every day to clean and sanitize, we are working tirelessly to have the items you need on our shelves. Due to current supply issues not all items may be available & all items are subject to stock on hand. We have applied purchase limits on some key items to allow more customers to get what they need. No rain checks. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful community for your continued support and patience in these difficult times.

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Daniel Caplan, MD

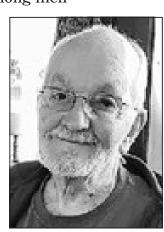
Consummate physician and 'mensch' - ' a prince among men'

Dr. Daniel Caplan of Atlanta, Georgia, born in Winthrop in 1937 to Dr. A. Nathan and Goldie Caplan, a pioneer in pediatric gastroenterology specializing in the study and treatment of patients with cystic fibrosis and other GI disorders for fifty years, died of mesothelioma on March 14, 2020 surrounded by his family including his longtime partner, Connie Buchanan, RNP, daughter, Phyllis Heydurn, sons, Andrew and Lloyd, three grandchildren, and brothers, Hubert and Michael. A son, Richard predeceased him years ago.

Dan attended Winthrop High School, Brandeis and received an MD with honors from Tufts in 1962. He held residencies at Boston City Hospital, Boston Floating, and Yale hospi-

Dan moved with his former wife, Ilene Koretz, and children to Georgia in the late 1960s. There, he served in the US Army Medical Corps and then built his storied career in pediatric gastroenterology in Atlanta, primarily at Emory.

Dan was the consummate physician, always treating his patients and their families with empathy,



compassion, skill, and consideration. He had a keen mind, not only keeping up with medical advances, but reading numerous novels and appreciating music, art, politics, and sports.

A successful clinical researcher and respected sought after teacher and mentor for many students and colleagues, Dan was above all a "mensch", a prince among men. He will be greatly missed.

Funeral services were held in Atlanta, Georgia. Memorial contributions may be made to Community Advanced Practice Nurses, Inc., www.CAPN.org or Reaching Out Foundation, www.reachingoutfoundation.org.

Helen Vitagliano

F.W. Woolworth retiree

Helen V. Vitagliano of Centerville, formerly of Winthrop, passed away on March 11 at the age of 101.

Helen was the assistant manager and buyer for F.W. Woolworth. She was a member of Catholic Women's Club of St. John the Evangelist, Winthrop and a Communicant of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Osterville.

Born to Angela and Lawrence Cataldo, she was the wife of the late Anthony and was also preceded in death by her siblings Louis Cataldo and Cecelia Napoli. She is survived by her daughters Elaine Pyne of Centerville and Jeanne Fisher and her husband, Peter of Scottsdale AZ; grandchildren: Mark and his wife, Melanie of Baltimore, MD and Derek of Bonita Springs, FL; granddaughters: Kirsten and her husband, Masaki of San Pedro, CA and Merika and her husband, Jeremy of Camp Verde, AZ; great grandchildren: Zoe, Jade and Ethan; sisters Beatrice

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Maw and Loretta Abramo and by many nieces and

There will be no calling hours at Helen's request. Helen was astute in every way to the very end. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be made to Catholic TV Network, Attn: Bishop Robert Reed, PO Box 9196, Watertown, MA 02471.

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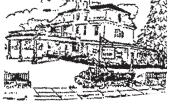
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OBITUARIES

Suzanne Deedy

Retired nurse at former Winthrop Hospital,

her family was her priority



Suzanne P. (Hart) Deedy of East Boston passed away on March 20 at the age of

Born in Chelsea to Helen (Sullivan) and Peter J. Hart, she spent her formative years in East Boston and most of her adult years in Winthrop. She was the loving wife of Thomas R. Deedy, mother of Kerin Green, Sue Ellen Briggs, Thomas E. Deedy, Conal Deedy and Jane Deedy as well as the devoted sister of Peter J. Hart and Kathleen Kane and sister in law of Patricia Hart.

and obtained a full scholarship to attend Emmanuel College where she graduated with a business degree in 1958. Like many of her generation, she married, had children, and devoted decades to loving, nurturing, and raising her brood. Her family was her priority. She started a second career by becoming a nurse and enjoyed working at Winthrop Hospital until it closed in 1992.

She was a bright student

She loved to travel and instilled that love in her children. She had the chance to visit Australia, Alaska, London, Moscow, Sweden, Paris and many other destinations. When she wasn't traveling, she hosted many exchange students from France, Germany and Japan. She loved the ocean and spending count-



less days on the water or at Cottage Park Yacht Club.

She also loved a bargain and tried to never miss a vard sale, flea market, or trip to Savers. Her inquisitiveness and curiosity led her to stay informed by reading and watching the news.

She was loved by all who knew her including her nine grandchildren Patrick Deedy, Priscilla Briggs, Nicholas Briggs, Madeline Green, Michael Deedy, Trevor Deedy, Quinn Deedy, Annika Deedy, Matthew Deedy, and her many nieces and nephews. She will be missed.

A funeral service will be held at a later date.

Donations can be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc. Sue would also ask that you be kind to one another and help your neighbor.

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

Anthony Martucci

President of A. Martucci and Sons and the Massachusetts Wholesale Food Terminal and proprietor of Mutual Beef

President of A. Martucci and Sons and the Massachusetts Wholesale Food Terminal and proprietor of Mutual Beef

Anthony Martucci of Sunnyside Ave., Winthrop passed away at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston on March 17. He was 79 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved son of the late Mar-(Todesco) Augustino Martucci and a long time resident of Winthrop, he was the proprietor of Mutual Beef in Boston, president of A. Martucci and Sons and President of the Massachusetts Wholesale Food Terminal. He was also a former member of the Knights of Columbus and the Sons of Italy.

He was the devoted husband of Mary "Minnie" (Ferrara) and the loving father of Gus Martucci and his wife, Susan, Maria Hodgkins and her husband, Kenny, Toni Ann Cherico and her husband, Cory and Anthony Martucci and his wife, Tracey; dear brother



of Margherita Lombardi of Pittsfield and Domenic Martucci of Saugus; cherished grandfather of Suzanne and her wife, Shauna, Kenny and his wife, Stephanie, Andrea, Luke, Noah, Cory, Augustino, Mia and Talia.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. John the Evangelist Church on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 10 a.m. Committal was private. Memorial donations may be made to the Home for Little Wanderers at www.thehome.org. To sign the online guestbook go to www.caggianofuenralhome.com.

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NE Telephone retiree

Elizabeth A. Brugman of Overlook Drive, Winthrop passed away at the Lighthouse Nursing Home in Revere on March 15. She was 98 years old.

Born in Charlestown, the beloved daughter of the late Elizabeth A. (Deary) and James Heffernan, she was a resident of Winthrop for over 60 years. Mrs. Brugman was employed as a telephone operator for New England Telephone for over 35 years. She was also a member of the Winthrop Catholic Women's Club, the Winthrop Emblem Club and the Telephone Pioneers.

The devoted wife of the late John Brugman, she was the loving mother of Jack Brugman and his wife, Patty of Winthrop, dear sister of the late Rita Kerrigan,



James Heffernan and John Heffernan and cherished grandmother of Connor Brugman.

Funeral services and interment in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery were private.

To sign the online guestbook go to www.caggianofuenralhome.com.

Loretta Helen Giuffre

Of Orient Heights East Boston

(Ven-Loretta Helen turelli) Giuffre of Orient Heights, East Boston passed away on March 19 at the age of 86.

The cherished daughter of the late Amedeo and Phelamina (Ciampa) Venturelli, she was the beloved wife of the late Frank Giuffre, loving mother of Rachel Giuffre of Florida, Lisa DiGenio and her husband. George of Saugus, Francine Leone of East Boston and Joseph Giuffre and his wife, Nancy of Winthrop; adored grandmother of Rebekah, Christopher, Jacqueline, Anthony, Nicholas, John, Michael, Alexa, David, Gabriella and Joey and great grandmother of Amedeo "AJ." Loretta was predeceased by her six sisters and three brothers. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Adhering to the guidelines of the Commonwealth



of Massachusetts and the CDC, funeral services will be private. Friends are encouraged to leave condolences for the family at www.vazzafunerals.com. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. At the family's request, please omit flowers. Donations may be made in Loretta's name to WINARC at P.O. Box 520240, Winthrop, MA 02152. For additional information, Vazza Funeral Home, Revere 781-284-

Eleanor Swartz

Formerly of Winthrop

Eleanor (Cadigan) Swartz was born in Winthrop to Anna Marie and John F. Cadigan, Sr. on June 1, 1936. She attended school at Sacred Heart Catholic School in East Boston and graduated from Winthrop High School in

She worked as a telephone supervisor for the New England Telephone Company. After relocating to Florida, she attended nursing school and worked in the nursing field doing private duty for years in Boca Raton.

Retiring early, she enjoyed traveling with her daughters in their plant business. In her spare time, she enjoyed gardening, reading, sewing and crocheting, traveling, boating and and enjoying outdoors in the sun. Some of her favorite summers were spent at the New Hampshire cottage enjoying family and friends. Most of all, she loved church events, Bible Studies and was a prayer warrior. Eleanor loved to laugh and was personable, gentle and affectionate. She is survived by her

cherished daughters Judy

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Doyle (Tim), Rona Swartz and Jo-El Swartz; her beloved, sisters Helen Cadi-Patricia Cadigan, Mary Hodgkins and her sister-in-law, Joan Cadigan; adoring grandchildren: Timmy Doyle (Cara), Danny Doyle (Pam), Christy Doyle (Chad), Joshua Duff, Sean Hunter, Derek Hunter and Kimberly Polsonetti; sweet great-grandchildren, Jonathan Hunter, Michael Hunter, Weston Doyle and Evelyn Doyle and dear nieces Lisa Ferrecchia (Scott), Susan DeBoth and Karen Hodgkins. Eleanor was preceded

in death by her mother and father, Anna and John F. Cadigan, Sr., her sister, Ann Marie Cadigan, brother, Attorney John F. Cadigan, Jr.; daughter, Pamela Joy Davis and great-grandson, Carson Doyle. A private service was

held on March 20, at Calvary Chapel, 2401 West Cypress Creek Road, Fort Lauderdale, Florida with entombment at the Boca Raton Mausoleum, 451 SW 4th Avenue, Boca Raton, Florida.

Eleanor will be fondly missed. Many treasures of loving memories will be forever in our hearts.

OBITUARIES

Jeanne Camacho

Almy's Dept. Store retiree

Jeanne M. (Doherty) Camacho, of Winthrop passed away at home surrounded by her loving family on March 18. She was 94 years old.

The beloved wife of the late Paul J. Camacho, she was born and raised in Winthrop, the cherished daughter of the late Charles E. and Marion (Cousins) Doherty.

Jeanne was a graduate of Winthrop High School, Class of 1943. In 1948, she married her beloved husband Paul. Prior to her retirement, she was a long time employee and head of the sales department at the former Almy's Department

Jeanne was the devoted mother of Paul Camacho and his wife, Kathryn of Sewickley, PA. and Janet Magee and her husband, George of Winthrop; the adored grandmother of Sean, Lisa, Alyson, Christie and Paul; great-grandmother of Corey, Brianna, Bobby, Amelia, Kailey, Joshua, Benjamin, Madison, Julia, Mavron, Travis and Hailey and the greatgreat grandmother of Logan, Brynnliegh and Maverick. She was the dear sister of the late Marilyn L. Costigan, Barbara Iannelli and Charles and Robert Doherty. Jeanne is also survived by many nieces and



In accordance C.D.C., the Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health and the Archdiocese of Boston guidelines on large gatherings, her funeral and burial service will be private. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. Donations in her name can be made to St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop, MA. 02152. To celebrate and honor Jeanne's life during this emergency crisis, please feel free to send a card to the family or funeral home, leave a message of condolence on our website, or send a donation to honor Jeanne. Cards sent to the funeral home will be forwarded to her family. To leave a message of condolence, please visit: www.

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All programs, activities and trips at the Robert A. DeLeo Senior Center are canceled through April.

Lunch is not being served at the Senior Center, however Meals on Wheels will continue to operate, and residents who are in need and are not currently on the list to receive meals through the program can email Kdixon@town.winthrop.ma.us or call (617) 539-5848, with their name, phone number and address to be included in the program.

Any additional announcements regarding the Senior Center will be posted online, at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging.

Applications for the 2020 Senior Citizens Property Tax Work-Off Program are available online at: www.town.winthrop. ma.us/council-aging. Applications are due back to the Senior Center by 12pm on Friday, May 15th. For more information on the program, please visit our website, or contact the Senior Center at 617-846-8538.

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Comcast increases access to and speeds of internet essentials through the COVID-19 crisis

Comcast increases access to and speeds of internet essentials' low-income internet service to support Americans through the Coronavirus pandemic.

Dana Strong, President, Consumer Services, Comcast Cable issued the following statement:

"As our country continues to manage the COVID-19 emergency, we recognize that our company plays an important role in helping our customers stay connected - to their families, their workplaces, their schools, and the latest information about the virus through the Internet.

We also know that for millions of low-income Americans who don't have Internet service at home, this uncertain time is going to be even more difficult to manage. As schools and businesses close and families are encouraged, or even mandated, to stay home, Internet connectivity becomes

even more important.

At Comcast, we've been looking for ways to help through our Internet Essentials program, which is the nation's largest and most comprehensive broadband adoption program for low-income Americans. Since 2011, it has connected millions of individuals to the Internet.

A hallmark of this program has been our flexibility in adjusting Internet Essentials to meet the needs of low-income residents in our footprint. So, effective Monday, we are putting in place two substantial program enhancements to help these families deal with this

1. We will make it even easier for low-income families who live in a Comcast service area to sign up by offering new customers 60 days of complimentary Internet Essentials service, which is normally available to all qualified low-income households for \$9.95/ month

2. Also, we are increasing Internet speeds for the Internet Essentials service from 15/2 Mbps to 25/3 Mbps for all new and existing customers, which will be the speed of the service going forward. In this way, we will ensure that Internet Essentials customers will be able to use their Internet service for all their increased needs as a result of this health crisis.

We want to make it as fast and simple as possible to access this service:

To receive the increased Internet speeds, existing customers will not need to do anything. The new speeds will be rolled out nationally over the next few

We'll send all new customers a free self-install kit that includes a cable modem with a Wi-Fi router. There will be no term contract or credit check and no shipping fee.

To sign up, applicants can simply visit www.internetessentials.com. The accessible website also includes the option to video chat with customer service agents in American Sign Language. There are also two dedicated phone numbers 1-855-846-8376 for English and

1-855-765-6995 Spanish.

We're also reaching out to our thousands of governmental and nonprofit partners to help us spread the word. Our hope is that broader access and faster speeds will help all of our Internet Essentials customers more easily work from home, access educational resources, obtain important government health care alerts, and stay in contact with their families during this difficult time."

Eastie's Santarpio's Pizza now delivering

In its 117 year old history the famed Santarpio's Pizza on the corner of Chelsea and Porter Streets has never delivered.

The no-frills pizza joint that serves up pizza and BBQ lamb, sausage and steak tips is known for its long lines of hungry patrons waiting to feast upon the fare that has made it a staple in East Boston and

However, the COVID-19 epidemic has made Santarpio's and other local restaurants shift to take out and delivery operations as dinein service was suspended throughout Boston and the

The Santarpio family made the announcement on social media last week. The staff that usually works

inside slinging pizzas to customers sitting in booths surrounded by boxing memorabilia are now driving the pizzas directly to customers.

"We are delivering to East Boston, Winthrop and Beachmont, Revere for now," said owner Frank Santarpio. "We also have delivery available on the GrubHub food delivery

Customers can call 617-567-9871 for delivery or download the GrubHub app on their smartphones to order up a hot fresh Santarpio's pizza. As always, customers can also pick up their pizzas at Santarpio's side door on Porter Street.

Aside from adding a delivery option for the first time Santarpio's has also been donating pizzas to those on the front lines fighting the COVID-19 out-



Santarpio's take out door on Porter Street. Santarpio is not only offering takeout during the COVID-19 crisis but has also added delivery for the first time in the pizza place's history.

break as well as organizations feeding those in need.

"We also donated pizzas to the Fire Departments in East Boston, the officers at District A-7 and the East Boston Community Soup

Kitchen," said Santarpio. "This week we hope to serve the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center and the city employees that are still working throughout this epidemic."

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out the best in Devin.

"Without a doubt, I feel that I improved a lot this season," said Devin. "My ballhandling skills have gotten better. I'm gotten quicker. My outside shooting and passing have improved at Milton. Every single game was competitive, especially since we're in the ISL and it was making me a better player every Devin said she enjoyed

her first season with her Milton teammates and coach Jaclyn Lyons. "I just loved the coaching staff and all the girls I got to know this year. Coach Lyons always knows how to inspire our team. She's really good at pushing us and demanding the most from us on and off the court." Lyons said Devin Hill has an outstanding season

in her first year in the Milton program. "Devin came in to our program a sound and expe-

rienced leader," said Lyons. "She was not afraid to take risks and she was an offensive powerhouse for us. She's a force to be reckoned "She adjusted well to

our culture and the girls love her," continued Lyons. "She's an awesome kid with a great family. When I'm talking to families about the possibility of attending Milton, I look for great families and I knew

the Hills were that and I

knew they were going to be

a great fit for our program."

Devin said her sister, Erin, has been a good role model. "With her academics and how to balance everything, giving me tips on recruiting, she's taught me how balance being away from home and deal with my academics," said Devin. Devin has begun look-

ing at colleges. "I want to become a director when I get older so I'm looking at lot of film schools," said Devin, I also want to play college basketball."

Coached by her mother in MV youth basketball Devin Hill's talent on the

court was noteworthy early on. As a third grader, she was moved up to the fifthgrade travel team coached by her mother. Devin played through eighth grade and was a perennial All-Star and led the team to two league titles. "It was fun playing be-

cause my mom is a such a great coach and knows so much about basketball," said Devin, "I know she was a great player but she's an even better coach. She is someone I always go to for ways knows what to say."

help in life and the game of basketball in general. She's always there for me and al-Maureen McManus, who started alongside guards Lisa Monteleone and Pame-

la Hubley, and forward Ei-

(with Denise Millerick and

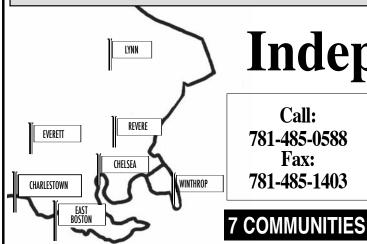
Leanne Mirabelli also con-

tributing big minutes) on the 1983 champions, said she's proud of her daughters' accomplishments.

"I'm so proud of Devin and Erin," said Maureen. "Devin is a totally different player than I was. Of course, I taught her all the post moves and especially the drop step. What reminds me of my game is that Devin can take contact and still finish the player. She definitely has better range that I had. She can hit threes and my range was mainly 15 feet. She has a nice outside shot."



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COVID-19 HITS CHELSEA

CHELSEA - The City of Chelsea reported last week that there were two confirmed cases of the COVID-19 virus in residents, and took extraordinary measures to close down most all City operations, including public parks with tot lots/playgrounds. In addition, City Hall has

closed to in-person visits, as well as the Senior Center and the Chelsea Public Library (though children's Librarian Katherine has been doing wonderful story time videos online for kids).

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said the situation has been stressful, and he fears that it will be more challenging in the coming

"We're trying to keep doing everything we can to reinforce this social distancing effort and plugging along at this crisis," he said. "We are very worried about what's about to come with an escalation of cases, the

health care industry being overwhelmed and the City being overwhelmed and not having enough resources for the flood of displacement that is about to happen and overwhelm us. It's people not being able to pay rent. It's people losing their jobs. It's the City and state revenues falling through the floor. It's really exhaust-

ing honestly." He said the situation has

reminded him of the days after 9/11, but in some ways this is much worse.

"It's unprecedented," he said. "In a lot of ways it reminded me of the days after 9/11, but really that was one event and one event to deal with. With this, you keep wondering how long it's

going to keep going. You keep waiting for the wave to hit you and you don't know when or where that will be. We're all trying very hard, but there is no playbook." The park closure is

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unique, with Everett going forward with that this week as well.

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Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon St, Boston, MA 02114

617-788-8300 Docket No.SU-20P0307EA

Estate of: Cheryl Ann Cronin Date of Death:

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A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed

Thomas M Cronin of Winthrop MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for

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CORONAVIRUS IMPACT ON WINTHROP AND THE COMMONWEALTH

House passes legislation to support workers effected by the public health emergency

Last week House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo and Rep. Joseph McGonagle, along with their colleagues in the House of Representatives, passed legislation to waive the one-week waiting period for workers seeking unemployment insurance benefits related to, or resulting from, the COVID-19 pandemic or the effects of the State of Emergency declared by Governor Baker on March 10.

"Massachusetts workers drive our economy, and the action we took today will help thousands of individuals and families as we confront the economic effects of this public health crisis," said Speaker DeLeo (D-Winthrop). "I am grateful to my colleagues in the

House for their work to addressing the urgent needs relating to the outbreak. I am proud of the work Chair Michlewitz did to move this legislation so quickly."

"I am very proud to be a part of the Legislature for prioritizing such a profound piece of legislation," said McGonagle. "In these uncertain times, we need all of our residents to be certain that we are doing our best to protect them, and waiving the unemployment waiting period is a huge step for that. Thank you to Speaker DeLeo and Chair Michlewitz for their leadership in passing this."

Ensuring that workers have immediate access to unemployment benefits is critical," said Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). "I want to thank my colleagues in the House and our partners in the Senate and the Baker administration for moving this legislation along so quickly so that people can receive expedited benefits." On March 18, the bill

passed in the Senate, and the Governor signed it into The following list is a

summary of House action taken in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis since the State of Emergency declaration on March 10.

•On March 12, the House and Senate approved a \$15 million fund in response to the coronavirus outbreak. One March 13, the Governor signed it into law.

House Unanimously Passes Legislation to Improve Municipal Public Health Services

On Wednesday, Feb. 27, Rep. Joseph McGonagle, along with his colleagues in the House of Representatives unanimously passed legislation to strengthen local and regional public health services across Massachusetts.

The legislation, An Act Relative to Strengthening the Local and Regional Public Health System, supports collaboration between local boards of health and neighboring municipal public health departments to deliver high-quality and efficient public health services such as disease control, emergency preparedness, restaurant inspection, sanitary code enforcement, and suicide prevention and substance use disorder out-

"With the global virus outbreak on our doorstep, I'm proud that the House took action to help communities across the Commonwealth protect the health and safety of their residents," said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D – Winthrop). "Thank you to Vice Chair Garlick and Representative Kane for their diligence and focus on this issue." "This legislation is truly

beneficial to all individuals and families across the Commonwealth," said McGonagle. "Our public health officials and agencies already do a fantastic job and I am excited to see them continue that work with the help of this bill. I'm grateful to the Speaker, Vice-Chair Garlick and Rep. Kane for their bipartisan work in getting this bill

Specifically, the legislation seeks to strengthen local public health in three

•Establishes the State Action for Public Health Excellence (SAPHE) program: A competitive grant program that provides funding to public health departments to increase sharing of services across municipalities, strengthen service delivery capabilities, and improve system accountability and data re-

•Ensures the local public health workforce has access to training: Provides boards of health officials and staff with free educational and training opportunities four times annually in regions across the state. Sets new statewide pub-

lic health standards: Department of Public Health will develop a set of minimum standards for foundational public health services to improve the quality of and create uniformity within the public health services of the Commonwealth.

The bill is now in the

Massachusetts National Guard activated for COVID-19 response

On Thursday, March 19, Gov. Charlie Baker activated up to 2,000 Massachusetts National Guard members to assist with the State of Emergency declared on March 10, 2020 as the region continues to respond to the spread of the coronavirus.

The Massachusetts National Guard said in a release it is ready to aslocal communities

and to react to requests for assistance through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA). Some of these requests could include, but are not limited to: medical, transportation, and logis-

"Throughout our 383 years of existence, the Massachusetts National Guard has been faced with many challenges, some of which helped form our nation," read a statement from the Guard. "The Massachusetts National Guard is prepared and committed to answer the requests of cities and towns in the Commonwealth."

More information on the scope and nature of the Massachusetts National Guard's response support missions will be released as the situation develops.

Courts Continue Emergency-Only Operations continue to operate on an trances to provide guidance

The Massachusetts Trial Courts will remain closed to the public except for emergency matters, after more than a week of closure already.

Gov. Charlie Baker on Monday issued an order minimizing non-essential activities outside of home for effect on Tuesday, March 24 at noon.

The Order confirms that it does not apply to the Judiciary.

However, as detailed in a Supreme Judicial Court Order and Trial Court Standing Orders issued on March 17, 2020, courts

emergency-only basis. Courts are closed to the public but are staffed to enable the handling of emergency matters. Whenever possible, these emergency matters, such as restraining orders and juvenile protection cases, are being conducted by telephone or videoconference.

Court leaders are coordinating emergency staffing levels and Court Officers are ensuring public and staff safety through a variety of measures. Court Officers are screening the public at courthouse enon emergency court matters and assess the level of risk posed by individuals arriving at courthouses across the state. Courts have created designated six-foot distance boundaries from any counters. Facilities are cleaned thoroughly each day with industrial cleaning supplies. All updates regarding the

court system's response to the COVID-19 pandemic are available on the court's website: https://www.mass. gov/guides/court-systemresponse-to-covid-19.

Banks will remain open: Consumers strongly encouraged to bank electronically

Staff Report

The Massachusetts Bankers Association announced on Monday that banks throughout the Commonwealth will remain open while keeping their customers and employees

According to Gov. Charlie Baker's order issued earlier today, financial institutions such as banks are considered essential services and will not be subject to the closure.

"While we strongly encourage all Massachusetts residents to heed the Governor's stay at home advisory and use online or mobile banking, consumers will continue to have access to banking services during the mandatory non-essential business closure," said Daniel J. Forte, MBA President & CEO. "The safest place for your money right now is in your local bank where it is insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Many Massachusetts banks also have excess insurance to protect your funds."

Consumers needing access to banking services should check with their institution, as many banks have closed branch lobbies. reduced hours or shifted to drive-through only at some locations in an effort to protect their customers and employees. However, bank staff are available to serve customers and questions. In addition, access to funds through online and mobile banking, ATMs and at Point of Sale transactions remains available during this time.

State issues order to ensure continuity of waste and recycling collection

The Baker-Polito Administration on Monday announced the issuance of an emergency order to ensure that intrastate waste and recycling collection and disposal will continue uninterrupted during the COVID-19 emergency.

Due to the essential nature of these services and anticipated impacts due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Administration's order provides relief from state and federal requirements that govern the hours of service allowed for commercial vehicle operators involved in waste and recycling transportation and collection, while maintaining important safety protections and measures.

"As Massachusetts continues its comprehensive response to the COVID-19 outbreak, it is imperative that residents across the Commonwealth be able to rely on key services such as waste and recycling collection and disposal," said Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Martin Suuberg. "By issuing this emergency order, we can better protect public health by ensuring that residents are able to maintain proper hygiene, cleanliness, and

social distancing in their homes while navigating these new and challenging circumstances."

Administration's The action will help support continuity of waste and recycling operations by helping to ensure availability of adequate staffing resources throughout this emergency, and is consistent with the State of Emergency declared by Governor Charlie Baker on Tuesday, March

The order will remain in effect until April 12, 2020 unless the Administration determines otherwise.

U.S. Attorney Andrew E. Lelling issues stern warning regarding scams and other crimes related to the Covid-19 outbreak

The US Attorney for Boston said on March 19 the federal government would prosecute any and all scams related to the pandemic - including treatment scams and investment scams that have popped up recently.

"As our communities take extraordinary measures to confront the coronavirus outbreak, some may view this as an opportunity to prey on the public's fears and anxieties. The Department of Justice is now focused on cybercrime, sale of counterfeit

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goods, treatment scams and other healthcare and investment scams arising from the pandemic. My office will aggressively prosecute anyone engaged in this kind of activity," said U.S. Attorney Andrew Lelling. "With the outbreak

of COVID-19, scammers have found a platform that preys on people's fears and could make them more likely to be victimized," said Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Boston Division. "We want you to avoid falling prey to these scams and help us stop them by re-

porting it at ic3.gov." Massachusetts residents who believe they are victims of fraud or other criminal activity related to the pandemic should contact the United States Attorney's Office at USAMA victimassistance@usdoj gov or call 1-888-221 6023 and leave a message Members of the public can also contact the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) by visiting www. IC3.gov. If you or someone you know are in immediate danger, please call 911.

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RIZE Massachusetts awards nearly \$200,000

in rapid response grants for COVID-19

RIZE community partners are incurring unforeseen costs as they modify operations to continue providing critical services. For example, several partners have been forced to move operations to outside tents in accordance with CDC guidelines for social distancing.

"Our community partners are going through extraordinary lengths to support people with OUD during this unprecedented crisis," said Julie Burns, President and CEO, RIZE Massachusetts Foundation. "The grants will allow these organizations, some of which are small operations without access to reserves, to adapt their operations to better serve

individuals as the Covid-19

pandemic unfolds."

RIZE is distributing grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$15,000 to the following community partners from the area: Statewide

 Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery •NECAT Culinary Arts

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To support RIZE's efforts to fund rapid response

as well as the community partners providing care, services and resources to people with OUD under extremely challenging circumstances like the Covid-19 pandemic or natural disasters, contributions can be made at www.rizema.org/donate.

CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH A SHAMROCK HUNT

Photos by Kate Anslinger

Social distancing didn't stop these little leprechauns from getting outside to hunt for shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day.

With a little luck, they were able to find shamrocks on doors, windows and in front yards throughout the



Brendan O'Brien found his first shamrock.



Nico Caraglia poses with a newly discovered shamrock.



Lorenzo Caraglia is serious about the hunt.



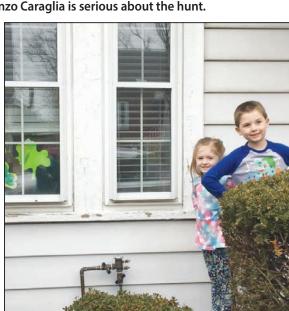
Some even had decor addressed to them. Jake and Molly Titemore, in front of a specially made sign.



A decked-out door.



Mary and Pudgy Lally lean down to kiss their grandson Frankie Paulson through the door.



Kelly and Zack Emanuelson sneak up on a shamrock

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