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### NEWS Brief

### MVES" SPRING FOR INDEPENDENCE THEATER TO BE HELD APRIL 4

Mystic Valley Elder Services' (MVES) Spring For Independence theater event for 2020 will be a special performance of The Cast of Beatlemania, to be held Saturday April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Greater Boston Stage Company in Stoneham.

Experience The Beatles - LIVE - as The Cast of Beatlemania channels John, Paul, George and Ringo in note-for-note performance that has thrilled audiences of all ages across the country and around the world. This show traces the musical journey of the Fab Four from their humble beginnings at The Cavern Club to The British Invasion and the Ed Sullivan Show, through the iconic music of Sgt. Pepper Era to Abbey Road.

Sponsorships and tickets are now available. Tickets cost \$75 each and spon-

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### ANNUAL BOSTON BRUINS ALUMNI VS. THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ALL STARS



A check for \$15,000 was presented by Bruins Alumni Captains, Ray Bourque and Rick Middleton to Captain Kevin Chiles. Also in photo, U.S. Navy Veteran Tom Miller, Winthrop School Committee member Tino Capobianco, Revere Councillor Ira Novoselsky and State Rep. Donald Wong. See more photos on Page 14.

### Kate's Corner

### Local businesses help the community thrive

By Kate Anslinger

It's no surprise that small businesses are a means of stimulating growth in a community. In addition to bolstered innovation and environmental perks, small businesses rouse the economy by providing employment opportunities and

creating meaningful jobs, keeping money close to home and benefiting neighborhoods, schools, local government and community health.

Home to several small businesses, Winthrop caters to its residents and visitors in a variety of different ways. From businesses

that have generated income and given back to the community for generations, to new entrepreneurs who are taking risks, shop owners of different backgrounds have found that supporting one another is of ultimate importance when it comes to the success of the store and the success of the community as a whole.

"Local business is the lifeblood of the community in so many ways," said Kim Hardy, at the Hardy office of Welsh & Parker Insurance Agency Inc. on 57 Putnam St. "Like many of the other Winthrop businesses I chose to be present in this community because I believe in it. Winthrop has been good to my family for many generations, and I am

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### Annual Harpoon Shamrock Splash raises \$50K for free Better Beaches programs, events

On Sunday, March 8, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's 10th annual Harpoon Shamrock Splash to benefit Save the Harbor and DCR's Better Beaches Program

partnership brought nearly 300 beach-lovers together to raise funds to support free beach events and programs from Nahant to Nantasket in 2020.

This year, the "pledge and plunge" cold water fundraiser raised more than \$50,000 to provide grants to community organizations to support free concerts, beach festivals, and youth programs on public beaches in Lynn, Nahant, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull.

Participants could direct

their fundraising to their favorite local beach. South Boston led with \$6,921 followed by Dorchester with \$4,298 and Lynn and Nahant with \$3,820. Participants raised \$3,155 for Winthrop, \$2,949 for Wollaston Beach, \$2,365 for Nantasket, \$1,875 for Revere Beach and \$1,595 for Constitution Beach in East Boston.

"Thirty years ago nobody wanted to go swimming on the region's public beaches. Today we are

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## Local roadways to receive repairs under House bill

Special to the Journal

On March 5 House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo and Rep. RoseLee Vincent along with their colleagues in the House of Representatives passed a \$18.28 billion transportation bond bill dedicated to maintaining and improving the Commonwealth's roads, bridges, and public transportation systems.

For Winthrop and Revere, the bill appropriates:

- Funding designated for the design and construction of a commuter rail station at Wonderland;
- Funding designated for signal improvements along the Blue Line between

Bowdoin and Wonderland stations;

- \$10 million for transportation improvements in Winthrop;

- \$15 million for improvements to Ocean Avenue from Revere Street to Shirley Avenue;

- \$5 million for the reconstruction and widening of the Railroad Avenue Bridge at Route 16 East and Route 1A South; and

- \$5 million for a sound barrier along state highway Route 1, northbound and southbound, from Copeland Circle to Route 16 in the city of Revere.

The legislation, An

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## EBNHC, Greater Boston preparing for coronavirus

By John Lynds

It was only a matter of time before the coronavirus, or COVID-19, that spread across China landed in Boston. The Boston Public Health Commission announced that as of Monday, there was one confirmed case of coronavirus in Boston and eight cases that are presumed positive. The presumptive positive cases did not require hospitalization and are self-isolating at home. The CDC is currently testing to confirm these eight cases.

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that includes MERS and SARS. The most recently discovered coronavirus causes coronavirus disease COVID-19. This new virus and disease were unknown before the outbreak began

in Wuhan, China, in December 2019.

According to the BPHC, there is no evidence of community transmission in Boston right now. The risk remains low, but this situation is evolving rapidly and changes day to day.

"BPHC is engaging in daily communications with the CDC, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH), City of Boston departments and other community partners to make sure we have the latest information on guidance, best practices and recommendations," said the BPHC in a statement. "BPHC will provide updated information on this website and on our social media channels as it becomes available. We are confident the City of Boston will be

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EBNHC President and CEO Manny Lopes and U.S. Congressman Joseph Kennedy III address the crowd during the roundtable discussion concerning COVID-19.

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## WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

### Monday, Feb. 24

Unresponsive female party called in by Action. Female is okay. Units clear.

Party came into police headquarters to report receiving threats from a family member. After the RP filled out a victim/witness statement, it became apparent that the alleged incident occurred in another jurisdiction and did not constitute a criminal threat.

Officer waved down by a citizen stating her vehicle was struck on Golden Drive and the other vehicle involved took off. Officer located the vehicle and its operator. Minimal damage. Paperwork exchanged. Units clear.

Party reports getting into a minor MVA with a female party. He gave her his information, but she left prior to giving him hers. He wanted it logged in that he was not accused of a hit and run.

Operator of scooter driving with no helmet. Verbal warning for no helmet. Party showed a permit that was

### Tuesday, Feb. 25

still active.

Report of two dogs near the high school. Dogs are in and out of the roadway. Unit searched entire area. No dogs found. Clear.

Reports Bartlett Road, from Pleasant Street, to Orlando closed due to trench in the road. Will get emergency vehicles down if needed.

Female party reporting two dogs are barking for 45 minutes. Caller wanted to remain anonymous. Caller would like an officer to go by. Unfounded, no dogs barking at all. Clear.

Male party walked into the station to report a past incident. He stated he was struck by a vehicle while crossing the street but informed the operator that he was okay. He went to the Winthrop Health Center for minor scrapes and bruises. Report to follow.

Caller stating there is a Louis Vuitton bag on her porch that does not belong

to her. She would like an officer to come by and retrieve it. Unit clear. No ID in the bag. Unit will bring the bag to the station.

Hit and run occurred, an MBTA bus hit the driver side mirror on Hermon Street. Vehicle is not at residents caller was advised to call back when vehicle is back at residents.

Reporting party states that she has reported several incidents of lewd and harassing phone calls in the past and received two more calls. Advised to contact her phone carrier’s security department to inquire as to her options.

Male and female arguing. He ripped the papers out of her hands, and she grabbed his shirt, and he dragged her up the street. Both parties known to officers, verbal over some mail all civil issue. Parties do not want to pursue further. Clear.

Person states a Paul Re-

### Thursday, Feb. 27

Cross/Almont was blocked off due to fire trying to secure wires.

Resident called to report that vehicles in her area of Buchanan Street travel at a high rate of speed especially in the morning. Police will do a DP of the area.

Person states female out-front of his house looking for his son. He wants her off his property. Female party left before units arrived.

Female caller reporting three trucks blocking the street and no vehicles can pass. Detail on Summit Avenue.

Female party came in to request a restraining order against her brother and nephew. The incident occurred in East Boston. She stated her relatives live in California. She was advised to go to East Boston Court

to request if the order will be granted.

Female party unresponsive paramedics administering CPR. Fire on scene. Transported to Whidden Hospital

Winthrop Public Library, two-male parties were out out front damaging the railing they have since left. Employee would like to speak to an officer.

Caller states her neighbors upstairs are banging non stop. Apartment has 2 small children, nothing extreme was advise to quiet down. Clear. Peace restored.

Assist fire with 2-year-old injuries from fall. Minor injuries.

Caller works at Honey Dew and a customer asked to use the bathroom, which is out of order so he proceeded to go outside and urinate. He is now inside and will not leave. Party left willingly for unit. Party possibly has dementia.

Caller found a child outside wandering around with no shoes or coat. He said he was looking for his mother, caller has him in her apartment would like a unit. Child reunited with grandmother.

Unresponsive female fire and EMS enroute. 33-year-old female overdose, transported to MGH alert and responsive, 4 mg of Narcan administered. Unit clear.

Caller states for the past five weeks he has had four flat tires due to nails. He wanted it noted.

White male party wearing dark baggy clothes pacing around outside, screaming to himself, going in and out of his vehicle. He is down toward the end of Sea Foam Avenue Units unable to locate the subject. Clear

Caller states her first floor neighbor is making a lot of noise. Medical aid for a female party possible altered mental. Female was transported to MGH.

### Sunday, March 1

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sorships levels range from \$100 to \$20,000. Please contact Robert Guthrie at 781-388-4822 or rguthrie@mves.org, or visit www.mves.org for more information. Proceeds benefit Mystic Valley Elder Services’ programs that keep older adults independent and living in their homes.

Celebrating 45 Years of giving older adults their independence, Mystic Valley Elder Services is a non-profit agency located in Malden, Mass., that provides essential home- and community-based care and resources to older adults, adults living with disabilities, and caregivers who reside in Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose,

North Reading, Reading, Revere, Stoneham, Wakefield and Winthrop, regardless of their income level. Agency services include coordination of home care, transportation, Meals on Wheels, and information and referrals. For more information, please call (781) 324-7705 or visit www.mves.org.

### EARNING HONORS AT BC HIGH SCHOOL

The following students have been named to the Second Quarter Honor Roll at Boston College High School:

**High Honors**

- James Ezekiel
- John Giorgio

- Hunter Kennedy
- Honors**
- John Anderson
- Kenneth Streeter
- Sean Montgomery

Below is the criteria for High Honors and Honors.

For High Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least a 3.80 quality point average and all grades “C+” or higher. Freshmen need a 3.6 quality point average and all grades “C+” or higher.

For Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least a 3.20 quality point average and all grades “C-” or higher. Freshmen need a 3.165 quality point average and all grades “C-” or higher.

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,500 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more information please visit bchigh.edu.

### CARSLEY TO HAVE PRINCIPAL ROLE IN THEATRE PRODUCTION

The School of the Arts at Dean College will perform Thoroughly Modern Millie beginning Wednesday, April 1 through Sunday April 5, 2020.

Elizabeth Carsley of Winthrop will have a principal role in the production. Based on the 1967 movie of the same name, the musical Thoroughly Modern Millie returns us to the height of the Jazz Age. The streets and speakeasies of New York were filled with “Swells” and their flapper “Moderns.” A world of bathtub gin, bobbed hair, shortened hemlines and high spirits gave birth to Millie Dillmount, the type of young woman who eventually changes the rules of life and love. A lyrical musical confection, Thoroughly Modern Millie offers high spirited dance numbers, robust comic scenes and magical songs, while

paying tribute to the spirit of New York and the individuals who seek to discover themselves there. Music by Jeanine Tesori and lyrics by Dick Scanlan. Book by Richard Morris and Dick Scanlan.

The Dean College production of Thoroughly Modern Millie will take place in the Main Stage in the Campus Center at Dean College, 109 West Central Street, Franklin at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - Saturday and 2:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. General admission is \$22, Seniors \$12 and Children \$7.

To learn more and purchase tickets, visit [www.dean.edu/boxoffice](http://www.dean.edu/boxoffice).

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Act authorizing and accelerating transportation investment, ensures that Massachusetts invests in large-scale transportation capital and improvement projects, municipal road and bridge projects, commuter rail parking facilities, regional transportation authorities, as well as programs aimed at reducing congestion and improving air quality.

“These investments strengthen Massachusetts transportation systems across the Commonwealth that are in urgent need of resources,” said Speaker DeLeo (D-Winthrop). “I am grateful to my colleagues in the House for their work to invest in the future of Massachusetts’ transportation system. I am proud of

the work Chairs Michlewitz and Chair Straus did to assemble this package of funding.”

Winthrop Town Manager Austin Faison said, “We’re excited to realize any and all funding for the restoration of the infrastructure of the town. We thank Speaker DeLeo for his guidance on the matter.”

“Investing in the transportation infrastructure of our communities is important, and as the Vice-Chair of the House Bonding Committee, I am proud to have supported this bill which provides authorizations for many projects that will benefit the people of Revere,” said Rep. Vincent (D-Revere). “I thank Speaker DeLeo for his leadership in bringing this Transpor-

tation Bond Bill before the House, and I hope that the Baker administration will include some of these local priorities in their Capital Investment Plans for years to come.”

Powers has focused a lot of his efforts on the potential construction of a commuter rail station at Wonderland. Late last year, Powers attended a transportation subcommittee meeting on the transportation bond bill. Powers said at that meeting Gov. Charlie Baker voiced his support of the bill, agreeing with the councillor that a commuter rail station will reduce vehicular traffic coming in to the city on Route 1A (North Shore Road) and Route 107 (Lynn Marsh Road). Powers contends that a lot of the motorists are heading to Logan Airport on those roadways.

“I’m pleased to see the commuter rail station project was included in the transportation bond bill,” said Powers. “This project has been a top priority of mine for several years.”

Among other spending, the bill appropriates:

- \$2.6 billion dedicated to sustainable transit system modernization investments and rail improvements
- \$300 million in Chapter 90 funding for municipal road and bridge projects.
- Funding authorizations for major infrastructure improvements including
- \$175 million for rail projects including Springfield to Worcester service, Boston to Cape Cod service, and Pittsfield to New York City service;

- o \$825 million for South Coast Rail improvements;
- o \$695 million for Green Line extension improvements;
- o \$400 million for improvements at South Station;
- o \$250 million for the Allston Multimodal Project to serve rail, bus, and automobile transportation and feature bicycle and pedestrian accessibility; and
- o \$350 million for infrastructure improvements to the Bourne and Sagamore Bridges.

- \$330 million dedicated to the improvement of regional transit networks
- A new MassDOT grant program to fund “first mile, last mile” projects.
- \$25 million in assistance for transportation management associations
- \$50 million each respectively for the MBTA and municipalities for mass transit and commuter rail parking, including accommodations for mobility devices and expedited pickup and drop-off zones.
- \$50 million in municipal grants for rapid transit bus lanes and bus shelters.
- \$30 million for water transportation grant programs.

“The investments we are making today will help us build a stronger, more resilient transportation system,” said Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). “By passing this bond authorization, we are ensuring that every corner of the Commonwealth receives much needed additional

### House passes legislation to invest up to \$600 million statewide in the Massachusetts Transportation System

Last week, House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo and Rep. RoseLee Vincent along with their colleagues in the House of Representatives passed legislation to invest up to \$600 million annually in an immediate and critical infusion of transportation funding.

The House plan provides much-needed revenue that will begin to address the ongoing needs of the statewide Massachusetts transportation system. The system faces increased congestion, ongoing unreliability and safety concerns while cities and towns across the state report increased transportation infrastructure needs.

“We know there is a significant need for transportation revenue, and this package delivers it,” said Speaker DeLeo (D – Winthrop). “Thank you to Chairs Michlewitz, Straus and Cusack and to Leader Mariano for their diligence and focused attention to this critical issue.”

“I was proud to support this legislation because I believe the benefits of increased funding for our roadways, bridges and public transit system is extremely necessary,” said Representative Vincent (D-Revere). “The positive, tangible investments that we will see as a result of this legislation for years to come will help to bring our transportation infrastructure up to twenty-first century standards. I thank Speaker DeLeo, Chairman Michlewitz, Chairman Cusack and Chairman Straus for their collaboration in coming up with a consensus bill that takes a good approach and strikes a balance among all sides of the transportation revenue debate.”

transportation resources.”

“Funding authorization provided by the House in this bond bill will help to address the critical infrastructure needs of our roads, bridges and mass transit system throughout Massachusetts,” said Rep. William Straus (D-Mattapoiset), Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation. “These investments are built on a foundation of enhanced revenue support, which the House also approved as a part of this year’s transportation package for the state.”

“As we all know, there

are significant transportation investment needs throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,” said Rep. Antonio F.D. Cabral (D-New Bedford), Chairman of the House Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. “I thank Speaker DeLeo for prioritizing this important bill, which invests a great deal in our state’s roads, bridges, transit and commuter rail systems, and pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure.”

The bill will now go to the Senate.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

BACON-ROASTED CHICKEN WITH POTATOES

INGREDIENTS:

6 chicken thighs

6 chicken drumsticks

12 slices center-cut bacon

salt and black pepper to taste

1 onion, coarsely chopped

1½ pounds white potatoes

Seasoning Mix:

2 tablespoons dried chives

2 tablespoons dried basil

1 tablespoon garlic powder

1 tablespoon adobo seasoning

1 tablespoon ground black pepper

1 teaspoon salt, or to taste

DIRECTIONS:

**STEP 1:** Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

**STEP 2:** Wrap each chicken piece in a slice of bacon, trying to cover as much of the chicken as possible. Place the wrapped chicken pieces in a 9x13 inch baking dish, season with salt and pepper, and sprinkle the onion over the chicken. Push potatoes down into the spaces between the chicken pieces and around the edge of the dish.

**STEP 3:** Combine the chives, basil, garlic powder, adobo seasoning, and black pepper in a small bowl, and sprinkle the seasoning to taste over the chicken and potatoes.

**STEP 4:** Bake in the preheated oven for 1 hour, until the bacon is crisp and brown and the potatoes are tender. Sprinkle with salt, if desired, and serve hot.

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Sandy Paws staff gathers around the front desk (located at 64 Putnam St.) Owner, Amanda Koutalakis, sends dog owners to the local coffee shops and restaurants while they wait for their pups to get groomed.

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committed to being here.”

In 2008, Hardy joined Welsh & Parker Insurance and opened an office in Winthrop Center. Like many other residents, Hardy finds herself supporting other local businesses on a daily basis.

“I am always running to the Marketplace or the Meat Market before I head home to cook. There is the element of convenience- but it is more than that. Patsy or Sandro always ask how my day was and there is a comradery of being a business owner in the community.”

Hardy remembers having a conversation with another business owner. The two shared their experiences on balancing motherhood and being a new business owner.

“We often support each other in quiet ways,” said Hardy, who believes in the importance of supporting the local businesses that support the town. “You need to remember that your local business owners have been supporting the community for years. Amazon and Geico do not send money to Winthrop to fundraise for local sport teams, offer jobs to students or help when a local resident is sick or in need. If you don’t support your local business, they will not be around to support the community.”

Giving back to the community is something that Jimmy Gillis, Owner of the Winthrop Pro Shop, is well versed in. Customer James Fabiano applauded the owner of 16 years for his commitment to youth and team sports.

“Jimmy helps every non-profit organization and team in town.”

Supporting one another doesn’t have to come with an alignment of services. Oftentimes, one business owner will send a customer to another local business for different reasons. Sarah Roth, Owner of La Petite Boutique on Somerset Avenue, has had parents of students at Cervizzi’s Martial Arts come in to browse while their children are in a class. In the seven years that Roth has been in business, she’s witnessed several instances where customers from the hair salons come in to shop while they wait for their appointment.

“A customer may be in town to get a coffee, have a hair appointment or drop of their child for karate, but while they are here, they visit the other shops. There is a lot of crossover. That’s why it’s important



Robin Gerolamo from Robin’s Nest.

for people to frequent the small businesses. It creates a sense of community and togetherness, which develops commerce organically.”

All business owners collectively work toward success and that can be achieved by lifting others and working as a team, ultimately fulfilling the needs of the community.

“We are very grateful that, on a regular basis, we have customers coming in telling us they were referred to us by another local business,” said Robin Gerolamo, Owner of Robin’s Nest, at 79 Jefferson St. “We, in return, refer customers to our fellow local small businesses almost daily.

Regardless of the product or service a customer is looking for, we refer them to a local establishment that best suits their needs. If a small local business can be a destination point for customers outside of their immediate communities, is likely those customers will patronize other local businesses.”

Like other small business owners, Gerolamo believes that successful local businesses can have a tremendous positive impact on their overall communities.

“It’s all about community at the end of the day. If we don’t support each other, we won’t be successful,” said Jamie Desmond,



Sarah Roth Oosten, Owner of La Petite Boutique, located at 21 Somerset Ave.



Jimmy Gillis, Owner of Winthrop Pro Shop. As the owner for 16 years, Gillis has donated to and sponsored countless events and sports teams.



A group of Inc.Ubate Co-working (7 Somerset Ave.) members. Left to right: Nico Ruggieri, Michael Lucerto (Owner of Inc.Ubate), Jennifer Powell, Tara Gearhart, Paul Lucerto (Owner of Swett’s Liquors, located at 3 Somerset Ave.).

Daycare Manager, at Sandy Paws at 64 Putnam St.

Sandy Paws Owner, Amanda Koutalakis, recently hired a groomer from Everett, which has brought a lot of out-of-town customers in. While these customers wait for their dog to be groomed, they are referred to the local coffee shops and restaurants.

The need for local business support will only become more important with the upcoming redesign of French Square.

“It’s an even greater time to be supportive of each other with the infrastructure happening,” said Betsy Shane, Executive Director of the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce. “It’s about building relationships and keeping the money in the community. In turn, we will have better schools and bet-

ter local government infrastructure.”

Shane saw the collaboration of teamwork in action recently when she joined Frank Costantino, Marc Chapdelaine (License Commission Board Chair),

Swett’s Liquor employees, Harbor City Church members, and the DPW to remove and replant some of the plants in French Square.

“We are a community that works together.”

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OUR UNDERPREPARED  
HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

The coronavirus pandemic that is sweeping across the world has highlighted how ill-prepared the U.S. healthcare system has become for dealing with a national health emergency of this potential magnitude.

The U.S. has lagged far behind other nations in terms of testing our citizens to determine whether they have contracted Covid-19. Not only did our government not have anywhere near the number of test kits available to meet the demand for testing, but those that we did have were defective.

As a result, we have lost precious time in identifying how many of our citizens have the disease and the extent of the outbreak in specific parts of the country.

Cutbacks in the budgets of the federal agencies responsible for ensuring our nation’s health have reduced the ability of the federal government to respond to such threats speedily and competently.

However, there is a much-deeper problem that has been looming for years.

The closing of community hospitals throughout the nation in the past few decades has created a crisis that already has placed our healthcare system at the breaking point -- a situation that will only get worse as the Baby Boomers begin to reach their late 70s and 80s.

Anybody who has been to a hospital emergency room recently knows all too well that our healthcare system is woefully inadequate even in the best of times.

The 46,500 beds in intensive care in the United States are occupied virtually 24/7/365 by mostly elderly persons with a wide range of health issues. Covid-19, if uncontrolled, might lead to up to 1.9 million ICU admissions, according to projections presented to the American Hospital Association -- a situation for which we have nowhere near the capacity or capability.

Even without a pandemic or similar national health emergency, our health care system is a disaster waiting to happen in the years ahead.

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HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY... MARCH 17

LETTERS to the Editor

ON LIZ WARREN  
DROPPING OUT OF  
RACE

**Dear Editor,**  
To us “Winthrop for Warren” workers and voters, it was was disappointing at best when Sen. Elizabeth Warren left the presidential race. She had not garnered sufficient votes to continue her pursuit as the chief leader of our nation.

I’d like to add, however, that Elizabeth Warren defined, with clear examples, the need for economic, social, racial, and criminal justice for all Americans. She continues to be an inspiration to all of us to “Dream Big and Fight Hard” for concrete solutions to unaffordable housing, medical care and medications, child care, and higher education.

By supporting Elizabeth Warren for President, we became part of a movement to make a positive difference in our communities and in our country. If anything, she taught us to continue, to persist in that movement. Thank you, Sen. Warren!

Elizabeth Warren closed her campaign with the following: “Our work continues, the fight goes on, and big dreams never die.”

**Donna Segreti Reilly  
Team Leader  
“Winthrop for Warren”**

IT’S TIME  
TO ACT ON  
TRANSPORTATION  
SOLUTIONS

**Dear Editor,**  
Massachusetts is facing a statewide transportation crisis. Just this week we

learned that Boston ranked worst in the US in a highly watched ranking of congestion in global cities for the second year in a row[1], and that Boston’s rush-hour drivers lose more time commuting (149 hours/year!) than any other city in the U.S. Transit riders and those who commute by bike or foot don’t have it much better. Faced with derailments and delays on the MBTA, inadequate regional transit in communities across the state, and deteriorating roads and bridges, residents are feeling the pain from the Berkshires to the Cape, and of course, right here in Winthrop.

Our transportation system is not just bad for our economy and our sanity, it’s bad for the climate and public health, and is now the largest source of air pollution in the Commonwealth. Rather than creating economic opportunity, our inequitable transportation system is often an obstacle. The status quo is not just unacceptable, it’s entirely unsustainable.

Fortunately, there are solutions and some are being acted upon as you read this newspaper. Under the leadership of Winthrop’s own Speaker Bob DeLeo, the MA Housing of Representatives just last week approved a major piece of legislation that will generate more than half a billion dollars for transportation infrastructure primarily through increasing taxes or fees on gasoline, large corporations, ride-hailing services, and vehicle purchases by rental car companies. Contrary to last week’s letter from Mr.Caruccio,

this is not a tax attack on the working public, it’s an overdue investment in our future as a Commonwealth and a critical act to address our dual transportation and climate crises.

I’d like to respectfully clarify several of the points raised in Mr.Caruccio’s letter:

- First, the 5 cent gas tax increase would be the first since 2013- when it was raised by just 3 cents- and only the second since 1991. In those 19 years, the gas tax has lost nearly half of its value due to inflation. Consider that in 1991, the MA gas tax was 21 cents. In today’s dollars, that is 40 cents. At 28 cents, the new gas tax is actually a 30 percent tax cut, meaning even with the 5 cent increase, we have 30 percent less to spend on roads, rails and bridges than we did in 1991. Equally important to consider is that while our gas tax has increased 14 percent since 1991, MBTA fares have risen 300 percent- twice since Charlie Baker has been Governor. The gas tax is a core way that we raise money to invest in our transportation system at the state and local levels, which are seriously underfunded. Impacts on lower-income drivers can be offset with corresponding tax credits and reduced transit fare.

- Second, the proposed increase to the corporate minimum excise tax- which has not been changed in 30 years- moves from a flat \$456 for all companies to a tiered structure at the top of which companies with more than \$1 billion in sales would pay at least

\$150,000.

- Finally, the increased fees on transportation network companies (TNCs) such as Uber and Lyft- from a 20 cent-per-trip flat fee to \$1.20 for each non-shared ride and \$2.20 for every luxury ride — are not to be passed directly to riders and do not apply to shared (more than one passenger in addition to the driver) rides. It’s important to consider that the impacts of TNCs on our roads and our climate have been enormous. In 2018, there were 81 million trips in MA[2], a 25 percent increase over the prior year, yielding a net carbon footprint of nearly 100,000 metric tons (adding about 0.5 percent to the total carbon emissions) and coming an estimated cost of \$23 million in lost fare revenues to the MBTA. Nationwide, TNCs emit 70 percent more emissions than the trips they displace[3]. The revenue from these fees will be used to solve transportation gaps, particularly in under-served communities.

For more information about H.4520 an act relative to transportation finance and H.4506 an act authorizing and accelerating transportation investments visit [www.t4ma.org/housebill](http://www.t4ma.org/housebill). And please join me in thanking Speaker DeLeo for his courage and leadership in supporting this critical legislation.

**Respectfully,  
Julia Wallerice  
Chair, Winthrop Transportation Committee  
Boston Program Manager, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP)**

GUEST OP-ED

Have a hippity-hopity holiday

By Melissa Martin

This year, Easter falls on Sunday, April 12. So, make your menu, sew your outfit, and decorate your dwelling while there’s still time.

Easter has become a commercial event catered toward children with baskets full of chocolate rabbits, dyed eggs, jelly beans, and other sweet treats. Easter is the second best-selling candy holiday in America after Halloween. Keep that a secret from your kid’s dentist.

How interesting that a dog is in the running to be the next Cadbury bun-

ny—that will be one funny bunny. And I voted for the two-legged dog from New Richmond, Ohio, to be the 2020 candy canine. Bark for the bunny! Lt. Dan is named after the “Forrest Gump” character who lost his legs overseas in combat. What animal lover can resist a disabled dog wearing long ears and a fluffy tail. Cadbury issued a casting call for all pets to enter the contest to become the next Cadbury Bunny. Lt. Dan the dog is competing against a mini-horse, llama, pig, hamster, duck and two cats. The winner of the contest will star in Cadbury’s

new TV commercial and receive \$5,000. The Cadbury Bunny Tryouts Contest is sponsored by The Hershey Company in Hershey, Pa. Vote at [www.bunnytryouts.cadburyusa.com](http://www.bunnytryouts.cadburyusa.com).

How interesting that a giant bunny carries a huge basket and hops down the bunny trail to deliver colored eggs to children. Aren’t the hens steamed? It’s hard work laying eggs, only to give the credit to a happy hare. Plastic lookalike eggs have replaced boiled eggs in the annual Easter egg hunts. The chickens don’t have to work as long during the season, but please give

the poor cluckers a raise and retirement benefits. But no billionaire bunnies allowed according to Bernie.

The White House Easter Egg Roll is an annual tradition. Since 1878, when Rutherford B. Hayes was in office, American presidents have hosted the party on the lawn according to the White House Historical Association website. The liberals probably want to roll Trump down Capitol Hill—then he will have a bad ‘hare’ day. Sorry, I couldn’t resist a hair joke. Womp womp.



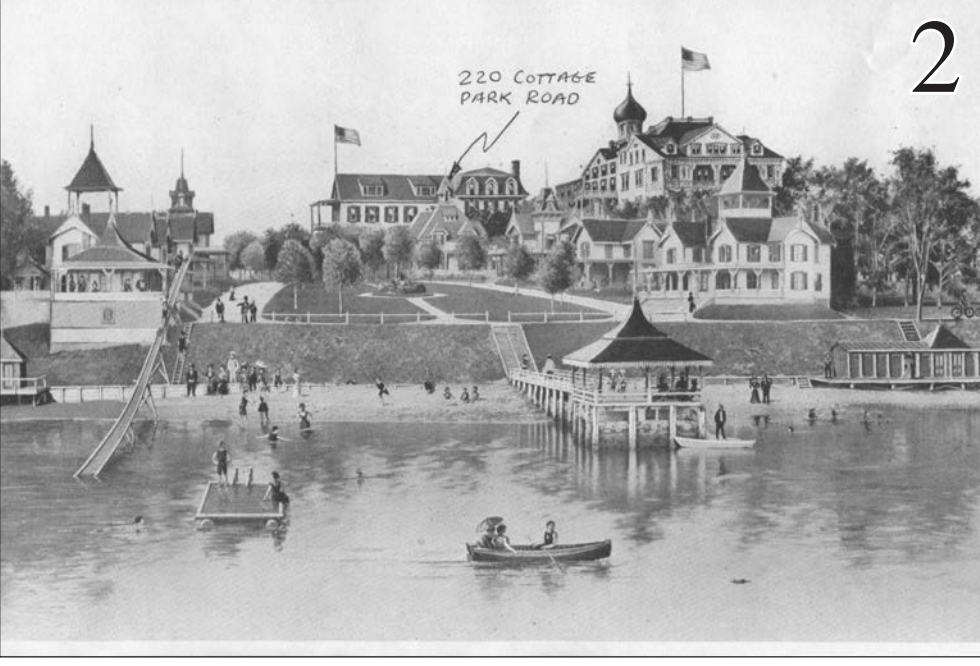
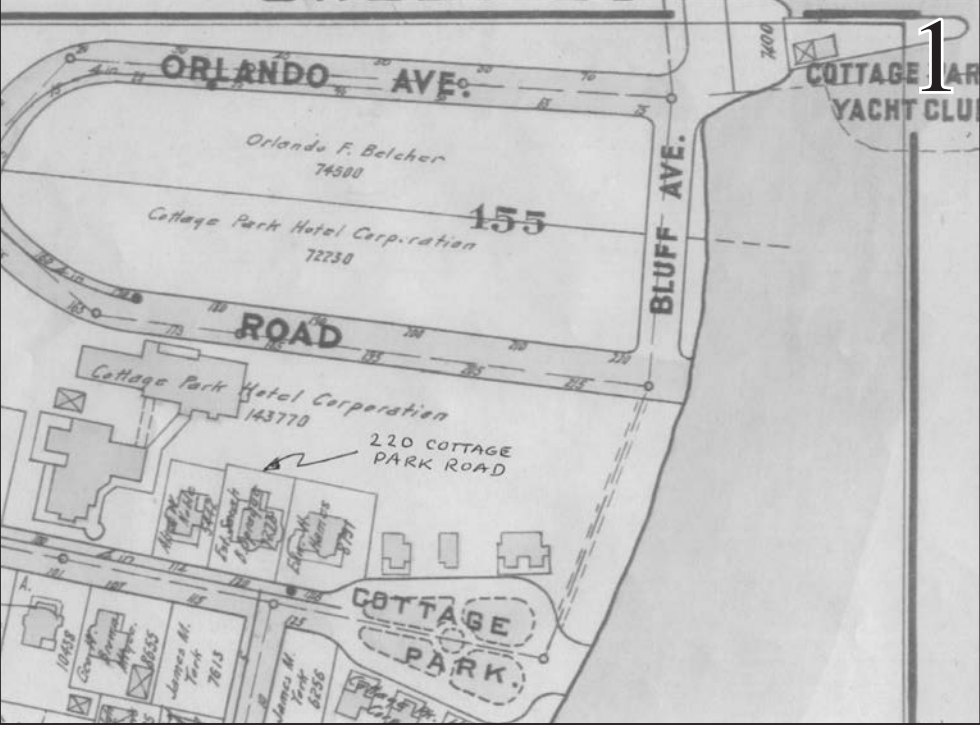
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

ART 921 – ORLANDO BELCHER’S HOME - FIRE OF JAN. 2008



When looking around our community, one can see the subtle changes that continually occur such as the damage caused by the fire on Jan. 29, 2008 in one of our older historic homes located at 220 Cottage Park Road. This is the only building still standing that was an integral part of the Cottage Park Hotel and its summer cottage complex which operated from the mid 1880s until 1920. Picture one is a portion of a 1906 map that depicts this building’s location in relation to the rest of this famous resort facility. In picture two, one can see this cottage as it appeared about 1890 in front of the rear section of the hotel’s main building. Note the cupola on its roof with the arrow pointing to it. This cupola was removed in later years but the current owner, Linda Rand, has considered the possibility of restoring it. I was fortunate to have an opportunity to see the restoration effort performed on the first floor

of this lovely home and what she has done to preserve this valuable piece of Winthrop’s history. Also, in this photograph, one can see the extent of the resort including not only the series of cottages that existed in front of the large hotel, but also the extensive waterfront that provided facilities for salt water bathing and recreational boating. Just to the right of this picture was a pier which accommodated ferry boats from Boston that brought tourists to stay at the resort. This pier is today the site of the Cottage Park Yacht Club as noted also on the printed map. The subject house, built about 1880 for Sara B. Sprague on the road which was then named Harbor Avenue, was a “single stick” Queen Anne home with a massive capped gabled roof. This house was acquired about 1914 by Orlando F. Belcher for use as his retirement home. In addition to the Cottage Park Hotel, Orlando also owned

the Beacon Villa establishment formerly on Villa Avenue just off of Pleasant Street. Picture three depicts the house as it appeared in recent years and picture four shows it with members of the Fire Department in attendance just after the fire. Winthrop is fortunate to still have a large number of pre-1860 buildings, many of which have been restored to their former elegant appearance by their current owners. If you believe that your home was built before 1859, take a look at our Winthrop Mapping Book which contains a listing of the 86 buildings shown on the 1859 map therein. Copies of this book are available for sale at the Public Library, Michaels Card Shop at the Mall and the Winthrop Book Depot at 11 Somerset Ave.. As a side note, Orlando Fla., was not named after Orlando Belcher as has been rumored. It was named after Orlando Reeves in 1857.



THE MORE Things Change ...

Items selected from past issues of the Winthrop Sun, The Winthrop Review, The Winthrop Visitor, The Transcript and The Sun-Transcript

20 years ago March 16, 2000

The Board of Selectmen, citing the need to make changes, have gone outside of the Police Department to name Edward Shalvey of Yonkers, N.Y., as the new chief of Police. The board chose Shalvey over veteran lieutenant and Acting Chief Michael McManus.

The selectmen have voted to approve the draft warrant for the upcoming town meeting.

Marie Turner, Paul J. Perrier, Albert Van Buskirk, and Jeff Fidler have taken out nomination papers for the seat on the Board of Selectmen being vacated by Robert J. Driscoll Jr.

A 5-4 loss to St. Bernard’s in overtime in the quarterfinals of the state tourney marked the end of the road for the WHS hockey team as well as the end of their WHS careers for 12 seniors, including Geno DeAngelis, who ended his career with 70 goals and 70 assists for 14 points and Jonathan Lounsbury, who finished with 64 goals and 68 assists for 132 points.

“Erin Brockovich,” “Mission to Mars,” and “The Ninth Gate” are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago March 12, 1980

According to figures released by the State Lottery Commission, local Beanos operated by the Temple Tifereth Israel, Emblem Club, St. John’s parochial school, the Sons of Italy, and the Lodge of Elks grossed \$134,763 in 1979 and netted \$103,000 for those organizations.

Local merchants are showering Olympic hero Mike Eruzione with gifts.

Veterans groups are in disagreement on a proper location to engrave the names of the town’s soldiers who gave their lives in Korea and Vietnam.

The John D. O’Connell Community Building in the senior housing project was dedicated Sunday in memory of the former Housing Authority Board member who served on that board for 29 years.

Donald Clayman has announced his candidacy for re election to the School Committee.

Chuck Norris stars in “A Force of One” at the Kincaide Theatre.

50 years ago March 12, 1970

The School Committee unanimously has voted to name Robert DeFelice, the former WHS baseball star and present Viking line coach, as the new head coach of the WHS football team. He succeeds long time coach Ed MacFarland, whose contract was not renewed in a controversial move by the School Committee earlier this winter.

Town Meeting will get underway March 16, with the Advisory Committee predicting a tax increase of \$8.20 to \$56.80 if its recommendations are approved. The School Department will see the biggest increase of any town department with a \$300,000 increase to a new total of \$2.5 million.

About 100 residents turned out at the Winthrop Arms to hear a presentation by William Zoppo for construction of an apartment complex on land he owns at Belle Isle Marsh on Revere St. Zoppo is asking Town Meeting members to approve a zoning change from light industrial to residential for the area. Zoppo said he has plans for seven, nine story buildings that

will cover the land area behind the homes on Revere Street from the entrance to the town all the way to the square where Revere Street meets the Crest.

Woody Allen stars in “Take the Money and Run” at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago March 10, 1960

Voters returned all of the incumbent selectmen, Mel Carver, Walter Van Dalinda, and Henry O’Connell, and elected a new member to the School Committee, John A. Canavan Jr., and returned Edward Bryant to that board as well. Among the unsuccessful selectmen candidates were William Kincaide, Gerard Powers, and Ralph Sirianni.

Vandals broke into the Union Congregational Church over the weekend, making a mess of the altar area. A break also was reported at Grunin’s Deli on Shirley Street.

The area’s worst recorded storm in history that dumped over two feet of snow here last Thursday and Friday is estimated to have cost the town \$15,000 for snowplowing and the handling of minor emergencies.

The WHS basketball team claimed the NEC title with a playoff victory over Danvers in a 56-52 overtime thriller. Clutch free throw shooting by co-captain Dan Appleton down the stretch clinched the win in OT.

The Junior High basketball team fell short in its bid for a state title with a 35-34 loss to the Shurtleff Junior High team of Chelsea. Shurtleff was led by its 6-4 star center Lew Perkins, who tossed in 19 points. Winthrop was led in a valiant effort by Len Riley with 12 points and Dick Sicurella with 10 points.

Tony Curtis and Cary Grant star in “Operation Petticoat” at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago March 9, 1950

Peter Princi topped the balloting for selectman and Walter Donahue won election to the School Committee in Monday’s town election. William Pierce and Walter Smith also won election to the board of selectmen. There was a voter turnout of 5,991 voters, about 57 percent of registered voters. The rise of the 34-year-old Princi to the top of the local political ladder has been quite phenomenal, considering that he lost his first two tries for local office for the School Committee in 1946 and 1947. Andrew Benson, a 23 year old law student, was the youngest person elected on Monday, winning a seat on the Housing Authority.

George A. Pulsifer and his son, George E., were the highest vote getters for Town Meeting member. The father and son own and operate Pulsifer’s Market on the Point. Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda star in Lady Eve at the Winthrop and State theatres.

80 years ago March 9, 1940

Despite the inclement weather, almost 58 percent of Winthrop’s voters, an average turnout, took part in the town election Monday. All three incumbent selectmen were re-elected, top vote getter Walter Baker, Thomas Key, and T.J. Mahaney. Among those who polled well in the 12 man field for selectmen were Henry Moynihan, Ross Batchelder, David Belcher, and Frederick Crocker.

James Cagney and Pat

O’Brien star in “The Fighting 69th” at the Winthrop and State theaters.

90 years ago March 15, 1930

Mrs. Frederick Judd, wife of Sen. Judd from the western part of the state and herself active in Republican affairs, was the guest speaker at the Winthrop Woman’s Republican Club meeting. Her interesting and amusing discussion focused on the importance of town meeting as an institution of our democracy.

According to Hollywood producers, the perfect female figure is 36-26-36 “. They are forbidding their actresses from going on harmful diets that omit sweets and other energy producing foods in order to help them maintain their figures.

The Winthrop Community Hospital is undertaking a fund drive in March, seeking one dollar from every Winthrop family, in order to have cash on hand as of April 1 with the construction of the new hospital building looming.

Basil Rathbone stars in the all talking “The Bishop Murder Case” at the Winthrop and Dream theaters.

100 years ago March 13, 1920

The Town Meeting was filed to overflowing in the high school hall with about 100 voters forced to stand. There was but little friction and all of the business wrapped up by 11 p.m. Members followed most of the Advisory Committee’s recommendations except for approving pay raises for police and firefighters despite the Advisory Committee’s advice. The issue of the new schools was tabled until a special town meeting.

The MDC has announced that the charge for the use of a bathroom at the beaches at Revere, Nahant, and Nantasket, which includes a bathing suit, towel, and room, will increase from 25 cents to 35 cents for the coming season.

110 years ago March 12, 1910

With the two opposing political groups in town, the Civic League and the Town Government Assoc., drawing out their supporters to the polls via automobiles and canvassing, a huge voter turnout took place in Monday’s election. The Town Government Association reclaimed power at Town Hall as its slate of selectmen candidates, Brendan Keenan, William Sanby, and Elmer Dawson all ousting the Civic League’s incumbent slate.

Two Winthrop boys were among the students at Dartmouth College who narrowly escaped with their loves and not much more than the shirts off their backs in the fire that struck the school last week.

120 years ago March 10, 1900

A bill is pending before the legislature that would allow all of the cities and towns within a 10-mile radius of Boston to vote to on the question of annexation into Boston. If all of those cities and towns were to do so, Boston would become one of the largest cities in the nation with a population of 1.2 million.

The vote of two of the selectmen to grant permission for an electric street railway to operate in the town has become highly controversial. However, the proposal still must come before state authorities.



# COVID-19 //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ready for a safe and effective response as the situation develops.”

Over at East Boston Neighborhood Health Center U.S. Congressman and Senate candidate Joseph Kennedy III participated in a roundtable at the Health Center to discuss the status, needs and preparedness for COVID-19. The goal of the meeting was to provide assistance to Kennedy in disseminating appropriate and timely information regarding the virus. The discussion consisted of best practices and recommendations on how to respond to COVID-19.

Of particular interest was the potential impact on Eastie’s senior population, the role of our emergency department and the partnership with Massport and the City’s Public Health Department.

“The coronavirus outbreak is the number one priority for the Health Center and the communities we serve. Like other healthcare organizations, we have enacted our Emergency Operations Planning and put protocols into place to ensure the safety of our staff, patients and members of our Neighborhood PACE program,” said EBNHC President and CEO Manny Lopes. “We are fortunate that we have had no active cases of the coronavirus present here at EBNHC, but regardless we must remain vigilant. East Boston Neighborhood Health

Center has been providing quality care to the residents of East Boston and our surrounding communities for the last 50 years and we remain steadfastly committed to caring for all in our community during this crisis. We will continue to work closely with the Department of Public Health, the Boston Department of Public Health and both State and Federal Government as every day brings forth new information and recommended guidelines.”

When the outbreak in Wuhan, China, began, many patients reported links to a large seafood and animal market. This suggested that it was spread from animal to people. However, it is now clear that COVID-19 spreads mainly from person to person. It is spread through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land on people who are nearby (within six feet). It may also be possible for a person to get COVID-19 by touching a contaminated surface or object and then touching their own mouth, nose, or eyes.

“To ensure the safety of staff and patients and to contain the spread of the coronavirus as much as possible, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center has instituted a very thorough screening process in our Call Centers and in our various clinical departments,” said EBNHC Chief

Medical Officer Jackie Fantes. “Patients are screened for symptoms if they have had any exposure or have traveled outside of the area recently. If testing is deemed necessary, the State Lab will process the results. We’re hoping to have access to private labs as well. Thankfully, flu season is subsiding and that should help eliminate a lot confusion over symptoms in the coming weeks. Given that the elderly population is at the highest risk, we are focused on our Neighborhood PACE Program and are taking every step possible to continue giving high-quality care both at our PACE Centers and in their homes without compromising their risks further. Throughout this crisis, we must still care for all of the health issues our community faces and it is important that people don’t avoid necessary care because of this crisis. We are grateful for our skilled and determined staff for the work they are doing every day.”


EBNHC Vice President of Human Resources Steven Snyder added, “The safety of our staff is always a priority for us. Balancing the need to care for the community during this crisis with the concerns of our own staff is no easy task, but we are fortunate to have an incredibly committed team here at the Health Center who always rises to the occasion. We will continue to take every step we can to see that our staff is utilizing best practices in infection control in the care of our patients, in their normal work day and in their personal lives.”

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to this virus. BPHC recommends standard precautions to prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, like those that cause the flu or a cold:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Avoid spitting in public.
- Get a flu shot.



EBNHC Chief Medical Officer Jackie Fantes and BPHC Executive Director Rita Nieves.



### Holy Week at St John’s Parish

*The Episcopal Church in  
Winthrop, Massachusetts*  
(corner of Bowdoin and Buchanan Streets)

Mundy Thursday Liturgy (04/09) – 7 PM  
Good Friday Liturgy (04/10) – 7 AM & 7 PM  
Good Friday – Stations of the Cross – Noon  
Great Vigil of Easter (Sat - 04/11) – 5:30 PM  
Easter Vigil Potluck Feast – 7 PM  
Sunrise Service at Beach (04/12) – 6:00 AM  
(Highland end at the green rails)  
Easter Day Mass – 8 & 10 AM

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# Artists from several communities to organize in Chelsea this month

By Seth Daniel

When Karyn Alzayer of Integral Arts Everett and Mimi Graney of Chelsea Prospers began reaching out to their artist communities in Everett and Chelsea – they soon found that there was a need in the region to connect artists in those two cities and also in neighboring areas like Revere, Malden, East Boston and Winthrop.

Many artists felt isolated, and weren’t connected to fellow artists, with some of them having been displaced from areas like Cambridge, Somerville and Boston in recent years. When Alzayer and Graney began to talk with one another, they said they sensed a clear call to organize regionally.

“When I was putting together the Everett Art Walk last fall, the sentiment among the artists was they needed a network to meet other artists,” Alzayer said. “Then when I was in Malden, I heard the same sentiment. I realized there was a theme there. Then when I met with Mimi to work on some collaboration in Chelsea, she said artists she met were asking for a network. So, we decided this needed to be done.”

Added Graney, “We were looking for artists in Chelsea to do murals for our downtown initiatives. We found quite a few new artists here, but then found out none of them knew each other. They expressed a desire to have a more formal way to meet regularly. I met Karyn while doing the Chelsea Night Market last

summer and she is a powerbroker. We were think of it for Chelsea, but found there was the same sentiment in Everett and surrounding communities. We felt this first schmoozing could bring about a spark... Gathering everyone together could maybe get some synergy.”

*Already they’ve had a great response from the communities, with 35 people signing up within 24 hours of going public with the effort.*

This month, on March 24, they will kick off an effort called Creative Mystic that looks to align and spark connections between artists in Chelsea, Revere, Everett, Malden, Winthrop and East Boston. The event will take place in the Apollinaire Theatre in Chelsea (189 Winnisimmet St.) from 7-9 p.m.

Already they’ve had a great response from the communities, with 35 people signing up within 24 hours of going public with the effort. They hope to continue to get more artists from the region, and that includes all sorts of artists – from performance artists to musicians to the traditional visual arts media.

Alzayer said there is plenty of structure for artists in Boston, Cambridge and Somerville. She said the North Shore also has a great existing network. However, the middle areas such as they represent, ar-

en’t as connected. “There are a lot of creatives in the middle here,” she said. “We don’t match up with Boston and we can’t go so far as the North Shore. There were enough of us here that it was a good idea to make these connections.”

Graney said one of the reasons people aren’t connected is there are a good many artists who are relatively new to the community.

“I have been meeting more and more people who have been displaced from East Cambridge or Somerville,” she said. “They lost their workspace and are moving to these areas. They’re bringing their organizational energy and know-how and hopefully it will help unite these cities.”


Alzayer said as a working artist, making those connections is critical. She said she hopes that by introducing artists from all over the area, it can lead to people contacting one another outside of the group.

If they hit a creative roadblock, they can text any number of fellow artists for some ideas. That can lead to new ideas or new directions, she said.

“We’re sparking ideas and we’ll see what happens,” she said.


While the first event will be in Chelsea on March 24, Graney said they hope to have a second event on May 1 in Everett.

To register for the event, go to the Chelsea Prospers Facebook page or go online to Eventbrite under ‘Creative Mystic Meet Up.’




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Frederick Ferrara

His family was his pride and joy

Frederick J. Ferrara, 81, of Coconut Creek, Florida, formerly of Winthrop, passed away on Feb. 16 surrounded by his loving family. He fought a courageous fight with liver cancer.

He worked with his dad at a young age learning the trade of construction in the family business, Ferrara Contracting, and decided to leave and venture on his own starting Fred Ferrara Contracting and was very successful.

His grandmother and his school teacher said his hands were gifted. He loved German Shepherds, having at least five all with the same name, Bruno. He was funny and loved his family, they were his pride and joy. Family was everything to him.

He was the devoted and loving husband of Carolle Ferrara for 58 years and the cherished father of Christine Ferrara Oliveira and her husband, Cisco and Frederick Ferrara, Jr. and his wife, Patricia, all of Coconut Creek, Florida and Denise Star Gavin of New Hampshire; cherished grandfather of Anthony Ferrara Oliveira, Makaela Ferrara and step-grandfather to Cisco Oliveira, Jr. and Tamitsa Lauranco; dear brother of Frank Ferrara and his wife, Ann and Marie Ferrara Tucci, all of Winthrop and



brother in law of Elaine Ferrara of South Yarmouth. He was predeceased by his brother, Joseph Ferrara and his parents, Anna G. (Finn) and Anthony R. Ferrara. He is also survived by many precious and loving nieces and nephews who he made an impact in their lives with his love.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the visitation in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Saturday, March 14 from 9 to 10 a.m. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in the church immediately following the visitation at 10 a.m. Committal will be private.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop. To sign the online guestbook go to [www.caggianofuneralhome.com](http://www.caggianofuneralhome.com).

Pasquale Allouise

Longtime American Optical Foreman

Pasquale J. (Pat) Allouise, 96, of Revere, passed away on Friday, March 6 at home.

Pat was born on June 24, 1923 in the North End of Boston to the late Joseph and Barbara Allouise. He worked for many years as a foreman at the American Optical Company in Chelsea.

He was married to the late Emma (Yonker) Allouise, who predeceased him just over one year ago. Pat and Emma settled in Revere, raised a family and were married for over 70 years.

Pat's joys in life included his family, walking at either Revere Beach or the Square One Mall, watching sports and game shows on television, going to horse races at Suffolk Downs and playing the Numbers Game of the Massachusetts State Lottery.

In addition to his deceased wife, Emma, Pat was the devoted father of John Allouise and his wife, Marie of Mississippi, Donna Allouise and Patricia Allouise, both of Revere and Joseph Allouise and his wife, Ruth of Beverly. He was the cherished grandfather of Nicole Surette and her husband, Ronald of Saugus, Jacqui Allouise of New Hampshire and Isabella Allouise of Beverly; cherished great-grandfather



of Tiffany and Alex Surette of Saugus and dear brother of the late Catherine (Allouise) DeStefano and her late husband, Salvatore of New Hampshire and the late Peter Allouise and his late wife, Florence of Revere. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

His Funeral will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere today, Wednesday, at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment will be in Woodlawn Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Association at <https://www.heart.org/en> or via mail to American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005. For guest book, please visit [www.Buonfiglio.com](http://www.Buonfiglio.com).

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The following corny jokes were found at [www.southernliving.com](http://www.southernliving.com). Q: Therapist: What's been up lately? A: Chocolate bunny: I don't know, I just feel so hollow inside. Q: How can you tell which rabbits are oldest in a group? A: Just look for the gray hares. Q: Where does the Easter Bunny go when he needs a new tail? A: To a re-tail store.

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Easter is a deeply religious holiday for many, packed with significance in the resurrection story of Christ. Good Friday marks Jesus's crucifixion and Easter Sunday celebrates his resurrection. The crucifixion of Jesus is recorded in the New Testament books, known as the Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

Blessings to all my peeps at Easter!

Melissa Martin, Ph.D., is an author, columnist, educator, and therapist. She lives in Ohio.

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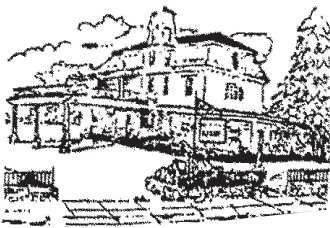
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Winthrop Drama Society takes a group photo, celebrating their selection to the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild semi-finals round

# Winthrop Drama Society heads to state semi-finals to perform student-written script

By Kate Anslinger

On Saturday, March 14, the Winthrop High School Drama Society will head to the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) semi-finals to perform their student-written script, *Fallen*, at Danvers High School. Seniors, Ma-

ria Tracy, Fiona MacPhail and Samantha Long are responsible for organizing, editing and adapting the script that is derived from the plot of *Paradise Lost*, a poem written by John Milton, which is comprised of the biblical story surrounding the temptation of Adam and Eve by the fallen angel

Satan. Director and drama teacher, Karen Calinda chose the name *Fallen* for the script. “I think that the title *Fallen* is very appropriate for our interpretation of Milton’s story, because our *Fallen* is a new take on the universally known character of Satan,” said Long. “Why did this angel fall? What is the devil’s true origin story? What happens on the journey to the Garden of Eden? This is a deeply flawed and, in turn, somewhat relatable character for the audience.” Long shared that the plot is pretty heavy stuff, unique to scripts the Drama Society has done in the past. Since Long has been active in drama, the fest show has been a piece of adapted or original work (*Antigone*, *Faustus*, and *Golem*), and the *Paradise Lost* script was used as a launching pad for the final version of the performance that will be executed on Saturday. “We also used writing submitted and suggested

by many members of the whole cast-- everyone’s voice is in this script in one way or another, which is really great. I definitely ended up taking a leadership role in adapting the script, and I am so lucky to work with a group of peers who understand how much I love to write and let me sort of take over. I have absolutely loved writing for this show.” The final script was a result of brainstorming sessions that involved the entire cast, and everyone wrote a poem related to their own personal interpretation of the play. While the original script of *Paradise Lost* was the basis for *Fallen*, the majority of the ideas for the final script were original. “In the original script that we read through, the language was incredibly complicated and even hard for us to understand so we thought the audience would not understand it either,” said Maria Tracy. “In the past years, we’ve had a lot of success with our cast-written productions so we decided it would be good to write it ourselves again.” When asked if they are nervous for the semi-finals, both Long and Tracy said that it is more about sharing their creation and watching the other schools perform. “The competition element is certainly nerve wracking but I think as a cast and crew our main goal is to show others what we have been working so hard on for so long,” said Tracy. “I think every year there are so many good schools that compete but, as a company, our main goal is to share what we created rather than truly win.” “My frame of mind is always this: it really is a privilege to be able to not only present the show we’ve worked so hard on, but also get to see the shows which the amazing people at other schools have worked so hard on,” said Long. “Of course we want to be the best and move on, but at the end of the day, we remember to enjoy ourselves and feel lucky to be part of such a special event. That being said... we definitely want to bring the house down at semi-finals.” The semi-finals will start at 9 a.m. on March 14 at Danvers High School, and Winthrop will perform at 1:30 p.m. If they make it to the final round, they will perform, March 26-28. For more information, please check out: <https://metg.org/>.

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Mark Paulson, geared up and ready for a training run. Paulson will run his first Boston Marathon in April.

## First-time runner, prepares for the Boston Marathon

By Kate Anslinger

Resident, Mark Paulson, will be crossing the Boston Marathon finish line for the first time this April. Unlike many other die hard marathoners, Paulson has no formal running training and even admits to quitting middle school track after one practice in the sixth grade. While his running resume consists of a few 5Ks and a casual jog here and there, the father of three is on a mission to run for a cause and prove his pals wrong.

This fall, one of Paulson's colleagues mentioned that he was interested in applying for one of four bibs that the organization Year Up, was giving out for the 2020 Boston Marathon.

"My colleague mentioned he might be interested, so I jokingly said I would apply if he did and I told some of my friends at a Halloween party that I was thinking about applying and I was almost laughed out of the house," said Paulson, who is motivated by everyone's disbelief in his running endeavor. "Not one person thought I was capable of doing it. I have a dual-mandate now. First: raise funds for an amazing organization that I've seen firsthand make real differences in people's lives. Second: prove everyone wrong

and finish this race"

As part of the Marathon Coalition, coached by Rick Muhr, Paulson has learned proper running technique and has gained tips for a successful marathon preparation.

While Paulson is motivated to prove that he can make it to the finish line, he is doing it for a good cause, supporting an organization that works diligently to provide career and educational opportunities for young adults in need.

Year Up's mission is to close the Opportunity Divide by ensuring that all young adults gain the skills, experiences, and support that will empower them to reach their potential through careers and higher education. Year Up's strategy to close the Opportunity Divide is threefold: Serving Students and Alumni Directly, Empowering Others to Serve, and Changing Systems to Close the Opportunity Divide.

"I can't wait to see my friends and family who never would have guessed they'd be there to see me at the finish line," said Paulson. "I'm excited to prove to myself that I can be disciplined and determined enough to follow through with one of the most physically demanding challenges out there."

## THE HIGHEST LEVEL

### Dexter star MacPhail headed for Syracuse, ACC

By Cary Shuman

Luke MacPhail rushed for an 84-yard touchdown on the first play of his senior season for the Dexter Southfield football team.

It was a preview of the many outstanding plays to come for the 6-foot, 4-inch, 218-pound quarterback from Winthrop.

MacPhail went on to complete a sensational season and prep school career, finishing as the fifth most productive passer in Massachusetts history in touchdowns (85) and yards (7,195) while also setting NEPSAC records. He led Dexter to its second consecutive bowl game at Gillette Stadium and was All-New England Player of the Year.

A two-time Dexter captain and team MVP, MacPhail had been on the radar of big-time college football programs across the country for the past three years.

MacPhail has made his college decision official, announcing that he will be continuing his football career at Syracuse University, a member of the powerful Atlantic Coast Conference.

MacPhail had visited the campus in upstate New York and toured the Carrier Dome, the Orangemen's famous indoor stadium.

MacPhail said he ultimately chose Syracuse over Boise State and Elon University (North Carolina).

"I'm looking forward to getting to Syracuse, meet-

ing the team, being part of the program, and competing in the ACC," said MacPhail.

Interestingly, one of Luke's football teammates at Syracuse will be wide receiver Jacob Bongiovi, son of singer Jon Bon Jovi.

MacPhail said his academic and athletic experience at Dexter was awesome.

"It's been one of the best experiences of my life," said MacPhail. "I'm so grateful to Coach [Casey] Day to be part of such an outstanding program. He's taught me to be a better player and better man. It's been a great ride. I've going to miss playing football with my friends."

MacPhail credited his offensive line and his wide receivers for the team's success.

"I had five Division 1 linemen in front of me this season," said MacPhail. "They were the biggest line in the state. And my receivers were tremendous. They'll be playing football in college as well."

MacPhail had an interesting job last summer, working with the equipment staff for the New England Patriots at Gillette Stadium.

"I was very fortunate to have an experience working with the Patriots," said MacPhail. "I saw how hard that professional athletes work and prepare for their seasons."



Dexter Southfield quarterback Luke MacPhail.

#### Football Beginnings in Winthrop

It is a story of diligence and dedication that began on the fields of Winthrop where Luke MacPhail would be seen often tossing the football.

One well-known athlete helping Luke develop his promising talents was Anthony Fucillo, one of Winthrop High's greatest quarterbacks who went on to play college football at Colgate and Tufts and is now an assistant coach at Harvard.

"Anthony was my first

quarterback coach," recalled MacPhail. "He would take me down to Miller Field and put me through workouts. I'm so grateful to him. And I used to go to Anthony's games when I was younger."

MacPhail made his debut at quarterback for the Winthrop Youth football third-and-fourth-grade team.

"I loved playing in Winthrop – it was my hometown and I was able to spend time with my family," said MacPhail. "I love the beach and running Deer

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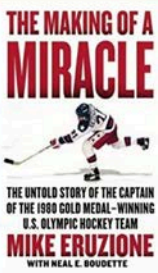
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Island for workouts.”

But Luke, whose father, John, and uncle, Warren, were outstanding athletes themselves in high school, was just getting started in his football career. After gaining notice as an All-American youth football quarterback, Luke eventually chose Dexter Southfield School.

Strong performances at such major showcases as the Manning (yes, Peyton, Eli, and Archie) Passing Academy in Louisiana helped advance MacPhail’s stature as a national-caliber quarterback who could play at the highest level of college football.

Dexter Coach Casey Day



Luke MacPhail with his Coach, Casey Day.

feels that Luke will be an impact player at the college level. He said his improvement year-to-year has been phenomenal

“Luke came in as a 6-2, 170-pound freshman with a big arm and he’s graduating as a 6-4, 220-pound kid that can run a 4.7 and make the throws that everyone can make on Saturdays and Sundays,” said Day. “I think it was pretty evident from Day 1 that Luke could play college football. He has the physical presence, the talent and high football IQ – but he also had an elite work ethic. He loves football and he loves to work hard.”

The Dexter coach said Luke will excel in major

college football.

“I think that’s the level of play where he belongs and he’s going to compete hard for the starting quarterback position at Syracuse and excel,” said Day.

Reflecting on MacPhail’s contributions to the Dexter program, Day said, “Luke was a big part of a senior class that really turned the page in our program. They learned how to practice hard every day and get after it. We let Luke rip it (throw the ball) from the beginning, but in his first two years he was running for the life. We had one of the best offensive lines in New England the past two years and he was able to sit in the pocket and allow his talent and the receivers’ talent do their thing.”

MacPhail thanked his parents (John and Lisa) for their support.

“I love them so much – they taught me the world, how to become a better person making smart decisions and being independent,” said MacPhail.

Luke lives in Newton with his father, John, and stepmother, Eleana. His mother, Lisa, and grandmother, Nancy Paulson, live in Winthrop. Luke has two sisters, Jessica and Natalia, who are also outstanding student-athletes at Dexter Southfield School.

WHS SPORTS

Through the Years

20 years ago

March 9, 2000

The Winthrop High hockey team defeated Gloucester, 7-4, in the opening round of the Division 2 North Sectional of the MIAA state hockey tournament, but then fell by a score of 5-4 in overtime

to St. Bernard’s. Dan Wilson, Jonathan Lounsbury, and Geno DeAngelis gave the Vikings a 3-0 lead in the opening period, but St. Bernard’s fought back to force the contest into OT after DeAngelis notched a goal with 2:53 remaining to boost Winthrop into

a 4-3 lead, only to ave St. Bernard’s score the equalizer with 1:12 to go. In the victory over Gloucester, the Vikings overcame a 3-1 deficit. Lounsbury (2), DeAngelis, Robby DeLeo, Chris Crombie (2), and Bobby Kneeland scored the Winthrop goals.

## Town Paws

### Taking care of one another

ing Our Best Medicine” by Maria Goodavage to learn more ways dogs are improving our health as individuals and as humans in general.

Some of these canines work directly with a person who needs to be alerted to a specific medical signal like a person whose blood sugar is moving out of the normal range or someone who is about to have a seizure.

She tells great stories of successful work some service dogs are doing for veterans with PTSD and children with autism. In the case of autism, a specifically-trained service dog not only provides a calming presence but also may lean into the child as an alert for excess anxiety, panic, or a potential melt-down.

Other highly trained sniffer dogs work in research settings or laboratories. In an interview with NPR, Goodavage said, “I heard about these dogs at the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary Working Dog Center that are able to smell ovarian cancer. They’re able to detect it as early as stage one. We’re not even talking tumors here. They’re able to detect ovarian cancer in one drop

We often notice when friends and neighbors with animals go that extra mile to take special care of an ailing, anxious, or aging companion animal. Similarly, you may have noticed that when you are sick, injured, or unhappy, your dog or cat may give you more attention and physical contact. They’re trying their best to help you.

One friend recently posted a photo of her aging cat sitting on a pile of cushions that she arranged so that he could see out the window. A neighbor with two beautiful Goldens now has a little red wagon to give the older one a ride to the park. You might see Penny holding Poppy’s paw when something on a walk frightens our little noise-averse pup because it sometimes calms her.

Less Obvious Care

You may not realize that your cat or dog is helping you live longer and have a better quality of life. The American Heart Association reported on a 2019 study that concluded, “Dog ownership is associated with lower risk of death over the long term, which is possibly driven by a reduction in cardiovascular mortality.”

An older but similar study about cats suggests prescribing the company of a cat. It concluded, “Acquisition of cats as domestic pets may represent a novel strategy for reducing the risk of cardiovascular diseases in high-risk individuals.”

We recommend the book “Doctor Dogs: How Our Best Friends Are Becom-

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TOWN OF WINTHROP  
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# 005-2020

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, March 26, 2020, at or after 7:00 p.m. in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room, Town Hall, Winthrop, Massachusetts, 02152 upon the application of Shirley Goodwin seeking a Special Permit to operate a Bed and Breakfast/Transient Lodging at the existing home located at 45 Birch Rd., Winthrop, MA 02152 in accordance with Section 17.49 of the Town of Winthrop’s Zoning By-Law, which permits a bed and breakfast to operate as an accessory home occupation use within a private residence. It shall be unlawful to conduct a Bed & Breakfast/Transient Lodging accessory use without a Special Permit granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The owner is applying for a Special Permit for a Bed & Breakfast/Transient Lodging and will be renting a total of 2 bedrooms for no more than fourteen days, in accordance with the by-law. The home has 1 full bathroom that will be designated for guests with a dedicated parking spot.

Copies of the aforementioned application and plans are on file and available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Monday through Thursday during the normal business hours.

Darren Baird, Chairman  
Joanne M. DeMato, Clerk  
Winthrop Board of Appeals

March 12, 2020  
March 19, 2020  
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LEGAL NOTICE



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available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Monday through Thursday during the normal business hours.

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WINTHROP HOUSING  
AUTHORITY

Maintenance Ground-keeper/Custodian The Winthrop Housing Authority is seeking a qualified, energetic individual for the full-time position of Maintenance Groundkeeper/Custodian. Hours are 8 am - 5- pm. There is some mandatory Overtime, including 24-hour availability for snow removal and emergencies. Pay is set at Prevailing Wage Rate. Primary duties include a variety of tasks in maintenance and upkeep of public housing properties and grounds such as: Cleaning,

within ten days, if an Environmental Impact Report is needed. A site visit and consultation session on the project may also be scheduled. All persons wishing to comment on the project, or to be notified of a site visit or consultation constitutes acceptance of the request for proposals. CAPIC, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer / Affirmative Action agency.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Bids

Community Action Programs, Inter-City, Inc. (CAPIC) is seeking proposals from contractors to perform residential insulation, general heat waste, blower door testing and air sealing, as well as, electric and roofing measures for low-income residents of the following communities; Arlington, Belmont, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Lexington, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Revere, Somerville, Stoneham, Wakefield, Watertown, Waltham, Winchester, Winthrop and Woburn. Bid Packages may be picked up at the CAPIC office or will be sent upon request. Bids must be received at the CAPIC Office, 100 Everett Ave, Unit 14, Chelsea, MA 02150, no later than March 30th, 2020. For further information, please contact Giancarlo

DeSario at CAPIC at (617) 884-6130 ext. 1125. All Proposals are subject to price negotiation. CAPIC’s Board of Directors reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals deemed best for the agency. The submission of proposal constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the request for proposals. Small and minority firms are encouraged to apply. The advertisement is subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the request for proposals. CAPIC, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer / Affirmative Action agency.

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including trash removal, common areas, vacant apartments, community buildings, lavatories, offices, stairwells, hallways, walls, woodwork, mopping floors, polish and maintain floors, empty wastebaskets and clean dumpsters, wash windows. Landscaping includes cutting grass, pruning shrubs and trees, raking leaves. Snow Removal, general maintenance related duties; Moving and lifting heavy objects, driving small trucks. Operate power driven equipment including riding and push mowers, snow blowers, buffers, vacuum cleaners, scrubbers, waxers. All other duties of the class as directed by Executive Director. The successful candidate will be professional in appearance; must successfully pass a CORI background check and physical and drug screening. Must be 18 years or older and have a valid MA driver’s license, and have an unblemished driving history for insurance purposes. WHA is an equal opportunity employer. Please submit cover letter, resume and references for consideration by 9:30 AM March 13, 2020. Posting will remain open until position is filled.

Winthrop Housing Authority  
ATTN: Peg Tiernan Lyons  
9 Golden Drive  
Winthrop, MA 02152  
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THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND  
FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate And Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
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(617)788-8300  
NOTICE OF  
PETITION FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME  
Docket No. SU20C0063CA  
In the matter of: Jayden Richard Canenguez  
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Jayden Richard Canenguez of Winthrop, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Jayden Richard Boulay  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/19/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.  
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 25, 2020  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
3/12/20  
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Section 9-12 of the Town of Winthrop Home Rule Charter, you are hereby notified that the Town Council President will hold a Public Forum on the budgeting and other spending matters.  
Denise Quist  
Council Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF MARCH 24, 2020

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing(s) on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at on or after 6:00 pm in the Middle High School Shapiro Auditorium: That the Town Council vote to authorize the lease/purchase and equipping of a new F-750 Dump Truck with stainless steel loader for the Department of Public Works for a term in excess of three years in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.44, §21C, and further, to transfer the sum of \$40,663 from Sale of Town Property (Fund 853) to fund the first-year payment of a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, including all incidental and related costs.

That the Town Council vote to authorize the lease/purchase and equipping of a new John Deere 3CX Backhoe for the Department of Public Works for a term in excess of three years in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.44, §21C, and further, to transfer the sum of \$26,225 from Sale of Town Property (Fund 853) to fund the first-year payment of a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, including all incidental and related costs.

That the Town Council vote to transfer \$35,400 from the special revenue fund #520 known as Technology Grant to account 0196052-588172 in order to fund the second year of a three-year software agreement with Open Gov for enhanced budgeting and planning software

All documents, legally accessible, pertaining to this hearing(s) can be viewed in the Town Clerks Office, Room 5 and or the Council Clerk Office, Room B3 during normal business hours at the Winthrop Town Hall.  
Denise Quist  
Council Clerk  
March 12, 2020  
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM

TUESDAY MARCH 24, 2020 AT 7:00 PM  
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SPRING FORUM  
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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### FORMER CITY COUNCILLOR PULLS NOMINATION PAPERS FOR SENATE

CHELSEA - Former Councillor Joe Perlatonda has pulled Nomination Papers for a potential run in the state senate primary election in September, according to the Secretary of State's Office.

Perlatonda has served two stints on the Council, once as the District 5 councillor, and then returning as the District 3 councillor. He lost his election in November to Councillor Naomi Zabet.

Now, he appears to be looking at a run for state senate. It's a seat that is currently held by State Sen. Sal DiDomenico.

DiDomenico has also pulled papers to run once again, and indicated he is getting ready to start the campaign process.

Perlatonda could not be reached immediately for comment, but pulling papers doesn't always mean a run. A candidate must get signatures and return the papers by the deadline to be on the ballot.

### CUTHIE SELECTED TO TAKE PART IN PROGRAM

CHELSEA - The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation this week announced that Rich Cuthie, Executive Director of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, was selected to participate in the fourth cohort of its premiere business leadership program. The Business Leads Fellowship Program trains and equips leaders from state and local chambers of commerce with resources, access to experts, and a network of peers to build their capacity to address the most pressing education and workforce challenges.

"There is much work to be done around the economic development and

workforce development needs of Chelsea," Mr. Cuthie noted. "It's exciting to have been chosen by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation for this award. I look forward to sharing what I learn with my partners in the Chelsea Good Jobs Coalition, and other workforce development initiatives."

"We created the Business Leads Fellowship Program in response to the needs of our state and local chamber partners," says Cheryl Oldham, Senior Vice President of the Center for Education and Workforce. "They, better than anyone, see the critical link between education and economic development, and we are glad to be able to support them as they take on this critical leadership role in their community."

Following a competitive application and selection process, Mr. Cuthie was selected along with 34 other state and local chamber executives and association leaders to participate in the fourth class of this program. The four-month program, which concludes in July 2020, will cover the entire talent pipeline, including early childhood education, K-12, higher education, and workforce development.

Upon completion, Business Leads Fellows will join the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's dedicated network of 200 chambers of commerce and statewide associations from around the nation who regularly engage on education and workforce initiatives.

For a full list of participants in the Business Leads Fellowship Program, visit the U.S. Chamber Foundation website <https://www.uschamberfoundation.org/Fellowship-Program>.

### PARIS ST. POOL TO BE RENOVATED

EAST BOSTON - Mayor Martin Walsh announced that renovations to BCYF Paris Street Pool will start this month. Walsh ear-

marked \$8.9 million for the rehab and construction of the Paris Street Pool across from the Paris Street Gym. The Gym underwent a \$12 million overhaul and the pool's rehab will complement the new state-of-the-art gym and community center.

The Walsh Administration's investment in the pool will include a new pool filter room, mechanical and electrical upgrades, modified main entrance and lobby area, building interior and exterior repairs and other upgrades necessary to make it a more inviting and user-friendly space. The pool will close on Friday, March 13, and is expected to be closed for 14 months.

"This well-loved and well-used pool will be a beautiful, welcoming and open space offering more aquatic programming than ever once this project is complete," said Mayor Walsh. "With the renovated BCYF Paris Street Community Center across the street and the renovated Paris Street Playground next door, I'm proud of the investments we will continue to make in the East Boston community."

During the closure, swimmers will have access to the Umana Academy Pool on Border Street, thanks to a partnership with the East Boston YMCA which manages the Umana Academy pool. BCYF Paris Street Pool staff will transition to the Umana Academy pool and will offer programming on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. On other days of the week, swimmers will be able to participate in programming offered by the YMCA. This partnership will give BCYF Paris Street pool members access to seven days a week of swimming opportunities. The full schedule can be found at [boston.gov/BCYF-Paris-Street](https://www.boston.gov/BCYF-Paris-Street).

"The East Boston YMCA is proud to partner with Mayor Walsh and the City of Boston to bring swim and water safety programs to the East Boston Com-

### BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION



PHOTO BY DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN

Trailblazers Award recipient Celeste Williams smiles for the camera during the Chelsea Black Community's (CBC) Trailblazers Award Night on Feb. 20. Several members of the community were recognized for their efforts in breaking down barriers in Chelsea. Williams has been active in the community for many years, from serving the homeless to painting murals on Broadway. Other award winners included Patricia Simboli, Jose Irahe-ta, Linda Alioto Robinson, Susan Gallant, and Beverly Martin Ross.

munity," said Executive Director of the East Boston YMCA Joseph J Gaeta Jr. "We welcome BCYF Paris Street members to the Umana Academy to swim in a safe and supervised pool during the Paris Street renovation. We are excited about this collaboration."

Due to YMCA procedures, BCYF Paris Street Pool members who use the Umana Academy pool during YMCA operation time will need to present a photo ID on the first visit to be run through their Hall Pass data system and will need to sign a YMCA liability waiver. Existing BCYF Paris Street Pool members (who joined prior to the March 13 closure) will be able to continue to pay BCYF Paris Street pool programming prices for East Boston YMCA-run programs at Umana Academy pool. New members will join through the YMCA. Swimmers must be members and enrolled in programs to participate.

"I know how much being a part of the pool community has changed my life," said East Boston resident Mohamed El Haddad, age 18. "It has helped me stay focused in school and provided me with a safe, enjoyable environment. Being a part of Paris Street is more than just being a part of a community center or swim team. It is like being a part of a family and I believe I am a better person because of it. I am very excited about the pool renovation because they will allow so many more children and families to have similar experiences for many more years to come."

When the pool was first built, it featured a glass roof, and sliding doors that looked out onto the Paris Street playground, as well as a veranda so residents could enjoy a swim and then sit outside during the hot summer months. The pool underwent an overhaul under then-Mayor Kevin White due to constant vandalism of the glass roof and glass doors. The pool was encased in cement blocks and now looks more like a bomb shelter than a community pool.

At a community meeting in September, a presentation by the architect included detailed information about what upgrades will occur and what the pool will look like. The pictures showed that the exterior of the pool will be fitted with new siding panels. An addition of the pool's foyer will allow for more room and make the entrance more modern and inviting. There will also be an addition to the back of the building to make room for a family changing room--a feature that is absent from the cur-

rent pool's layout.

The side of the building that houses the pool that abuts the Paris Street Playground will be changed from a wall to windows. This will allow more light into the pool and better connect the facility to the playground. The building's roof will also be transformed and will include skylights to bring even more natural light into the pool and make it feel more 'open'.

### EAST BOSTON'S FIRST RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE TO OPEN

EAST BOSTON - East Boston's first adult-use retail marijuana facility planned for Meridian Street will open as early as April.

Berkshire Roots, Inc. plans to open the marijuana dispensary at 253 Meridian St. and recieved community support from the Eagle Hill Civic Association and later granted a Conditional Use Permit by the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals last year.

Berkshire Roots is the largest grower of cannabis in Western Massachusetts, and was the first medical marijuana dispensary to open in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Berkshire Roots's attorney Andrea Nucifero said that his client is intending to use and redevelop the retail space at 253 Meridian St. into a retail marijuana dispensary. The proposal for the Meridian Street pot shop includes transforming the 1,400 sq. ft. retail space on the first floor of the building into a sleek and stylish dispensary with façade improvements and subtle and understated signage.

Nucifero said there would be no cultivation, processing, or packaging on site. There would also be no product consumption on site and the product would not be visible from the street.

There will be a security guard at the front door. When a potential customer enters he or she must present either a valid Massachusetts Medical Marijuana Card or a valid state license or identification card proving the customer is over 21 years of age. Between the front door and the actual dispensary is a locked door. The front door and internal 'locked' door are never open at the same time. Once the customer is approved by the security guard, an employee inside the dispensary would have to activate a buzzer for the internal door to allow the customer inside.

"It's a very strict and rigorous process," said Nucifero.

Aside from paying the

city 3 percent of its sales per quarter, Berkshire Roots also agreed to install security cameras in and around the business, and to participate in public safety and beautification initiatives in and around the business.

According to the agreement with the city, there will be no benches or social gathering areas in or around the business and Berkshire Roots agrees to prohibit smoking, vaping or any other form of consumption of marijuana onsite. The company also agrees to share data and reports to the Boston Public Health Commission, as well as assist in the dissemination of materials related to public health, public safety and prevention efforts.

### GAUTHIER RESIGNS POSITION

EVERETT - Just as School Committee officials and new Supt. Priya Tahliliani thought that former Interim Supt. Janice Gauthier would stay on as a senior advisor - Gauthier pulled the rug out from that plan last week with a sudden and striking resignation.

"I regret having to take this posture, but I cannot, in good conscience, continue further in serving the needs of the Institution I have served faithfully for 49 years, given the predicament I have been forced to contend with," read her letter of resignation.

"Please understand that I feel that I have been constructively eliminated from my former post as Curriculum Director, that I have been denied equal consideration for the position of Superintendent of Schools after having faithfully served in that post for a period now in excess of 15 months, and it is my feeling that I have been discriminated against and denied an equal opportunity to continue, notwithstanding my many years of good service."

It was signed with the parting word, "Regretfully."

School Committee Chair Tom Abruzzese said the Committee and the new leadership was surprised when they received the resignation letter, a letter that detailed many frustrations and aggravations felt by Gauthier.

Abruzzese said he had been in constant discussion with Gauthier and Tahliliani about the new roles and clarifying everything before Tahliliani started on Monday, March 2.

"It was a total surprise," he said. "I had met with the new superintendent and the interim superintendent last week to go over what roles

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everyone would have so there was no confusion...I wanted to make sure everyone knew who was what. There were rumors going around that we would have co-superintendents.”

He said there had been a meeting on Friday between Gauthier, himself and Tahiliani that ended with Gauthier accepting a new role, he said.

“Mrs. Gauthier’s contract indicates she was to go back as Curriculum Director when any new superintendent started work, but she had hired someone else to do that job already,” said Abruzzese. “Supt. Tahiliani offered her the opportunity to stay on as senior advisor to the superintendent. As of Friday, she accepted that. I put that in the email I sent out on Saturday to everyone and then on Monday we received her letter of resignation. Those are the facts from my perspective.”

He said he thought the roles were very clear on Friday, and was shocked – as were his colleagues – to hear the news on Monday.

“It was pretty clear and there was no misunderstanding on my part,” he said. “Was I shocked? Yes, but based on the events of the last 14 months, nothing should shock me.”

Gauthier wasn’t immediately available, but her attorney, David Fulmer of Wakefield, did speak to the Independent about his client.

“It’s certainly our position Mrs. Gauthier has been treated totally unprofessionally by the City of Everett, the School Committee and the new superintendent – a new superintendent who released a statement that wasn’t authorized to be released,” he said. “I think there’s some pretty crazy things going on down there, I guess. Mrs. Gauthier was not given the latitude of other applicants (for superintendent). She is abundantly qualified. My personal opinion is being stymied and being placed in the same light as the former superintendent – who had problems – and Mrs. Gauthier is being discriminated against both in terms of her age and her posture of the 49 years of service she gave to Everett.”

Abruzzese said Gauthier took a personal day on Monday, and did not attend the School Committee meeting – where the resignation was discussed publicly to the surprise of many. Gauthier’s resignation indicated she will use 12 days of vacation through March 18, and resign on March 19. So, effectively, she will not return to the Everett Public Schools.

Abruzzese and the School Committee had said previously they believed she would retire at the end of the school year, on June 30, but she had never confirmed that. It was hoped she would stay on and serve as a mentor to guide Tahiliani in her first few months.

Gauthier had taken over as interim superintendent in January 2018 following the abrupt resignation of former Supt. Fred Forestiere due to allegations of misconduct reported to the School Committee and the Everett Police. Since that time, he has been charged with several felony counts of misconduct and that case is pending in Malden District Court.

“She stepped into an impossible situation and handled it with class and dignity,” said Abruzzese. “I hope she enjoys her re-

tirement after a tremendous career in the Everett Public Schools.”

## JACK McGRATH DEAD AT 87

EVERETT - If there was an Everett High game, awards banquet, letter-of-intent signing ceremony, or ‘E’ Club Dinner Jack McGrath was most likely in attendance.

And his warm and gracious presence would be received heartily by the athletes, coaches, school officials and parents. Jack McGrath always had the students’ best interests in mind and they sincerely appreciated his support and enjoyed his broadcasting of their games on the local cable television station.

One of the proudest days for Jack McGrath and his family was the dedication ceremony of the press box at Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium in his honor.

John “Jack” McGrath Jr., a beloved resident of this city and a former baseball star at Boston College, died on Feb. 25. He was 87.

Like so many in the city, Jack McGrath closely followed the successes of the vaunted Everett High football program, notably during the current era led by former Hall of Fame coach John DiBiaso and current head coach Theluxon Pierre.

“You’re talking about a legend in Everett, a selfless person that would give anything in the world to help people,” said Pierre. “He was all about Everett kids. He was one of the first persons to call and congratulate me when I became head coach. He was always there for our team. Words can’t describe this great person that we have lost. He was truly a great man.”

Maureen DiBiaso, EHS cheerleading coach and wife of the legendary football coach, said her family’s relationship with Mr. McGrath goes many years, recalling how her father, the late William Shields, would often converse with Mr. McGrath at Everett games.

Maureen and John DiBiaso and their son, former All-Scholastic quarterback Jonathan DiBiaso, attended the memorial observances for Jack McGrath.

“My husband has known Jack since the days of the Everett Rats [youth basketball team],” said Mrs. DiBiaso. “When I met my husband, I met Jack and Jack is the most wonderful person, kind, generous – everybody loved him. He made everybody feel so good. He was a great, great guy and a great supporter for Everett sports. He supported all the kids of Everett. He was the best of the best. He will be missed. The games will never be same without Jack here.”

Director of Athletics Tammy Turner conducted moments of silence for Mr. McGrath before the tapoffs of the EHS girls and boys state tournament games at the high school.

“I go back all 19 of my years in Everett with Jack, ever since my career started at Everett High,” said Turner, who has also coached the girls basketball team. “He was my No. 1 fan – he knew more coaching stats about me that I knew about me. He always encouraged me even in my toughest seasons. I feel like Jack was the heart and soul of Everett sports. He was just such a great man.”

Frank DePatto, administrator for the EHS Department of Athletics, said, “Jack McGrath is a legend

in the city of Everett. He was an institution here, so very knowledgeable about Everett sports and always so helpful to kids with scholarships and awards. He is surely going to be missed.”

Linda Maloney, administrative assistant in the Everett schools, also paid tribute to Jack McGrath this week. “Jack McGrath was such a gentleman,” said Maloney. “I was so happy to be considered a friend of his. He was always concerned about the kids. He loved Everett sports and had such a passion. We’ll certainly miss him. Rest in peace, Jack.”

Vinnie Panzini, past president of the ‘E’ Club, said, “Jack is the all-time legend with sports and students at Everett High. He’s been working with these programs and these kids for many years. There was no kinder, no better gentleman than Jack. He was an ambassador for the school system, the kids – you can’t give enough accolades to what he meant to Everett for generations of families. And they all loved him.”

Larry Denish summed up the majesty of Jack McGrath: “He was one of the greatest guys I knew around Everett sports. He was a great personality and a great guy. He had a great temperament and was a real gentleman. We’re going to miss you, Jack.”

## LOOKING AT THE GRADUATION RATE

LYNN - At a recent School Committee meeting, Superintendent Patrick Tutwiler, reported on the 2019 graduation rate for the four high schools in the district. While the report had shown fairly steady results in the past six years, there has been an increase in the graduation rate by nearly a full percentage point, as peer districts (Brockton, Lawrence, Boston, and Springfield) had a slight decrease.

Tutwiler broke down the pros and cons of the current graduation status. Lynn Vocational Technical Institute showed noteworthy progress, with a graduation rate of 89.5 percent, a 30 percent upswing since 2006. This is the highest graduation rate that the school has had in 13 years.

Lynn Classical showed a 7 percent increase, leaping from 75.3 percent in 2018 to 82.5 percent in 2019.

While Lynn English was steady over the past three years, it dipped from 72.7 percent in 2018 to 70 percent in 2019. The drop is a concern for the district, considering it is now closer to “turnaround status.” When a school drops to a graduation rate of 66.7 percent, they are automatically placed in turnaround status, which will require the school to adhere to a specific set of activities gauged at improvement. The Department of Education establishes a threshold that a school must stay above before requiring assistance.

Fecteau-Leary had the most dramatic drop in graduation rate, dipping from 34.1 percent in 2018 to 19.4 percent in 2019.

“This outcome is not reflected in the hard work that this school does,” said Tutwiler, who believes there is a reason for the decline. “I want to be transparent about why there is such a precipitous increase at Lynn Classical and such a decline at Fecteau.”

According to Tutwiler, four years ago, there was an

influx of ELL (English Language Learners) students and due to space issues, several of these students were placed at Fecteau-Leary when they should’ve been at Lynn Classical. Several of those students didn’t graduate, which greatly affected the data reflected.

The most prominent risk factors associated with students dropping out of school are:

- Fail a core subject course (particularly in Grade 9)
- Are chronically absent or tardy
- Fail to be promoted to the next grade
- Are disengaged in the classroom
- Have frequent infractions of the school code of discipline
- Are identified as low socioeconomic status
- Have extraordinary work/family economic needs
- Abuse substances
- Are older than the average student in their grade

“Part of the problem is that we can’t continue to do things the same and expect a different outcome,” said Tutwiler, who presented the same four-pronged approach slide five years ago when he was deputy superintendent. The four-pronged approach states that the four actions need to take place to prevent increasing dropout rates are: Education, Monitor/Identify, Support/Intervene, Suggest Alternatives. “You have to entertain a radical shift if you expect people to be different. I don’t want to come back here in five years and show a decline. That would be a failure on my part.”

According to Tutwiler, new thinking is already starting to occur. Part of this involves a redesign in the high school day, to accommodate students who have to work due to their family’s economic status. If a student is enrolled at Lynn Public Schools and they leave to go to work, they are counted as a dropout, and a more accessible day that allows for work hours, is currently be strategized, which will alleviate some of the declining graduation rates.

The district as a whole has a 74.8 percent graduation rate for 2019, a slight increase from 74.3 percent in 2018. Tutwiler believes that with planning and a more accessible school day, the district is capable of being in the low-80s in the future.

“The data tells a story and it tells where the needs are,” said School Committee member, Brian Castellanos. “I appreciate you

setting the expectation, and to achieve equity takes cooperation, consistency and diligence. To hit those targets, we have to have an aim instead of being stuck in a position where we lose time. When we lose that, we lose children.”

## COUNCILLORS ENDORSE KENNEDY

REVERE - Revere City Councillors Patrick Keefe and Steven Morabito announced their endorsements for Congressman Joe Kennedy III in the race for U.S. Senate during a reception Sunday at Dryft Restaurant.

Keefe, president of the City Council, and Morabito, councillor-at-large, each delivered introductory remarks in support of Kennedy at the event that drew a sizable crowd to the new restaurant on Revere Beach Boulevard.

Morabito spoke first and said he first met Kennedy during his run for Congress. “His platform was one that resonated with me. Since he’s been in Washington, he has worked diligently and prioritized issues such as health care, mental health, substance use disorder, and human rights.

“It goes without saying that Joe Kennedy is a guy that stands behind the people,” said Morabito. “You can guarantee that our next senator will tackle the everyday issues that occur in every city throughout the Commonwealth. Joe Kennedy is someone who will stand and defend the rights of the LGBTQ community, and stand for every woman and their rights, every person regardless of their skin color. Joe Kennedy is that leader that we want for our next U.S. senator.”

Keefe said a lot of Revere residents asked him (and Morabito) why they were supporting Joe Kennedy.

“This isn’t a race against anyone – this is a race for what Joe can do for the state of Massachusetts and what Joe can do for the United States of America,” said Keefe.

The leader of the 11-member City Council compared his run for office against an incumbent to Kennedy’s race in the Senate Democratic Primary. Keefe defeated an incumbent in his successful bid for the Ward 4 seat.

“People asked me, ‘why are you running against him?’”, recalled Keefe. “It was quite simple – I felt I could do a stronger and better job and that’s why Steve and I felt so strongly and passionately about supporting Joe Kennedy.

“I feel like Joe Kennedy is the man for the job,” continued Keefe. “I feel his character and integrity make him the person we need in that position of power.

“We are grateful to welcome Joe to the city of Revere and we’re just so grateful to announce that we’re here to support Joe Kennedy,” concluded Keefe.

Kennedy, son of former Congressman Joe Kennedy II and grandson of former U.S. Attorney General the late Robert Kennedy, thanked the two Revere councillors for their support during his brief remarks.

## BROADWAY BUILDING COULD BE RAZED

REVERE - Marilucia Alves Fonseca, owner of the Quick Mart at 225 Broadway, sought permission from the City Council last week to raze the structure and replace it with a two-story building.

Attorney Lawrence Simeone Jr. spoke before the Council representing the owner. He noted that there was a special permit issued in March 2018 that is set to expire in March, 2020. He was asking for an extension of the special permit, saying that the delay has been caused in trying to find a suitable contractor to construct the new building that will be 25 feet in height. He also said that the second floor will be used as storage for the grocery store.

Residents from Cheever Street expressed concerns over both the the lack of parking and the building only having a three-foot setback instead of the five-foot setback that the abutters are requesting. The building was built in 1920 and presently does not have any setbacks and goes from lot line to lot line

Councillor at-Large George Rotondo said that he is in favor of the project.

Ward 3 Councillor Arthur Guinasso said that he toured the building two years ago and noted that it was in tough shape at that time.

Ward 5 Councillor John Powers would like to see a floor plan.

Simeone said that he will make a presentation at the March 16 Zoning Sub-Committee meeting that shows what was approved in 2018 and what is being proposed now.

Councillor at-Large Jessica Giannino said that this is a great small family business and she looks forward to seeing what the changes are at the Zoning Subcommittee meeting.

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# WINTHROP’S LARSEN RINK HOSTS ANNUAL BOSTON BRUINS ALUMNI VS. THE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL ALL STARS

Last Sunday afternoon Larsen rink was filled with the best of the best, the Boston Bruins Alumni Team, featuring team Captains, Ray Bourque and Rick Middleton. This annual event is in its 30th year of raising money for Children’s Hospital, through advanced ticket sales and book advertisements as well as private donations. A sponsorship check for 15 thousand dollars, was presented to All Star Team Captain Kevin Chiles, by Bourque and Middleton with special elected officials on hand.

During the intermission, the fans had a chance for a meet and greet autograph session with the Bruins, and following the game an after party at the Orient Heights Yacht Club was open to all ticket holders.



The crowd was applauding as Captain Raymond Bourque entered the rink for the Bruins Alumni All Stars.



The combined teams of the Boston Bruins Alumni and the Children’s Hospital All Stars at Larsen Rink.



Steven Fielding with his grandson and Bruins fan, Jack.



Jim Dwyer, Pamela M. Anderson, Capt. Kevin Chiles and special guest from the Chelsea Soldiers Home, US Navy veteran Tom Miller.



Bruins Team Captain Rick Middleton with fans, Bob Quinney and Julie, Steve and Ian O’Connell.



Ovi Raffa and his son, RHS Patriot and member of the All Star’s Dante Raffa.



Larsen Rink home of the WHS Vikings, hosted the Boston Bruins All Star Team for the annual fundraiser for Children’s Hospital, special guests, Revere City Councillor Ira Novoselsky, Winthrop School Committee Chairman Tino Capobianco, and State Rep. Donald Wong were on hand for the event last Sunday afternoon.



Celebrity guest singer, Vanessa Salvucci performed the National Anthem at Larsen Rink.



Revere City Councillor Ira Novoselsky and game referee Don ‘Andy’ Garcia.



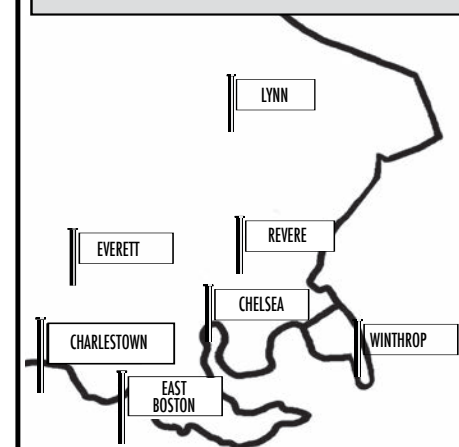
Bruins Captain Rick Middleton with Ryan Murphy, Dominic Spinale, Nathan Previte, and Brendan Robinson.



RHS Patriot Alumni Kevin Chiles Jr. with his dad and Captain of the Children’s Hospital All Stars Kevin Chiles are shown with Boston Bruins Alumni, Dave Shaw, Capt. Ray Bourque and Alan Pedersen.



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proud to say they are some of the cleanest urban beaches in the country,” said Save the Harbor President Chris Mancini. “It’s amazing to see the community that supports this event and supports our beaches from Nahant to Nantasket.”

Before the sprint to the sea, Kennedy Elsey of Mix 104.1 pumped everyone up for the run into the Atlantic, but participants didn’t need much encouragement this year. With only a few clouds in the sky, as Boston 25 meteorologist Vicki Graf reported that the air temperature was a delightful 54 degrees, and the water was a balmy 41!

“All of us at Harpoon look forward to taking a quick dip into the cold water after our Harpoon St. Patrick’s festival to support a great cause and warm up with a refreshing Harpoon beer, a burger, and clam chowder on the beach with our friends from Save the Harbor/Save the Bay,” said Harpoon Brewery President Charlie Storey, who splashes each year. “Sure it was cold in the water, but the warm feeling you get from giving back to your community stays with you for a long time.”

Participants won JetBlue flights and great Harpoon swag for reaching fundraising goals. Trevor Etheridge from Jamaica Plain was the highest fundraiser, raising \$2,550, and Ethan George from Brookline raised \$2,050 and had the most individual donations. They each won round-trip JetBlue flights for their efforts.

The two costume contest winners, Jane Kepros from



Winthrop’s Director of Veterans Services Roseann Trionfi-Mazzucchelli with costume winner Chris Graefe at the event.

East Boston in a handmade frog costume, and Chris Graefe from Jamaica Plain in a speedo cowboy look, won JetBlue flights as well for their creativity and enthusiasm. Special thanks to Elsey, Storey, JetBlue’s Donnie Todd, and Boston 25 Meteorologist Vicki Graf for serving as contest judges! Every splasher and contributor also had the opportunity to win prizes in two post-Splash JetBlue flight raffles.

“At JetBlue, we are committed to our community and fun is one of our core values,” said Donnie Todd, Corporate Responsibility Liaison for JetBlue, who led a team of splashes again this year. “More than 3,500 JetBlue crewmembers call Boston home, we cherish our harbor and proudly support Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the work they do on the region’s public beaches.”

Participants could direct their fundraising to their favorite local beach. South Boston led with \$6,921 followed by Dorchester with \$4,298 and Lynn & Nahant with \$3,820. Participants raised \$3,155 for Winthrop, \$2,949 for Wollaston Beach, \$2,365 for Nantasket, \$1,875 for Revere Beach and \$1,595 for Constitution Beach in East Boston.

Metropolitan Beaches Commissioner Rep. David Biele of South Boston took the plunge as well. “I was happy to join friends, residents and neighbors at this year’s Save the Harbor/Save the Bay Harpoon Shamrock Splash. Funds raised will support a wide range of programs that increase access and enjoyment of local beaches through a partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Thanks to this year’s swimmers, volunteers and



Fundraising and costume contest winners pose with the judges. From left: Ethan George of Brookline, who won for most individual donations; Donnie Todd, JetBlue’s Corporate Social Responsibility Liaison; MC Kennedy Elsey of Mix 104.1; Trevor Etheridge of Jamaica Plain, who won for highest fundraiser; Jane Kepros of East Boston and Chris Graefe of Jamaica Plain who won the costume contest; Harpoon Brewery President Charlie Storey; Boston 25 meteorologist Vicki Graf; and Metropolitan Beaches Commissioner Rep. David Biele.



Hundreds of beach lovers braved the cold water of Boston Harbor on Sunday at Save the Harbor’s 10th annual Harpoon Shamrock Splash and raised more than \$50,000 to support free beach events and programs on the region’s public beaches in 2020.

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In addition, Save the Harbor recognizes the Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chairs Rep.

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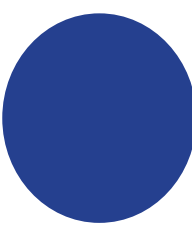
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