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TREASURER LAUNCHES THE EMPOWERMENT GRANT FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

The State Treasurer's Office of Economic Empowerment is funding the Empow-erment Grant for Small Businesses to support the needs of Massachusetts small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant application period opened May 4 and will close on May 29.

The Office of Economic Empowerment is seeking to award small businesses

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Getting ready to distribute food from the Mi Amore Food Bank are from left to right: John Puolos, Board Member, Mi Amore; Matt Rhodes, Director, Winthrop Food Bank; Nicole Ferrara, Board Member, Mi Amore; and Jeff, Stella and Roman Carson, Founders.

Celebrating Mother's Day 2020!

By Transcript Staff

While the days and weeks seem to mesh into

one amidst the coronavirus lockdowns, this Sunday is a special day that will break the monotony.



Sheryl Queen, owner of Twist and Shake in Winthrop.

It is Mother's Day, and while it may not be possible for mom to be taken out to eat at her favorite restaurant, there are local options for families to mark this special day.

One option could be a special delivery or curbside pickup from Twist and Shake located at 482 Shirley Street.

Sheryl Queen, who has been operating Twist and Shake for the past 13 years notes that there is something for everyone, espe-

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Local businesses rely on Chamber of Commerce

By Kate Anslinger

Providing meaningful jobs and keeping money close to home, small businesses are the pulse of a community. In today's world, Winthrop's entrepreneurs are leaning on one another as they navigate their way through the current situation while fighting for the survival of their livelihood. When Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Betsy Shane found out that local business owners were struggling as a result of the pandemic, she stepped in and learned everything she could about the various loans available to small businesses.

"These are really tough times, and there is incredible pressure on businesses, both open and closed," said Shane. "When the CARES Act came out, I felt that it was my job to educate

myself so I could help our business owners."

Winthrop is home to both new and old small businesses that serve the residents and create a sense of community.

Owner of Just Ink Tattoo, Justin Kopec, relied on Shane's help when he was trying to figure out which loans he was able to apply for.

"When I first realized that I could apply for assistance, I had no idea what I'd qualify for or what would

suit my business best," said Kopec, who operates the shop with one apprentice. "I had a ton of questions and the chamber had all the answers and knew the language of the different bills."

Located on 41 Putnam Street, Suite E, Just Ink Tattoo has been in business since June 2018, and a Chamber member since July 2018. While he is anxious to get the shop running again, Kopec is okay with

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Council approves emergency motions; hosts guest speakers

By Laura Plummer

The Winthrop Town Council met remotely on Tuesday, May 5, where it heard updates from department heads, hosted two guest speakers and passed two emergency motions related to COVID-19.

The meeting opened on a somber note, with Council President Phil Boncore asking for a moment of silence for the 11 Winthrop residents who have succumbed to COVID-19 since the start of the epidemic.

"This dreaded pandemic has taken 11 lives," he said. "Thank you to everyone who is following all the protocols."

-Dept. of Health (DOH) Update

DOH Director Meredith Hurley reported that only two new cases of COVID-19 were confirmed that day and that there are presently more people in recovery (97) than those in quarantine (80). She is "cautiously hopeful" that Winthrop will see a "leveling off" of new cases beginning May 6. Testing access in town has increased significantly. Those who are known to have had contact with a COVID-19 patient are sent to two outpatient clinics in Chelsea that are currently conducting walk-up and appointment-based testing.

In addition, the Mass. Dept. of Public Health is rolling out a new contact

tracing initiative.

"I'm curious to see how it will go," said Hurley. "I hope it's as impactful and helpful as it's projected to be."

-Police Chief Update

Police Chief Terence Delehanty reported that his department has been "inundated" with 911 calls about residents not complying with the face-covering order. He urged the public not to call 911, but to call into the station at (617) 846-1212. Furthermore, the department has received reports of residents accosting one another about not wearing masks.

"The longer this pandemic goes on, the more frustrated and hostile people become," said the chief. "We need to make sure the public understands they shouldn't be confronting people about masks."

Councilor Rob DeMarco said that his children were the target of a profanity-laced attack for not using face masks.

"I understand people are scared," he said. "If you have a problem with someone,

speak respectfully and show some class."

-Emergency Motions

Council voted to transfer \$50,000 from Free Cash to the Special COVID-19 Fund. The money will go toward overtime pay for

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HONOR HEALTHCARE HEROES



Winthrop resident Chad Salatino is a Respiratory Therapist working in the ICU at the Cambridge Health Alliance hospital in Everett. This week is Nurses week across the nation. If you see Chad around the Town, be sure to say thank you.

For the latest news in Winthrop that you need to know, check  
**Winthroptranscript.com**

WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

MONDAY, APRIL 20

0748: A caller reported that a family member’s dog was struck by a truck at Read and Lincoln Sts. and that the truck took off toward Donovan’s Beach. The investigating officer will file a report.

1144: A caller reported that construction work was being performed on Circuit Rd. The officer informed the person doing the work that such activity is not permitted on a holiday.

1532: A caller reported that there was an unwanted female party in her apartment on Grovers Ave. The officer provided assistance and the unwanted party left the premises.

1658: An Ingleside Ave. resident reported that two fraudulent charges for Apple earbuds, totaling \$348, were made to his Citizens Bank account.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

0623: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance involving a verbal altercation and a loose dog at an apartment building on Nevada St. The situation was resolved.

1227: A caller reported seeing a suspicious-looking backpack, containing a machete and another weapon, in the vicinity of Lewis Lake. The officer took the backpack to the station and will file a report.

1251: Duxbury P.D. called to confirm that a motor vehicle that had been reported stolen out of Winthrop was now operating on Route 3 in Kingston. A state trooper was falling the vehicle.

1500: A caller reported that a neighbor may be abusing her dog. Officers responded and the dog owner was transported to

the Mass. General. The dog, which was in good health, was left in the care of the neighbor.

1935: A caller reported that two persons appeared to be passed out in a parked motor vehicle in the 600 block of Shirley St. Both persons were cleared medically and sent on their way.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

1435: An officer spoke to a contractor working on Upland Rd. about the need to hire a police detail if the contractor needs to direct traffic in the area.

1710: A caller reported that a dumpster in the middle of Washington Ave. was blocking traffic. The officer stood by until the dumpster was loaded and informed the driver that he cannot do this in the future.

1725: An officer told the operator of a moped on Woodside Ave. that he cannot drive on the sidewalk.

2213: A landlord called to report an incident with a tenant. An officer will file a report.

2230: Officers responded to a report of a disturbance on Amelia Ave. They directed one of the parties to leave the premises.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

0941: An officer responded to a report of a group of a dozen persons in the parking lot of the Dunkin’ Donuts on Revere St. in violation of the physical distancing by-law. The officer moved the parties along.

0957: An officer responded again to Dunkin’ Donuts upon a report that the previous group had reassembled. The officer again dispersed the group.

1111: A Wave Way Ave. resident reported that his

motor vehicle had been vandalized overnight. The officer will file a report.

1340: An officer responded to a report of a noise complaint between neighbors on Faun Bar Ave. This has been an ongoing issue between the parties.

1516: A caller who reported that she was told to buy Bitcoin or photos of her would be released was advised that this was a scam and to inform the police if she noticed any funds missing from her bank account.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

0807: An officer issued a parking ticket for a motor vehicle parked in the 200 block of Shirley St. in violation of the time restrictions on that section of the street.

0951: A Fremont St. resident reported that construction vehicles have been going the wrong way down the one-way street, which led to a verbal altercation between the caller and one of the vehicle operators.

1206: A caller reported that a parked motor vehicle was partially obstructing a driveway in the 300 block of Revere St. The officer made contact with the vehicle owner and the vehicle was moved.

1554: An officer informed a Centre business of

the need for its customers to wear face masks while inside the premises.

1749: A resident who reported that she had received a phone call asking her for medical information was told that the call was a scam.

2109: An officer moved along a motor vehicle at the Public Landing after informing the operator that vehicles are not allowed in that area.

2119: An officer responding to a report of a motor vehicle parked on Main St. with three occupants arrested the operator of the vehicle, Thomas F. Henderson, 20, of East Boston for a probation violation and on a charge of illegal possession of a Class C controlled narcotic substance. The father arrived on the scene to take possession of the vehicle.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

0943: An Ocean View St. resident reported a breaking & entering into his motor vehicle.

1159: A Hermon St. resident reported that a person on a bicycle was going through his vehicle and those of his neighbors at 3:00 AM this morning. The officer will investigate and file a report.

1424: An officer respond

to an ongoing family dispute on Johnson Ave.

1531: An officer dispersed a group that had gathered at the skate park inside Ingleside Park.

1549: The owner of a motorcycle who had left it parked in a friend’s driveway earlier in the week on Read St. reported that his motorcycle now was gone.

1553: An Ocean View Way resident reported the theft of her mountain bike from her driveway.

1558: An officer once again dispersed a group from the skate park.

1940: An officer directed the owners of five motor vehicles parked illegally on Grand View Ave. to move along.

2108: A Wilshire St. resident reported a breaking & entering into her motor vehicle.

2201: Officers advised the resident of an apartment on Veteran’s Rd. to turn down the volume on his television.

2335: A resident in the 1000 block of Winthrop St. reported that a male party was banging on doors. Officers responded and the male was transported to the Whidden.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

1142: A Cora St. resident reported a breaking & en-

tering into his motor vehicle.

1426: Officers responded to a report of a disturbance at 1000 Governor’s Drive. An officer spoke to both parties and advised them to have no further contact with each other.

2241: An officer responded to a report of a group of persons causing a noise disturbance in the foyer of a building on Golden Drive. The officer directed the group to take it inside for the night.

2342: An officer responded to a report of trash and recycling bins impeding traffic in the middle of River Rd. The officer moved the bins to the sidewalk.

MONDAY, APRIL 27

0444: An officer responded to a report of a loud radio playing on a porch on Bartlett Rd. The office located the radio and unplugged it.

0523: An officer responded to a report of a motor vehicle parked at a hydrant on Sea Foam Ave. in which a male party was sleeping. The officer located the owner of the vehicle, whose cousin was the person sleeping in the vehicle, and directed the owner to move the vehicle away from the hydrant.

Markey for U.S. Senate Campaign blows past 10,000 signature goal

Staff Report

The Ed Markey for U.S. Senate campaign this evening announced that it has received over 23,600 signatures from an unprecedented sweep of the state--with requests for nomination papers from 343 of the 351 cities and towns.

As a result of the massive level of voter support from

thousands of volunteers, who contributed countless hours of their time, Senator Markey will appear on the September 1 primary ballot. The campaign will file the signatures with the Secretary of State’s Office next week. Senator Markey participated in a virtual video call this evening where he thanked over 360 supporters for their efforts.

After successfully winning 70 percent of the support at local city and town caucuses earlier this year--a significant grassroots show of support-- the Markey campaign also gathered 7,000 signatures by engaging with voters at coffee shops, libraries, and in their homes, and the campaign was on track to have the required number of signatures

prior to the May 4 deadline. Through successful digital and relational organizing, in the weeks following the cancelation of the caucuses, the Markey campaign saw an enormous outpouring of support resulting in today’s announcement.

Supporters who want to create a personalized Ed Markey page can simply go to support.edmarkey.com.

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in Gateway Cities across the state. The goal of the program is to stabilize and support the well-being of small businesses by providing access to capital and building financial empowerment through one or more trainings. Grants of up to \$2,500 are available and will empower small business owners to support business continuity and foster ingenuity amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

“These financial empowerment grants will provide our local business owners and their employees with some needed resources to survive this unprecedented crisis,” said Treasurer Deborah Goldberg. “I am hon-

ored to support our state’s small businesses who contribute so much to our economy and our communities.”

Applicants are eligible if they are considered a small business, have been in operation for at least one year, and are registered in Massachusetts. Preference will be given to those that operate in a Gateway City. Minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, and/or immigrant-owned small businesses are encouraged to apply. To submit applications, please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/the-empowerment-grant-for-small-businesses>.

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town employees working extra hours to combat the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Council also voted that Town Manager Austin Faison reach out to the town’s utility companies to request discounts for all ratepayers during the state of emergency. The motion was filed by Councilor Tracey Honan, who cited that other cities and towns have taken similar actions.

-Guests Presenters

Professor Michael Goodman, an economic sociologist from UMass Dartmouth, gave a presentation about economic projections for the state and town in the wake of the pandemic. Charles Southworth from the Zero Waste Committee presented a list of recommendations for how Winthrop can reduce its waste as a community. Both of these presentations will be explored in detail in the May 13 issue of the Transcript.

-Town Manager’s Report

Town Manager Faison sent out a survey to the community two weeks ago to gauge public opinion on the public health crisis. He

said the response rate was high and called the results “eye-opening.”

Ninety percent of respondents reported that they are following safety protocols “most of the time or always.” Half of the respondents said the town’s social media and press releases were their first source of COVID-19 information, and two thirds believe the safety measures taken by the town were balanced.

Residents’ top concerns were economic recovery, food and supply shortages, and personal loss of income. They reported needing more information on parking enforcement, as well as parks and open spaces.

A copy of the full survey results will be posted on the Town website. The Transcript may also examine the document in greater detail in an upcoming publication.

-School Department Update

The district is now in Phase 3 of remote learning, focusing on transitioning students to the next grade level. The scholarship program continues to bolster students’ college dreams, and summer school pro-

grams will be available remotely.

Measures are being explored to allow both teachers and students to gather their personal belongings from school property prior to the summer recess. Senior graduation plans are underway, and could involve a televised event in which family members are not physically present.

All Winthrop Public School students are eligible for free lunches Monday through Friday from 11am to 1pm at the loading dock. Superintendent Lisa Howard will be meeting with the Finance Committee on Thursday at 6:30pm to examine the school budget.

-Committee Reports

The Finance Committee met on May 4 and is currently examining the FY21 budget and making amendments.

A joint meeting of the Committee on Rules & Ordinances and the Economic Development Committee was called to discuss zoning of the middle school site with the civil engineer group VHB. There will be a lengthy public input period regarding the project.

The Committee on Ap-

pointments, Commissions & Committees discussed the employee evaluation forms that were mailed out. Phone calls will be set up prior to May 8 to follow up and a final report will be submitted to the council at its next meeting.

The Miller Field Committee has started work on the shed at the golf course and the dog park.

-FY21 Budget

The Council is currently in the public participation phase of approving the FY21 Budget. Department heads will be available at future council meetings to answer the community’s department-specific questions. Meanwhile, residents are urged to explore the interactive online budget on the Town website.

-Upcoming Events

Councilor Boncore is looking for additional members for the Charter Review. Interested individuals should reach out to him or fill out an online application. Approximately half of the members have been chosen.

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# Town reports 188 total COVID-19 cases confirmed

Town Manager Austin Faison and Public Health Director Meredith Hurley would like to update Winthrop residents on the latest information involving the COVID-19 pandemic. They have received notification from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) of two additional residents affected by COVID-19.

The total number of cases as of May 5 are 188 with 221 deceased, 97 recovered and 80 in isolation

### Winthrop Community Food Bank

The Food Bank will continue accepting donations

Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the FRONT loop of the Cummings School across from the Fire Station. The Food Bank is in need of non-perishable items such as cereals, canned goods, pasta, bread, peanut butter and jelly, toiletries and paper products. Items without an expiration date cannot be accepted.

The Winthrop Community Food Bank will be distributing food by delivery only. There will be NO in-person pick-up at the Cummings Elementary School. If you are in need of food, please email: WinthropFoodBank@town.

winthrop.ma.us. Please provide your name, address, phone number and the number of people in your household. If your need is urgent, please call the Emergency Operations Center at 617-539-5848.

### Emergency Operations Center

The Town of Winthrop Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is streamlining the COVID-19 response effort to ensure the continued delivery of services to residents. The EOC will remain operational until further notice.

The EOC can be reached at 617-539-5848, Monday

through Thursday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or by emailing COVID19info@town.winthrop.ma.us.

For residents that may be self-quarantined and require outside assistance or meal delivery, please contact the EOC at 617-539-5848 or COVID19info@town.winthrop.ma.us. All information will be confidential.

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

### Latest Health Guidance

- As always, if anyone displays symptoms of COVID-19, including a fever, cough or shortness of breath, they should not go to work or school and are advised to contact their primary care physician.
- Practice social distancing by keeping six feet between people to prevent the spread of infection, which includes handshaking and hugging. Residents are also encouraged to avoid group activities and events.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, including

under your fingernails. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol content) can be used when soap and water are not available.

- Keep your hands away from your face.
- Cover your nose and mouth when sneezing and coughing with a tissue and discard it immediately. Cough into the sleeve over your elbow instead of your hand. Wash your hands often when coughing and sneezing.
- Stay away from people who are sick and stay home when you are sick.

## Town of Winthrop reminds residents of state order requiring face masks in public

Town Manager Austin Faison, Public Health Director Meredith Hurley and Police Chief/Emergency Management Director Terence Delehanty would like to remind residents of the new state order regarding the use of face masks or coverings in public.

Residents will need to wear a face mask or covering when out in public situations where social distancing may be difficult to maintain, such as when shopping at essential businesses like grocery stores or pharmacies, per the order issued by Gov. Charlie Baker last week.

Residents are also required to wear a mask or face covering at all times when using any transportation service or public mass transit.

Residents are still encouraged -- but not required -- to wear face masks or coverings when outside in public, as long as they are able maintain physical distancing.

Masks should not be worn by young children under the age of 2, persons with difficulty breathing, or those who are unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask

without assistance.

The cloth face coverings do not have to be surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which should be left for medical professionals and first responders. Information about how to properly remove and make your own face mask can be found on the CDC's website here.

Key elements to remember when wearing a face covering include:

- It should fit snugly against the side of your face
- It should be secured with ties or ear loops
- It should have multiple layers of fabric
- It should allow for breathing without restriction
- Fabric face coverings should be cleaned after each use and should be machine washable and dryer safe
- Always remove the mask directly into the laundry or trash and then immediately wash your hands
- Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, or mouth when removing your mask

This order remains in effect until further notice. Further guidance from the Department of Public Health is available at [mass.gov/coveryourface](https://mass.gov/coveryourface).

The Town encourages

everyone to stay informed regarding COVID-19. The following resources are recommended for the most updated information:

Town of Winthrop Official COVID-19 updates - <https://www.town.winthrop.ma.us/home/urgent-alerts/covid-19-public-health-updates>

Winthrop Public Safety website - <https://winthroppublicsafety.com/>

Winthrop COVID-19 Tip Hotline - <https://winthroppublicsafety.com/covid-19-tip-hotline/>

Massachusetts Department of Public Health - <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-updates-and-information>

Massachusetts 2-1-1 general COVID-19 information - <https://mass211.org/> or dial 2-1-1 (24/7)

Massachusetts COVID-19 text updates: Text "COVIDMA" to 888-777

United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - <https://www.cdc.gov/>

The Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County - <https://www.suffolk-cac.org/support-resources/covid-19-support>

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doing it safely and slowly and already has ideas in place for how he will open his doors. Kopec plans to have six feet zones, designated places for people to wait and customers will be required to wash hands and wear masks.

"People are just trying to run their flower shops and grocery stores, and figure out how they are going to survive," said Shane, who has been on the phone with business owners every day. "As the Chamber, it's our job to help them navigate through this."

Alongside her colleagues, Ann Ward and Amanda Pelletier, Shane has made it her mission to serve the town's business owners and she has been conducting research and updating Chamber members nonstop. Her process involves checking in with the business owner, educating them on available assistance, and following up to see if they've gotten their money.

Owner of Scott's Auto, Scott MacElree has collaborated with the chamber to come up with creative ideas to keep business going and safely provide service to customers. MacElree offers a pickup and delivery option for customers, where no face-to-face contact is required.

"We disinfect the keys, steering wheel, and com-



The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce is located at 207 Hagman Road.

plete payment via phone, so the customer never has to come into contact with us."

MacElree has been on the receiving end of the chamber's expertise.

"The chamber helped me get information, hooked me up with a lender, and since then I've gotten approved."

Over 3,000 emails have been sent between Shane and business owners, along with a string of updates on the Chamber's Facebook and Instagram pages.

"The financial consequences alone can create major emotional trauma," said Shane. "It came on so fast but we are here to help and people have been so thankful and grateful."

If you are a business owner, needing assistance,

you may contact the chamber at:

[betsy@winthropchamber.com](mailto:betsy@winthropchamber.com)

Or check them out online at:

<https://www.facebook.com/winthropchamberofcommerce>

<http://winthropchamber.com/>

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is a wide selection of businesspeople working in conjunction with the Town's elected and appointed officials. Its goal is to foster the economic enhancement of Winthrop's businesses and business districts so as to maintain long-term economic vitality and growth.

## DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS YOU ARE PROTECTED

Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey

### FROM EVICTION & FORECLOSURE

Landlords cannot evict or threaten to evict their tenants. Mortgage companies cannot foreclose on homeowners. During this crisis, your home is secure.

### FROM DEBT COLLECTION

Harassment from debt collectors is prohibited. They cannot come to your home or workplace, file lawsuits against you, repossess your car, or garnish your wages.

### FROM UTILITY SHUTOFFS

Utilities are prohibited from shutting off your gas or electricity. You should be able to keep your lights on and hot water running.

### FROM PRICE GOUGING

Businesses cannot charge inflated prices on common goods and critical items like masks, hand sanitizer and gloves.

### FROM DISCRIMINATION

You cannot be discriminated against because of your race, ethnicity, national origin, disability or other protected category in housing or when seeking health care.

### WHEN SEEKING HEALTH CARE

If you feel sick, seek health care. Insurance covers COVID-19 testing and treatment. For immigrants not eligible for public health insurance programs, MassHealth Limited will cover the cost.

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AGO RESOURCES

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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

OUR Opinions

THIS SUNDAY IS MOTHER’S DAY

During this time of unprecedented upheaval because of the novel coronavirus pandemic, the rituals that most of us traditionally follow either have been eliminated or drastically changed because of the need to practice physical distancing.

So too, the manner in which we observe Mother’s Day, which is this Sunday, May 10, will be different from all others before it. The traditional family get-togethers that we usually observe will be cancelled or modified to a great extent because of the situation in which we find ourselves.

However, it often is said that necessity is the mother of invention (no pun intended) and in that spirit we’re sure that all of our readers will find a way to honor their mothers in some fashion, whether it be something as simple as a phone call or by a family gathering via Zoom.

Oftentimes, the smallest of gestures can mean the most. We hope too, that Mother’s Day this year will serve as a way for all of us to think about what is most important in our lives -- our family, friends, and loved ones -- as we struggle to make sense of these turbulent times amidst a pandemic.

We know we join with all of our readers in wishing all of our moms a happy Mother’s Day.

THIS IS NO TIME FOR HOOVERISM

Herbert Hoover had been President for about seven months when the stock market crashed in October, 1929. Although there have been many causes attributed to the onset of the Great Depression, the crash generally is viewed as the trigger point for what still rates as the greatest economic downturn in our nation’s history.

However, even as the economy continued to sink in the aftermath of the crash, Hoover adopted a hands-off policy toward the economy. Although Herbert Hoover was a good man with lots of government experience prior to becoming president, he refused to take action of any kind, held back by a combination of a lack of imagination and his rigid, free-market view of the U.S. economy.

Hoover failed to recognize the severity of the situation or leverage the power of the federal government to address it. He was widely viewed as callous and insensitive toward the suffering of millions of desperate Americans.

By the time Hoover left office in early 1933, unemployment in the U.S. had reached 25% and millions of Americans literally were starving. The iconic photos from that era of Americans lined up for handouts from the soup kitchens that were operated by private charities still are seared into our collective memory even today.

What brought to mind the inaction of Herbert Hoover during the Great Depression were comments made this past Sunday by Lawrence Kudlow, the former TV personality who now is one of the chief economic advisers to President Trump.

Basically, Kudlow said the Trump administration is taking a wait-and-see approach before committing to more federal support for Americans as the United States continues to weather the coronavirus crisis and the accompanying economic damage.

“Well, I don’t want to get too far ahead of the story, Jake,” Kudlow said to CNN’s Jake Tapper. “There may well be additional legislation. There’s a kind of pause period right now.”

But “getting ahead” of this crisis precisely is what policymakers need to do. While it certainly is true that the federal government has spent trillions of dollars in various ways to assist Americans, it also is true that the degree of economic assistance -- as well as a coordinated plan -- that will be necessary simply to keep Americans fed during the ongoing crisis will require additional trillions of dollars as the economy plunges into free-fall without a parachute in the months ahead.

The lesson of the Great Depression is that a national government cannot be a passive bystander during a time of economic collapse. Speedy, forceful, and creative action is required today to prevent an already-calamitous situation from becoming worse tomorrow.

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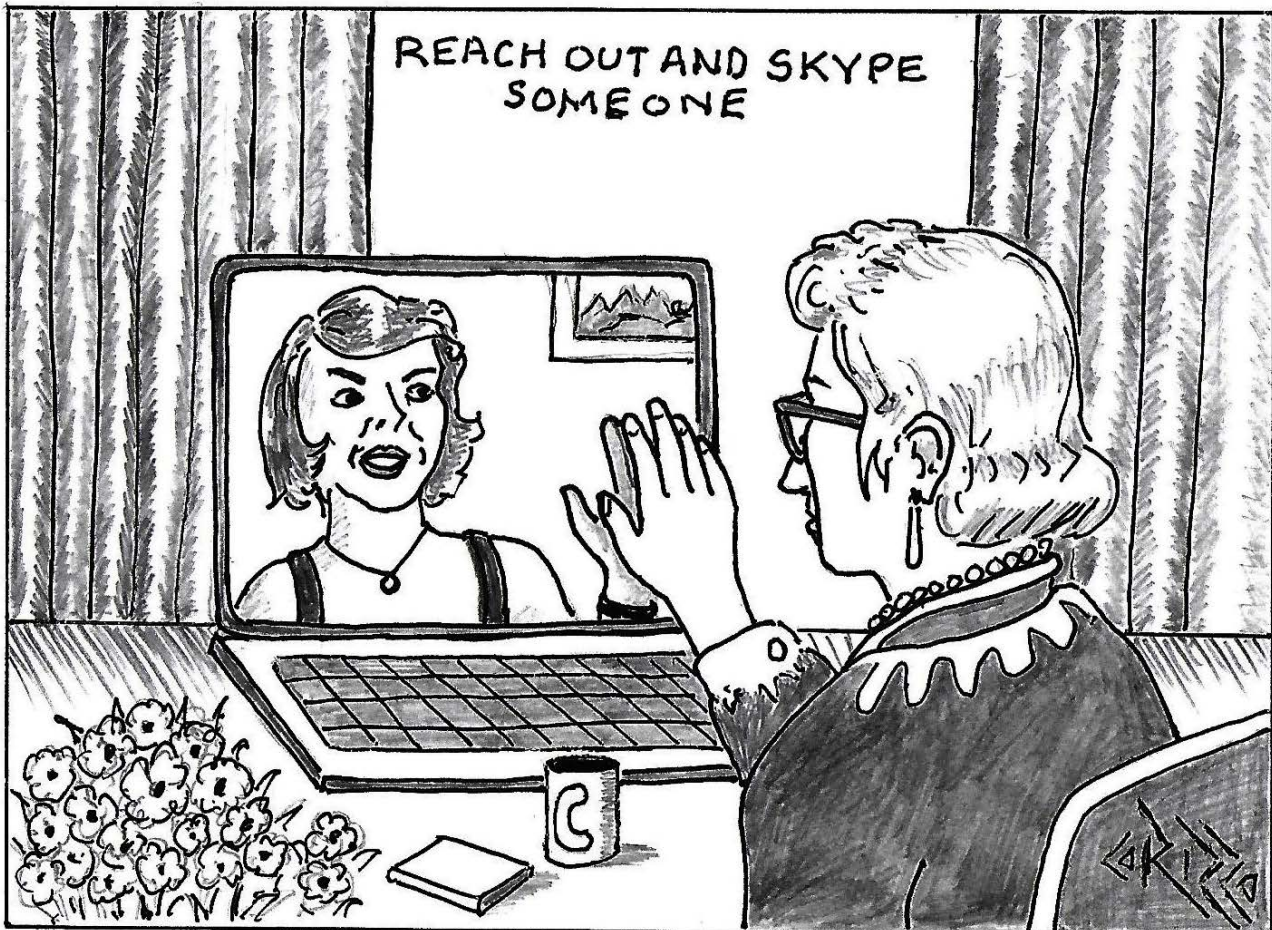
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LETTER to the Editor

DRIVE CAREFULLY

Dear Editor,

With fewer vehicles on the roads than ever, and the combination of warmer weather and a largely stir crazy population (especially children who have been out of school for 8 weeks now!), we are seeing a surge of people out walking, jogging, and biking. For some, these trips are for exercise or recreation (even sanity), but for others these are mandatory trips for es-

sential services or jobs. Whatever the reason, it can largely be said that on many streets across the Commonwealth, and certainly here in Winthrop, there are more people out moving about than there are cars. And yet we recently learned the disturbing statistic from MassDOT that while the number of cars on major highways have dropped about 50% (even more in certain areas)- and traffic congestion has virtually van-

ished- more people died in car crashes (28) this April than in April 2019. This is because with no traffic to slow drivers down, vehicles speeds have increased significantly (see 'Fatal Crashes Are Up in Massachusetts, Even as Driving is Way Down' in the Boston Globe, 5/3/20)

So while the importance of driving with caution rings true at all times, especially in densely populated neighborhoods like we

have here in Winthrop, it is particularly critical right now that drivers SLOW DOWN and "scan the street for wheels and feet", many of whom need that space on our streets to pass other people while maintaining safe physical distance.

Please drive safely!

Julia Wallerice  
Chair, Winthrop  
Transportation Advisory  
Committee (TAC)

GUEST OP-ED

Covid-19 and Mother’s Day

ness owners across America. For some restaurants being closed this Sunday will be the nail in the coffin of their business.

This year to celebrate mom’s day you still can patronize your favorite restaurant by ordering from them and bringing the food back home. This will still take some pressure off mom. Also, insist on cleaning up the mess when it’s over. Mom shouldn’t have to do this on Mother’s Day,

Overall this is the toughest Mother’s Day we’ve had in America during my lifetime. So many millions are struggling financially. Buying a nice meal from a restaurant to take home to feed everyone is a stretch for many. With 70,000 or more deaths now due to

Covid-19 this Mother’s Day will be the hardest day ever for a lot of families. There will be an empty chair at the table. Millions of Americans have moms in nursing homes. Their moms are in danger of being exposed to Covid-19. People will probably not be able to visit mother because she is in the nursing home. This is painful. There are just so many distressing scenarios being played out around the world. From health care workers who are at risk, to unemployment and a new era of poverty hitting out country, to people just going crazy over social distancing.

The way to celebrate Mother’s Day this year is don’t forget. Don’t distance yourself from this celebra-

tion. Honor mom while you have her. Honor some other mothers too who have been special to you.

When I was a child, I had \$5 my dad gave me for being “brave” to have my tonsils removed. The only thing I wanted to do as a child was to take mom and dad to the local G.C. Murphy’s grill. We sat at the bar and we all had hotdogs and cokes that cost me about \$3. My mom didn’t want me to spend my \$5 but she smiled when I bought lunch that day as a 7-year-old kid. I would love to have mom back this Sunday and do anything that might make her smile. This Sunday, it could be the simplest thing but give it a try. Mom is worth the effort.

THE MORE Things Change ...

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



10 years ago  
April 30, 2010

Cindy Levins, co-owner of the Luna Boutique and Moonstruck Café, said while she accepts the Town Council’s decision to institute a “brownbagging” ordinance, she’s disappointed in the council’s vote to implement a \$400 fee that certain food establishments will now have to pay for the new license. Brown-bagging is the term used for the practice of customers bringing their own beer or wine into a restaurant that does not have a liquor license.

After much discussion, the Council voted to approve Vice President Linda Calla’s compromise measure to set the fee at \$400. The fee was initially set at \$500.

Town officials are wrestling with an almost \$400,000 deficit in the budget that will start on July 1 due to the fact that state aid will be cut again by almost \$500,000, with Chapter 70 aid (solely for schools) being cut for the first time this year by \$296,823. In addition, unrestricted aid is being cut by an additional

\$204,000.

There appears to be some mixed signals being sent from all parties regarding the School Department’s willingness and ability to leave its administrative headquarters at the E.B. Newton School by the previously announced deadline of August 31, 2010. Most fundamental are concerns over whether this move makes practical and fiscal sense.

The verbal exchange between Town Council President Jeffrey Turco and Town Manager James

McKenna concerning Turco’s motion to consider having Town Hall open for business on Fridays caught some observers by surprise. McKenna indicated that he would like to survey the town department heads at Town Hall to see how they feel about returning to a Monday-Friday schedule. But Turco was quick to suggest that the only survey that matters is the one by the people of Winthrop, who would like to have Town Hall open for busi-

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ness on Fridays.

Iron Man 2, Letters to Juliet, and Robin Hood are playing at the Revere show-case Cinemas.

### 20 years ago April 27, 2000

Recently-appointed Police Chief Edward Shalvey has submitted his resignation to the Board of Selectmen exactly two weeks to the day from when he was appointed. Shalvey cited an “unexpected personal crisis” for his decision. The selectmen reportedly now are eyeing a candidate from New Hampshire, even though Winthrop Lieut. Michael McManus was the only other finalist with Shalvey.

Town Clerk Paul Dawson is predicting a 30 percent turnout for Monday’s town election, which will be highlighted by the selectman’s race among former selectwoman Marie Turner, Albert Van Buskirk, and Jesse Perrier. Incumbent selectman Robert Driscoll Jr. decided not to seek re-election after serving only one term in office.

Winthrop residents were given a tour of the new MWRA sewage treatment plant on Deer Island and unanimously declared the new facility to be “awesome.”

Erin Brockovich, Road to El Dorado, and Love and Basketball are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago May 2, 1990

The Boston Archdiocese made it official this week that the parochial school of St. John the Evangelist Church will close its doors in June. The official press release cited low enrollment and financial difficulties.

Kevin Storey, a Chelsea treasure hunter, came before the selectmen this week asking for permission to search for buried treasure on Snake Island.

Former Selectmen Chairman Robert DeLeo is the first candidate to have his nomination paper signatures certified for him to appear on the ballot in the September Democratic primary. Sixteen-year incumbent State Rep. Alfred Saggese has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held this week for the \$437,000 renovation project of Coughlin Playground on Pt. Shirley which is being funded from the MWRA mitigation contract.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, The Hunt for Red October, and Tales from the Dark Side are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago April 30, 1980

Town Meeting took care of mostly housekeeping matters in its first session Monday night. One of the few articles to receive any debate involved a paper recycling proposal brought forward by Town Meeting member Simon Fich. Members approved the article, which was the third consecutive year that Fich, as lead sponsor of the article, had brought it before Town Meeting.

Boston Penal Commissioner William R. Celeste told a group of about 100 Pt. Shirley residents that no amount of money ever can make the present Deer

Island jail a secure facility. The City of Boston therefore is considering building a brand new jail, Celeste said, a comment that stunned and angered local residents.

The Winthrop Art Association held its largest and most successful annual art fair this past weekend at the high school.

Dom DeLuise stars in Fatsó at the Kincade Theatre.

### 50 years ago April 30, 1970

A bureaucratic foul-up at the state level has resulted in a delay for the occupancy of some of the elderly housing units that have been completed at Ft. Banks. Local housing officials said that they hope to resolve the matter, which involves the pricing of rents, shortly.

The Playmakers will close out their season with a production of A Thousand Clowns. James Grana and Ted Reinstein have top billing as the wacky lead characters of Murray and his nephew Nick.

Spring construction is booming in Winthrop, with the foundations being laid for the Ft. Banks apartment development, the largest in the town’s history; an 11 unit building on Hawthorn Ave. and Shore Drive; and the new Sons of Italy Hall.

Bill Veeck, colorful general manager at Suffolk Downs and former major league baseball executive, was the guest speaker at the Jaycees weekly luncheon held at the Winthrop Y.C.

Steve McQueen stars in The Rievers at the Winthrop Cinema.

### 60 years ago April 28, 1960

As expected, U.S. Senator John F. Kennedy and Vice President Richard M. Nixon won the preference of local Democrats and Republicans respectively in Tuesday’s presidential primary election. However, there was a surprise in local politics as a maverick group gained control of the Democratic Town Committee from the regularly endorsed slate.

Winthrop Town Counsel Peter Princi has been elected President of the State Association of Town Counsels.

A Winthrop family has suffered the loss of a second son in an air tragedy. Francis Yirrell, 36, a test pilot for the Sikorsky Aircraft Company of Stratford, Conn., perished when the engine on his aircraft failed and it plunged from the sky. Yirrell and two others died. Yirrell was a decorated pilot in both the Korean War and World War II. His brother, Frederick, also was a pilot in WWII and died in action while on a mission near the end of the war.

The dedication ceremonies for the newly-installed Missile Master, an electronic facility that controls the distribution of the firing of missiles from a number of batteries to maximize efficiency, will be held at Ft. Heath on ay 4. This is one of only eight such facilities in the country.

Five Winthrop youths, ages 12-16, have been arrested and charged with a number of breaks in the Winthrop Beach business section. The arrests hopefully will bring to an end the rash of breaks in that area.

Tony Curtis, Janet Leigh, and Dean Martin star in Who Was That Lady at the Winthrop Theatre.

## WINTHROP BEACH TRAIN STATION



In this 1912 photo, the Winthrop Beach train station for the Narrow Gauge Railroad is shown above. The building was located on the corner of Washington Ave. and Veterans Road. The station was heavily used in the summertime as people flocked to Winthrop to use the beaches or stay at the hotels on Winthrop Shore Drive.

### 70 years ago April 27, 1950

The School Committee is considering rezoning the town’s school districts in light of the overcrowded conditions at the E.B. Newton and Centre schools created by the influx of students from the new veterans housing projects. School Supt. Orrin C. Davis said that the rezoning plan would add more students to the Highland School.

More than 400 persons attended a testimonial dinner to Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Quinlan, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church. Cambridge State Rep. Thomas P. O’Neill Jr., Speaker of the Mass. House of Representatives, where Quinlan serves as Chaplain, was among those paying tribute.

The former Bennison Funeral Home is being renamed the Alfred B. Marsh Funeral Home, it was announced by its owner, Alfred B. Marsh. Marsh worked for Bennison beginning in 1939 and became owner upon Mr. Bennison’s death in 1945. Marsh recently has completely an upgrade of the facilities at 170-174 Winthrop St.

Newly-elected Selectman William E. Pierce was honored at a testimonial dinner by his friends and family members at the K of C Hall last Thursday.

Cary Grant and Shirley Temple star in The Bachelor and the Bobby Soxer at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

### 80 years ago April 27, 1940

The highest tide since 1851, 14 feet, was recorded here Sunday with the terrific northeast gale that caused havoc in Winthrop with high winds, rain, and some snow, flooding basements and bringing general damage. Attendees at the Sunday morning services at the Union Congregational Church had to be brought to dry land by boat when the surf rushed down Tewksbury St. The spray at Deer Island from the crashing waves rose to a height of 130 feet and Shirley Gut was almost ripped open by the force of the waves. Many of the cottages on Pt. Shirley were damaged with porches and doors torn off their structures. The water main to the Point broke when it was undermined by the heavy seas.

For the first time in many years, there will be a fight between two opposing groups for control of the Republican Town Committee in Tuesday’s presiden-

tial primary.

Spencer Tracy and Hedy Lamarr star in I Take This Woman at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

### 100 years ago May 1, 1920

U.S. Census figures show that Winthrop, with a population of 15,446, has grown by 50 percent since 1910. In 1900, the town’s population was 6058; in 1890, it was 2726; in 1880, it was 1043; in 1870 it was 532; and in 1860 it was 544.

A group of Japanese students attending college in this country will visit Winthrop as guests of the Women’s Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church.

Another Town Meeting will be called because the lowest bid received for the new Highlands school exceeds the original estimate of \$75,000 by \$18,000.

### 100 years ago April 30, 1910

The harbor police of Boston found the body of a man at Bennett’s bridge near the coal wharf on Monday night. He is believed to be

the person who was struck by a train near Pleasant St. about two weeks ago.

The work on the water tower is progressing, with the structure growing skyward each day.

Winthrop never has had one of its own as a state senator, but local Republicans are trying to secure the nomination of a Winthrop person, although rivals from Chelsea, East Boston, and Revere are making the path difficult.

The street department has cleared the sand from Shirley St. and now construction of a permanent roadway from Great Head to the top of Pt. Shirley can get underway. This will lay the path for the construction of the Pt. Shirley Railway. Although the Point no longer will be known as a peculiar peninsula famous for Wheeler and Tewksbury’s salt works, the copper works, and Taft’s Hotel, the new road and railway, as well as the soon-to-be-completed Pt. Shirley Yacht Club, are expected to double property values on the Point within two years.

### 120 years ago April 28, 1900

The regular quarterly meeting of the Temperance Society will be held Sunday evening.

Passage at the corner of Winthrop and Jefferson Sts. is being impeded by the materials for the construction of the large building there.

It is expected that Francis Wilson, the famous comedian, will try our golf links in the near future.

### 130 years ago May 2, 1880

The Town Meeting was fairly well-attended. Members concerned about the high fares on the railroad urged the town’s officials either to look into a street railway or to go directly to the railroad for a fare reduction.

Congress has appropriated \$5000 to excavate a channel 3900 feet long, 50 feet wide, and six feet deep at mean low water from the back channel to Rice’s Wharf.

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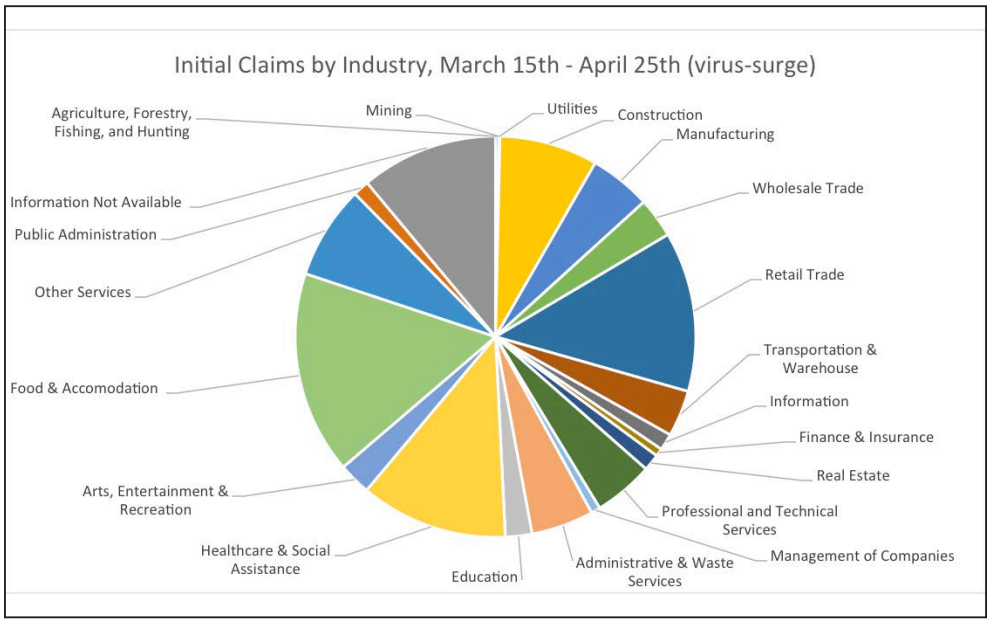
# Unemployment data shows new claims are overwhelmingly from white residents

Staff Report

For the fourth week in a row, new unemployment claims were lower than the previous week, and new data from the state shows that more than 80 percent of new claims since March 15 came from residents describing themselves as white. Of the 722,552 new claims since March 15, some 82 percent – or 459,511 claims – were from white residents, with the next highest racial group being Hispanic residents at 15 percent (91,779 claims). That did not include the new Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) claims, which is a new type of unemployment for self-employed, gig workers and other workers that don't typically qualify for unemployment. Of the other groups represented, Black/African

	Claimants	Percentage
Female	344952	53.00%
Male	305840	47.00%
	Claimants	Percentage
Hispanic or Latino	91779	14.90%
Not Hispanic or Latino	524162	85.10%

	Claimants	Percentage
American Indian or Alaska Native	3297	0.59%
Asian	44018	7.82%
Black or African American	54584	9.69%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1839	0.33%
white	459511	81.58%



Americans made up 10 percent of the new claims (54,584 claims) and Asian residents made up 8 percent (44,018).

The state Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA) did not give any reasons as to the large numbers of white residents claiming unemployment since March 15. The sectors of the economy with the most new claims included Retail Trade, Food & Accommodations, and Healthcare & Social Assistance.

From April 19 to April 25, Massachusetts had 70,552 individuals file an initial claim for standard Unemployment Insurance (UI), the fourth consecutive week of fewer initial claims filed over the previous week. Since March 15, a total of 722,009 initial claims were filed. As the number of initial claims continues to decrease, the number of claimants filing for their weekly bene-

fit each week continues to grow. For the week of April 19 to April 25, there were a total of 527,538 claimants, an increase of 13.8% over the previous week, who filed for their weekly unemployment benefits. Food and Accommodation with 93,168, Retail Trade at 69,333 and Health and Social Assistance with 66,202 showed the largest number of claimants who filed for their weekly unemployment benefits.

The Cares Act created a new temporary federal program called Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), which provides unemployment benefits to individuals who are self-employed, gig workers and those not covered by regular unemployment compensation. In the week of April 19 to April 25, there were a total of 171,598 PUA claims.

From March 15 to April 25, combining UI and PUA, Massachusetts had a total of 893,607 claims filed for unemployment insurance.

Currently, the Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA) is paying standard Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits to around 450,000 claimants and Pandemic Unemployment Assistance to around 150,000 claimants. Since March 15, nearly 700,000 Massachusetts total claims have been paid amounting to more than \$2.3 Billion in disbursements to beneficiaries of both programs.

Over the last month, the customer service staff at DUA has grown from around 50 employees to more than 1,200. The remote customer service operation is now making more than 25,000 individual contacts per day and DUA continues to host daily unemployment town halls, held in both English and Spanish, which have been attended by more than 200,000 constituents. Massachusetts was one of the first states to successfully launch the PUA program. Due to DUA's previous efforts to migrate their systems to the cloud, the first unemployment agency in the country to do so, the unemployment online platforms for both regular UI and PUA has maintained functionality throughout the surge in demand.

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## WHS SPORTS Through the Years

10 years ago  
April 30, 2010

Pat McGee was so proud she didn't know whether to laugh or cry. The Hall of Fame boys track coach had just watched one of her captains, senior John "Jake" Connors, break the school's 34-year-old high jump record by soaring over the bar at a height of 6 feet, 6 inches. Connors had surpassed the Winthrop High record of McGee's son, Kevin, who had jumped 6-5 in the Andover Invitational Track Meet in the 1976 season. Connors broke the record on his last jump of the day last Wednesday at Beverly High School. He had cleared the bar with room at spare at heights of 5-6, 5-8, 5-10, 6-0, 6-2, and 6-4.

Will Milano and Anthony Hatzisavas tossed complete game shutouts to lead the Winthrop High baseball team to victories of 5-0 over Danvers and 3-0 over Swampscott this past week. Milano's final line against Danvers last Friday showed him allowing just five hits and walking three while fanning three Falcons in his seven innings of work. The contest was a scoreless pitcher's duel through four innings until the Vikings, who themselves only had six hits on the day, broke the game open with a five run fifth. Nick McCarthy, Joe Boudrow, Milano, and Tyler Pettee all contributed RBI base hits in the rally.

Three days later, Hatzisavas turned in one of he best pitching performances by a Viking hurler in many years with a one hit, one walk masterpiece against Swampscott. The lone Swampscott safety came in the second frame (on an 0-2 pitch), but thereafter Anthony proved unhittable while whiffing seven of the Big Blue. Anthony Spinazzola drove in what would prove to be the game-winning run with a deep sacrifice fly that brought in Pettee in the fourth. The Viking junior captaincy duo of McCarthy and Boudrow, both of whom had two hits on the day, then scored a pair of insurance runs in the fifth thanks to a two RBI base hit by Milano, who also had a pair of base hits.

The Winthrop High softball team is on a roll with a four-game winning streak, including the last three over Northeastern Conference rivals Gloucester, 9-4; Danvers, 11-7 (marking the first win for a Lady Viking softball team at Danvers since 1980); and Swampscott, 8-1. The victory over Gloucester featured a trio of Winthrop pitchers who shared in the victory. Elaine Lanza started and went three innings, allowing three runs on five hits with five strikeouts. Angela Pettee came in for an inning, allowing a run on three hits, and Alex Ferri tossed three strong frames, fanning six batters and giving up just one hit. Wielding the big bats for Coach Dave Guffey's squad were Haley Benson, who went 3 for 4 with a triple, three RBI, and a run scored; Taylor Brown,

2 for 4 (both doubles), three steals, and two runs scored; and Liana Ferullo, 1 for 1, with a walk, a sacrifice bunt, an RBI, and a run scored. The win over Danvers featured a gutsy pitching effort by Ferri, who went the distance, facing 37 batters and allowing five earned runs on eight hits, while walking four and fanning eight. Abby Belcher came through with a bases loaded double in the fifth that cleared the sacks for a 7-5 Winthrop lead. Andrea Martucci and Brown also delivered in a big way with two hits, including a double apiece, and two RBI.

The Winthrop High boys tennis team won two matches in convincing fashion to raise their record to 3-2 on the season. Coach Barbara Hoffman's squad defeated St. Mary's of Lynn 4-1 and then shut out Gloucester 5-0. In the match with St. Mary's, all three Viking singles players cruised to victories in straight sets.. Alex Hamilton at first singles defeated his counterpart, 6-4, 6-0. Brendan FitzPatrick shut out his opponent at second singles 6-0, 6-0, as did Jake Rand at third singles 6-0, 6-0. In the doubles contests, the first doubles duo of Tyler Norris and Patrick Brogan lost a close match, 6-1, 1-6, 6-7, while the second doubles tandem of Ryan McKinnon and Connor Brugman won 6-1, 6-2.

20 years ago  
April 27, 2000

Senior Jim Coffey spun a brilliant three-hit shut-out to lead the WHS baseball team to its first win of the season, 2-0 over Lynn English. Chris Summa launched a clutch, two-run double in the sixth inning to bring home teammates Bobby Kneeland and Mike Vatalaro with the winning runs.

A home run by junior Christine Hayes was the lone highlight for the winless WHS softball team in a 19-4 loss to Beverly.

The WHS girls track team turned in a dominating performance at the Northeastern Conference Relays, capturing first place in eight of the 12 events, to win the meet with 116 points. Danyelle Dillard, Kerri Ann Benjamin, Liz Doherty, Mia Lewis, and Kim Lally were the key performers for coach Warren MacPhail's squad.

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The WHS boys track team improved to 4-0 on the season with a 68-59 win over Beverly. Bill Perella won both hurdles events and Steve Luongo won the discus and shotput. The boys also finished second in the Class D State Relays for the second straight year.

Winthrop Little League held its annual season opening ceremonies on Sunday. Vin Eruzione, WHS junior varsity baseball coach and former three-sport standout at Holy Cross, was the guest speaker.

## WINTHROP LITTLE LEAGUE

## Murphy still hopeful there can be a Little League season

By Cary Shuman

Joe Murphy was a Division 1 college baseball catcher at the University of Rhode Island, which means he was very, very good.

He was a star baseball player and the backup quarter-back to Matt and Tim Hasselbeck at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood – which means he played be-hind two future NFL quarterbacks in high school. That may be unprecedented in Massachusetts.

Murphy is also the brother-in-law of former Winthrop High star QB Robert Noonan. The two men played baseball together in the Yawkey League.

Joe Murphy is currently the president of the Winthrop Little League, and having enjoyed his own youth sports experience growing up, he understands how a summer of Little League baseball is so

meaningful to players.

The COVID-19 gloval pandemic has put the 2020 Winthrop Little League season on hold. But Murphy, the fa-ther of four baseball-playing sons ages 6 to 15 in the WLL organization (his oldest son, Connor, was slated to play in the Winthrop High baseball program this spring), remains hopeful that Winthrop Little League can still have a season.

“We really would love to get some baseball in, but it remains to be seen at this point, obviously, given the circumstance we’re in,” said Murphy.

Murphy said he will meet with his board of directors next week, but he’s not sure if there will be any an-swers at that point whether there can still be a season.

Last week Little League International canceled the Little League World Series, held each year in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

That cancellation meant that the District 16 Williamsport Tournament will also not be held. Winthrop’s 12-year-old team annually competes against teams from Lynn, Swampscott, Saugus, Nahant, Lynnfield, and Peabody in District 16.

Murphy said that should Winthrop Little League get the go-ahead to play, there would be a revised in-town schedule only.

Winthrop has approximately 200 boys and girls, ages 4 to 16, playing from the T-Ball Division to the new Senior Baseball League (led by Commissioner Mark DiGregorio) that was making its comeback.

Interestingly, Murphy believes, as do most coaches in New England, that July and August – generally when Little League seasons are ending – might provide the best weather for the national pastime.

“A great time to play baseball is July and August,

to be honest,” said Murphy. “It’s typically a time that we’re not on the field as much because of All-Stars and tour-naments. But this may give us the opportunity to be out there on the field in the nicest weather we have and get the kids outside. And that’s what we’re hoping for and we’ll just have to stay tuned to the guidance that is around us within the state and town. We’re just hoping to at least get the players on the field for a little while.”

The future looks bright for Winthrop baseball. The league’s current 11-year-olds made it to the finals in the District 12 Tournament a year ago, losing to powerful Peabody West in the championship game.

“We have a very competitive, talented crew coming up, and a lot of engagement at the younger levels as well, so we’re very hopeful about the future,” said Murphy.

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# Santarpio’s Pizza re-opens for take-out and delivery

By John Lynds

After giving delivery and take-out a try when the COVID-19 pandemic began sweeping across East Boston in mid-March, the owners of Santarpio’s Pizza decided last month to close the doors at the famed pizza place’s Eastie and Peabody locations.

The Santarpio’s Family cited the health and well-being of its customers, employees, community, friends and family as reasons to close.

“We believe that voluntarily closing our doors will help protect our community and flatten the curve,” they said at the time.

But after a month of being closed, the Santarpio’s Family announced over the weekend that Santarpio’s Pizza has once again

reopened for take-out and delivery services,

“We are excited to announce that we will be re-opening our East Boston and Peabody locations on Monday, May 4th 2020 for pick-up and delivery only,” said the Santarpio’s Family in a statement. “As part of our reopening, we are taking extra precautions to ensure the safety and health of our customers, employees, community, friends, and family. Both locations will be open from 11:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. for pick-up and delivery, including DoorDash. We are looking forward to reopening and serving our community. Thank you for your support of our business.”

There was great excitement in Eastie when Santarpio’s Pizza announced for the first time in its 110-

plus year history it would start delivering its famous pizzas amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, after a successful run with deliveries the Santarpio Family announced in April it would close their Eastie and Peabody locations out of an abundance of caution and to protect its staff and customers from falling ill.

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

However, the COVID-19 outbreak has made Santarpio’s and other local restaurants shift to take out and delivery operations as dine-in service was suspended throughout Boston and the

state.

However, while some restaurants remain open for takeout and delivery, Santarpio’s is not unlike other restaurants in the neighborhood that made the switch to takeout and delivery only to reassess that move weeks later as the pandemic ramped up locally.

Since the pandemic began Santarpio’s had been donating pizzas to those on the front lines fighting the COVID-19 outbreak as well as organizations feeding those in need.

The family donated to the Fire Departments in East Boston, the officers at District A-7 and the East Boston Community Soup Kitchen as well as the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center.



The famed Santarpio's Pizza in Eastie re-opened this week for take-out and delivery service with new hours.

## Malden Catholic High School offers spring and summer education recovery classes for high school students

Since the onset of COVID-19, Malden Catholic High School seamlessly shifted to an exceptional Distance Learning model with interactive, academically challenging classes taught by veteran teachers on a secured Zoom platform. MC students have had the benefit of a full curriculum for the past two semesters with assigned letters grades.

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The MC Education Recovery

spring courses will run from May 11 to June 12, Monday - Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 PM and 4:15 - 5:15 PM on an interactive Zoom platform for \$395/class. Summer classes will be held from June 29 to July 31. Class selection options include the following: Math, Science, English, Social Studies, Foreign Language, STEM: Engineering Everywhere, SAT Prep, College Application 101, Probability and Statistics, Create Your Own Website, The Fundamentals of Music Theory, Humanities and the Arts, Public Speaking and Workplace Skills, 3D Printing – Behind the Scenes, Philosophy, Bible Study and Weather.

Class selection and registration are on the Malden Catholic website at <https://www.maldencatholic.org/academics/spring-enrichment-classes>

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## OBITUARIES

### Joan Pifalo

Well known for her loving kindness and giving nature

Joann Pifalo of Winthrop passed away peacefully on May 5 at the age of 77 years old.

Joann touched many lives as a “surrogate” mother and grandmother for many. She was well known for her loving kindness and giving nature. She cared deeply for her family and neighbors, both in Winthrop and in Acton, Maine, where she and her family spent many summers.

The beloved wife of John Pifalo, Joann was born in Winthrop to the late Angelo and Flavia (Pino) Casamento. She grew up in Winthrop and graduated, as valedictorian, from Sacred Heart High School, Class of 1960.

Joann was the devoted mother of Maria Marden and her husband, John, Ann Papavassiliou and her husband, Paul and Johnny Pifalo, all of Winthrop. She was the adored grandmother of John Marden III and Joseph Marden and Nikki Pinard and the dear sister of Louisa



Languirand of Gardner. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Due to current CDC and Massachusetts guidelines, her funeral service and burial in Winthrop Cemetery will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in her name can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN. 38105. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign Joann’s guestbook, please visit our website at [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

### Arnold Kaplan

Active member of Temple Tifereth Israel and the Winthrop Senior Center

Arnold Kaplan of Winthrop died on Friday, May 1.

Arnold was a lifetime member and very involved with the Temple Tifereth Israel of Winthrop and Winthrop Senior Center.

Arnold had a deep love and appreciation of music. Over the years, he made many friends while visiting and spending time at the different Piano Bars in Boston. He loved to sing and write music.

The loving son of the late Jacob Kaplan and Jeanette (Solamoff) Kaplan, he was the devoted brother

of the late Marilyn Kaplan Baker, dear uncle of Linda Glasberg and her partner, Michael Prins of Dedham and Arthur Baker and his wife, Annette of Miami Shores, Fla.; loving uncle to Marley, Jake and Zak and great-uncle to Amarone.

A private graveside service was held at Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, due to the Covid-19 crisis. Contributions in Arnold’s memory may be made to the Temple Tifereth Israel-93 Veterans Road, Winthrop, MA 02152. Visit [www.torffuneralservice.com](http://www.torffuneralservice.com) for guestbook.

### Janet Lindsey Johnson

A familiar face in town

Janet (Jan) Lindsey Johnson, 92, a lifelong resident of Winthrop, died of complications from the COVID-19 virus on May 1 at the Eastpointe Rehabilitation and Nursing Home in Chelsea.

Jan grew up in the Winthrop Highlands and was very active in the daily life of the town she loved. In her youth, she and her dear sister, Lorraine performed on local stages as “The Lindsey Sisters.” They had the good fortune to perform with Rosemarie Clooney, and counted Abbott and Costello among their friends. In their later years both were members of Winthrop Playmakers and performed in many plays together, with Lorraine playing lead roles.

Jan was a familiar face to many in the town, holding jobs at Rand Jewelers, CVS, and the election polls. She was a long-time member of the former Union Congregational Church and on Saturdays she helped at the church’s Thrift Shop.

Jan was very involved with former Cub Scout Pack 78 and former Boy Scout Troup 78 which were sponsored by the Winthrop Elks. All her life she kept in touch with her old neighbors from the Highlands, enjoying many get-togethers through the years at the Winthrop Arms.

Many years ago, Jan came across a poem in the town library titled “Winthrop By The Sea.” She showed it to a few people, and the title later became a town slogan. Jan spent the



last years of her life in the care of the Eastpointe Rehabilitation Center in Chelsea.

Jan is survived by her son, Don and his wife, Kate, son, Mark and his wife, Ann, and son Rick, and his wife, Laura. She leaves many grandchildren and great grandchildren including: Danielle, Kimmie, Devin, Lindsey, Shardai and Luke. She was the loving aunt of Charlie, Cyndee and Paula. Mom’s/Grandma’s/Aunt Janet’s radiant smile and sparkly eyes will always be etched in our hearts. She had a big heart and always cared about others first, whether family, friends or strangers.

Jan’s family is very grateful to the care given to her at Massachusetts General Hospital, Cambridge Health Alliance Everett Hospital and to the nurses, doctors and health aides at Eastpointe.

Funeral Service and burial will be private. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop, MA. 02152. To sign Jan’s guestbook, please visit our website at [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

### Antonette Ciarcia

Blue Cross Blue Shield retiree

Antonette G. “Anna” Ciarcia of Bowdoin St., Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on April 30. She was 93 years old.

Born in Boston, she was the beloved daughter of the late Angelina (Cipriano) and Frank DeAngelis.

A longtime resident of Winthrop, she worked for over 20 years in the finance department at Blue Cross Blue Shield. She was also a member of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks and the Moose Club in Florida.

She was the devoted wife of the late Manuel Ciarcia and the loving mother of Judith Buono and her husband, George Sennott of Winthrop and the late Michael Ciarcia and his wife, Deborah Novak of Florida; dear sister of the late Angelo DeAngelis, Michael DeAngelis and Rosemarie



Guerra; cherished grandmother of Kimberlie Rogers and her husband, Stephen and Jeffrey Buono and his wife, Jennifer and great grandmother of Rebecca, Stephen and Jennifer Rogers and Tyler and Lylah Buono.

Services and interment in Winthrop Cemetery are private.

Please feel free to send a card to family members, mail a card to the funeral home for the family or send a message on our online guestbook. We do apologize for any inconvenience.

Memorial donations may be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute at [www.dana-farber.org](http://www.dana-farber.org).

To sign the online guestbook go to [www.caggiano-funeralhome.com](http://www.caggiano-funeralhome.com).

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### Rosemarie DiGaetano

Former member of Winthrop Emblem Club

Rosemarie (Nuzzo) DiGaetano of Winthrop passed away at home on April 28 after a long illness, surrounded by her family. She was 90 years old.

The beloved wife of the late Michael DiGaetano, she was born in Boston, the cherished daughter of the late Rocco R. and Natalina (Napolitano) Nuzzo Sr.

Rosemarie was a former member of the Winthrop Emblem Club #15.

She was the devoted mother of Ronald DiGaetano Sr., Rosemarie DiGaetano and Judy DiGaetano Racow and her husband, Steven, all of Winthrop, Ronald DiGaetano Jr. of East Boston, Frank DiGaetano of Auburn, ME, and the late Michael DiGaetano and Robert DiGaetano; the dear sister of Natalie Dello Iacono and her husband, Michael of New Hampshire and the late Rocco, Daniel, Francis “Sonny” and Camille Nuzzo, Dorothy Gillis and Lorraine “Chickie” Visconti. Rosemarie is also lovingly survived by many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and neph-



ews.

Due to the current CDC and Massachusetts Public Health guidelines, funeral service and burial in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section) will be private. Donations in Rosemarie’s name can be made to the Alzheimer’s Assn., Mass/NH Chapter, 309 Waverly Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA, 02452 or to the American Cancer Society-MA Chapter, 3 Speen St. Suite 250 Framingham, MA, 01701. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. WINTHROP. To sign Rosemarie’s guestbook, please visit our website at [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

### John Zinna

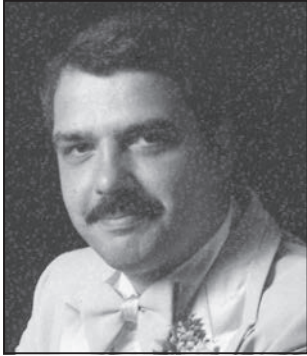
Thirty year electrician for Commonwealth of Massachusetts

John F. Zinna of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away on Thursday, April 30.

John was a member of Local 103 IBEW. He was also an electrician of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for over 30 years.

The beloved husband of over 40 years to Marie (Petrulia) Zinna, he was the devoted father of Christina Zinna of Braintree, cherished brother of Anthony Zinna and his wife, Deborah of Georgia, dear uncle and godfather to Richard Zinna and his wife, Christina and son Nicolas, all of Georgia, cherished brother in law of Rosalie Petralia and is also survived by many loving aunts and cousins.

In lieu of flowers please donate in John’s memory to The Boston Medical Center Coronavirus (COVID-19) Relief Fund at <https://www.bmc.org/covid19relief#makeadonation>. In accordance with the CDC,



Mass. Department of Public Health, Archdiocese of Boston guidelines and local restrictions on gatherings and congregations due to COVID-19, all services will be held for the immediate family privately. John will be laid to rest at Winthrop Cemetery, Winthrop. If you have any questions or would like to express your condolences please contact the funeral home during normal business hours 617-569-0990 or leave a message for the family on the tribute wall [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com).

### Salvatore Campisi

Carpenter and avid lobsterman

Salvatore Campisi of Winthrop passed away on April 28.

He was 76 years old.

The beloved husband of Patricia A. (Keohane) Campisi, he was born in Waltham, the cherished son of the late Joseph Campisi and Katherine (Mirabito) Scott.

Salvatore was a U.S. Navy Veteran serving from 1962 to 1966. He was a carpenter by trade but was an avid lobsterman and enjoyed boating, singing and entertaining.

Salvatore was the devoted father of Kaitlyn Campisi of Winthrop, Valerie Cote and her husband, Ray of Hawaii and the late Ray-



mond Campisi of Los Angeles, CA. He was the adored grandfather of Maxx, the dear brother of Anthony Campisi of Squantum and Joseph Campisi of Taunton.

Due to the current CDC and Massachusetts Public Health guidelines, his funeral service will be private. A Memorial Mass will be held at future date and time to be announced at the St. Michael the Archangel Chapel at the Chelsea Soldiers Home in Chelsea, MA. Donations in his memory can be made to the Chelsea Soldiers Home Recreational Dept. 91 Crest Ave. Chelsea, MA. 02150. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop, MA. 02152. To sign Sal’s guestbook, please visit our website at [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

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# OBITUARIES

## Barbara Ann Quigley

Oldest grandchild of former Chelsea mayor

Barbara Ann Quigley died peacefully at the Life Care Center of Acton on Friday, April 24. She was 72.

Barbara Ann was born on July 10, 1947 in Winchester. She was the oldest child of the late Barbara Regan and Lawrence F. Quigley, Jr. and the oldest grandchild of Lawrence F. Quigley, the former mayor of Chelsea, and Zita (Lawlor) Quigley, a long-time Point Shirley resident.

An accomplished pianist, Barbara attended Jackson College. Her graduate thesis was on Women in Mythology. After college, Barbara attended the Carl Jung Institute in Switzerland and studied under Carl Jung’s protégés before accepting enrollment in the Divinity/Philosophy Department at the University of Chicago.

While at the University of Chicago, at the age of 29, Barbara contracted viral encephalitis. Barbara bore the crippling disease with dignity and amazingly good spirits for the rest of her life. Her gifted mind saw her through her most difficult days.

She is survived by her sisters, Suzanne Devlin, Nanette Malloy, Carolyn Kane, and Heather Tremblay, and by her brothers Lawrence, Michael, and Graham Quigley.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Kathleen Quigley.

In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the Life Care Center of Acton. Her family appreciates beyond words their care and devotion to Barbara’s well-being.

## Theodore Earl Cross

A modern day Renaissance Man

Theodore Earl (Teddy) Cross, father of two, passed away at the young age of 62 on Wednesday, April 29. Ted was born in Winthrop on October 25, 1957 to John and Frances Cross.

Ted was an intelligent and compassionate man with a great sense of humor. He lived for his two boys and would do anything for them. He had a deep passion for the ocean and spent his life on and around it. Ted loved exploring the world (in particular exotic islands) on cruise ships.

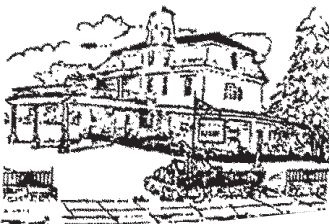
He was a modern day renaissance man who could do anything. He was a musician, an artist, a chef, a sailor, and so much more. He loved to read and stay educated but never took himself too seriously to enjoy video games, cartoons, or the latest marvel movie.

Ted was married to Virginia Cross on October 17, 1981. Together they raised two sons, John and Jesse of Winthrop. Ted is survived by his wife, Virginia, two sons, John and Jesse, his parents, John

and Frances, three sisters, Pam, Aimee and Julie, two granddaughters, Lana and Lilah, his daughter in law, Cheryl Cross, and close friend, Laurie Acone. In accordance with current CDC and Massachusetts guidelines, Funeral Service and burial in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section) will be private. Donations in his name can be made to the Boston Children’s Hospital Trust 401 Park Dr. Suite 602 Boston, MA. 02215. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign Teddy’s guestbook, please visit our website at [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).



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# Winthrop Senior Center News

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Email: [COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us](mailto:COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us)

The Senior Center remains closed at this time. While lunch is not being served, Meals on Wheels continues to operate. Residents who are in need and are not currently on the list to receive meals through

Meals on Wheels can email [Kdixon@town.winthrop.ma.us](mailto:Kdixon@town.winthrop.ma.us) or call (617) 539-5848, with their name, phone number and address to be included in the program.

**2020 Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program:** The deadline to submit applications to the program will be announced once the Senior Center reopens. Applications are available online at: [town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging](http://town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging).

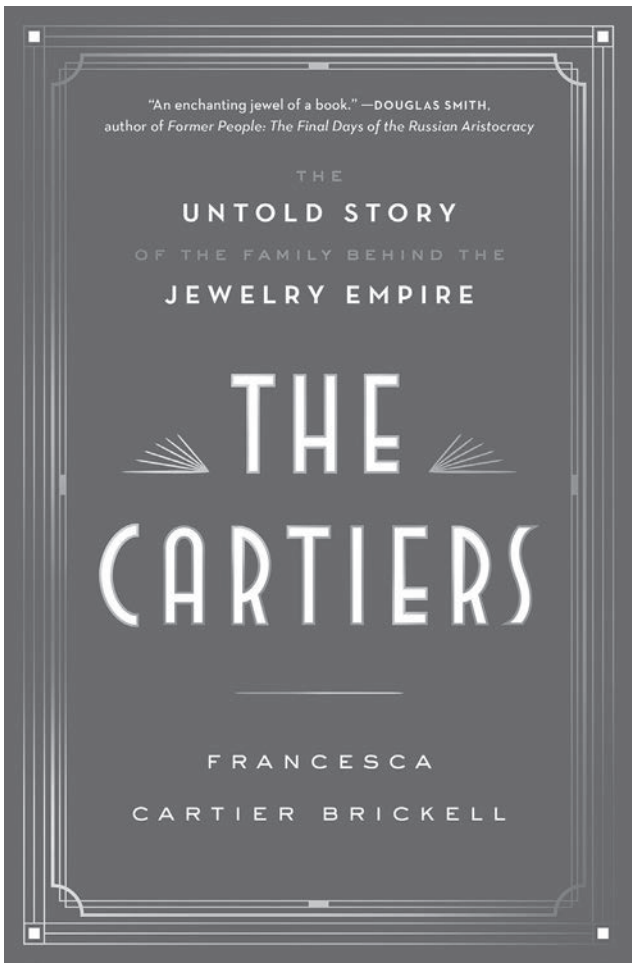
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### 'THE CARTIERS'

By **FRANCESCA CARTIER BRICKELL**

Reviewed By **Bernie Kelly**



Francesca Cartier Brickell shares with us a reminiscence of her famous family’s lineage in “The Cartier’s.”(Subtitled “The Untold Story of the Family Behind the Jewelry Empire.”) The Cartier family, of course, was a notable success story. They began as the owners of a small jewelry store in Paris and eventually rose to international prominence-Alone at the top of the realm of jewelers.

The family history begins with a recounting of the dogged determination of Louis-Francois Cartier and his son Alfred. Louis-Francois was granted an apprenticeship at a jewelry shop. He imparted his knowledge to Alfred who proceeded to open up his own jewelry shop. The rest is history. Alfred had three sons-Louis, Pierre, and Jacques, to each of whom was devoted a separate chapter in the book,

Louis, the eldest son, made his brothers swear to an oath that they would build up the jewelry firm to become an international presence-A vow that would come to fruition with the opening of Cartier jewelry shops in Paris, London and New York.

The three brothers survived the turmoil of both World Wars, and the Great Depression, capably dealing with these catastrophes.

Throughout, they built up a business that garnered world acclaim, catering to a clientele of international celebrities.

The brothers were notorious by dint of their reconnoitering of far flung places, including the Middle East and India. They found buyers throughout the world, especially, in Russia where they built up contacts with the nobility in the years before the Revolution.

Louis, the first born, was possessed of a mercurial temperament. He was a de-

voted and talented craftsman, but his penchant for visiting exotic places and courting copious amounts of women were at odds with his family’s Catholicism.

Jacques Cartier who would become the scion of the London store had inclinations to become a priest when he was young. He later served in the French Army during WWI.

Pierre, who headed the New York branch, caused a scandal within the family by marrying an older American divorcee.

The list of clients who patronized the Cartier business is extremely impressive. A short list includes Marlene Dietrich, Jackie Kennedy, Elizabeth Taylor and Marilyn Monroe. The Cartier’s were perfectionists who strove after a flawless product. They hired people who were adept at conversing with and enticing wealthy clients. Invariably they were successful, catapulting the firm to worldwide prominence.

During the Depression, the brothers had to reduce their prices in order to maintain a steady flow of customers, many of whom were traumatized financially and emotionally by the slide in revenues.

As the book draws to a close, Ms. Brickell notes the decline of the partnership as a result of the declining interest and dedication to the firm, especially on the part of Louis’s son Claude, who became a jet setter and had little interest in maintaining the legacy.

The Cartier’s partnership was sold to various bidders and the family’s saga came to an end. Francesca Cartier Brickell, though does not rest on the family’s laurels. She has crafted an extraordinary memoir that will delight the reader. I think you’ll enjoy this book-It is a fascinating read!

**Bernie Kelly**

## U.S. Attorney’s Office and Homeland Security investigations remind parents of online risks to children

Staff report

The U.S. Attorney’s Office and Homeland Security Investigations are partnering to alert parents and guardians of the potential dangers to children online, and providing guidance for internet safety.

As a result of school closings due to COVID-19, children are increasingly using online resources for schoolwork as well as entertainment. Due to increased access to and reliance on social media, chatting apps, gaming, and other internet-based platforms, children may be more vulnerable to sexual exploitation. Now more than ever before, it is imperative that parents and guardians take steps to educate and protect children online.

The U.S. Attorney’s Office and Homeland Security Investigations have partnered to develop an aware-

ness campaign, “Think Before You Click,” to encourage parents and guardians to discuss internet safety with children of all ages and to monitor internet use. Included are tips for identifying potential victimization and resources to report concerns. The flyer was distributed to law enforcement officers and school leaders throughout the Commonwealth.

“Children are susceptible to online predators because they are often unaware of how dangerous online environments can be,” said United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling. “Children are at an even greater inadvertent risk now due to school closures and the prevalence of ongoing learning and leisure activities. Through “Think Before You Click,” we aim to make parents and guardians more cognizant of the dangers to children online,

and arm them with tools to protect children’s privacy.”

“The COVID-19 pandemic has created an increase in online activity, whereby students are utilizing the internet and social media as a key source of education and entertainment. The marked increase in social media usage and lessened social interaction may create opportunity for predators to exploit our children. That being said, parental supervision, open discussions about internet safety, active monitoring, and smarter use of privacy settings will reduce the chance of victimization from child predators,” said Michael S. Shea, Acting Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Boston. “The inherent dangers presented by social media applications are evident. HSI and our law enforcement partners will continue to

take an aggressive, whole of government approach to identifying, disrupting, and dismantling those malicious organizations and actors who seek to prey upon our children.”

This effort was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC), a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. PSC marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. PSC also conducts education and outreach programs aimed at combating and preventing technology-facilitated crimes. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

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# Justice Department committed to investigating predatory practices in housing amid COVID-19 Pandemic

The Attorney General has directed U.S. Attorney's Offices across the country to investigate reports of housing-related sexual harassment resulting from the current COVID-19 pandemic.

As the country adopts drastic measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, many Americans have lost their jobs and many more have seen their wages curtailed. These losses have forced some to seek abatements or suspensions of their rent. According to a recent memo from the Attorney General, there have been reports of landlords who have responded to requests to defer rent payments with demands for sexual favors and other acts of unwelcome sexual conduct. Such behavior is illegal under the Fair Housing Act, which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, national origin and disability. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by the Act. Sexual harassment by landlords, property managers, maintenance workers, and others with power over housing often impacts society's most vulnerable populations.

"Sexual harassment in housing is illegal and despicable," said United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling. "No person should have to tolerate this behavior in order to keep a roof over his or her head. This conduct is unacceptable in normal times, and certainly will not be tolerated in the midst of a pandemic. My office will aggressively investigate these cases."

The Attorney's General's directive reaffirms the commitment that the Department of Justice made when it launched the Sexual Harassment Initiative in October 2017. The initiative seeks to identify barriers to reporting sexual harassment in housing, increase awareness of its enforcement efforts – both among survivors and those they may report to – and collaborate with federal, state, and local partners to increase reporting and help survivors quickly and easily connect with federal resources.

If you think you are a victim of sexual harassment by a landlord, or other person who has control over housing, resulting from the COVID-19 crisis, contact the U.S. Attorney's Office by calling 888-221-6023 or emailing [USAMA.VictimAssistance@usdoj.gov](mailto:USAMA.VictimAssistance@usdoj.gov). For more information, visit [www.justice.gov/crt/sexual-harassment-housing-initiative](http://www.justice.gov/crt/sexual-harassment-housing-initiative).

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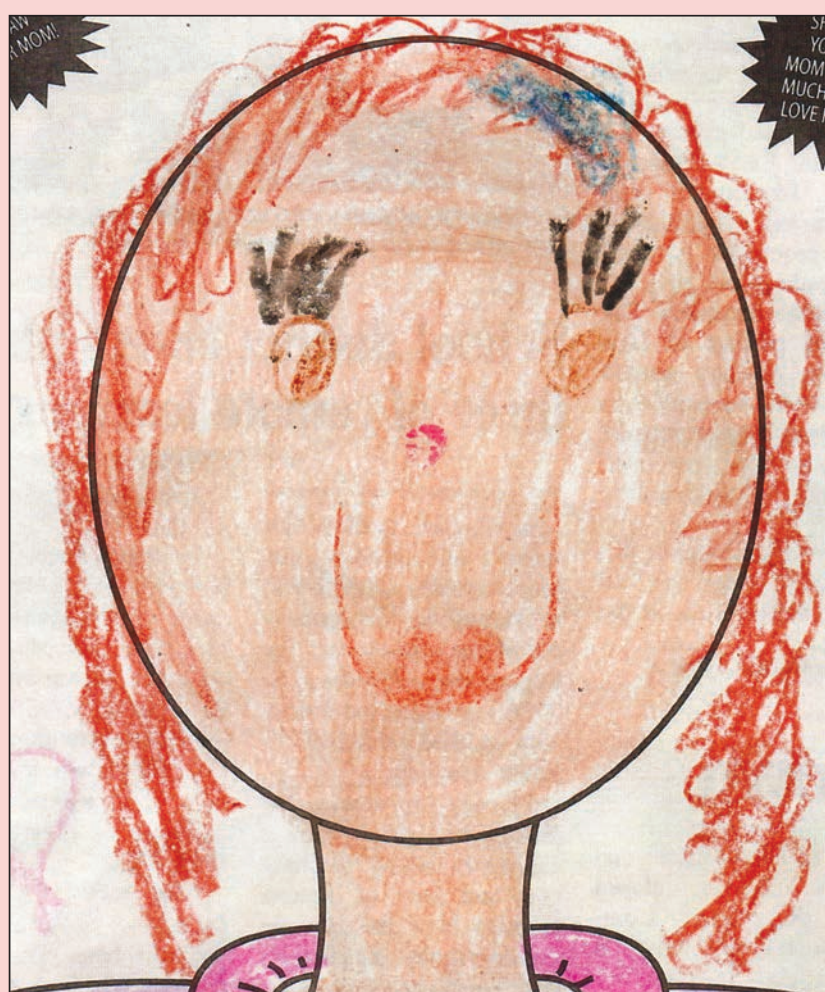
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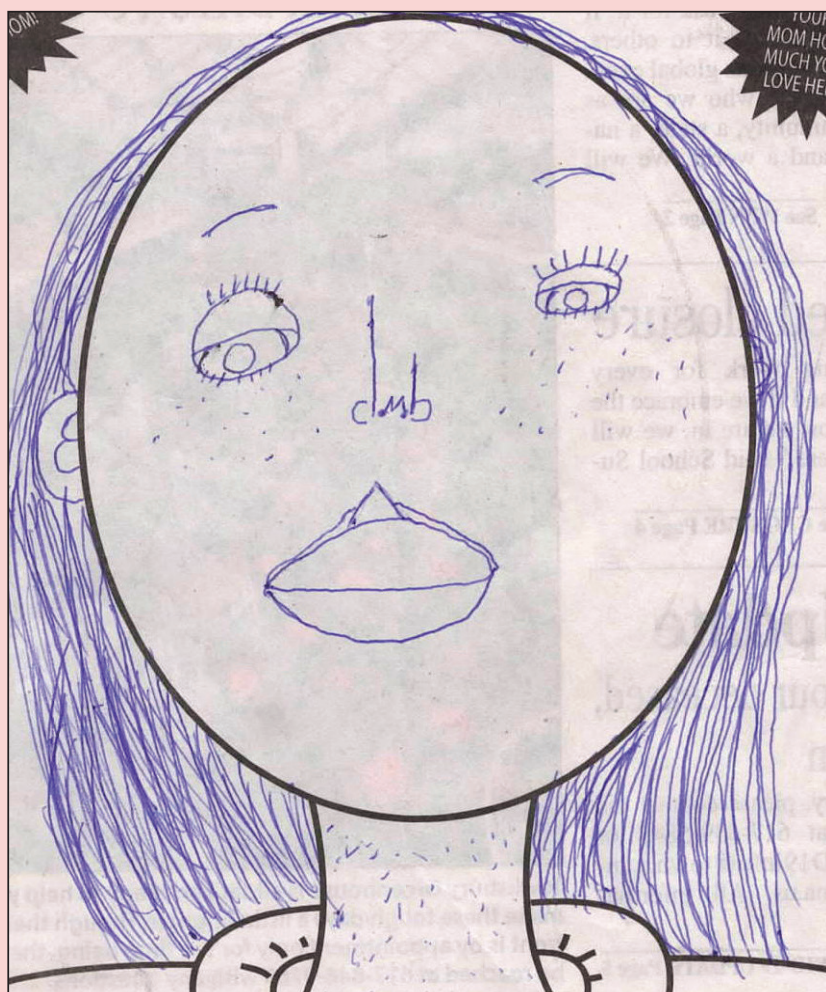
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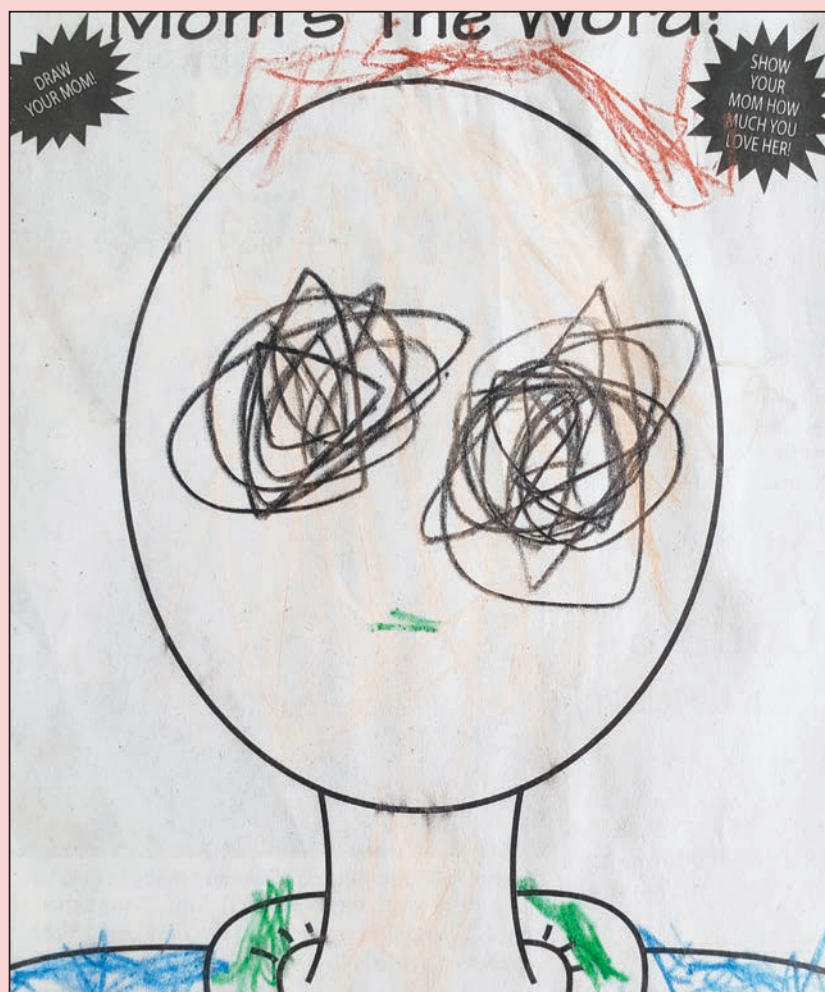
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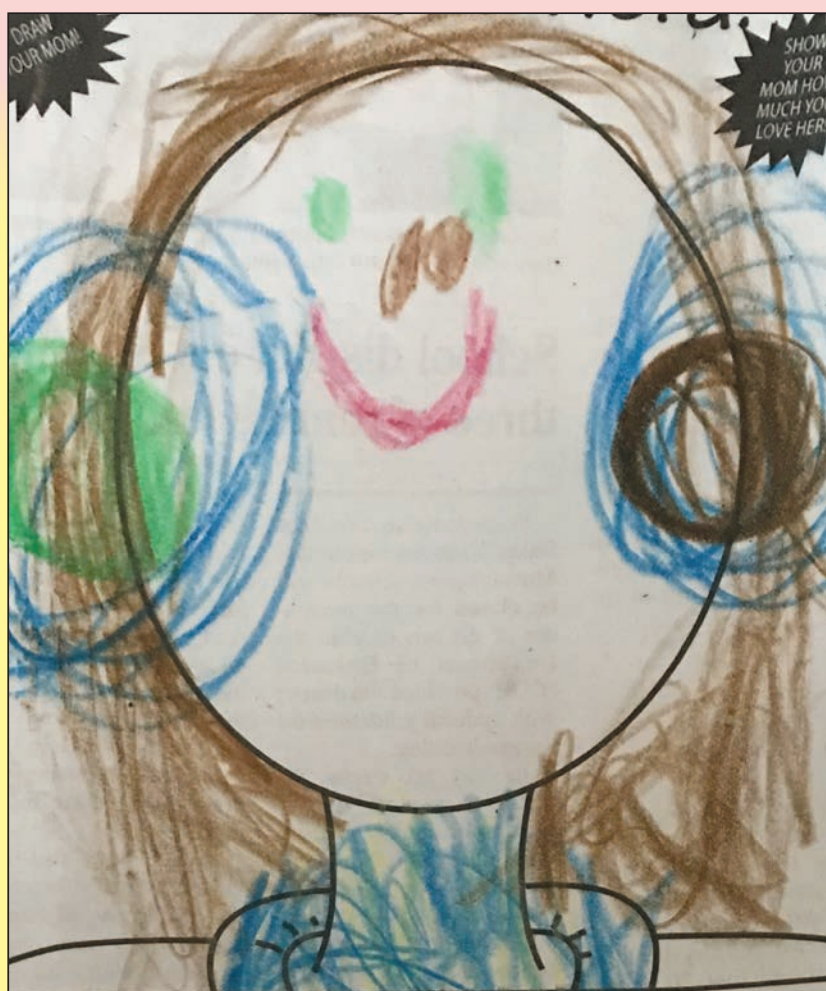
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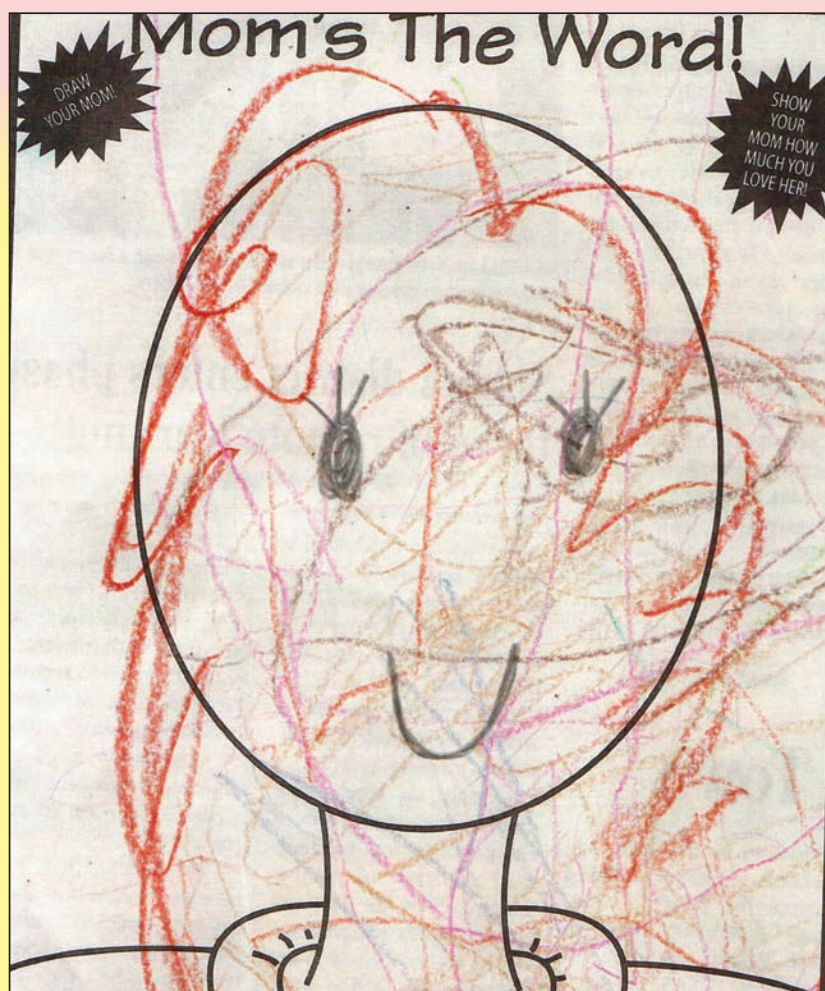
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MASKS FOR MVES



Janet Maestranzi, Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) Registered Nurse, received an email that the agency was looking to obtain Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for clients and staff. Knowing that it can be difficult right now to obtain PPE because of supply shortages and the expense, Janet made 40 masks for MVES to use, and she continues to make more--as many as she can and as are needed at home. The masks she makes are sturdy, washable, and reusable, which is useful because it looks like the virus will be here for a while. Janet says she will not be comfortable visiting a client without wearing a mask for the client's safety. When she has the time and materials, Janet makes masks for other groups and charities, as well.

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cially for mothers.

"While there are no customers allowed inside or at our takeout windows," Queen noted, "we offer both delivery and curbside pickup." The menu includes a wide selection of ice cream and yogurt flavors. If you're looking for more than just an ice cream to satisfy a sweet tooth, try one of their delicious Banana Boats or Brownie Sundaes.

As for worries about the ice cream or yogurt melting before it reaches your mother, Queen describes the process that keeps the frozen ice cream from melting.

"We first take the order, make the order, then bag and secure it for delivery," Queen said. "We then put the bag into a deep freeze of about five degrees below zero and then wait for delivery or pickup."

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