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# **NEWS** Brief

### NORMAL POSTAL **DELIVERY** SCHEDULE TO RESUME ON **TUESDAY**

Postal employees across the commonwealth will pause on Monday, February 15, to celebrate President's Day. Retail offices will be closed and there will be no collection or street delivery of mail except for guaranteed overnight parcels.

Full retail and delivery operations will resume on Tuesday, February 16.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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READY TO GET TO WORK ON DAY 1

Day Holiday on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>

Trash will be delayed by

one day.

# Woodside Ace Hardware under new ownership

By Kate Anslinger

After 23 years, Paul Levy is handing his tools over to longtime employee and new owner, Lauren Murphy, who credits Levy for playing an incredible role in her life. Over the past 15 years working side by side, the duo have a lot of memories that they will hold onto as they go their separate ways, Murphy taking on the ownership of the store and Levy spending his retirement on his boat and in his garden.

"Paul has played an incredible role in my life and I owe him an awful lot," said Murphy, who became a store partner three years

Murphy, who started working the cash register



Paul Levy, owner of Ace for 23 years, with new owner, Lauren Murphy

as a teenager, recalls the instant bond that she had with Levy from the start.

Since then, she said that he has served as her role

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# State Rep. Race Highlight: **Looking at the Candidates**

# DelVento highlights building coalitions and past experience in House in campaign for DeLeo seat

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Born in Winthrop and raised on water tower hill, where she still lives today, Alicia DelVento's desire to fight for Winthrop and Revere is inspired by the service of others. "Many of my family and closest friends are now educa-

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Candidate for State Rep. Alicia DelVento

tors, nurses, and essential workers, and I witness them giving tirelessly for the benefit of us all. This

place is where I learned to fight for bold, compassionate policies that help my friends and neighbors. It's why ensuring a brighter, healthier future for our community is so important to me.

Alicia has strong roots in both Revere and Winthrop. She tells us: "My story began right here in Winthrop and Revere, in a family of community activists and union Dem-

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# Local restaurants seeking rebate for 2021 licensing fees

The Winthrop Board of License Commission (BLC) sent a request to the Town Council asking that a quarter of the yearly fees for 2021 licenses paid by local restaurants be refunded because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The request came as result of a letter to the commission from Casey Goll, owner of the Winthrop Arms, seeking a 25% rebate because of the adverse business climate for

"We have no authority to rebate, we can only ask the Town Council,' said BLC chairman Marc Chapdelaine. "We are probably talking about \$6,000 to \$8,000 in total.'

Commissioner Nicholas Bracy agreed with the request stating, "This makes sense to me. Businesses are being hit every which way. This is some relief."

Commissioner Richard Ackerman noted that oth-

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# District recovers from cyber attack on servers ternet service and bouts of

By Kate Anslinger

During Monday night's school committee meeting Superintendent Lisa Howard shared the details surrounding the recent Distributed Denial-of-Service (DDoS) attacks that interrupted learning time throughout the district.

On February 4, after several days of slow in-

disrupted service, the district's technology investigations team informed administrators that the Town and school servers were the target of a malicious computer attack which prevented students and teachers from utilizing internet-based resources

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# Council hears about town planner, internet complications

By Laura Plummer

Council Vice President Peter Christopher led the council meeting on Feb. 2 in the absence of Pres. Phil Boncore. On the agenda were updates regarding the town planner position, utility work, and the

town's internet connectivity problems.

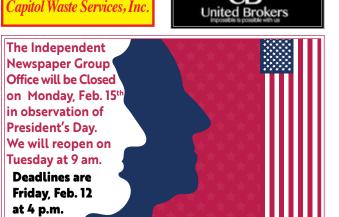
# **Town Planner**

Town Manager Austin Faison announced that Rachel Kelly began her job as the Winthrop Town

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The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Winthrop Police Department responded on the listed dates:

# MONDAY, JAN. 25

0934: The Animal Control Officer directed a person who had been leaving food scraps for animals at the green bars to cease doing so because it was attracting rodents to the

1055: Officers provided traffic control assistance to the Fire Dept. at a house fire on Paine St.

1148: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity fraud. The officer filed a report.

1304: A DPW worker reported finding two hypodermic syringes in the upper cemetery off Madison Ave. The officer retrieved the items and brought them back to the station for proper dispos-

1645: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity fraud. The officer filed a report.

1834: A motorist called the station to report being involved in an accident with a Paul Revere bus and that papers had been exchanged.

# TUESDAY, JAN. 26

0514: A Shirley St. resident reported that a male party walking his dog had not cleaned up the dog's mess that the dog had left on her lawn and the dog owner then became belligerent toward her.

1128: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle (MV) that was parked in a No Parking zone on Overlook Drive

to move the vehicle.

1354: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between a tenant and landlord on Coral Ave. The officer spoke to both parties.

1920: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Main and Pleasant Sts. There were no injuries and one of the vehicles was towed. The officer filed a report.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27

0631: An Uber driver reported that a passenger had stolen his phone. An officer provided assistance, but was unable to locate the alleged suspect.

1055: An officer responded to a report of a person playing music loudly in an apartment on Coral Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1442: A resident reported that his daughter had been approached by a male party in a motor vehicle on Putnam St. and had asked her if she wanted a ride. The officer was unable to locate a vehicle matching the description provided by the daughter. The officer filed a report.

1747: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) in the 500 block of Shirley St. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation at Washington Ave. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

An 1857: officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Paine and Main Sts. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1926: An Underhill St.

resident reported the theft of an expensive camera from her premises. The officer filed a report.

An 2048:

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stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Shirley St. at the public landing for the civil infraction of operating without headlights after dusk. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2123: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) in the 200 block of Winthrop St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2223: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2228: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator. Another person responded to the scene to take control of the MV.

2251: An officer dispersed persons parked in two vehicles from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after dark.

### THURSDAY, JAN. 28

0030: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Main and Beal Sts. for the civil infraction of operating with defective equipment. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0129: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

officer 1018: An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) for speeding at 50 m.p.h. in a school zone on Walden St. The officer issued a citation to an 18 year-old Winthrop man for the criminal offense officer of unlicensed operation of a MV and for the civil infraction of speeding. A licensed operator arrived on the scene to take control of the vehicle.

1929: An officer dispersed persons parked in a vehicle from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after dark.

An 1951: officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Sturgis St. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### FRIDAY, JAN. 29

0143: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Madison Ave. and Winthrop St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1142: An elderly resi-

dent reported that he gave

the Medicare card numbers belonging to himself and his wife to a scammer over the telephone. The officer filed a report. 1454: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on River Rd. for the

civil infraction of a stop

sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1713: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Veterans Rd. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation.

The officer gave a verbal

warning to the operator. 2007: An officer dispersed persons who were parked in two vehicles from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after dark.

### SATURDAY, JAN. 30 officer

0135: An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1024: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1159: An officer directed a person whose vehicle had broken down in the middle of Hutchinson St. to push the vehicle to the side of the roadway until his AAA tow truck arrived. officer

An

stopped a motor vehicle

1643:

(MV) at Magee's Corner that had been reported as stolen. Officers requested the narcotics K-9 from the Revere P.D. to come to the scene. The officers arrested two persons: Brian A. Rodrigues, 27, of Norwood, for the criminal offenses of receiving stolen property valued at over \$1200 and illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance: and Mohamed Chakib Haddad, 28, of 355 Winthrop St., for the criminal offense of receiving stolen property valued at over \$1200.

report that she was picking up a food order at a local restaurant with her threeyear old child when she was assaulted by another female, who threw her to the ground. The officer spoke to the suspect who admitted to the allegation. The officer informed the suspect that she will be receiving a court summons in the mail.

1910: A person called to

2150: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV.

2244: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Paine and Main Sts. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### SUNDAY, JAN. 31

An

officer

0035:

stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Pleasant St. and Girdlestone Rd. for the civil infraction of obstruction of a registration plate. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator. 0120: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley and Cutler Sts. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1212: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Revere St. involving a parked MV in which the other MV fled the scene. A passenger who was in the parked MV provided the plate number of the MV that drove off to the officer. The officer will try to make contact with the owner of the MV that fled the scene.

1808: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance at the Crystal Cove Inn involving breaking glass and a female yelling for help. The officer restored the peace and filed a report.

2313: A Nevada St. resident called the station to report hearing what sounded like a motor vehicle accident. The officer who responded determined that two parked vehicles had been sideswiped by another MV that had fled the scene. Witnesses gave a description of the offending vehicle.

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### RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS 75+ FOR SCHEDULING **COVID-19 VACCINE** APPOINTMENTS

Residents 75 and older who are unable to use or have difficulty accessing the internet to schedule an appointment online may contact the Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line by calling 2-1-1. The Winthrop Public Health will also be offering assistance to those who may have difficulty registering for the vaccine. Winthrop senior residents can reach the Winthrop Public Health Emergency Operations Center at (617)

**INGREDIENTS:** 

soy sauce or tamari

1/2 tablespoons)

1½ tablespoons reduced sodium

4 cloves garlic, minced (about 1

½ teaspoon crushed red pepper

Reserve the remaining honey mixture.

Remove from the oven; stir the carrots.

8 (5 ounce) bone-in, skin-on

DIRECTIONS:

1 tablespoon cider vinegar

⅓ cup honey

539-5837 or email eoc@ town.winthrop.ma.us.

Please note, due to the high demand for appointments and limited vaccine supply, it may take weeks to secure an available appointment.

Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line at 2-1-1 hours of opera-Monday to Friday 8:30

AM to 5:00 PM

The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is available in English and Spanish and will have translators available to support residents in approximately 100 additional languages. Individuals ages 75 and older

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**HONEY GARLIC CHICKEN THIGHS** 

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**STEP 2:** Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a large rimmed

baking sheet with foil; coat with cooking spray. Remove the chicken from the marinade (discard marinade); arrange on 1 side of the prepared pan. Combine carrots and 1 tablespoon oil in a medium

bowl; toss well to coat. Spread the carrots in an even layer on the other side of the pan. Bake the chicken and carrots for 15 minutes.

**STEP 3:** Combine broccoli and the remaining 1 tablespoon oil; toss well to coat. Distribute the broccoli evenly over the chicken and carrots on the pan. Sprinkle salt and pepper over all. Bake until

the vegetables are tender and a thermometer inserted in the thickest portion of the chicken registers 165 degrees F, 15 to 18 minutes.

**STEP 4:** Meanwhile, whisk comstarch and water in a small bowl until no clumps remain. Combine the cornstarch mixture and

the reserved honey mixture in a small saucepan; bring to a simmer over medium-low heat, whisking once or twice. Simmer, whisking often, until the sauce is clear and thickened, about 2 minutes. Drizzle

chicken thighs

1/2-inch pieces

½ teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon water

1 teaspoon cornstarch

pound)

1 pound small carrots, sliced into

2 tablespoons olive oil, divided

4 cups broccoli florets (about 1

½ teaspoon ground pepper

will be able to speak to a representative live on the phone to assist them with an appointment through the state's online system.

If no appointments are available, callers will have the option to be placed on a call back list for the mass vaccination sites. The caller will receive a call back when an appointment becomes available for them at a mass vaccination site, and the list will be called on a first-come, firstserved basis.

The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is currently only for individuals ages 75 and older who cannot use or have difficulty accessing the internet and therefore are unable to schedule an appointment through the online platforms. The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is only able to support individuals with scheduling an appointment and representatives are not able to answer general questions about COVID-19 or provide individual health care advice. The quickest and eas-

iest way to schedule a vaccine appointment or check availability is to use the online system at mass. gov/covidvaccine.

### MCU TO MERGE WITH GLOUCESTER MUNICIPAL CREDIT UNION

Metro Credit Union (MCU), Massachusetts' state-chartered credit union, today announced that it will merge with Gloucester Municipal Credit Union, founded in Gloucester, Mass in 1941, on February 26. Metro, which recently surpassed \$2.3 billion in assets, will absorb GM-CU's nearly 500 members and \$2.3 million in assets. Metro's newest members will have access to an expanded line of products and services as well as its 14 branch locations.

"I'm thrilled to welcome members of the Gloucester community to the Metro family," said Robert Cashman, CEO and president. "I encourage both existing members of GMCU and others who are or were previously employed by the city of Gloucester to take advantage of the many opportunities Metro has to offer our members."

When considering a merger, GMCU turned to Metro due to its strong reputation, digital and technological ment, and obvious commitment to its more than 220,000 members. "Metro will offer our

members additional benefits and opportunities that we have not been able to provide, including digital access, mortgages, home equity loans, and more," said Lawrence Ingersoll, board president, Glouces-Municipal Credit Union. "We are particularly grateful to partner with a credit union that we know will treat our members with compassion and care and offer them the security and trust they deserve."

For more information about Metro Credit Union, please visit metrocu.org or connect with us on Linke-**MVES OFFERS** 

### SAFETY TIPS FOR **SNOWY AND ICY CONDITIONS** Each winter, slip and

fall accidents cause serious injuries. Even when surfaces do not look especially icy or slippery, it is very possible that a thin sheet of transparent ice

or "Black Ice" is covering your pathway putting you at risk. When you approach a footpath or roadway that appears to be covered with ice or snow, always use extreme caution. Many slips and falls happen in places people regard as safe and secure, typically outside their front door, on the doorstep, on the path or while

getting out of the car. With the winter weather upon us, Mystic Valley Elder Services' Safety Committee advises these 10 tips to make sure you are staying safe when walking around in snowy and icy

conditions. Walk slowly and carefully. Wear boots or other slip-resistant footwear.

Use special care when getting in and out of vehicles. Use the vehicle for support if you need to do

Watch for slippery floors when you enter any building or home. Avoid walking with

your hands in your pockets; this can reduce your ability to catch yourself if you lose your balance.

Watch out for black ice. Tap your foot on potentially slick areas to see if the areas are slippery.

Walk as flat-footed as possible in very icy areas. Avoid uneven surfaces

if possible.

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# Town sees 56 new cases this past week

Special to the Transcript

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has notified Town officials of 56 additional confirmed positive cases of the virus in Winthrop since our last reporting on Feb. 4. These bring the total number of cases up to 1,883, with 35 deceased, 72 in isolation and 1,784 recovered.

The Winthrop Public Health will be offering assistance to those who may have difficulty registering for the Covid vaccine.

Anyone in need can call the EOC number at 617-539-5837 or email eoc@ town.winthrop.ma.us.

### Winthrop Stop the Spread **Testing Information**

- Indoor Testing Now Available By Appointment Only
- 151 Pauline St: Located in the Old Middle School Gymnasium next to Larsen Rink
- Testing Hours can be found on https://app.beacontesting.com/login.
- Please register online at https://app.beacontesting.com/login to see available appointment slots.

(617) 741-7310 https://app.beacontesting.com/login



### **COVID-19 Vaccine Information**

Individuals age 75 and older are eligible beginning February 1, 2021.

Please visithttps://www. town.winthrop.ma.us/ home/news/resources-residents-75-scheduling-covid-19-vaccine-appointments for more information

Currently the vaccine supply is very limited and dependent of federal allocations.

The Winthrop Health department does not have vaccine available and do not expect vaccines for at least 3-4 weeks (also dependent on how many doses the state receives)

appointments are made online state-sponsored sites.

If you are looking for a vaccine appointment, we suggest two things.

Contact your primary care provider; because of the limited supply they may not be doing distributions currently.

Look at state-sponsored sites that may have vaccine doses available. Not all sites will have appointments because of the limited supply.

For the most up to date information on vaccines in Massachusetts, go to

https://www.mass.gov/ info-details/covid-19-vaccine-frequently-asked-

### **Stay Informed!**

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

- Town of Winthrop COVID-19 resource page: WinthropCOVID19.com • Town of Winthrop Of-
- ficial Website: www.town. winthrop.ma.us • Massachusetts De-
- partment of Public Health: www.mass.gov/covid-19
- Massachusetts 2-1-1 general COVID-19 information: Click here or dial 2-1-1 (24/7)
- United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov
- The best way to contact the Public Health Department is by email at COVID19info@town. winthrop.ma.us

# Sen. Boncore, Rep. Madaro help push landmark climate legislation over the goal line

By John Lynds

Last week Sen. Joseph Boncore (D-Winthrop) and Rep. Adrian Madaro (D-Winthrop) helped push the passing of landmark climate change legislation in the House and Senate.

The legislation aims to overhauls state's climate laws, drives down greenhouse gas emissions, creates clean energy jobs, and environmental protects justice communities.

The passage of An Act Creating a Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy (S.9), sets a 2050 net-zero greenhouse gas emissions limit, as well as statewide limits every five years. The bill increases the requirements for offshore wind energy procurement bringing the statewide total authorization to 5,600 megawatts and requires emission reduction goals for MassSave, the state's energy efficiency program.

For the first time the bill establishes the criteria in statute that define environmental justice populations like the population that lives here and in neighboring communities.

Boncore said the bill is

good news for residents who have been overly burdened environmentally by Logan International Airport and other environmental impacts.

"The swift passage of the Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy underscores the Legislature's commitment to addressing the devastating impacts of the climate crisis and protecting our environment for future generations," said Boncore. "From storms that flood our coastal streets, to increased rates of asthma among children, the climate crisis is in our backyards. This legislation supports a targeted approach to combating climate change in our Environmental Justice communities."

Madaro in neighboring Eastie, who worked alongside Boncore to include environmental justice populations in the legislation.

"For the first time in Massachusetts history, Environmental Justice (EJ) will become the law," said Madaro. "Despite the governor's unfortunate veto of the first bill, the legislature recently

passed an identical bill by an overwhelming margin We have allowed low-income communities and communities of color to bear a disproportionate burden of pollutants and environmental hazards for far too long, while excluding them from the decision-making process affecting their neighborhoods. The provisions in this bill are the first step in a long overdue process to ensure environmental equity and finally recognize environmental justice and EJ communities in state law. I was proud to join my colleagues in the House and Senate to pass this legislation as part of the larger Climate Roadmap bill, and I want to thank my fellow sponsors, co-sponsors, and the many grassroots activists of the Environmental Justice Table who worked so hard to

The legislation also increases support for clean energy workforce development programs including those targeting low-income communities, and improves gas pipeline safety.

get this done."

The bill is now with the governor.

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model, challenging and teaching her about life inside and outside the store. After having a conversation with Levy about how she wanted to one day own her own business, he made sure to lead her down the path that would help her accomplish those dreams.

"From my first day working at Woodside, Paul challenged me, taught me so much, pushed me and occasionally drove me crazy. But I guess the rest is history because I'm sitting here sharing this response as the owner of my own business, being my own boss, at Woodside Hardware. Paul, I wish you nothing but happiness in the years to come. You've worked so hard for so long and certainly deserve to relax."

The feeling is mutual

for Levy, and as he enters a new chapter in his life, he is confident that Murphy is the right person to run the store.

"My goal has always

been to run the store as it has been run for nearly 100 years," said Levy, who bought the store from longtime owner Bob Wheaton. "Lauren has been with me since she was a teenager and during that time, she's learned every aspect of the business. I feel so lucky to be able to step away and leave Woodside in such great hands, allowing the tradition of top-notch service to live on. It has been a pleasure to watch her grow from a high school cashier to a young businesswoman." After he eases into re-

tirement and sticks around

the store a little longer to help out, Levy said that what he will miss most is the wonderful, loyal customers that he has grown to know over the years. Murphy is looking forward to getting back to normal after enduring a chaotic year in retail due to the pandemic.

"What I am looking forward to most is keeping my head down and getting back to the basics. I have said it many, many times but we truly have the best customers and the best community surrounding us. I consider our regular customers to be our friends and I am looking forward to continuing to work hard to serve our friends and our community in any way that we can.

# Rebates // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 saying that La Siesta in

er communities, including Revere, Peabody and Swampscott already have reduced their fees. "Small business is im-

portant to the Town," noted commissioner Ron Vecchia. Chapdelaine said that

he was disheartened by the response by Town Manager Austin Faison, who said that the town "cannot rebate the fees." Chapdelaine went on to

say, "Casey Goll has made a reasonable request. A rebate would be a giant gesture in the right direction. This is not one restaurant asking for help, but all restaurants." Betsy Shane from the

Winthrop Chamber of Commerce also spoke, Peabody was able to have their entire fee waived for the year. She noted that the receipts of the Chamber's Gift Card program are "way up" and residents want to help and support local businesses. commissioners

send a letter to the Town Council "supporting some sort of relief in license fees to the Town." In other matters before

unanimously voted

the commission: Common Victualler Li-

censes were approved for Family Pastry, Jac's Cafe, and Kate's Kitchen.

Used car licenses were approved for Bolster's, Jim's Auto Sales, and Furlong Motors.

commissioners

also voted to ask the Town Council to stagger the three-year terms for the five-member commission. Rather than having a majority of members expire within the coming year, they are seeking to have the terms be as follows:

The terms for Nicholas Bracy and Richard Ackerman's would expire in June of 2021; Marc Chapdelaine's term would expire in June of 2022; and the terms of

Mark Sciaraffa and Ron Vecchia would expire in June of 2023.

If the change is not pproved by the Town Council, then the terms of Bracy, Ackerman, and Chapdelaine all will expire in June 2021.



room, email, video conferencing and other services while in school buildings. The attack, which also caused a disruption for town municipal offices, eventually caused the services to shut down from 8:00 am until 2:30 pm, the exact timeframe when students are in school.

Howard also confirmed that the outages only occurred on days during in-person learning. "Over the past few

days I've learned far more about technology than I ever knew before, and despite the issues this has caused for learning, we have a solid plan in place that will prevent this from happening again." After recruiting the help

of the Winthrop Police Department, Comcast, Lan-Tel Communications, and Balsam Technologies, to get to the source of the problem, a mitiga-

tion package was put in place, and going forward, Comcast will be alerted of any suspicious activity before it reaches the district's system. Added NetFlow monitoring on the sonic wall will collect and record real time information going in and out. In addition, Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) has been put in place as another layer of monitoring and protec-"This will help us as

we move forward, and he SNMP monitoring will allow a network map to show where things are connected, and any unrecognized devices will be

alerted and shut down." Howard said that the revised bandwidth management will prevent any device in the system from exceeding more than one gigabyte of bandwidth,

which is more than enough

bandwidth to support the

tial DDoS emergency mitigation services fees were waved by Comcast, and going forward, the district will pay a monthly subscription fee to ensure that a DDoS attack does not happen again.

that these attacks have occurred in multiple public school districts across the state. At this point we believe the issue has been resolved and we are grateful to have the collaborative efforts of everyone involved."

schools' systems. The ini-'It's important to note

The attack, known as a

Distributed Denial of Service attack (DDoS), is designed to overwhelm the bandwidth resources with large amounts of data, which is what prevented students and teachers from accessing the online learning resources. No student, employee or financial data was accessed as a result of

the attack.



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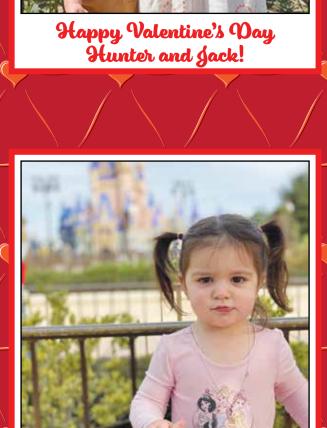
# Hannes Day



Auntie loves you! Happy Valentine's Way Alianora and Emmalia



Happy Valentine's Way Kenley! Love Mommy & Waddy oxoxoxo.



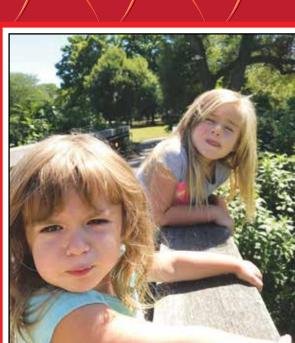
Happy Valentine's Way Hanna! Auntie loves her little sweeties



Happy Valentines Way Gabriella & Anthony! Auntie loves you



Gulianna and Mario, mommy loves her little sweeties! Happy Valentines Way!



My beautiful Maeve and Ellie! Happy Valentine's Way! Xoxoxo Mommy



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# Sophomore selected for Project 351 leadership team

By Kate Anslinger

Last week, sixteen-yearold Christian Buonopane received the news that he has been selected to serve on the Project 351 2021 Alumni Leadership Council (ALC). Aimed at furthering leadership development and transformative impact through service, the ALC is composed of high school students who are alumni of Project 351. Along with 101 other high school leaders, Buonopane will be spending the year gaining the knowledge, skills, and tools to progress positive social change. In the interview below, the active sophomore shares how he initially got involved with the organization, what he learned in the kickoff virtual summit that was held last weekend, and what he's looking forward

### What led you to being selected for the leadership role with Project

I was recognized as a Project 351 Ambassador to represent Winthrop in eighth grade. I had always been involved in student council and other activities related to student government and believe that these were some of the reasons I was selected. Ms. Amy Gallagher had been very instrumental with that and I will be forever grateful for her inspiration, guidance and support. As ambassador, I led multiple service projects including clothing and food drives. At the start of high school, I was fortunate to be chosen to continue my involvement in Project 351 when I was selected to be a member of the Regional Service

Team, a team of students from surrounding communities that helps lead larger scale community service projects. This year, I was picked to be an Alumni Unity Leader and will represent Winthrop at summits, helping to plan service projects, and build

### Why do you think **Project 351 is important** for students and what do you hope to gain from it?

Being a part of Project 351 has been an amazing experience and continues to provide me opportunities to better myself as an individual and as a leader. Project 351 values compassion, empathy, kindness and gratitude while helping to cultivate leaders and promote community action.

What did you learn at

### the virtual summit?

The Project 351 Virtual Leadership Summit was an enlightening experience. I learned that despite the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the current political climate, and the racism crisis in our country, positive change is still possible. When we unite together as one, we can confront and overcome dividing issues and challenging situations. Now, more than ever, it is important that we strive to be advocates for unity and community.

### What other activities are you involved in?

In the pre-COVID world, I was active in student council, drama, mock trial, model UN, and I just joined the high school sailing team. Fortunately, I've been able to continue to participate in some activities, though remotely.

### What are your future career goals?

I particularly enjoy English, history, and politics and I plan to attend college with a future goal of becoming an attorney. In the meantime I plan to continue my involvement with Project 351 throughout High School.

# **About Project 351**

Founded in 2011, Project 351 fosters unity and strengthens the ethic of service through the engagement and enrichment of an eighth-grade Ambassador from every city and town in Massachusetts. Annually, Ambassadors who exemplify the values of kindness, compassion, humility, and gratitude are selected to engage in a transformative year of youth-led service. Through



students selected across the Commonwealth to represent his fellow students as a member of the Project 351 Alumni Leadership

Project 351, Ambassadors gain skills for a lifetime of service, strengthen the ethic of civic engagement, and scale service impact to address the causes and consequences of poverty. In 2021, Ambassadors will mark one million neighbors served. Project 351 is funded entirely by the private sector and individuals.

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Planner on Feb. 1. She will be in charge of supervising all long-range planning programs for the town as they relate to land use and municipal policies. Her first priority will be the old middle school zoning project.

to in the upcoming year.

### COVID-19

The town is still considered a high-risk community in the Red Zone, with a 5.94 percent positive rate.

Vaccination is now in Phase 2, currently serving all individuals aged 75 and older. These people can be vaccinated at any number of locations, including two in East Boston, one in Chelsea and one in Revere. They can do so by calling 617-568-4870 and making an appointment. The next group to be vaccinated will be those aged 65 and older with at least two qualifying medical conditions.

Board of Health Director Meredith Hurley reported that the vaccine supply in general is very limited and that there were complications with the rollout. No vaccines have been issued to the town, though some have been ordered.

### **Internet Issues**

The Town Manager's office is in the process of resolving the internet issues impacting the schools. It is currently working with various service providers to figure out how to restore full capacity and bandwidth.

"We're trying our best to get to the bottom of this," said Town Manager Faison, adding that Supt. Lisa Howard and Admin. Sec. Laurisa Woicik have been working hard to find a solution.

In the meantime, the schools are using wireless hotspots paid for by the CAREs Act to provide internet to staff and students.

Municipal buildings have also been impacted by the slow-down, with the exception of the town's fire and police departments, which are managed by an independent service provider. Faison reported that Winthrop doesn't have redundant internet service, and suggested looking into satellite wireless options in the

### **Utilities Work**

A representative from National Grid appeared before the council to request permission to install a new pole on Madison Ave. DPW Director Steve Calla asked if the utilities could be installed on an existing pole, rather than installing a new one. Councilor James Letterie added that abutters should be informed and a more robust public process car-

ried out. "There's well over 100 poles in town and it's becoming a hazard," he said. "I understand the work has to be done, but I think we need to hear more from the neighbors about it."

National Grid is also

seeking to install two four-inch conduits. The first would be 100 feet from existing pole #561 to existing manhole #127. The second would be from an existing manhole to a new transformer at 233 Winthrop St. In order to accommodate the conduits, the company would need to dig two 100-foot

Director Calla said that some of the roadway in question was repayed recently and that he expected the company to not only refill the trenches, but to "properly seal them with infrared repair."

# **Other Updates**

The following individuals received citations from the council: Michael Goldberg for his work on the Citizens Finance Committee, and Diane Wallace, the former director of the Winthrop Public

Library. Council recognized that the recent surge in public participation at meetings was due in no small part to remote access to the meeting via the online web conferencing platform Zoom. It agreed that the public should have remote access to meetings even after the COVID-19 pan-

There are immediate vacancies on the Airport Hazards Committee; the Commission for Diversity, **Inclusion and Community** Relations; and the Winthrop Planning Board.

# JEFFREY R. for State Representative



# **HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IS PERSONAL FOR ME**

After my parents divorced, we fell on hard times. We had to move from the house I had known all my life on Reservoir Avenue in Revere, to public housing on Walnut Street. The staff at the Revere Housing Authority always treated us with dignity and respect. They told all of us that with hard work and determination, we could be or do anything. I took the lessons they taught me to heart and am a practicing attorney in no small part to their belief in me. Access to affordable housing is critical as gentrification and the cost of living continue to skyrocket in our area.



# We need to get the cost of housing under control.

"Whether you are a senior struggling to afford the skyrocketing value of the home you have lived in for decades or someone new to our community just trying to find an affordable place to live, housing affordability is an issue we can all agree must be dealt with."

# PROTECTING OUR SENIORS

For many of our seniors, this isn't an investment property, it is a home. The struggle to pay property taxes that have continued to go up because of the staggering increases in property value have left some with no choice but to sell and leave. We are losing generations of families that have called Revere and Winthrop home. I support expanded property tax discounts for our seniors and state programs that will help them through the process.

# PROTECTING RENTERS

The COVID-19 pandemic has ground our economy to a halt, costing our friends and neighbors the jobs that they have worked in for years. The gridlock in Washington has forced state and local governments to take the lead. I fully support the rental assistance programs that have been approved by the Legislature and Governor to help keep people in their homes during this pandemic and I will continue to fight for their implementation should I become your next State Representative.

# HOUSING STABILITY

For both renters and homeowners alike, housing stability policies are critical to keeping people in their homes in their hour of need. As State Representative, I will work with families to help end the foreclosure crisis that seemingly never ends, the predatory lending practices that have exacerbated the issue and advocate for quality, affordable housing that will allow a new generation of families to call Revere and Winthrop home.







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# **OUR** Opinions

# LICENSE FEE RELIEF IS **APPROPRIATE**

We wish to voice our support for the request for an abatement in the licensing fees for local restaurants that the Winthrop Board of License Commission has sent to our Town Council.

Small businesses, especially our restaurant establishments, are the heart and soul of cities and towns across the nation. They constitute the fabric of our communities, especially in small locales such as ours where "everybody knows your name" (to paraphrase the tag line from the beloved TV show Cheers).

However, as we all know, the COVID-19 pandemic has shredded that fabric over the past year. Although the license fee relief being sought by our local restaurants is small, in dollar terms, to the town, every little bit helps toward maintaining the survival of these establishments.

Communities throughout the state, including neighboring Revere, already have reduced their licensing fees

We urge our town officials to do the same for restaurants here in Winthrop.

# WINTRY BLAST IS NOT SO HARD TO TAKE

The polar vortex once again has spun out of control, as it has done often in recent years. Instead of remaining in a tightly-wrapped circular motion around the Arctic, the vortex has been weakened by record-high temperatures in the Arctic in recent years because of climate change, thereby loosening the vortex's centrifugal force and allowing waves of cold air to drift from the Arctic to the continental United States.

We have to admit however, that the cold air has been refreshing. We're not suggesting that we want the sort of cold that is gripping the midwest with below-zero temperatures and -50 wind chills, but what is winter without a little spell of cold weather? We think all would agree that Sunday's snowstorm,

with those huge flakes of snow floating down upon us, was wondrous. Catching them in your mouth (as we did while out for a run before the Super Bowl) was something to be appreciated by all of the senses.

Sure, milder winters are easy on our heating bills and we don't have to worry about freezing pipes, slippery roads, and all of the other difficulties that come with winter weather.

But it is precisely the harshness of winter that makes us appreciate summer all the more. It won't be long before the lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer are here and these days of sub-freezing weather will barely be a memory.

# TB SETTLED THE GOAT QUESTION

Yes Pats' fans, it was bittersweet to watch the duo of Tom Brady and Rob Gronkowski lead the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to a Super Bowl championship.

On the other hand, no Pats' fan should be deluded into thinking that if the Pats' management had kept #12, New England fans would be celebrating with a victory parade this week.

Tampa Bay started the season with far more talent on its offense than the Patriots and then went out and added Rob Gronkowski, Leonard Fournette, and Antonio Brown -- all of whom not so coincidentally scored the Tampa Bay touchdowns.

But analysis aside, the game captured the imagination of fans -- and even non-fans --across the country because of the matchup between the greatest QB of all time, now at the age of 43, vs. the up-and-comer, 25 year-old Patrick Mahomes, from Kansas Citv.

In addition, en route to the big game, Brady had vanquished two other GOAT wannabes, Drew Brees and Aaron Rodgers, while another GOAT pretender, Ben Roethlisberger over in the AFC, had fizzled out.

The Brady-Mahomes matchup was a classic, madefor-TV, duel-for-the-ages.

But in the end, it was #12 who stood tall and confident in the pocket, firing lasers to his receivers, while Mahomes was scrambling around haphazardly and

making costly mistakes.

New England fans were fortunate to have had the joy of watching Tom Brady perform his magic for 19 seasons, including six championships in nine Super Bowl appearances.

It was a run of excellence that will not be repeated, either here or anywhere else -- because there is only one GOAT.

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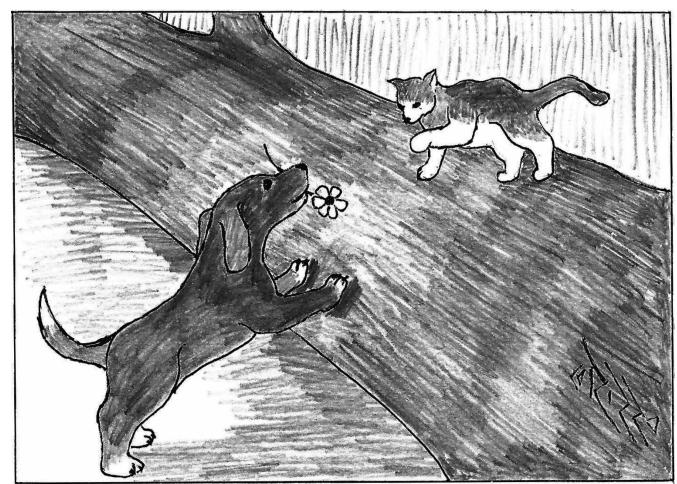
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# **LETTERS** to the Editor

### **SUPPORTING CAPOBIANCO FOR** STATE REP.

**Dear Editor:** 

I am supporting Democratic Candidate Tino Capobianco on March 2, who has dedicated himself to public service for over 10 years. He began servicing our communities as an aide to Speaker DeLeo and presently as Chief of Staff to State Senator Paul Feeney. He learned and absorbed valuable experiences and understandings of local and state government from these valued leaders.

During these troubling times, our lives have been harshly impacted by the pandemic, causing severe health issues, and economic hardships through the loss of jobs. Tino recognizes the need for strong leadership to help the people of our communities to recover. He understands these needs and is ready to work towards setting up resources to help with the creation of jobs, housing for low income families and support for small businesses. This will allow our communities to get back on our feet

and look to the future. Tino's involvement and election to the State Democratic Committee over the last 12 years and also his election to the Winthrop School Committee (twice as Chair) has allowed him to witness the needs of providing a nurturing environment for the future of our children and teachers, build competitive public schools, as well as a respect for a diversified community for

One of the highest concerns affecting Winthrop and Revere is the significance of our locations sitting on the coastline. Tino understands the urgency of protecting our homes and businesses from potential catastrophic events. He recognizes the importance of investing in the infrastructure for our communities to prevent continued flooding destructiveness. In addition, as close neighbors to Logan Airport, Tino learned through his work on the Winthrop Airport Hazards Committee the issues revolving around keeping our communities safe and protected against noise pollution that affects our health and air space.

Tino understands the importance of strong leadership to get goals accomplished. His natural ability of listening to the needs of our communities and reaching out to us will allow him to make valuable decisions in supporting us through these dark times. As the virus recedes and is conquered, we will need a person with a strong work ethic who is willing to shoulder the needs of our communities to build upon. It will take time for the future of our communities and state to find solid ground. Tino Capobianco is part of that ground to begin building.

Thank you,

**Former Winthrop Teachers Association President Former Winthrop School Committee Member** 

Maryalice Sharkey

### **VACCINATE THE** POSTAL WORKERS

**Dear Governor Baker:** 

We, the undersigned members of the Massachusetts General Court, are writing to respectfully request that you prioritize United States Postal Service workers to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, as recommended by the CDC's national Advisory Council on Immunization Practices (ACIP). These workers are currently designated in the CDC's Phase 1b recommendation, but have not been specifically named in the state's eligibility criteria for Phase 1 or Phase 2. This has led to confusion, and a plea for assistance from postal workers in our

respective districts. Postal workers have been on the front lines throughout the entire pandemic, and sometimes do not receive the credit they so rightly deserve. As the old adage goes, "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds," and in

2021, this motto should be updated to include the words "nor pandemic." Every day since the beginning of the COVID pandemic, letter carriers and postal workers have shown up to ensure our mail gets to its destination. Postal workers interact with the public regularly, whether it is when delivering mail to a person's home or in the post office when citizens are buying stamps or mailing packages. Further, as a result of the pandemic, the USPS experienced a major increase in workload, as the agency handled millions of mail-in ballots during the 2020 elections, as well as a surge in package deliveries through the holi-

day season. Ensuring that workers remain healthy is essential to averting backlogs that have plagued the USPS since the onset of the pandemic. As State Representatives and State Senators, we know the postal workers in our districts, and we share their concerns both for their health and their ability to continue their essential work. We urge you to acknowledge the public health value of their role, and explicitly name these workers in the state's eligibility criteria as soon as possible. Thank you for

your consideration. Jessica A. Giannino State Representative 16th Suffolk District

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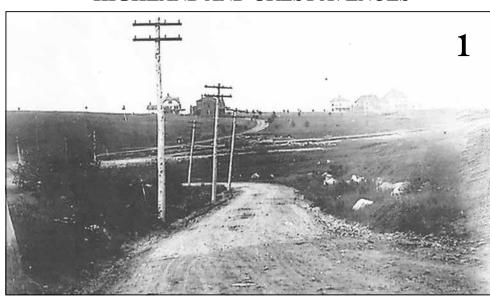
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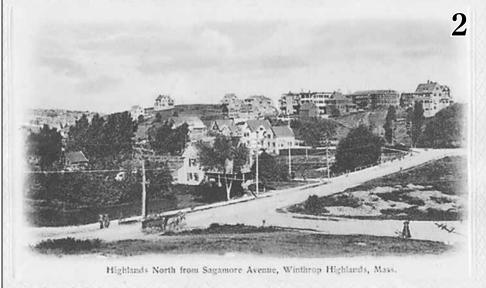
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# WINTHROP Then and Now

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

# ARTICLE 954 - INTERSECTION OF REVERE ST., HIGHLAND AND CREST AVENUES





When Native Americans roamed our peninsula and often spent time camping here during the summer months until about 1630, there was only a single aboriginal trail that ran North from the end of Point Shirley up what is now Shirley Street to the base of Floyd Hill where it then turned right on the current Revere Street and passed over the hill to where the large intersection with Crest and Highland Avenues is now before again proceeding North to Beachmont. Until the first bridge to East Boston was constructed in 1839, this path was the only way to the mainland other than by boat. Today's Then & Now article focuses on that portion of this trail that is now Revere Street running from Sagamore Avenue down

intersection. Picture #1, taken about 1887, looks down this section of roadway, past the gentle curve where Hutchinson Street will someday enter on the right, and across to Highland Avenue curving up the outer highland hill toward Grover's Cliff at Fort Heath. In the center of this photograph, crossing from left to right where Revere and Highland Avenues intersect, one can see the construction activity connected with digging the trench, thru the Highland WW-II Memorial Park and Playground of today, in which the Narrow Gauge Railroad line would run parallel to Crest Avenue for the next fifty three years. The house in the center of this picture at the top of Highland Avenue is the Aloha Rooming House built by H. H. Hutchinson at 100 High-



land Avenue and opened on June 1, 1885 by Hill and White who also, on the same date, opened the Argyle House at the corner of Cliff and Grovers Avenues which was enlarged in 1916 to become the Winthrop Arms we know today. The Argyle House can also be seen as one of the three buildings grouped together toward the right at the top of the hill. Picture #2 is a post card printed prior to 1915 which depicts the same section of Revere Street. The "Quincy" footpath and stone steps from Quincy Avenue down to Revere Street can be seen as a separation in the trees below the large house on the upper right. In picture #3, again looking down Revere Street, one can see the house at 4 Highland Avenue, built in 1923, clearly visible facing us at the end of the street. The house to the immediate right was built about 1910 for Mary Hayden and remained in their family until about 2000. Note that few trees and little foliage existed on the side of the hill at that time. Finally, picture #4 depicts how the same two houses appear today. The house at 4 Highland Avenue, shown in the center of the picture, now contains Century 21 Seacoast Real Estate Agency which is owned and managed by Pat Sullivan. While this article may be a bit too detailed in its description of the pictured areas, it shows us how much information on most locations in town is available if one devotes the time and energy to dig it out. Comments and corrections are always welcomed.





### 10 years ago February 10, 2011 A bolt of lightning

struck the home of John Floyd and his wife at 41 Hillside Ave. Friday night, all but destroying his family's home before the Winthrop Fire Dept., assisted by a crew from Massport, was able to extinguish the blaze. "It was sort of like someone taking a flash cube in front of your face and taking a picture and you saw dots that's how bright the light was," said Floyd. "And the bang was like someone lit a bomb off in your house." Floyd said the third floor of the 120-year-old home was destroyed by the fire. There was also extensive water damage to the lower two floors.

Despite the fact that it has been a week since any new fallen snow has landed in Winthrop, the winter parking ban has remained in effect throughout the town, causing angst and aggravation for residents who need on-street parking for their vehicles. However, Public Works Director Dave Hickey said this week that his department is working closely with the fire and police departments to find relief for frustrated residents.

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce was named the 20th largest chamber of commerce based on membership in Greater Boston last week in the Boston Business Journal's annual book of lists. The ranking as 20th largest means the Winthrop Chamber has jumped four spots from last year, when it was ranked 24th. "This might be because of the recession," said Chamber Executive Director Eric Gaynor, of the move up the list. "We've had really stable membership, but I know that a lot of other chambers have had trouble maintaining their membership numbers because of the recession and the bad economy."

Jeffrey Turco, President of the Winthrop Town Council, made it official this week, telling the Sun-Transcript in an interview that he will be a candidate for re-election in the fall. Turco held a well-attended campaign event four days after Christmas at the Amvets Hall where a large cross-section of residents and colleagues on the council came out to support him.

Justin Bieber: Never Say Never, Sanctum, and Just Go With It are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago **February 8, 2001**

Members of the School Building Committee will meet with officials from DeNisco Design Partners to address the problem of the \$2 million overbid for the proposed Center School. Winthrop eighth-grad-

er Melissa Federico will make her stage debut in the play David the Musical at the Emerson Majestic Theatre this week.

The selectmen and School Committee are planning a series of community forums to provide the public with information about the town budget

in advance of the upcoming Proposition 2 and 1/2 override vote. The Chamber of Commerce held its annual

Kick Off Dinner at the

Winthrop Yacht Club.

# 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

Long-time Conservation Committee member Mary Kelly received the prestigious Town Service Award. Gerta Sinani and Bobby Kneeland were recipients of the Youth Leadership Awards.

The Wedding Planner, Hannibal, and Valentine are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago Feb. 6, 1991

Winthrop residents can breathe a collective sigh of relief after the MWRA Board of Directors approved a motion by Tom Reilly, Winthrop's representative on the board, not to run a huge gas main through the town to the new treatment plant on Deer Island. The MWRA instead will construct a power plant that will burn

A new project being undertaken in the town is an Honor Roll at Town Hall that will pay tribute to the local men and women serving presently during the conflict in the Persian Gulf.

Veterans Agent Richard Kennedy is seeking a transfer of \$35,000 from the Reserve Fund in order to meet the growing demands for assistance from local veterans. Kennedy said the bad economy is hurting veterans. Town Clerk Marie

Turner expressed satisfaction with the population figures for the town from the U.S. Census, which lists 18,141 residents, a difference of only 21 from the 18,162 figure her office had obtained in its most recent census.

Lionheart, White Fang, and Sleeping With the Enemy are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago Feb. 11, 1981

gineers, responding to the anticipated budget cutbacks mandated by Prop. 2 and 1/2, submitted a budget to the Advisory Committee that calls for the elimination of the Central Fire Station and a ladder company.

The School Committee has agreed to relinquish control of Larsen Rink to the selectmen, who in turn may give it over to a private group. Town Counsel Joseph Harvey said that under state law, the School Committee must make a determination that the rink is "no longer needed" for school use before it can turn over the rink to the selectmen and thereby be relieved of its costs.

G. David Hubbard received the Distinguished Service Award from the Winthrop Jaycees at a banquet attended by 150 persons January 24. Jaycees Pres. Ted Hurley made the presentation to Hubbard. Robin Williams stars

in Popeye at the Kincade Theatre.

### 50 years ago Feb. 10, 1971

Selectman Dick Dimes told the Chamber of Commerce that the town is in the process of renovating the Old Church Building for use as a Youth Recreation Center. Dimes called upon Chamber members to assist in the effort. Town Meeting approved an appropriation of \$117,000 for the first

phase of the project, gut-

U.S. Senator Edward

ting the interior.

M. Kennedy has sent a letter to Gov. Francis W. Sargent asking Sargent not to allow further expansion of Logan Airport. A public hearing on the issue of airport expansion has been set for Feb. 26 at New England Mutual Hall. South

> Logan. Alfred Saggese, a candidate for a Juris Doctor degree at Suffolk Univ. Law School, has been named the co-chairman of the 1971 Winthrop Community Heart Fund cam-

Boston State Senator William Bulger has urged a

massive protest against

any further expansion of

A young couple, armed with a .38 caliber revolver, held up Magee's Corner Liquor Store and escaped with a sizable sum of cash.

paign.

Walt Disney's The Aristocats is playing at the Winthrop Cinema during the school vacation week.

### 60 years ago Feb. 9, 1961

Police are searching for the operator of a motor vehicle who fled the scene after his stolen motor vehicle struck a young Winthrop mother, Mrs. Mary Barker, 20, and left her pinned beneath a snowbank on Revere St. for four hours in below freezing temperatures Monday night. She is recovering at the Winthrop Community Hospital.

Services will be held in Winthrop by the Protestant women of four faiths at St. John's Episcopal Church to mark the 75th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer.

Winthrop residents were among those who protested the condition of Boston-area beaches to Gov. John A. Volpe. Local residents are seeking funds for the repair of the seawall on Shore Drive The Board of Fire En- which has been damaged by several storms this winter, including another nor'easter this past week.

> J. Raymond Gould is the new Commodore of the Cottage Park Y.C. after being chosen at a recent meeting attended by 300 members.

> Local residents have been treated to the sight of seals frolicking on the ice floes just a few hundred feet off Winthrop's shores.

> The Navy Department has announced that Rice's Wharf at Crystal Cove is being offered for a fiveyear lease.

> Bob Hope and Lucille Ball star in Facts of Life at the Winthrop Theater.

### 70 years ago Feb. 8, 1951

The upcoming town election figures to be a hot one, with 37 candidates filing papers for the 20 contests on the ballot. Incumbent Selectman Walter Smith, who has served on the board for the past eight years, will not be seeking re-election, citing health reasons. Building Inspector

Wilfred Bennett has announced that a building permit has been issued for the construction of a \$500,000 parochial school by St. John the Evangelist Church on the site of the present parish hall on Lincoln St. Abutters to the work

being done to grade the shoreline on Court Rd. and Pleasant St. met with town officials to express their dissatisfaction with

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# State Rep. Race Highlights

# Mass. Retirees Association endorses Jeffrey Turco for State Rep.

Special to the Journal

On Wednesday, the Massachusetts Retirees Association endorsed Jeffrey Turco for State Representative, 19th Suffolk District. The seat was vacated by former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and a Special Election is set for March 30th with the Primary being held on March 2nd.

"Mass Retirees is proud to endorse Jeff Turco for State Representative. Not only is Jeff someone we have worked closely with on a variety of issues for many years, but he is also someone we view as a friend and supporter of public retirees," said Mass Retirees President Frank Valeri. "I got to know Jeff very well when we both worked in the State Senate. He's the ideal candidate to hit the ground running on day 1, with a wealth of experience and deep roots in the community."

Throughout the Massachusetts Retirees Asso-



Candidate for State Rep. Jeffrey Turco shown with some supporters during a recent standout in Revere.

ciation's 52-year history, the Association has become widely recognized as one of the strongest lobby groups on Beacon Hill. Its 52,000 members consist of retirees of the state, teachers', city, town, county, authority and district retirement systems.

"As a longtime supporter of the association and someone familiar with the type of lawmakers that Mass Retirees aligns with, this endorsement is a huge honor," said Turco. "I look forward to advocating on behalf of all the women and men who so generously dedicated the better part of their lives to serving their communities and the Commonwealth."

As a seasoned attorney with local roots, Jeffrey Turco is the ideal blend of experience and profes-

sionalism, with the knowhow to be a strong leader for his community in these most uncertain times. In 2005, Jeffrey was the Special Sheriff and Superintendent of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and starting in 2006 was appointed a Special Assistant Attorney General representing the Agency. Since 2011, Jeffrey has owned and operated the Law Office of Jeffrey Rosario Turco in Chelsea. Working for his community has always been in the forefront for Turco, for two years he served as Town Council President in Winthrop and a School Committee member. Jeffrey resides in Winthrop with his wife, the former Melissa Carbone,

# 32BJ SEIU endorses Juan Jaramillo for State Rep.

Special to the Journal

Following a member-led vetting process, 32BJ SEIU is endorsing its own Juan Jaramillo for State Rep, District 19 (Revere and Winthrop), as well as Bryan Barash and Madeline Ranalli for Newton City Council in March 2021's special election.

"These candidates have shown their dedication to making real change in the communities our members live and work in," said Roxana Rivera, Vice President of 32BJ SEIU. "The COVID-19 pandemic has laid bare the economic and health disparities Black, brown, and immigrant workers and their families face. Now more than ever, we need elected officials in office who have a vision and plan for improving the Bay State's cities for working families, such as immigration reform, racial justice, affordable housing, strong union jobs, gun control and clean air and water. I know that Juan, Bryan, and Madeline would work every day to serve the public and amplify the needs

Juan Jaramillo was raised in Revere after emigrating there with his

of our communities."

parents from Colombia. He went to the city's public schools, graduating from Revere High School. Since his adolescence, he has volunteered as a Big Brother in the Big Brother/Big Sister program, as Program Director for Revere Youth in Action, and as a coach for Pop Warner Football in Revere. During his time with 32BJ, he has helped amplify the voices of frontline janitors and security officers, many who live in Revere.

"The members of Local 32BJ have been at the forefront of this pandemic making sure that people are safe in their work spaces. They have also been leading the fight to expand workers' protections and benefits for every worker in the Commonwealth," said Mr. Jaramillo. "I am honored to have the support of the members of 32BJ. Together, we will build a stronger middle class by uplifting workers everywhere; from the person putting up sheet rock to the one cleaning our hospitals."

Bryan Barash currently works as the General Counsel for State Senator Harriette Chandler, and began his career in public service by working to get former President Barack Obama elected. Madeline Ranalli has been a strong voice for gun violence prevention and for environmental and racial justice. Both candidates have a vision for making Newton a more equitable, diverse city that working people can afford to live in.

"I am so proud to have the endorsement of the hardworking people at SEIU 32BJ," said Bryan Barash. "I know that together we can deliver on the promise of affordable housing, racial justice, environmental sustainability, and economic security for all."

""I am deeply honored to earn the endorsement of 32BJ SEIU. Growing up in a proud union family, I understand the important work that unions do to support not just workers, but their families and entire communities as well." said Madeline Ranalli. "As we work to recover from COVID-19 and tackle widespread economic and racial injustice, it is important now more than ever to show up for working families, and I look forward to doing that every day on the Newton City Council."

# **Delvento** // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ocrats. My dad's mother, Josephine, was a World War II refugee coming to America after her home in Italy was bombed. Speaking no English, her family came to East Boston before settling in Revere. She and my grandpa Tony, a laborer with Local 22, put down roots in the district. Meanwhile, after serving in WWII, my

mom's father Joe opened his own small business, Stasio Lumber Yard, which served Winthrop for decades. Winthrop and Revere welcomed them with open arms, and we have to keep making sure we welcome people from all walks of life."

DelVento experienced firsthand how essential a strong public education is,



graduating from the Winthrop Public Schools and going on to earn a B.S. in Health Management and Policy at the University of New Hampshire. She is currently a Master of Public Health candidate at Dartmouth College.

their six children.

After nearly four years on Beacon Hill, which included working on the Massachusetts budget as an aide to former House Ways and Means Chairman Rep. Jeff Sanchez, DelVento left her post, to commit herself completely to this special election. "If elected, I want to legislate the same way that I am running this campaign -- full-time with an open door policy for everyone. I have heard from many in our community about how important it is to them that their State Representative's one and only job is serving constituents and ensuring Beacon Hill passes legislation that

helps folks in Winthrop and Revere. That's something that is very important to me, and something I promise to do if elected."

A passion for public health and experience organizing in the community led DelVento to run for Bob DeLeo's seat. "If you ask me, if you want something done, you start talking to your neighbors and get to work. When I look at the considerable challenges facing our district and our Commonwealth, the best way I know how to move forward is to build coalitions and mutual respect. We have to fight for a brighter future for Winthrop and Revere, which means for all of us. I am also very data and science-driven. For me, public health is the guiding force behind everything, and it encompasses more than just the healthcare system. We don't have a healthy community if our schools aren't funded, if our air isn't clean, if our trains don't run, or if people simply can't afford to live here anymore."

When asked why she would be the best successor for Speaker DeLeo's seat, she added, "I'm a coalition-builder, but I'm a fighter too. I also have the most experience of any candidate in the current House of Representatives and am very familiar with its workings, having spent the last four years working under the Chairs of Ways & Means, Health Care Financing, and State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, and for a member of the Special Committee dealing with Commonwealth's economic recovery from COVID-19. I am confident in my relationships in the current legislature, and that I'll be able to hit the ground running in a way that not every freshman representative necessarily can. I don't think this moment calls for another lawyer on Beacon Hill. We

are living through a public

health emergency that is at

once worsening challenges

our community has been

facing for quite some time

now and giving rise to new problems that require creative solutions. I think we need a fresh perspective to help us fight back from COVID-19 and ensure we come back stronger than before. In many ways, I think my past experience in the House, background in public health, and community organizing gives me a unique perspective and a better seat at the ta-

DelVento had high praise for the man she hopes to succeed. "I know that if elected, I would have some big shoes to fill. Speaker DeLeo has been a champion for Winthrop and Revere for decades, his departure is truly a bittersweet moment for many in our district, including myself. I have had the opportunity to not only benefit from Speaker De-Leo's work for our community as a constituent, but see it first-hand in the House of Representatives over the last four years. His friendship and mentorship over the years has meant a great deal to me. If elected, I would take these lessons to Beacon Hill, to continue his fight

for Winthrop and Revere." She sees many major issues affecting Revere and Winthrop that need decisive action. "An equitable COVID-19 vaccine rollout is the first priority, and the process needs to be much clearer and more accessible for our Seniors than it is currently. But we also need to come back stronger. That means it's time to dive deeper into some of the challenges that COVID-19 has laid bare. We must confront how our current public health crisis has exacerbated many of our state's challenges and inequalities, from healthcare to education, climate, infrastructure, and economic opportunity. We also need to put our monev where our mouth is and protect frontline workers and first responders with hazard pay and emergen-

cy sick leave. We also

have to take a closer look

at the quality of care and

services we provide our

Veterans. They have given

so much for our community and the least we can do is have their back by ensuring they receive the highest quality care possible"

sible." DelVento is committed to delivering for the district, and fighting to ensure that all residents of the 19th Suffolk have what they need -- like housing, education, and healthcare. "A top priority for me is passing and building on the climate bill. I learned so much from my time as Winthrop's lead organizer for Ed Markey this past year -- we need to act now. That means investing decisively in affordable clean energy, clean public transportation, clean jobs. Protecting the beaches and the Belle Isle Marsh is an investment in our futures, our health, our homes, and

DelVento applauded Speaker DeLeo's work as an advocate for early education. "I will fight to make high-quality childcare and early education available to all working families, Public education funding is one of my top priorities, and something I was especially proud of while working for the Chair of House Ways & Means. This includes expanding mental health services for our young people, especially those who may be struggling with addiction."

local businesses."

ed is simple. "I see this as a moment to make sure that Revere and Winthrop continue to be welcoming and thriving communities. This community welcomed my grandparents when they were looking for a place to call home, and it's one of many reasons why I will fight for a bright future for all of us."

The special Democratic

Her overall goal if elect-

The special Democratic primary for DeLeo's seat is slated for March 2nd, with a general election set for March 30th. For more information about DelVento's campaign, you may visit her website AliciaDelVento.com, @DelventoMA on Twitter and Instagram, and /Delvento-MA on Facebook.

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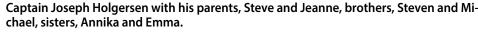
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# WHS BOYS VIKINGS HOCKEY CELEBRATE SENIOR NIGHT







Captain Ryan Hovermale with his parents, Royce and Jennifer. See more photos on Page 12.

# GIRLS KNOCK OFF PEABODY TO LAY CLAIM TO

The Winthrop High girls basketball team earned the most significant victory for the Lady Viking program in many years with a 37-31 triumph at Peabody Friday evening.

The Lady Vikings entered the contest as the top team in the South Division of the Northeastern Conference with a 9-1 record, while the Lady Tanners were tied for the top spot in the NEC North with a 7-1 mark.

The teams had met three weeks previously at the Winthrop High gym, with the Lady Tanners prevailing, 42-39, in a hard-fought battle. Winthrop overcame a slow start, trailing 24-9 at the half, but took the lead early in the fourth period, only to run out of gas down the

However, the Winthrop girls avenged their only loss of the 2021 campaign, thereby asserting their claim to the title "Best in the NEC" for 2021. Peabody has entered the fray tied with Masconomet for first place in the NEC North, with Masco's lone defeat coming at the hands of the Lady Vikings.

Two nights previously, the Winthrop girls took care of business against a Beverly squad that had given Winthrop a tough battle in their first meeting of the season at Beverly.

Beverly hung tough in the rematch, utilizing some accurate three-point shooting to stay within reach through the first half. The Lady Vikings led 13-10 after one period and 25-18 at the intermission.

The visiting Lady Panthers sank a trey to start the second half to draw

within 25-21, but that would prove to be as close as Beverly would get the rest of the way. Maura Dorr sank a lefty jump hook off a nice feed from Grace Galuris and Julia Marcoccio sank a bucket with an assist from Maddie Stiglets.

After a Beverly basket, Galuris put back an offensive rebound and Caroline Earl sank a free throw to boost the Winthrop lead to nine, 32-23.

The Lady Panthers responded with a two-pointer, but two free throws by Dorr kept Beverly at bay. The visitors sank another three-pointer to make it a six point game, 34-28, but the Lady Vikings closed out the period with a seven-point run to stretch the lead to a comfortable 41-28 entering the fourth period

Stiglets began the Winthrop offensive display with an end-to-end drive to the basket and then drained a trey from the corner. Dorr completed the outburst with a powerful drive to the hoop.

Earl continued the Viking run to start the final eight minutes with a beautiful move inside that was reminiscent of how Celtic great Kevin McHale would torture his opponents underneath. Caroline faked to her right to get her opponent off her feet and then switched to her left hand for a layup to complete the play.

Stiglets kept the Winthrop momentum going, putting back an offensive rebound to increase the Lady Viking margin to 17, 45-28, wth 5:40 to go. After the Lady Panthers missed a pair of free throws, Stiglets then applied the coup de grace when she stole a Beverly pass at mid-court. Maddie outraced the Lady Panther

# WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

defender to make the layup, drew the foul, and sank the free throw to leave matters at a commanding 48-28 in Winthrop's favor with 3:39 to go.

The teams traded hoops in the final minutes for the 52-32 finale.

Maura Dorr paced the Lady Vikings in the scoring department with 13 points, followed by Stiglets with 12, Galuris with 10, Earl with eight, Jenna Dorr with three, and Kaylee Farrel, Emma Forsyth, and Marcoccio with two points apiece.

The Lady Vikings were scheduled to meet Danvers last night (Wednesday) for Senior Night and will entertain Marblehead tomorrow (Friday). They will trek to Marblehead on Saturday and wrap up their 2021 campaign with Swampscott on February 10

BOYS HOCKEY POSTS TWO MORE VICTORIES

The Winthrop High boys hockey team skated to a pair of impressive victories this past week, defeating Northeastern Conference North Division rival Danvers, 3-1, on Saturday, and handily cruising past NEC South foe Swampscott, 4-0, last Wednesday.

Saturday afternoon's encounter with Danvers was highlighted by Senior Day festivities at which eight Viking seniors -- captains Joe Holgersen and Ryan Hovermale, assistant captain Chris Ferrara, Charlie Lane, Evan Smotrich, Connor Hurley, Matt Hurley, and Conlan Petersen -- were honored before the game for their contributions to the WHS boys hockey program.

It was appropri-

ate therefore, that the seniors played a huge role in the triumph over the Falcons. Holgersen gave Winthrop a 1-0 lead in the opening period with a tremendous individual effort. Capt. Joe stole the puck from a Danvers defender at mid-ice, skated past the remaining Falcon defender, and then deked the Danvers goalie for a textbook, highlight-reel goal.

Ferrara made it 2-0 at 1:09 of the next period when he took a pass from Holgersen, who was along the boards to the far right of the Danvers goal, and flipped a perfectly-placed shot past the Falcon netminder.

Ferrara reached the back of the Danvers net minutes later at 4:11 when he let go a hard wrist shot to the left of the Danvers goal from about 18 feet out that beat the Falcon goalie to the far

post. The assist went to -- who else? -- Holgersen, who had given his teammate a nice feed from the Danvers goalie's left. Billy Hayes also earned an assist on the goal.

That would prove to be the extent of the Viking offense for the afternoon, although Winthrop had many subsequent chances in an entertaining, up-and-down contest. WHS netminder Hovermale stopped a Danvers breakaway two minutes after Ferrara's goal and held firm the rest of the way, recording 26 saves on the afternoon.

The lone Falcon lamplighter of the day came with 37.2 seconds left in the second period on a power play on which Ryan was screened on a shot from the point.

The third period fea-

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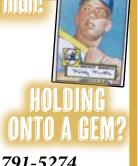
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need to have insurance. Eligible residents (currently residents 75+) can request an appointment by calling 617-**568-4870.** Vaccinations at EBNHC locations are available by appointment only. You must call for an appointment. The scheduling phone line will begin taking calls on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

For more information, go to: ebnhc.org/en/services/covid-19/covid-19vaccine.html To find other locations

to receive the vaccine, please visit the State's COVID-19 site: mass.gov/ info-details/covid-19-vaccination-locations

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tured some chippiness on Hockey League. the part of both teams, with the refs whistling penalties on both squads that limited 5-on-5 action for a good chunk of the final 15 minutes.

Last Wednesday's 4-0 triumph over Swampscott was not as close as the final score might indicate. The Vikings controlled the action for about 75% of the time and the Swampscott end of the ice often resembled the proverbial shooting gallery.

Winthrop took an early 1-0 lead in the opening period and never looked back, with Holgersen tucking the puck past the Swampscott goalie on a rebound. Connor Hurley and James Sicurella earned assists on the goal.

Assistant captain Joe Hayes then made it 2-0 at 12:21 of the period with a well-placed shot from the point, with Hurley earning another assist.

Hurley upped the Winthrop advantage to 3-0 when he picked up a loose puck to the goalie's left along the boards and skated into the slot area, from where he picked his spot to beat the Big Blue goalie to the short side.

Ferrara finished off the scoring late in the game, putting home a rebound. Holgersen and Hayes were credited with the assists.

Junior netminder Anthony Indrisano earned both the win and the shutout, making 20 saves.

Coach Dale Dunbar and his crew now have won five straight contests to improve to 6-2-1 overall on the season and have positioned themselves for a chance at an NEC North title. Both of the Winthrop losses, to Gloucester and Marblehead, were by one goal. Four teams -- Winthrop, Marblehead, Masconomet, and Gloucester - all have two losses and the Vikings will meet all three of those schools to close out the season.

Winthrop presently is ranked eighth in the state in Division 2 and third in the Division 2 North. The Vikings have five

contests remaining on pandemic-shorttheir ened season, starting tonight (Thursday) when they host Saugus. They will entertain Masconomet Saturday, Marblehead on Monday, and Gloucester on Wednesday. They will finish their 2021 campaign next Saturday (February 20) with Beverly.

# HOCKEY NETS HAT TRICK WITH THREE **WINS**

WHS GIRLS

The Winthrop High girls hockey team enjoyed a highly-successful week, defeating three opponents from the Northeastern

past This Monday the Lady Vikings hosted Marbelehead, traditionally their biggest rival among their NHL opponents, and skated to a dominant 5-1 victory.

Mia Martucci gave Winthrop an early lead at 5:38 of the opening period when she took the puck away from a Marblehead defender behind the net to the left of the Marblehead goalie and then skated around the net and tucked the puck inside the right post for a textbook wrap-around goal. Julia Holmes made it 2-0 with 3:50 left in the period when she deftly put home a rebound off a shot from the point by Adrianna Rizzotto.

The Lady Vikings then increased their margin to 3-0 in the final seconds (3.3 seconds to be exact) of the period. Winthrop earned a face-off to the Marblehead goalie's left. Lly Tallent won the draw, with the puck sliding over to the goalie's right, from where Talia Martucci quickly put a shot on goal. The Marblehead goalie made the save, but Jenna Lindinger adroitly lifted the rebound into the back of the net with just a fraction of a second (0.8) left on the clock.

'I loved seeing Jen get that goal," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "She is just a great person and a player that works so hard. It was an awesome play on her part. I loved seeing her get rewarded with a goal."

Winthrop increased its margin to 4-0 just 1:50 into the second period when Emma Holmes redirected a shot from the point by Amelia Spencer.

"It was a nice shot by Amelia and Emma got in great position to redirect it past the Marblehead goalie," noted Martucci. The visiting Lady Ma-

gicians managed to break through a few minutes later on a power play, but that would prove to be as close as Marblehead would get. Mia Martucci scored her second goal of the game at 5:40 of the third period, putting home a rebound off a shot by Emma Holmes, to put the game on ice.

"This game was big for Julia Holmes," added Martucci. "She had four points on a goal and three assists. Our goalie, Summer Tallent, was great once again, making some great stops in the win. Defensively I thought that everyone played great. Elle English, Fallon Hurley, Taya Schlichting, Amelia Spencer, Casey Petersen, Adrianna Rizzotto, and Abby Holmes did a great

over Gloucester at Larsen

job keeping Marblehead at bay." On Saturday coach Anthony Martucci's crew on defense." displayed their offensive firepower with a 9-1 romp now stand at 7-1 on the

Rink.

The Lady Vikings drew first blood, scoring at 5:01 of the first period when a Lady Viking tucked home the puck amidst a scramble in front of the Newburyport net.

However, when the visitors brought the contest back to level later in the period with a goal off a rebound, the Lady Vikings appeared to be headed for a tough battle. Freshman Hannah

Parker reinstated Winthrop back into the lead when she took a shot from along the boards to the right of the Lady Fisherman goalie and the puck deflected off a Gloucester defender's skate to slide in between the goalie's pads.

Julia Holmes made it 3-1 moments later with a beautiful goal, but Gloucester threatened two minutes after that with a pair of rebound shots in succession, only to be thwarted by WHS netminder Tallent.

The floodgates then opened for the Lady Vikings, who added two more lamplighters before the period ended. The Lady Vikings

quickly put the game away at the start of the third period. Mia Martucci added a goal off a redound in the opening minute and a minute after that, Mia's sister Talia, an eighth-grader, put home a rebound of a shot from the point by Lily Tal-

Within another minute, Emma Holmes stole an errant Gloucester pass and beat the goalie cleanly. Parker completed the Winthrop scoring for the day, assisted by Abby Holmes.

"This one belonged to the line of Mia Norris, Hannah Parker, and Sami DiMento," said Martucci. "All three finished with goals. Parker had two and Norris and DiMento scored two of the prettiest goals that I have seen here. Norris scored a beauty on a picture-perfect deke, and DiMento scored on a backhander top shelf." Other highlights for

Winthrop included the first career high school goal by eighth grader Talia Martucci. Tallent once again held down the fort in goal, making 14 saves. The defensive standouts cited by Martucci were Abby Holmes and Fallon Hurley. The Lady Vikings had

begun their week of victories last Wednesday when they traveled to Medford and came home with a 6-2 triumph. "It was a good game,"

said Martucci. "It was highlighted by the play of Julia Holmes, Emma Holmes, and Mia Martucci. Summer Tallent played well in net, and Adrianna Rizzotto, as well as Casey

Petersen, were excellent Martucci and his crew

season and have a busy

few days ahead. They were scheduled to host Peabody yesterday (Wednesday) and entertain Beverly tomorrow (Friday) before making the long-trek to Newburyport on Saturday.

### **BOYS BASKETBALL** FADES IN FOURTH PERIOD VS. **DANVERS** The Winthrop High

boys basketball team played hard in their contest with Danvers this past week, but came up on the short end of a 54-46 deci-

The Vikings held a 27-23 midway through the third period, but a crucial stretch at the very end of the third period and the start of the fourth saw Danvers take a 45-35 lead that the Vikings proved unable to overcome.

Despite starting the game with a 9-2 deficit and committing 12 turnovers in the first half, Winthrop stayed close, 22-19, at the intermission. Freshman George Galuris ( a teamhigh 13 points, including 4-for-4 from the free throw line) started the Vikings on the comeback trail with a pair of free throws.

That was followed by a jump shot in the lane from Luca Zanelli, who had just come into the game, and a fast-break, press-break bucket by Tyler Rockefeller off a feed from Zack Bogusz, drawing the Vikings within two, 10-8.

Danvers scored the final four points of the period, including a buzzer-beater off an offensive rebound, but Rockefeller opened the second period by drawing a charge (his first of two on the night) and then sank a 12-footer off a nice pass from Galuris to make it 14-

Four Viking free throws, one each from Cam Conway and Bogusz and a pair by Zanelli, offset a Danvers bucket to draw Winthrop within two points, 16-14. After a Peabody offen-

sive rebound and putback, Bogusz drained a trey to make it an 18-17 contest with 2:57 left in the half. After a Danvers hoop, Galuris drove the lane and banked a runner to make it 20-19. Danvers sank the final bucket of the half and a Viking missed a pair of free throws to leave matters at 22-19 in favor of the visitors at the intermission. Galuris opened the third

period with another exceptional drive through traffic to make it a one-point game once again, 22-21. A free throw by Bougusz brought the Vikings back to level at 22, and after a Peabody free throw, Galuris found Zanelli for a bucket to give the Vikings their first lead of the game,

24-23, with 6:00 to go in

the period. Zanelli, who

seems to provide the Vikings with instant offense a la John Havlicek when he comes in off the bench, sank another bucket off an assist from Conway, and then hit a free throw to move Winthrop out to a 27-23 lead.

However, **Danvers** soon deflated the Vikings' building momentum with a three-pointer. Although Rockefeller popped in a 13-footer, another Falcon trey evened the count at 29-29 with 30 seconds left in the half.

The Vikings then committed two costly mistakes, the first when a Winthrop player moved too early into the lane to take away a free throw by Conway, and the second when a Viking fouled a Danvers player on a desperation three-point shot at the buzzer.

The Falcon made two of his three attempts from the charity stripe, so instead of a 30-29 lead at the end of the period, the Vikings trailed, 31-29.

The teams battled evenly to start the final eight minutes, with Rockefeller completing a Winthrop press-break and Zanellli and Conway each sinking a free throw, leaving the score at 35-33 with 6:25 remaining.

However, over the ensuing three minutes, Danvers outscored the Vikings 10-2, with the lone Viking response coming from Conway on a 15-foot jumper, leaving matters at 45-35 with 3:25 on the

Winthrop drew within five points on two occasions. Galuris hit two free throws and then drained a trey to slice that deficit in half to 45-40 with 2:28 to

After a Danvers hoop, Conway drove in for a basket to make it 47-42 with 1:55 remaining. However, the Falcons

scored the next four points before Galuris hit a 15 footer to make it 51-44 with 54.9 to go. But it proved too little, too late and Danvers prevailed, 54-46. Galuris ended up as

Winthrop's high scorer with 13 points and Zanelli reached double figures with 10. Rockefeller and Conway hit for eight points apiece followed by Bogusz with seven. Vikings The

were scheduled to play at Swampscott this past Tuesday. They will trek to Marblehead today (Thursday) and then host Marblehead tomorrow (Friday). They will wrap up their season by entertaining Saugus next Tuesday and making the long ride

to Glucester next Friday.

# WHS GYMNASTS HANDILY DEFEAT **MARBLEHEAD**

The Winthrop High gymnastics team proved to a 3-1 on the season with a commanding 135.15-99.05 victory over Marblehead in a meet held at the Marblehead YMCA this past Saturday.

Winthrop started off on uneven bars with freshman Shannon Abbott hitting her routine. "Shannon has been a

grown to depend on," said WHS coach Pete Gobiel. "It's important to get the team off on the right foot." Eighth-grade standout Isabella Rice followed

reliable routine that we've

with a perfect routine, setting the stage for the rest of the team. Captain Danielle Carter stepped up and didn't disappoint, hitting her routine and scoring a 7.7.

Megi Zogasi and Brandi DiCicco followed with no mistakes, scoring an 8.1 and 8.2. Anchoring the uneven

bar lineup, junior Mary O'Donnell performed a mistake-free routine to score an 8.5.

The vault was next for Winthrop, with Rice leading off with an 8.3. Captain Rachel Farley did her twisting handspring, scoring an 8.45. Carter did her twisting vault, earning a mark of 8.6. Alayna Ronan scored an 8.5 and DiCicco finished up with her somersaulting vault for a first-place, scoring an 8.75.

The floor exercise went well for the Lady Vikings, with Ronan scoring an 8.0, Ellie O'Donnell an 8.2, Gabriella Giuffre an 8.3, DiCicco an 8.2, Rice an 8.45, and Carter taking first place with a perfect routine, scoring 8.7.

The last event, the balance beam, started with outstanding ninth-grader Ellie O'Donnell scoring a 7.95. Not to be outdone, sister Mary O'Donnell, back from doing her sprinting routine on vault, scored an 8.0. Zogasi and DiCicco tied with scores of 8.6, followed by Ronan with an 8.7.

Closing out the meet, Carter completed the best performance of the evening, scoring an 8.8. "We had a few mistakes

tonight -- clearly not our best meet," said coach Pete Gobiel. "But we learned to rely on our captain, Danielle Carter, to lead by example and she's been amazing this year." The Lady Vikings' next

meet is this Saturday at home versus Peabody at 4:30. They will travel to the Yellow Jackets facility in Middleton to meet Danvers on Sunday. The last meet of the season is set for next Saturday, February 20, when Winthrop will host Bishop Fenwick.

# **OBITUARIES**

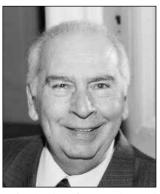
# Joseph Colvario, Jr.

Retired heavy equipment operator

Joseph Colvario Jr. passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on January 31. He was 76 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved son of the late Madeline (Carcerano) and Joseph Colvario Sr., he grew up in the North End of Boston before moving to Winthrop over 55 years ago. Prior to his retirement he worked as a heavy equipment operator for many years.

He was the devoted husband of Jean (Guerriero) and the loving father of Michele Bickford and her husband, Mark Sr. and Jennifer Hurley and her husband, James, all New Hampshire and Jessica Colvario and her boyfriend, Paul Walsh of Malden; dear brother of Maria



Minchella of Beverly and the late Thomas, Stephen, Anthony and John Colvario; cherished grandfather of Mark Jr., Madisyn, Cameron, Joey and Ricky.

A funeral service was held from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Sunday, February 7. Committal was private.

To sign the online guestbook, go to www. caggianofuneralhome.

# **Arlene Shea**

Active member of the Winthrop Senior Center and Winthrop Catholic Women's Club

Arleen M. (Redington) Shea, 96, of Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on February 2.

She was a graduate of St. Rose High School in Chelsea and was a former long-time employee of Mass Mutual Insurance Co. She moved to Winthrop after her marriage and was a resident for over 70 years. She was a former volunteer at Winthrop Hospital and member of the Winthrop Hospital League. She was also an active member of the Winthrop Senior Center and the Winthrop Catholic Women's Club at St. John the Evangelist Church.

Born in Chelsea to the late Margaret (Hanlon) and John E. Redington, she was the beloved wife

She was the oldest and last surviving sibling of the late Donald, Robert, Martin and Paul Redington, Joan Zaremba and Grace McKenzie. She is survived by her loving sister-in-law, Andrea K. Redington of Concord, her dear brother-in-law, Louis J. McKenzie of Middleton and by many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. A Celebration of Life

of the late John F. Shea.

will be held at a later date.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Win-

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# National Grid seeks approval to expand access to distributed solar

Staff report

National Grid has filed a proposal to expand access to solar energy and provide annual bill discounts to 20,000 low-income customers in Massachusetts.

Solar-powered generation is a vital part of the strategy to meet Massachusetts' clean energy goals. While many customers benefit from the savings of rooftop solar, not every customer has the means or ability to install solar panels on their

Community Shared Solar is a part of the So-Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) program, and it enables customers to lower their bills through local solar projects without having to install solar panels on their property.

To date, low-income customers have had limited access to the monetary benefits available from participating in solar projects. As of December 2020, less than five percent of solar capacity in the SMART program serves low-income The company's Solar Ac-

customers. cess Initiative, which is pending review from the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU), seeks to make clean energy more accessible to low-income customers.

"No matter their income level, all of our customers should share in the benefits of distributed solar," said Marcy Reed, presi-

dent of National Grid in Massachusetts. "With this proposal, we are demonstrating our commitment to offering fair and affordable solutions as we drive toward our clean energy future.'

The Solar Access Initiative aims to expand access to Community Shared Solar projects by eliminating the need for customer credit checks through a new Solar Simplified Billing program. In addition, National Grid will launch a Solar Enrollment Program exclusively available to low-income customers that will provide approximately \$240 in annual bill discounts.

 Solar Simplified Billing The owners of many Community Shared Solar projects screen applicants using credit scores to reduce the risk of late payments. This significantly limits the pool of customers who can qualify to participate. National Grid's Solar Simplified Billing eliminates the need for

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# George Sennott

Proprietor of Sennott Roofing Company

George F. Sennott of Winthrop passed away peacefully at home with his loving family by his side after a long and courageous battle with cancer on Wednesday, February 3. He was 78 years old.

Born in Portsmouth, NH, he was the cherished son of the late George F. and Katherine (Langton) Sennott. lifelong A roofer,

George was the proprietor of Sennott Roofing Company, employing countless Winthrop residents for over fifty years, although his greatest legacy will be the kindness, generosity and opportunities he showed all. He is held in the highest regard by all who were lucky enough to know him. George was the beloved

soulmate of Judi Buono and her children, Kim Rogers and her husband, Steve and Jeff Buono and his wife, Jen. George was the devoted father of George Sennott and his wife, Cathleen and Patrick Sennott and his wife, Lauren, all of Winthrop, Kathleen Wall and her husband, Scott of Land O' Lakes, FL, Laureen Sustachek and her husband, David of Wesley Chapel, FL and Eric Sennott and his wife, Janine of Odessa, FL. George is also survived by the moth-



er of his children, Rosemary Barquin of Land O' Lakes, FL. George was the adored grandfather of 21 grandchildren; the dear brother of John Sennott and his life partner, Christine O'Brien of Winthrop and is also survived by many nieces and nephews. George's Funeral Mass

will be celebrated in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop on February 13 at 11:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Please go directly to church and follow the current social distance guidelines. Interment will follow in Winthrop Cem-

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to the Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan St. Danvers, MA 01923. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign George's guestbook, please visit: www. mauricekirbyfh.com.

# Mary Hansen

Retiree of the Food Service industry at Logan Airport

Mary N. (English) Hansen of Winthrop passed away on February 5. She was 92 years old.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late Louis V. Hansen. Born in Boston. she was the cherished daughter of the late Joseph and Grace (Gulli) English.

Prior to her retirement, Mary worked in the food service industry at Logan International Airport. Mary loved playing Bingo and enjoyed many trips to Foxwoods and Encore casinos. Mary was also an outstanding candlepin bowler.

Mary was the devoted mother of Robert Hansen and his wife, Donna of Evansville, Ind., Richard Hansen and his wife, Jo-Ann of Peabody, Karen Schlichting and her husband, Walter of Winthrop, the late Patricia A. Keenan and her surviving husband, David of Maine, Joann Huckins and her husband, David of Tilton, NH and Ronald Hansen Winthrop. She was the adored grandmother of Michael Schlichting,

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Diane Houghton and her husband, David and Jessica Huckins and lovgreat-grandmother of Benjamin and Riley Houghton; the dear sister of Dolly Massone of Everett and the late Grace Cassetta, Josephine Carpenito, Louis and Michael English. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, February 11, from 9 to 11 a.m. following current social distance guidelines and capacity limits. Funeral services will be private. To sign Mary's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

# Carol Ann Burke

A very special lady

Carol Ann Burke of Winthrop was called home to God in his kingdom on February 4. She was 78 years old. Born in East Boston,

she was the cherished daughter of the late John J. and Mary O. (MacCormick) Burke, Sr. Carol attended Fitton

Catholic High School in East Boston and then went on to graduate from St. Thomas Aguinas Secretarial School in Milton. She was a long-term employee of the New England Telephone and Verizon Company, where she eventually retired from a high-level managerial position. She was a devoted member of St. John the Evangelist Church as well as a lifelong member of the Catholic Women's Club.

Carol was an especially caring person and was known to be generous to a fault. Carol supported many charitable causes, especially the veteran's home where her late brother, Fran resided for many years. Carol loved to travel and was particularly fond of the arts. Carol lived her life to

high standards, and was steadfast and firm in her beliefs. Many will remember Carol as a tiny person, with the biggest of hearts. Put simply, Carol was a very special lady. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends. Carol was the dear sis-

ter of Robert H. "Bob" Burke and his wife, Grace of Winthrop, the late Rita DiSilvio and her late husband, Frank, the late Theresa M. Davis and her late husband, Walter and the late John J. Burke Jr. and the late Francis E. Burke. Carol was the proud "Auntie" to Karen Sirianni and her husband, Anthony, Rob Burke and his wife Colleen, the late Joseph Burke and his surviving wife, Tina, Frank DiSilvio, Michael DiSilvio and



his wife, Lanae and John and Kevin Burke. She is also survived by many great nieces and great nephews.

Due to the current pandemic, funeral services for Carol will be private A Celebration of Life and Mass will be held at a later date when conditions have improved. Donations in her memory can be made to WGBH TV Boston and to Jeff's Place in Framingham in honor of Carol's late nephew, Joseph Burke. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign Carol's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com

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# **WHS SPORTS** THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago **February 3, 2011** 

The Winthrop High hockey team enjoyed a runaway 10-1 victory over Salem. Joe Scarfo, the fourth leading-scorer in the Northeastern Conference, notched a hat trick and had two assists. Linemate Chris LeBlanc, who is the second leading-scorer in the NEC, had a goal and two assists. Other Vikings who took part in the 'light the red lamp party' were Drayton Chasteen (two goals), Matt Todisco, Jake Rand, Bob Clewer, and freshman Chris Page, who notched his first career varsity goal. Page also was credited with an assist on the goal by Bobby Clewer. Additional Vikings who earned assists for their playmaking were Adam Lundberg and Nick Clewer (two assists each), Sean Donahue, Todisco, Dan Eruzione, and Mike Paulsen. The contest also saw eighth-grade netminder Ray Feeley take a turn between the pipes in the third frame to spell regular goalie Steve Waites. Coach Dale Dunbar's Vikings are 5-2-2 in the

NEC and 8-2-3 overall. Winthrop High basketball team turned in a pair of solid efforts against two tough rivals from the Northeastern Conference Large Division. The Vikings came away with a hard fought 66-62 win over Revere Monday night in a contest that came down to the final minute. Winthrop had overcome a 37-31 halftime deficit thanks to the combination of a strong defensive effort that held Revere scoreless for the first 3:52 of the third period and the offensive play of Anthony Hatzisavas. Hatzi' became a one-man wrecking crew for the Vikings in the third frame, scoring 12 points to single-handedly outscore the Revere team (which managed only seven points in the period) and propelling Winthrop into a 48-44 advantage at the third quarter marker. Viking Michael Griffin had a hand in all of the key plays down the stretch that pulled out the victory for Winthrop. Michael drained a three pointer that gave the Vikings a 63-61 lead and then hit a free throw to make it 64-62 (after Revere had hit a free throw). Although Griffin missed on his second charity stripe toss, Joe D'Amore tipped the ensuing rebound to keep the ball alive and Griffin grabbed the loose ball with just seconds left on the clock. After a Winthrop timeout, Griffin made an inbounds pass to Quinton Dale who put in a basket to seal the win. Griffin ended up as high-scorer with 18 points, but key contributions were made by Hatzisavas with 14 points and 19 rebounds and Taj Generazzo who had an unusual double-double for a guard with 12 assists and 11 rebounds to go along with his seven points. Friday's encounter with perennial NEC power Lynn English was a closely-fought battle from beginning to end. The score was deadlocked at 31-31 at the half and was a one-point affair, 49-48 in favor of English, after three periods before the Bulldogs, who earlier in

The Winthrop High Lady Bulldog hockey team took on two of the top-rated teams in the state this past week and showed that they will be a force to be reckoned with when state tourney time rolls around. Although the Lady Bulldogs came up on

the week had knocked off

fourth-ranked Brockton,

eventually pulled away for

a 70-60 victory.

the short of a 5-0 decision to defending state champ St. Mary's of Lynn (which is riding an amazing 90game unbeaten streak) last Wednesday before a huge crowd at the Lynn Arena, WHS head coach Anthony Martucci saw many positive signs from his team's performance. Despite the tough loss, the Lady Bulldogs came back a few nights later against a 15th-ranked Shrewsbury team that had handed Winthrop a 2-1 loss in the season-opener. Winthrop controlled the play from the outset, but was unable to finish its chances as Shrewsbury skated to a 1-0 lead. However, Taylor Brown (assisted by Chelsey Bartlett) lit the lamp with 5:40 to play to earn the tie.

Winthrop

The

girls indoor track team ran past Saugus, 62-34. The Lady Vikings took five of the nine individual events, but superior depth proved the difference in the final outcome. First place finishers for Winthrop were Julia Wallace in the high jump with a leap of 4-6; Jessica Dowson in the 50 yard hurdles in a time of 8.4; Amy Sena in the 1000 in 3:49.6; Kaitlyn Hersey in the mile in 6:13.4; and Jordan Griffiths in the two mile in 13:53.4. The Lady Vikings also nabbed seven second place finishes that placed 21 points onto the Winthrop side of the score sheet. Those girls were: Ashley Jurovich with a shot-put toss of 26-3 and a clocking of 54.7 in the 300; Katie Cochrane in the hurdles in 8.6; Lexi Vaccaro in the dash in 6.9; Haley Benson in the 600 in 1:56.6; Corey Chavis in the 1000 in 3:49.9; and Amanda Hersey in the mile in 7:10.6. Adding single points to the Winthrop total with third place

efforts were: Elizabeth

Anderson with a throw of 24-7.5 in the shot; Christina Russo in the dash in Althea Losannah in the 300 in 55.7; Maria Rago in the 600 in 2:12.3; and Wallace in the two mile in 15:41.9.

Patrick Brogan won the two mile and Jordan Ekidat took second in two events to pace the Winthrop High boys indoor track team in their meet last week with Saugus. Patrick won his race with a clocking of 12:29.5, while Jordan took second in the high jump with a leap of 5-4 and second in the 50 yard dash in 6.3 seconds. Other point-scorers for Winthrop were Paul Correale with a second place in the shotput with a toss of 35-9.5; Rob Pino with a third in the 50 yard hurdles in 8.8; Justin Casilla with a third in the 300 in 46.9; and Mario Mazzone with a third in the 600 in 1:52.5.

### 20 years ago Feb. 1, 2001

The WHS hockey team qualified for a berth in the state tourney with a 4-2 win over East Boston. Jake Fidler, Matt Driscoll, Mike Moran, and Bobby Kneeland scored the Winthrop goals. The Vikings now are 9-2-1 and are seeking its first NEC title since the 1985 season when Coach Bill Falasca's team went 17-1 in the NEC in his last year as head coach.

Courtney Finn, Paul Finn, and Kristen Finn won the Elks Hoop Shoot district free throw shooting contest in their age groups of 8-9 and 10-11 last week and now will move on to the state finals.

The WHS girls track team dropped a 50-35 decision to Marblehead. Michelle LaFrazia was the top performer for the Lady Vikings, winning the 50yard hurdles in a personal record time of 8.4 and the high jump with a leap of 4'-11". Junior Danielle Dillard remained unbeaten in the 300 dash with a clocking of 41.2. Ashley Woods captured the 1000 in 3:26 and freshman Laura Sweeney won the mile in 6:04.

The WHS boys basketball team kept alive its hopes for a state tourney berth with a 66-48 triumph over Beverly. Senior captain James Arena led coach Peter Grimes's Vikings, who now are 6-7 on the season, with 21 points. Sean Burgess hit for 16 points and Jeremy Jenkins added nine. Mark O'Brien chipped in with eight points. However, Winthrop proved no match for the state-ranked Lynn English Bulldogs, dropping an 88-61 deci-

### 30 years ago Jan. 30, 1991

Youth Soccer officials told the selectmen that the new youth soccer field at Ft. Banks was unuseable in the fall because of the poor field conditions.

WHS track star Billy Perella claimed the championship in the 50yard hurdles at the Northern Area Meet Saturday. Perella has tied the school record in the event of 6.5 seconds.

The WHS girls basketball team clinched a spot in the post-season state tourney with a 43-30 win over Swampscott. Sophomores Liz Doherty had 18 points and Lori Thomas snared 13 rebounds.

Soph Mike Mason scored 19 points to lead the WHS boys hoop team to a 63-55 win over Swampscott.

In a 2-1 win for the WHS hockey team over Beverly, freshman Anthony Palmer was sensational in the nets. Mike DiMento and Neil MacDonald scored the goals for Win-

### 40 years ago Feb. 4, 1981

Sophomore

John Tiano scored four goals to lead the WHS hockey team to a 7-3 win over Lynn Classical. The Vikings now trail Marblehead by just one point in the NEC standings.

Maureen

McManus led the Winthrop girls basketball team with nine points and 16 rebounds in a 38-36 loss to Marblehead. Local resident Caruccio has returned

from a 15-day sojourn in which he ran a marathon in Savannah, Georgia; a 10K in Bermuda; and then ran to a 13th place finish in the Bermuda Marathon

### 50 years ago Feb. 3, 1971

The WHS hockey team, hoping to become the first-ever Viking hockey team to reach the state tourney, defeated Salem

Winthrop Town Meeting members are poised to vote on construction of a hockey rink in the town. Supporters point to the high demand for ice time in the Greater Boston area, with the MDC rinks in the area able to accommodate only 900 hours of the 1700 hours for which there is a

### 60 years ago Feb. 2, 1961

Billy Van Dalinda scored 17 points, but the WHS basketball team dropped a 52-48 decision to Newburyport.

### 70 years ago Feb. 1, 1951

Steve Miles, the WHS basketball team's starting center, tossed in 19 points to lead Winthrop to a victory over Newburyport at the Boston Garden. It was the most points scored by a Winthrop player this season.

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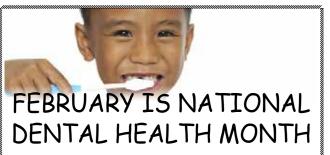
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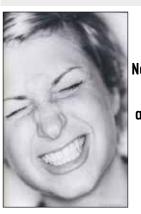
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National Grid contract with and match low-income participants to Community Shared Solar projects. The contracted projects will not have to conduct their own customer billing or recruitment, reducing their costs and making more bill discounts available to the low-income participants.

National Grid is committed to being a responsible business partner, delivering sustainable energy safely, reliably and affordably, ensuring no one gets left behind. If approved by the DPU, the Solar Access Initiative would go into effect in early 2022.



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### WHS VIKING BOYS HOCKEY SENIOR NIGHT AT LARSEN RINK

Last Saturday afternoon at Larsen Rink the Winthrop Hight School Vikings recognized their

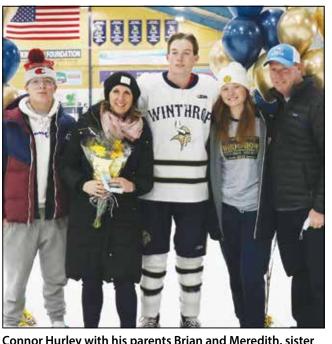
eight seniors for their contributions to the team for the past four years.



Asst. Captain Christopher Ferrara, with his parents, Chris and Marissa and his brother Charlie and sister, Ella.



Evan Smotrich with, Heather Fife Smotrich and James Anderson



Connor Hurley with his parents Brian and Meredith, sister Fallon and brother Jack.



Conlan Petersen with is parents, Gregg and Jill and sister



Matthew Hurley with his parents, Robert and Andrea and brother Andrew.



Charlie Lane with his parents, Michael and Stephanie.

# **LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS**

### **SULLIVAN NAMED** TO COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS' FALL 2020 DEAN'S LIST

Aviana Sullivan of Winthrop, was named to the College of the Holy Cross Fall 2020 Dean's List. A member of the Class of 2024, Sullivan is majoring in Undeclared.

Sullivan was among more than 1,453 students named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

To qualify, students must pass four or more letter-graded courses with no failing grades during the semester and earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

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### LOCAL RESIDENTS RECEIVE **ACADEMIC HONORS**

Northeastern University is pleased to recognize those students who distinguish themselves academically during the course of the school year. The following local students were recently named to the University's dean's list for the Fall semester, which ended in December 2020.

\* Winthrop resident Samuel Yarrow, majoring

in business administration \* Winthrop resident Andrew Angulo, majoring in

Winthrop resident

electrical engineering

environmental & sustain sciences

\* Winthrop resident Elizabeth Collins, majoring in mechanical engineering

To achieve the dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.5 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C- during the course of their college career. Each student receives a letter of commendation and congratulation from their college dean.

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# LOCAL STUDENTS MAKE THE UMASS AMHERST FALL 2020 DEAN'S LIST

 Below is a list of local students who were named to the dean's list at the University of Massachusetts Amherst for the fall 2020 semester.

In order to qualify, an undergraduate student must receive a 3.5 gradepoint average or better on a four-point scale.

Sydney Ellen Adamson Sean Matthew Arria Ava Joan Bertino Abigail Rose Carleton Gina Rose Chalmers Sage Olivia D'Amelio

Colby Charles Dassau Jennifer Guerra Jillian Karen Johnson Maximus Thomas MacLean Alexia Maria Piazza Christopher Honan Rodriguez

Matthew Conway Rudser Fatma Tufa Gabriella Vecchio Jared John Vecchio Michael Joseph Vecchio



**Richard D'Amelio** 



Sage D'Amelio

# SIBLINGS ON **DEAN'S LIST**

Two Winthrop siblings have both been named to the Dean's List at their respective collegesl for Fall 2020.

Richard D'Amelio atends Bentley University, and his sister Sage D'Amelio attends UMass Amherst, Isenberg School of Management.

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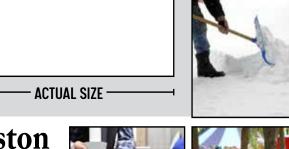
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# **NEWS FROM AROUND** THE REGION

# O'FLAHERTY **RETURNS TO CHELSEA**

CHELSEA - When his friend and colleague in the House of Representatives, Martin Walsh, the newly elected mayor of Boston, asked him to be corporation counsel for the city of Boston, then-State Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty accepted the new job and the considerable challenge of the position.

And now after seven years of commendable and widely acclaimed service in the key role in the Walsh Administration, O'Flaherty is leaving and will be returning to Chel-

"It was an incredible opportunity to serve the City of Boston and to continue my public service," said O'Flaherty. "When I got there, it felt like an overwhelming task. We have to manage over 60 attorneys, paralegals, and staff. It's a very diverse law practice, with many qualified attorneys working on schools, on the Boston Police and Boston Fire, and all the different departments and commissions, as well as the Boston City Council,"

said O'Flaherty. If it sounds like a gargantuan operation, it is. All of the legal representation for New England's largest city was under O'Flaherty's jurisdiction, including more than 1,200 litigation cases per year.

There are close to 20,000 employees working for the city "so it was a very large law practice difficult to manage, but I quickly, with the help of some very public servants, figured out what the role of the job was," said O'Flaherty.

"Being with the Mayor, my legislative colleague and friend, throughout all of that, it was a great honor working to fufill a lot of what he wanted to accomplish as Mayor," said O'Flaherty. "I've been by his side almost since Day 1, and we'll be leaving around the same time."

Walsh has been nominated by President Joe Biden for the Cabinet position of U.S. Labor Secretary. O'Flaherty was asked by the Mayor to serve with him in Washington, D.C. in the Office of the Secretary of Labor.

"Maybe if I were 20 years younger, I would have taken advantage of that opportunity, but at this point in my life, it will be too disruptive to both myself, my wife (Patricia), and my in-laws," said O'Flaherty.

"While I was very honored to be asked to serve in the Office of the Secretary of Labor and continue working with Mayor Walsh in his new role, I had to very emotionally decline the offer.

"I'm very proud of what he has accomplished as Mayor and now to be in President Biden's Cabinet - but it would be too disruptive personally to me, my family, my friends, and our network that we have here, to leave here and go down to Washington," said O'Flaherty.

### Chelsea's former state representative

Gene O'Flaherty was elected state representative for Chelsea and Charlestown in November, 1996, and took office in January, 1997. O'Flaherty and Walsh, who represented Dorchester, both started together as freshman legislators.

"Both of our districts had Boston, so we had mutual legislative interests at first and we quickly became friends because, like me, both his parents were from Ireland and both my parents were both from Ireland as well, so we had a lot in common and we hit it off," said O'Flaherty.

They served in the House of Representatives together for 17 years. When Walsh was elected Mayor of Boston in 2013 and took office in 2014, he met for dinner with O'Flaherty and asked him to join his administration as corporation counsel.

O'Flaherty accepted the offer. He stepped down from his state representative seat and gave up his private law practice.

### Many accomplishments that bettered the city

Over the course of Walsh and O'Flaherty's seven years together in Boston city government,

# FUNDING FOR CAMP FIRE NORTH SHORE



Camp Fire North Shore received a donation from Camp Lions and the Lynn Lions Club for \$50,000.00 for capital improvements. Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation also donated \$25,000.00 as well as the Gerondelis Foundation who will donate a \$100,000.00 over a three year period. This total donation amounts to \$175,000.00 for the initial improvements. Camp Fire Executive Director Laurie Hamill was so excited to begin the overdue renovations to the camp located on Cain Road. She continued to explain, "Thank you to these amazing benefactors; we can move forward on the first phase of the project to allow us to serve more North Shore youth and allows us to offer year round programs." The future improvement program will provide a safe and inclusive curriculum helping young people to become "caring and confident leaders". Pictured, the \$50,000 check presented to Camp Fire North Shore – (L-R) Richard Alfonsi, John Baker, Sean Crowley, Camp Fire Executive Director Laurie Hamill and Camp Fire Board Members Steve Antonakes, Lynn Councilor-at-Large Brian Field, and Matthew Lamothe.

there were many accomplishments.

Until COVID-19 arrived, the economy for the City of Boston was booming. The innovative Seaport District, now a national model, was developed during the administration.

New fire stations, police stations, and libraries were built in the city. There was new infrastructure and huge economic growth.

# **Returning to law practice**

A graduate of Suffolk University and the Massachusetts School of Law, Gene O'Flaherty will be practice, including government relations. He has been practicing law since 1994. As he comes back to the

returning to private law

city where residents overwhelmingly supported him in elections, O'Flaherty says he's excited to back in Chelsea. "It's good to be home,"

he said. Councilor-at-

Said Large Leo Robinson, "It's great to have Gene returning to our city and being a big part of our community. He was an excellent, hard-working state representative who did so much

for our city when he served in that position. I know he was also a tremendous asset to the Walsh Administrative in an important role. I look forward to seeing Gene at Chelsea events and I wish him well in his law practice."

# COVID-19 CASES **DECLINING**

EVERETT - The numbers of COVID-19 cases in Everett backed off again last week from a major surge coming af-

**See METRO NEWS Page 15** 

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

# **LEGAL NOTICE**



PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF FEBRUARY 16, 2021 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 Via Zoom at on or after 7:00PM that the Town Council vote the Use of Retained Earnings, Water/Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$37,750 for costs associated with Revere Street sewer repairs resulting from a sewer collapse on December 24, 2020 **Denise Quist** Council Clerk

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# **LEGAL NOTICE**



Legal Notice #003-2021 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 25, 2021, at or after 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.com, upon the application of Robert Morfino, owner of the property located at, 258 Shirley Street, Winthrop, MA 02152. The applicant seeks a permit to construct a 2nd floor deck/porch 24'6" x 7' 0" at the above references address. The permit was denied in

accordance with the

Town of Winthrop Zoning

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The permit was denied

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of the Town of Winthrop (1) Noncompliance of proposed structure with that the Winthrop Board respect to minimum side of Appeals will conduct yard setback of 10 feet a public hearing on Thursday, February 25, (section 17.16.020.J.1) **Dimensional Regulations.** 2021, at or after 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.com, The public is invited to attend, and interest upon the application of parties shall have an Tara and Jamie Crowley, opportunity to be heard. owner of the property To Join Zoom Meeting: When: Feb 25, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Topic: Board of Appe Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://us02web.zoom. us/j/87086695352 Or iPhone one-tap: US: +13126266799 87086695352# or with the Town of +16465588656, 87086695352# Or Telephone: al Regulations. Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on

located at, 165 Court Rd., Winthrop, MA 02152. The applicant seeks a permit to construct a 23' x 27.5' (710 Sq. ft.) rear deck in addition to a 13' x 14' above ground pool incorporated in the deck at the above references address. The permit was denied in accordance Winthrop Zoning By-Laws Chapter 17.16 Dimension-The permit was denied due to the following reason: 1. Noncompliance of the proposed deck structure with respect to minimum side yard setback and 669 900 9128 or +1 253 rear setback (section 17.16.020) Dimensional Regulations. 2. Noncompliance of proposed pool to minimum rear setback (section

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

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ter the holidays, going down from the 600 range two weeks ago to the 200 range this week and last week.

The percent positive rate is also on the decline this week, at just over 10 percent.

numbers The COVID-19 cases has dropped steadily over the last three weeks, signaling that the holiday surge of cases has come and gone now. There were 272 cases reported last week, and that has now dropped to 225 this week.

The most recent numbers are as follows:

- •Tuesday, Feb. 2 23
- •Monday, Feb. 1-20
- •Sunday, Jan. 31 31 •Saturday, Jan. 30 – 49
- •Friday, Jan. 29 16
- •Thursday, Jan. 28 33 •Wednesday, Jan. 27 –
- •Tuesday, Jan. 26 13 On Monday, Jan. 4, Ev-

erett moved its testing fulltime indoors at the Samuel Gentile Recreation Center on Elm Street. Testing is done Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., and then 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Friday and Saturdays, testing is done noon to 6 p.m.

# **DEVELOPMENT** PITCHED FOR MAVERICK STREET

NEW

EAST BOSTON - Zoning Attorney Jeff Drago pitched his client's plans for 28 units of housing on Maverick Street along the Mary Ellen Welch Green-

At a Friends of the Mary Ellen Greenway Council meeting last Thursday, Drago said his client, City Realty, has purchased the parcels at 167-169 Maverick St. that once housed the Saints and Angels Ceramic Store and wants to renovate the existing three-story brick structure and erect a five-story addition for a total of 28 housing units with 11 parking spaces at the ground level.

"Those of you who are familiar with those parcels know it was the former Saints and Angels Ceramic Store and the adjacent three unit brick building to the left," said Drago. "So we're proposing to combine those parcels and raze the small one story commercial structure because it really is not in the best of shape."

Drago said his client wanted to meet with the Greenway Council because of the project's close proximity with the park.

"We've met Gove Street Citizens Association members for an initial meeting and now the Greenway Council," said Drago. "This is going to go through the Article 80 Small Project Review process just because of the size of the proposal and we will also have to meet with the Parks Department because we're abutting the Greenway as well. This is really the early stages of the project and we wanted to talk to folks early on. We have had a pre-file meeting with the city, but we have not officially filed anything with the BPDA yet."

During his presentation Drago pointed to the recently city-approved project at 173-177 Maverick St., which he said has a similar height as City Re-

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alty's proposal.

With flooding a continuing problem on the Greenway due to rain runoff Drago said City Realty has come up with a plan to eliminate rain runoff from proposed building onto the Greenway.

"All of the rainwater

and all of the rain runoff from the building will be stored in a holding tank," said Drago. "Rain water would be collected from the building, go into this holding tank that is under the surface parking in the rear of the proposed building, and then the excess rainwater will be

slowly distributed and reintroduced into the storm water system. Right now there isn't anything like this so all of the rainwater goes down downspouts and eventually makes its way down into the Greenway adding to the existing flooding problems. But as part of this project we'll be harvesting and mitigating all of our rainwater."

Due to the projects close proximity to the Greenway City Realty, a shadow study was conducted and concluded the worst time for shadowing is the winter with the building casting little shadow impact

onto the Greenway during the other three seasons.

Council Greenway member Karen Maddelena said her major concern was having only 11 proposed parking spaces

"If you could consider having more parking spaces that would be great," she said. Drago said the project hopes to take advantage of

Program so the proposal is limited on how many offstreet parking spaces can be included. "If you are part of this compact living program

you are limited to how

the city's Compact Living

"It is designed to encourage those folks moving here to use other modes of transportation,' said Drago. "The developer has to make space available for bike parking--space would otherwise be used for off-street parking. So if you are going to take part in the compact

living program you actu-

ally are prohibited from

parking

having more

much parking you can ac-

tually have," said Drago.

In order to qualify a proj-

ect for this program, Dra-

go said the proposal has to

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# East Boston's Ben Downing announces candidacy for Governor

On Monday afternoon East Boston resident Ben Downing is inside Mi Pueblito Restaurant in Orient Heights Square picking up some tacos for lunch.

"The chicken jalapeno here is also really good," Downing tells me as he pays for his lunch.

It's been a busy morning for the Western Mass native that served 10 years as a State Senator from Pittsfield before stepping down in 2017 to work fulltime in renewable energy.

Downing has been on the phone all morning tapping into his network of supporters, potential donors, friends and family.

On Monday morning, Downing released a video announcing he is formally entering the 2022 race for Governor of Massachu-

"Growing up in Pittsfield, I lived what it meant to be an afterthought in the state's political power circles," said Downing. "Now, as an East Boston resident, I'm part of a new community just as familiar with being written off. From one side of Massachusetts to the other, I have spent my life in communities that have had to fight harder than they should to get fair representation, equitable access to resources, and attention from Beacon Hill. So I know what a difference state leadership makes. And I know we need better than what we are get-

ting right now." Downing was one of the youngest state senators ever elected in Massachusetts history in 2006 at the age of 24. During his tenure at the State House Downing emerged as a leading climate advocate.

Downing moved to Eastie five years ago with his wife, Micaelah Morrill, and are raising their two young sons Malcolm, age 3, and Eamon, age 9 months, here. However, Downing's roots in Eastie are strong and the family got their start in the neighborhood at the turn of the last century. In fact, there's a hero square on the corner of Sumner and Cottage Street in Jeffries Point that was dedicated by Mayor Martin Walsh in 2019 in honor of Downing's great great-granduncle Albert Henry Downing of Eastie who died during World War I.

While living in Eastie Downing has seen first hand the inequities that have existed for quite some time but have only been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I think the major issues right are going to be the COVID response and the lessons we've learned COVID," said Downing. "What did it expose? What did it show? I think what it showed was something a lot of us already knew existed. We have these widening economic and racial gaps in Massachusetts around income and wages, around wealth and gaps between communities in parts of the state that have grown

and have benefited from

economic growth in recent decades. So the focus will be how do we close those gaps, how do we address economic and racial justice and, while doing that, take the urgent steps that we need to take to address climate change. We know that the most scarce resource when it comes to climate change is time. We only have really a decade here to take the steps we need to build a sustainable society and I don't think our actions at the state level have reflected that."

Downing argues that most of the uegrency over climate change has percolated up from members of the legislature, there needs to be more sense of urgency from the executive branch of government.

"We need more of a sense of urgency," said Downing. "We know communities like East Boston, Chelsea and even Pittsfield were targeted for the development of fossil fuel infrastructure and have the asthma rates and other public health indicators to reflect that. We know a transition to a clean energy economy and the spillovers from that are positive. We have more jobs to create by putting solar on roofs, building energy storage, doing energy retrofits of homes, building offshore wind--there's a lot of jobs there."

Since 2017 Downing has served in a leadership role at Nexamp, a leading renewable energy company. In that role, Downing led efforts to improve accessibility within the



Ben Downing, Candidate for Governor, on the campaign

green economy, expand to new markets outside of the northeast, and deploy cutting-edge energy storage solutions here at home. He serves on the board of the Environmental League of Massachusetts and is a leading advocate for climate action in the Com-

monwealth. "I've come away from Nexamp more optimistic," said Downing. "The naysayers will say, "Oh it's big pie in the sky stuff" and it's not going to really do anything with the economy. I think the most exciting thing for me is to see the solutions that we have to climate change that are at our fingertips--whether that's solar energy efficiency, battery storage, offshore wind--they're there to be tapped. What's been missing is leadership that's ready to tap into that potential and set a higher standard for all of us. All too often you see Governor Baker echo talking points from the real estate

lobby and others who say these will cost too much and slow down development. We've heard those concerns every step along the way when it comes to the climate change debate in Massachusetts. But every step along the way those talking points have been proven wrong. Yes, there are costs but the benefits far outweigh the costs. We've seen that time and time again and the great thing about these jobs is they will be done in Massachusetts, the work has to be done here, and they're good blue collar jobs that can be done in every corner of the state."

Another focus said Downing will be to invest in transportation that can help cut down on carbon emissions.

"A big part of addressing climate change issues is making transit more reliable and you look at governor Baker's record; it's a record of cutting the budget at the MBTA,"

said Downing. "We need to increase ridership and make it more reliable but we need to do the same with the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) because the BRT just isn't relevant but we need it to be. We need people to see that as a viable option that gets them out of their cars. It is a significant undertaking but it's that much tougher to do without leadership from the corner office."

As a state Senator, Downing represented the largest district in the state, comprising 52 cities and towns. Over a decade in office he led legislative efforts to accelerate our clean energy development and respond to climate change, rebuild our urban and rural economies, reduce poverty and hunger, strengthen our state ethics laws, and expand protections for transgender indi-

viduals. "I'm running for Governor to build a fairer, stronger Massachusetts," said Downing. "I believe there is no limit to what we can accomplish here. But the leadership needed to unlock this potential is sorely lacking. As we recover and reimagine our future in the months and years to come, we need a Governor who sees, feels and understands the gravity of this moment and how we got here; who is not content with accumulating power but who is ready to use that power to respond boldly to the dire impacts of the pandemic, rising racial inequality, and the urgency of climate change."





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# **NEWS** Brief

# NO POSTAL **DELIVERY SCHEDULED** ON MONDAY

Postal employees across the commonwealth will pause on Monday, February 15, to celebrate President's Day. Retail offices will be closed and there will be no collection or street delivery of mail except for guaranteed overnight parcels.

Full retail and delivery operations will resume on Tuesday, February 16.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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CAPOBIANCO

READY TO GET TO WORK ON DAY 1

# Woodside Ace Hardware under new ownership

By Kate Anslinger

After 23 years, Paul Levy is handing over his keys for the ACE Hardware on Main Street to longtime employee and new owner, Lauren Murphy, who credits Levy for playing an incredible role in her life. Over the past 15 years, working side by side, the duo have a lot of memories that they will hold onto as they go their separate ways, Murphy taking on the ownership of the store and Levy spending his retirement on his boat and in his garden.

"Paul has played an incredible role in my life and I owe him an awful lot," said Murphy, who became a store partner three years



Paul Levy, owner of Ace for 23 years, with new owner, **Lauren Murphy** 

Murphy started working the cash register as a teenager. For these many

years, she said that Levy has served as her role

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# State Rep. Race Highlight: **Looking at the Candidates**

# DelVento highlights building coalitions and past experience in House in campaign for DeLeo seat

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Born in Winthrop and raised on Water Tower Hill, where she still lives today, Alicia Del-Vento's desire to fight for Winthrop and Revere is inspired by the service of others. "Many of my family and closest friends

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are now educators, nurses, and essential workers, and I witness them giving tirelessly for the benefit

of us all," she said. "This place is where I learned to fight for bold, compassionate policies that help my friends and neighbors. It's why ensuring a brighter, healthier future for our community is so important to me."

Alicia has strong roots in both Revere and Winthrop. She tells us: "My story began right here in Winthrop and Revere, in a family of community

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# Town recovers from DDoS attack on servers

By Kate Anslinger

During Monday night's school committee meeting Superintendent Lisa Howard shared the details surrounding the recent Distributed Denial-of-Service (DDoS) attacks that interrupted learning time throughout the district.

On February 4, after several days of slow internet service and bouts of disrupted service, the district's technology investigations team informed administrators that the Town and school servers were the target of a malicious computer attack which prevented students and teachers from utilizing internet-based resources

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# Rebate of 2021 licensing fees discussed by commissioners

Staff report

The Winthrop Board of License Commission (BLC) sent a request to the Town Council asking that a quarter of the yearly fees for 2021 licenses paid by local restaurants be refunded because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The request came as result of a letter to the commission from Casey Goll, owner of the Winthrop Arms, seeking a 25% rebate because of the adverse business climate for his restaurant.

"We have no authority to rebate, we can only ask the Town Council,' said BLC chairman Marc Chapdelaine. "We are probably talking about \$6,000 to \$8,000 in total."

Commissioner Nicholas Bracy agreed with the request stating, "This makes sense to me. Businesses are being hit every which way. This is some relief."

Commissioner Richard Ackerman noted that oth-

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# Council hears about town planner, internet complications

By Laura Plummer

Council Vice President Peter Christopher led the council meeting on Feb. 2 in the absence of Pres. Phil Boncore. On the agenda were updates regarding the town planner posi-

town's internet connectivity problems.

**Town Planner** Town Manager Austin Faison announced that Rachel Kelly began her

job as the Winthrop Town See COUNCIL Page 5

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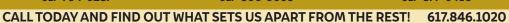








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The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Winthrop Police Department responded on the listed dates:

# MONDAY, JAN. 25

0934: The Animal Control Officer directed a person who had been leaving food scraps for animals at the green bars to cease doing so because it was attracting rodents to the

1055: Officers provided traffic control assistance to the Fire Dept. at a house fire on Paine St.

1148: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity fraud. The officer filed a report.

1304: A DPW worker reported finding two hypodermic syringes in the upper cemetery off Madison Ave. The officer retrieved the items and brought them back to the station for proper dispos-

1645: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity fraud. The officer filed a report.

1834: A motorist called the station to report being involved in an accident with a Paul Revere bus and that papers had been exchanged.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 26

0514: A Shirley St. resident reported that a male party walking his dog had not cleaned up the dog's mess that the dog had left on her lawn and the dog owner then became belligerent toward her.

1128: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle (MV) that was parked in a No Parking zone on Overlook Drive

to move the vehicle.

1354: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between a tenant and landlord on Coral Ave. The officer spoke to both parties.

1920: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Main and Pleasant Sts. There were no injuries and one of the vehicles was towed. The officer filed a report.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27

0631: An Uber driver reported that a passenger had stolen his phone. An officer provided assistance, but was unable to locate the alleged suspect.

1055: An officer responded to a report of a person playing music loudly in an apartment on Coral Ave. The officer restored the peace. 1442: A resident re-

ported that his daughter had been approached by a male party in a motor vehicle on Putnam St. and had asked her if she wanted a ride. The officer was unable to locate a vehicle matching the description provided by the daughter. The officer filed a report.

1747: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) in the 500 block of Shirley St. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation at Washington Ave. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1857: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Paine and Main Sts. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1926: An Underhill St. resident reported the theft of an expensive camera from her premises. The officer filed a report.

2048: An officer

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stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Shirley St. at the public landing for the civil infraction of operating without headlights after dusk. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2123: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) in the 200 block of Winthrop St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2223: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2228: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator. Another person responded to the scene to take control of the MV.

2251: An officer dispersed persons parked in two vehicles from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after dark.

# THURSDAY, JAN. 28

0030: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Main and Beal Sts. for the civil infraction of operating with defective equipment. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0129: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1018: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) for speeding at 50 m.p.h. in a school zone on Walden St. The officer issued a citation to an 18 year-old Winthrop man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV and for the civil infraction of speeding. A licensed operator arrived on the scene to take control of the vehicle.

1929: An officer dispersed persons parked in a vehicle from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after dark.

1951: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Sturgis St. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### FRIDAY, JAN. 29

0143: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Madison Ave. and Winthrop St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1142: An elderly resi-

dent reported that he gave

the Medicare card num-

bers belonging to himself and his wife to a scammer over the telephone. The officer filed a report. 1454: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on River Rd. for the

civil infraction of a stop

sign violation. The officer

gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1713: officer An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Veterans Rd. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal

warning to the operator. 2007: An officer dispersed persons who were parked in two vehicles from Hannaford Park. The parties were informed that the park is closed after

# SATURDAY, JAN. 30

0135: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1024: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1159: An officer directed a person whose vehicle had broken down in the middle of Hutchinson St. to push the vehicle to the side of the roadway until his AAA tow truck arrived. 1643: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle

(MV) at Magee's Corner that had been reported as stolen. Officers requested the narcotics K-9 from the Revere P.D. to come to the scene. The officers arrested two persons: Brian A. Rodrigues, 27, of Norwood, for the criminal offenses of receiving stolen property valued at over \$1200 and illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance; and Mohamed Chakib Haddad, 28, of 355 Winthrop St., for the criminal offense of receiving stolen property valued at over \$1200.

1910: A person called to report that she was picking up a food order at a local restaurant with her threeyear old child when she was assaulted by another female, who threw her to the ground. The officer spoke to the suspect who admitted to the allegation. The officer informed the suspect that she will be receiving a court summons in the mail.

2150: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV.

officer 2244: An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Paine and Main Sts. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### SUNDAY, JAN. 31

An

officer

0035:

stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Pleasant St. and Girdlestone Rd. for the civil infraction of obstruction of a registration plate. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator. 0120:

An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley and Cutler Sts. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1212: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Revere St. involving a parked MV in which the other MV fled the scene. A passenger who was in the parked MV provided the plate number of the MV that drove off to the officer. The officer will try to make contact with the owner of the MV that fled the scene.

1808: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance at the Crystal Cove Inn involving breaking glass and a female yelling for help. The officer restored the peace and filed a report.

2313: A Nevada St. resident called the station to report hearing what sounded like a motor vehicle accident. The officer who responded determined that two parked vehicles had been sideswiped by another MV that had fled the scene. Witnesses gave a description of the offending vehicle.

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### RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS 75+ FOR SCHEDULING COVID-19 VACCINE APPOINTMENTS

Residents 75 and older who are unable to use or have difficulty accessing the internet to schedule an appointment online may contact the Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line by calling 2-1-1. The Winthrop Public Health will also be offering assistance to those who may have difficulty registering for the vaccine. Winthrop senior residents can reach the Winthrop Public Health Emergency Operations Center at (617)

⅓ cup honey

soy sauce or tamari

1/2 tablespoons)

1½ tablespoons reduced sodium

4 cloves garlic, minced (about 1

½ teaspoon crushed red pepper

Reserve the remaining honey mixture.

Remove from the oven; stir the carrots.

8 (5 ounce) bone-in, skin-on

DIRECTIONS:

1 tablespoon cider vinegar

539-5837 or email eoc@ town.winthrop.ma.us. Please note, due to the

high demand for appointments and limited vaccine supply, it may take weeks to secure an available appointment.

Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line at 2-1-1 hours of opera-Monday to Friday 8:30

AM to 5:00 PM

The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is available in English and Spanish and will have translators available to support residents in approximately 100 additional languages. Individuals ages 75 and older

will be able to speak to a representative live on the phone to assist them with an appointment through the state's online system.

If no appointments are available, callers will have the option to be placed on a call back list for the mass vaccination sites. The caller will receive a call back when an appointment becomes available for them at a mass vaccination site, and the list will be called on a first-come, firstserved basis.

The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is currently only for individuals ages 75 and older who cannot use or have difficulty accessing the internet and therefore are unable to schedule an appointment through the online platforms. The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is only able to support individuals with scheduling an appointment and representatives are not able to answer general questions about COVID-19 or provide individual health care advice. The quickest and eas-

iest way to schedule a vaccine appointment or check availability is to use the online system at mass. gov/covidvaccine.

### MCU TO MERGE WITH GLOUCESTER MUNICIPAL **CREDIT UNION**

Metro Credit Union (MCU), Massachusetts' state-chartered credit union, today announced that it will merge with Gloucester Municipal Credit Union, founded in Gloucester, Mass in 1941, on February 26. Metro, which recently surpassed \$2.3 billion in assets, will absorb GM-CU's nearly 500 members and \$2.3 million in assets. Metro's newest members will have access to an expanded line of products and services as well as its 14 branch locations.

"I'm thrilled to welcome members of the Gloucester community to the Metro family," said Robert Cashman, CEO and president. "I encourage both existing members of GMCU and others who are or were previously employed by the city of Gloucester to take advantage of the many opportunities Metro has to offer our members."

When considering a merger, GMCU turned to Metro due to its strong reputation, digital and technological ment, and obvious commitment to its more than 220,000 members.

"Metro will offer our members additional benefits and opportunities that we have not been able to provide, including digital access, mortgages, home equity loans, and more," said Lawrence Ingersoll, board president, Glouces-Municipal Union. "We are particularly grateful to partner with a credit union that we know will treat our members with compassion and care and offer them the security and trust they deserve."

For more information about Metro Credit Union, please visit metrocu.org or connect with us on Linke-

### **MVES OFFERS** SAFETY TIPS FOR **SNOWY AND ICY** CONDITIONS Each winter, slip and

fall accidents cause serious injuries. Even when surfaces do not look especially icy or slippery, it is very possible that a thin sheet of transparent ice

or "Black Ice" is covering your pathway putting you at risk. When you approach a footpath or roadway that appears to be covered with ice or snow. always use extreme caution. Many slips and falls happen in places people regard as safe and secure, typically outside their front door, on the doorstep, on the path or while

getting out of the car. With the winter weather upon us, Mystic Valley Elder Services' Safety Committee advises these 10 tips to make sure you are staying safe when walking around in snowy and icy

conditions. Walk slowly and carefully. Wear boots or other slip-resistant footwear.

Use special care when getting in and out of vehicles. Use the vehicle for support if you need to do

Watch for slippery floors when you enter any building or home.

Avoid walking with your hands in your pockets; this can reduce your ability to catch yourself if you lose your balance. Watch out for black ice.

Tap your foot on potentially slick areas to see if the areas are slippery.

Walk as flat-footed as possible in very icy areas. Avoid uneven surfaces

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# **STEP 4:** Meanwhile, whisk comstarch and water in a small bowl until no clumps remain. Combine the cornstarch mixture and the reserved honey mixture in a small saucepan; bring to a simmer over medium-low heat, whisking once or twice. Simmer, whisking often, until the sauce is clear and thickened, about 2 minutes. Drizzle

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**HONEY GARLIC CHICKEN THIGHS** 

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**STEP 1:** Whisk honey, soy sauce (or tamari), garlic, vinegar and crushed red pepper in a small bowl. Place chicken and half of the honey mixture (about 1/4 cup) in a zip-top plastic bag; remove excess air and seal bag. Massage the chicken in the sealed bag until well coated. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes and up to 2 hours.

STEP 2: Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a large rimmed

baking sheet with foil; coat with cooking spray. Remove the chicken from the marinade (discard marinade); arrange on 1 side of the prepared pan. Combine carrots and 1 tablespoon oil in a medium

bowl; toss well to coat. Spread the carrots in an even layer on the other side of the pan. Bake the chicken and carrots for 15 minutes.

**STEP 3:** Combine broccoli and the remaining 1 tablespoon oil; toss well to coat. Distribute the broccoli evenly over the chicken and carrots on the pan. Sprinkle salt and pepper over all. Bake until

the vegetables are tender and a thermometer inserted in the thickest portion of the chicken registers 165 degrees F, 15 to 18 minutes.

chicken thighs

1/2-inch pieces

½ teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon water

1 teaspoon cornstarch

pound)

1 pound small carrots, sliced into

2 tablespoons olive oil, divided

4 cups broccoli florets (about 1

½ teaspoon ground pepper

over the chicken and vegetables. Serve hot.

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# Town sees 56 new cases this past week

Special to the Transcript

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has notified Town officials of 56 additional confirmed positive cases of the virus in Winthrop since our last reporting on Feb. 4. These bring the total number of cases up to 1,883, with 35 deceased, 72 in isolation and 1,784 recovered.

The Winthrop Public Health will be offering assistance to those who may have difficulty registering for the Covid vaccine.

Anyone in need can call the EOC number at 617-539-5837 or email eoc@ town.winthrop.ma.us.

### Winthrop Stop the Spread **Testing Information**

- Indoor Testing Now Available By Appointment Only
- 151 Pauline St: Located in the Old Middle School Gymnasium next to Larsen Rink
- Testing Hours can be found on https://app.beacontesting.com/login.
- Please register online at https://app.beacontesting.com/login to see available appointment slots.

(617) 741-7310 https://app.beacontesting.com/login

**COVID-19 Vaccine** 



A rendering of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus.

# **Information**

Individuals age 75 and older are eligible beginning February 1, 2021.

Please visithttps://www. town.winthrop.ma.us/ home/news/resources-residents-75-scheduling-covid-19-vaccine-appointments for more information

Currently the vaccine supply is very limited and dependent of federal allocations.

The Winthrop Health

department does not have vaccine available and do not expect vaccines for at least 3-4 weeks (also dependent on how many doses the state receives)

All appointments are made online for state-sponsored sites.

If you are looking for a vaccine appointment, we suggest two things.

Contact your primary care provider; because of the limited supply they may not be doing distributions currently.

Look at state-sponsored sites that may have vaccine doses available. Not all sites will have appoint-

ments because of the limited supply.

For the most up to date information on vaccines in Massachusetts, go to

https://www.mass.gov/ info-details/covid-19-vaccine-frequently-asked-**Stay Informed!** 

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

- Town of Winthrop COVID-19 resource page: WinthropCOVID19.com
- Town of Winthrop Official Website: www.town. winthrop.ma.us
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health: www.mass.gov/covid-19

• Massachusetts 2-1-1

- general COVID-19 information: Click here or dial 2-1-1 (24/7) • United States Centers
- for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov
- The best way to contact the Public Health Department is by email at COVID19info@town. winthrop.ma.us

# Sen. Boncore, Rep. Madaro help push landmark climate legislation over the goal line

By John Lynds

Last week Sen. Joseph Boncore (D-Winthrop) and Rep. Adrian Madaro (D-East Boston) helped push the passing of landmark climate change legislation in the House and

The legislation aims to overhauls state's climate laws, drives down greenhouse gas emissions, creates clean energy jobs, and protects environmental justice communities.

The passage of An Act Creating a Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy (S.9), sets a 2050 net-zero greenhouse gas emissions limit, as well as statewide limits every five years. The bill increases the requirements for offshore wind energy procurement bringing the statewide total authorization to 5,600 megawatts and requires emission reduction goals for MassSave, the state's energy efficiency program.

For the first time the bill establishes the criteria in statute that define environmental justice populations like the population that lives here and in neighboring communities.

Boncore said the bill is good news for residents who have been overly burdened environmentally by Logan International Airport and other environmental impacts.

"The swift passage of the Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy underscores the Legislature's commitment to addressing the devastating impacts of the climate crisis and protecting our environment for future generations," said Boncore. "From storms that flood our coastal streets, to increased rates of asthma among children, the climate crisis is in our backyards. This legislation supports a targeted approach to combating climate change in our Environmental Justice communities."

Madaro in neighboring Eastie, who worked alongside Boncore to include environmental justice populations in the legislation.

"For the first time in history, Massachusetts Environmental Justice (EJ) will become the law," said Madaro. "Despite the governor's unfortunate veto of the first bill, the legislature recently passed an identical bill by an overwhelming margin. We have allowed low-income communities and communities of color to bear a disproportionate burden of pollutants and environmental hazards for far too long, while excluding them from the decision-making process affecting their neighborhoods. The provisions in this bill are the first step in a long overdue process to ensure environmental equity and finally recognize environmental justice and EJ communities in state law. I was proud to join my colleagues in the House and Senate to pass this legislation as part of the larger Climate Roadmap bill, and I want to thank my fellow sponsors, co-sponsors, and the many grassroots activists of the Environmental Justice Table who worked so hard to

get this done." The legislation also increases support for clean energy workforce development programs including those targeting low-income communities, and improves gas pipeline safety.

The bill is now with the governor.

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model, challenging and teaching her about life inside and outside the store. Describing what Andy Grove, founder of Intel, would call a strategic inflection point in her career, Murphy said "One day we took a little spin around town and Paul very calmly said 'Lauren, you're doing a great job but you're on the wrong side of the road. From that day on Paul challenged me, taught me so much, pushed me and occasionally drove me crazy. But I guess the rest is history because I'm sitting here sharing this response as the owner of my own business, being my own boss, at Woodside Hardware. Paul, I wish you nothing but happiness in the years to come. You've worked so hard for so long and certainly deserve to relax."

The feeling is mutual for Levy, and as he enters a new chapter in his life, he is confident that Murphy is the right person to run the store. "My goal has always

been to run the store as it has been run for nearly 100 years," said Levy, who bought the store from longtime owner Bob Wheaton. "Lauren has been with me since she was a teenager and during that time, she's learned every aspect of the business. I feel so lucky to be able to step away and leave Woodside in such great hands, allowing the tradition of top-notch service to live on. It has been a pleasure to watch her grow from a high school cashier to a young businesswoman."

After he eases into retirement and sticks around the store a little longer to help out, Levy said that what he will miss most is the wonderful, loyal customers that he has grown to know over the years. Murphy is looking forward to getting back to normal after enduring a chaotic year in retail due to the pandemic. "What I am looking

forward to most is keeping my head down and getting back to the basics. I have said it many, many times but we truly have the best customers and the best community surrounding us. I consider our regular customers to be our friends and I am looking forward to continuing to work hard to serve our friends and our community in any way that we can."

# Rebates // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

er communities, including Revere, Peabody and Swampscott already have reduced their fees.

"Small business is important to the Town," noted commissioner Ron Vecchia.

Chapdelaine said that he was disheartened by the response by Town Manager Austin Faison, who said that the town "cannot rebate the fees."

Chapdelaine went on to say, "Casey Goll has made a reasonable request. A rebate would be a giant gesture in the right direction. This is not one restaurant asking for help, but all restaurants."

Betsy Shane from the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce also spoke, Peabody was able to have their entire fee waived for the year. She noted that the receipts of the Chamber's Gift Card program are "way up" and residents want to help and support local businesses. commissioners

saying that La Siesta in

unanimously voted send a letter to the Town Council "supporting some sort of relief in license fees to the Town." In other matters before

the commission:

Common Victualler Licenses were approved for Family Pastry, Jac's Cafe, and Kate's Kitchen. Used car licenses were

approved for Bolster's, Jim's Auto Sales, and Furlong Motors. commissioners

also voted to ask the Town Council to stagger the three-year terms for the five-member commission. Rather than having a majority of members expire within the coming year, they are seeking to have the terms be as follows:

The terms for Nicholas Bracy and Richard Ackerman's would expire in June of 2021; Marc Chapdelaine's term would expire in June of 2022; and the terms of

Mark Sciaraffa and Ron Vecchia would expire in June of 2023.

If the change is not pproved by the Town Council, then the terms of Bracy, Ackerman, and Chapdelaine all will expire in June 2021.

# DDoS Attack //continued from page 1 such as Google Class-

room, email, video conferencing and other services while in school buildings. The attack, which also caused a disruption for town municipal offices, eventually caused the services to shut down from 8:00 am until 2:30 pm, the exact timeframe when students are in school. Howard also confirmed

that the outages only occurred on days during in-person learning. "Over the past few

days I've learned far more about technology than I ever knew before, and despite the issues this has caused for learning, we have a solid plan in place that will prevent this from happening again."

After recruiting the help of the Winthrop Police Department, Comcast, Lan-Tel Communications, and Balsam Technologies, to get to the source

of the problem, a mitiga-

tion package was put in place, and going forward, Comcast will be alerted of any suspicious activity before it reaches the district's system. Added NetFlow monitoring on the sonic wall will collect and record real time information going in and out. In addition, Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) has been put in place as another layer of monitoring and protec-

"This will help us as we move forward, and he SNMP monitoring will allow a network map to show where things are

connected, and any unrecognized devices will be alerted and shut down." Howard said that the revised bandwidth management will prevent any device in the system from exceeding more than one gigabyte of bandwidth,

which is more than enough

bandwidth to support the

schools' systems. The initial DDoS emergency mitigation services fees were waved by Comcast, and going forward, the district will pay a monthly subscription fee to ensure that a DDoS attack does not happen again. 'It's important to note

that these attacks have occurred in multiple public school districts across the state. At this point we believe the issue has been resolved and we are grateful to have the collaborative efforts of everyone involved." The attack, known as a

Distributed Denial of Service attack (DDoS), is designed to overwhelm the bandwidth resources with large amounts of data, which is what prevented students and teachers from accessing the online learning resources. No student, employee or financial data

was accessed as a result of

the attack.



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Happy Valentine's Way Hanna! Auntie loves her little sweeties



Happy Valentines Way Gabriella & Anthony! Auntie loves you



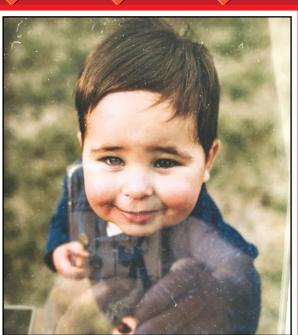
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# Buonopane selected for Project 351 leadership team

By Kate Anslinger

Last week, 16-year-old Christian Buonopane received the news that he has been selected to serve on the Project 351 2021 Alumni Leadership Council (ALC). Aimed at furthering leadership development and transformative impact through service, the ALC is composed of high school students who are alumni of Project 351. Along with 101 other high school leaders, Buonopane will be spending the year gaining the knowledge, skills, and tools to progress positive social change. In the interview below, the active sophomore shares how he initially got involved with the organization, what he learned in the kickoff virtual summit that was held last weekend, and what he's looking forward

### What led you to being selected for the leadership role with Project

I was recognized as a Project 351 Ambassador to represent Winthrop in eighth grade. I had always been involved in student council and other activities related to student government and believe that these were some of the reasons I was selected. Ms. Amy Gallagher had been very instrumental with that and I will be forever grateful for her inspiration, guidance and support. As ambassador, I led multiple service projects including clothing and food drives. At the start of high school, I was fortunate to be chosen to continue my involvement in Project 351 when I was selected to be a member of the Regional Service

Team, a team of students from surrounding communities that helps lead larger scale community service projects. This year, I was picked to be an Alumni Unity Leader and will represent Winthrop at summits, helping to plan service projects, and build

### Why do you think **Project 351 is important** for students and what do you hope to gain from it?

Being a part of Project 351 has been an amazing experience and continues to provide me opportunities to better myself as an individual and as a leader. Project 351 values compassion, empathy, kindness and gratitude while helping to cultivate leaders and promote community action.

What did you learn at

the virtual summit?

The Project 351 Virtual Leadership Summit was an enlightening experience. I learned that despite the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the current political climate, and the racism crisis in our country, positive change is still possible. When we unite together as one, we can confront and overcome dividing issues and challenging situations. Now, more than ever, it is important that we strive to be advocates for unity and community.

### What other activities are you involved in?

In the pre-COVID world, I was active in student council, drama, mock trial, model UN, and I just joined the high school sailing team. Fortunately, I've been able to continue to participate in some ac-

tivities, though remotely.

### What are your future career goals?

I particularly enjoy English, history, and politics and I plan to attend college with a future goal of becoming an attorney. In the meantime I plan to continue my involvement with Project 351 throughout High School.

### **About Project 351**

Founded in 2011, Project 351 fosters unity and strengthens the ethic of service through the engagement and enrichment of an eighth-grade Ambassador from every city and town in Massachusetts. Annually, Ambassadors who exemplify the values of kindness, compassion, humility, and gratitude are selected to engage in a transformative year of youth-led service. Through



WHS sophomore, Christian Buonopane, was one of 101 students selected across the Commonwealth to represent his fellow students as a member of the Project 351 Alumni Leadership

Project 351, Ambassadors gain skills for a lifetime of service, strengthen the ethic of civic engagement, and scale service impact to address the causes and consequences of poverty. In 2021, Ambassadors will mark one million neighbors served. Project 351 is funded entirely by the private sector and individuals.

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Planner on Feb. 1. She will be in charge of supervising all long-range planning programs for the town as they relate to land use and municipal policies. Her first priority will be the old middle school zoning project.

to in the upcoming year.

### COVID-19

The town is still considered a high-risk community in the Red Zone, with a 5.94 percent positive rate.

Vaccination is now in Phase 2, currently serving all individuals aged 75 and older. These people can be vaccinated at any number of locations, including two in East Boston, one in Chelsea and one in Revere. They can do so by calling 617-568-4870 and making an appointment. The next group to be vaccinated will be those aged 65 and older with at least two qualifying medical conditions.

Board of Health Director Meredith Hurley reported that the vaccine supply in general is very limited and that there were complications with the rollout. No vaccines have been issued to the town, though some have been ordered.

### **Internet Issues**

The Town Manager's office is in the process of resolving the internet issues impacting the schools. It is currently working with various service providers to figure out how to restore full capacity and bandwidth.

"We're trying our best to get to the bottom of this," said Town Manager Faison, adding that Supt. Lisa Howard and Admin. Sec. Laurisa Wojcik have been working hard to find a solution.

In the meantime, the schools are using wireless hotspots paid for by the CAREs Act to provide internet to staff and students.

Municipal buildings have also been impacted by the slow-down, with the exception of the town's fire and police departments, which are managed by an independent service provider. Faison reported that Winthrop doesn't have redundant internet service, and suggested looking into satellite wireless options in the

### **Utilities Work**

A representative from National Grid appeared before the council to request permission to install a new pole on Madison Ave. DPW Director Steve Calla asked if the utilities could be installed on an existing pole, rather than installing a new one. Councilor James Letterie added that abutters should be informed and a more robust public process carried out.

"There's well over 100 poles in town and it's becoming a hazard," he said. "I understand the work has to be done, but I think we need to hear more from the neighbors about it."

National Grid is also

seeking to install two four-inch conduits. The first would be 100 feet from existing pole #561 to existing manhole #127. The second would be from an existing manhole to a new transformer at 233 Winthrop St. In order to accommodate the conduits, the company would need to dig two 100-foot

Director Calla said that some of the roadway in question was repayed recently and that he expected the company to not only refill the trenches, but to "properly seal them with infrared repair."

# **Other Updates**

The following individuals received citations from the council: Michael Goldberg for his work on the Citizens Finance Committee, and Diane Wallace, the former director of the Winthrop Public

Library. Council recognized that the recent surge in public participation at meetings was due in no small part to remote access to the meeting via the online web conferencing platform Zoom. It agreed that the public should have remote access to meetings even after the COVID-19 pan-

There are immediate vacancies on the Airport Hazards Committee; the Commission for Diversity, **Inclusion and Community** Relations; and the Winthrop Planning Board.

# JEFFREY R. TURCO for State Representative



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# **HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IS PERSONAL FOR ME**

After my parents divorced, we fell on hard times. We had to move from the house I had known all my life on Reservoir Avenue in Revere, to public housing on Walnut Street. The staff at the Revere Housing Authority always treated us with dignity and respect. They told all of us that with hard work and determination, we could be or do anything. I took the lessons they taught me to heart and am a practicing attorney in no small part to their belief in me. Access to affordable housing is critical as gentrification and the cost of living continue to skyrocket in our area.



# We need to get the cost of housing under control.

"Whether you are a senior struggling to afford the skyrocketing value of the home you have lived in for decades or someone new to our community just trying to find an affordable place to live, housing affordability is an issue we can all agree must be dealt with."

# PROTECTING OUR SENIORS

For many of our seniors, this isn't an investment property, it is a home. The struggle to pay property taxes that have continued to go up because of the staggering increases in property value have left some with no choice but to sell and leave. We are losing generations of families that have called Revere and Winthrop home. I support expanded property tax discounts for our seniors and state programs that will help them through the process.

# PROTECTING RENTERS

The COVID-19 pandemic has ground our economy to a halt, costing our friends and neighbors the jobs that they have worked in for years. The gridlock in Washington has forced state and local governments to take the lead. I fully support the rental assistance programs that have been approved by the Legislature and Governor to help keep people in their homes during this pandemic and I will continue to fight for their implementation should I become your next State Representative.

# HOUSING STABILITY

For both renters and homeowners alike, housing stability policies are critical to keeping people in their homes in their hour of need. As State Representative, I will work with families to help end the foreclosure crisis that seemingly never ends, the predatory lending practices that have exacerbated the issue and advocate for quality, affordable housing that will allow a new generation of families to call Revere and Winthrop home.







# Winthrop SUNTRANSCRIPT

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# **OUR** Opinions

# APPROPRIATE

We wish to voice our support for the request for an abatement in the licensing fees for local restaurants that the Winthrop Board of License Commission has sent to our Town Council.

Small businesses, especially our restaurant establishments, are the heart and soul of cities and towns across the nation. They constitute the fabric of our communities, especially in small locales such as ours where "everybody knows your name" (to paraphrase the tag line from the beloved TV show Cheers).

However, as we all know, the COVID-19 pandemic has shredded that fabric over the past year. Although the license fee relief being sought by our local restaurants is small, in dollar terms, to the town, every little bit helps toward maintaining the survival of these establishments.

Communities throughout the state, including neighboring Revere, already have reduced their licensing fees for 2021.

We urge our town officials to do the same for restaurants here in Winthrop.

# WINTRY BLAST IS NOT SO HARD TO TAKE

The polar vortex once again has spun out of control, as it has done often in recent years. Instead of remaining in a tightly-wrapped circular motion around the Arctic, the vortex has been weakened by record-high temperatures in the Arctic in recent years because of climate change, thereby loosening the vortex's centrifugal force and allowing waves of cold air to drift from the Arctic to the continental United States.

We have to admit however, that the cold air has been refreshing. We're not suggesting that we want the sort of cold that is gripping the midwest with below-zero temperatures and -50 wind chills, but what is winter without a little spell of cold weather?

We think all would agree that Sunday's snowstorm, with those huge flakes of snow floating down upon us, was wondrous. Catching them in your mouth (as we did while out for a run before the Super Bowl) was something to be appreciated by all of the senses.

Sure, milder winters are easy on our heating bills and we don't have to worry about freezing pipes, slippery roads, and all of the other difficulties that come with winter weather.

But it is precisely the harshness of winter that makes us appreciate summer all the more. It won't be long before the lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer are here and these days of sub-freezing weather will barely be a memory.

# TB SETTLED THE GOAT QUESTION

Yes Pats' fans, it was bittersweet to watch the duo of Tom Brady and Rob Gronkowski lead the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to a Super Bowl championship.

On the other hand, no Pats' fan should be deluded into thinking that if the Pats' management had kept #12, New England fans would be celebrating with a victory parade this week.

Tampa Bay started the season with far more talent on its offense than the Patriots and then went out and added Rob Gronkowski, Leonard Fournette, and Antonio Brown -- all of whom not so coincidentally scored the Tampa Bay touchdowns.

But analysis aside, the game captured the imagination of fans -- and even non-fans --across the country because of the matchup between the greatest QB of all time, now at the age of 43, vs. the up-and-comer, 25 year-old Patrick Mahomes, from Kansas City.

In addition, en route to the big game, Brady had vanquished two other GOAT wannabes, Drew Brees and Aaron Rodgers, while another GOAT pretender, Ben Roethlisberger over in the AFC, had fizzled out.

The Brady-Mahomes matchup was a classic, madefor-TV, duel-for-the-ages.

But in the end, it was #12 who stood tall and confident in the pocket, firing lasers to his receivers, while Mahomes was scrambling around haphazardly and making costly mistakes.

New England fans were fortunate to have had the joy of watching Tom Brady perform his magic for 19 seasons, including six championships in nine Super Bowl appearances.

It was a run of excellence that will not be repeated, either here or anywhere else -- because there is only one GOAT.

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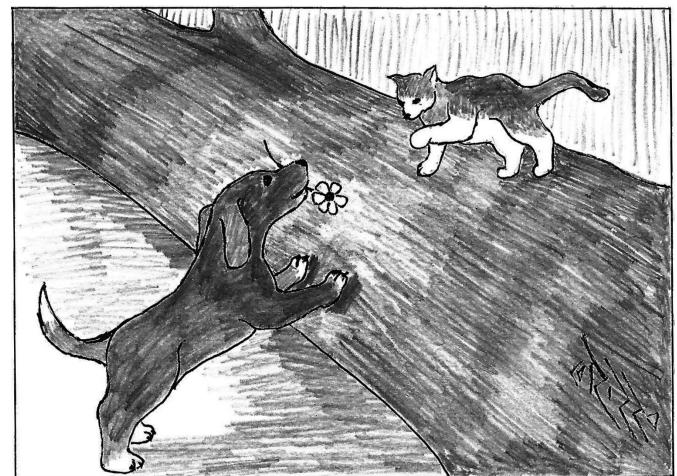
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# Forum



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

# **LETTERS** to the Editor

### SUPPORTING CAPOBIANCO FOR STATE REP.

**Dear Editor:** 

I am supporting Democratic Candidate Tino Capobianco on March 2, who has dedicated himself to public service for over 10 years. He began servicing our communities as an aide to Speaker DeLeo and presently as Chief of Staff to State Senator Paul Feeney. He learned and absorbed valuable experiences and understandings of local and state government from these valued leaders.

During these troubling times, our lives have been harshly impacted by the pandemic, causing severe health issues, and economic hardships through the loss of jobs. Tino recognizes the need for strong leadership to help the people of our communities to recover. He understands these needs and is ready to work towards setting up resources to help with the creation of jobs, housing for low income families and support for small businesses. This will allow our communities to get back on our feet

and look to the future.

Tino's involvement and election to the State Democratic Committee over the last 12 years and also his election to the Winthrop School Committee (twice as Chair) has allowed him to witness the needs of providing a nur-

turing environment for the future of our children and teachers, build competitive public schools, as well as a respect for a diversified community for all.

One of the highest concerns affecting Winthrop and Revere is the significance of our locations sitting on the coastline. Tino understands the urgency of protecting our homes and businesses from potential catastrophic events. He recognizes the importance of investing in the infrastructure for our communities to prevent continued flooding destructiveness. In addition, as close neighbors to Logan Airport, Tino learned through his work on the Winthrop Airport Hazards Committee the issues revolving around keeping our communities safe and protected against noise pollution that affects our health and air space.

Tino understands the importance of strong leadership to get goals accomplished. His natural ability of listening to the needs of our communities and reaching out to us will allow him to make valuable decisions in supporting us through these dark times. As the virus recedes and is conquered, we will need a person with a strong work ethic who is willing to shoulder the needs of our communities to build upon. It will take time for the future of our communities and state to find solid ground. Tino Capobianco is part of that ground to begin building.

Thank you,

Maryalice Sharkey
Former Winthrop
Teachers Association
President
Former Winthrop
School Committee
Member

# VACCINATE THE POSTAL WORKERS

Dear Governor Baker:

We, the undersigned members of the Massachusetts General Court, are writing to respectfully request that you prioritize United States Postal Service workers to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, as recommended by the CDC's national Advisory Council on Immunization Practices (ACIP). These workers are currently designated in the CDC's Phase 1b recommendation, but have not been specifically named in the state's eligibility criteria for Phase 1 or Phase 2. This has led to confusion, and a plea for assistance from postal workers in our

respective districts.

Postal workers have been on the front lines throughout the entire pandemic, and sometimes do not receive the credit they so rightly deserve. As the old adage goes, "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds," and in

2021, this motto should be updated to include the words "nor pandemic." Every day since the beginning of the COVID pandemic, letter carriers and postal workers have shown up to ensure our mail gets to its destination. Postal workers interact with the public regularly, whether it is when delivering mail to a person's home or in the post office when citizens are buying stamps or mailing packages. Further, as a result of the pandemic, the USPS experienced a major increase in workload, as the agency handled millions of mail-in ballots during the 2020 elections, as well as a surge in package deliveries through the holi-

day season. Ensuring that these workers remain healthy is essential to averting backlogs that have plagued the USPS since the onset of the pandemic. As State Representatives and State Senators, we know the postal workers in our districts, and we share their concerns both for their health and their ability to continue their essential work. We urge you to acknowledge the public health value of their role, and explicitly name these workers in the state's eligibility criteria as soon as possible. Thank you for

your consideration.

Jessica A. Giannino

State Representative
16th Suffolk District

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the work that is being done.

Sex education will be the subject of the talk before the Highland School PTA Monday evening by Dr. Marjorie East, associate professor of home economics at Simmons College.

Herbert Ridgeway, a member of one of the oldest families in Massachusetts, whose ancestors came here in 1630, passed away at his home at 82 Washington Ave. at the age of 83. Ridgeway was an inventor and entrepreneur credited with the founding of the amusement rides at Revere Beach. He opened the first ride, the Swan Boat Ride, in 1898, and then the original fun house, along with whirlpool and roller coaster rides. He invented a forerunner of the modern diesel

engine which was used on

the Pt. Shirley street cars in 1911. He also invented a disappearing submarine machine gun used by the U.S. Navy in WWI.

Alan Ladd stars in Branded at the Winthrop and State Theaters.

### 80 years ago Feb. 6, 1941

At a conference held last week between the selectmen and officials of Rapid Transit Inc., it was announced that after a year of operation of the bus service, there was a net profit of approximately \$3000. The bus company carries 3200 passengers each way each day. The selectmen also were told that if the buses were allowed to go through the Sumner Tunnel into Boston, instead of stopping in Maverick

Square, the fare would

have to rise beyond the

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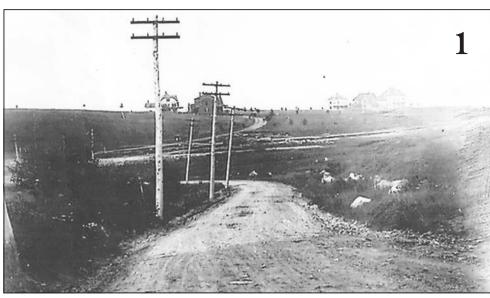
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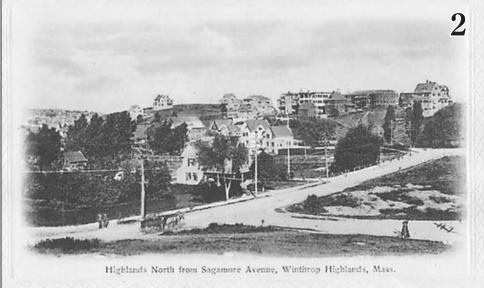
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# WINTHROP Then and Now

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

# ARTICLE 954 - INTERSECTION OF REVERE ST., HIGHLAND AND CREST AVENUES





When Native Americans roamed our peninsula and often spent time camping here during the summer months until about 1630, there was only a single aboriginal trail that ran North from the end of Point Shirley up what is now Shirley Street to the base of Floyd Hill where it then turned right on the current Revere Street and passed over the hill to where the large intersection with Crest and Highland Avenues is now before again proceeding North to Beachmont. Until the first bridge to East Boston was constructed in 1839, this path was the only way to the mainland other than by boat. Today's Then & Now article focuses on that portion of this trail that is now Revere Street running from Sagamore Avenue down

intersection. Picture #1, taken about 1887, looks down this section of roadway, past the gentle curve where Hutchinson Street will someday enter on the right, and across to Highland Avenue curving up the outer highland hill toward Grover's Cliff at Fort Heath. In the center of this photograph, crossing from left to right where Revere and Highland Avenues intersect, one can see the construction activity connected with digging the trench, thru the Highland WW-II Memorial Park and Playground of today, in which the Narrow Gauge Railroad line would run parallel to Crest Avenue for the next fifty three years. The house in the center of this picture at the top of Highland Avenue is the Aloha Rooming House built by H. H.



land Avenue and opened on June 1, 1885 by Hill and White who also, on the same date, opened the Argyle House at the corner of Cliff and Grovers Avenues which was enlarged in 1916 to become the Winthrop Arms we know today. The Argyle House can also be seen as one of the three buildings grouped together toward the right at the top of the hill. Picture #2 is a post card printed prior to 1915 which depicts the same section of Revere Street. The "Quincy" footpath and stone steps from Quincy Avenue down to Revere Street can be seen as a separation in the trees below the large house on the upper right. In picture #3, again looking down Revere Street, one can see the house at 4 Highland Avenue, built in 1923, clearly visible facing us at the end of the street. The house to the immediate right was built about 1910 for Mary Hayden and remained in their family until about 2000. Note that few trees and little foliage existed on the side of the hill at that time. Finally, picture #4 depicts how the same two houses appear today. The house at 4 Highland Avenue, shown in the center of the picture, now contains Century 21 Seacoast Real Estate Agency which is owned and managed by Pat Sullivan. While this article may be a bit too detailed in its description of the pictured areas, it shows us how much information on most locations in town is available if one devotes the time and energy to dig it out. Comments and corrections are always welcomed.





### 10 years ago Feb. 10, 2011 A bolt of lightning

struck the home of John Floyd and his wife at 41 Hillside Ave. Friday night, all but destroying his family's home before the Winthrop Fire Dept., assisted by a crew from Massport, was able to extinguish the blaze. "It was sort of like someone taking a flash cube in front of your face and taking a picture and you saw dots that's how bright the light was," said Floyd. "And the bang was like someone lit a bomb off in your house." Floyd said the third floor of the 120-year-old home was destroyed by the fire. There was also extensive water damage to the lower two floors.

has been a week since any new fallen snow has landed in Winthrop, the winter parking ban has remained in effect throughout the town, causing angst and aggravation for residents who need on-street parking for their vehicles. However, Public Works Director Dave Hickey said this week that his department is working closely with the fire and police departments to find relief for frustrated residents.

Despite the fact that it

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce was named the 20th largest chamber of commerce based on membership in Greater Boston last week in the Boston Business Journal's annual book of lists. The ranking as 20th largest means the Winthrop Chamber has jumped four spots from last year, when it was ranked 24th. "This might be because of the recession," said Chamber Executive Director Eric Gaynor, of the move up the list. "We've had really stable membership, but I know that a lot of other chambers have had trouble maintaining their membership numbers because of the recession and the bad economy."

Jeffrey Turco, President of the Winthrop Town Council, made it official this week, telling the Sun-Transcript in an interview that he will be a candidate for re-election in the fall. Turco held a well-attended campaign event four days after Christmas at the Amvets Hall where a large cross-section of residents and colleagues on the council came out to support him.

Justin Bieber: Never Say Never, Sanctum, and Just Go With It are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago Feb. 8, 2001

Members of the School Building Committee will meet with officials from DeNisco Design Partners to address the problem of the \$2 million overbid for the proposed Center School.

Winthrop eighth-grader Melissa Federico will make her stage debut in the play David the Musical at the Emerson Majestic Theatre this week.

The selectmen and School Committee are planning a series of community forums to provide the public with information about the town budget

in advance of the upcoming Proposition 2 and 1/2 override vote. The Chamber of Commerce held its annual

Kick Off Dinner at the

Winthrop Yacht Club.

# 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

Long-time Conservation Committee member Mary Kelly received the prestigious Town Service Award. Gerta Sinani and Bobby Kneeland were recipients of the Youth Leadership Awards.

The Wedding Planner, Hannibal, and Valentine are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago Feb. 6, 1991

Winthrop residents can breathe a collective sigh of relief after the MWRA Board of Directors approved a motion by Tom Reilly, Winthrop's representative on the board, not to run a huge gas main through the town to the new treatment plant on Deer Island. The MWRA instead will construct a power plant that will burn

A new project being undertaken in the town is an Honor Roll at Town Hall that will pay tribute to the local men and women serving presently during the conflict in the Persian Gulf.

Veterans Agent Richard Kennedy is seeking a transfer of \$35,000 from the Reserve Fund in order to meet the growing demands for assistance from local veterans. Kennedy said the bad economy is hurting veterans.

Town Clerk Marie Turner expressed satisfaction with the population figures for the town from the U.S. Census, which lists 18,141 residents, a difference of only 21 from the 18,162 figure her office had obtained in its most recent census.

Lionheart, White Fang, and Sleeping With the Enemy are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

# 40 years ago Feb. 11, 1981

The Board of Fire Enineers, responding to the anticipated budget cutbacks mandated by Prop. 2 and 1/2, submitted a budget to the Advisory Committee that calls for the elimination of the Central Fire Station and a ladder company.

The School Committee has agreed to relinquish control of Larsen Rink to the selectmen, who in turn may give it over to a private group. Town Counsel Joseph Harvey said that under state law, the School Committee must make a determination that the rink is "no longer needed" for school use before it can turn over the rink to the selectmen and thereby be relieved of its costs.

G. David Hubbard received the Distinguished Service Award from the Winthrop Jaycees at a banquet attended by 150 persons January 24. Jaycees Pres. Ted Hurley made the presentation to Hubbard. Robin Williams stars

in Popeye at the Kincade Theatre.

### 50 years ago Feb. 10, 1971

Selectman Dick Dimes told the Chamber of Commerce that the town is in the process of renovating the Old Church Building for use as a Youth Recreation Center. Dimes called upon Chamber members to assist in the effort. Town Meeting approved an appropriation of \$117,000 for the first

phase of the project, gut-

U.S. Senator Edward

ting the interior.

M. Kennedy has sent a letter to Gov. Francis W. Sargent asking Sargent not to allow further expansion of Logan Airport. A public hearing on the issue of airport expansion has been set for Feb. 26 at New England Mutual Hall. South

> liam Bulger has urged a massive protest against any further expansion of Logan. Alfred Saggese, a candidate for a Juris Doctor degree at Suffolk Univ. Law School, has been named the co-chairman of

Boston State Senator Wil-

paign. A young couple, armed with a .38 caliber revolver, held up Magee's Corner Liquor Store and escaped with a sizable sum of cash.

the 1971 Winthrop Com-

munity Heart Fund cam-

Walt Disney's The Aristocats is playing at the Winthrop Cinema during the school vacation week.

## 60 years ago Feb. 9, 1961

Police are searching for the operator of a motor vehicle who fled the scene after his stolen motor vehicle struck a young Winthrop mother, Mrs. Mary Barker, 20, and left her pinned beneath a snowbank on Revere St. for four hours in below freezing temperatures Monday night. She is recovering at the Winthrop Community Hospital.

Services will be held in Winthrop by the Protestant women of four faiths at St. John's Episcopal Church to mark the 75th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer.

Winthrop residents were among those who protested the condition of Boston-area beaches to Gov. John A. Volpe. Local residents are seeking funds for the repair of the seawall on Shore Drive which has been damaged by several storms this winter, including another nor'easter this past week.

J. Raymond Gould is the new Commodore of the Cottage Park Y.C. after being chosen at a recent meeting attended by 300 members.

Local residents have been treated to the sight of seals frolicking on the ice floes just a few hundred feet off Winthrop's shores.

The Navy Department has announced that Rice's Wharf at Crystal Cove is being offered for a fiveyear lease.

Bob Hope and Lucille Ball star in Facts of Life at the Winthrop Theater.

### 70 years ago Feb. 8, 1951 The upcoming town

election figures to be a hot one, with 37 candidates filing papers for the 20 contests on the ballot. Incumbent Selectman Walter Smith, who has served on the board for the past eight years, will not be seeking re-election, citing health reasons. Building Inspector

Wilfred Bennett has announced that a building permit has been issued for the construction of a \$500,000 parochial school by St. John the Evangelist Church on the site of the present parish hall on Lincoln St. Abutters to the work

being done to grade the shoreline on Court Rd. and Pleasant St. met with town officials to express their dissatisfaction with

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# State Rep. Race Highlights

# Mass. Retirees Association endorses Jeffrey Turco for State Rep.

Special to the Journal

On Wednesday, the Massachusetts Retirees Association endorsed Jeffrey Turco for State Representative, 19th Suffolk District. The seat was vacated by former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and a Special Election is set for March 30th with the Primary being held on March 2nd.

"Mass Retirees is proud to endorse Jeff Turco for State Representative. Not only is Jeff someone we have worked closely with on a variety of issues for many years, but he is also someone we view as a friend and supporter of public retirees," said Mass Retirees President Frank Valeri. "I got to know Jeff very well when we both worked in the State Senate. He's the ideal candidate to hit the ground running on day 1, with a wealth of experience and deep roots in the community."

Throughout the Massachusetts Retirees Asso-



Candidate for State Rep. Jeffrey Turco shown with some supporters during a recent standout in Revere.

ciation's 52-year history, the Association has become widely recognized as one of the strongest lobby groups on Beacon Hill. Its 52,000 members consist of retirees of the state, teachers', city, town, county, authority and district retirement systems.

"As a longtime supporter of the association and someone familiar with the type of lawmakers that Mass Retirees aligns with, this endorsement is a huge honor," said Turco. "I look forward to advocating on behalf of all the women and men who so generously dedicated the better part of their lives to serving their communities and the Commonwealth."

As a seasoned attorney with local roots, Jeffrey Turco is the ideal blend of experience and professionalism, with the knowhow to be a strong leader for his community in these most uncertain times. In 2005, Jeffrey was the Special Sheriff and Superintendent of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and starting in 2006 was appointed a Special Assistant Attorney General representing the Agency. Since 2011, Jeffrey has owned and operated the Law Office of Jeffrey Rosario Turco in Chelsea. Working for his community has always been in the forefront for Turco, for two years he served as Town Council President in Winthrop and a School Committee member. Jeffrey resides in Winthrop with his wife, the former Melissa Carbone,

# 32BJ SEIU endorses Juan Jaramillo for State Rep.

Special to the Journal

Following a member-led vetting process, 32BJ SEIU is endorsing its own Juan Jaramillo for State Rep, District 19 (Revere and Winthrop), as well as Bryan Barash and Madeline Ranalli for Newton City Council in March 2021's special election.

"These candidates have shown their dedication to making real change in the communities our members live and work in," said Roxana Rivera, Vice President of 32BJ SEIU. "The COVID-19 pandemic has laid bare the economic and health disparities Black, brown, and immigrant workers and their families face. Now more than ever, we need elected officials in office who have a vision and plan for improving the Bay State's cities for working families, such as immigration reform, racial justice, affordable housing, strong union jobs, gun control and clean air and water. I know that Juan, Bryan, and Madeline would work every day to serve the public and amplify the needs

Juan Jaramillo was raised in Revere after emigrating there with his

of our communities."

parents from Colombia. He went to the city's public schools, graduating from Revere High School. Since his adolescence, he has volunteered as a Big Brother in the Big Brother/Big Sister program, as Program Director for Revere Youth in Action, and as a coach for Pop Warner Football in Revere. During his time with 32BJ, he has helped amplify the voices of frontline janitors and security officers, many who live in Revere.

"The members of Local 32BJ have been at the forefront of this pandemic making sure that people are safe in their work spaces. They have also been leading the fight to expand workers' protections and benefits for every worker in the Commonwealth," said Mr. Jaramillo. "I am honored to have the support of the members of 32BJ. Together, we will build a stronger middle class by uplifting workers everywhere; from the person putting up sheet rock to the one cleaning our hospitals."

Bryan Barash currently works as the General Counsel for State Senator Harriette Chandler, and began his career in public service by working to get former President Barack Obama elected. Madeline Ranalli has been a strong voice for gun violence prevention and for environmental and racial justice. Both candidates have a vision for making Newton a more equitable, diverse city that working people can afford to live in.

"I am so proud to have the endorsement of the hardworking people at SEIU 32BJ," said Bryan Barash. "I know that together we can deliver on the promise of affordable housing, racial justice, environmental sustainability, and economic security for all."

""I am deeply honored to earn the endorsement of 32BJ SEIU. Growing up in a proud union family, I understand the important work that unions do to support not just workers, but their families and entire communities as well." said Madeline Ranalli. "As we work to recover from COVID-19 and tackle widespread economic and racial injustice, it is important now more than ever to show up for working families, and I look forward to doing that every day on the Newton City Council."

# **Delvento** // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 activists and union Dem- ter serving in

activists and union Democrats. My dad's mother, Josephine, was a World War II refugee coming to America after her home in Italy was bombed. Speaking no English, her family came to East Boston before settling in Revere. She and my grandpa Tony, a laborer with Local 22, put down roots in the district. Meanwhile, af-

ter serving in WWII, my mom's father Joe opened his own small business, Stasio Lumber Yard, which served Winthrop for decades. Winthrop and Revere welcomed them with open arms, and we have to keep making sure we welcome people from all walks of life."

DelVento experienced firsthand how essential a

strong public education is, graduating from the Winthrop Public Schools and going on to earn a B.S. in Health Management and Policy at the University of New Hampshire. She is currently a Master of Public Health candidate at Dartmouth College.

their six children.

After nearly four years on Beacon Hill, which included working on the Massachusetts budget as an aide to former House Ways and Means Chairman Rep. Jeff Sanchez, DelVento left her post, to commit herself completely to this special election. "If elected I want to legislate the same way that I am running this campaign -- full-time with an open door policy for everyone. I have heard from many in our community about how important it is to them that their State Representative's one and only job is serving constituents and ensuring Beacon Hill

passes legislation that helps folks in Winthrop and Revere. That's something that is very important to me, and something I promise to do if elected."

A passion for public health and experience organizing in the community led DelVento to run for Bob DeLeo's seat. "If you ask me, if you want something done, you start talking to your neighbors and get to work. When I look at the considerable challenges facing our district and our Commonwealth, the best way I know how to move forward is to build coalitions and mutual respect. We have to fight for a brighter future for Winthrop and Revere, which means for all of us. I am also very data and science-driven. For me, public health is the guiding force behind everything, and it encompasses more than just the healthcare system. We don't have a healthy community if our schools aren't funded, if our air isn't clean, if our trains don't run, or if people simply can't afford to live here

anymore." When asked why she would be the best successor for Speaker DeLeo's seat, she added, "I'm a coalition-builder, but I'm a fighter too. I also have the most experience of any candidate in the current House of Representatives and am very familiar with its workings, having spent the last four years working under the Chairs of Ways & Means, Health Care Financing, and State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, and for a member of the Special Committee dealing with Commonwealth's economic recovery from COVID-19. I am confident in my relationships in the current legislature, and that I'll be able to hit the ground running in a way that not every freshman representative necessarily can. I don't think this

moment calls for another

lawyer on Beacon Hill. We

are living through a public

health emergency that is at

once worsening challenges

our community has been

facing for quite some time now and giving rise to new problems that require creative solutions. I think we need a fresh perspective to help us fight back from COVID-19 and ensure we come back stronger than before. In many ways, I think my past experience in the House, background in public health, and community organizing gives me a unique perspective and a better seat at the ta-

ble." DelVento had high praise for the man she hopes to succeed. "I know that if elected, I would have some big shoes to fill Speaker DeLeo has been a champion for Winthrop and Revere for decades, his departure is truly a bittersweet moment for many in our district, including myself. I have had the opportunity to not only benefit from Speaker De-Leo's work for our community as a constituent, but see it first-hand in the House of Representatives over the last four years. His friendship and mentorship over the years has meant a great deal to me. If elected, I would take these lessons to Beacon Hill, to continue his fight

for Winthrop and Revere." She sees many major issues affecting Revere and Winthrop that need decisive action. "An equitable COVID-19 vaccine rollout is the first priority, and the process needs to be much clearer and more accessible for our Seniors than it is currently. But we also need to come back stronger. That means it's time to dive deeper into some of the challenges that COVID-19 has laid bare. We must confront how our current public health crisis has exacerbated many of our state's challenges and inequalities, from healthcare to education, climate, infrastructure, and economic opportunity. We also need to put our monev where our mouth is and protect frontline workers and first responders with hazard pay and emergen-

cy sick leave. We also

have to take a closer look

at the quality of care and

services we provide our

Veterans. They have given so much for our community and the least we can do is have their back by ensuring they receive the highest quality care pos-

DelVento is committed to delivering for the district, and fighting to ensure that all residents of the 19th Suffolk have what they need -- like housing. education, and healthcare. "A top priority for me is passing and building on the climate bill. I learned so much from my time as Winthrop's lead organizer for Ed Markey this past year -- we need to act now. That means investing decisively in affordable clean energy, clean public transportation, clean jobs. Protecting the beaches and the Belle Isle Marsh is an investment in our futures, our health, our homes, and

DelVento applauded Speaker DeLeo's work as an advocate for early education. "I will fight to make high-quality childcare and early education available to all working families, Public education funding is one of my top priorities, and something I was especially proud of while working for the Chair of House Ways & Means. This includes expanding mental health services for our young people, especially those who may be struggling with addiction."

local businesses."

Her overall goal if elected is simple. "I see this as a moment to make sure that Revere and Winthrop continue to be welcoming and thriving communities. This community welcomed my grandparents when they were looking for a place to call home, and it's one of many reasons why I will fight for a bright future for all of us."

The special Democratic

The special Democratic primary for DeLeo's seat is slated for March 2nd, with a general election set for March 30th. For more information about DelVento's campaign, you may visit her website AliciaDelVento.com, @DelventoMA on Twitter and Instagram, and /Delvento-MA on Facebook.

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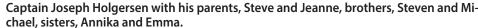
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# WHS BOYS VIKINGS HOCKEY CELEBRATE SENIOR NIGHT







Captain Ryan Hovermale with his parents, Royce and Jennifer. See more photos on Page

# GIRLS KNOCK OFF PEABODY TO LAY CLAIM TO **BEST IN NEC**

The Winthrop High girls basketball team earned the most significant victory for the Lady Viking program in many years with a 37-31 triumph at Peabody Friday evening.

The Lady Vikings entered the contest as the top team in the South Division of the Northeastern Conference with a 9-1 record, while the Lady Tanners were tied for the top spot in the NEC North with a 7-1 mark.

The teams had met three weeks previously at the Winthrop High gym, with the Lady Tanners prevailing, 42-39, in a hardfought battle. Winthrop overcame a slow start, trailing 24-9 at the half, but took the lead early in the fourth period, only to run out of gas down the

However, the Winthrop girls avenged their only loss of the 2021 campaign, thereby asserting their claim to the title "Best in the NEC" for 2021. Peabody has entered the fray tied with Masconomet for first place in the NEC North, with Masco's lone defeat coming at the hands of the Lady Vikings.

Two nights previously, the Winthrop girls took care of business against a Beverly squad that had given Winthrop a tough battle in their first meeting of the season at Beverly.

Beverly hung tough in the rematch, utilizing some accurate three-point shooting to stay within reach through the first half. The Lady Vikings led 13-10 after one period and 25-18 at the intermission.

The visiting Lady Panthers sank a trey to start the second half to draw

within 25-21, but that would prove to be as close as Beverly would get the rest of the way. Maura Dorr sank a lefty jump hook off a nice feed from Grace Galuris and Julia Marcoccio sank a bucket with an assist from Maddie Stiglets.

After a Beverly basket, Galuris put back an offensive rebound and Caroline Earl sank a free throw to boost the Winthrop lead to nine, 32-23.

The Lady Panthers responded with a two-pointer, but two free throws by Dorr kept Beverly at bay. The visitors sank another three-pointer to make it a six point game, 34-28, but the Lady Vikings closed out the period with a seven-point run to stretch the lead to a comfortable 41-28 entering the fourth pe-

Stiglets began the Winthrop offensive display with an end-to-end drive to the basket and then drained a trey from the corner. Dorr completed the outburst with a powerful drive to the hoop.

Earl continued the Viking run to start the final eight minutes with a beautiful move inside that was reminiscent of how Celtic great Kevin McHale would torture his opponents underneath. Caroline faked to her right to get her opponent off her feet and then switched to her left hand for a layup to complete the play.

Stiglets kept the Winthrop momentum going, putting back an offensive rebound to increase the Lady Viking margin to 17, 45-28, wth 5:40 to go. After the Lady Panthers missed a pair of free throws, Stiglets then applied the coup de grace when she stole a Beverly pass at mid-court. Maddie outraced the Lady Panther

# WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

defender to make the layup, drew the foul, and sank the free throw to leave matters at a commanding 48-28 in Winthrop's favor with 3:39 to go.

The teams traded hoops in the final minutes for the 52-32 finale.

Maura Dorr paced the Lady Vikings in the scoring department with 13 points, followed by Stiglets with 12, Galuris with 10, Earl with eight, Jenna Dorr with three, and Kaylee Farrel, Emma Forsyth, and Marcoccio with two points apiece.

The Lady Vikings were scheduled to meet Danvers last night (Wednesday) for Senior Night and will entertain Marblehead tomorrow (Friday). They will trek to Marblehead on Saturday and wrap up their 2021 campaign with Swampscott on February **BOYS HOCKEY POSTS TWO MORE VICTORIES** 

The Winthrop High boys hockey team skated to a pair of impressive victories this past week, de-Northeastern feating Conference North Division rival Danvers, 3-1, on Saturday, and handily cruising past NEC South foe Swampscott, 4-0, last Wednesday.

Saturday afternoon's encounter with Danvers was highlighted by Senior Day festivities at which eight Viking seniors -- captains Joe Holgersen and Ryan Hovermale, assistant captain Chris Ferrara, Charlie Lane, Evan Smotrich, Connor Hurley, Matt Hurley, and Conlan Petersen -- were honored before the game for their contributions to the WHS

ate therefore, that the seniors played a huge role in the triumph over the Falcons. Holgersen gave Winthrop a 1-0 lead in the opening period with a tremendous individual effort. Capt. Joe stole the puck from a Danvers defender at mid-ice, skated past the remaining Falcon defender, and then deked the Danvers goalie for a textbook, highlight-reel goal.

Ferrara made it 2-0 at 1:09 of the next period when he took a pass from Holgersen, who was along the boards to the far right of the Danvers goal, and flipped a perfectly-placed shot past the Falcon netminder.

Ferrara reached the back of the Danvers net minutes later at 4:11 when he let go a hard wrist shot to the left of the Danvers goal from the Falcon goalie to the far

post. The assist went to -- who else? -- Holgersen, who had given his teammate a nice feed from the Danvers goalie's left. Billy Hayes also earned an assist on the goal.

That would prove to be the extent of the Viking offense for the afternoon although Winthrop had many subsequent chances in an entertaining up-and-down contest WHS netminder Hovermale stopped a Danvers breakaway two minutes after Ferrara's goal and held firm the rest of the way, recording 26 saves on the afternoon.

The lone Falcon lamplighter of the day came with 37.2 seconds left in the second period on a power play on which Ryan was screened on a shot from the point.

The third period fea-

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need to have insurance. Eligible residents (currently residents 75+) can request an appointment by calling 617-568-4870. Vaccinations at EBNHC locations are available by appointment only. You must call for an appointment. The scheduling phone line will begin taking calls on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

For more information, go to: ebnhc.org/en/services/covid-19/covid-19vaccine.html

To find other locations to receive the vaccine, please visit the State's COVID-19 site: mass.gov/ info-details/covid-19-vaccination-locations

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tured some chippiness on the part of both teams, with the refs whistling penalties on both squads that limited 5-on-5 action for a good chunk of the final 15 minutes.

Last Wednesday's 4-0 triumph over Swampscott was not as close as the final score might indicate. The Vikings controlled the action for about 75% of the time and the Swampscott end of the ice often resembled the proverbial shooting gallery.

Winthrop took an early 1-0 lead in the opening period and never looked back, with Holgersen tucking the puck past the Swampscott goalie on a rebound. Connor Hurley and James Sicurella earned assists on the goal.

Assistant captain Joe Hayes then made it 2-0 at 12:21 of the period with a well-placed shot from the point, with Hurley earning another assist.

Hurley upped the Winthrop advantage to 3-0 when he picked up a loose puck to the goalie's left along the boards and skated into the slot area, from where he picked his spot to beat the Big Blue goalie to the short side.

Ferrara finished off the scoring late in the game, putting home a rebound. Holgersen and Hayes were credited with the assists.

Junior netminder Anthony Indrisano earned both the win and the shutout, making 20 saves.

Coach Dale Dunbar and his crew now have won five straight contests to improve to 6-2-1 overall on the season and have positioned themselves for a chance at an NEC North title. Both of the Winthrop losses, to Gloucester and Marblehead, were by one goal. Four teams -- Winthrop, Marblehead, Masconomet, and Gloucester - all have two losses and the Vikings will meet all three of those schools to close out the season.

Winthrop presently is ranked eighth in the state in Division 2 and third in the Division 2 North. The Vikings have five

contests remaining on pandemic-shorttheir ened season, starting tonight (Thursday) when they host Saugus. They will entertain Masconomet Saturday, Marblehead on Monday, and Gloucester on Wednesday. They will finish their 2021 campaign next Saturday (February 20) with Beverly.

# WHS GIRLS HOCKEY NETS HAT TRICK WITH THREE **WINS**

The Winthrop High girls hockey team enjoyed a highly-successful week, defeating three opponents from the Northeastern

Hockey League.

This past Monday the Lady Vikings hosted Marbelehead, traditionally their biggest rival among their NHL opponents, and skated to a dominant 5-1 victory.

Mia Martucci gave Winthrop an early lead at 5:38 of the opening period when she took the puck away from a Marblehead defender behind the net to the left of the Marblehead goalie and then skated around the net and tucked the puck inside the right post for a textbook wrap-around goal. Julia Holmes made it 2-0 with 3:50 left in the period when she deftly put home a rebound off a shot from the point by Adrianna Rizzotto.

The Lady Vikings then

increased their margin to 3-0 in the final seconds (3.3) seconds to be exact) of the period. Winthrop earned a face-off to the Marblehead goalie's left. Lly Tallent won the draw, with the puck sliding over to the goalie's right, from where Talia Martucci quickly put a shot on goal. The Marblehead goalie made the save, but Jenna Lindinger adroitly lifted the rebound into the back of the net with just a fraction of a second (0.8) left on the clock.

'I loved seeing Jen get that goal," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "She is just a great person and a player that works so hard. It was an awesome play on her part. I loved seeing her get rewarded with a goal."

Winthrop increased its margin to 4-0 just 1:50 into the second period when Emma Holmes redirected a shot from the point by Amelia Spencer.

"It was a nice shot by Amelia and Emma got in great position to redirect it past the Marblehead goalie," noted Martucci. The visiting Lady Ma-

gicians managed to break through a few minutes later on a power play, but that would prove to be as close as Marblehead would get. Mia Martucci scored her second goal of the game at 5:40 of the third period, putting home a rebound off a shot by Emma Holmes, to put the game on ice.

"This game was big for Julia Holmes," added Martucci. "She had four points on a goal and three assists. Our goalie, Summer Tallent, was great once again, making some great stops in the win. Defensively I thought that everyone played great. Elle English, Fallon Hurley, Taya Schlichting, Amelia Spencer, Casey Petersen, Adrianna Rizzotto, and Abby Holmes did a great job keeping Marblehead

at bay." On Saturday coach Anthony Martucci's crew displayed their offensive firepower with a 9-1 romp over Gloucester at Larsen season and have a busy

Rink.

The Lady Vikings drew first blood, scoring at 5:01 of the first period when a Lady Viking tucked home the puck amidst a scramble in front of the Newburyport net.

However, when the visitors brought the contest back to level later in the period with a goal off a rebound, the Lady Vikings appeared to be headed for a tough battle.

Freshman Hannah Parker reinstated Winthrop back into the lead when she took a shot from along the boards to the right of the Lady Fisherman goalie and the puck deflected off a Gloucester defender's skate to slide in between the goalie's pads.

Julia Holmes made it 3-1 moments later with a beautiful goal, but Gloucester threatened two minutes after that with a pair of rebound shots in succession, only to be thwarted by WHS netminder Tallent.

The floodgates then opened for the Lady Vikings, who added two more lamplighters before the period ended.

The Lady Vikings quickly put the game away at the start of the third period. Mia Martucci added a goal off a rebound in the opening minute and a minute after that, Mia's sister Talia, an eighth-grader, put home a rebound of a shot from the point by Lily Tal-

Within another minute, Emma Holmes stole an errant Gloucester pass and beat the goalie cleanly. Parker completed the Winthrop scoring for the day, assisted by Abby Holmes.

"This one belonged to the line of Mia Norris, Hannah Parker, and Sami DiMento," said Martucci. "All three finished with goals. Parker had two and Norris and DiMento scored two of the prettiest goals that I have seen here. Norris scored a beauty on a picture-perfect deke, and DiMento scored on a backhander top shelf." Other highlights for

Winthrop included the first career high school goal by eighth grader Talia Martucci. Tallent once again held down the fort in goal, making 14 saves. The defensive standouts cited by Martucci were Abby Holmes and Fallon Hurley. The Lady Vikings had

begun their week of victories last Wednesday when they traveled to Medford and came home with a 6-2 triumph. "It was a good game,"

said Martucci. "It was highlighted by the play of Julia Holmes, Emma Holmes, and Mia Martucci. Summer Tallent played well in net, and Adrianna Rizzotto, as well as Casey Petersen, were excellent

on defense." Martucci and his crew now stand at 7-1 on the

few days ahead. They were scheduled to host Peabody (Wednesday) yesterday and entertain Beverly tomorrow (Friday) before making the long-trek to Newburyport on Saturday.

### **BOYS BASKETBALL** FADES IN FOURTH PERIOD VS. **DANVERS**

The Winthrop High boys basketball team played hard in their contest with Danvers this past week, but came up on the short end of a 54-46 deci-

The Vikings held a 27-23 midway through the third period, but a crucial stretch at the very end of the third period and the start of the fourth saw Danvers take a 45-35 lead that the Vikings proved unable to overcome.

Despite starting game with a 9-2 deficit and committing 12 turnovers in the first half, Winthrop stayed close, 22-19, at the intermission. Freshman George Galuris ( a teamhigh 13 points, including 4-for-4 from the free throw line) started the Vikings on the comeback trail with a pair of free throws.

That was followed by a jump shot in the lane from Luca Zanelli, who had just come into the game, and a fast-break, press-break bucket by Tyler Rockefeller off a feed from Zack Bogusz, drawing the Vikings within two, 10-8.

Danvers scored the final four points of the period, including a buzzer-beater off an offensive rebound, but Rockefeller opened the second period by drawing a charge (his first of two on the night) and then sank a 12-footer off a nice pass from Galuris to make it 14-

Four Viking free throws, one each from Cam Conway and Bogusz and a pair by Zanelli, offset a Danvers bucket to draw Winthrop within two points, 16-14. After a Peabody offen-

sive rebound and putback, Bogusz drained a trey to make it an 18-17 contest with 2:57 left in the half. After a Danvers hoop, Galuris drove the lane and banked a runner to make it 20-19. Danvers sank the final bucket of the half and a Viking missed a pair of free throws to leave matters at 22-19 in favor of the visitors at the intermission. Galuris opened the third

period with another exceptional drive through traffic to make it a one-point game once again, 22-21. A free throw by Bougusz brought the Vikings back to level at 22, and after a Peabody free throw, Galuris found Zanelli for a bucket to give the Vikings

their first lead of the game,

24-23, with 6:00 to go in

the period. Zanelli, who

seems to provide the Vikings with instant offense a la John Havlicek when he comes in off the bench, sank another bucket off an assist from Conway, and then hit a free throw to move Winthrop out to a 27-23 lead.

However, Danvers soon deflated the Vikings' building momentum with a three-pointer. Although Rockefeller popped in a 13-footer, another Falcon trey evened the count at 29-29 with 30 seconds left in the half.

The Vikings then committed two costly mistakes, the first when a Winthrop player moved too early into the lane to take away a free throw by Conway, and the second when a Viking fouled a Danvers player on a desperation three-point shot at the buzzer.

The Falcon made two of his three attempts from the charity stripe, so instead of a 30-29 lead at the end of the period, the Vikings trailed, 31-29.

The teams battled evenly to start the final eight minutes, with Rockefeller completing a Winthrop press-break and Zanellli and Conway each sinking a free throw, leaving the score at 35-33 with 6:25 remaining.

However, over the ensuing three minutes, Danvers outscored the Vikings 10-2, with the lone Viking response coming from Conway on a 15-foot jumper, leaving matters at 45-35 with 3:25 on the

Winthrop drew within five points on two occasions. Galuris hit two free throws and then drained a trey to slice that deficit in half to 45-40 with 2:28 to

After a Danvers hoop, Conway drove in for a basket to make it 47-42 with 1:55 remaining. However, the Falcons

scored the next four points before Galuris hit a 15 footer to make it 51-44 with 54.9 to go. But it proved too little, too late and Danvers prevailed, 54-46. Galuris ended up as

Winthrop's high scorer with 13 points and Zanelli reached double figures with 10. Rockefeller and Conway hit for eight points apiece followed by Bogusz with seven. Vikings The

were scheduled to play at Swampscott this past Tuesday. They will trek to Marblehead today (Thursday) and then host Marblehead tomorrow (Friday). They will wrap up their season by entertaining Saugus next Tuesday and making the long ride

to Glucester next Friday.

# WHS GYMNASTS HANDILY DEFEAT **MARBLEHEAD**

The Winthrop High gymnastics team proved to a 3-1 on the season with a commanding 135.15-99.05 victory over Marblehead in a meet held at the Marblehead YMCA this past Saturday.

Winthrop started off on uneven bars with freshman Shannon Abbott hitting her routine.

"Shannon has been a

reliable routine that we've

grown to depend on," said

WHS coach Pete Gobiel. "It's important to get the team off on the right foot." Eighth-grade standout Isabella Rice followed with a perfect routine, set-

ting the stage for the rest

of the team. Captain Danielle Carter stepped up and didn't disappoint, hitting her routine and scoring a 7.7. Megi Zogasi and Brandi DiCicco followed with no mistakes, scoring an 8.1

and 8.2. Anchoring the uneven bar lineup, junior Mary O'Donnell performed a mistake-free routine to score an 8.5.

The vault was next for Winthrop, with Rice leading off with an 8.3. Captain Rachel Farley did her twisting handspring, scoring an 8.45. Carter did her twisting vault, earning a mark of 8.6. Alayna Ronan scored an 8.5 and DiCicco finished up with her somersaulting vault for a first-place, scoring

The floor exercise went well for the Lady Vikings, with Ronan scoring an 8.0, Ellie O'Donnell an 8.2, Gabriella Giuffre an 8.3, DiCicco an 8.2, Rice an 8.45, and Carter taking first place with a perfect routine, scoring 8.7.

The last event, the bal-

an 8.75.

ance beam, started with outstanding ninth-grader Ellie O'Donnell scoring a 7.95. Not to be outdone, sister Mary O'Donnell, back from doing her sprinting routine on vault, scored an 8.0. Zogasi and DiCicco tied with scores of 8.6, followed by Ronan with an 8.7. Closing out the meet,

Carter completed the best performance of the evening, scoring an 8.8. "We had a few mistakes

tonight -- clearly not our best meet," said coach Pete Gobiel. "But we learned to rely on our captain, Danielle Carter, to lead by example and she's been amazing this year." The Lady Vikings' next

meet is this Saturday at home versus Peabody at 4:30. They will travel to the Yellow Jackets facility in Middleton to meet Danvers on Sunday. The last meet of the season is set for next Saturday, February 20, when Winthrop will host Bishop Fenwick.

# **OBITUARIES**

# Joseph Colvario, Jr.

Retired heavy equipment operator

Joseph Colvario Jr. passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on January 31. He was 76 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved son of the late Madeline (Carcerano) and Joseph Colvario Sr., he grew up in the North End of Boston before moving to Winthrop over 55 years ago. Prior to his retirement he worked as a heavy equipment operator for many years.

He was the devoted husband of Jean (Guerriero) and the loving father of Michele Bickford and her husband, Mark Sr. and Jennifer Hurley and her husband, James, all of New Hampshire and Jessica Colvario and her boyfriend, Paul Walsh of Malden; dear brother of Maria



Minchella of Beverly and the late Thomas, Stephen, Anthony and John Colvario; cherished grandfather of Mark Jr., Madisyn, Cameron, Joey and Ricky.

A funeral service was held from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Sunday, February 7. Committal was private.

To sign the online guestbook, go to www. caggianofuneralhome.

# **Arlene Shea**

Active member of the Winthrop Senior Center and Winthrop Catholic Women's Club

Arleen M. (Redington) Shea, 96, of Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on February 2. She was a graduate of

St. Rose High School in Chelsea and was a former long-time employee of Mass Mutual Insurance Co. She moved to Winthrop after her marriage and was a resident for over 70 years. She was a former volunteer at Winthrop Hospital and member of the Winthrop Hospital League. She was also an active member of the Winthrop Senior Center and the Winthrop Catholic Women's Club at St. John the Evangelist Church.

Born in Chelsea to the late Margaret (Hanlon) and John E. Redington. she was the beloved wife of the late John F. Shea. She was the oldest and last surviving sibling of the late Donald, Robert, Martin and Paul Redington, Joan Zaremba and Grace McKenzie. She is survived by her loving sister-in-law, Andrea K. Redington of Concord, her dear brother-in-law, Louis J. McKenzie of Middleton and by many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. A Celebration of Life

will be held at a later date. Arrangements

under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Win-

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# Salvatore Massa

October 21, 1932 — February 2, 2021

Salvatore (Sal) R. Massa of Bradenton, FL, and a longtime resident of Winthrop, passed away peacefully at the age of 88 on February 4.

Sal, who was born in Somerville, was predeceased by his wife of 45 years, Barbara Day Massa and his wife of 18 years, Shirley DiPerna Massa.

He was also predeceased by his brothers: Louis, Michael and Guy and sister, Frances (Marino). Sal is survived by seven children: Deborah Kissinger and her partner, Joe Larkin, Nancy Heroux and her husband, Robert, Susan Buonopane and her husband, Michael, Mary Bishop and her husband, David, Anne Sullivan and her husband, Chris, Sandra Dale and her husband, Quinton, and Salvatore Massa Jr. and his fiancé, Kim Conlin Hayes. He is also survived by his sister, Josephine, brothers, John and William, 18 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Sal was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He treasured time with his family and worked tirelessly to provide for them. His love extended well beyond his own home. Friends and family were always greeted with open arms in the Massa house - the more the merrier! Over



the years, Sal earned the title "Life of the Party". You could always find him singing and dancing at social events, surrounded by the people he loved. His love for song and a fun time was contagious. Even the shy and timid would find themselves caught up in the magic of music and Sal's relentless attempts to get them to join in. When he had some quiet time, you could find him working on a puzzle, playing the piano, or watching westerns. Always remember Sal by taking a few minutes to turn up the music, dance and sing in celebration of a life well lived.

Memorial services will be held in both Bradenton, FL and Winthrop at a later date. Donations may be made in memory of Salvatore Massa to Tidewell Hospice, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www. ManasotaMemorial.com for the Massa family.

To place a memoriam in The Winthrop Sun Transcript, please call 781-485-0588

# George Sennott

Proprietor of Sennott Roofing Company

George F. Sennott of Winthrop passed away peacefully at home with his loving family by his side after a long and courageous battle with cancer on Wednesday, February 3. He was 78 years old.

Born in Portsmouth, NH, he was the cherished son of the late George F. and Katherine (Langton) Sennott. lifelong roofer,

George was the proprietor of Sennott Roofing Company, employing countless Winthrop residents for over fifty years, although his greatest legacy will be the kindness, generosity and opportunities he showed all. He is held in the highest regard by all who were lucky enough to know him. George was the beloved

soulmate of Judi Buono and her children, Kim Rogers and her husband, Steve and Jeff Buono and his wife, Jen. George was the devoted father of George Sennott and his wife, Cathleen and Patrick Sennott and his wife, Lauren, all of Winthrop, Kathleen Wall and her husband, Scott of Land O' Lakes, FL, Laureen Sustachek and her husband, David of Wesley Chapel, FL and Eric Sennott and his wife, Janine of Odessa, FL. George is also survived by the moth-



er of his children, Rosemary Barquin of Land O' Lakes, FL. George was the adored grandfather of 21 grandchildren; the dear brother of John Sennott and his life partner, Christine O'Brien of Winthrop and is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

will be celebrated in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop on February 13 at 11:30 a.m. Relatives attend. Please go directly current social distance follow in Winthrop Cem-

mauricekirbyfh.com.

# Mary Hansen

Retiree of the Food Service industry at Logan Airport

Mary N. (English) Hansen of Winthrop passed away on February 5. She was 92 years old.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late Louis V. Hansen. Born in Boston, she was the cherished daughter of the late Joseph and Grace (Gulli) English.

Prior to her retirement, Mary worked in the food service industry at Logan International Airport. Mary loved playing Bingo and enjoyed many trips to Foxwoods and Encore casinos. Mary was also an outstanding candlepin bowler.

Mary was the devoted mother of Robert Hansen and his wife, Donna of Evansville, Ind., Richard Hansen and his wife, Jo-Ann of Peabody, Karen Schlichting and her husband, Walter of Winthrop, the late Patricia A. Keenan and her surviving husband, David of Maine, Joann Huckins and her husband, David of Tilton, NH and Ronald Hansen Winthrop. She was adored grandmother Michael Schlichting,

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Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, February 11, from 9 to 11 a.m. following current social distance guidelines and capacity limits. Funeral services will be private. To sign Mary's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

George's Funeral Mass

and friends are invited to to church and follow the guidelines. Interment will In lieu of flowers, dona-

tions in his memory can be made to the Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan St. Danvers, MA 01923. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign George's guestbook, please visit: www.

# Carol Ann Burke

A very special lady

Carol Ann Burke of Winthrop was called home to God in his kingdom on February 4. She was 78 years old. Born in East Boston,

she was the cherished daughter of the late John J. and Mary O. (MacCormick) Burke, Sr. Carol attended Fitton

Catholic High School in East Boston and then went on to graduate from St. Thomas Aguinas Secretarial School in Milton. She was a long-term employee of the New England Telephone and Verizon Company, where she eventually retired from a high-level managerial position. She was a devoted member of St. John the Evangelist Church as well as a lifelong member of the Catholic Women's Club.

Carol was an especially caring person and was known to be generous to a fault. Carol supported many charitable causes, especially the veteran's home where her late brother, Fran resided for many years. Carol loved to travel and was particularly fond of the arts. Carol lived her life to

high standards, and was steadfast and firm in her beliefs. Many will remember Carol as a tiny person, with the biggest of hearts. Put simply, Carol was a very special lady. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends.

Carol was the dear sister of Robert H. "Bob" Burke and his wife, Grace of Winthrop, the late Rita DiSilvio and her late husband, Frank, the late Theresa M. Davis and her late husband, Walter and the late John J. Burke Jr. and the late Francis E. Burke.

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Carol was the proud "Auntie" to Karen Sirianni and her husband, Anthony, Rob Burke and his wife Colleen, the late Joseph Burke and his surviving wife, Tina, Frank DiSilvio, Michael DiSilvio and his wife, Lanae and John and Kevin Burke. She is also survived by many great nieces and great nephews.

Due to the current pandemic, funeral services for Carol will be private. A Celebration of Life and Mass will be held at a later date when conditions have improved. Donations in her memory can be made to WGBH TV Boston and to Jeff's Place in Framingham in honor of Carol's late nephew, Joseph Burke. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop. To sign Carol's guestbook please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com

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# **WHS SPORTS** THROUGH THE YEARS

### 10 years ago Feb. 3, 2011

The Winthrop High hockey team enjoyed a runaway 10-1 victory over Salem. Joe Scarfo, the fourth leading-scorer in the Northeastern Conference, notched a hat trick and had two assists. Linemate Chris LeBlanc, who is the second leading-scorer in the NEC, had a goal and two assists. Other Vikings who took part in the "light the red lamp party" were Drayton Chasteen (two goals), Matt Todisco, Jake Rand, Bob Clewer, and freshman Chris Page, who notched his first career varsity goal. Page also was credited with an assist on the goal by Bobby Clewer. Additional Vikings who earned assists for their playmaking were Adam Lundberg and Nick Clewer (two assists each), Sean Donahue, Todisco, Dan Eruzione, and Mike Paulsen. The contest also saw eighth-grade netminder Ray Feeley take a turn between the pipes in the third frame to spell regular goalie Steve Waites. Coach Dale Dunbar's Vikings are 5-2-2 in the

NEC and 8-2-3 overall. Winthrop High basketball boys team turned in a pair of solid efforts against two tough rivals from the Northeastern Conference Large Division. The Vikings came away with a hard fought 66-62 win over Revere Monday night in a contest that came down to the final minute. Winthrop had overcome a 37-31 halftime deficit thanks to the combination of a strong defensive effort that held Revere scoreless for the first 3:52 of the third period and the offensive play of Anthony Hatzisavas.

Hatzi' became a one-man wrecking crew for the Vikings in the third frame, scoring 12 points to single-handedly outscore the Revere team (which managed only seven points in the period) and propelling Winthrop into a 48-44 advantage at the third quarter marker. Viking Michael Griffin had a hand in all of the key plays down the stretch that pulled out the victory for Winthrop. Michael drained a three pointer that gave the Vikings a 63-61 lead and then hit a free throw to make it 64-62 (after Revere had hit a free throw). Although Griffin missed on his second charity stripe toss, Joe D'Amore tipped the ensuing rebound to keep the ball alive and Griffin grabbed the loose ball with just seconds left on the clock. After a Winthrop timeout, Griffin made an inbounds pass to Quinton Dale who put in a basket to seal the win. Griffin ended up as high-scorer with 18 points, but key contributions were made by Hatzisavas with 14 points and 19 rebounds and Taj Generazzo who had an unusual double-double for a guard with 12 assists and 11 rebounds to go along with his seven points. Friday's encounter with perennial NEC power Lynn English was a closely-fought battle from beginning to end. The score was deadlocked at 31-31 at the half and was a one-point affair, 49-48 in favor of English, af-

a 70-60 victory. The Winthrop High Bulldog hockey

ter three periods before the

Bulldogs, who earlier in

the week had knocked off

fourth-ranked Brockton,

eventually pulled away for

top-rated teams in the state this past week and showed that they will be a force to be reckoned with when state tourney time rolls around. Although the Lady Bulldogs came up on the short of a 5-0 decision to defending state champ St. Mary's of Lynn (which is riding an amazing 90game unbeaten streak) last Wednesday before a huge crowd at the Lynn Arena, WHS head coach Anthony Martucci saw many positive signs from his team's performance. Despite the tough loss, the Lady Bulldogs came back a few nights later against a 15th-ranked Shrewsbury team that had handed Winthrop a 2-1 loss in the season-opener. Winthrop controlled the play from the outset, but was unable to finish its chances as Shrewsbury skated to a 1-0 lead. However, Taylor Brown (assisted by Chelsey Bartlett) lit the lamp with 5:40 to play to earn the tie.

team took on two of the

The Winthrop High girls indoor track team ran past Saugus, 62-34. The Lady Vikings took five of the nine individual events, but superior depth proved the difference in the final outcome. First place finishers for Winthrop were Julia Wallace in the high jump with a leap of 4-6; Jessica Dowson in the 50 yard hurdles in a time of 8.4; Amy Sena in the 1000 in 3:49.6; Kaitlyn Hersey in the mile in 6:13.4; and Jordan Griffiths in the two mile in 13:53.4. The Lady Vikings also nabbed seven second place finishes that placed 21 points onto the Winthrop side of the score sheet. Those girls were: Ashley Jurovich with a shot-put toss of 26-3 and

a clocking of 54.7 in the 300; Katie Cochrane in the hurdles in 8.6; Lexi Vaccaro in the dash in 6.9; Haley Benson in the 600 in 1:56.6; Corey Chavis in the 1000 in 3:49.9; and Amanda Hersey in the mile in 7:10.6. Adding single points to the Winthrop total with third place efforts were: Elizabeth Anderson with a throw of 24-7.5 in the shot; Christina Russo in the dash in 7.0; Althea Losannah in the 300 in 55.7; Maria Rago in the 600 in 2:12.3; and Wallace in the two mile in 15:41.9.

Patrick Brogan won the two mile and Jordan Ekidat took second in two events to pace the Winthrop High boys indoor track team in their meet last week with Saugus. Patrick won his race with a clocking of 12:29.5, while Jordan took second in the high jump with a leap of 5-4 and second in the 50 yard dash in 6.3 seconds. Other point-scorers for Winthrop were Paul Correale with a second place in the shotput with a toss of 35-9.5; Rob Pino with a third in the 50 yard hurdles in 8.8; Justin Casilla with a third in the 300 in 46.9; and Mario Mazzone with a third in the

### 20 years ago Feb. 1, 2001

600 in 1:52.5.

The WHS hockey team qualified for a berth in the state tourney with a 4-2 win over East Boston. Jake Fidler, Matt Driscoll, Mike Moran, and Bobby Kneeland scored the Winthrop goals. The Vikings now are 9-2-1 and are seeking

its first NEC title since the 1985 season when Coach Bill Falasca's team went 17-1 in the NEC in his last year as head coach.

Courtney Finn, Paul Finn, and Kristen Finn won the Elks Hoop Shoot district free throw shooting contest in their age groups of 8-9 and 10-11 last week and now will move on to the state finals.

The WHS girls track team dropped a 50-35 decision to Marblehead. Michelle LaFrazia was the top performer for the Lady Vikings, winning the 50yard hurdles in a personal record time of 8.4 and the high jump with a leap of 4'-11". Junior Danielle Dillard remained unbeaten in the 300 dash with a clocking of 41.2. Ashley Woods captured the 1000 in 3:26 and freshman Laura Sweeney won the mile

in 6:04. The WHS boys basketball team kept alive its hopes for a state tourney berth with a 66-48 triumph over Beverly. Senior captain James Arena led coach Peter Grimes's Vikings, who now are 6-7 on the season, with 21 points. Sean Burgess hit for 16 points and Jeremy Jenkins added nine. Mark O'Brien chipped in with eight points. However, Winthrop proved no match for the state-ranked Lynn English Bulldogs, dropping an 88-61 deci-

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Youth Soccer officials told the selectmen that the new youth soccer field at

Ft. Banks was unuseable in the fall because of the poor field conditions.

WHS track star Billy Perella claimed the championship in the 50yard hurdles at the Northern Area Meet Saturday. Perella has tied the school record in the event of 6.5 seconds.

The WHS girls basketball team clinched a spot in the post-season state tourney with a 43-30 win over Swampscott. Sophomores Liz Doherty had 18 points and Lori Thomas snared 13 rebounds.

Mike Mason Soph scored 19 points to lead the WHS boys hoop team to a 63-55 win over Swampscott. In a 2-1 win for the

WHS hockey team over Beverly, freshman Anthony Palmer was sensational in the nets. Mike DiMento and Neil MacDonald scored the goals for Win-

### 40 years ago Feb. 4, 1981

John Tiano scored four goals to lead the WHS hockey team to a 7-3 win over Lynn Classical. The Vikings now trail Marblehead by just one point in the NEC standings.

Sophomore Maureen McManus led the Winthrop girls basketball team with nine points and 16 rebounds in a 38-36 loss to Marblehead.

Local resident Paul Caruccio has returned from a 15-day sojourn in which he ran a marathon in Savannah, Georgia; a 10K in Bermuda; and then ran to a 13th place finish in the Bermuda Marathon.

### 50 years ago Feb. 3, 1971

The WHS hockey team, hoping to become the first-ever Viking hockey team to reach the state tourney, defeated Salem

Winthrop Town Meeting members are poised to vote on construction of a hockey rink in the town. Supporters point to the high demand for ice time in the Greater Boston area, with the MDC rinks in the area able to accommodate only 900 hours of the 1700 hours for which there is a demand.

### 60 years ago Feb. 2, 1961

Billy Van Dalinda scored 17 points, but the WHS basketball team dropped a 52-48 decision to Newburyport.

### 70 years ago Feb. 1, 1951

Steve Miles, the WHS basketball team's new starting center, tossed in 19 points to lead Winthrop to a victory over Newburyport at the Boston Garden. It was the most points scored by a Winthrop player this season.

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### WHS VIKING BOYS HOCKEY SENIOR NIGHT AT LARSEN RINK

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Asst. Captain Christopher Ferrara, with his parents, Chris and Marissa and his brother Charlie and sister, Ella.



Evan Smotrich with, Heather Fife Smotrich and James Anderson



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Charlie Lane with his parents, Michael and Stephanie.

# **LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS**

# **SULLIVAN NAMED** TO COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS' FALL 2020 DEAN'S LIST

Aviana Sullivan of Winthrop, was named to the College of the Holy Cross Fall 2020 Dean's List. A member of the Class of 2024, Sullivan is majoring in Undeclared.

Sullivan was among more than 1,453 students named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

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\* Winthrop resident Samuel Yarrow, majoring in business administration

\* Winthrop resident Andrew Angulo, majoring in

electrical engineering \* Winthrop resident environmental & sustain sciences

\* Winthrop resident Elizabeth Collins, majoring in mechanical engineering

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# O'FLAHERTY **RETURNS TO CHELSEA**

CHELSEA - When his friend and colleague in the House of Representatives, Martin Walsh, the newly elected mayor of Boston, asked him to be corporation counsel for the city of Boston, then-State Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty accepted the new job and the considerable challenge of the position.

And now after seven years of commendable and widely acclaimed service in the key role in the Walsh Administration, O'Flaherty is leaving and will be returning to Chel-

"It was an incredible opportunity to serve the City of Boston and to continue my public service," said O'Flaherty. "When I got there, it felt like an overwhelming task. We have to manage over 60 attorneys, paralegals, and staff. It's a very diverse law practice, with many qualified attorneys working on schools, on the Boston Police and Boston Fire, and all the different departments and commissions, as well as the Boston City Council,"

said O'Flaherty. If it sounds like a gargantuan operation, it is. All of the legal representation for New England's largest city was under O'Flaherty's jurisdiction, including more than 1,200 litigation cases per year.

There are close to 20,000 employees working for the city "so it was a very large law practice difficult to manage, but I quickly, with the help of some very public servants, figured out what the role of the job was," said O'Flaherty.

"Being with the Mayor, my legislative colleague and friend, throughout all of that, it was a great honor working to fufill a lot of what he wanted to accomplish as Mayor," said O'Flaherty. "I've been by his side almost since Day 1, and we'll be leaving around the same time."

Walsh has been nominated by President Joe Biden for the Cabinet position of U.S. Labor Secretary. O'Flaherty was asked by the Mayor to serve with him in Washington, D.C. in the Office of the Secretary of Labor.

"Maybe if I were 20 years younger, I would have taken advantage of that opportunity, but at this point in my life, it will be too disruptive to both myself, my wife (Patricia), and my in-laws," said O'Flaherty.

"While I was very honored to be asked to serve in the Office of the Secretary of Labor and continue working with Mayor Walsh in his new role, I had to very emotionally decline the offer.

"I'm very proud of what he has accomplished as Mayor and now to be in President Biden's Cabinet - but it would be too disruptive personally to me,

my family, my friends, and our network that we have here, to leave here and go down to Washington," said O'Flaherty.

### Chelsea's former state representative

Gene O'Flaherty was elected state representative for Chelsea and Charlestown in November, 1996, and took office in January, 1997. O'Flaherty and Walsh, who represented Dorchester, both started together as freshman legislators.

"Both of our districts had Boston, so we had mutual legislative interests at first and we quickly became friends because, like me, both his parents were from Ireland and both my parents were both from Ireland as well, so we had a lot in common and we hit it off," said O'Flaherty.

They served in the House of Representatives together for 17 years. When Walsh was elected Mayor of Boston in 2013 and took office in 2014, he met for dinner with O'Flaherty and asked him to join his administration as corporation counsel.

O'Flaherty accepted the offer. He stepped down from his state representative seat and gave up his private law practice.

### Many accomplishments that bettered the city

Over the course of Walsh and O'Flaherty's seven years together in Boston city government,

# FUNDING FOR CAMP FIRE NORTH SHORE



Camp Fire North Shore received a donation from Camp Lions and the Lynn Lions Club for \$50,000.00 for capital improvements. Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation also donated \$25,000.00 as well as the Gerondelis Foundation who will donate a \$100,000.00 over a three year period. This total donation amounts to \$175,000.00 for the initial improvements. Camp Fire Executive Director Laurie Hamill was so excited to begin the overdue renovations to the camp located on Cain Road. She continued to explain, "Thank you to these amazing benefactors; we can move forward on the first phase of the project to allow us to serve more North Shore youth and allows us to offer year round programs." The future improvement program will provide a safe and inclusive curriculum helping young people to become "caring and confident leaders". Pictured, the \$50,000 check presented to Camp Fire North Shore – (L-R) Richard Alfonsi, John Baker, Sean Crowley, Camp Fire Executive Director Laurie Hamill and Camp Fire Board Members Steve Antonakes, Lynn Councilor-at-Large Brian Field, and Matthew Lamothe.

there were many accomplishments.

Until COVID-19 arrived, the economy for the City of Boston was booming. The innovative Seaport District, now a national model, was developed during the administration.

New fire stations, police stations, and libraries were built in the city. There was new infrastructure and huge economic growth.

# **Returning to law practice**

A graduate of Suffolk University and the Massachusetts School of Law, Gene O'Flaherty will be practice, including government relations. He has been practicing law since 1994. As he comes back to the

returning to private law

city where residents overwhelmingly supported him in elections, O'Flaherty says he's excited to back in Chelsea. "It's good to be home,"

he said.

Councilor-at-Said Large Leo Robinson, "It's great to have Gene returning to our city and being a big part of our community. He was an excellent, hard-working state representative who did so much

for our city when he served in that position. I know he was also a tremendous asset to the Walsh Administrative in an important role. I look forward to seeing Gene at Chelsea events and I wish him well in his law practice."

# COVID-19 CASES **DECLINING**

EVERETT - The numbers of COVID-19 cases in Everett backed off again last week from a major surge coming af-

**See METRO NEWS Page 15** 

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

# **LEGAL NOTICE**



PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF FEBRUARY 16, 2021 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 Via Zoom at on or after 7:00PM that the Town Council vote the Use of Retained Earnings, Water/Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$37,750 for costs associated with Revere Street sewer repairs resulting from a sewer collapse on December 24, 2020 **Denise Quist** Council Clerk

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Legal Notice #003-2021 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 25, 2021, at or after 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.com, upon the application of Robert Morfino, owner of the property located at, 258 Shirley Street, Winthrop, MA 02152. The applicant seeks a permit to construct a 2nd floor deck/porch 24'6" x 7' 0" at the above references address. The permit was denied in accordance with the

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of the Town of Winthrop (1) Noncompliance of proposed structure with that the Winthrop Board respect to minimum side of Appeals will conduct yard setback of 10 feet a public hearing on Thursday, February 25, (section 17.16.020.J.1) **Dimensional Regulations.** 2021, at or after 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.com, The public is invited to attend, and interest upon the application of parties shall have an Tara and Jamie Crowley, opportunity to be heard. owner of the property To Join Zoom Meeting: located at, 165 Court Rd., Winthrop, MA 02152. When: Feb 25, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time The applicant seeks a (US and Canada) permit to construct a 23' Topic: Board of Appe x 27.5' (710 Sq. ft.) rear Please click the link bedeck in addition to a 13' low to join the webinar: x 14' above ground pool https://us02web.zoom. incorporated in the deck us/j/87086695352 at the above references Or iPhone one-tap: address. The permit was US: +13126266799 denied in accordance 87086695352# or with the Town of +16465588656, Winthrop Zoning By-Laws Chapter 17.16 Dimension-87086695352# Or Telephone: al Regulations. Dial(for higher quality, The permit was denied dial a number based on due to the following your current location): reason:

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ter the holidays, going down from the 600 range two weeks ago to the 200 range this week and last week.

The percent positive rate is also on the decline this week, at just over 10 percent.

The numbers COVID-19 cases has dropped steadily over the last three weeks, signaling that the holiday surge of cases has come and gone now. There were 272 cases reported last week, and that has now dropped to 225 this week.

The most recent numbers are as follows:

- •Tuesday, Feb. 2 23
- •Monday, Feb. 1-20
- •Sunday, Jan. 31 31 •Saturday, Jan. 30 – 49
- •Friday, Jan. 29 16
- •Thursday, Jan. 28 33
- •Wednesday, Jan. 27 •Tuesday, Jan. 26 – 13

On Monday, Jan. 4, Everett moved its testing fulltime indoors at the Samuel Gentile Recreation Center on Elm Street. Testing is done Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., and then 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Friday and Saturdays, testing is done noon to 6 p.m.

# **DEVELOPMENT** PITCHED FOR MAVERICK STREET

**NEW** 

EAST BOSTON - Zoning Attorney Jeff Drago pitched his client's plans for 28 units of housing on Maverick Street along the Mary Ellen Welch Green-

At a Friends of the Mary Ellen Greenway Council meeting last Thursday, Drago said his client, City Realty, has purchased the parcels at 167-169 Maverick St. that once housed the Saints and Angels Ceramic Store and wants to renovate the existing three-story brick structure and erect a five-story addition for a total of 28 housing units with 11 parking spaces at the ground level.

"Those of you who are familiar with those parcels know it was the former Saints and Angels Ceramic Store and the adjacent three unit brick building to the left," said Drago. "So we're proposing to combine those parcels and raze the small one story commercial structure because it really is not in the best of shape."

Drago said his client wanted to meet with the Greenway Council because of the project's close proximity with the park. "We've met Gove

Street Citizens Association members for an initial meeting and now the Greenway Council," said Drago. "This is going to go through the Article 80 Small Project Review process just because of the size of the proposal and we will also have to meet with the Parks Department because we're abutting the Greenway as well. This is really the early stages of the project and we wanted to talk to folks early on. We have had a pre-file meeting with the city, but we have not officially filed anything with the BPDA yet."

During his presentation Drago pointed to the recently city-approved project at 173-177 Maverick St., which he said has a similar height as City Re-

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With flooding a continuing problem on the Greenway due to rain runoff Drago said City Realty has come up with a plan to eliminate rain runoff from proposed building onto the Greenway. "All of the rainwater

and all of the rain runoff from the building will be stored in a holding tank," said Drago. "Rain water would be collected from the building, go into this holding tank that is under the surface parking in the rear of the proposed building, and then the excess rainwater will be

slowly distributed and reintroduced into the storm water system. Right now there isn't anything like this so all of the rainwater goes down downspouts and eventually makes its way down into the Greenway adding to the existing flooding problems. But as part of this project we'll be harvesting and mitigating all of our rainwater."

Due to the projects close proximity to the Greenway City Realty, a shadow study was conducted and concluded the worst time for shadowing is the winter with the building casting little shadow impact onto the Greenway during the other three seasons.

Council Greenway member Karen Maddelena said her major concern was having only 11 proposed parking spaces

"If you could consider having more parking spaces that would be great," she said. Drago said the project

hopes to take advantage of the city's Compact Living Program so the proposal is limited on how many offstreet parking spaces can be included.

"If you are part of this compact living program you are limited to how much parking you can actually have," said Drago In order to qualify a project for this program, Drago said the proposal has to be walking distance to a train station.

"It is designed to encourage those folks moving here to use other modes of transportation,' said Drago. "The developer has to make space available for bike parking--space would otherwise be used for off-street parking. So if you are going to take part in the compact living program you actually are prohibited from having more parking

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# East Boston's Ben Downing announces candidacy for Governor

On Monday afternoon East Boston resident Ben Downing is inside Mi Pueblito Restaurant in Orient Heights Square picking up some tacos for lunch.

"The chicken jalapeno here is also really good," Downing tells me as he pays for his lunch.

It's been a busy morning for the Western Mass native that served 10 years as a State Senator from Pittsfield before stepping down in 2017 to work fulltime in renewable energy.

Downing has been on the phone all morning tapping into his network of supporters, potential donors, friends and family.

On Monday morning, Downing released a video announcing he is formally entering the 2022 race for Governor of Massachu-

"Growing up in Pittsfield, I lived what it meant to be an afterthought in the state's political power circles," said Downing. "Now, as an East Boston resident, I'm part of a new community just as familiar with being written off. From one side of Massachusetts to the other, I have spent my life in communities that have had to fight harder than they should to get fair representation, equitable access to resources, and attention from Beacon Hill. So I know what a difference state leadership makes. And I know we need better than what we are getting right now."

Downing was one of the youngest state senators ever elected in Massachusetts history in 2006 at the age of 24. During his tenure at the State House Downing emerged as a leading climate advocate.

Downing moved to Eastie five years ago with his wife, Micaelah Morrill, and are raising their two young sons Malcolm, age 3, and Eamon, age 9 months, here. However, Downing's roots in Eastie are strong and the family got their start in the neighborhood at the turn of the last century. In fact, there's a hero square on the corner of Sumner and Cottage Street in Jeffries Point that was dedicated by Mayor Martin Walsh in 2019 in honor of Downing's great great-granduncle Albert Henry Downing of Eastie who died during World War I.

While living in Eastie Downing has seen first hand the inequities that have existed for quite some time but have only been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I think the major issues right are going to be the COVID response and the lessons we've learned from COVID," Downing. "What did it expose? What did it show? I think what it showed was something a lot of us already knew existed. We have these widening economic and racial gaps in Massachusetts around income and wages, around wealth and gaps between communities in parts of the state that have grown and have benefited from economic growth in recent decades. So the focus will be how do we close those gaps, how do we address economic and racial justice and, while doing that, take the urgent steps that we need to take to address climate change. We know that the most scarce resource when it comes to climate change is time. We only have really a decade here to take the steps we need to build a sustainable society and I don't think our actions at the state level have reflected that."

Downing argues that most of the uegrency over climate change has percolated up from members of the legislature, there needs to be more sense of urgency from the executive branch of government.

"We need more of a sense of urgency," said Downing. "We know communities like East Boston, Chelsea and even Pittsfield were targeted for the development of fossil fuel infrastructure and have the asthma rates and other public health indicators to reflect that. We know a transition to a clean energy economy and the spillovers from that are positive. We have more jobs to create by putting solar on roofs, building energy storage, doing energy retrofits of homes, building offshore wind---

there's a lot of jobs there." Since 2017 Downing has served in a leadership role at Nexamp, a leading renewable energy company. In that role, Downing led efforts to improve accessibility within the green economy, expand to new markets outside of the northeast, and deploy cutting-edge energy storage solutions here at home. He serves on the board of the Environmental League of Massachusetts and is a



Ben Downing, Candidate for Governor, on the campaign trail.

leading advocate for climate action in the Commonwealth.

"I've come away from Nexamp more optimistic," said Downing. "The naysayers will say, "Oh it's big pie in the sky stuff" and it's not going to really do anything with the economy. I think the most exciting thing for me is to see the solutions that we have to climate change that are at our fingertips--whether that's solar energy efficiency, battery storage, wind--they're offshore there to be tapped. What's been missing is leadership that's ready to tap into that potential and set a higher standard for all of us. All too often you see Governor Baker echo talking points from the real estate lobby and others who say these will cost too much and slow down development. We've heard those concerns every step along the way when it comes to the climate change debate in Massachusetts. But every step along the way those talking points have been proven wrong. Yes, there are costs but

the benefits far outweigh the costs. We've seen that time and time again and the great thing about these jobs is they will be done in Massachusetts, the work has to be done here, and they're good blue collar jobs that can be done in every corner of the state."

Another focus said Downing will be to invest in transportation that can emissions.

help cut down on carbon "A big part of addressing climate change issues is making transit more reliable and you look at governor Baker's record; it's a record of cutting the budget at the MBTA," said Downing. "We need to increase ridership and make it more reliable but we need to do the same with the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) because the BRT just isn't relevant but we need it to be. We need people to see that as a viable option that gets them out of their cars. It is a significant undertaking but it's that much tougher to do without leadership from the corner office."

As a state Senator,

Downing represented the largest district in the state, comprising 52 cities and towns. Over a decade in office he led legislative efforts to accelerate our clean energy development and respond to climate change, rebuild our urban and rural economies, reduce poverty and hunger, strengthen our state ethics laws, and expand protections for transgender indi-

"I'm running for Governor to build a fairer, stronger Massachusetts,' said Downing. "I believe there is no limit to what we can accomplish here. But the leadership needed to unlock this potential is sorely lacking. As we recover and reimagine our future in the months and years to come, we need a Governor who sees, feels and understands the gravity of this moment and how we got here; who is not content with accumulating power but who is ready to use that power to respond boldly to the dire impacts of the pandemic, rising racial inequality, and the urgency of climate change."

# National Grid seeks approval to expand access to distributed solar

National Grid has filed a proposal to expand access to solar energy and provide annual bill discounts to 20,000 low-income customers in Massa-

Solar-powered generation is a vital part of the strategy to meet Massachusetts' clean energy goals. While many customers benefit from the savings of rooftop solar, not every customer has the means or ability to install solar panels on their home.

Community Shared Solar is a part of the Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) program, and it enables customers to lower their bills through local solar projects without having to install solar panels on their property.

To date, low-income customers have had limited access to the monetary benefits available from participating in solar projects. As of December 2020, less than five percent of solar capacity in the SMART program serves low-income customers. The company's Solar Access Initiative, which is pending review from the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU), seeks to make clean energy more

"No matter their income level, all of our customers should share in the benefits of distributed solar,' said Marcy Reed, president of National Grid in Massachusetts. "With this proposal, we are demonstrating our commitment

to offering fair and afford-

accessible to low-income

customers.



One of many solar panels operated by National Grid.

able solutions as we drive toward our clean energy future."

The Solar Access Initiative aims to expand access to Community Shared Solar projects by eliminating the need for customer credit checks through a new Solar Simplified Billing program. In addition, National Grid will launch a Solar Enrollment Program exclusively available to low-income customers that will provide approximately \$240 in annual bill discounts.

•Solar Simplified Billing The owners of many Community Shared Solar projects screen applicants using credit scores to reduce the risk of late payments. This significantly limits the pool of customers who can qualify to participate. National Grid's Solar Simplified Billing eliminates the need for credit checks by guaranteeing on-time payments to project owners.

•Solar Enrollment Pro-

customers

National Grid's Solar Enrollment Program will simplify the process for

low-income

to sign up for Community Shared Solar projects. The program will offer a month-to-month subscription, no sign-up or cancellation fees, and an electricity bill discount of approximately \$240 per

Residential customers enrolled in National Grid's low-income rate will be eligible to participate. National Grid expects that the program will serve up to 20,000 low-income customers. National Grid will

contract with and match low-income participants to Community Shared Solar projects. The contracted projects will not have to conduct their own customer billing or recruitment, reducing their costs and making more bill discounts available to the low-income participants. National Grid is com-

mitted to being a responsible business partner, delivering sustainable energy safely, reliably and affordably, ensuring no one gets left behind. If approved by the DPU, the Solar Access

Initiative would go into ef-

fect in early 2022.



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