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AMERICAN LEGION 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FLAG RAISING ON THE WINTHROP BEACH BREAKERS

On May 15 at 8:30 a.m. the members of American Legion Post 146 will raise the Flag of the United States of America for the twentieth year, in honoring the events of "9/11". They have assembled each year since 9/11 to raise the flag on the Winthrop Beach breakers, Winthrop, Massachusetts 02152.

Members will assemble at 8:00 a.m. and deploy to the breaker at 8:30 a.m. A team of four Legionnaires will mount the breaker and set the flag in its permanent base, where it remain until October.

Many of our brothers, sisters, daughters and sons enlisted in the3 armed forces and were deployed as a result of that horrific

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MYSTERY BOOK GROUP AT THE LIBRARY



Pete Solomon (far left), the Library's Circulation Supervisor, hosts an outside edition of the Winthrop Public Library's Mystery Bookgroup. The group meets the second Wednesday of the month at 10:30a. May's book was Muscle Memory by William Tapply. The next meeting on June 9th will be for Dead Land by Sara Paretsky, a V.I. Warshawski novel. The group has been meeting steadily for over 20 years. You can follow along at Goodreads.com, just select Community > Groups and search for Winthrop then select the WPL&M Mystery Book

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

What's going on in the Center Business District

The following is a summary of the work completed this week and the work P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc. (contractor) has scheduled for the next two weeks. Please note, the anticipated schedule may vary due to unforeseen site conditions, weather conditions, or other factors out of the contractor's control.

Construction Updates and Schedule:

Work completed this week (5/3/21 to 5/7/21):

• Construction of storm drain improvements on Somerset Avenue, between Cottage Park Road and Pleasant Street.

Two-week Anticipated Schedule (5/10/21 to 5/21/21)

May 10 to May 14,

Scheduled Work:

 Construction of storm drain improvements on Somerset Avenue between Cottage Park Road and Pleasant Street.

Traffic Management (M-F 5/10 to 5/14; 7 AM to 4 PM):

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May 17 to May 21,

Scheduled Work:

- Construction of storm drain improvements on Somerset Avenue, between Cottage Park Road and Pleasant Street.
- Construction of storm drain improvements on Cottage Park Road, at the intersection of Somerset Avenue, and on Cottage

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District launches Diversity, Equity and Inclusion website

By Kate Anslinger

Teachers, students, and parents will have another tool for accessing resources to better the community. A Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) website, launched this week, is packed with tools designed to build cultural competence in the district.

The website was created due to an overwhelming amount of feedback from staff members, who requested more tools to prepare and nurture students for the world. Answering the demand, the DEI team stepped in to build a site that includes resources that can be read, watched, or listened to by all members of the community.

The site is broken down into different sections based on the needs of the viewer. Parents have access to tools that will equip them to step into the arena of anti-racism and be prepared for age-appropriate conversations with their children. A section dedicated to educators will offer lesson plans and content that can be accessed for the classroom.

The site's resource library is packed with informational topics titled White Privilege, Talking About Race, and Anti-rac-

"Instead of simply talking about it, we are supplying teachers with

the tools they need," said Katie Miller, School Adjustment Counselor at WMS.

Miller worked alongside fellow School Adjustment Counselor, Michael Kearney, to launch the detailed website. Part of the process was learning new terminology related to diversity, equity, and inclusion and providing teachers with language surrounding racial literacy.

"We want teachers to feel confident having these conversations, and while we created this for parents, educators and community members, there is a space for students who identify as marginalized groups."

please visit: https://sites google.com/view/wpsdei/ dei-statement?authuser=0 The Winthrop Pub-

To access the website

lic Schools DEI Mission Statement:

As a district, we are committed to building inclusive learning environments where all BIPOC and marginalized members within the community feel heard, safe, respected and valued. We acknowledge that this work won't always be easy or comfortable; yet it is crucial and necessary. Our hope is that you approach this work with an open heart and mind, and with a student-mindset that helps us grow and learn together as we actualize this shared vision.

Officials report only eight new cases of COVID-19 in Town

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has notified Town officials of eight additional confirmed positive cases of the virus in Winthrop since our last reporting of the numbers on May 6.

These latest cases bring the total positive cases up to 2,278, with 9 in isolation, 35 deceased, and 2,234 recovered.

Stay informed by visiting the official Winthrop COVID-19 resource page at www.Winthrop-COVID19.com.

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

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

MONDAY, APRIL 26

0921: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Pleasant St. involving two vehicles, one of which struck and damaged a utility pole. Both vehicles were towed and Comcast was notified to check out the pole. The officer issued a citation to a 26 year-old Winthrop woman for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. The officer filed a report.

0939: An officer responded to Governor's Park upon a report of a male party acting suspiciously. The officer arrested a 47 year-old Winthrop man on an outstanding warrant.

1236: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley St. and Veterans Rd. for the civil infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the op-

1816: Officers responded to a MVA on Putnam St. in which one of the vehicles backed-up into a parked vehicle. Both vehicles were towed and the officer filed a report.

2354: An officer directed the owner of a MV that was parked illegally on the sidewalk on Shirley St. to move the vehicle to a legal spot.

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Washington Ave. for the civil moving violation of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0257: An officer directed persons having a loud party at a Governor's Drive apartment to keep it down for the night.

0321: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV on Underhill St.

1022: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV parked in the area of the tennis court at Governor's Park. 1429: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere and Hutchinson Sts. for the civil moving violation of failing to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk. When the officer determined that the operator did not have a valid license, the operator called his wife, who came to take possession of the MV. The officer issued a citation to the operator for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV and for the civil infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer also informed the wife that she could have been cited for the criminal offense of allowing an unlicensed operator to use her vehicle.

1731: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Washington Ave. and issued a citation to the operator, who had an expired Florida license, for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV. The operator's wife came to take possession of the MV.

2200: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) that was operating erratically at Main and Beal Sts. The officer issued a citation to the operator for the civil infraction of a marked lanes viola-

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Pauline and Pleasant Sts. for the civil moving violation of an equipment violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1108: A caller reported backing into a street sign at Washington Ave. and Winthrop St. The DPW was notified.

officer 1444: An stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Winthrop St. and Madison Ave. for a civil moving violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1453: An officer responded to a report of disturbance between neighbors on Winthrop St. One of the neighbors had obtained a harassment prevention restraining order pursuant to c. 258E the day before. The officer issued a summons for a court hearing to the other neighbor for the criminal offense of violating a 258E order.

1615: An officer who previously had investigated a report of a contractor with the Housing Authority allegedly entering a home on Douglas St. without permission of the occupant issued a summons for a court hearing to a 42 year-old Peabody man for the criminal offense of breaking & entering in the nighttime and placing a person in fear.

1633: A resident reported a case of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

2310: An employee at a local business reported that he was just robbed of \$600 by a male and a female in a bikini. The officer filed a report. According to the police log, "This was a social media meeting that went wrong."

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

0223: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV without a resident sticker on Sea Foam Ave.

1218: A resident reported a case of identity theft. 1238: A caller reported that a pit bull was running loose in the 300 block of Shirley St. The officers were unable to locate the

2322: An officer served a domestic abuse prevention restraining order pursuant to c. 209A upon a person at Governor's Drive. The person was directed to leave the premises.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

0125: An officer issued a parking ticket to a motor vehicle (MV) on Undersell St. that did not have a visitor pass.

0828: A resident reported that a landscaping company had dropped soil material on Franklin St. after the town street sweeper had just cleaned the street. The landscaper told the officer that they would clean up the debris.

1606: Officers respond-

ing to a call for assistance arrested Olsen Cejour, 30, of 26 Beacon St., on two outstanding warrants and for the criminal offenses of carrying a dangerous weapon (second offense), illegal possession of Class A, Class B, Class C, and Class D controlled narcotic substances (subsequent offenses), and illegal possession of Class A, Class B, and Class C controlled narcotic substances with intent to distribute (subsequent offenses).

1646: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident (MVA) in which a tree branch broke off and landed on a passing vehicle on Crest Ave. The officer filed a report.

1745: A resident came into the station to report a past larceny from her motor vehicle.

1909: An officer directed persons who had parked their vehicles on the wrong side of the road on Cliff Ave. to move their vehicles.

2315: An officer dispersed persons in a vehicle from Hannaford Park, which is closed after dark.

SATURDAY, MAY 1

0002: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle with an expired registration (the registration had expired as of May 1) on Revere St. and followed the operator to Trident Ave. where he parked his car for the night.

0009: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere and Locust Sts. for the civil moving violation of not having its headlights on. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2013: An officer directed the owner of a MV blocking the street on Sea Foam Ave. to move the vehicle.

SUNDAY, MAY 2

1008: The Animal Control Officer assisted with moving along a wild turkey that was at the doorway entrance to Seal Har-

1758: Officers responded to a report of a hit-andrun MVA in the 400 block of Shirley St. The officer filed a report.

2259: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

MONDAY, MAY 3

0009: An stopped a motor vehicle at Shore Drive and Myrtle Ave. for the civil moving violation of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

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Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) is cautioning customers to be aware of a text phishing scam that has been reported here in the Commonwealth and in other states. The scam reportedly involves customers receiving text messages, claiming to be from the "DMV," that direct them to click on a provided link to update their personal identifying contact information. Customers can identify this type of text as a phishing scam because it includes "DMV" and in Massachusetts DMV is not the name of the Registry of Motor Vehicles; in Massachusetts, the name of the Registry is abbreviated as "RMV." Any text using the phrase "Department of Motor Vehicles" or "DMV" should be de-

Please note that the RMV does not send unsolicited requests for personal and/or contact information to customers by text. Any communication by text from the RMV would be as a result of a customer-initiated request or transaction.

ADDITIONAL PHASE 4 INDUSTRIES **ARE OPEN**

The Baker-Polito Adannounced ministration that Massachusetts will move forward in the Commonwealth's reopening plan to reopen certain outdoor Phase 4 industries effective May 10, as previously announced.

Administration continues to take steps to reopen the Commonwealth's economy with public health metrics continuing to trend in a positive direction.

On March 22, Massachusetts loosened restrictions and advanced to Phase IV of the Commonwealth's reopening plan. Since then, daily new COVID-19 cases have dropped by 45%, hospitalizations have dropped by 23%, and deaths have dropped by 69%. All these metrics have dropped by around 80% or more since the beginning of the year. The Commonwealth also remains a national leader in COVID-19 vaccinations, and over 3.9 million people are fully or partially vaccinated, and Massachusetts is on track to meet its goal of vaccinating over 4 million people by the beginning of June.

Effective Monday, May

Commonwealth •The will reopen certain outdoor Phase 4 industries.

 Amusement parks, theme parks and outdoor water parks will be permitted to operate at a 50% capacity after submitting safety plans to the Department of Public Health.

•Road races and other large, outdoor organized amateur or professional group athletic events will be permitted to take place with staggered starts and other appropriate safety measures after submitting safety plans to a local board of health or the DPH.

 Additionally, large capacity venues such as indoor and outdoor stadiums, arenas and ballparks currently open at 12\(\bar{y}\) capacity as part of Phase 4, Step 1 will be permitted to increase capacity to 25%.

 Youth and adult amateur sports tournaments will be allowed for moderate and high-risk sports.

•Singing will also be permitted indoors with strict distancing requirements at performance venues, restaurants, event venues and other businesses.

•Grocery stores and retail stores with a pharmacy department should consider dedicated hours of operation for seniors, but will no longer be required to offer senior hours.

Additional Changes Anticipated to be Effective Saturday, May 29:

•Contingent on continued positive trends in the public health and vaccination data, on May 29, additional sectors will be permitted to re-open and gathering limits will increase to 200 people indoors and 250 people outdoors for event venues, public settings and private settings.

The additional sectors that will be permitted to open include:

•Parades, street festivals and agricultural festivals, after submitting safety plans to the local board of health including measures for maintaining social distance, staffing and operations plans and hygiene and cleaning protocols.

•Bars, beer gardens, breweries, wineries and distilleries, which will be subject to restaurant rules with seated service only, a 90-minute limit and no dance floors. •Subject to public health

and vaccination data, the restaurant guidance will be updated to eliminate the requirement that food be served with alcohol and to increase the maximum table size to 10.

Last week, the Administration also relaxed the Face Coverings Order for some outdoor settings and announced further reopening plans for Aug. 1.

For more information, visit mass.gov/reopening.

MASSDOT ANNOUNCES 2021 TRANSPORTATION INNOVATION CONFERENCE

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing that the Transportation Innovation Conference is scheduled to be held virtually on Tuesday, May 25; Wednesday, May 26; and Thursday, May 27.

The purpose of the conference is to showcase the latest technologies and equipment and to convene transportation officials, advocates, members of the private sector, and municipal officials to discuss trends in the industry, government-involved programs and initiatives. The conference will

feature keynote addresses by Jamey Tesler, Acting Secretary and CEO of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Dr. Shawn Wilson, Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, and Gregory Slater, Secretary of the Maryland Department of Transportation.

"MassDOT is pleased to host this annual conference in order to showcase and share transportation innovations throughout the Commonwealth and across the nation," said Acting Secretary Tesler. "The virtual format allows us to safely hold the event while we are still in the

pandemic and will give us the opportunity to make the workshops more accessible to everyone in the state and will allow us the ability to bring expertise to the several-day event from speakers and presenters from around the

region and the country."

This year's conference offers 30 informative sessions and is open to all transportation profession als including MassDOT, personnel. municipal consultants, contractors, non-profits, planning agencies, transit agencies, researchers, human service agencies, advocates, planners, private sector practitioners, vendors, and manufacturers. Conference participants will have the opportunity to discuss the advantages and challenges associated with innovative methods and technologies, including those featured at workshops: practices in municipal and regional transportation; mobility, accessibility, and transportation equity; techniques in design, materials, and construction; promoting a culture of safe transportation; and shaping the transportation landscape for a post COVID-19 world.

The Transportation Innovation Conference began in 2012 primarily for the network of MassDOT professionals and in 2015, the conference opened up to include all transportation professionals including state, federal, private, and non-profit workers. For more info or to reg-

ister for the Massachusetts Transportation Innovation Conference, visit: https:// www.umasstransportationcenter.org/assnfe/ ev.asp?ID=4575.

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Sumner Tunnel swing lane reactivated; truck crashes into gates on opening day

By John Lynds

MassDOT reactivated the Sumner Tunnel 'swing lane' Monday morning and State Police have already confirmed that one vehicle has crashed into the swing lane gates.

The swing lane is a traffic calming measure that closes the center lane into the Sumner Tunnel during the weekday rush. Traffic heading into the tunnel from Route 1A and Logan Airport will have to merge into the far left lane between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m.

State Police are urging drivers to use caution due to an accident occurring on opening day just hours after the gates were reactivated by MassDOT. The swing lane was deactivated during the pandemic due to the low volume of traffic into the Sumner this past year. MassDOT said they were reactivated to accommodate returning traffic volumes on Route

While traffic is still low, the swing gate can be a hazard for fast traveling vehicles that are not aware of their presence.

State Trooper Jonathan Cooper Harris reported that on Monday just after 8 a.m. a pick up truck traveling southbound into the tunnel smashed into the swing late gates and damaged several of the gates as well as his truck.

"The (truck) was stopped by a Trooper on Nashua Street and the Trooper observed minor damage to his vehicle and windshield," said Harris. "The (swing lane's) arrow boards and signs were also damaged. The operator stated he saw the gates at the last minute and tried to move out of the way but couldn't."

The swing lanes are usually avoidable when slow moving traffic is crawling into the tunnel during the morning commute. With traffic traveling slowly the orange swing gates gradually jet out to move traffic into the far left lane.

However, like the incident Monday morning, a vehicle traveling down the incline of Route 1A into the Sumner--coupled with a sharp turn before the swing gates--a driver has little time to react and maneuver out of the way when the gates are blocking the center lane.

MassDOT suspended the use of the swing lane due to reduced traffic volumes at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020. MassDOT will now resume the regularly scheduled deployment of the swing lane to support traffic levels that are slowly rebounding and in conjunction with the input from the community.

Signage and messaging will be in place to notify drivers. MassDOT encourages the public to be mindful of this traffic ad-

Winthrop's Samuel Yarrow awarded scholarship from the Massachusetts Society of CPAs

Special to the Transcript

The Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants (MSCPA) today announced that Samuel Yarrow of Winthrop was awarded the MSCPA Alliance Scholarship from the MSCPA's Educational Foundation.

Yarrow, a student at Northeastern University, was one of 32 students selected to receive a scholarship from the MSCPA's Educational Foundation's 2021 Scholarship Program. The students will be presented with their awards at the Virtual MSCPA Scholarship Award Ceremony and Reception on June 9.

"The Society is honored to support these remarkable students who are the next generation of CPAs" said Amy Pitter, president and CEO of the MSCPA. "Becoming a CPA opens up endless opportunities in a variety of fields, and we couldn't be prouder to guide them along their



Samuel Yarrow.

journey while advancing the future of the profession."

Scholarships are funded 100% through donations to the MSCPA's Educational Foundation. This year, the MSCPA presented \$145,500 in scholarships to students. The mission of the MSCPA's Educational Foundation is to inspire and support the next generation of CPAs in Massachusetts. Since the program's inception in 2006, the Educational Foundation has awarded over 300 scholarships to aspiring CPAs, ranging from \$2,500 - \$10,000 and totaling more than over \$1,500,000. MSCPA

scholarships are available for both undergraduate and graduate accounting students who are attending a college or university in Massachusetts or attending a college or university out-of-state with a permanent residence in Massachusetts. Scholarship funds are issued directly to the students and can be used for tuition, books, interviewing expenses or other needs. For more information about the Educational Foundation, click

The Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, Inc. is the state professional association of certified public accountants, representing over 11,000 members in public accounting practice, industry and business, government education. The Society works to develop and maintain high professional standards and offers a wide array of legislative, technical and referral services to its members.

at 10:30 AM, The Parc at Harbor View of Winthrop will host another complimentary online webinar presentation by Certified Elder Law Attorney Pat-

On Thursday, May 20th

rick Curley of Curley Law Firm LLP in Wakefield.

The last time The Parc at Harbor View hosted Attorney Curley for an online webinar, it was oversubscribed and drew an overwhelmingly positive response. The May 20th presentation is entitled "Estate Plan Survival Kit – What you need to protect your family, your assets, and your independence as you age".

The presentation will address (1) steps to take to avoid Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Probate; (2) the pros and cons of Revocable and Irrevocable Trusts; and, (3) peace of mind planning to be prepared for 'what if' scenarios."

The Parc at Harbor View of Winthrop

to host noted Elder Law speaker

Attorney Curley stated, "The healthcare, legal and financial aspects of aging grow ever more complicated each year. For many, it can be so overwhelming that they simply 'fail to plan,' which leaves them vulnerable completely and unprotected. It does not have to be this way. I will offer easy to understand information for all attendees to learn what they need in their estate planning survival kit so they have a clear roadmap to protect themselves and

their family in the future." Attorney Curley is one of just 25 Certified Elder Law Attorneys in the

Commonwealth. Achieving this distinction is rare because it requires years of focused Estate Planning and Elder Law practice, peer references from Elder Law experts, dozens of hours of continuing education, and passing a rigorous full-day bar-style exam covering 12 Elder Law categories, as well as re-certification every five

Attendees must register by contacting Sharline at The Parc at Harbor View at 617-207-3009 or by emailing The Parc at Harbor View's Marketing Director at Marketing@ ParcAtHarborView.com.

More information about Elder Law and Attorney Patrick Curley can be found at www.Curley-LawFirm.com or by calling 781.245.2222.

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Park Road between Somerset Avenue and Pleasant Street.

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MVES issues RFP for older adult programs

Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to fund innovative programs that promote the health, well-being, and independence of older adults and to complement or supplement the support activities of primary caregivers.

Areas of focus include: family caregiver issues and services; special populations such as elders with special needs, isolated, marginalized, LGBT elders and those who are disadvantaged by racial, cultural and/or linguistic barriers; health promotion programs that focus on evidence-based programs for older adults; transportation; housing insecurity; social insecurity/isolation; health and wellness, in-

cluding physical and be- funding priorities the prohavioral health; and economic insecurity.

Funding is available by MVES through the Older American Act and is subject to availability of federal funding. Funding for projects begin October 1, 2021 and end on September 30, 2022.

MVES is requesting Letters of Intent from organizations wishing to apply for funding to support individuals age 60 and older in MVES' sergram will address

- The estimated amount of Title III funding the applicant will request
- Anticipated number of older adults the program
- expects to serve Cities and towns the program plans to serve

Letters of Intent should be sent electronically to lreid@mves.org by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 11, 2021.

Letters of Intent will be reviewed and prospective



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OUR Opinions

CLAIRE SHELTRY

The recent passing of Claire Sheltry, who served for more than 25 years in the Town Clerk's office and who retired in 2007 as the last elected Town Clerk before the implementation of the new Winthrop Town Charter, marks the end of an era in our community.

Claire was the consummate professional who was dedicated to providing the residents of Winthrop with outstanding and friendly service. Prior to being elected to the clerk's job herself, she worked in the clerk's office under outstanding town clerks Marie Turner and Paul Dawson, both of whom acknowledged that Claire was the backbone of their office.

On a personal level, Claire was the last of the five siblings of the Yirrell family, who were long-time Pt. Shirley residents. Yirrell Beach on the Point is named after her oldest brother, Frederick W. Yirrell Jr., a Navy fighter pilot who was killed in action in WWII in the battle of Okinawa.

We know we join with many of our long-time fellow residents in offering our condolences to her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. May she rest in peace.

GET THAT SHOT!

The idea of "vaccine hesitancy" is a relatively new phenomenon in our country. For those of the Baby Boom generation, there nev-

er was any question about getting shots for all kinds of childhood and adult communicable diseases. Vaccines, along with antibiotics, were universally ac-

cepted as wonders of modern medicine that chiefly were responsible for the increase in longevity and decrease in misery both in the U.S. and in populations around the globe. However, the rise of baseless conspiracy theories

and adherence to senseless political conformity, all of which have been amplified by unscrupulous voices on social media (including Russian disinformation), have combined to increase vaccine hesitancy to record levels during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Polls show that vaccine hesitancy spans all ages, educational backgrounds, social strata, political affiliations, and employment status.

In addition, the success of vaccines in bringing about the dramatic reduction in deaths from COVID-19 over the past two months has bred its own sense of complacency. With the pandemic on the decline and hospitalizations near zero in some places, the need to get vaccinated may seem less urgent than when the pandemic was at its peak.

However, there are three basic facts that make vaccine hesitancy a dangerous mindset both for individuals and for society at large.

First and foremost, the coronavirus still is infecting thousands and killing hundreds of Americans each and every day. Though the numbers in the U.S. are far below the peak from January, they still are unfathomably high.

In addition, across the globe, the virus is wreaking havoc from India to Brazil, where a lack of vaccines is ensuring that record numbers of people are dying every day. Vaccination is the only means by which transmission of this dread disease can be halted.

Second, all of the coronavirus vaccines being administered in the U.S. are both incredibly effective and incredibly safe. Any suggestions otherwise are being spread by self-serving groups who have no concern for the health of Americans, individually and collectively.

Finally, if enough Americans fail to get the vaccine and the virus continues to spread and mutate, the new variants may evade the protection of the vaccines, thereby establishing a vicious cycle in which we always will be a step behind and which ultimately will affect the

Too many of our fellow Americans have died, too many lives have been upended, and too many of our front-line workers have made incredible sacrifices, to allow the progress we have made in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic to take a step backwards because of baseless claims that underpin "vaccine hesitancy."

The simple reality is this: Mass vaccination is the only means by which we can defeat the virus and return to a semblance of normalcy. Both the public and private sectors need to do whatever is necessary to ensure that each and every American receives a shot -- and we urge all of our readers to do what they need to do in order to get the vaccine.

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LETTER to the Editor

MISSES THE **CARTOON**

Dear Editor:

Has anyone else noticed something lacking or missing in the newspaper the past few weeks? If not, I will tell you: the absence of the weekly cartoon drawn and captioned by Louis Rizzo.

For as long as I can remember, I looked forward to seeing the cartoon published in the newspaper. The cartoon served as a reminder of holidays

(Memorial Day, Independence Day, Earth day etc.) or relevant topics such as Voting, Mask wearing). Each cartoon exhibited Louis' excellent drawing skills and his creativeness.

Ι will miss

ing his clever cartoons, and wanted to publicly thank him for sharing his artistic gift with us and to wish him the best in his well deserved retire-

Gail Paris

GUEST OP-ED

Developing a life plan

Have something look forward to every day. Work a job. Work in your apartment or house. Have an exercise or health outing of some kind. Clean out a closet. Read a book. Your goal may be to sit on the porch and watch nature or the traffic go by. We all need leisure days. If you have an idle day then plan to enjoy your time.

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Work on your health, mental and physical. Occasionally do a mind check. Clean out any garbage between your ears. Your mind is where you spend your life. Do away with negativity. Get rid of any bad or resentful feelings. Forgive and love yourself and forgive others. God has forgiven you and it's time you forgave yourself. Give peace and happiness every chance

possible to exist in your head. Take care of yourself physically. A good friend who will be 100 soon says vegetables and fruit are her main dishes and every day she is physically active.

Put a few dollars aside as you can. You can't take it with you when you die but you can enjoy it while you are alive. You also might be able to help others. You can build wealth if you will work and save a little every week or month. Get rich schemes and winning the lottery are like being hit by lightning, they seldom happen. Invest in your local bank's Individual Retirement Account, a 401K and buy safe stock as you can. Also, pay into Social Security. You'll need it eventually.

Work on your network of relationships. If you don't have any friends then at least try to be a friend. If you go looking for friends you probably won't find any. If you will be a friend then you'll build some long-lasting relationships. Don't give up on your family. Stay close to your relatives if you possibly can. Church and civic groups are good places to build relationships. We all need personal time but don't spend your life totally alone.

Continue to work on you. You aren't finished yet. You are still a work in progress. Too often we point to an accomplishment or the past as the summation of our lives. What we did yesterday may have been wonderful or not so wonderful but it's in the past. Who are you today? Keep becoming a better person. We all are still growing and have room for growth. Make your own decisions and make good ones. You and God can figure it out. Stay independent as long as possible. A friend of mine recently gave up her home and moved to a place where "others" thought she should be. I don't think she is too happy with her new surroundings. Before you do, what other people think you should do, make sure it's what you want to do.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist - American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week In over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

State celebrates COVID-19 Business Relief Program

Staff Report

Gov. Charles Baker, Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, Housing and Economic Development Secretary Mike Kennealy, legislators and key partners celebrated the success of the Baker-Polito Administration's COIVD-19 business relief program administered by the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation (MGCC). Gathering in person at the family- and minority-owned Panela Restaurant in Lowell, a program grantee, the Administration announced the end of the program, which has provided over \$687.2 million in direct cash grants to 15,112 businesses across the Commonwealth. Among the awardees included in the final round were 108 additional businesses that received a total of approximately \$4.8 million in COVID relief grants.

First launched in October 2020 as part of the Administration's Partnerships for Recovery initiative to stabilize and grow the Massachusetts economy, this program became the biggest state-sponsored business relief program in the nation after being infused with an additional \$668 million in December. Established to provide direct financial support for businesses, the Administration has tapped numerous partners to ensure specific economic sectors and priority demographics known to be the most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic applied to the program and were prioritized for aid.

Over the duration of program, 43 percent of MGCC grants were awarded to minority-owned businesses, and

46 percent of grants went

to women-owned businesses. Businesses owned by veterans, individuals with disabilities, or that identify as LGBTQ, as well as those operating in Gateway Cities and not previously awarded aid, also received substantial grant support. Additionally, one-third of the total program funding (about \$224 million) has benefited the hard-hit restaurant and bar industry, with personal services like hair and nail salons (\$91 million), and independent retailers (\$62 million) rounding out the top sectors.

"Thanks to the work of Mass. Growth Capital, more than \$680 million in direct financial assistance has been deployed to over 15,000 businesses across Massachusetts, many of which are located in the communities that have had the greatest need during this pandemic," said Gov. Baker. "Recognizing that our small business community employed close to half the Commonwealth's workforce prior to the pandemic, this program has been instrumental in helping to keep these enterprises going while supporting a substantial percentage of our workforce as we approach what we hope are the final months of this public health crisis."

The 15th and final round of awards totaled approximately \$4.8 million in grants to 108 additional businesses. Among the final round of recipients, grants were awarded to 25 minority-owned, and 26 women-owned businesses; 24 recipients were

underrepresented

groups and achieve equi-

located in Gateway Cities, and 28 businesses had not received any prior aid. To increase applications

table access to funding, MGCC worked with a statewide network of local non-profits, small business technical assistance providers, and other organizations that support minority enterprises to reach businesses and entrepreneurs that would match the program's priorities. These partners include the Black Economic Council of Massachusetts (BEC-MA), Amplify Latinx, the Business Equity Initiative, the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations (MACDC), LISC, LEAF, the African Community Economic Development of New England (ACE-DONE), and the statewide Coalition for an Equitable Economy.

MGCC will soon be announcing two new funding opportunities focused on small businesses. A program called Biz-M-Power will assist low-income

and moderate-income entrepreneurs acquire or improve their brick-and-mortar location, purchase new equipment, and other capital needs. Businesses will crowdfund through local residents, neighborhoods, community members, and other stakeholders and become eligible for matching grants. Another new program will help small businesses access tools and services to develop their digital capabilities, including social media, website development, and

team collaboration. These awards have been part of a steady deployment of grants and capital funding to support economic recovery throughout Massachusetts and are a key part of the Administration's larger strategy to assist small businesses and support an equitable economic recovery across the Commonwealth.

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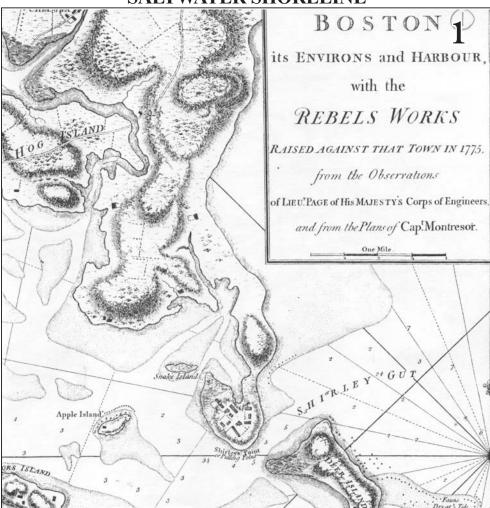
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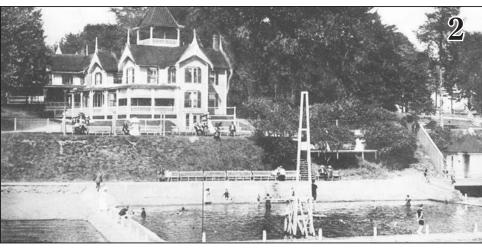
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WINTHROP Then and Now

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

ARTICLE 966 - WINTHROP'S AMAZING SALTWATER SHORELINE





Being a community with over 8 miles of shoreline, Winthrop has 95 percent of it's border exposed to saltwater. This article is designed to note the various ways we have developed businesses and recreational activities to utilize such an amazing access to the ocean. While fishing and lobstering have certainly been foremost activities, many other uses have been pursued since our peninsula was first inhabited by the English over 375 years ago. Until the 1750's, the entire area contained only about five farms which produced an abundance of salt marsh hay which was sold to feed inland farm animals along with kelp from the beaches for fertilizer. Then in 1752, in accordance with an idea for a fishery business by Thomas Pratt who had earlier acquired some 150 acres of upland, beaches and marshland at the southern end of Pulling Point from the Winthrop Estate, the property was conveyed to a syndicate organized by Thomas Goldthwaite who, with other prominent Bostonians, constructed the warehouses, wharves and dwellings for this business in 1753. Upon completion, the then Governor William Shirley was invited to dine with the members of the new business and celebrate its beginning at which time they honored the Governor by naming the area after him, hence Point Shirley. The business prospered until about 1768 when it formally shut down. Following the American Revolution, Russell Sturgis, who knew the process for extracting salt from seawa-

ter, purchased rights to the

previous fishery and began

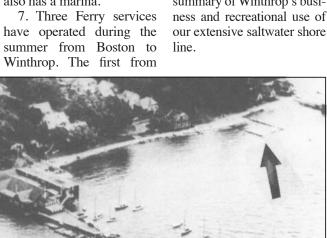
a small business which used the heat of the sun to evaporate salt water which was pumped from the ocean into large wooden tanks. Every time it rained all the tanks had to be covered or else the salt concentrate would be diluted. This business managed to last some 25 to 40 years and then languished away leaving room for Winthrop's biggest industry, the Revere Copper Works to function from 1845 to 1869. See picture one which portrays a map of 1775 that displays the buildings used for the fishing industry and salt works at Point Shirley.

Other salt water related activities to later open up were the five Yacht Clubs that have functioned in Winthrop, the Winthrop Lodge of Elks Marina and our new Public Landing with summer ferry service to Boston as follows:

- 1. Winthrop Yacht Club - opened 1884 - still in operation at 649 Shirley Street.
- 2. Cottage Park Yacht Club – opened 1902 – still in operation at one Baker Square.
- 3. Point Shirley Yacht Club - opened 1908 at the bay end of Otis Street closed in 1930's due to fire
- 4. Pleasant Park Yacht Club – opened 1910 – still in operation at 568 Pleasant Street 5. Highland Yacht Club
- opened 1914 at 59 Nahant Ave. – closed in 1941 – per Guinness's book of records, only yacht club without a
- 6. Winthrop Lodge of Elks at 191 Washington Ave also has a marina.

1883 to the pier where the Cottage Park Yacht Club is today and then in 1886 on to Rice's wharf until 1903. About 5 years ago we had a couple of years of ferry service and now, this year, the current ferry service between Winthrop and Boston began operating successfully between our new Public Landing on Shirley Street next to the Winthrop Yacht Club. If you are interested in ferry service to Boston, we would recommend that you give this one a try.

Finally, the remaining water front activity to be included here are the two salt water swimming polls that have existed in Winthrop as follows. The first was the large pool shown in picture two, which was located on what is now Bartlett Parkway behind the Cottage Park Hotel. This was constructed by placing small rectangular dams out into the bay and letting the tide fill it up as it came in. Periodically, at low tide, the flood gates would be opened to flush out the water and the next incoming tide would refill the pool. It was constructed about 1890 and lasted until the hotel closed in 1920. The other salt water pool was built by Dr. Sproule, for his ailing son who required physical therapy. He lived in an estate at 111 Sunnyside Ave, and the pool is shown in picture three where the black arrow points. It was located at the end of Plummer Ave. and a visit today to the area at low tide will reveal the stubs of the posts used to frame and support the walls of this pool. This article has been a summary of Winthrop's busi-





10 years ago May 12, 2011

The Winthrop Town

Council approved a revised agreement for the sale of the Dalrymple School property for \$1.3 million to the East Boston Community Development Corporation (EBCDC) at a special council meeting Tuesday night. According to Council President Jeffrey Turco, the funds will go into the town's Sale of Land Account. The money can be used only for capital expenditures such as street and sidewalk projects and repairs of buildings. Al Calderelli, executive director of the EBCDC, said he was "excited" about the Council's decision to sell the property to his non-profit organization. The agency plans to renovate the building and install 27 units of affordable senior housing. The project is expected to be completed in early 2013.

According to Winthrop Public Works Director Dave Hickey, the Winthrop DPW is in the process of planting 12 new street trees. These trees are donations from several generous residents, who have bought more than one tree on behalf of the Town in the belief that tree cover is critical to the value and well being of the Town. Among the donors are Guy Sasso,

Georgianna and Jim Smith, Jayson Deeb, and the Carrol family.

The Winthrop Commission on Disabilities held a Disabilities Resource Fair Saturday at the Winthrop Senior Center. Attendees were able to visit different tables and obtain information on a number of services and health care providers available to res-

The Winthrop Spring Sidewalk Sale will be held on May 14. It is a townwide event sponsored by the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce and the Winthrop business community. The goal of the sale is to raise awareness about local shops and business-

The Hangover: Part II, Midnight in Paris, and Bridesmaids are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago May 17, 2001

Town Clerk Payl Dawson said that a hand recount of the ballots of the selectman's contest will be conducted this Saturday. Ron Vecchia was declared the winner by a slim margin of three votes over Richard DiMento in the May 7 election. Vecchia already has been sworn-in and attended his first meeting as a selectman Monday. The Winthrop commu-

nity is rallying in support of popular WHS teacher Neil Shaprio, who is in urgent need of a bone marrow transplant. A bone marrow drive will be held this Saturday at the Odd Fellows Hall. The School Committee

voted 4-0 to adopt School Choice for the first time, thereby allowing

students from out of the district to attend local schools. Pupil Personnel Director Ed Nazzaro

said there will be limited openings for the 2001-02 school year. The Chamber of Commerce's annual \$10,000

Dinner once again was a

huge success. There were

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

the pot: Pat Sullivan, Rich Honan, and Ernie Hardy.

Moulin Rouge, The Mummy Returns, and Pearl Harbor are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago May 15, 1991

The selectmen and Advisory Committee have agreed to a budget for FY 1991-92 that will provide funding for the Council on Aging and the Senior Center, for which the Advisory Committee initially had recommended no funding. Representing the Advisory Committee for the negotiations were Ed Wickham, Bob Ierardi, Jim Cipoletta, Fred Gillis, and Bob Driscoll Jr. and representing the selectmen were Marie Turner, Town Accountant Anne Baker, and Exec. Sec. Gina Wild-

A large throng of friends, colleagues, and family members attended the retirement party for long-time Winthrop school teacher and administrator James G. Wallace, who served for 35 years in the local schools. Memorial Day Com-

mittee chairman Bill Furey said his group learned this week that there may not be a band for the annual parade because the WHS band does not have enough members to comprise a band.

Among the ribbon winners at the recent Winthrop Arts Association's annual Festival of the Arts contest were Beverly Barisano, Ray Crane, and Robert Trefrey.

Madonna: Truth or Dare, F/X 2, and What About Bob? are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago May 20, 1981

The selectmen have voted 2-1 to allow the American Legion to conduct its annual Fourth of July carnival at Ingleside Park. New selectman Bob Noonan provided the decisive vote, reversing the negative vote of his predecessor, Tom Reilly, who had voted against the permit when he was on the board.

The selectmen unanimously have voted against allowing pinball machines to be operated in four local businesses. The board had heard from parents, who claimed that their children were spending all of their time and money on the machines.

Neighbors of the town garage were unanimous in their opposition to a plan to increase the garage's gasoline storage capacity from 1000 gallons to 10,000 gallons. A three-alarm blaze at

60 Ocean Ave. has left 10 persons homeless. Three firefighters were injured. Mel Brooks's Blazing

Saddles is playing at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago May 19, 1971 Mayor Kevin H. White

of Boston has sent two aides to Washington, D.C., to voice opposition to the proposal by Massport to

construct a new runway and taxiway at Logan Air-Town Moderator John L. Murphy Jr. has named Robert Ierardi and Rob-

named Robert Crawford

ert Kane to the Advisory Committee. selectmen have The

three winners who split as the town's harbormaster.

A monumental steel sculpture by noted Winthrop sculptor John Raimondi is on display at

Peter Boyle and Susan Sarandon, in her film debut, star in Joe at the Winthrop Theatre.

Boston City Hall Plaza.

60 years ago May 18, 1961

The manhunt for the duo who shot Cambridge Jail Master David Robinson during their daring escape has focused on Winthrop this past week, where one of the two, Norman Porter Jr., who is known to have local acquaintances, was seen at a local restaurant.

Air Force Col. Arthur E. Boudreau, who is a charter member of the local Rotary Club and who served as WHS principal and as Supt. of the Winthrop schools, will be the guest of honor at the upcoming 25th reunion of the WHS Class of 1936. Boudreau left Winthrop during WWII and is now chief of staff for education at Maxwell A.F. Base in Alabama and formerly was Asst. Dean of Faculty

at the Air Force Academy. Police reported that crime this week included the thefts of two bicycles and a baby carriage, a housebreak, and an attempted store break.

Sophia Loren and Peter Sellers star in The Millionaire at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago May 17, 1951

William F. Abely, chairman of the Board of Assessors, has announced a tax rate for 1951 of \$42.80, an increase of 80 cents over 1950. The town budget for 1951 is \$1,660,371 and the total valuation of property in the town is \$25,624,000.

Suburban Gas and

Electric Co. officials say that natural gas should reach New England by this winter. They told the selectmen that the company has signed contracts to guarantee a steady supply for the next 20 years. The company now must convert homeowners' appliances to the use of the new gas from the present manufactured gas. Natural gas is odorless, unlike manufactured gas, and also is

Samuel G. Newman has been elected the President of the Highland School PTA.

80 years ago May 15, 1941

more efficient.

The All-American Flower Show to be presented June 5-6 by the Winthrop Garden Club promises to be an outstanding event. The show will feature the first public display by Mrs. Maybelle Porter, aviculturist, of her prize birds. She is the owner of Winthrop's only aviary, which she maintains in her home on Bellevue Ave. The 17th annual Young

People's Fellowship from six New England states will be held in Winthrop at the church and parish house of St. John's Episcopal Church this weekend. The local Boy Scout

campaign has reached 70 percent of its goal of \$2000, according to chairman George J. Hamilton. Ginger Rogers and

James Stewart star in Vi-

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OBITUARIES

Bridget O'Brien

Dedicated wife and mother

Bridget M. (Darby) O'Brien, 91, of Winthrop, formerly of Somerville, passed away on May 3.

The beloved wife of the late Patrick T. O'Brien, Bridget was born in Dublin, Ireland, the cherished daughter of the late Charles and Helena (Shelley) Darby. She loved to go ballroom dancing with



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God saw you getting tired And a cure was not to be So He wrapped his arms around you And whispered "Come to

Me". With tearful eyes we watched you,

And saw you pass away, Although we loved you dearly,

Ne could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beat-

ing, Hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us,

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her late husband and was a dedicated wife and moth-

Bridget was the devoted mother of Raymond C, O'Brien of Winthrop, Laraine P. Mitchell and her husband, Grant of Lynnfield and the late Gary J. O'Brien; the adored grandmother of Thomas O'Brien; the dear sister of the late Catherine Mele and Joseph, Charles and Thomas Darby and the loving aunt of Helena Hardy and her husband, Dennis and many other nieces and nephews.

A visiting hour will be held in St. Bridget Parish, 830 Worcester Rd., Framingham on Saturday, May 15 from 9 to 9:50 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass beginning at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Natick.

Funeral arrangements are by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. To sign Bridget's guestbook, please visit: www. mauricekirbyfh.com.

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Winthrop Senior **Center News**

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The Senior Center remains closed to the public at this time. If you need assistance, please call us at 617-846-8538 (or email coareception@ town.winthrop.ma.us) and leave a message, as well as your name and phone number. We will do our best to get back to you in a timely manner.

The Winthrop Department of Public Health is offering assistance to those who may have difficulty registering for the **COVID vaccine.** Anyone in need can call 617-539-5837 or email: eoc@town. winthrop.ma.us.

The East **Boston** Health Neighborhood offering Center is **COVID** vaccine clinics in East Boston, Revere and Chelsea. To make an appointment, you can call them at 617-568-4870 or go to: ebnhc.org/en/services/covid-19/covid-19vaccine.

Mystic Valley Elder **Services Offering Trans**portation Services to **COVID Vaccine Sites** for Adults 60 Years and Older. There are three eligibility guidelines to get approved for your two roundtrips: you must be 60 years of age or older; do not have other means to get to a vaccination site; or do not have access to the vaccine in the building complex where you live. For more information, or to schedule a ride, call MVES at 781-324-7705. If you need a ride, please make sure to call in advance so you can plan the most convenient travel time for yourself.

Meals on Wheels con-

tinues to operate. Resi-

dents who are in need and

are not currently on the list to receive meals through Meals on Wheels can call Mystic Valley Elder Services at 781-324-7705, with their name, phone number and address to be included in the program. Senior Phone Buddy Program. Senior Center

volunteers are available to make friendly phone calls to homebound seniors. If you, or someone you know would like to receive a call, please contact the Senior Center at 617-846-8538, or email COAReception@town. winthrop.ma.us.

Exercise with Ernie Sarro: WCAT will present Exercise with Ernie Sarro Monday – Friday at 10:30am on Channel 3.

Subscribe to the Senior Center's monthly newsletter. Go to www. town.winthrop.ma.us/subscribe, enter your email address and select "Senior Center Newsletter" from the options.

DOR announces updates to relief for certain business taxes

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue last week announced updates to administrative tax relief that has been provided to certain businesses in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

These updates include resuming monthly return filing and payment remittance as scheduled starting June 30 for vendors and operators, only on a going forward basis, beginning with returns and payments attributable to May tax collections.

The Department is also announcing a further extension of the previously announced deferral of regular sales tax, meals tax, and room occupancy taxes for small businesses. Eligible businesses may now defer until Oct. 30, 2021 returns and payments otherwise due from March 20, 2020 through June 1, 2021. Businesses that collect-

ed less than \$150,000 in regular sales plus meals taxes in the 12-month period ending Feb. 29, 2020 are eligible for relief for sales and meals taxes, and businesses that collected less than \$150,000 in room occupancy taxes in the twelve-month period ending Feb. 29, 2020, are eligible for relief with respect to room occupancy taxes. For these small businesses, no penalties or interest will accrue during this extension period.

For businesses with meals tax and room occupancy tax obligations that do not otherwise qualify for this relief, late-file and late-pay penalties for returns due from March 20, 2020 through June 1, 2021 are waived through Oct. 30, 2021.

The Department of Revenue will issue emergency regulations and a Technical Information Release to implement these administrative changes.

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steno machine. There is no charge to take the course, but participants must have access to a steno machine

Garden Remedies donates \$30,000 to MVES to support older adults in Melrose

Staff report

Garden Remedies recently donated \$30,000 to Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) toward supporting elder services and nutrition programs in the City of Melrose. This gift will help ensure that MVES' program participants who reside in Melrose will have access to multiple healthy aging services and carefully prepared and nutritious meals. MVES services an average of 675 Melrose residents a month.

"We are very thankful to Garden Remedies for their generous donation, especially during these challenging times that COVID-19 has brought to older adults," says Daniel O'Leary, CEO of Mystic Valley Elder Services. "I would also like to thank Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur who recommended us to Garden Remedies as the charitable nonprofit organization that could receive the gift and make sure it was effectively used to benefit older adults in need in Melrose."

Brian Moran, Co-CEO/ CFO of Garden Remedies says, "Garden Remedies is focused on being a great neighbor and supporter in all communities where we operate. Early this year we spoke with Mayor Brodeur about his administration's key initiatives for 2021 and he made it clear that improving elder services and attacking food insecurity were two priorities as we emerged

from the pandemic." He continues, "Mystic Valley Elder Services' focus on promoting health and independence for older adults, along with their nutrition and food distribution programs, has been incredibly important during this very difficult time. Garden Remedies is excited to assist with their phenomenal mission and we look forward to continuing our strong relationship with MVES and the broader Melrose community."

"Seniors are an important part of the Melrose community and we are grateful to have MVES provide programs to them that keep them living independently and stay emotionally engaged," says Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur. "That is why I recommended them to Garden Remedies as the nonprofit they should support with their kind gift."

Garden Remedies is vertically-integrated grower and provider of premium cannabis products offering its products at their Marlborough, Melrose and Newton adult-use and medical dispensaries as well as at third-party dispensary partners across the Commonwealth.

Upon the recommendation from the Mayor of Melrose, Garden Remedies recently donated \$30,000 to Mystic Valley Elder Services in support of elder services and nutrition programs in the City of Melrose.



Shown left to right, Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur; Brian Moran, Co-CEO/CFO of Garden Remedies; and Daniel O'Leary, **CEO of Mystic Valley Elder Services.**

High school seniors unsure about their futures should consider a career in court captioning

Staff Repot

Now is the perfect time for high school students unsure about committing to the time and cost related to attending a fouryear traditional college to consider a career in stenographic court reporting or captioning.

The job opportunities are plentiful, schedules are flexible, and earning potential high. NCRA, the country's leading organization representing stenographic court reporters and captioners, offers a free program to learn the basics of writing on a stenograph machine to see if this career choice could be the right path to a successful profession. NCRA's A to Z Intro to Ste-

no Machine Shorthand program is an introductory course in stenography. It provides participants with the opportunity to learn the basics of writing on a

or an iPad they can use to download the iStenoPad app. Steno machines are available to rent through one of NCRA's vendors.

The program is a hybrid course combining both live online instructor sessions with videos and dictation materials for selfpaced practice. During the six-week program, experienced court reporters teach participants the alphabet in steno and how to write on a machine. Participants in the NCRA A to Z program are taught by volunteer professionals working in the court reporting and captioning arenas. These program leaders also share insights into the many aspects of court reporting and captioning that make it a viable profession, including good salaries, flexibility, interesting venues, and the increasing demand for more reporters and captioners to meet the growing number of employment opportunities available in the field.

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State's April revenue collections total \$3.865 Billion

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Geoffrey Snyder last week announced that preliminary revenue collections for April totaled \$3.865 billion, which is \$1.885 billion or 95.1% more than the actual collections in April 2020, and \$385 million or 11.1% more than benchmark.

FY2021 year-to-date collections totaled approximately \$26.449 billion, which is \$3.405 billion or 14.8% more than collections in the same period of FY2020, and \$1.830 billion or 7.4% more than benchmark.

"April revenue included increases in most major categories relative to benchmarks and collections in the same period of FY2020," said Commissioner Snyder. "However, historical comparisons should be viewed with caution due to the pandemic-induced recession, the late start to the 2021 tax filing season, and responsive measures enacted in 2020 and 2021 designed to mitigate the impact of COVID-19."

Examples of COVID-19 response measures include, but are not limited

The extension of last year's income tax filing and payment deadline from April 15, 2020 to July 15, 2020.

The extension of the April 15, 2020 income tax estimated payment installment to July 15, 2020. Penalty waivers for certain corporate excise returns and payments due in 2020. The extension of this year's income tax filing and payment deadline from April 15, 2021 to May 17, 2021.

The extension of the payment deadline for certain regular sales tax, meals tax and room occupancy excise payments.

Details:

PRELIMINARY APRIL REVENUE **COLLECTIONS**

•Income tax collections for April were \$2.181 billion, \$114 million or 5.0% below benchmark, but \$1.057 billion or 94.1% more than April 2020. Due to extensions of filing and payment deadlines in both this year and last year, income tax collections in April 2021 and April 2020 are not comparable.

•Withholding tax collections for April totaled \$1.237 billion, \$219 million or 21.5% above benchmark, and \$183 million or 17.4% more than April 2020.

•Income tax estimated payments totaled \$481 million for April, \$308 million or 177.7% more than benchmark, and \$414 million or 618.5% more than April 2020. Given the extension of last year's first estimated payment installment to July 15, 2020, estimated payments in April 2021 and those in April 2020 are not compa-

 Income tax returns and bills totaled \$788 million for April, \$790 million or 50.0% less than benchmark, but \$595 million or 308.2% more than April 2020. Due to extensions of filing and payment deadlines in both this year and last year, income tax returns and bills payments in April 2021 and those in April 2020 are not compa-

•Income tax cash refunds in April totaled \$326 million in outflows. \$149 million or 31.4% less than benchmark, but \$135 million or 71.2% more than April 2020. Due to the late start of this year's tax filing season and recent tax law changes, including the extension of the income tax filing deadline from April 15 to May 17, income tax cash refunds in April 2021 and those in April 2020 are not comparable.

•Sales and use tax collections for April totaled \$935 million, \$164 million or 21.2% above benchmark, and \$468 million or 100.4% more than April 2020. A law requiring the early remittance of certain sales, meals and room occupancy tax collections became effective this month, and partially contributed to the increase in collections.

 Corporate and business tax collections for the month totaled \$543 billion, \$249 million or 84.7% above benchmark, and \$330 million or 154.8% more than April

•Other tax collections

71.5% above benchmark,

for April totaled \$206 and \$29 million or 16.2% million, \$86 million or more than April 2020.

Columbia Threadneedle Investments Triathlon returns

In accordance with the announcement last week from Gov. Charles Baker reopening Massachusetts for racing events, ethos, mass participation event organization that produces the Columbia Threadneedle Investments Boston Triathlon, is announcing the annual event will return on Aug. 28-29. Registration is now open at www.BostonTri.com.

"Like many other event organizers, we were disappointed in not being able to bring our community together for the 2020 event due to the pandemic. Over the past few months, we have been working directly with the Massachusetts Lt. Governor Karyn Polito and her team to help craft a 'Safe Return to Racing' plan for races statewide,' said Michael O'Neil, president of the Boston Triathlon. "We are grateful for their thoughtful approach and our community is excited to get back to in-person racing. As we prepare to host the annual Columbia Threadneedle Investments Boston Triathlon at the end of August, we will continue to work with city and state officials. This year's race will give our motto 'Swim, Bike, Run, Celebrate' a new meaning."

The Columbia Threadneedle Investments Boston Triathlon typically takes place a month earlier. This year, the race will move to the end of August, allowing more time for race participants, volunteers, vendors, organizers and the community to receive vaccinations as well as to follow all city and state guidelines. "We have always prior-

itized the health and safety of all the athletes, volunteers, spectators, and the community and that will not change," continued O'Neil. "We have developed new safety protocols as a result of COVID-19 that will be integrated with federal, state and local guidelines, and we are confident that we can deliver a safe event." The weekend-long

event brings together athletes of all ages and abilities to compete in Olympic and sprint distance triathlons. All events take place at the DCR's Carson Beach, a stunning venue in the South Boston waterfront. Additional information is available at BostonTri.com. Columbia Threadnee-

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And once again, ethos and

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Investments are working closely with the event's charity partner, Boston Medical Center.

Charitable money raised will advance Boston Medical Center's work in health equity and addressing social determinants of health After taking care of patients who were disproportionately affected by COVID-19, BMC is leading efforts to shift the health care landscape and break the chronic cycle of disease burdens dictated by race, ethnicity, ZIP code and income BMC is doubling down on its commitment to being an advocate and partner to all patients by expanding safety-net programs and building upon community partnerships and health equity programming. This will yield better health outcomes, educational advancement, economic mobility, housing and career opportunities, resulting in happier and healthier individuals, families and com-

Triathletes have the option to participate in the Columbia Threadneedle Investments Boston Triathlon as part of Team BMC, the hospital's athletic fundraising team. To be notified when the team's application opens, interested applicants can visit development.bmc.org/ team-bmc-registration.

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"I encourage anyone looking for a rewarding, exciting, flexible career with endless opportunities for growth and earning potential, to consider a career as a stenographic court reporter or captioner," said NCRA President Christine Phipps, RPR, a firm owner from North Palm Beach, Fla.

"You may find yourself seated on the floors of Congress capturing the official record or appearing in court each day to work with judges and attorneys to ensure all testimony and proceedings are accurately captured. If you love watching television, attending the theater, sporting events or other entertainment outings, then becoming a stenographic captioner could offer you the chance to work from home or put you ringside, field side, or even stage side to caption an event to provide accessibility to members of the deaf and hard-of-hearing communities. The job also offers ample opportunities to travel internationally," Phipps added.

"I love being a stenographer because every day is different than the one before. I get to hear a little snippet of all walks of life, everything from serial killers to Super Bowl football players. It's fascinating!" said NCRA member Amy Doman, RPR, CRR, a freelance court reporter from Carmel, Ind.

"Each day I'm able to challenge myself to write better, cleaner, faster, and more efficiently; so, it never gets boring. Over the last 30 years, it has been a career that has served me through all phases of my

life, from a young, hardworking professional to mother of young children, and now as a mom of college kiddos. I'm excited for the future of our profession," she added.

Phipps said her first career was in banking, which paid the bills, but that she found the confines of corporate America were stifling, So she left at age 25 to complete her degree in court reporting.

Today, Phipps Reporting, based in West Palm Beach, Fla., has ranked on Inc. magazine's top 5000 list for seven conyears. firm's principals have been providing service to the legal community for more than 30 years. The firm delivers worldwide court reporting, videography, interpreting, and process services for clients that range from solo practitioners to Fortune 500

I chose a career in court reporting. It has enabled me to grow personally and professionally and taken me down the path to becoming a successful business owner with the ability to give back to others," Phipps said. A career in court reporting or captioning is also a viable choice for military members post ser-

vice, their spouses, career changers, or college graduates who decide their chosen field was not the right one for them. If you are interested in taking the program online, please visit www. atozdiscoversteno.org. For information about the program read frequently asked questions or contact schools@ncra.org.

There is currently an increasing demand for more reporters and captioners to meet the growing number of employment opportunities available nationwide and abroad. Court reporters and captioners rely on the latest in technology to use stenographic machines to capture the spoken word and translate

it into written text in real time. These professionals work both in and out of the courtroom recording legal cases and depositions, providing live captioning of events, and assisting members of the deaf and hard-of-hearing communities with gaining access to information, entertainment, educational opportunities, and more.

To arrange an interview with a working court reporter or captioner, or a court-reporting student, or to learn more about the lucrative and flexible court reporting or captioning professions and the many job opportunities currently available, contact pr@ncra.org.

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vacious Lady at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

90 years ago May 9, 1931

Sixty members and friends of the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Assoc. gathered for the annual meeting and enjoyed a splendid dinner at the Barn of the Deane Winthrop House. Two large contracts are

being put out to bid by the town for garbage removal and for the laying of 16inch cast-iron water pipes on Winthrop St., Cora Ave., Harbor View Ave., Belcher St., and Hermon St. Claudette Colbert and Fredric March star in

Honor Among Lovers at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

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ley St. from Ocean Spray

110 years ago May 13, 1911 The town has macad-

to Pt. Shirley over the past three years to the point where that two-mile stretch of roadway is the best in the town. However, the remainder of the street, from Ft. Banks to the railroad station, is among the worst. The selectmen have indicated their intent to fix that situation this summer. In addition, homeowners along this stretch are fixing up their properties and the Deane Winthrop House has been beautified with new grass, a hedge in front, and the planting of 220 trees and shrubs all over the prop-Eliot and Whittier are

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speed, it has become dan-

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play baseball in the street.

However, there are many

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120 years ago May 11, 1901 The School Committee

has given new contracts for the 1901-02 school year to all of the current teachers. A Winthrop High stu-

dent, 17 year-old Gerald Gilbert, died of heart failure on Sunday. He and two companions were out for a row when they ran aground on Snake Island. As young Gilbert was pushing the boat off the mud, he complained of a headache, became pale, and soon fell unconscious.

He was rushed home by his companions, but he was dead by that time. Residents in other communities are clamoring for the same favorable gas rates as Winthrop. Winthrop enjoys a rate of

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NFL DRAFT NIGHT WITH HOST SEAN STELLATO AT THE FERNCROFT COUNTRY CLUB

Recently the annual NFL Draft took place and pro sports agent and founder and CEO of SES Sean Stellato hosted his acclaimed VIP reception



at the Frencroft Country Club. Prior to the start of the official, NFL draft night, guests were able to take photos of the six Super Bowl Trophies on display as well as meet and greet former Patriot Cheerleaders and players.

Stellato also the author of the best seller "No Backing Down" had books available for purchase and happily autographed them.

Shown left, Jim "the Voice of the WHS Vikings" Lederman is shown with NFL Patriot Cheerleader, Kim Cotreau at the VIP NFL Draft Night reception.



Host and NFL Agent Sean Stellato, author of NO Backing Down, Sean Stellato is shown with his parents, Pat and



NE Patriot Brandon King meets Alex Andon and Kenny Hodgkins.



Former NFL NE Patriot Cheerleaders Shari McStay, Belinda Wolf and Kim Cotreau are shown with the six NE Patriot Super Bowl Trophies.



Host and author of "No Backing Down" Sean Stellato with Patriot Brandon King, and the "the Voice" Jim Lederman.



Winthrop sports enthusiasts, and Patriot fans, Kenny Hodgkins, Valentino Capobianco and Alex Andon are shown with the NE Patriot Super Bowl Trophies.



Jim Lederman is shown with his friend, Paul Adams (left) at the Ferncroft Country Club.



Betty Dalton and Robert Dalton II were at the Ferncroft Country Club for the NFL VIP party.



Patriot Brandon King.

DPH food testing prompts expanded recall of Enoki mushrooms

Testing conducted by disease investigators at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) has led to the expansion of a national recall of Enoki mushrooms, after two packages the investigators purchased in the Commonwealth tested positive for Listeria monocytogenes.

Guan's Mushroom Co. of Commerce, Calif., said earlier this week it was recalling all packages of its Enoki mushrooms and suspending national distribution after tests conduct-



Enoki mushrooms

ed at the Massachusetts State Public Health Laboratory by staff from DPH's Food Laboratory came back positive for Listeria monocytogenes, an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, pregnant women, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among

pregnant women.

The State Public Health Laboratory's findings highlighted the presence of this organism in the company's mushroom product found on store shelves in Massachusetts.

"This outcome of our food surveillance testing demonstrates how public health in Massachusetts works to protect the food supply and enable consumers to purchase products and dine out with confidence," said Public Health Commissioner Monica Bharel, MD,

The company said the

recalled products were distributed to retail stores nationwide from produce distributors in California, New York, and Pennsylvania. The company said no illnesses have been reported to date and credited DPH as well as routine testing by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

for prompting the recall. The Enoki mushrooms come in a clear plastic package with the description "Enoki Mushroom" in English, Korean, and French, with Guan's logo in the front. On the back, there is a UPC code. For the 100g/3.5-ounce, the code is 859267007020 and code 810023170303 is for the 200g/7-ounce.

Questions about the recall can be directed to DPH's 24-hour Epidemiology Program hotline at (617) 983-6800.



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WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

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WHS SOFTBALL TEAM SWAMPS **SWAMPSCOTT**

The Winthrop High softball team has begun its 2021 season with a bang, routing the Big Blue of Swampscott in the season-opener, 21-2, this past Friday, and then cruising past Salem Charter Academy on Monday, 18-2.

Sofia Vitale turned in a strong pitching performance in the Swampscott triumph. Sofia pitched all five innings, allowing just two runs on three hits, while walking only one and fanning five Big Blue opponents.

Her teammates played well on defense behind her, committing only one error, an impressive team feat after two years away from the softball diamond. Sophomore Lilly Talent saw the most action in the field, recording three putouts and two assists in her first varsity action.

First baseman Sammi Harris, who also was seeing her first varsity action, had five put-outs and an assist. Rightfielder Juliana Guzzman turned in a pair of fielding gems, with a 9-3 force play at first base and making a shoestring catch that drew a roar from the crowd.

The team's senior leaders all turned in solid performances. Syd Crotty was awarded the game's Big Bat for her stellar day at the plate. Syd went 4-for-5 with four runs scored and three RBI.

Shortstop Nelly Carter also had a nice offensive day, going 3-for-5 with three runs scored.

"It was a good team win with everyone on the bench getting to play and everyone getting on base and scoring," said veteran WHS head coach Dave Guffey.

This past Monday the Lady Vikings hosted Salem Charter with similar results. Vitale was dominant in the pitcher's circle. Sofia threw the first four innings, striking out 10 enemy hitters while allowing only one hit, a walk, and no runs.

Junior Ava Martello came on in the fifth for her first varsity pitching action. After walking the first two Salem hitters whom she faced, Ava overcame her initial jitters and closed out the victory with a strikeout and two pop-ups.

Guffey was forced to shuffle his lineup with the absence of catcher Katie Gagnon because of illness. Summer Tallent took up the catching chores

and, obviously utilizing her hockey goaltending skills, did not allow any passed balls. Sammi Harris moved

over to third base and Izzy Mahoney took up residence at first base. "The seniors on the

team took care of business, playing dominantly from the first catch to the last," noted Guffey. "Also seeing varsity action for the first time was Adrianna Rizzotto, who caught two

innings and did a great job of receiving and blocking

Mahoney, who is new to the varsity this year (and who recently earned her 2nd degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do) was a force at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a pair of singles, a double, three runs scored. and two RBI.

McKenzie Magaro also saw her first varsity action at third base.

Senior Rachel Farley has been strong in the hitting department in both victories, with five hits in six at-bats, including two doubles. Vitale aided her own cause in the two wins, with four hits and three RBI.

Tallent also has been a force on offense with five hits, including two doubles, in the two games.

"With all the moving parts of the season, we have had a different line up in our first few games, but the kids have been great," said Guffey. "Things have been a little crazy, considering that we only had a few days of practice before the season started."

The Lady Vikings will feature a group of six seniors for the 2021 campaign: Pitcher Sofia Vitale (who will be attending Regis College in the fall); infielder Izzy Mahoney (who is headed to Ithaca College); catcher Katie Gagnon (Elon University in No. Carolina); outfielder Rachel Farley University); (Fairfield UMass); and outfielder Syd Crotty (Mass. Mari-

There are a trio of juniors, Summer Tallent, Ava Martello, and Juliana Guzzman, and a group of five sophomores, Lily Tallent, Samantha Harris, Alyssa Maturo, Mckenzie Magardo, and Julianna Demears.

"We're very excited to get the year going after a year off and I can't tell you how much I have missed it," noted Guffey. "We're looking forward to sending the seniors off with a good season."

The Lady Vikings also have a junior varsity squad for 2021 with a lot of young players.

Guffey and his crew were set to face a stern test yesterday (Wednesday) against Marblehead. They will play at Salem Charter on Saturday and will return home to host Salem High School next Wednesday.

WHS BOYS TENNIS **OPENS WITH** 5-0 WIN The Winthrop High

boys tennis team opened its season in impressive fashion with a 5-0 victory over Northeastern Conference rival Salem on Mon-

Junior James Sicurella,

playing at first singles, led the way for the Vikings with a victory in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1. Junior Bob-

HIGH HONORS

Martucci has excelled as a player and a coach at Winthrop High

Of all the facts about the extraordinary soccer

career of Tracey Gigliello Martucci, one stands out: she was not the captain of her Winthrop High School



Winthrop High School girls soccer head coach Tracey Martucci, with her daughters, Talia and Mia, outside the family's home in Winthrop.

girls soccer team. "I wasn't a captain of

soccer, but I was a captain of basketball," said Martucci. "Jessica Decost and Leslie Spinney were the soccer captains.

What's interesting is that her father, Gerry Gigliello, was the head coach of the soccer team at that time. "He didn't pull any strings for me," said Tracey. "That's how it was - if I didn't get to be captain, I didn't get it. He was as fair as they come."

But her dad did help her become one of the greatest soccer players in school history. Martucci

is an inductee in the Winthrop High School Hall of Fame.

Martucci was a threetime NEC soccer All-Star and set the all-time scoring record with 39 goals and 25 assists while playing for her father's Winthrop High teams. Martucci's scoring record has since been eclipsed by the great Julie Dowson and current senior superstar Maura Dorr.

Tracey Martucci was recently honored by the Winthrop School Committee for her 100th victory

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Saugus High sports complex named in honor of Christie Serino

By Cary Shuman

When Winthrop High School plays Saugus High School in sports this fall, you'll be walking in the Christie Serino Athletic Complex.

Mr. Serino, a legendary hockey coach, was the father of Winthrop High School director of athletics Matt Serino. "It's a huge honor and

obviously it speaks words of what my dad meant to so many in that town," said Matt. "So I'm beyond grateful that the Town Meeting members unanimously voted it in - it was an awesome day for our family."

infielder Nelly Carter (ing ice hockey player at

Grocery

Saugus High, leading the Sachems to the Division 2 state championship in 2004. Matt is an inductee in the Saugus High School Hall of Fame as are his father, Christie Serino, his uncle, Frank Serino, and his wife, Sabrina Cataldo Serino. Matt and his wife, Sabrina, were inducted in the same class.

The Christie Serino Athletic Complex is situated adjacent to the new Middle-High Saugus School and consists of a football stadium and outdoor track. The high school graduation will be held at the stadium, but athletic teams will not compete on the field until Matt was an outstand- the 2021 fall season.



Winthrop High director of athletics Matt Serino is pictured in front of the Christie Serino Athletic Complex at Saugus High School. The complex has been named in memory of Matt's father, Christie Serino, a legendary high school and college hockey coach.

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WHS SPORTS THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago

May 12, 2011 The Winthrop High softball defeated Lynn English 12-0. Lady Viking starter Alex Ferri fanned seven of the first eight Lady Bulldog batters she faced and ended up with eight strikeouts in her three innings of work. Jacky Hetherton came on in the fourth and whiffed three more opposing batters in her two innings. The Lady Vikings got off to a big start, thanks to walks and English errors that allowed six Winthrop runners to cross the plate

in the opening inning. A contingent of Winthrop High girls turned in a strong effort in Saturday's Northeastern Conference Freshman/Sophomore Meet, garnering 68 points, which was good for a fourth place finish among the 12 teams who competed in the meet. A number of Winthrop girls placed second in their individual events: Alexis Vaccaro in the triple jump with a landing of 32-.5; Carly O'Keefe in the 100 meter high hurdles in 18.6; and Mayomi Meggison in the long jump with a leap of 15-7.5. Vaccaro also earned a ribbon for a sixth place effort in the 200 meter dash in 29.0, while Meggison also took a fifth in the 100 meter dash in 14.0. Other point scorers for Winthrop were: Gina Guiliano with a fifth place effort of 30-6.75 in the triple jump; Julia Wallace with a third in the high jump with a leap of 4-8; Felicia Jones with a fifth in the long jump with a landing of 14-8.5; Amy Sena with a third in the 400 meter low hurdles in 72.4; Alyssa Mackey with a third in the 400 meter dash in 64.3; and Jordan Griffiths with a fourth in the 800 in 2:40.1. The 4 x100 quartet of Vaccaro, the Joneses, and Meggison took third place and

the 4 X 400 foursome of Mackey, Griffiths, Erin O'Leary, and Guiliano came in fifth place.

The young Winthrop High girls track team officially claimed the right to that moniker after winning their second meet in three weeks in dramatic fashion in the last event, the 4 x 400 relay, to come away with an exciting 72-64 triumph over Revere last Thursday at the Saugus track. The big victory catapulted the Lady Vikings past their rivals from the Beach City into first place in the South Division of the Northeastern Conference. The outcome of the meet came down to the final two events of the day, the high jump and the 4 x 400. The high jump was moved into the field house because of the rain. With both teams watching every jump with much anticipation, Lady Viking Julia Wallace placed second in her final jump-off at a height of 4'-9", thus setting the stage for a winner-take-all five points in the 4 x 400, with Winthrop ahead 67-64. After a quick team meeting, head coach Warren MacPhail chose the quartet of Annie Mahoney, Teresa Jones, Felicia Jones, and Gina Guiliano to bring home the baton for Winthrop. Carly O'Keefe, who was the only double winner for Winthrop, capturing the 100 high hurdles in 18.1 and the 400 low hurdles in 1:15.

20 years ago May 17, 2001

The Winthrop High softball team snapped a 33-game losing streak dating back to 1999 with a 26-9 win over Madison Park. Freshman Brianna Kneeland led coach Dave Guffey's Lady Viking offense with three hits, four RBI, and four runs scored. Ashley Ferullo had two hits and four RBI.

The WHS girls track team completed its season with a 7-2 record against its Northeastern Conference opponents after a 77-43 win over Saugus. Winthrop previously had dropped a 71-49 decision to Beverly in a battle for a share of the NEC title. Junior Danyelle Dillard set a new school record in the 200 meter dash in the Beverly meet with a time of 25.9 seconds, topping the previous WHS mark of 26.9 that had been held by Keriann Benjamin. Junior Liz Doherty enjoyed an outstanding meet vs. Beverly with first-place finishes in the 100 high hurdles in 15.9 and 300 in-

termediate hurdles in 48.9. Dan Dillard and Hollins Chukhuana captured second-place medals at the Andover Invitational this past week. Dillard took second in the 300 hurdles in 40.09 and Chukhuana was second in the long jump with a leap of 20'-11

and 1/2".

The WHS baseball team defeated Lynn English, 11-7, but dropped a 10-3 decision to Beverly. Alex Flannery went 3-for-4 with a three-run homer in the Beverly contest.

30 years ago May 15, 1991

For the seventh time in eight years, coach Pat McGee's WHS boys track team has captured an NEC title after easily defeating Saugus, 85.5-35.5. Mc-Gee's squads have compiled an amazing 74-1-1 during the stretch and at one point had a 28-dual meet winning streak. The Vikings have been led this year by state champion hurdler Billy Perella, who completed an undefeated season in three events. both hurdles and the high jump, as well as running a leg of the 4 x 100 relay.

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Donny McElree also was

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as head coach of the WHS girls soccer team. Her husband, Butch Martucci, was recognized for his 150th victory as the head coach of the girls hockey team at the same School Committee meeting.

Butch Martucci and Tracey Gigliello were high school sweethearts.

"We started going out when she was a sophomore and I was a junior," recalled Butch. "I took her to every social and every prom they had. She was an excellent athlete in high school, always scoring goals. She was a much better athlete than I was. We were married in 2000 and we'll be celebrating our 21st wedding anniversary in September."

Speaking about his wife's coaching award, Butch said, "I'm extremely proud of her and what she's done. She's built a great program. It's a very tough league to play in, but every year she puts out a great product and she's a great coach."

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Martucci was a fouryear starter for the Salem State women's soccer team. She was the leading scorer in her junior season and named to the Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (MASCAC) All-Star Team.

She started coaching soccer in Winthrop as the head coach of the middle school team for two seasons. She was an assistant coach on Kevin Connolly's staff for the Winthrop High team for two seasons before becoming the varsity head coach, a position she has held for 13 seasons.

Interestingly, her father, Gerry, now serves as junior varsity coach. "It's come full circle and now I'm teaching my daughters (Mia and Talia)," said Tracey.

Martucci just wrapped up a superb season in which the Vikings posted an 11-1-1 record. Maura Dorr surpassed the 100-point milestone after scoring more than 1,000 points in her basketball career.

"Maura is one of my best players ever," said Martucci. "She's an allaround great kid. She's a great person, athlete, student. She was a tremendous leader for us during the challenging times we had with this season (that was rescheduled to the spring because of COVID-19). Maura will definitely go down in our program's history as



Tracey Gigliello Martucci, pictured during her days as a Winthrop High soccer star.

one of the best I've ever coached. Her sister, Jenna, was also a great player. She's equally as skilled as her sister. And we had two really good goalkeepers, Summer Talent and Miya Grein, who split the games and really stepped up for the team.'

Tracey's daughter, Mia, was a striker for the varsity soccer team. She is a three-sport athlete (soccer, hockey, and lacrosse) and president of her class and the student council. "She loves everything about school," said Tracey. Her younger daughter, Talia is an eighth grader who plays varsity ice hockey and lacrosse. She will join the high school soccer program this fall.

Tracey Gigliello Martucci hopes that her exceptional athletic and coaching career can be an inspiration for students.

"I hope that I am a role model," said Tracey. "I love everything about the town. Just playing sports here and giving back and being able to coach in Winthrop, even before I had kids in the program, so I did it for the love of sports and to elevate my players' games. It really has been a great experience. It was such an honor to be recognized by the School Committee."



Winthrop High's girls soccer and girls ice hockey coaches Tracey Martucci and Butch Martucci, who were honored by the Winthrop School Committee for victory milestones, are pictured with their daughters, Mia and Talia, at the Martucci family residence.

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by Diaz recorded a clean shut-out of his Salem counterpart at second singles, 6-0, 6-0, and junior Declan Donovan was a victor at third singles in an abbreviated match, 6-0.

The first doubles tandem of senior captain Augie Cherico and fellow senior Ari Hain triumphed via a 6-0, 6-0 sweep, as did the second doubles duo of junior Ryan Kfoury and junior J.D. Parker, 6-0, 6-0.

Coach Marie Finn's junior varsity Vikings also got to see action and likewise turned in winning performances. Sophomore Michael Soares won his singles match, 6-2, as did fellow soph Shane Fitzpatrick, 6-3.

Juniors Liam Turner and Ty Calinda won their doubles contest, 6-0; the duo of sophomore Evan

Bernstein and Jack Os-

borne triumphed, 6-2; and

the tandem of freshman

Andrew Stangle and soph-

omore Joe Romano were victorious by a score of 6-1.

"It was a nice win to start the season," said Finn, who once again has an excellent turnout of 17 boys for the 2021 campaign. "We have a very young team in terms of experience. All of the boys have made the jump to varsity because of the lost 2020 season. But we're just happy and excited to be playing tennis again."

Finn and her crew were set to take on Swampscott yesterday (Wednesday) and then will meet Gloucester on Monday.

WHS GIRLS TENNIS **SWEEPS PAST SALEM**

The Winthrop High girls tennis team opened its 2021 season in fine fashion with a 5-0 shutout

victory over Salem. Senior captain Natalia

Kirilova dispatched her

Salem counterpart at first

singles in straight sets, 6-1, 6-0. Senior captain Jami Snow swept her Salem rival at second singles, 6-0, 6-0. At third singles, freshman Genesis Bueno also won in straight sets, 6-0, 6-4.

In the doubles matches, the first doubles tandem of juniors Emma Forsyth & Maddi Rossi edged their Salem foes in a hardfought battle, 7-5, 7-6 (15-13). The Lady Viking second doubles duo of senior captain Emma Foley and fellow senior Karina Silva cruised to a 6-0, 6-0 victory. "It was a good win

for our first match of the year," said WHS head coach Mike Nickerson. Nickerson and his squad

have a busy week ahead. They were scheduled to meet Swampscott yesterday (Wednesday) and then will face Peabody tomorrow (Friday), Gloucester on Monday, and Saugus next Wednesday.

MEET YOUR 2021 WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM

The Winthrop High School baseball team, under the leadership of new coach Mike DeFelice, has opened its 2021 season.

The Vikings will be competing against their traditional opponents in the Northeastern Confer-







The 2021 Winthrop High School Varsity Viking Baseball Team.





Shown to the left, Members of the championship Viking

2021 Football Team who are also on the baseball team. Matt Skobeleff, Mike Carter, Bobby Hubert, Cam Conway, Joe Hayes, Cam Martin, and Anthony Indrisano.

Sports years // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10 an outstanding performer that has scored 200 runs in

this season, going undefeated in both the shotput and discus. Coach Larry Keegan's

NEC girls track team is 6-0 and will be seeking an NEC crown when they face Gloucester today. The WHS baseball team

remains in the chase for an NEC title despite losing two games this week. In a 3-1 loss to Lynn English, John Crossman drove in Colin Cash for the lone Viking run. Winthrop bounced back with a 2-0 win over Marblehead be-Mike Mason.

hind a two-hit shutout by The WHS softball team clinched a berth in the state tourney with routs of Marblehead, 20-5, and Swampscott, 10-1. Senior Crissy

Brown leads coach Ron

Spinney's Winthrop offense

15 games with a .491 batting average. Colleen Connnolly is hitting .429, Cheri Lee and Joanna Saggese are hitting .333, and Carla Petrucelli is at .340. Carol Silverman,

long-active for Winthrop Little League, was honored as the league's Woman of the Year at ceremonies held at the Senior Center.

40 years ago May 20, 1981

The WHS baseball team, which stands at 9-7, has an outside chance of qualifying for the state tourney if they can win their last four games of the season. Joe Giaquinto

is leading the Vikings with

a .545 batting average and

southpaw Billy Moore

sports an ERA of 1.04.

has a record of 13-5 and can qualify for the state tourney if they finish in second place in the NEC. 50 years ago

The WHS softball team

May 19, 1971 The 5-5 WHS base-

ball team still has a shot at defending its NEC title and catching first-place Danvers entering the final week of the season. Capt. John Costigan kept Winthrop in the title picture by hurling Winthrop to a pair of victories this past week.

The WHS track team managed to score only 13 points in the NEC Track Meet, far behind the winning effort of Danvers, which scored 78 points.

Kevn Dowd took second

place in the triple jump and

fifth in the hurdles. Mark

DeGregorio took second

Caruccio grabbed fifth in the two-mile, and Tom Gorman placed fourth in the long jump. 60 years ago

place in the high jump, Paul

May 18, 1961 The WHS baseball team

erupted for an 8-2 victory over once-beaten Swampscott behind the hitting of Capt. Charlie Parlagreco, NEC.

second baseman Billy Lavoie, and outfielder Mike Matarazzo. Winthrop is now at 4-2 on the season and in second place in the Winthrop Little League opened its 1961 season with the blare of trumpets, the shuffle of marching feet, and the spectacular

color of the opening day

parade. Hundreds of spec-

tators witnessed the annu-

al parade of ballplayers,

guard from Ft. Banks and featured league officers, Pres. Henry Mortimer, VP Jack Gibson, and commissioners Larry Larsen, Gene Mahoney, and George Cawthorne. 70 years ago

who were led by a color

May 17, 1951 Cool and crafty junior righthander Seth Greene took a cue from his brother Henry, now a private in the U.S. Army, who was the last Winthrop pitcher to defeat Marblehead three years ago, and hurled Winthrop to a 10-7 win at Marblehead's Seaside Park. Winthrop needed five runs in the ninth inning to earn the win. Steve Miles started the rally with a base hit and team-

mates Mike Christopher

and sophomore Arnold

"Hacker" Noyes delivered key hits.

Bob Beraudo, Jerry Cohen, Henry Knopp, and capt. Buster Ruggiero earned first place in their respective events for the WHS track team in a loss to Chelsea this past week. The WHS tennis team

earned a victory over Rindge Tech, led by capt. Richard Hagan and Matt Milan in their singles matches. 80 years ago

May 15, 1941 WHS pitcher

Dick Chardon pitched well enough to win, but costly errors by coach Gordon Connors's baseball team led to a 4-1 loss to Watertown, a victory that gave Watertown the championship of the Mystic Valley League.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COUNCIL DISLIKES RESIDENCY ADDRESS

CHELSEA - There was nearly uniform disappointment last week from the City Council due to the choice by the new Diversity, Equity and Inclusion director's decision to forego Chelsea and to live on Revere Beach. City Manager Tom Ambrosino informed the Council of a residency waiver at the Monday meeting.

Candace Perez, who comes from New York and is eminently qualified for the job, had requested a residency waiver from the City due to relocating from New York to Revere Beach. Already, the Council has grown weary of City employees almost weekly requesting waivers to live outside of the City, and said they were getting concerned about it at the previous meeting. With the new director, who is to be immersed in the culture of Chelsea, five councilors Monday night questioned her dedication due to the decision to live in Revere.

And she doesn't even start the job until July 1.

"I did say I was disappointed that this person was relocating to Massachusetts and does not want to live in Chelsea," said Councilor Leo Robinson. "I have some real concerns about that."

Councilor Enio Lopez has been a vocal critic of the many resident waivers that have come of late, and said this one was unacceptable.

"I am against this waiver," he said. "If this person is taking this kind of job, you should be in the City. How are you going to know what's happening here? You're going to go live in a nice beautiful place on Revere Beach where nothing happens. You just need to live here."

Councilor Calvin Brown said it is only a mile from Chelsea, and the price ranges are about the same - if not less in Chelsea – and the quality of the building she is moving into is equal to any of the new buildings in Chel-

"It's so close," he said. "I just can't believe she can't find a place in Chelsea. What does that say about her commitment to us? We had four councilors speak and it's all about not living in Chelsea... You want to come in and say what's wrong with Chelsea, but you obviously don't want to find out day-to-day what's going on here."

Council President Roy Avellaneda said it is very concerning to him. He said it's not like a typical City job such as in Assessing or some other matter. As the Diversity Director, he said he would expect someone to be fully immersed in the city and its culture at all times.

"I don't comprehend how that job is done without spending enough time here - even in the off-hours," he said. "It doesn't make sense to me. It doesn't. You need to live and breathe Chelsea for the next two years. It's not about taking some template that worked somewhere else and thinking that template is going to work here. It doesn't work that way...I hope what we've said here makes some impact."

The words were strong, but the power by the Council is minimal due to the City Charter - which doesn't allow the Council to interfere with dayto-day operations. The Council does not have the power to vote on residency waivers. They can only instruct the City Manager to not grant so many. So, in the end, the Council agreed that their verbal disappointment would have to suffice, but had they been able to vote, they likely would have rejected the waiver with a majority.

NEW PLAN FOR HOUSING AT ST. STANISLAUS SITE

CHELSEA - With the closing of St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic Church year, developer Broadway Capital has now advanced a plan to re-use the church as a residential complex offering home-ownership and rental opportunities.

Mike Vienneau, of Broadway Capital, said they will be bringing their project to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) next Tuesday and it will represent one of several projects they have just finished or have in the pipe-

The proposed project to be known as "The Cathedral" - includes the conversion of a church to 16-unit residential units and the razing of the older rectory structure to construct a 14-unit multi-family building. The ground level of that building will also include a total of 45 off-street parking spots: 1.5 parking spots per residential unit. In total the proposed project will create 30 new residential units in the downtown area. The project will consist of 16 owner-occupied and 14 rental units. There will also be a shared open space terrace/ park area above the parking garage between the two building structures.

"We plan to keep the outside of the church intact and spruce it up

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with new windows and lighting," said Vienneau. "They had to take all of the stained glass out with the church closing, so we'll have new windows there, and it's going to be a nice project...There's a lot going on now and we're excited because we have home-ownership opportunities. Most people aren't doing home-ownership. The City needs and wants owner-occupied units more than rentals."

The project is in the R2 district, and is officially at 157-163 Chestnut St. If approved, Vienneau said they could start in October, and be completed by March 2023.

While some had questioned what the real estate market might look like on the tail end of COVID-19 in a City like Chelsea that was hit so hard, many developers and real estate professionals are seeing Chelsea as a place with high demand.

Vienneau completely agreed, saying their experience developing the old nursing home at 932 Broadway showed that people want ownership opportunities in Chelsea at an affordable price.

"Absolutely the demand is there," he said. "We got 932 Broadway sold out pretty much by April. We started selling in January and had it mostly sold out by April, so really only in three months. There is a huge, huge demand for these owner-occupied units, especially the \$300,000 to \$400,000 range, but even those in the \$500,000 to \$600,000 went fast because they were the first ones we sold. After they were sold, people were even coming in and putting in back-up offers on them in case it fell through."

He said the demographic that is buying there is 25-35 year olds without children. He said he hoped to attract more Chelsea residents to the St. Stans

property in the downtown. Right now, Broadway Capital is doing site work on the old Reggie's Auto property at 25 Second St. They plan to finish construction on that product and have it to the market by Spring 2022.

Vienneau said there are further deals in the works for Chelsea, but nothing he could disclose beyond the proposed re-use project at St. Stans Church campus.

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL HELD

EVERETT - Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria and First Lady Stacy DeMaria led the City of Everett's candlelight vigil in honor of Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton last week at Glendale

EVERETT ZONING BOARD APPROVES PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL TOWER FOR BOOMING TRIANGLE AREA



Two renderings show vantage points of the proposed 21-story SkyEverett development Commercial Triangle area on Spring Street from around the city, including at Everett Stadi-



Hundreds of family and friends attended the ceremony in memory of the beloved city employee and long-time Pop Warner cheerleading coach who touched so many lives with her warmth, generosity, and kindness.

Kristin died tragically on April 23, just days after giving birth to her daugh-

ter, Lenna Noel. "Tonight we join together in sadness and in disbelief to remember and honor a beautiful soul that was taken far too soon: Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton," said DeMaria. "Though we are all sad and devasted, we are here together in solidarity to show our love and support for one another. To the family of our angel, Kristin, on behalf of my entire family and the City of Everett, you are loved, you are supported, and we are here for you."

Community and spiritual leader Rick Randazzo delivered the opening prayer, stating, "This evening we are beginning for each one of us, Lord, in making Kristin's legacy our challenge to live life to its fullest.'

Stacy DeMaria said, "I'm saddened but honored to be here this evening. I would like to begin by thanking Kristin's family for graciously inviting me to say a few words about our angel, Kristin.

"To know Kristin was to love Kristin. Her presence was bright and smile even brighter. As we all know, Kristin was beautiful. She was gorgeous on the outside, but she was even more beautiful where it mattered the most – on the inside.

"Her willingness and ability to help guide and mentor so many people young and old across the City of Everett and beyond is truly remarkable," continued Mrs. DeMaria. "Whether she was dedicating her time to Everett's youth during Pop Warner or giving a hand at the food pantries to help those less fortunate, her positive attitude and energy shined. It was almost contagious." Mrs. DeMaria noted

the gallant battle Kristin waged against various health challenges, "but in fought and persevered."

typical Kristin fashion, she "To Kristin's family and friends, on behalf of the City of Everett and my husband, Carlo, we

promise that the memories

of your wife, your daugh-

ter, your sister, your aunt,

your cousin, your niece, and your friend will never be forgotten in our community," said Mrs. De-Maria. "We will ensure that Kristin's name and legacy live on so that Lenna know how loved her mother was."

Honoring Kristin's "beautiful life," Mrs. De-Maria quoted American poet and civil rights activist Maya Angelou, telling the assemblage, "I've learned that people will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel."

Vin Calderone told the tremendous gathering in attendance, "First let me say that I could not be any prouder to have been Kristin's uncle and godfather. What a wonderful person she was. I always knew Kristin was a very special person but to witness the outpouring of love and affection here tonight as well as the countless well wishes my family has received from many people is just simply amazing.

"On behalf of my entire family, the Ciarlones, the Fultons, and the Calderones, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and especially for being here tonight. It means more than you can imagine. I would especially like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to the city and the people of Everett and to recognize Mayor DeMaria, his wife, Stacy, and his staff for all that you've done in giving us this opportunity to honor and give thanks for a wonderful and amazing individual, our beloved Kristin," said Calderone.

Colleen Stabile, a lifelong friend of Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton, warmly recalled Kristin's love of all things associated with Disney. "She loved it. She was

a Disney nut just like me and clearly one of the reasons we became so close over the years," said Stabile. "Kristin has gone so many times to Disney with her family and Greg, and I know how much she was looking forward to going there with her new baby, Lenna." Sam Amado, a friend

and colleague, recalled what a joy it was to work with Kristin every day and how she wanted to impact lives in a positive way and

make people feel good about themselves." "She just wanted to

Amado. "She was full of energy, ideas, passion for her community and anything that had her name attached to it, had to be

perfect." Amado recalled how Kristin always reached out to colleagues' children during holidays and celebrations."Kristin made sure they all had gifts for every occasion," said Amado.

He praised Kristin's ability to motivate others and lift up their spirits during tough times. "That's the type of person that Kristin was she thought about others first," said Amado. "We know how much Kristin fought tooth and nail to have what she has. As much as we all know her story, I don't know how many of us would have the same courage and grace to face the challenges that she confronted on a regu-

lar basis. "Kristin was strong, so unbelievably strong,' said Amado. "All of our dreams can come true if you have the courage to pursue them. She did it. She did what she said you couldn't do. She made her dreams come true. She was living her fairytale with the love of her life, Greg, her trusted sidekick, Vinnie (her dog), and finally her centerpiece, Lenna Noel - Kristin wanted to be a mom so bad and it happened. You did it. You proved them wrong and we're all so proud of you. Thank you, Kristin, for showing us what you can do. Thank you for showing us that we can do it, too."

coached Everett Pop Warner cheerleading team, asked former Everett Pop Warner Huskies President William Marchant, to deliver thoughts on her behalf.

Lisa Sachetta, who

Sachetta highlighted Kristin's generosity, compassion, and helpfulness in her role as a mentor to her cheerleaders. "As we learned over

the years, Kristin's style proved to be her outpouring generosity. She showered her girls with trinkets and treasures; she designed T-shirts, hats, socks, sunglasses, bandanas, and flip flops, all hand made with love. Most importantly, she gifted her cheerleaders with love, guidance and friendship," wrote Sachetta.

Sachetta pledged that Kristin's cheerleaders and friends will carry on Kris-

matter. She wanted to make a difference," said See METRO NEWSPage 13

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tin's legacy with heartful remembrances of her wonderful life of achievement and love.

"Kristin, your beautiful daughter, Lenna Noel Fulton, will be blessed with all your former cheerleaders and cheer friends as her extended family and I believe we'll be sharing loving, funny, and beautiful stories and memories of you.

"Rest peacefully, Kristin," wrote Sachetta. "We all believe you were a true angel on earth and you have truly earned your wings and now you are our angel in heaven above." Kaylin Seward, a cur-

rent Everett High cheerleader who attended the vigil, said Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton was her Pop Warner coach for two years, one of which resulted in a trip to the National Championships at Disney

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"She was an amazing coach and inspired a lot of people," said Seward. "She made a huge impact on a lot of people and she's going to be missed."

FIRST DESIGN OF PIERS PARK III RELEASED

EAST BOSTON - At a recent community meeting, the Trustees of Reservations unveiled a landscape architect firm's first draft of the future Piers Park III park design.

This initial design was created by Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, Inc (MVVA) using input from the January public meetings and from an ongoing online community

MVVA's rendering features tide pools, grassy

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lawns, a picnic grove, kayak launch, natural plantings, and a salt marsh.

With the first design draft now published, Managing Director of the Boston Waterfront Initiative for the Trustees, Nick Black is asking Eastie residents and the general public for their continued comments, suggestions and questions. The input gathered from recent public meetings, as well as from an ongoing online survey and digital bulletin board, will help to inform the next draft of the de-

The online survey can be found at https://onewaterfront.thetrustees.org/

"Right now we want to know what would attract you to this future waterfront park, what features of this first design do you like, and what's still missing?" said Black. "From the start our goal has been to create a park for, and with, the community so it's critical to hear different voices and incorporate public feedback into these designs. We expect this design process to continue throughout 2021, as we move into gathering ideas and presenting options for park activities and programming."

Black said that poll questions and a Q&A session generated lively discussion during the recent public meetings where the first design was released. Participants asked questions ranging from the climate resilience of the future park to the size and height of the landscape, and whether a ferry stop might be an option.

Black said feedback on the first design will continue to be gathered throughout the spring and

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early summer, with additional public meeting dates being announced in the coming weeks.

"We hope to hear from a wide selection of people interested in this park," added Black. "We want this to be a gathering place for families, and a favorite space for Bostonians-a world-class destination on our beautiful harbor and a real community resource for the neighborhoods behind it."

Two years ago, the Trustees of Reservations submitted the only bid to Massport's call for a private/public partner to come forward and help fund the design and construction of Piers Park Phase III.

The dilapidated pier is adjacent to Massport's award winning Piers Park and the future Piers Park Phase II project.

The Trustees of Reservations operate 120 miles protected coastline which includes over 60 miles of trails, and a bunch of beaches and all sorts of other natural habitats in the state.

Massport has working with the community and other stakeholders over the last two to three years to build out Piers Park Phase II. It was around this time the Trustees of Reservations started having conversations with Massport about their waterfront initiative.

The Trustees of Reservations spent a lot of 2019 working with Massport and others to investigate the site and understand what the conditions were so the Trustees of Reservations could start to piece together what the possibilities would be for a waterfront park that is active and engaging.

LEGAL NOTICES

throp, MA RESPONDENT (Person to be Protected/ Minor) To the named

Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass General Hospital of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Renee Collas is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the

the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court. You have the right to

object to this proceeding.

If you wish to do so, you

file a written appearance

at this court on or before

10:00 A.M. on the return

date of 06/07/2021.

This day is NOT a hear-

date by which you

ing date, but a deadline

have to file the written

to the petition. If you

fail to file the written

appearance if you object

appearance by the return

date, action may be tak-

en in this matter without

further notice to you.

In addition to filing the

written appearance, you

or your attorney must

file a written affidavit

and grounds of your

after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this

proceeding may limit or

completely take away

person's right to make

affairs or financial af-

fairs or both. The above-

right to ask for a lawyer.

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request on behalf of the

above-named person. If

the above-named person

cannot afford a lawyer,

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J.

Date: May 3, 2021

Register of Probate

Felix D. Arroyo,

Dunn, First Justice of this

State expense.

Court.

one may be appointed at

named person has the

decisions about personal

the above-named

stating the specific facts

objection within 30 days

or your attorney must

court to determine that

In accordance with MGL Chapter 166, Section 22, NOTICE is hereby given that Massachu setts Electric Company 13, 2021 at 2 pm for the Revere to Winthrop 23kV Underground Cable Replacement Project MECO is requesting a Grant of Location from Department of Conservation and Recreation to construct an underground sub-transmission duct bank and manhole system within Revere Beach and Winthrop Beach Parkways in Revere and Winthrop, Massachusetts. Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, this meeting will be conducted exclusively via remote participation. NOTE: If you would like to participate or join the public meeting, you may do so by dialing

Court. Date: April 22, 2021 Felix D. Arroyo,

OF MASSACHUSETTS Register of Probate

THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate and **Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA 02114 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 Docket No. SU21P0823GD In the matter of:

Colleen A Ferulo

RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated

Person

Of: Winthrop, MA

Respondent and all other

interested persons, a

To the named

LEGAL NOTICE

5/13/21

REQUEST FOR **PROPOSALS** For PROACTIVE INFOR-MATION TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR WINTHROP SCHOOL DEPT.

The Town of Winthrop is requesting proposals for Proactive IT Support Services for th Winthrop School Dept. RFP documents may be picked up at the Procurement Office, Room 6, Town Hall, Winthrop, MA beginning Thursday, May als are due no later than Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Please refer to RFP package for more information. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. Proposals should be submitted to: Town of Winthrop, Attn: Monica Ford, Town Hall, Rm 6, 1 Metcalf Sq., Winthrop, MA 02152. This RFP is being procured in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B. Monica Ford Chief Procurement Officer 5/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Public Hearing (MECO) will hold a public hearing remotely on May 469-312-8116 then enter

in the Phone Conference

4/29/21, 5/6/21,

5/13/21

ID: 290 817 856#

LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA, 02114 CITATION GIVING **NOTICE OF** PETITION FOR

APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 & §5-405 Docket No. SU18P2063PM

In the matter of:

Renee Collas of Win-

in the above captioned estate, by petition of Petitioner Carol Harvey of Winthrop MA Carol Harvey of Winthrop has been informally ap-

To all interested persons

Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceed ings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the

LEGAL NOTICE CARE AND PROTECTION

Petition and Will, if any,

can be obtained from the

Petitioner.

TERMINATION OF SUMMONS BY **PUBLICATION** 19CP0345L0

Trial Court of Massachusetts. Juvenile Court Department, COMMON-WEALTH OF MASSA-CHUSETTS, Middlesex County Juvenile Court, Lowell Justice Center. 370 Jackson Street, 4th Flr., Lowell, MA 01852 TO: Thomas Bent and any unknown/unnamed father of: Waldemar Anthony Parrilla A petition has been presented to this court by Wakefield DCF, seeking, as to the following child, Waldemar A Parrilla, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person(s) named herein to receive

to any legal proceeding

affecting the adoption,

custody, or guardianship

or any other disposition

herein, if it finds that the

child is in need of care

and protection and that

the best interests of the

child would be served by

You are hereby ORDERED

to appear in this court,

set forth above, on the

following date and time:

at the court address

said disposition.

of the child named

5/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division** Docket No.

INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE** SU21P0640EA Estate of: **Robert Francis Harvey** Date of Death:

2-8-2019

pointed as the Personal

5/13/21

PARENTAL RIGHTS **DOCKET NUMBER:**

J.1 for minimum lot & 6.9 in accordance with 17.16.020.J.1 The public is invited To Join Zoom Meeting: When: May 27, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Topic: Board of Appeals Please use the link below notice of or to consent

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Winthrop Board of Appeals

LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice #016-2021

40A of the Massachu-

setts General Laws and

Chapter 17 of the Code

of the Town of Winthrop

that the Winthrop Board

of Appeals will conduct

Elizabeth Sheehy, Clerk-Magistrate, DATE ISSUED: 04/29/2021 5/6/21, 5/13/21, 5/20/21

Notice is hereby given in **LEGAL NOTICE** accordance with Chapter



Notice is hereby given in

accordance with Chapter a public hearing on 40A of the Massachu-Thursday, May 27, setts General Laws and 2021, at or after 7:00 of the Town of Winthrop upon the application of that the Winthrop Board Michelle Harkins, owner of Appeals will conduct of the property located a public hearing on at, 23B Almont Street, Thursday, May 27, 2021, Winthrop, MA 02152. The at or after 7:00 p.m. via applicant seeks a permit to construct a 12' x 17' Zoom.com, upon the application of Deanne pool. The permit was Diruzza-Priest, owner of denied in accordance to the property located at, the Town of Winthrop 138 Highland Avenue, Zoning By-Laws Chapter Winthrop, MA 02152. The 17.36.40 swimming pool applicant is requesting a regulations. variance from the provi-The permit was denied sions of section 17.16.020 due to the following reason: size, minimum front Noncompliance of proyard setback: minimum posed pool to minimum side yard setbacks. Lot side setback and setback size: 5000/4500; front less than 10' from permanent structure 15.0/13.5; side 10.0/4 (section 17.36.40) The permit was denied The public is invited to attend, and interest the Town of Winthrop parties shall have an Zoning By-Laws Chapter opportunity to be heard. To Join Zoom Meeting: When: May 27, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time to attend, and interest parties shall have an (US and Canada) opportunity to be heard. Topic: Board of Appeals

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LEGAL NOTICE



Legal Notice #017-2021 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, May 27, 2021, at or after 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.com, upon the application of Kelli O'Hara, owner of the property located at, 207 Pleasant Street, Winthrop, MA is requesting a permit to convert the current preexisting non-conforming 2 family structure to a 3-unit residential building. The permit was denied

in accordance with the Town of Winthrop zoning by-laws Chapter 17.12.130 The public is invited to attend, and interest parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. To Join Zoom Meeting: When: May 27, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time

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DO YOU NEED TO RUN A LEGAL NOTICE?

Be sure to check with the courts to see if you qualify for a fee waiver

FRESH & LOCAL

Sandwiches at Home and Away

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

One of the best things about the warmer weather is the opportunity to have picnics with friends. We've missed sandwiches from some of our favorite places and look forward to creating and then checking off a bucket list of the best sandwiches in the best places this spring. We'll even list the friends with whom we'd like to split those meals.

And, as we begin to gather with vaccinated friends, we'll have options to pick up and share. Sandwiches are a perfect food to share at home or away since you can cut them into bite-size servings.

Belle Isle Seafood in Winthrop

We plan to meet some seafood-loving friends at Belle Isle Seafood in Winthrop. We'll take a togo order of lobster rolls, clam rolls, and scallop rolls over to the Belle Isle Marsh Reservation and share a feast!

The Boston Common and Public Garden

A trip to the heart of the Emerald Necklace offers an array of great sandwich options. If you visit around lunchtime on a weekday, you can pick up a legendary deli sandwich from Sam LaGrassa. Our regular order is one pastrami and one corned beef, both on rye with just a schmear of mustard.

Parish Cafe has reopened and is often too busy in summer to accept orders for take-out. So far this year, they can offer their hearty sandwiches for Public Garden picnics. We recommend the brisket, meatloaf, and for a vegetable option, the egg-

NorthEnd and Waterfront

A shopping trip to the North End will include lunch on the Greenway. While we love a good Italian panini from Salumeria Italiana, we also recommend Tenoch Mexican's tortas.

We hope that a fleet of food trucks will return to the area in the months ahead, offering a raft of sandwich options. But don't forget that James Hook and Company has always been a great place to pick up a lobster or crab roll, and they make some of the best.

Chinatown Sandwiches

Sadly our favorite Banh Mi shop in Chinatown, New Saigon Sandwich, has closed. Still, we plan to ask Jacquelyn Church, food writer, Chinatown Tour Guide, and strong



Be on the lookout for sandwiches with a twist like this Mixed Mushroom Melt. It's a panini with roasted mushrooms, gruyere cheese, and caramelized onions from Flour

advocate for the businesses in her neighborhood, for a new favorite. Maybe she'll even meet us for lunch, and we can share a couple of variations. We also have a world of filled bao options to explore with her guidance.

Gene's Chinese Flatbread Cafe grew famous for its hand-pulled noodles. However, for takeout we prefer the lamb or pork flatbread sandwich-

A Few Picnic Tips

Remember, everyone's comfort level with unmasking is different and should be respected. Try

to understand if others are slower than you to release themselves from the safety shield they've lived under for more than a year.

Bring hand sanitizer and wipes. Some of the habits we've added during the pandemic are good and should continue. Pack a cutting surface and knife if you plan to cut and share sandwiches. You can also ask most places to cut a sandwich in four instead of two.

If everyone brings a chair and the host provides a picnic ground cover and perhaps a lightweight table for its center, it will help keep a safe social distance when you remove your masks to eat.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

MBTA Control Board commits to funding the Transit Priority Group

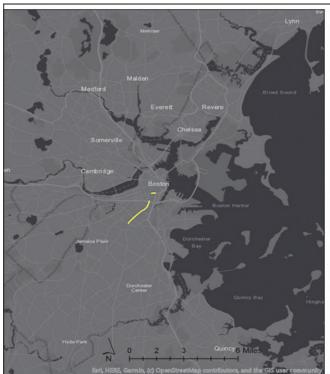
Staff Report

The FY22 budget, approved April 26 by the MBTA's Fiscal and Management Control Board, includes a commitment to fully fund the T's Transit Priority Group, a special unit dedicated to delivering bus lanes, transit signal priority (TSP), and collaborative planning programs with service-area municipalities. The four-person team has dramatically accelerated the MBTA's planning and project delivery capacity for bus priority projects, which are proven to make transit faster and more re-

Since its creation in 2019, the MBTA Transit Priority Group has been funded with generous grant support from the Barr Foundation as a part of their philanthropic commitment to addressing climate change and advancing equitable mobility in Metro Boston.

"In the last few years, the MBTA's bus priority network has gone from a couple streets along the Silver Line to a robust web of corridors spanning ten cities and towns across our service area. These targeted improvements, which are aimed at making bus service more reliable on some of the region's most congested roadways, are a key component of the MBTA's Better Bus Project, a broad-ranging, multi-year initiative aimed at transforming our bus system," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "The MBTA would not have been able to make these advances without the steadfast commitment and partnership of the Barr Foundation."

Since the Transit Priority Group's launch in 2019, 13.6 miles of bus lanes have been constructed on Metro Boston roadways, bringing the total region-wide network to nearly 20 miles. These



Bus lanes constructed as of 2015 (yellow)

reliability benefits have had a far-reaching impact. reliable, high-quality bus While 3 percent of passen- service was something ery day," said Senior Proger miles travelled are in few in Metro Boston had gram Officer at the Barr sibility, and rider comfort. bus lanes, reliability benefits extend to 41 percent of passenger miles travelled systemwide.

even heard of or believed was possible here. Now, it's becoming a reality with potential to improve



Bus lanes constructed or in progress as of 2021 (red)

thousands of bus riders ev-Foundation Lisa Jacobson. "The Barr Foundation was pleased to help launch the Transit Priority Group at the MBTA to bring world-leading ideas to help solve congestion, access, and climate challenges in our communities."

Notable projects spearheaded by the Transit Priority Group since 2019 include:

• A first-of-its-kind transit facility in Metro Boston: a center-running bus lane project currently under construction on Columbus Avenue in Rox-

"A decade ago, rapid, the transit experience for bury and Jamaica Plain to dramatically improve bus service reliability, acces-

> • An unprecedented regional joint procurement effort led in partnership with MAPC to significantly reduce construction costs for quick-build transit and active transportation projects for 13 metropolitan area municipalities, which the MBTA estimates will save taxpayers a projected \$2 million over the

> course of this year. • In response to COVID-19 service needs leading to the implementation of the MBTA's Rap-

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INGREDIENTS:

½ cup vegetable oil 1 cup milk

2 eggs

3½ cups all-purpose flour

1 cup white sugar 4 teaspoons baking powder 1 teaspoon salt 1 cup chopped strawberries 1 cup blueberries

2 tablespoons strawberry jam

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). Grease 12 muffins cups or line with paper liners.

STEP 2: Whisk oil, milk, and eggs together in a bowl. Combine flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt together in a separate bowl; fold in strawberries, blueberries, and jam. Stir milk mixture into flour mixture until just

combined. Fill muffin cups with batter. **STEP 3:** Bake in the preheated oven until a tooth-

pick inserted in the center of a muffin comes out clean, about 25 minutes. Cool in the muffin tin for 10 minutes before removing to cool completely on a wire rack.

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Control Board //continued from Page 14

id Response Bus Lanes Program, a partnership with the cities of Boston, Somerville, Everett, and Chelsea to build up to 14 new bus lane miles on critical transit corridors.

- Working with Mass-DOT and six different municipalities to deliver 10 Shared Streets and Spaces and Shared Winter Streets and Spaces projects.
 - Expanding bus pri-

ority projects to several new municipalities, including Chelsea, Malden, and Lynn.

• Continuing previously initiated projects such as implementing TSP on the

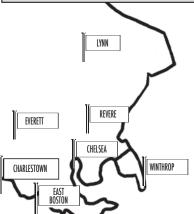
Green Line in Brookline and Boston.

In the next several months, the Transit Priority Group is working closely with four municipalities to deliver more than four miles of bus lanes, standardize the preferred design approaches through a bus speed and reliability toolkit, and kick off a regional collaboration to define the next generation of

TSP for Metro Boston.

For more info, visit www.mbta.com/buspriority or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram @MBTApics.

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First bald eagle death in Massachusetts from rodenticides confirmed by officials

Staff Report

MassWildlife officials recently confirmed that a bald eagle has died from second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide (SGAR) poisoning. While documented elsewhere, this is the first confirmed case of an eagle dying from rodenticide poisoning in Massachusetts.

MassWildlife officials recently confirmed that a bald eagle that died in March was the victim of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide (SGAR) poisoning. While mortalities in bald eagles due to anticoagulant rodenticides have been documented in other states, this is the first confirmed case in Massachusetts. In mid-March,

behavior of an adult female eagle at a nest located on the Charles River in Middlesex County. Unfortunately, within a day, the bird had died on its nest. MassWildlife officials retrieved the eagle and transported it to Tufts Wildlife Clinic at Cummings Veterinary Medical Center at Tufts University where a necropsy was performed. Toxicology testing of a liver sample was performed with the assistance of the Northeast Wildlife Disease Cooperative. Both the necropresults confirmed that the cause of death was lethal levels of anticoagulant rodenticides.

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Anticoagulant rodenticides are a type of rodent poison that kills by preventing blood from clot-

ting normally, resulting in sue confirmed three differa fatal hemorrhage. Wildlife can be poisoned by anticoagulant rodenticides in two ways: 1) primary poisoning when an animal directly eats the bait and dies several days later, or 2) secondary poisoning when a predator or scavenger eats prey that has consumed the bait. Secondary poisoning has been documented in birds of prey like hawks and owls, as well as foxes, bobcats, and coyotes. While bald eagles primarily eat fish, they are opportunistic forsy and toxicology test agers that feed on a variety of animals and are known to scavenge or prey on small mammals.

Baseball: JV Game

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Softball: JV Game

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Given the hunting range of eagles, it's impossible to determine the exact source of this rodenticide poisonent SGARs were ingested by the eagle. In the past 15 years, the US EPA has taken steps to impose restrictions on rodenticides (see table below). SGARs are believed to be most harmful to wildlife and now cannot be sold through general consumer outlets for the typical homeowner to use. SGARs can still be purchased online in commercial use quantities, and licensed pest professionals and agricultural users are able to use them. Other rodenticides, called first-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (FGARs) non-anticoagulant rodenticides, are still approved for residential consumer use if enclosed within a bait station.

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"The struggle to control mice and rats is usually viewed in terms of humans vs. rodents, but wildlife such as birds of prey are often not recognized as players in this battle," said Dr. Maureen Murray, Director of Tufts Wildlife Clinic. "Many people are surprised to learn that the mouse poison they use in their basement can also kill the great horned owl hooting in the neighborhood." Studies in other



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conducted at Tufts Wildlife Clinic have shown widespread exposure to SGARs among these birds. MassWildife officials, in partnership with Tufts Wildlife Clinic, provide the following advice for homeowners with a rodent problem to minimize harm to wildlife:

 Rodent-proof home. Before using a poison, remove or securely contain any potential food sources for rodents. Repair any exterior areas of your home to prevent rodents from coming inside.

•Arm yourself with information. Consider alternatives to poison, such as snap traps. Poisons should be used as a last resort. Be sure to check the active ingredients and opt for products that contain bromethalin, chlorophacinone, or diphacinone. Use poisons only in bait

stations as per the label instructions and avoid any in

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pellet form. •Ask your pest control company questions. Look for an integrated pest management company that uses multiple approaches to pest control instead of relying solely on poisons. You can request that the company avoid using SGARproducts including brodifacoum, bromadiolone, difenacoum,

or difethialone. While the death of this individual bald eagle is disturbing, MassWildlife officials are encouraged to report that the overall population of bald eagles in Massachusetts continues to recover and grow in numbers and geographic distribution. In fact, the nest where the female bald eagle died in March may already have a new resident. According to observers, within a week of the female's death, another adult female eagle was observed at the nest with the male adult. "The appearance of a new female in such a short period of time speaks to the state's robust eagle population," said Andrew Vitz, MassWildlife's State Ornithologist. "Though it is late in the mating season, it is possible that this bird may lay eggs this spring. If not, pair bonding between the two birds will strengthen over the year and nesting will likely be attempted in the early spring of 2022." Thanks to the efforts of MassWildlife and other conservation partners, there are currently over 80 pairs of bald eagles nest-

ing in Massachusetts from the Cape to the Berkshires.



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the landing post-ride!

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