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THURSDAY, June 30, 2022

WAA HOSTS ART IN THE PARK

Council views presentation on improving CBD storefronts

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Julio and Alejandra Castro with their grandfather, Ron Spinney, holding his acrylic art pour paintings during the first Art in the Park hosted by the Winthrop Art Association as part of their summer series on June 25. See more photos on Page 3.

By Laura Plummer

The Winthrop Town Council met on June 21, where it viewed the Town Planner's presentation on the potential revitalization of the Center Business District (CBD).

Development. According to the presentation, a Facade and Storefront Improvement Program is a "program for economic development within a specific area or entire community, a tool to strengthen and promote small businesses, and a strategy to revitalize and showcase a downtown or commercial center." Beginning in March, presenters visited the CBD and met with local businesses, documenting current conditions and developing a draft improvement plan. Photos showed the existing storefronts in CBD.

CBD Storefront Improvement

Town Planner Rachel Kelly presented a draft of a Facade and Storefront Improvement Program for Winthrop's newly renovated CBD. The presentation was created by the Town of Winthrop and Innes Associates with aid from the Mass. Dept. of Housing and Community

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NEWS Briefs

"CONVERSATIONS WITH THE COUNCILORS" AT THE BEACON GALLERY

Precinct 2 Town Councilor John Munson will be hosting the second in a series of "Conversations With The Councilors" on Friday, July 8th from 4:00 to 5:30 pm at The Beacon Gallery, 196 Winthrop Street. Attendees should enter through the front door and some off-street parking is available.

This "Conversations" will be with Vice President and Precinct 6 Town Councilor Stephen Ruggiero, Town Councilor-at-large Tracey Honan, and Councilor Munson. Councilor Ruggiero will speak on recent Rules and Ordinances that have been enacted, and on the work of the Ordinance Review Committee. Councilor-at-large Honan will discuss the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget that is now in

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Town celebrates the lives of David Green and Ramona Cooper with tree-planting ceremony

By Cary Shuman

The Town of Winthrop held a tree-planting ceremony to celebrate the lives of David Green and Ramona Cooper, two beloved residents who were shot and killed by a gunman on June 26, 2021.



The plaque signifying the tree planted in celebration of the life of Ramona Cooper.



Ray Green stands at the site of the tree that was planted in celebration of the life of his brother, David Green.

Town Council President James Letterie served as master of ceremonies for the speaking program that preceded the tree-planting ceremonies.

"David Green and Ramona Cooper were both U.S. Air Force veterans who proudly served our country," said Letterie. "David was a retired state trooper and lifelong Winthrop resident. He was a friend to so many in our community. Ramona was a retired Air Force who worked at the local VA."

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JULY 4 ACTIVITIES

HORRIBLES PARADE

By Transcript Staff

The 140th Annual Horrible's Parade will return to Point Shirley on Sunday, July 3 after a two year

absence due to the pandemic. The Parade kicks off from the Public Landing

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TOWN FIREWORKS

By Transcript Staff

Former Winthrop Fire Chief Paul Flanagan has announced that the town's annual fireworks show will be held on Sunday,

July 3 at 9:15 p.m. The fireworks, which celebrate the Fourth of July, will be sent skyward from Coughlin Play-

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TRASH DELAY
 Due to the July 4th Holiday on Monday, Trash will be delayed by one day next week.
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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 dates. The log is a public record and available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

the station for proper disposal.

2038: An officer assisted a resident who locked himself inside the tennis courts at Ingleside Park.

2214: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere St. and Summit Ave. and arrested the operator, Billjoen Dey Silvestre-Gomez, 29, of Revere for the criminal offenses of failing to stop for a police officer and operating an MV recklessly so as to endanger. He also was cited for the civil infraction of speeding.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

0132: An officer issued parking tickets to 12 vehicles without resident parking stickers on Hermon St.

0930: An officer responded to a minor motor vehicle accident on Otis St. in which a National Grid truck backed up into a wall of a private residence. The officer filed a report.

1004: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Shirley St. in which a moving vehicle struck a parked vehicle. Both vehicles were towed. The officer filed a report.

1046: An officer informed a dog owner at Hannaford Park about the town's leash-by-law.

1456: An excavation contractor at a Sagamore Ave. residence struck a water line in the street. The DPW was notified.

1828: A resident reported that his mother had been the victim of a larceny by the mother's caretaker. The officer filed a report.

1841: A Banks St. resident reported that upon her return from a vacation, she discovered that her motor vehicle's rear windshield had been smashed. The officer filed a report.

2248: An officer dispersed a group of six youths from the area of Hannaford Park, which is closed after dark.

2356: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle at Cross and Franklin Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation and issued a citation to the operator.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

0126: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle at Governors Drive.

0137: An officer issued parking tickets to 18 vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of Chester Ave., Thornton St., Buchanan St., and Bowdoin St.

0150: An officer issued parking tickets to 15 vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of George, Centre, Oceanview, and Bowdoin Sts.

0833: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1124: The Animal Control Officer retrieved an injured duck from the area of Coughlin Park.

1234: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding and issued a citation to the operator.

1512: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

0743: A caller reported that his vehicle was struck by a hit-and-run operator on Hermon St., causing damage to his side view mirror. An officer spoke to both parties and they agreed to work it out between themselves.

1005: An officer responded to a minor motor vehicle accident on Winthrop St. and assisted the parties with the exchange of papers. The officer filed a report.

1045: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1314: An officer issued a citation to the operator of a motor vehicle on Cross St. for the civil infraction of operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

1329: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1347: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Tafts Ave. and Townsend St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1348: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Tafts Ave. and Townsend St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1520: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Beal Sts. for the civil moving infractions of excessive window tint and defective equipment. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1549: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Bayview and Hale Aves. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1851: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1907: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Crest Ave. for the civil



From left: Officer Jennifer Adamson, Lt. Steve Rogers, Officer Samantha Ferrino, and Lt. Mary Crisafi.

Ferrino honored by Massachusetts Association for Women in Law Enforcement

Special to the Transcript

Chief Terence M. Delehanty is proud to share that Winthrop Police Officer Samantha Ferrino was honored recently with a Community Service Award from the Massachusetts Association for Women in Law Enforcement.

Officer Ferrino was presented the award on Thursday, June 16, at an

annual training event in Canton.

Lt. Mary Crisafi nominated Officer Ferrino for her commitment to the Town of Winthrop and community members.

Officer Ferrino regularly interacts with the community through the Citizens Police Academy, Youth Police Academy, the Christmas Toy Drive, the Shannon Grant Open Gym Program, and as a

court-appointed special advocate.

"Officer Ferrino's positive impact on the Town of Winthrop cannot be measured. She is a shining example of going above and beyond in service to the community, and is a role model to fellow officers," Chief Delehanty said. "Congratulations to her on this well-deserved recognition."

MONDAY, JUNE 13

0725: An officer came upon a parked motor vehicle on Revere St. in which the operator was passed out. Revere police were called to notify the owner of the vehicle, which was registered in their city, who stated that the operator did not have permission to use the vehicle. The operator admitted that he was using the vehicle without authority. The officer issued a citation to the operator, a 36 year-old Mattapan man, for the criminal offense of using a motor vehicle without authority. The vehicle was towed.

1813: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance involving a resident at the DPW office at Kennedy Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1839: An officer responded to a report of a verbal altercation between two residents in the apartments on Walden St. The officer spoke to both parties, who agreed to stay separated. The officer filed a report.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

1238: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between neighbors on Shore Drive. The officer spoke to both parties and restored the peace.

1404: A resident called the station to report a case of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

1910: A resident reported finding a hypodermic syringe on Shirley St. An officer retrieved the needle and brought it back to

Miller Field. An officer responded and remained on the scene until the game was over and the two youth teams left the area.

1938: An officer directed a group of about 20 persons who had overflowed onto Elliot St. from a party to return to the party's premises.

2115: An officer directed persons playing music loudly at a Highland Ave. residence to turn it down for the night.

moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1924: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pleasant St. and Tileston Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2259: An officer directed a loud group of party-goers in the 800 block of Shirley St. to shut down their music for the night.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

0208: An officer issued parking tickets to 25 vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of Brookfield Rd., Palmyra St., and Edgehill Rd.

0214: An officer issued parking tickets to 19 vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of Enfield Rd. and Ingleside Ave.

0934: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in a handicapped spot on Coral Ave.

1549: An officer responded to a report of parents screaming at the refs from the bleachers at

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

1106: Officers assisted a resident with retrieving a lost dog in the area of Washington and Willow Aves.

1826: The DPW was notified of a water main break at Pleasant St. and Somerset Ave.

2319: An officer stood by a disabled motor vehicle on Main St. while the owner awaited for AAA to arrive.

2343: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of defective equipment (a portion of the bumper

was missing). The officer issued a citation to the operator.

MONDAY, JUNE 20

0041: An officer responded to a report of persons yelling at Governors Park. The officer determined that it was a Father's Day party that had gotten out of hand and restored the peace.

0118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Payson Sts. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0235: An officer issued parking tickets to 35 vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of Wilshire, Banks, and Morton Sts.

1009: A resident flagged down an officer on Circuit Rd. to report the odor of natural gas in the neighborhood, which the resident said has been an issue for a while. National Grid was notified.

1039: An Upland Rd. resident came to the sta-

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BELL PEPPER, TOMATO, AND FETA SALAD

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 Hot House tomatoes, cored and chopped
- 1 orange bell pepper, cored and sliced
- 1 yellow bell pepper, cored and sliced
- 1 green bell pepper, cored and sliced
- ½ onion, thinly sliced
- 3 ounces crumbled feta cheese, or to taste

DRESSING:

- 4 tablespoons canola oil
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon white sugar
- 1 pinch freshly ground black pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Combine tomatoes, all bell peppers, and onion in a large bowl. Crumble feta cheese on top.

STEP 2: Stir together oil, vinegar, salt, sugar, and black pepper in a cup. Pour over salad and toss to combine.

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Summary of Massachusetts Fireworks Law MGL Chapter 148, S. 39

What does the law prohibit?
 It is illegal for private citizens to use, possess, or sell fireworks in Massachusetts, or to purchase them legally elsewhere and then transport them into the state. The law prohibits any article designed to produce a visible or audible effect.

Sale of fireworks
Penalty: Fine or imprisonment or both, and confiscation
Fine: \$100 to \$1000
Imprisonment: Maximum of 1 year
Seizure of fireworks: Mandatory

Who can arrest? Any officer qualified to serve criminal process.
Must an officer arrest? No. Statute says the officer *may* arrest without a warrant.
Must an officer seize the fireworks? Yes, the statute says the officer *shall* seize any fireworks.

Possession, use, cause to explode of fireworks
Penalty: Fine and confiscation only
Fine: \$10 to \$100
Seizure of fireworks: Mandatory

Who can seize? Any officer qualified to serve criminal process.
May an officer arrest? For possession, no. The statute only provides for a fine upon conviction and automatic confiscation of fireworks.
Must an officer seize the fireworks? Yes, the statute says the officer *shall* seize any fireworks.

Seizure
Can people get their fireworks back? No. If convicted, the fireworks are forfeited to the state.

What does an officer do with confiscated fireworks? During business hours, contact the State Police Bomb Squad at (978) 567-3310. Notify them immediately for large quantities, commercial grade, or deteriorated materials. After hours, call (508) 820-2121 and ask for the Troop Duty Officer in your area. An on-call Bomb Squad Officer will arrange for pick-up.

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WINTHROP ART ASSOCIATION HOLDS ART IN THE PARK



Gerard Leary, colored pencil artist, and Maureen "Moe" MacAdams, mixed media and colored pencil artist.



Visitors shopping for painted seashells.

By Marianne Salza
Winthrop Art Association held its first Art in the Park of its summer series on June 25, featuring photography, jewelry, paintings, and greeting cards created by local artists. The Squeezebox Stompers Duo performed live music as patrons walked through Crest Avenue Park, where unique items, such as a wooden charcuterie board adorned with white, tropical flowers on a nautical blue backdrop, were on display. Upcoming Art in



The Squeezebox Stompers Duo.

the Parks will held on July 23, and August 20, 9am-2pm.



Dawn and Kevin Mahoney.



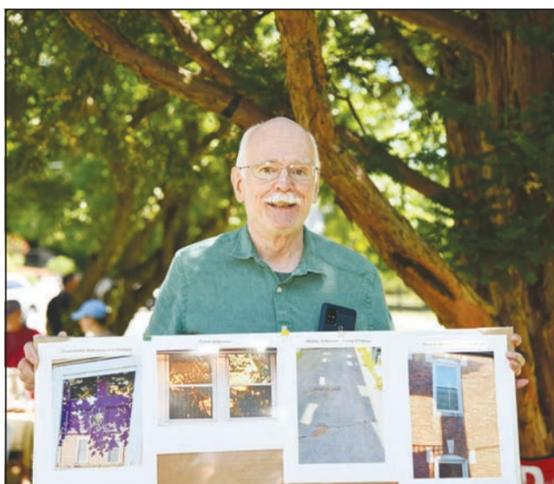
Lawrence and Ann Bailey shopping for photographs.



Sofia and Iryna Silk, with her beach finds on repurposed wood.



Max and Sylvia Whiting with her fine art photography.



Bill O'Connell, with photographs that illustrate reflections and tricks of light taken around his home in Winthrop.



Tim Burgers, Beau, and Michael Bacon, holding leather and stone bracelets.

MWRA Advisory Board retains Beveridge & Diamond for NPDES permit challenges

Staff Report

The MWRA Advisory Board has selected Beveridge & Diamond as special counsel to assist with matters related to the MWRA's forthcoming National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits for the Clinton Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Deer Island Wastewater Treatment Plant.

"We have been increasingly concerned with the language included in recent EPA Region 1 NPDES permits naming communities as co-permittees," stated Executive Director Joe Favaloro. "Naming MWRA communities as co-permittees on the MWRA's permits could fundamentally change the delicately balanced relationship between the MWRA and its member communities. Once we saw this language included in the NPDES permit for the Clinton Treatment Facility, we knew it was time to push back."

The MWRA provides wholesale sewer services to forty-three communities in the greater Boston area, which then makes

its way to Deer Island for treatment.

"If EPA includes the current language from the Clinton permit in the Deer Island permit, there could be far-reaching and unintended consequences," said Advisory Board Chairman Lou Taverna. "Most important to the Advisory Board and its member communities is to ensure that the MWRA never becomes a regulator of its communities, and we believe that Beveridge & Diamond will put us in a position to achieve this goal."

Established by the Legislature in the same legislation that created the MWRA, the mission of the MWRA Advisory Board is to be the voice of communities within the MWRA system. Over the years, the Advisory Board has saved communities and ratepayers billions of dollars by fulfilling its statutory role as the MWRA's "fiscal watchdog."

EPA Region 1 has included language naming fifty-five communities as co-permittees in thirty-nine permits to date; however, the largest number of communities on

any of these existing permits is five. "Forty-three is not five. The MWRA is a unique entity and deserves a unique permit tailored to their specific situation," asserted Mr. Favaloro. "While we are hopeful to find some middle ground that addresses our concerns, we are willing to take this as far as needed to protect our communities' interests."

Beveridge & Diamond is a nationally recognized, top-ranked environmental and litigation law firm with a Massachusetts office in Boston. Its lawyers have been representing municipalities in CWA cases since the 1970s. Members of the team representing the Advisory Board recently argued San Francisco's 9th Circuit appeal on its NPDES permit and have considerable experience representing public agencies in Clean Water Act permitting and enforcement matters.

"We appreciate the trust that the Advisory Board has placed in our firm, and we are committed to getting the MWRA Advisory Board and its members an efficient and effective resolution to the concern-

ing issues posed by the co-permittee language proposed by EPA," said Marc Goldstein, Manag-

ing Principal of B&D's Boston Office. "We look forward to working with all the constituencies to

arrive at a fair and appropriate resolution of these issues."

Real Estate Transfers

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LOST: DRAWING SKETCH PAD

11 year old young artist, lost her sketch pad at "Arts in the park" on Crest Ave Saturday, between 1 and 2. Cover has picture of small boy in a field with a dog. Some of the drawings are butterflies, Harry Potter, summer sandals, pictures of women and faces. Contact Mary Mahoney if found. 617-571-2198.

Police // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

tion to report that her parked motor vehicle had been struck a few days previously by a hit-and-run operator. The officer filed a report.

1043: A clerk at the 7/11 store reported that an invalid gift card had been used by a customer. An officer came by to view the video footage and filed a report.

1138: A resident came to the station to report a case of identity theft

in which someone had opened a Victoria's Secret account in her name. The officer filed a report.

2212: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Seaview Ave. and Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2242: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation.

The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2300: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Read Sts. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2322: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shore Drive and Ocean Ave. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

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OUR Opinions

FOURTH OF JULY MEMORIES

This weekend brings the Fourth of July, the celebration of the birth of our nation and an opportunity for all of us to partake in summertime fun with friends and family.

The Fourth of July brings back fond recollections from our youth, when we celebrated the Fourth with cookouts at our grandmother's house at Yirrell Beach on Pt. Shirley in Winthrop.

Those happy summer memories of sparklers, smores, and bonfires on the beach with family members, many of whom are no longer with us, are etched indelibly in our mind's eye and always bring a smile to our face as if they were just yesterday, though they occurred decades ago.

However, the Fourth of July also brings back a sad memory of a friend, an athletic young man in his 20s who was one of our basketball buddies, who became intoxicated at a backyard barbecue. He fell off a small porch when he missed a step and fractured some vertebrae, leaving him a paraplegic and wheelchair-bound for the rest of his life.

That tragic event happened almost 30 years ago, but the shock of hearing of our friend's accident, and then seeing him for the first time in a wheelchair, is something we never will forget.

All of us should make it a priority to do what we can to ensure that our loved ones and others with whom we'll be spending the holiday do so in a safe and reasonable manner.

That is doubly true if any of our activities are water-related or if driving is involved. We should keep in mind that over-imbibing in alcohol always is an invitation for a tragic situation, even in our backyards.

In addition, the illegal use of dangerous fireworks will result in many trips to the emergency room by those who suffered eye injuries, severed fingers, and burns.

In the 1800s and early 1900s, the Fourth of July served as a convenient excuse for young men to go on a rampage throughout their communities, vandalizing public and private property. The term "a safe and sane Fourth" was introduced at the start of the last century to discourage such wanton acts of rowdyism.

Although we no longer celebrate the Fourth as recklessly as our ancestors did, nonetheless we all must do our part to make sure that we observe the Fourth's festivities safely and sanely, both for ourselves and our loved ones.

We wish all of our readers a happy, fun-filled, and safe Fourth of July.

A YEAR AGO THIS WEEK...

It was a year ago this week when an unspeakable act of violence, motivated by racial hatred, befell our peaceful community.

The tranquility of a typical, early-summer, Saturday afternoon was shattered when a 28 year-old white man, a native of Wareham who had been living in Winthrop for a short time with his wife, shot two Black persons, 60 year-old Ramona Cooper, a retired Air Force veteran who only recently had moved to Winthrop, and 68 year-old David Green, a Winthrop native and retired State Trooper who was beloved in our community, in cold blood when they crossed paths on Shirley St. near Cross St., for no other reason than the color of their skin.

Thanks to the quick response of Winthrop police and the heroism of Sgt. Nicholas Bettano, the suspect himself was shot in the street when he refused to put down his weapons (he was armed with two handguns).

It is believed that the shooter, whose belongings later were found to contain white supremacist and anti-Semitic literature, was en route to the nearby local temple and synagogue with the intent of perpetrating a mass shooting incident before he was stopped by Sgt. Bettano.

To be sure, both Ramona Cooper and David Green happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time. However, given that the shooter did not fire his weapon at white passers-by, his intent to shoot them solely because they were Black is undeniable.

For those of us who have called Winthrop our home for many years, we still shudder whenever we drive down Shirley St. toward Cross St. -- the events of June 26, 2021, are just too terrible to contemplate.

However, the best way that we can honor the memories of Ramona Cooper and David Green is never to forget that tragic and horrible day and resolve to do whatever we can to end the racism and prejudice that still is far too prevalent throughout our country.

Forum



LETTERS to the Editor

COLARUSSO MAKES NO SENSE

Dear Editor,
Congressional candidate Caroline Colarusso made statements in last week's issue that make no sense to me!

The keystone pipeline would bring dirty sand from Canada to be processed into crude oil! This is Canadian owned, so very few jobs in America would be produced. It would also be years before any gasoline was produced and where are they going to dump all that

filthy sand!

I also don't believe in oil exploration in National Parks! The January 6 investigation isn't a political smokescreen and it is proving that Donald Trump tried to change the results of the 2020 election!

Steve Moran

I SEE YOU

Dear Editor,
As a straight, white ally to the LGBTQ+ and BIPOC communities, I want to attempt to clearly state what my goal is, which I

believe is shared by most. I want members of these communities to know that I see them. I recognize their existence and their right to enjoy all the same rights that I enjoy. I want them to know that I don't care what their skin color, religion, beliefs, or sexual preference is. I celebrate all of the interesting diversity of it. How boring it would be if we were all the same! I attempt to show that I am an ally by flying things like BLM or Pride flags, because as a straight white person, it may not be immediately obvious

that I am an ally. I fly those flags because those communities have been marginalized in this society, and their civil rights have not always been enacted into law or enforced in this country. In fact, some of those rights are being threatened today. I do not fly a "White Pride" or "Straight Pride" flag because white people and straight people are not and have never been marginalized, have always had their rights, and everyone knows that. It is understood.

Daniela Foley

GUEST OP-ED

MBTA crisis is an emergency for our region

By Joe Gravellese

When I ran for office two years ago, I did so because I was deeply concerned about the decaying of our transportation system. This crisis impacts the entire Greater Boston region, but is especially challenging to residents of Revere, Chelsea, East Boston, and other nearby communities.

Two years later, these problems have only gotten worse - and in the case of the MBTA, it's reached a boiling point, with a series of service disruptions and safety failures that have damaged the revival of Boston's downtown, contributed to the return of gridlock traffic to Greater Boston, and deeply inconvenienced people who rely on the T to get to work.

This year, I am not running for anything - I'm not asking for anyone's vote. I'm just pleading, as a resident, for our region's elected officials to make addressing this an urgent priority.

The state of the T threatens the future of our economy and contributes to our housing cost crisis. People who never set foot on the T - which includes an overwhelming majority of elected officials - need to understand how the state of the T greatly impacts *everyone's* future - not just people who ride it.

Even with reduced ridership post-COVID, hundreds of thousands of trips are taken on the T every day. Imagine even

just 30% of those trips being replaced by additional cars on the road. How much worse would that make traffic gridlock?

The ecosystem of research institutions, hospitals, biotech facilities, entertainment and cultural venues, financial services, and other industries that have made Boston an economic success, and make the quality of life in Greater Boston so high and in-demand, is supported by hundreds of thousands of service workers, many of whom take the T to work every day - and many of whom are our neighbors.

Nearly one in four Boston households do not have a car, including nearly half of low-income households.

A fraction of these households shifting to commuting by car makes the already-congested roads worse for everyone. For others, saving on the \$5,000+ a year in expenses of car ownership are what allow them to stay here in the first place. The cascading effect of T failures will price even more working people out of the area and contribute to worse sprawl and traffic, not to mention worse quality of life for people forced into ever-longer commutes - and an even greater challenge for employers looking to hire workers or start small businesses.

The economic success of our region is based largely on legacy investments in public infrastructure and public services. People don't come to Bos-

ton for the nice weather or for the low taxes. They come for the vibrant local economy, public services, and culture - something that simply can't exist in its current form without the T.

The warning signs on the future of the T have been flashing red for a long time. In 2009, the D'Alessandro Report on the T said in its opening pages that "the outlook is bleak" and warned about the T's deferred maintenance and structural deficits. Problems like these don't magically go away with the passage of time - they only get worse.

The good news is that it is not too late to reverse course and address these problems. Already, there are promising signs that state legislative leadership is noticing this crisis. Last week investments to address the safety concerns cited by the federal investigation into the T were included in a bond bill, and House and Senate leadership have promised oversight hearings.

This is a good start. But it's only just that - a start.

What the T needs most is not funding for future capital expenses, but day-to-day operating funds for critical ongoing maintenance work. It needs to have its structural deficit addressed, and it needs to be unshackled from the Big Dig debt it was saddled with in the 1990s.

The T needs more active oversight from the Legislature to serve as the people's watchdog. A few days after the Feds released their investigation,

the MBTA announced it was starting a hiring blitz to fill unfilled critical public safety positions. This is good news, but it could have happened sooner. It's clear that the existing MBTA board was either unaware of the issue or did not feel it necessary to share this information with the public.

The funding and governance of the T also needs to be better integrated with the regional transit authorities of the rest of the state. One of the biggest problems we face right now is regions being pitted against each other - with residents and elected officials outside of the Boston area not wanting to fund investments in Boston, and vice versa. This is counterproductive: the future of every region in Massachusetts is intertwined, and needs to be addressed with a commonality of purpose.

The crisis at the T is not just about the daily inconvenience and indignity to many of the service workers who power the local economy - many of whom are our neighbors who live along the Blue Line - though they feel the pinch first and most acutely. It's about the future of Boston's economy and quality of life. It demands urgent action and attention, even from people who never ride it. It's now or never, and the consequences of inaction will be dire.

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effect. Councilor Munson will talk about Economic Development in the community including updates on the Old Middle School Site Development.

Each Councilor will make a brief presentation on the respective topic, followed by a Question-and-Answer Session on that topic. An informal re-

ception with light refreshments will follow.

All Winthrop residents are cordially invited to attend this event. It

is an opportunity for citizens to learn the status of ongoing projects and issues in Winthrop from the Councilors and to ex-

press their own opinions.

Future "Conversations With The Councilors" will be held on a quarterly basis.

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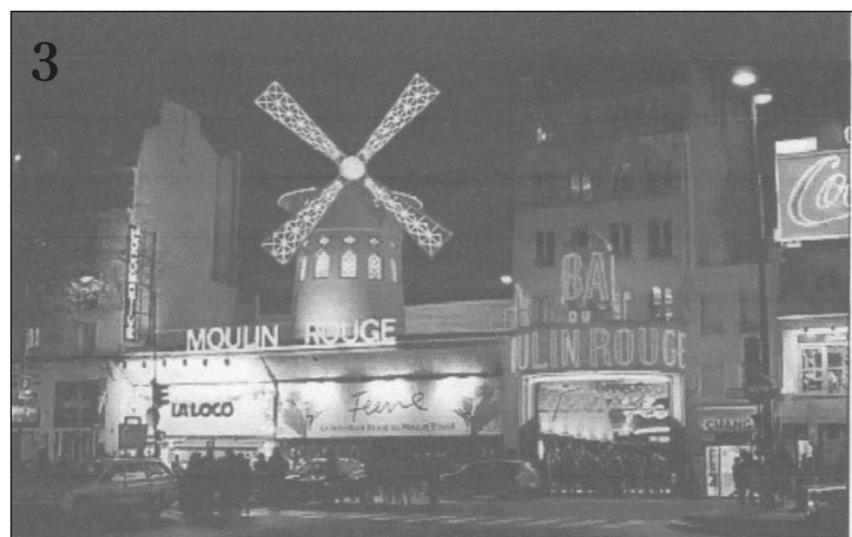
ART 955 -FOREIGN INFLUENCE ON WINTHROP HOUSE DESIGNS



Over the years, Then & Now has looked at some of the house designs in Winthrop and discussed the foreign influence in their architectural designs. One such design is the Mansard roofed homes shown in Picture One. A Mansard roof, in architecture, refers to a style of hip roof characterized by two slopes on each face of its four sides. The lower slope is much steeper, almost a vertical wall, while the upper slope, usually not visible from the ground, is pitched at the minimum needed to shed water. This two-slope sectional roof format makes maximum use of the interior space of the attic and is considered a practical form of adding a second floor to an existing building. Often the decorative potential of the Mansard Roof is exploited through the use of a convex or concave curvature in the lower sloped portion of the roof with elaborate dormer windows mounted thereon. The two Mansard roofed homes shown in the picture are located at 282 and 288 Pleasant Street with their care-

fully preserved dormers. At a time when homes in France were taxed by the number of floors below the roof line, this feature had the benefit of exempting the upper floor from being taxed. So far ten Mansard roofed homes have been identified as having been in Winthrop, eight of which still exist. There are also a number of Victorian style homes such as the one that still stands at 237 Pleasant Street and was owned in the 1800's by the Whorf family who were very active in studying the early history of Winthrop. Such houses are commonly referred to as being architecturally of a Victorian design but this "style" is really representative of a period in history. The Victorian era roughly corresponded to the time when Queen Victoria ruled in England from 1837 to 1901. During this period the ongoing industrialization development brought about many innovations in architectural design. There are a wide variety of Victorian styles in Winthrop each with its own distinctive features.

Having noted some European influence in a number of early homes, ones imagination can become very active. For instance, picture two depicts the Seaside Inn at the corner of Winthrop Shore Drive and Wave Way Avenue which was built about 1895 and later became the private residence of Robert Gordon, former owner of the Dun-Rite TV Store on Somerset Avenue. When looking at the Inn, as depicted in this picture with the windmill in the yard next to it, ones imagination can become over active and visualize this same arrangement, with a windmill, next to the Moulin Rouge Music Hall/Cabaret in Paris France as shown in picture three. It was built in 1889, just six years before the Seaside Inn was built here. While this connection may not be true, it is easy to see how it could have been an inspiration for the windmill built here. When this humorous comparison was discussed with Mr. Gordon he chuckled at the thought. Today the building is the private residence as depicted in picture four.



THE MORE Things Change ...

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

10 years ago June 28, 2012

Assistant Chief Financial Officer Michele Karas, a 19-year veteran of Winthrop Town Hall, has decided to accept a position with the city of Everett. Karas was known as a hard-working and dedicated town employee who rose from the position of parking clerk to Assistant Chief Financial Officer and MIS Director.

By now residents of Point Shirley and the beach areas of town know the drill when it comes to July 4th celebrations in town. Those residents know that they are going to have to put up with a little bit of traffic, a little extra noise (during the fireworks display), and they'll have to get home early if they want to park anywhere near the Public Landing or Coughlin Playground. Fortunately, the Winthrop police are also practiced in the nuances of providing public safety on the Fourth of July. Despite the fact that as recently as a month ago it seemed that there would be no fireworks this year, the Winthrop Police Department has already put its July 4th plans into action, calling on the experience and systems it has used over the last several years to make sure that the event will be the family-friendly and enjoyable event people here so cherish.

Ted, Ice Age: Continental Drift, and The Amazing Spider Man are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago July 3, 2002

Town residents are gearing up for what promises to be one of the best Fourth of July celebrations in town history as the Winthrop Sesquicentennial Committee has made plans to marry the sesquicentennial celebration with the Fourth of July for a gala, two-day affair. The fun will begin with games and a DJ at Yirrell Beach this evening beginning at 6:00, followed by a giant bonfire at 9:00. The annual Horribles Parade will be held tomorrow morning at Pt. Shirley with games for the children at Coughlin Park. Fireworks will return to Winthrop in the evening with volunteer pyrotechnic master Lou Camacho and his crew coming out of retirement.

The MDC officially opened Winthrop Beach this week, along with all of its other beaches and pools. Lifeguards at the pools and beaches were not available until July 1.

The Winthrop Little League Williamsport all-star team defeated Lynn Shore 10-9 with a dramatic comeback in its final at-bat. Chris Beranger scored the winning run on a wild pitch. Coach Peter Lyons's squad overcame a 7-0 deficit en route to the triumph.

Mr. Deeds, Hey Arnold the Movie, and The Bourne Identity are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago July 9, 1992

The annual Pt. Shirley Fourth of July Horribles Parade once again was a great success, drawing a large number of participants and spectators. However, a rain storm shortly after the parade washed out all of the games and field events afterwards at

Coughlin Park.

Plans are complete and parking restrictions are in place as Winthrop braces for the onslaught of tourists expected to come to town to get front row seats for the arrival of the 242 Tall Ships from around the world on Saturday. Three million spectators are expected to jam Boston Harbor for the spectacle. The Cottage Park Y.C. will play host to many of the smaller vessels that are part of the flotilla.

Winthrop Hospital's new interim Chief Executive, William Harvey, said that the aim of the hospital, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection three months ago, is to maintain its current level of services during the bankruptcy process.

The Appeals Board has rejected the request of a local business, G&G Construction of 248 Revere St., to create a recycling center in the town.

A League of Their Own, Boomerang, and Unlawful Entry are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago July 7, 1982

Planning Board chairman Robert Driscoll said this week that a top priority of the board in the coming year will be historical zoning, with the goal of presenting an article to Town Meeting next spring. Another matter that will be coming before the board in the near future will be the proposed 90-unit elderly housing development on Washington Ave. next to the Elks Hall.

The second annual Viking Summer Festival will take place July 17 with a doll carriage and tricycle parade among other events for the children.

The Winthrop Beautification Committee is seeking volunteers to help clean up the public areas in the town.

Marie Recchia has been named the new Venerable of the Ladies Lodge OSIA 2071.

50 years ago July 5, 1972

The cherry sheets from the state show that the town will receive a net increase of \$200,000 more in local aid this year for a total of \$890,000. The increase stems principally from the \$81,000 in revenue from the new state lottery and a \$162,000 payment from the State School Building Assistance Fund for construction of the new junior high school. However, the largest offset came from an increase in the assessment from the MBTA of \$62,000 to a new total of \$242,000.

Local dentist Dr. Joseph Ciampa has been elected the new President of the Winthrop Rotary Club.

60 years ago July 5, 1962

A freak accident in the Centre injured a six month old infant and a 12 year old girl when a car jumped the curb in front of the First National Bank and struck them. Both victims were rushed to the Winthrop Community Hospital by Police Officer Robert Crawford.

A throng of mourners attended funeral services for School Committeeman James H. Holland, who died suddenly last week. Town Meeting voted to name the gymnasium/

fieldhouse in the new Winthrop High School, which Town Meeting members voted to approve the day before Holland died, in his memory.

Arthur J. Murray, local Exalted Ruler of the Elks, has announced that the annual Elks charity game will take place July 17 when the Red Sox meet the New York Yankees at Fenway Park. Murray made the annual presentation of tickets to the patients at the Soldiers Home in Chelsea.

The annual Dollar Days sale by Winthrop merchants is set for July 11-14.

The Benjamin Groman Post J.W.V. will hold its annual Circus Day at Ingle-side Park Monday.

Dr. Charles Liberman has been chosen as the new President of the Rotary Club. He announced that Rotary will hold a celebration in 1963 to mark the 25 years of its existence.

WHS golf coach and 30-year teacher Tim Sheehan was honored by his former players and students at a banquet Friday night at the Winthrop Golf Club.

Congress is set to approve President John F. Kennedy's proposal for national medical care for America's elderly citizens.

Kirk Douglas stars in Spartacus at the Revere Drive In. King of Kings, starring Jeffrey Hunter, is playing at the Revere Theatre.

70 years ago July 10, 1952

Barbara Jean Morgan, the 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Morgan of Bowdoin St., was chosen Miss Winthrop in a contest held at the American Legion carnival as part of the Fourth of July festivities at Ingle-side Park. The petite brunette was chosen over eight other contestants by the five judges. Firefighter William Boudreau was the lucky grand prize winner of a 1952 Chevrolet at the carnival.

The effort by town officials to address the deteriorating conditions at Yirrell Beach were brought to a dramatic halt by Suffolk Superior Court Judge Swift, who issued an injunction enjoining contractor Harry Benson from removing sand and gravel from the beach. Mrs. Adella Bowman of 811 Shirley St. filed the lawsuit against the town, claiming that Benson was performing the work without properly compensating the town for the sand and gravel he was removing.

Former Winthrop resident Fred Tenney passed away this week at the age of 80. Tenney, a graduate of Brown University, was the first college graduate to play professional baseball, playing for the Boston National League team, known as the Doves at the time, in 1894. He eventually served as their player/manager from 1904-1908. Tenney became known as one of the game's great first basemen and perfected the 3-6-3 double play.

Pt. Shirley once again outdid itself with a safe and sane Fourth of July program from morning 'til night in which 2000 people participated.

A Miss Winthrop Beach

Father Pat O'Connor joins St. Michael the Archangel Parish

Story & Photos by Marianne Salza

Saint Michael the Archangel Parish welcomed its second Father O'Connor in early June. Father Pat O'Connor has been assigned to St. Michael's following his May 21st ordination into the Archdiocese of Boston by Cardinal Sean O'Malley. Following this milestone in Boston's Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Father Pat celebrated a mass at his home parish in Dedham.

"The word 'gratitude' was on my mind seeing family and friends," said Father Pat, who is enjoying breathing in the salt air during his runs as he explores the town. "The Lord's path is sometimes windy. When you reach a moment, you look back and see how He has been at work with different people who have helped you on that path."

During Father Pat's first few weeks into his priesthood, he has listened to one hundred confessions from individuals of all

ages seeking his spiritual encouragement.

"What stands out is the word 'father.' Whether they're a 5-year-old or a 95-year-old, they're all calling me 'Father,'" reflected Father Pat. "What that means to fill the role of a father and the presence of God the Father in these people's lives has been a great challenge and humbling. It's a powerful witness to God's work."

The story of Father Dan Kennedy, who served at St. John the Evangelist Church for less than a year before suddenly passing away, inspired Father Pat to consider entering the priesthood.

"When I learned that I was coming here, it made sense. His presence was only here for six or seven months, but it was deep and everlasting," explained Father Pat. "I think I have his room in the rectory. That was God's plan."

Father Pat attended a traditional four-year col-

lege at Loyola University, Maryland, where he double majored in theology and philosophy, with a minor in education.

"I loved the church growing up and was very interested in ministry. In high school, I loved math. It was an interesting grouping," explained Father Pat, who was originally majoring in statistics, also. "A year and a half in, I was doing well, but my heart wasn't in it."

For six years, Father Pat attended Saint John's Seminary, in Brighton, where St. Michael's pastor, Father Chris O'Connor, served as one of his administrators. As a deacon at a parish in Beverly, Father Pat presented sermons and taught adult education. Each season during the COVID-19 pandemic, he would lead scripture studies on Facebook Live.

"The education [minor] has helped me present the faith material well," said Father Pat, who chuckled describing his virtual

meeting attire: a clerical collar on top, and comfortable pants on the bottom.

An experience that made a lasting impression on Father Pat was during the summer of 2019, when he and a group of college students embarked on a 10 day pilgrimage to Mexico City.

"They were involved with their faith and wanted to take the next step. To be able to walk with them was a blessed opportunity," recalled Father Pat. "A lot of them were at my ordination and first mass."

Although neighboring villages had their own chapels, masses were infrequent, as there were few priests. One small village, home to some 20 families, was particularly withdrawn and depressed. Father Pat remembered watching two children play with a deflated ball when he first arrived. It had been punctured by broken glass from littered beer bottles.

Father Pat described



Newly ordained priest, Father Pat O'Connor, at St. Michael the Archangel Parish

a eucharistic procession (like the one held at St. Michael's on June 19) around the village. People began peering curiously out their windows as the congregation paraded through the streets. On the day Father Pat's missionary group departed, he overheard someone vowing to hold weekly rosaries.

"You could see the town get transformed by the Eucharist. It was beautiful. It got everyone out. The next day, we had a big soccer

game with the kids. Once you bring the Eucharist to a place, it changes. They needed a jolt of light," beamed Father Pat. "To help people, you don't need a huge project. The Eucharist does a lot."

Now Father Pat is acquainting himself with Winthrop, sightseeing and eating at local restaurants. The Red Sox fan enjoys outdoor activities, such as tennis, bike riding, and mini golf. He encourages parishioners to suggest their favorite spots to watch a sunset, eat ice cream, and enjoy a seafood dinner.

"I hope that – especially coming out of the pandemic – the church continues to be a home for people, and a place to encounter God. I can tell from talking to people that they love their church, which is a great thing to come into," said Father Pat, who aspires to foster the Youth and Family Ministry. "I am excited to see what the Lord will do here."

HARKINS RECEIVES SABRINA FEUDO AWARD AT ATC MOVING ON CEREMONY

Special to the Transcript

Emily Harkins has received the highly prestigious Sabrina Feudo Award at the Arthur T. Cummings (ATC) moving on ceremony. Sabrina Feudo is the 11 year old girl from Winthrop who unexpectedly passed away in 2014. The award read as follows:

"This student puts in her best effort 100% of the time without complaining and she's consistently willing to help anyone who might need it. She participates in activities to benefit her school and community and she is a true role model for her peers. All of her teachers agree that



Emily Harkins pictured with her family.

this student demonstrates every quality and shows pride. She perseveres when challenges become tough. She shows respect

to all students and staff, inspires her classmates to be the best they can be, sets goals and dreams for herself that center around



A group of "graduates" with 5th grade teacher and Boston Pride Captain Jillian Dempsey.

proving herself academically and socially and engaging in her community

to make it a better place to live and grow, not only for herself but for other mem-

bers of the community."

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contest and a gala Kiddies Day will highlight the annual bazaar of the Benjamin Groman Post, JWV, from July 12-19.

Jeanne Crain and Debra Paget star in Bells on their Toes at the Revere Drive In. June Allyson, Arthur Kennedy, and Gary Merrill star in The Girl in White at the Revere Theatre.

80 years ago July 9, 1942

Mr. and Mrs. Dante Barchini of 162 Bowdoin St., who have four sons serving in the military, claim the distinction of having more of their children in the service than any other family in town. Rico is in New Caledonia, Australia; Davis is at Ft. McLellan, Alabama; Joseph is in the Coast Guard; and Leo recently joined the service, but has yet to be assigned.

Daniel J. Honan, President of the Winthrop Gasoline Retailers Association, was a speaker at the recent convention of Eastern States gasoline dealers. The group voiced their displeasure with the present rationing system and predicted that it will not be long before most of their members are out of business.

Ray Milland, Paulette Goddard, and John Wayne star in Reap the Wild Wind at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

90 years ago July 9, 1932

A delegation from Pt. Shirley led by E.I. Bowman and Harold Winter appeared before the selectmen to protest against

objectionable bathing parties and the scanty apparel of bathers, particularly on Saturdays and Sundays, both on the beach and even on the streets. The selectmen agreed to post a series of warning signs around town to alert bathers to the proper attire or face a fine.

Edward Rowe Snow, one of the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Snow of 50 Cottage Ave., graduated from Harvard University this past fall, having been able to complete the four year course in three years. He will teach mathematics at the junior high school level in Athol and will coach the high school football team.

The Democratic Party has adopted a plank in its national platform calling for the repeal of the 18th Amendment, known as the Prohibition amendment. The Democrats say they will encourage temperance by calling upon the states to enact such measures as will prevent the return of the saloon. Their plan will bring the liquor traffic into the open under the complete supervision of the states.

100 years ago July 8, 1922

Thanks to the energetic efforts of the American Legion, this past Fourth of July will go down as the greatest in town history. It was a wonderful success, despite the showers that forced the postponement of the evening program until Saturday, July 8 (tonight) when the fireworks display will take place. Gov. Channing Cox visited the carnival and watched the baseball

game from the bleachers.

Ft. Banks will become the headquarters of the Army post office once again, it was learned this week. The fort will become more like it was a dozen years ago when several hundred troops were stationed here.

110 years ago July 6, 1912

The Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Tewksbury with about 75 voters in the hall. By the time the meeting adjourned at 12:05 a.m., only 50 voters were left to transact town business, who managed to finish the rather lengthy warrant of 31 articles.

The selectmen are being criticized for not allowing the N.E. Telephone and Telegraph Company to bury its phone lines along Hermon St. before the street is macadamized.

Motor boats that are not complying with the state engine muffler law are being pulled over by the state police with the aim of ridding the state's coastal waters of this noisy and unnecessary disturbance.

One of the best rose gardens in town belongs to Mrs. P.M. Hayden of Revere St.

The largest graduating class in Winthrop High history, consisting of 50 students, held graduation exercises Wednesday before an audience that completely filled the hall. Frank E. Cook, Chairman of the School Committee, handed out the diplomas. When the class entered the high school, there were 92 members, but 42 dropped out for various reasons. Two of the graduates,

Webster Howard and Paul Rodgers, will attend Harvard in the fall.

120 years ago July 11, 1902

Voters in our senatorial district are beginning to inquire about the candidates to be presented by East Boston, for it generally is conceded that the next State Senator will come from that community. State Rep. A. Dudley Bagley is the most often mentioned candidate.

The selectmen have granted the use of the Town Hall for a Prohibitionist Party caucus on July 24.

There are 16 tents pitched on Pt. Shirley where the tenters are enjoying the cool ocean breezes during the summer months.

CBD Storefront // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

If the Town adopted the program, businesses visible from the street could apply for a grant to address code violations; improve accessibility and energy efficiency; and upgrade signage, awnings, lighting, painting and landscaping.

Other communities that have participated in similar programs include Ashland, Brookline, Cambridge and Woburn.

Question of Inclusion

During the public comment period, a number of Winthrop residents expressed their concern about Winthrop's lack of inclusive messaging for the June holidays of June-

A man running up and down the beach Saturday, barking like a dog, amused the young people, but drew sympathy from the older folks as they watched him perform his antics. A physician, Dr. E. Coleman Brown, was summoned and brought the man to his office, where Brown declared the man was suffering from acute mania. Dr. Brown administered some medicine which brought a speedy cure. Dr. Brown declared that the condition was brought on by bathing in the cold water after having a hearty meal.

Only three of the original 45 houses in Winthrop still are occupied by the same families today, 50 years after the town's incorporation. They are the George W. Tewksbury house on Washington

Ave., Warren Belcher's house on Winthrop St., and the Edward Floyd house on Main St.

140 years ago July 8, 1882

Independence Day was magnificent at the resorts along Ocean Spray with elaborate decorations at many of the cottages. As usual, the young folk were early on the scene, with their melodious fish horns and firecrackers. There was little sleep to be had after sunset throughout the town.

More than 1500 teams drove up to Tafts Hotel on the holiday and over 1000 game birds were consumed by the patrons. The reputation of this renowned hostelry will never die.

teenth and Pride.

One resident said that, although leadership claims that Winthrop is an inclusive town, that has not been the experience of a lot of marginalized communities.

"We, as a council, have failed the community miserably," said Councilor Joseph Aiello in response to the criticism. "All of us need to do better, including myself."

The councilor received a standing ovation from those present in the audience.

Board of Health Updates

Regarding the black plastics ban that we re-

ported on two weeks ago, the Board of Health suggests that retail locations stop distributing black and dark-colored plastics. They will have six months to comply with the new demand.

Outdoor pools at four locations have become a safety concern. The Board of Health will be drafting an ordinance to upgrade the safety at those locations, which can include requiring a lifeguard to be on duty.

General

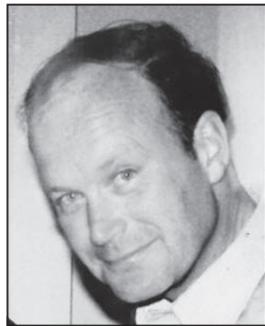
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Independence Day will be celebrated on July 3 with the Horribles Parade and evening fireworks.

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Richard Fuller

Graduate of Winthrop High School,
Class of 1958



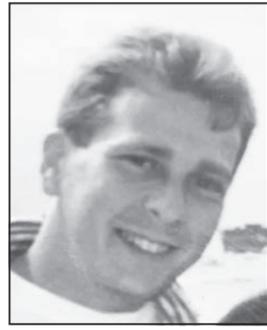
Richard G. Fuller passed away at home in Brigantine, NJ, on June 25. He was 81 years old.

Born in Winthrop, the son of the late Faith (Gardner) Murphy and Carl Fuller, Richard was the step-son of the late Eleanor Fuller and Norman Murphy. Richard often stated that he was blessed to have had two mothers and fathers as they were his support growing up and shared a bond of love.

Richard graduated from Winthrop High School-Class of '58 and Northeastern University in Boston with a degree in Electrical Engineering. During his long career, he worked for many companies servicing and later selling hospital X-Ray equipment. His last 20 years of employment was with the Sieman's Corporation as C.T. Trade-in Manager and from where he retired in 1999 after a full and satisfying career.

Richard is survived by two sons, James of Highspire, PA and Christopher of Worcester. He leaves three grandchildren: Jessica, Andrew and Shane Fuller.

Richard is also survived by his siblings, Nancy Fuller, Ronald Fuller and his wife, Dorothy and Carl Fuller, along with many nieces, nephews and his



Richard was a believer in his Catholic faith and his funeral will be from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, on Friday, July 1, at 10:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Michael the Archangel Parish (formerly St. John the Evangelist Church) 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 11:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery. Visiting hours will be held in the funeral home today, Thursday, from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

Richard was an animal lover and sheltered many cats at his home, so memorial donations can be made to the Humane Society of Atlantic County, Tel: (609)-344-0346. For guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

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John F. Eade

1943-2022



John Eade, 79, of Winthrop and Toledo, OH, died peacefully on June 22 at the home of his cousin, Elaine Bender (Tom). He was born in Toledo on April 21, 1943 to Harry and Katherine Houser Eade.

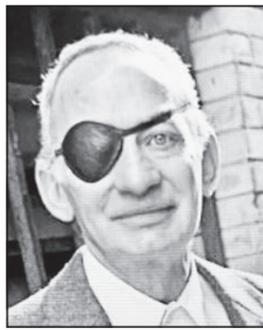
John graduated from DeVilbiss High School in Toledo in 1961 where he excelled at all sports. He was later inducted into the DeVilbiss Hall of Fame. He received his BA Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Toledo (1971) and a Masters Degree in Architecture from Miami University of Ohio with an Alpha Rho Chi medal in 1984.

Staff Sergeant Eade proudly served in the US Army with distinction in Vietnam, where he suffered injuries that altered his life. He earned a Purple Heart and most recently a Bronze Star Medal (presented by Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur) for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy on November 17, 1965 while serving in the La Drang Valley during the battle of Landing Zone Albany. His awards also include the Vietnam Campaign, Good Conduct, Combat Infantry Badge and National Defense medals.

From 1971 to 2020, John did private political consulting devoted to Democratic campaigns from local to Presidential in scope.

In 1978 under President Carter, he was the Administrator-Director of the National Commission on Neighborhoods and for his work he was given the title "Honorable" by a unanimous vote of both houses of Congress!

In 1980, John was a fellow at Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Institute of Politics. From 1994-1998, he was the Commissioner of Inspectional Services for the City of Boston. He was a Registered Architect (Vienna and Boston) from 1984-2020. John's passions included hiking and he hiked the Appalachian Trail twice, Wyoming's Wind River Mountains and all over New England and Europe. He also loved



boxing and won the Golden Gloves in Toledo in 1962.

When asked what he enjoyed most, he said "Public service is what has meant the most to me in my life. I always felt like whatever my country asked of me, it was my duty to give."

John died after a fierce battle with cancer. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Eleanor Sue Eade and brother, William Eade. He has lived with and lovingly cared for by his cousin, Elaine and her husband, Tom in Lambertville, Michigan. He is survived by several cousins and many friends including his dear friend and partner, Susan.

Special thanks to Hospice of NW Ohio (Renee RN and Anna), Liz, Angie, Nancy, Christopher, Antonio and his dear friend, Marcy Kaptur.

John will be buried at The Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne on Cape Cod today, Thursday, June 30 at 11:30 a.m. Those wishing to attend the burial are asked to arrive by 11:15 a.m.

Those wishing to make memorial contributions are asked to consider the Flag City Honor Flight, PO Box 885, Findlay, Ohio 45839 or Veterans Matter, 3450 Central Ave unit 108, Toledo, Ohio 43606.

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Carol Mercier

Of Winthrop



Carol A. Mercier of Winthrop passed away unexpectedly on June 24. She was 58 years old.

Born in Boston, Carol was the cherished daughter of the late Joseph W. and Kathleen C. (Farrissey) Mercier, the dear sister of Kathleen J. Houseweart and her partner, Paul Page of Sarasota, FL, Michelle M. Bernard and her husband, Robert and Mary T. Prentice and her husband, James, all of Winthrop. She was the loving aunt of Sandra and James Houseweart, Colleen and Thomas Bernard and Max and Allison Prentice and the great-aunt of Cooper Prentice.

A visiting hour was held on Wednesday, June

29 from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop followed by a funeral service in the funeral home beginning at 10 a.m. Interment was in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section).

To sign Carol's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Maureen Shanahan

Lifelong Winthrop resident



Maureen F. Shanahan of Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on June 26. She was 64 years old.

Born in Winthrop, the beloved daughter of the late Helen P. (Driscoll) and Arthur W. Leary and a life-long resident of Winthrop, she worked as a loan processor for Liberty Bay Credit Union.

She was the loving mother of Jonathan Shanahan and his wife, Jena of Winthrop, Lindsay Shanahan and Morgan Shanahan, both of Lynn; dear sister of Michael A. Leary of Walpole, Timothy J. Leary of Winthrop, Brian D. Leary of Boston, Patricia Canario of Melrose and Christopher J. Leary of Winthrop and cherished grandmother of Josephine.

Family and friends are cordially invited to at-

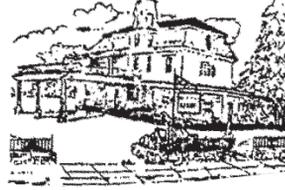
tend the Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, June 30 at 11:30 a.m. Services will conclude with the interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

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Gigi's Beads, owned by Giuliana Marengi (above) and Christina Marengi, were on display at a table in the newly designed French Square outdoor space Saturday.



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at 9 am with registration route ending at Coughlin Park. A number of free starting at 7:30 am and the festivities after the Parade are planned at Coughlin



SCENES FROM 2019 PARADE: A group of parade participants in the 'most original' category.



SCENES FROM 2019 PARADE: Lorenzo Caraglia, Marc and Maya Chapdelaine get ready to march in their '80s aerobic attire.

Park that will include the Parade Award Ceremony, races, blueberry pie eating contest and a DJ to spin those tunes.

Some of the categories that parade contestants can enter include Best Float, Most Hilarious, Most Horrible, Most Patriotic, Most Original and with beauty being in the eye of the beholder, The Most Beautiful.

The Committee for the Horrible's Parade includes Wendy Millar Page, Peter and Sharon Gobel and Dr. Paul McGee. Donations are still being accepted to support the Parade.

So with no rain in the forecast, don those costumes for Sunday and create memories that will last for many years. As members of the committee remind residents, "let's celebrate the 140th Anniversary of our treasured hometown tradition and our Independence Day together!"



Former Winthrop Fire Chief Paul Flanagan, chair of the town's annual fireworks show, is pictured outside Woodside Hardware.

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ground, according to Flanagan, who is chairing the event for the ninth year.

The fireworks show was canceled in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic.

American Thunder of Woburn is the company that will be launching the fireworks. The fireworks will be a 30-minute show.

Flanagan said the people of Winthrop have been very generous in donating to the fireworks show.

Flanagan said he want-

ed to dispel rumors that the date of the fireworks show was changed to July 3 to save money on public safety expenses.

"That was not the case," said Flanagan. "It was a manpower shortage from American Thunder."

The rain date for the fireworks is Tuesday, July 5.

Residents may still make donations to the effort by contacting former Chief Flanagan.

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GOLF FUNDRAISER TOURNEY FOR WHS FOOTBALL

The Winthrop High Football Boosters held a golf tournament fundraiser June 18 at the Winthrop Golf Club.



Marissa Ferrara and assistant football coach Chris Ferrara.



Winthrop quarterback Robert Noonan (third from left) and his Viking teammates are pictured at the golf tournament.



Winthrop High assistant football coaches Nick McCarthy and Frank Ambrosino.



The Winthrop High Football Parents booster club, led by Marissa Ferrara and Megan Noonan, did a great job organizing the golf tournament fundraiser. From left to right, Danielle McLaughlin, Marissa Ferrara, Amanda Tallent, Megan and Tracy Tallent.



Winthrop High football player Robert Noonan, pictured with his parents, Megan Noonan and Rob Noonan.



From left, Megan Noonan, head coach Jon Cadigan, assistant coach Mark D'Ambrosio, Marissa Ferrara, and assistant coaches Frank Ambrosino, Mark DeGregorio, Derek Brodin, Paul Smith, and Nick McCarthy.

Ronan Returns

Winthrop resident named head coach of WHS boys soccer team

By Cary Shuman

Winthrop High Athletic Director Matt Serino has named Phil Ronan as the new head coach of the boys soccer team.

Ronan previously served as varsity head coach in the 2001-03 seasons, leading the program to its first state tournament berth in school history in 2001. He was selected Northeastern Conference Coach of the Year.

"We're extremely fortunate to have Mr. Ronan as our coach," said Serino. "It's not too often that you find a person with his credentials that is eager and interested to come back and coach our kids. I met him on the field a couple of weeks ago, and he said he was interested in the position. I was super excited. Having a coach with his impressive resume and the fact that he's

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New Winthrop High School boys soccer head coach Phil Ronan and Winthrop High Athletic Director Matt Serino are pictured above.

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### WINTHROP'S RALPH TUFO AT THE DEANE WINTHROP HOUSE



Local artist Dawn Mahoney of the Winthrop Art Association, Nancy Tufo, author Ralph Tufo, book illustrator and artist Jory Mason, and book photographer Stephen Levin, are pictured at Mr. Tufo's signing event for his new book Sunday at the Deane Winthrop House Barn.

Photos by Cary Shuman

Winthrop resident Ralph Tufo showed the incredible range of his talents Sunday, signing copies of his new book, "Brotherly Love: A Seemore the Seagull Tale", performing sea shanties (folk songs), and playing a 110-year-old musical instrumental instrument, a concertina, at an event Sunday at the Deane Winthrop House.

The guests enjoyed music and light refreshments.



Ralph Tufo and his son, David Tufo, pictured at the book-signing event held at the Deane Winthrop House Barn.



Author Ralph Tufo is pictured with Jim Chicos and Terry Chase at the children's book-signing event Sunday.



Author Ralph Tufo gave the high honor of reading aloud from his new children's book, "Brotherly Love: A Seemore the Seagull Tale" to his great nieces, Alyvia Resendes, Leah Resendes, and Gianna Rezendes and family friend, Jayla Cabral, at the book-signing event June 12 in Winthrop.



Jory Mason, of Jory Mason Fine Art, displays some of her artwork at the event.



Stephen Levin, who was the photographer for Ralph Tufo's new book, is pictured with his wife, Camille Freda, and their daughter, Emily Levin, are pictured at the book-signing event Sunday in Winthrop.



Mary Mitchell and Mary Alice Sharkey join author Ralph Tufo for a photo at his book-signing event.

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## Rep. Turco secures millions in funding for Winthrop and Revere

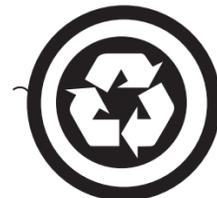
Special to the Journal

The Massachusetts House of Representatives passed a transportation and infrastructure bill authorizing \$10.9 billion for projects, including \$2.8 billion for highway upgrades across the Commonwealth and \$1.4 billion for sustainable transit modernization. Additionally, State Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco (D-Winthrop) secured over \$2 million dollars to fund projects specifically benefiting residents of both Winthrop and Revere.

As part of a wider strategy to mitigate the negative effects of the ongoing construction in the Summer Tunnel, Rep. Turco successfully obtained \$1,000,000 to finance the design and construction of additional ferry service vehicle parking at the

town landing in Winthrop. In another major coup, Turco won \$500,000 for the implementation of safety improvements to the notoriously congested intersection between Bennington Street and Winthrop Avenue in the Beachmont section of Revere. The representative then scored a victory for Yirrell Beach and the residents of the Point Shirley neighborhood, obtaining \$450,000 for the design, engineering and construction of an environmentally appropriated parking lot along Shirley Street to support community use of Winthrop's most popular beach. Lastly, Turco secured a \$60,000 earmark to fund the purchase of a new electric vehicle for the Department of Public Works in Winthrop.

"All and all, I am thrilled with the final version of this bill," said Rep. Turco. "Not only does it address some of the Commonwealth's most pressing infrastructure needs by enhancing our highways, bridges and public transit systems, but it allocates significant funding to projects in Winthrop and Revere. I am especially excited about the \$1,000,000 to build out the Winthrop public landing. With the Summer Tunnel project slated to continue into 2023, this money is truly critical for Winthrop." The transportation bond bill, officially known as "An Act relative to Massachusetts's transportation resources and climate" (H.4897), passed the House of Representatives 155-0. It now moves to the Senate for further consideration.



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### MERIDIAN HOUSE CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY



NSMHA Director of Addiction Services Audrey Clairmont.



NSMHA CEO Damien Cabezas.



Manager of Recovery on the Harbor Rose Stone talks about how the Meridian House helped her battle her substance abuse.



Fifteen years sober former Meridian House Manager Billy Wagner talks about his journey to sobriety.

On Tuesday at the Cottage Park Yacht Club the Meridian House staff, as well as past and current residents, supporters and special guests, celebrated 50 years as the first and oldest residential addiction treatment program in Boston.

During the event Meridian House honored staff members and aired a 50th anniversary video. Guests also heard from alumni speakers that talked about

how the Meridian House changed their lives.

Rep. Adrian Madaro, Chair of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, was the evening's keynote speaker and talked about the impact the Meridian House has had in the community for the past five decades.

The celebration was also used as a platform to launch the inaugural John Meaney Award and present the award to Meaney himself.

Meaney, a former Meridian House resident, is 36 years in recovery. Since Meaney graduated from the program in 1986 he has been a consistent support for the Meridian House and its residents. Every year on his anniversary of getting sober he brings residents pizza and tells his story.

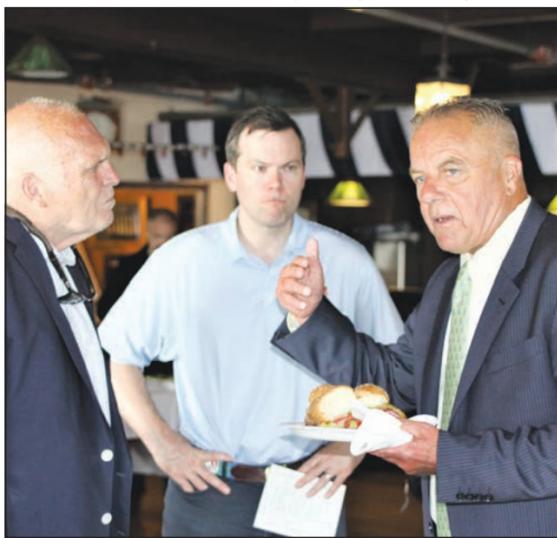
Over the course of the past five decades, Meridian House, working through North Suffolk Mental Health Association, has helped hundreds and hundreds of people find their way to recovery since its inception in the fall of 1971.



Former NSMHA Director of Addiction Services Kim Hanton gets ready to present the 1st Annual John Meaney Award to John Meaney himself.



East Boston District Court Judge John Macdonald with NSMHA Director of Recovery Support Services Katie O'Leary's daughter, Alannah Keegan.



Tuesday night's honoree John Meaney (right) talks with guests during the Meridian House's 50th Anniversary celebration.



Rep. Adrian Madaro, NSMHA Director of Recovery Support Services Katie O'Leary and Sen. Lydia Edwards.



Rep. Adrian Madaro presents the Meridian House staff with a certificate of appreciation from the House of Representatives for the important work they do.



Current Meridian House residents during Tuesday's celebration.



John Meaney, who is 36 years sober and a longtime supporter of the Meridian House's residents over the years, accepts the 1st Annual John Meaney award from friend and former NSMHA Director of Addiction Services Kim Hanton.



Shown above, NSMHA Director of Addiction Services Audrey Clairmont presents Derek Elliott with a plaque and flowers for his 17 years of service as a Meridian House employee. Shown to the left, Rep. Adrian Madaro was the evening's keynote speaker.



Current Meridian House residents heard inspiring stories from former Meridian House residents that conquered their addiction and went on to live successful lives.

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a Winthrop guy and wants what's best for the school and the community – so it's a home run for Winthrop High School and our soccer program.”

Ronan has a sterling record of involvement in the sport as a superb teacher of the game and a highly respected referee. In addition to his three seasons in Winthrop, Ronan was the head coach of the Metro boys team in the Bay State

Games, piloting the team to seven medals (three gold, two silver, and two bronze). He has also been a USSF and EMSOA-certified soccer referee for more than 20 years.

Ronan said he is excited to be returning to Winthrop soccer and beginning the job of building a program.

“I'm at the stage in my life where it's not about making money – it's about

actually giving back to the town,” said Ronan. “I just retired from Boston University, and I thought it would be wonderful to get back out on the field again and work with kids and see if we can build the program back up again.”

Ronan attended Winthrop High School and served in the U.S. Army for four years. He is a graduate of Wentworth Institute of Technology.

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She was a beloved mother, sister, and grandmother. She moved to Winthrop for the love of the beach and the ocean.”

Sen. Lydia Edwards said in her remarks that the description of Ramona Cooper as an “Air Force veteran who worked at the VA, an African-American woman, a mother and grandmother – that literally describes my mother.”

Reflecting on the path of healing that continues, Edward said, “In Winthrop, you have been called to lead. You’ve been called to lead and set an example and shine a light to demonstrate what a community can do when a community has been injured. It is our job to come together to lead. We’re going to plant these trees, and when we

pass by and experience their shades and experience their peace, we will remember the individuals. We’ll mourn for the dead, but we’re going to fight with love for the living.”

Rep. Jeff Turco thanked the Winthrop Police and Fire Departments and other public safety personnel for rushing to the scene of the shootings on that tragic day. “They protected our community and neutralized the threat in order to make us safer,” said Turco.

Speaking about the tree-plantings, Turco said, “I think those trees will be a constant reminder to all of us about the tragedy, but more importantly, the redemptive love that each one of us is challenged every day to achieve.”



Deacon Jim Leo, of St. John the Evangelist Church, speaks at the ceremony honoring the lives of David Green and Ramona Cooper.



Sen. Lydia Edwards delivers remarks at the ceremony.



Rep. Jeff Turco thanked the Winthrop Police and Fire Department for their heroic efforts in responding to the call for assistance on the day of the tragic events one year ago.



Ray Greek speaks at the ceremony honoring his brother, David Green, and Ramona Cooper.

John Bentley of the town’s Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Relations Commission, read a statement from Gary

Cooper, son of Ramona Cooper.

“This past year has been challenging for my family and I to navigate through

our grief of our mother’s passing,” wrote Gary Cooper. “From the bottom of my heart, my family and I would like to thank all

of you for your continued love and support that you have shown us through

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Johnnie Bentley honors the life of Ramona Cooper at the site of the tree planted in her memory Sunday.



The Temple Tifereth Israel delegation (from left), Sisterhood President Eileen Wickham, Temple President Sandra Pellegrino, Rabbinic Intern Joshua Schreiber, and members Amy Yorra and Richard Borofsky.



Chris Tsiotos and Ray Green, brother of the late David Green.



DPW Director Steve Calla.



The plaque signifying the tree planted in celebration of the life of David Green.



Supt. of Schools Lisa Howard and Town Councillors Robert DeMarco, Hannah Belcher, and Richard Fucillo Jr.



Former Town Council President Peter Gill, Sen. Lydia Edwards, and WCAT Executive Director Mike Cabral.



Representing the Winthrop Fire Department (from left) are Devin Racow, Phil Lundberg, Michael Forcillo, Adnan Ramadani, Kevin Gorman, James Gioiosa, Capt. Paul Montgomery, and Chief Scott Wiley.

## PLANTING TREES IN MEMORY OF RAMONA COOPER AND DAVID GREEN



Town Council President James Letterie, Town Manager Tony Marino, and Police Chief Terence Delehanty.



Winthrop resident Edward Cash and State Police Colonel Christopher Mason are pictured at the tree-planting ceremony.



Winthrop Police Sergeants Steve Rogers and Sean Delehanty are pictured Sunday at the tree-planting ceremony.

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this trying time.

“We see why my mom picked this beautiful community to live in. Not only for the beautiful view, but the community itself. My mom, Ramona, will never be forgotten. And I thank you for keeping her memory alive with us all. Be kind to one another. With love, Gary Cooper.”

Ray Green, brother of David Green, thanked the people of Winthrop for attending the memorial observance. He spoke proudly of an award for heroism that his brother received from the State Police last week.

“I am so glad that my brother’s memory will not be forgotten here in Winthrop because he loved this town,” Ray Green said. “He lived here his whole life, except for the four years that he was in the military police. And then he came back to live and ultimately die trying

to protect the people of this town. He was a wonderful man. I’ll miss him as will other people. This ceremony that’s happening today makes me feel good that his memory will be remembered, because I was afraid that what he did will be forgotten. I don’t think it will be. I’m just thankful that this event is happening. I thank you all for coming here. I’m sure David will appreciate it.”

The program continued with the individual plantings of trees nearby in celebration of the lives of Ramona Cooper and David Green. Winthrop’s Department of Public Works conducted the tree plantings at the sites where plaques are displayed in memory of Ramona Cooper and David Green.

## Class of 2022 Graduates from Northeast Metro Tech

Staff Report

Superintendent David DiBarri and Principal Carla Scuzzarella would like to congratulate the 341 members of Northeast Metro Tech’s Class of 2022 on their graduation earlier this month.

The graduation ceremony took place Friday, June 3, at Breakheart Stadium.

The ceremony kicked off with a welcome address from Class President Tess MacHugh, an Early Child Care student from Wakefield.

“We have held strong through the last four years. Although circumstances beyond our control made it challenging, it is these circumstances that have made it stellar and truly unforgettable,” MacHugh said. “The friendships we have forged, the success we have achieved and the future we behold is more than exciting. As this chapter comes to an end, we welcome with open

arms the beginning of a new one.”

The event included a valedictorian address from Thomas Fung, an HVAC student from Stoneham, and Northeast’s Vocational Student of the Year. Fung thanked all those who helped the graduates reach this achievement.

“I would like to thank you, the graduates of Northeast for the experiences we’ve shared -- the laughs and tears were all valuable. Our families for raising us and getting us to this point. Without your support and guidance, none would be here today,” Fung said. “The teachers who taught us and helped us mature from children to adults. Many of you saw greatness in us and endeavored to see it shine. To the facility and cafeteria staff for your continued services and commitment even in the midst of student and staff bereft of appreciation. You kept the school running

throughout the years.”

Salutatorian Giulia Bernardo, a Design and Visual student from Malden, gave a speech, reflecting on new beginnings.

“We should take each day as a new beginning, an opportunity to make it better. Regardless of where you stand. It might be college, the work force, home or whatever we plan to do next. Whatever you plan on doing, make it the best,” Bernardo said.

Superintendent DiBarri and Principal Scuzzarella offered congratulatory messages to the graduates.

“I think all of us -- your teachers, advisors, coaches and everyone at Northeast who has watched over you over the past several years will agree that it is great to see you smiling and laughing, spending time with classmates, saying goodbye to your teachers -- normal high school things,” Principal Scuzzarella said. “I am full of joy for you all, and I could not

be more proud of each and every one of you.”

Diplomas were awarded at the ceremony by Principal Scuzzarella and District School Committee Chairperson Deborah Davis.

Northeast Metro Tech congratulates all of 2022 graduates and wishes them success in their future endeavors.

- Winthrop Graduates are:
- Armitstead, Sofia R,** Electrical
  - Carey, Juliana,** Cosmetology
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## Winthrop Senior Center News

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Additional information on our activities and programs can be found in our monthly newsletter, which is available at the Senior Center and on our website.

### Thursday June 30

9:30am: Exercise  
11am: Grab and Go Lunch  
12:15pm: Bingo

### Friday, July 1

10:00am: Ceramics  
10:00am: Line Dancing with Diane  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch

### Monday, JULY 4TH

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### Tuesday, July 5

9:30am: Exercise  
10:00am: Spanish Class  
11:00am: Exercise for Arthritis  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch  
1:30pm: Chorus

### Wednesday, July 6

9:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
10:00am: Bereavement and Caregiver Support Group  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch  
11:00am: Zumba with Cindy  
1:15pm-2:30pm: Italian Class

Grab and Go Lunch-

es are available for pick up Monday – Friday between 11am and 1pm. To reserve a lunch, please stop by the front desk or call the Senior Center at 617-846-8538 by 11am the day before (for Monday lunch, reservations must be made by 11am on Friday). Menus are available on our website and in our monthly newsletter. Please note, lunches cannot be held overnight, they must be picked up on the day it was requested.

**Senior Van.** Van transportation is available on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday between 9am-3pm. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, and can be made by calling the Senior Center.

Medical rides will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

### Upcoming Events

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**July 19, 2022 at 12pm:** Mystic Valley Elder Service’s Traveling Chef Will be BBQing at the senior center on July 19 at 12:00pm. Meals include: Burgers, Hot Dogs, Cole-slaw, Potato Salad, Watermelon and Lemonade. If you would like to join us for lunch, please sign up at the front desk by Wednesday, July 13. Space is limited. **WAITLIST ONLY**

Programming & Activities

A full listing of the Senior Center’s programs and activities is available in our newsletter and on our website.

**Blood Pressures:** First and third Monday of each month from 11am to 12pm. No appointment needed.

**Coffee and Conversation.** Join us on the third Thursday of each month at 10:30am for an informal chat and some coffee and cookies too.

**Computers are available** for use Monday-Thursday from 10am-2pm and Fridays from 10am-12pm.

**Podiatry:** Barbara Ullman, RN, a registered nurse, and pedicurist from Seen Your Feet will be at the Senior Center on the first Thursday of each month. Cost: \$20 (or \$25 to have toe and fingernails done). Cash only. Appointment required; to schedule, please call the Senior Center.

**SHINE Counseling:** Our SHINE Counselor, Charlie Randall, is available to help you with any health insurance questions you have. Charlie will be at the Senior Center on the second Wednesday of the month from 12-3pm. Appointments are required; to schedule, please stop by the Senior Center or call us at 617-846-8538.

Senior Center Trips

More information, in-

cluding trip flyers with detailed travel itinerary, is available at the Senior Center and on our website.

**Friday, July 15, 2022:** Dennis’ Van Trip to Ipswich  
Cost: \$10. Cash or check accepted, make checks payable to “Town of Winthrop” **WAITLIST ONLY**

**Wednesday, August 3, 2022:** Lake What Cruise?*  
Price: \$110. Make checks payable to All Around New England.

**Friday, August 19, 2022:** Dennis’ Van Trip to Portsmouth  
Cost: \$10. Cash or check accepted, make checks payable to “Town of Winthrop”

August 23, 2022 – Au-

**gust 25, 2022:** Spectacular Saratoga

Package price: double occupancy: \$599 per person. Single occupancy: \$799 per person.

Optional travel insurance: \$52 per person  
A \$50 deposit plus insurance (if selected) is due at sign up. Final payment is due by July 12, 2022.

Make checks payable to: Best of Times Travel  
All trip participants must fill out a Best of Times travel form (available at the Senior Center).

**Wednesday, October 5, 2022:** Molly Stark Trail Vermont Foliage Spectacular*

Price: \$99 (make checks payable to Friends of WCOA)

Optional cancellation insurance: \$10 (make check payable to: Fox Tours). If you wish to se-

lect the insurance, you must also fill out the Fox Tours insurance form (available at the Senior Center).

**Wednesday, November 16:** Cher: The Beat Goes On

Cost: \$74 (drive on your own) or \$99 (includes transportation)

Make checks payable to: Best of Times

**Thursday, December 8:** Christmas with Father*

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*All Around New England and Fox tours require all trip participants to have had the COVID-19 vaccine to travel with them.

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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

## COLETTA DELIVERS MAIDEN SPEECH AT COUNCIL

EAST BOSTON - District 1 City Councillor Gabriela Coletta delivered her maiden speech on the council floor recently while offering an order for a hearing regarding a comprehensive, district-wide planning process for Boston's waterfront.

"Today, I rise for the first time with excitement, optimism, and endless love for the city and its people," Coletta began. "I'm hopeful for the future we can and will create for future generations with creativity and innovation and while I'm incredibly excited for the future of this city, I am keenly aware of the unique challenges ahead."

Coletta said as the city looks directly into the face of what is a local threat to

us all, and millions around the world—sea level rise due to climate change—she is worried about our future.

"The progress we built both in our physical infrastructure as well as in our human infrastructure through the dismantling of oppressive systems and structures will all be for naught if we do not plan proactively to protect the resiliency of our coastline," said Coletta. "So today and thinking of our collective future, I rise with urgency and I rise with the intention to expedite the conversation in implementing a comprehensive district wide planning process for Boston's waterfront."

Coletta said Boston is extremely lucky to have a natural and environmental treasure that is our harbor.

"The waterfront became a necessary eco-

nomie engine during the industrial era and over the years as the city expanded, contracted and expanded again, our waterfront has remained an industrial hub while also enjoying welcome investments into beautiful parks and open spaces on the water's edge," she said. "I think of places that I frequented as a child with my Abuela, like Piers Park and the iconic look LoPresti Park, with their sweeping views of Boston's skyline. We all have the right to access and enjoy Boston's tide lands protected by the Public Waterfront Act."

However, Coletta cautioned that despite these projections our waterfront is under intense pressure, both due to coastal flooding and private interests that seek to commodify its duty.

"District One in particular faces pressures,"

said Coletta. "East Boston, Charlestown, the North End are all coastal communities that for generations have borne significant burdens and environmental injustices. We face being hit first and worst by negative impacts of climate change in the coming years and the data is out there and it's unsettling. The Gulf of Maine, including its smaller cousin in Massachusetts Bay, is the fastest warming body of ocean on the planet."

Due to this data Coletta said Boston faces the greatest risk of flooding with more than 45% of the city's critical infrastructure at risk.

"This includes our hospitals, schools, police and fire stations," she said. "This is expected to increase by 20% by 2051. As we prepare for sea level rise, we must prioritize waterfront planning

## CUSTOM CAR SHOW UNDER THE TOBIN BRIDGE



Michelle Kayserman and Jesse Von Kenmore with his 1957 Buick Custom beneath the Tobin Bridge during the Cruising Chelsea on June 18.

that dictates any new development while incorporating a strong plan for resiliency. We are dealing with a compounding displacement crisis, both due to development and

gentrification. Looking to the very near future about 11,000 people, a majority of them low income and people of color, will soon be displaced due to coastal

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flooding and the city has a significant role to play in planning for our future to fortify our coastline and mitigate the effects of storm surges in stormwater runoff."

Coletta believes the city can achieve increased resiliency without depending on investments from private entities or developers.

"The urgent need for coastal flooding does consider the need for a holistic plan to solve our housing process," she said. "I am pleased to see the recent announcement by Mayor Michelle Wu to launch an Municipal Harbor Plan (MHP) for East Boston, that prioritizes waterfront resiliency and equity and I do look forward to partnering with her administration on this work. But while we consider next steps for this process, there are significant lessons to be learned from the downtown waterfront MHP that occurred between 2013 and 2017."

Coletta said first the city must be able to meet the sea to take in water by using both passive and active permeable landscape landscapes.

"Let's utilize contemporary resiliency strategies seen around the world as applied in cities in Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Venice," she said. "I know Boston is a competitive city. So I hope when I say that we are behind the tap on this it will dawn on people. It will dawn on people that we are behind and that we seriously need to act urgently."

"Whatever happens through this process - it needs to be community-led, with an emphasis on centering the needs of residents for what their vision is for the waterfront... to help define the framework that developers must adhere to if they intend on building on our

waterfront," she added. "We need a plan that takes into consideration modern resilience strategies through an equity lens that sets our vision to guide any new proposals."

## MGC EARMARKS GRANT FOR RIVERWALK BOARDWALK

EVERETT - Mayor Carlo DeMaria's goal to make the river waterfront more accessible to thousands of Everett residents took a big step forward when the City Council voted to accept a grant from the Massachusetts Gaming Commission in the amount of \$1,335,000 for construction of the Mystic Riverwalk Boardwalk at the council's meeting last week.

Erin Deveney, DeMaria's Chief of Staff, appeared before the council to explain the request. Deveney noted that the cost of the project could total more than \$4 million, but that other sources of funding are being explored by the administration.

Councilor Stephanie Smith asked if there was a deadline to use these funds.

"There are no funding limitations," Deveney said.

The proposed boardwalk would span the marshland between the waterfront park at Encore Casino and Gateway Center Park to the Rivergreen Park, providing for a round-trip trail of almost five-acres for residents to use. There also are plans to continue to link the path along the Mystic River into Malden.

In addition, a boathouse for residents is being discussed for the Rivergreen Park.

In other news from the meeting:

The council, with no discussion, unanimously

ly approved a three-year contract for the reappointment of Eric Demas as the Chief Financial Officer and City Auditor. The new contract will run through June, 2025.

Lucy Pineda was re-appointed by a unanimous vote to the Cultural Council for three years, expiring in May, 2025.

Councilor Richard Dellisola, Jr. said he wants the temporary speed bumps to be re-installed on Chestnut and Clarence Sts. to Elm Street to Woodlawn. Dellisola noted that the speeding has started up again in this area and residents are concerned. The matter was referred to the Traffic Commission.

An order by Councilor Stephanie Martins to remove the Chairperson of the Licensing Commission caused considerable debate among the councillors. Martins was seeking to have the chair removed because of what she charged was his inappropriate treatment of minority business owners in the city.

The full text of Martins's order stated: "That the administration consider removing the chair of the Licensing Commission due to his unfair treatment and targeting of black and brown businesses in Everett."

However, Smith was vocal in her rebuke of Martins's order, stating, "This item is inappropriate on the calendar."

Councilor Michael Marchese noted, "The chair runs a clean ship," and Dellisola added, "There is no evidence to sustain this charge."

The councilors voted not to send the matter to the mayor's office and then unanimously voted to send the matter "back to sponsor," which effectively kills the motion.

The council delayed taking action on four orders pertaining to the FY 2023 budget, which totals

\$239,396,734, with a specific eye toward three of the budget line items: the Water and Sewer and Enterprise Fund Budget for \$21,825,523; the Everett Community TV Enterprise Fund for \$589,400; and the 2023 Capital Improvements Plan for \$31,394,800.

Action on all four items was postponed until the next council meeting on June 27 to give residents more time to study the re-

quests. Martins said she wants a meeting with the police and Animal Control Officer to discuss the issues relating to emergency animal control calls.

"This is an on-going issue," Martins said. "Someone should show up in an emergency." The matter was referred to the next council meeting.

Councilors approved a grant for \$38,280 for the purpose of providing

utility relief to residents during the pandemic. Smith sought to clarify the procedure for residents to apply for a grant. She was told that residents should call 311 and speak to a counselor. Documentation is needed and there will be a cap on the amount that can be paid, as well as the list of utility companies for which residents can submit their bills. The program does not apply to water bills.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 LETTERS OF AUTHORITY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE Docket No. SU21P2514EA Estate of: Clara Mary Driscoll Date of Death: 10/06/2021

To: Robert L. Driscoll, Jr. 65 Somerset Ave. Winthrop, MA 02152 You have been appointed and qualified as Personal Representative in Unsupervised administration of this estate on June 7, 2022. These letters are proof of your authority to act pursuant to G.L. c. 190B, except for the following restrictions if any: Date: June 7, 2022 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 6/30/22 W

Public Hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2022 in person and via Zoom at or after 6:30 pm regarding a proposed Regulation to Prevent the Release of Black Plastic into the Environment. For a copy of this proposed Regulation, please go to the Winthrop Board of Health website at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/board-health. 6/30/22 W

### LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket Number: 22 SM 001699 ORDER OF NOTICE TO: Debra A. Dion and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq) Citizens Bank, N.A. f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A. claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Winthrop, numbered 157 Marton Street, given by Debra A. Dion to RBS Citizens, N.A., dated August 4, 2009, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 45464, Page 139, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Service-

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### LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. SU21P0302EA Estate of: Elsa M. Verdy Date of Death: March 4, 2019

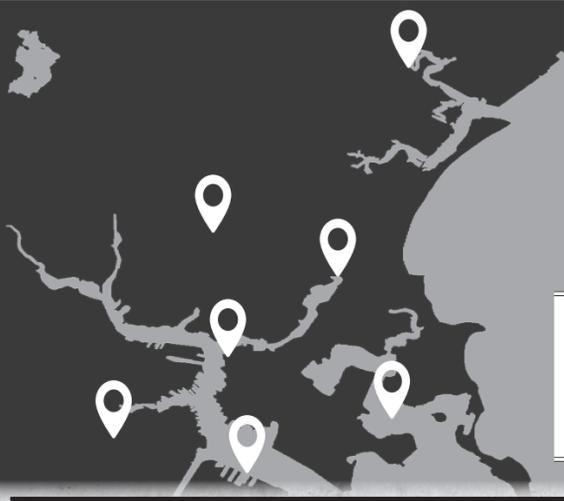
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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 7, 2022

Winthrop Board of Health Regulation on the Operation of Public and Semi-Public Swimming Pools Notice is hereby given that the Winthrop Board of Health will conduct a Public Hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2022 in person and via Zoom at or after 6:30 pm regarding a proposed Regulation on the Operation of Public and Semi-Public Swimming Pools. For a copy of this proposed Regulation, please go to the Winthrop Board of Health website at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/board-health. 6/30/22 W



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## BERAKA JUICE CELEBRATES SECOND ANNIVERSARY

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Beraka Juice, under the leadership of founder Vanessa Kazadi, held a

second anniversary celebration at its store at 46 Woodside Avenue in Winthrop Center.

“We’ve been here for



Vanessa Kazadi and Michelove Cajusma welcome Judie Vankooiman to the second anniversary celebration of the Beraka Juice store in Winthrop.



Ava Pumphret (left) and Nickolas Beshere (right) stopped by the store Saturday to enjoy some beverages and wish Beraka Juice founder Vanessa Kazadi continued success in her business venture.

two years. We’ve made it through the pandemic, we’ve made it through the construction in town, so we thank God, and that

calls for a celebration today,” said Kazadi. “We’re very thankful to be in Winthrop and we thank our community as well.”



Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo and Daveen Arrigo and their sons, Joseph and Jack, congratulate Vanessa Kazadi on the second anniversary of her Beraka Juice store in Winthrop.



Ricardo Navarro, Rhys Navarro, Vanessa Flavin, Luisa, and Simon, are pictured with Beraka Juice founder Vanessa Kazadi at the second anniversary celebration.



Town Council President James Letterie congratulates Beraka Juice founder Vanessa



Beraka Juice founder Vanessa Kazadi and family, Cedric Mukania, Patricia Mukania, and Amariah Myles.

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