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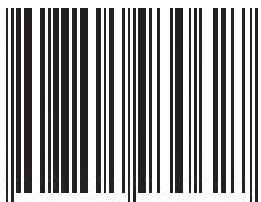
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December 8, 2022

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#### NORTH REGION COASTAL DISTRICT BELLE ISLE MARSH RESERVATION

Winter Programs at DCR's Belle Isle Marsh Reservation in East Boston have been listed.

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Please follow all current COVID guidelines: [Mass.gov/COVID](https://mass.gov/covid). Dress for the weather including possible ice on the ground. Programs are cancelled during inclement weather. For more information call (781) 656-1485 or email [matthew.nash@mass.gov](mailto:matthew.nash@mass.gov). If you would like to

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## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT ST. MICHAEL



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Shown above, the Boncore Family poses for a picture with Santa Claus. Shown to the right, Confirmation students serving pancakes to attendees during Amy's breakfast with Santa at Saint Michael the Archangel Parish on Dec. 4. See more photos on Page 8.



## Superintendent addresses safety training, traffic issues at Committee meeting

By Adam Swift

It was safety first for the School Committee at its Monday night meeting.

Winthrop Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard updated the committee on ALICE active shooter training for school staff, and made a plea for parents and caregivers to follow the traffic rules when it comes to dropping off their students at school.

"Every teacher and administrator and ESP (education support professionals) and even our cafeteria workers have all been ALICE certified by taking the online ALICE certification test which teaches us how to react to any type of incident in our schools that

is intrusive," said Howard.

ALICE is a professional active shooter training program. The acronym stands for the steps to be taken during an active shooter or other emergency situation – alert, lockdown, inform, counter, and evacuate.

With the help of Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty and certified ALICE trainers on his staff, Howard said staff will undergo further training in the schools over the next month or two.

"The idea behind it is that there are people who are certified as teachers in the classrooms, and if there was to be any type of intrusion or anything going on in the building in which we need to lock our building down, that the students are expected to react to the teacher's direction," said Howard.

The police trainers will meet with school staff to review ALICE training, do a question and answer session with staff, and then set up scenarios in the school while there are no students in the building.

After the scenarios are completed, the chief and police trainers will give an assessment of what they saw as well as an idea of any additional support or

training the school staff needs.

While the school staff has gone through the ALICE certification training for four years, due to the Covid pandemic, this will be the first time in two years they will take part in active, onsite training scenarios.

During the meeting, Howard also offered a reminder to stay safe in and near school parking lots and drop-off areas.

"Please be mindful of the rules of each individual school as you are dropping your children off," she said. "I know everyone wants to get there on time and be the first in line, but we are continuing to have difficulties, and not just at the Gorman Fort Banks School, but at all of our schools," said Howard. "Folks are moving quickly on the roads, and not everybody as children in the schools, so not everyone is aware of the parents dropping students off on the street level."

Howard also requested that parents make sure their children exit the cars on the sidewalk side of the cars, and not toward the street.

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## Town Council approves downtown parking plan

By Adam Swift

After months of discussion and debate, the Town Council approved new parking regulations for the Center Business District at its meeting Tuesday night.

There will now be two hour street parking allowed from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in downtown district street spaces, with a handful of 15 minute spaces in front of several local businesses.

There are no meters going in, but there will be time limits on parking in the spots during the daytime hours. Winthrop residents with residential parking stickers will still be able to use those spaces to park overnight.

In addition, the council also approved new regulations for the town's

municipal lots, allowing people who need to park longer to conduct business downtown to park for up to four hours or longer in some municipal lots.

"The rationale behind this is because parking down in the center is a resource and we need to manage that public resource like we do most other public resources," said Precinct 6 Councilor Stephen Ruggiero. "It's not the most exciting thing to talk about, I don't think we all feel great about it, but at the end of the day there are plenty of downtowns in the Commonwealth that have parking restrictions. What we are not talking about is meters, we are just talking about what our ordinance

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## ANNUAL SNOWFLAKE FAIR AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL



Visitors shop for jewelry at one of the many tables during St. John's Episcopal Church's annual Snowflake Fair on Dec. 3. See more photos on Page 16.

## WIHA announces 2022 Christmas Ornament design

The Winthrop Improvement & Historical Association (WIHA) has announced the design for its 2022 Holiday ornament, "Celebrate with the Deane Winthrop House".

This year's ornaments are deep maroon in color. The graphic combines the tradition of the nearly 400-year-old Deane Winthrop House with the excitement of Winthrop's annual Fourth of July fireworks display. These two features of life in Winthrop help to make

our Town unique and special. The message of "Celebrate" is WIHA's wish

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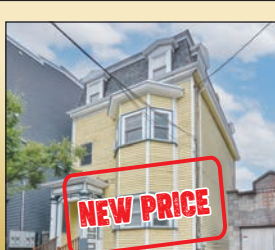


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## WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

*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.*

### MONDAY, NOV. 21

0942: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of a fraud by a contractor. However, he was informed that the matter most likely is a civil case. The officer filed a report.

1011: A local business served a No Trespass notice upon an individual by regular and certified mail. The officer filed a report.

1206: Officers responded to a motor vehicle (MV) accident on Veterans Rd. in which the MV ran into a utility pole. Half of the pole was exposed and the wires were live. Officers shut down Veterans Rd. from Hadassah Way to Shirley St. National Grid responded to the scene. An officer filed a report.

1627: An officer responded to a disturbance between a tenant and a landlord regarding an eviction notice. The parties were informed that it is a civil matter.

1717: 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.

1836: An officer responded to a report of youths ringing doorbells on Main St. The officer located two youths and warned them to stop doing so.

2236: An officer assisted the Fire Dept. at the scene of a porch fire in a residence on Bayou St.

2346: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal sign at Wilshire and Main Sts. The officer arrested the operator, Elmer Gabriel Funes, 25, of Lynn, for the criminal offense of operating an MV with a suspended license. He also was cited for the civil moving infraction.

### TUESDAY, NOV. 22

1016: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of a larceny. The officer filed a report.

1019: An officer responded to a report of an argument between two persons at a gas station. The officer restored the peace.

1034: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Brookfield and Enfield Rds. for the civil moving

infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1040: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1048: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1447: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Brookfield Rd. There were no injuries. The officer filed a report.

1451: An officer stopped a motor vehicle in Metcalf Sq. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1729: Officers assisted the Fire Dept. at a small fire that had been set by youths at the gazebo at Morton and Russell Sts. The firefighters put out the fire with no damage to the structure. The police officers spoke to two youths who informed the officers of what had happened.

2131: An officer issued a parking ticket to a motor vehicle with commercial plates that was parked on Hutchinson St. and issued a citation for the civil infraction of having an expired inspection sticker.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23

0722: Officers assisted a motorist whose vehicle had run out of gas at Pleasant and Main Sts.

0929: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Bayview Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1032: An officer responded to a motor vehicle (MV) accident on Washington Ave. at the Elks in which the MV had struck the curb and proceeded into the bushes. The operator was transported to the hospital and the MV was towed. The officer filed a report.

1221: An officer responded to a minor motor vehicle accident at Almont and Revere Sts. and assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1328: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1415: Officers stopped a motor vehicle at Bowdoin and Buchanan Sts. and arrested Shkamb Roka, 29, of 300 Governors Drive, for the criminal offenses of carrying a firearm without a license, possession

of ammunition without an FID card, illegal possession of a Class A controlled narcotic substance with intent to distribute, illegal possession of a Class E controlled narcotic substance with intent to distribute, and two counts of illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance with intent to distribute.

1751: An officer assisted the Fire Dept. at a small mulch fire at Governors Park.

1753: A Triton Ave. resident reported that the steps on the side of her house had been destroyed. The officer who responded took photos and filed a report.

2107: An officer directed two persons to leave a local convenience store at the request of the store clerk.

2127: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Golden Dr. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### THURSDAY, NOV. 24

0009: An officer directed a Crescent St. homeowner to turn down the music at a party he was hosting.

0232: Officers responded to a report of a male party threatening to vandalize the motor vehicle of a Shirley St. resident. The officers tracked down the male party and placed him under arrest. (His name was redacted from the police report.) An officer filed a report.

1807: Officers assisted the Fire Dept. with traffic control at a small fire on Putnam St.

1840: An officer responded to a report of a possible road rage incident on Sunset Rd. The officer spoke to both parties and restored the peace.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 25

0614: An officer directed a resident at Governors Drive to turn down her music.

0837: A Sunnyside Ave. resident reported the presence of a large grey dog in his backyard. The Animal Control Officer responded and reported that the “dog” was a coyote, which had returned to the marsh.

1029: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1153: An officer directed the operator of a motor vehicle that was parked in the No Parking zone on Woodside Ave. to move the vehicle.

2111: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Sunset Rd. and Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. Neither the operator nor the two passengers had valid driver’s licenses. The owner of the vehicle was contacted and took control of the vehicle. The officer gave a verbal warning to the original operator, who had been the designated driver for her group.

### SATURDAY, NOV. 26

0745: An officer responded to a minor two-car motor vehicle (MV) accident on Triton Ave. One MV was towed and

the other was moved onto private property.

### SUNDAY, NOV. 27

0859: A Bellevue Ave. resident reported taking in a loose dog. The Animal Control Officer took possession of the dog and contacted the owner.

1238: A person called the station to report being the victim of a hit-and-

## News Briefs //

receive regular emails about our current program schedule, please send an email message to Matthew.Nash@mass.gov.

### An Oasis For Birds

7:30 am–8:30 am  
Saturdays, Dec. 17, Jan. 7 & 21, Feb. 4 & 18  
Explore DCR’s Belle Isle Marsh and vicinity, known birding hotspots with a total yearly bird count of about 265 species. We will search for Snowy owls, other raptors, native sparrows, finches, and waterfowl. Expect to move to different locations by car or on foot. Appropriate for adults and teens. Dress for the weather including possible ice on the ground. Programs are cancelled during inclement weather. Co-sponsored by the Brookline Bird Club and the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh. Meet at DCR’s Belle Isle Marsh Reservation parking lot, 1399 Bennington Street, East Boston [BB(1) [N(2) [BB(3) [N(4)].

Note that this program meets every month of the year on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month except when the Saturday is a state or national holiday.

### Winter Wildlife Detectives

9:00 am—10:00 am  
Saturdays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11 & 25  
Wednesday, Feb. 22  
Can you imagine living outside the entire winter like the coyotes do at Belle Isle Marsh in East Boston? Join a DCR Park Interpreter as we explore the trails of the marsh searching for signs (tracks, scat and chews) left by the wild creatures that are active during the winter. Appropriate for all ages. Dress for the weather including possible ice on the ground. Programs are cancelled during inclement weather.

## NEW GIRL SCOUT TROOP FORMED IN WINTHROP



A new Junior Girl Scout Troop, Troop-77538, has been started in Winthrop for Fifth-grade girls. They’ve been hard at work making care packages for Rosie’s place, a homeless shelter for Women in Boston. This past weekend the girls also enjoyed learning about performing arts and met the cast of *Cirque du Soleil’s ‘Twas The Night Before* at the Boch Center in Boston.

run operator who fled the scene of the accident at Main St. The caller was able to write down the number of the registration plate of the other vehicle. The officer filed a report.

1410: A report of the sewers backing up on Pleasant Ct. was referred to the DPW.

### MONDAY, NOV. 28

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celled during inclement weather. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh. Meet at DCR’s Belle Isle Marsh Reservation parking lot, 1399 Bennington Street, East Boston [BB(5)].

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, oversees nearly 500,000 acres of parks and forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, dams, and parkways. Led by DCR Commissioner Doug Rice, the agency’s mission is to protect, promote, and enhance our commonwealth of natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn more about DCR, our facilities, and our programs, please visit [www.mass.gov/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/dcr).

## ASSISTED LIVING LOCATORS URGES ADULT CHILDREN TO HAVE LONG TERM CARE PLAN

The holiday season is a time of giving and sharing special moments with your family. As you decorate the tree and bake those cookies, don’t forget about an important gift you can give to your aging parent – the gift of a long-term care plan.

Assisted Living Locators Boston, a local senior placement and referral service, is urging adult children to have a very merry ... long term care plan to make sure their parents have personalized care and support when they need it.

As parents get older, many will turn to their adult children to help them in the next steps of senior living. Many of these adult children live an average of 450 miles from

0650: A Douglas St. resident reported that a skunk had its head stuck inside a jar. The resident reported being able to remove the mayonnaise jar before the Animal Control Officer arrived.

0748: An officer advised a person smoking marijuana on Crest Ave. that it is illegal to do so in a public area.

their parents and are having to assume the role of a long-distance caregiver. According to the National Center on Caregiving, approximately 5 to 7 million adult children in the U.S. are long-distance caregivers.

Assisted Living Locators Boston Vice President of Placement and Aging Strategy John Moniz, a Marshfield resident, stated that adult children, especially those who are long distance caregivers, should use the holiday season as an opportunity to assess the current lifestyle of aging parents and evaluate what can be improved to strengthen their loved one’s health and happiness. “No matter what stage of life your parents are in, talking about long term care and creating a plan now for the future can help them live their life on their own terms,” he explained.

“Assisted Living Locators is a free service that can help you explore and understand elder care options,” said Moniz. “Our senior care advisors meet with each family to learn about their loved one’s needs, living conditions, and personal preferences in order to build a care plan.”

He noted that Assisted Living Locators website also offers an easy-to-use Assessment Tool that can quickly give one insight if it’s time to find a new environment and appropriate senior housing for your aging parent.

Moniz advises adult children to set these long-term planning goals in 2023:

- 1) Prepare and gather essential medical and financial documents for their aging loved one
- 2) Make a plan for paying for long-term care
- 3) Connect with the right kind of support and resources.

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## Girl Scouts in eastern Massachusetts are now selling Girl Scout Cookies

The Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts have kicked-off the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season as Girl Scouts and their troops rally the community to support the world’s largest entrepreneurial program for girls. The annual cookie program will run through Friday, March 10th.

Consumers can support their local Girl Scouts by purchasing their favorite varieties including Thin Mints®, Caramel deLites®, Peanut Butter Patties®, Adventure-fuls™, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Lemonades™, Trefoil®, Caramel Chocolate Chip Cookie (gluten-free and peanut-free) and Toast-Yay!™.

In addition to everyone’s quintessential favorites, Girl Scouts has a new, online exclusive cookie, Raspberry Rally, which is a thin crispy cookie infused with raspberry flavor and dipped in the same delicious chocolate coating as the beloved Thin Mints cookies. This new cook-

ie will be the first in the Girl Scout Cookie lineup to be exclusively offered for online sale and direct shipment only, enhancing girls’ e-commerce sales and entrepreneurial skills.

“The Girl Scouts Cookie Program is iconic in developing future women entrepreneurs. I have heard many times from women that their first experience in sales was through Girl Scouts,” stated Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts CEO Barbara Fortier. “As we enter what I think is the greatest time of year, I encourage people to remember that when you are purchasing a box of cookies, they are not only delicious but you are supporting a future entrepreneur.”

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the world’s largest entrepreneurial program for girls. Girl Scouts’ newly updated Financial Literacy badges offer entrepreneurial playbooks for every age level. From the Cookie Goal Setter badge earned

as a Daisy to the Entrepreneur Accelerator for girls in high school, the Girl Scout Cookie Program teaches girls financial literacy, planning, budgeting, teamwork, innovative thinking, and confident decision making.

Girl Scout Cookies are \$5 per package. There are many ways to support the Girl Scout Cookie program this season:

- If you don’t know a Girl Scout, visit [gsema.org/buycookies](http://gsema.org/buycookies) to find a cookie booth (pop-up shop) near you to purchase cookies from a local Girl Scout troop, or to connect with a local troop’s online cookie shop to purchase cookies for a donation or shipment.
- If you know a registered Girl Scout, reach out to them to find out how they’re selling cookies.
- Customers can make a purchase in-person or online and designate their purchase for donation to Cookies for a Cause to benefit first responders and healthcare profession-

## WINTHROP SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS DONATES TO WINTHROP FOOD PANTRY



Winthrop School of Performing Arts (WSPA) members collected and donated many goods and household items during November to the Winthrop food pantry for those in need. Proud dancers organized some of the donations. Pictured left to right, Kelsey Tallent, Ella Grace Ferrara, Willa Gentzler, Holly Nimblett, and sisters Sammie and Scalett Rodrigues. WSPA looks forward to giving back to the community more throughout this holiday season.

als, the military and veterans’ services organizations, local food pantries, and more.

- Visit [www.gsema.org](http://www.gsema.org) to have Girl Scout cookies

shipped directly to your door. GSEMA will cover 50% of customers’ shipping costs for all online Direct Ship orders of nine packages or more from

February 1st – March 10th.

For more information on Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, please visit [www.gsema.org](http://www.gsema.org).

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is going to say.”

While the parking restrictions are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Councilor-At-Large Rob DeMarco noted that it does create some leeway for residents who use the downtown spots for overnight parking. Since there is a two-hour parking limit, DeMarco said residents would be able to park in the spots until 9 a.m., and could take a spot again at 5 p.m., and still be within the bounds of the time limit and the allowable resident overnight parking.

Ruggiero stated that there are also parking spots on Putnam Street that were not included in

the new ordinance, allowing residents to park for an unlimited amount of time, provided they move their vehicles within 72 hours.

“I just want to commend the rules and ordinance committee,” said Precinct 3 Councilor Hannah Belcher. “I went to most, if not all of the meetings on this, and think these ordinances do a really great job of striking a balance between protecting resident parking for people who live in the CBD and businesses. I think this is a really good way to meet in the middle.”

Public Works Director Steven Calla stated that the town is already sitting on \$6,000 worth of park-

ing signs that have the parking hours listed as 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Calla agreed that the town could possibly still use the same signs, but cover up the five with a seven.

The municipal parking lot ordinance sets a four hour time limit in the town’s downtown municipal lots, giving residents who need a longer time to park downtown and other areas of Winthrop more time. Ruggiero noted that there would be some spots with unlimited parking, and that the parking lot near the town tennis courts would not have a time limit because it is near a school.

In other business Tues-

day night, Town Manager Tony Marino gave an update on several projects and initiatives around Winthrop.

“The capital plan is en route, we are sending out forms this week to all the department heads,” said Marino. “We’ve got a smaller capital plan that was formed by our facilities department, but we are going to do a more in-depth one this year.”

Marino said the town is also working on finalizing a draft for a trash policy.

“I’ll get that out to the council hopefully by the end of the week to take a look at and review, and we can bring that up at a future meeting,” said Marino.

Marino added that the \$160 annual trash bills will also be going out in January.

The town received five bids on a request for proposals for town legal services, including one from the town’s current legal counsel, according to Marino. He said those bids

will be reviewed in the coming days.

Marino also said the town ferry is currently in Newburyport undergoing repairs.

“When all is said and done, we will have two new engines and two new transmissions and we will be ready to kick off,” said Marino. He said the town had the \$100,000 needed for repairs, and that the ferry should be ready for service again in March.

## School Comm. // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

While Howard said there are traffic issues at all the schools, she said they are still especially acute at the Gorman Fort Banks.

“The traffic challenges at the Gorman Fort Banks are continuous, since probably the day the school was built, but it is inhibiting people from accessing the loop,” said Howard. “Folks are not necessarily following the rules; they are doing some live parking in spaces that say no parking, which means you can’t park there.”

Howard said cars end up blocking traffic in both

directions, which is a huge public safety issue, especially if emergency vehicles need to get to the area.

“No matter how briefly you park your car in the wrong spot, especially the ones that say N-O no parking, it compromises the safety of all our kids and emergency access to all our schools,” Howard said.

Howard said the schools will work with the police department to identify people who are habitual traffic offenders at the school.

In other business, the School Committee ap-

proved a new contract with the district’s custodians that will run through 2025.

The senior custodians will see a two dollar per hour raise in the first year, while the junior custodians will get a \$1 bump in pay per hour. For the second and third years of the contract, all employees will get a 2 percent increase in pay for each year.

The contract also adds Juneteenth as a recognized holiday and slightly increases the clothing allowance and longevity pay for the custodians. There was also some adjustment to the hours of custodial overtime, according to Howard.

## Ornament // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

for everyone this holiday season.

Artist and Winthrop native, Susan Saulnier designed this beautiful ornament. The price per ornament is \$12.

“Celebrate with the Deane Winthrop House” is available for purchase

at Shirley True Value Hardware, Woodside Ace Hardware, The Winthrop Book Depot, Simon’s Winthrop Book Store, The Winthrop Meat Market, Swett’s Liquors, The Senior Center, and Salon Luxo.

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## EASY EGGNOG CUPCAKES

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 (15.25 ounce) package yellow cake mix
- 1 ½ cups eggnog
- 4 eggs
- ¼ cup butter, melted
- 1 tsp nutmeg

**Frosting:**

- 1 cup eggnog
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup butter
- ¼ cup shortening
- 1 cup white sugar

**STEP 1:** Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease 24 muffin cups or line with paper muffin liners.

**STEP 2:** Stir yellow cake mix, 1 1/2 cups eggnog, eggs, 1/4 cup melted butter, and nutmeg together in a bowl until batter is smooth. Pour cupcake batter into prepared muffin cups to fill about 2/3 full.

**STEP 3:** Bake in the preheated oven until golden and the tops spring back when lightly pressed, 12 to 14 minutes. Transfer cupcakes to a wire rack to cool completely.

**STEP 4:** Stir 1 cup eggnog and flour together in a saucepan over medium-high heat until mixture thickens, 5 to 7 minutes. Remove from heat and cool completely.

**STEP 5:** Beat butter, shortening, and sugar together in a bowl with an electric mixture until light and fluffy, 2 to 3 minutes. Slowly beat in cooled eggnog mixture and beat until desired frosting consistency is reached. Spread frosting onto cooled cupcakes.

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OUR Opinions

STILL TIME TO SUPPORT THE WINTHROP POLICE DEPT.'S CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

The Winthrop Police Department is conducting its annual Toy Drive for local families and children in need of assistance through the middle of the month.

A drop-off box is located in the Winthrop Police Station lobby 24/7. Last year, thanks to the community's support, the Winthrop P.D. was able to provide toys for over 80 Winthrop families (more than 300 children). The generosity of Winthrop residents and businesses enabled the Winthrop Police to support the non-profits Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center and Harbor Cove Domestic Violence Center, as well as the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, the Winthrop CLEAR Team, and the Winthrop public schools.

The holiday campaign also assisted 20 of our senior citizens with supplies for Christmas dinner.

If you are in need of assistance this year, please email Detective Samantha Ferrino at [Sferrino@town.winthrop.ma.us](mailto:Sferrino@town.winthrop.ma.us). (In the subject line please type: Toy Drive.)

FREEDOM ISN'T FREE: PEARL HARBOR WAS 81 YEARS AGO:

It was 81 years ago this week that the warlords of Japan launched their attack on the United States at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii on December 7, 1941.

The very next day, President Franklin D. Roosevelt convened a joint session of Congress in which he famously declared the attack as, "A day that will live in infamy," and asked Congress for a Declaration of War against Japan. Germany and Italy, allies of the Japanese who collectively were known as the Axis, then declared war on the U.S., setting the stage for what would become the largest conflagration in world history.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans would die in battlefronts stretching from the European continent to the jungle islands of the Pacific over the next three and one-half years before the German and Japanese war machines finally were subdued.

For more than two years prior to the attack, America had stayed out of the war that already had engulfed most of the rest of the world in the aftermath of the German invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939. By the time of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hitler's Nazis had conquered all of continental Europe and much of Africa, while the Japanese had invaded almost all of Asia, save for the U.S. outposts in the Philippines and other small islands in the Pacific.

Americans clung to the belief that our isolation, separated from the rest of the world by two oceans, would keep us out of the war. Americans had no appetite for re-engaging in another conflict just 23 years removed from the memories of World War I that still were fresh in our nation's psyche.

But after Pearl Harbor, we no longer could keep our heads buried in the sand. Although America had re-instituted the draft some months prior to Pearl Harbor and had ramped up our military production capabilities, the suddenness of the Japanese attack still came as a shock to every American.

Americans realized that thanks to the capabilities of modern armaments such as Japanese aircraft carriers and German U-boats, even the continental United States was not insulated from attack by a foreign enemy. Citizens on the West Coast braced for a Japanese invasion in the aftermath of Pearl Harbor and curfews were instituted on the Eastern Seaboard.

Thanks to the countless number of documentaries and movies over the past 25 years that have told the stories of the brave Americans who fought in WWII, we are fortunate to have a living history of the sacrifices made by The Greatest Generation.

The lessons of Pearl Harbor are many, but chief among them is that freedom isn't free -- and that we always must be vigilant to recognize the forces of evil that seek to destroy our way of life.

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GUEST OP-ED

Christmas rest and peace

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Christmas should be a relaxing time. If you believe Santa Claus is coming then let him take care of the work. Surely, he will show up. Just ask him to bring dinner when he comes. Make sure he comes in the front door. I don't know about bringing broccoli casserole down the chimney.

If you are putting up lights, now is the time to do so. You want to have time to enjoy the lights and the more you string together and cover your house the more electricity you are using. This in turn creates a big electric bill but you are keeping the paychecks going for the utility people.

The main thing is don't go crazy this Christmas. You don't have to buy everything. The stores love for you to max out your credit cards but you won't love it in February and March when you are paying it back. Use common-sense when it comes to the entire season. Eat a piece

of pie but don't eat the pie. Eat a slice of turkey but don't eat the turkey. Decorate if you wish but you don't have to spend a week putting up lights. They all have to come back down you know. Spend only what you can afford. If you can't afford much then don't press yourself to do what you cannot do.

Christmas is the birthday of Jesus but we often make it a day of bedlam. The birth of Jesus was in Bethlehem. His parents were poor. They had gone to an out of the way town to pay their taxes. There was no place for them to sleep. They slept in a barn and Jesus was born while they were there. Mary laid him in a cow's trough. They were poor, tired and life was not very easy for Mary, Joseph and Jesus.

Keep in mind that Jesus came to save us from our sins. He came to give us peace. The Bible calls him the Prince of Peace. Most people need some peace and one way to have more

peace is to focus on the baby of Christmas. Christ is comfort and peace.

You don't always find your peace at church. The church isn't Jesus. If your church is stressing you out, harping about money every Sunday, and pulling you in ten different directions then you might consider taking a step back and reevaluating.

The season of joy is here. Don't depend on others to create joy for you. Get alone with God every day and focus on him. You'll discover a peace and a rest that only He can provide.

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

THE CARE PACKAGES ARE ON THERE WAY

Myself and my brother Veterans, Richard Gay, Jim Guilfoyle and Steve White were off to an early 6 a.m. opening of the Winthrop Post Office, where we met Rose and Will. Forty care packages weighing 1200 - 1400 pounds, filled with Christ-



WINTHROP'S REVERE STREET CIVIL WORKS PROJECT

**Dear Editor,**

With extensive completed drawings for major reconstruction of the half-mile long Revere St. roadway corridor, from Magee's Corner to Crest Ave intersections, the Town Council was appraised of the design work at their recent 11/15 meeting. A modest number of residents concerned about various aspects of this \$6.4 million design, funded by the Mass. Department of Transportation (DOT) were in attendance to hear a project update from an employee of CHA, the large Boston engineering firm hired for this work. (The CHA representative quickly left the meeting without fielding any comments from either the Council or from residents.) Besides the extensive planned engineering work for this critical artery through Town - which has been ongoing since 2018, design aspects included bike lane provisions which were mandated by the Mass.DOT.

As our Project Proponent, Department of Public Works chief Steve Calla was designated as Winthrop's responsible agent for the entire project. Any early input or second-look oversight from the Town Manager may have been handled by the interim TM, Chief Delehanty, or the newly appointed TM, Tony Martino. The sequence of work had been scheduled by CHA like so:

- Funding Design, Right-of-Way Acquisitions Permitting;
- Initial Public Outreach Meeting – 2014;
- Transportation Committee Meeting – 2018;
- 25% Design – February 2019;
- Scope reduced to just Revere Street (0.5 miles) due to funding & schedule;
- MBTA Coordination Meeting – January 2020;
- Design Public Hearing – April 2021;
- 75% Design – July 2021;
- "near" 100% Design September 2022.
- TC Meeting & Review of CHA work, November 15, 2022

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5:30 a.m. Monday, morning, November 28th - loading two pick up trucks with military Christmas Tree Care Packages.



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# WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

## ART 980 - SHORE DRIVE 1931 WINTER STORM

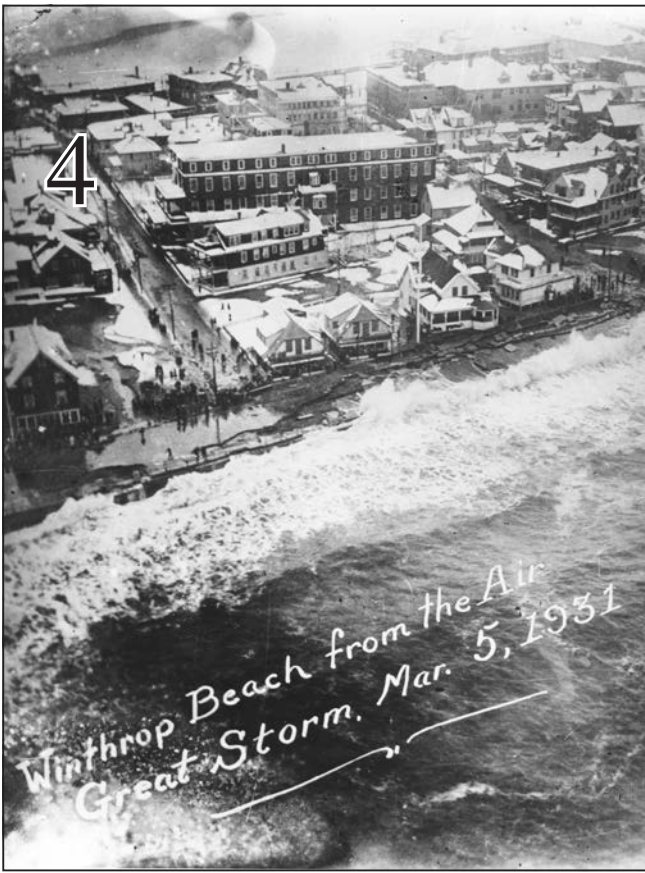


Just as we have recently endured a great number of storms, the 1930's imposed many severe storm threats to New England and, being a seaside community, Winthrop endured the full force of several. A large number of photographs of these storms have been collected by not only our Steve Moran but also by John Booras another member of the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association. It is from their extensive collections that our articles on storms have obtained the pictures used as illustrations. Among the 1930 storms was the 1938 Hurricane which was powerful enough to finally close off the water passage, between Deere Island and Point Shirley, known as "Shirley Gut". In the 1700's this water passage was over 1000 feet wide and during the War of 1812 the Frigate U.S.S. Constitution "Old Ironsides" sailed through it to fight the British in the War of 1812. By 1930, Shirley Gut was less than 100 feet wide and only 6 feet deep at high tide and then the 1938 Hurricane struck. By 1940 the United States Corps of Engineers completed the closing of the Gut and had constructed the road through from the end of Tafts Avenue to the Southern tip of Deere Island so that the four large concrete bunkers at Fort Dawes could be built. The illustrations in this article will show the effect of the pounding of the ocean along Shore Drive during the storm of March 5, 1931 and then next week we

will present pictures of the January 29, 1933 storm. It should be noted that these two storms occurred prior to the construction of the five "sisters" breakwater off of Shore Drive, three of which were built in 1933 and the other two added in 1935.

The extensive damage depicted in the first three pictures shows not only the torn out railings along Shore Drive but also the demolished seawall in which the railings had been mounted. Part of the road was pulled up clear across to the buildings on the other side of the street. And yet, even as the waves were hitting the wall, look at the large number of people that came out to watch in the first three pictures. Picture four is an

amazing photograph taken from an airplane in 1931 during this storm. The large building in the upper center is the New Winthrop Hotel that was located on Sturgis Street where the East Boston Elderly Rest Home is today. Also in the upper right hand corner of this picture one can see the old State Theatre building which still stands across the street from the Beach Fire Station and, to its left the Winthrop Casino where the 12 bowling alleys, originally in the New Winthrop Hotel, were moved. These bowling alleys were operated by Ernest Lessard in the 1950's. Next week's article will continue coverage of storms from the 1930's as noted above.



## 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 December 6, 2012

The Viking Pride Foundation reached a new and majestic milestone, surpassing \$750,000 in donations to the town since the organization's inception in February, 2004. The most recent donation to the Winthrop schools by VPF was a substantial one, a \$10,000 contribution that went toward the installation of a brand new floor for the high school volleyball and basketball courts.

Town Manager James McKenna announced the appointment of Timothy J. Gordon as the new chief financial officer (CFO) for the Town of Winthrop Tuesday night at the outset of the Town Council meeting. Gordon, 47, was selected from a field of 20 candidates and seven finalists following an extensive application and interview process. He is a graduate of Framingham State College and holds a Master's Degree in Public Affairs from the McCormack School at the University of Massachusetts/Boston.

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn, Part 2, Silver Linings Playbook, and Skyfall are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago December 12, 2002

Massport finally has reopened the clam flats surrounding Logan Airport which had been closed since 9/11. Under new guidelines, no more than 50 clam diggers may be within the new security zone that has been established around Logan.

WHS senior Jen Martino has been named the winner of this year's Winthrop Superintendent's Award by Supt. Thomas Giancristiano. The award is given to a student who excels in academics and in extracurricular activities.

Town Accountant Michael Bertino said the town is facing a major budget shortfall for FY 2004, with much dependent on the state budget and the amount of local aid the town receives from the state.

Adam Sandler's 8 Crazy Nights, Extreme Ops, and Treasure Planet are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago December 17, 1992

The Winthrop Water Department has found levels of lead in the drinking water of local residents that exceed the levels deemed safe by the EPA. Winthrop Water Supt. Richard Clemens said the causes of high lead in the water could be the lead solder used in homeowners' pipes, lead pipes themselves within the homes, and lead pipes connecting the home to the street.

The Elks' annual Salty Frazier Blood Drive will be held December 26.

A Muppet Christmas Carol, A Few Good Men, and Aladdin are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago December 15, 1982

The town is set to enter into an agreement that will result in the purchase from the federal government of five acres of land at the former Ft. Banks. The parcel is located behind the present elderly housing complex.

The Winthrop Jaycees

have announced that local realtor Jack Conway has been named its Man of the Year award winner. He will be honored at a banquet on January 29.

The Viking Barracks, No. 2143, comprised of local veterans of World War I, has voted to disband. Oliver F. Green issued the final notice to the 19 remaining members of the organization.

Butterfly, Heidi's Song, and The Empire Strikes Back are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 50 years ago December 13, 1972

The selectmen have announced their intention to seek to purchase 3.6 acres of land at the former Ft. Banks from the federal government for use as a park or recreational area.

Chamber of Commerce Treasurer Irving Ectman was presented a plaque by Chamber President Jack Conway for Ectman's many years of service to the Chamber.

Mrs. Evelyn Porter is the new President of the Winthrop Community Hospital League.

State Rep. Ralph Siriani has announced that he has filed 30 bills for consideration in the upcoming legislative session.

### 60 years ago December 13, 1962

Chamber of Commerce members criticized the town government this week for not clearing the streets in front of businesses where, they asserted, trash has been collecting in the streets for weeks.

Water Commissioner George H. Hill has announced his candidacy for School Committee. Hill, a Harvard graduate, is the vice president of the N.V. Nelson Company on Woodside Ave.

Congressman Torbert Macdonald will address the local Kiwanis Club on January 2. Macdonald, who became Winthrop's Congressman pursuant to the recent redistricting plan in which Massachusetts had to give up a seat in Congress, recently has returned from a fact finding trip to South Vietnam at the request of President John F. Kennedy. Macdonald has reported that the democratic forces supported by the U.S. government are winning the war in the jungle against the Communists. He said that the tactic of creating fortified strategic villages has stopped the guerillas from gaining ground. He also said that 10,000 U.S. troops are in South Vietnam where they are training the So. Vietnamese Army. Macdonald said that the Communist strategy is to wear us down and convince us that So. Vietnam will become another Korea.

Bette Davis and Joan Crawford star in Whatever Happened to Baby Jane at the Revere Theatre. Gina Lollabrigida and Dale Robertson star in Fast and Sexy at the Revere Drive In.

### 70 years ago December 11, 1952

The local Post Office has hired 60 temporary workers to help in handling the usual avalanche of holiday mail. Postal employees will make two home deliveries each day, according to Postal Supt. Ray Flannery.

Grover's on Somerset Avenue advertises boys

sports shirts for \$2.98. Arthur's Shoes advertises women's slippers for \$1.99.

Rock Hudson stars in Horizons West at the Revere Theatre.

### 80 years ago December 17, 1942

St. John's Episcopal Church will dedicate a shrine to its parishioners serving in the armed forces around Christmas time.

Schools will be closed from December 18 through January 4 to conserve fuel.

The selectmen are reminding all residents that in order to facilitate the collection of ashes, all house refuse must be placed in metal receptacles, not paper or cardboard containers which can easily break apart if they get wet.

Mickey Rooney stars in A Yank at Eton at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

### 90 years ago December 17, 1932

A total of \$1414.86 has been received by the Winthrop Unemployment Committee to aid the unemployed and their families during the winter season, according to Unemployment Committee Chairman Preston Churchill. Coin boxes and gift barrels have been left at strategic locations around the town for further donations.

State Rep. John Clancy, father of the breakwater bill for Shore Drive that recently was signed by Gov. Ely and now is awaiting acceptance by the town, which must pay \$25,000 as its share of the total cost of \$125,000, will hold a public meeting to discuss the importance of constructing breakwaters along Winthrop Beach.

### 100 years ago December 16, 1922

The Elks' Old Tyme Minstrel Show promises to be better than ever this year, combining the old time minstrels with the modern idea. The show will be presented in Winthrop Theatre.

Police Chief McNeill, Lieut. Douglas, and patrolman Howatt saw a local resident make a sale of liquor to a man who had a flask into which the local resident poured the liquor and accepted cash for it. The officers arrested and booked the resident on a charge of selling intoxicating liquor.

### 110 years ago December 14, 1912

Nationalities from around the world were on display by party-goers at the annual Masquerade Ball at the Cottage Park Y.C.

Master Vernon Kenworthy, 10 years of age, sailed for Liverpool aboard the Ivernina Saturday. The little lad's father died a few weeks ago and he is heading off to Haddersfield, England, where he will make his home with his paternal grandmother. His infant sister already is there, having gone to England when their mother died a year ago. Vernon was popular with his mates at the Edward B. Newton School as well as at the Episcopal Sunday School.

The port directors, who control the Port of Boston from Pt. Shirley to Allerton Hill in Hull,



AMY’S BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

Photos by Marianne Salza

Little ones scooped heaps of syrup-sodden pancakes into their mouths during Amy’s Breakfast with Santa, on December

4. Families had their photographs taken with Santa, and took chances on raffle prizes. The gathering raised funds for Saint Michael the Archangel’s Youth Ministry.



Olivia, 3, eating pancakes with her dad, Edward Borgatti.



Orla, Aveen, Grace, and Jojo Toomey.



Friends, Adria Belanger and Isabella Brandao.



Parishioners placing chances in raffle baskets.



The Aufiero Family.



Confirmation student volunteers serving breakfast.



The family of the late Amy Gallagher is shown above. They organized and hosted Amy’s Breakfast with Santa.



Louie and Rocco Sorrentino.



Vinny, Betty, Lorenzo, and Nico Caraglia.



Summer and LJ Welch, and Kayleigh and Paul Douchette.



Stevan, Gabriella, Joseph, and Alissa Blamer.

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The focus for CHA, the Town and residents include: Improve Safety and Accommodations for all roadway users - Vehicles, Pedestrians, Bicycles, Public Bus Transit, Route #712 between Orient Heights T-Stop and Point Shirley, and 10 Bus stops (both sides) within project limits. CHA was to also address Traffic Congestion issues at Magee’s Corner, Revere Street at Crest Avenue/ Highland Avenue, and Kennedy Drive (school drop off/pick up/senior access?). The average daily traffic volume now is 15,100 vehicles, at speeds of 25-30 mph (though we have all seen cars & trucks & large semi-trailers driven at faster speeds).

However, it only recently became evident that not all impacted parties had been adequately informed or offered opportunities for input in this process, since much of the engineering work was developed & seemingly accepted during the Covid years of 2020-2021. The integration for resident input, especially the abutting Senior Housing Complex, never happened during this time. Obvious updates to the public about such a huge impactful project hardly ever happened - either from DPW, the Town Council, or the Councilors to their constituents.

According to the Directors of the Winthrop Housing Authority (WHA), no mention of accommodation was made for resident seniors, emergency or town vehicles accessing either the Kennedy Drive or Golden Drive housing complexes, and how the new road plans would impact this population.

The Infrastructure Upgrades were for replacing poor pavement/ sidewalk conditions. Little attention was made for the removal of the green apron and the trees lining the street, though the design drawings show that this appealing apron would be replaced with a bike lane. Obvious in-road upgrades would include storm-water drainage systems, and replacing outdated traffic signal equipment. But, there was no indication of improved lighting along this corridor. There did not seem to be adequate coverage of crosswalks at either familiar or key access points for the many seniors and other handicapped residents of senior housing in the CHA plans. Based on public comments made by the keen Director of the Housing Authority recently (only in the past month) WHA was only just advised of the status of land-taking and the designed roadway plans. There may not have been adequate assessment of current patterns of either mobile pedestrian seniors, or wheelchair residents, from which to ideally locate crosswalks and bus stops. And further, to avoid the removal of well-established state-ly trees (a 26” dia. Oak, among others) that grace the senior property up & down the hill. Again, the WHA Directors Board was not consulted for their best tree re-placement, nor advised of the fact that the recently completed and attractive wood post fence; nor that new wire fencing at the north side of senior housing would be removed, the steep terrain altered there, and replaced with - something. Meetings that were planned for and scheduled

(as above) between the Engineering firm, CHA Boston, and the Town were poorly advertised; likely because of Covid, and generally not known by the public for the most part; though whatever meetings were held were on Zoom. Hence, there was little chance for input from residents or other stakeholders. There is no recorded public information to access from these Zoom meetings. There is an on-line reference to available recorded meetings on CHA’s 11/10/22 response to a memo from a Town official - here

Supposedly, one key-card for all this work to happen and be funded with the State’s \$6.4 million, was to be the installation of bike lanes on both sides of Revere St, up & over the hill. One might understand the State’s initiative to reduce traffic from car use, reduce pollution, and encourage other means of travel, but...in talking with various bikers in this town, a couple of whom are councilors, they were quite firm that they would never travel during daytime hours up or down Revere St. “It’s way too dangerous” was one comment.

The premise for my letter is that public, and some council or agency input, seems to have been minimal to this process. It also seems to me that this heavily-trafficked artery through the town is not just a vehicle-moving corridor. The Revere Street Hill is a scenic, natural topography that at the moment is a pleasant walking path, tree-lined on the housing side, with some nice houses & trees across the street. It’s also an enjoyable, healthy walk up & over the hill; for all-age residents – able-bodied or compromised. And, it could be better, after all the dust settles.

The Town has proposed a land-taking of property from another State Agency- the Winthrop Housing Authority – to then be able to remove substantial healthy trees to provide “easements” not only for a two-year construction site for vehicles & equipment, but ultimately for reducing the Revere St. walkway, and intruding on the tight land space protecting the edge of the senior housing.

Among other things that the CHA firm, and our Town officials, have failed to do is to provide 3-D visuals – before and after photos, and illustrations of all the major proposed changes they will be making in this key open space corridor through Winthrop. The natural topography of Revere Street has been part of this, our entrusted, land, since Winthrop was first sparsely occupied in the early 1600’s. Residents deserve to see what will happen.

Not only are residents (or even some council members) very unlikely to understand CHA’s technical engineering drawings of the complicated design (made for contractor’s bids), but most people would have a difficult time visualizing what all these changes would look like. Not only just the roadway, but also the changes for bus stops (along a new route at that), the widening of the street for bike lanes and parked cars, placement of crosswalks, signs and lighting, but also the narrower walkway on the west side. A key aspect of such change beyond the

flat roads and their markings, is the proposed deep intrusion into the senior housing complex, and the removal of some substantial trees on the edge of the intended construction zone.

Based on my design experience with comparable urban roadway projects in Boston, and around the country, the paid focus for CHA is maximizing the most efficient travel of cars on Winthrop’s boulevard. However, they have overlooked the overall spatial quality of Revere Street - and its aesthetics of the west buffer edge, which is a most pleasant walkway connection from the Highlands to the Center. This path, used not only by walking residents, but more so by seniors with mobility issues, wheelchairs, canes, etc., has been “designed” by the engineering firm CHA such that the roadway & lanes diminish this pathway considerably; to make room for bike lanes that may be seldom used, or with some hazardous risks. There did not seem to be any studies or demographics (& made available for the public) of current bike use over time on Revere Street, to justify the reduced walkways and the proposed land-taking and multiple tree removal. Decade-devoted and experienced bikers I know have admitted that they would “never ride on Revere Street” during daytime hours, which road presents a great risk. There should be concern also that younger riders, perhaps biking to school at the bottom of Revere St., may likely assume risk during morning or after-school hours.

Also, it’s not clear whether our School Superintendent was consulted about bike-riding students during the congested drop-off hours on Revere Street. Further, I don’t see police details stopping any time after completion.

I strongly recommend that the Town request of CHA, within the earliest time frame, like now, to provide at least 6 Before and After 3-D Visuals of both sides of Revere Street, showing how the roadway design will impact everyone’s very key feature of Winthrop’s topography. CHA is a multi-disciplinary firm quite capable of producing these visuals. The images showing Before and After on Revere St should be heavily publicized by the Town Council, and in all media. Further, at the suggestion of a Councilor, the Town Manager & Council should plan on such an ongoing “multi-media outreach campaign” to keep residents advised of how \$6.4 million will improve this key topography/roadway through Town.

This 2-year+ project (at least) will compromise Winthrop’s open space forever, and supposedly our town officials seem to not want to hesitate - under the State’s \$6.4 million “apple-tree” - to consider these other important factors mentioned above, that will also impact our Town. The effects of such non-inclusive planning will be imprinted on Winthrop’s face for many decades to come, and long after many proponents are gone.

It doesn’t have to be this way. I reference the enhanced edge of Trees, along Ingleside Park at Walden Street - a natural and visual asset for all

travel into the Center. (A thanks to the late Selectman Dick Dimes for his foresight.) A similar effect could be made on the Revere Street hill, without compromising improved roadways.

In my experience with other major projects in Boston, the Mass DOT (a powerful agency) has the tendency to ram-rod their roadway projects through urban areas, and deflect neighborhood and stakeholders concerns. Or even consider viable landscape options. Along with holding the tantalizing “apple” of \$6.4 million, this would seem to be the case for this project; resulting in a less than ideal impact on Winthrop’s residents, the WHA and many of our most vulnerable seniors.

It’s never too late to re-asses a project of such magnitude and impact. I trust the Council, Town Manager and the DPW reconsider further all relevant input, and better engage any and all concerned residents and stakeholder parties in this process of such significant change. I trust such openness will be evident in the coming weeks and months. As our TC President has stated: “Winthrop is a unique town and a special place”. Let’s all be sure to keep it that way with maximum, thoughtful, and comprehensive planning.

I would welcome any comments, corrections, and constructive responses.

**Frank M. Costantino, FAIA FM Costantino Cos.**

**Founder, Winthrop Beautification Committee Director, Winthrop Loves Trees/GROW**

## Treasurer Goldberg receives the Freda Johnson Award

Staff Report

Northeast Women in Public Finance (NEWPF) along with the Bond Buyer will present State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg with the Freda Johnson Award at the Bond Buyer’s Annual Deal of the Year Awards ceremony in New York City on December 6, 2022.

The Freda Johnson Award has been created in honor of NEWPF Founding Board Member Freda Johnson, whose highly successful career in public finance has been an inspiration to many people, particularly women in the industry.

The award recognizes a woman serving or who has served in a position for a public or non-profit issuer who exemplifies the qualities that Johnson brought to the financial industry as a trailblazer, leader, innovator, and mentor.

“Treasurer Deborah Goldberg is dedicated to improving the lives of the citizens of Massachusetts through both her public position and her non-profit work,” said Freda Johnson. “She is a dynamo, a role model, and an outstanding mentor to women.”

Since taking office in 2015, Treasurer Goldberg has brought an innovative leadership style, and an unwavering commitment to create opportunities for every Massachusetts resident. Her initiatives and programs have supported and advocated for policies that advance effective strategies and foster long-

term, sustained growth and stability for everyone.

“The Treasurer has demonstrated a commitment not only to public finance, but also to the women within it,” said Vivian Altman, Managing Director of Northeast Women in Public Finance. “For her pioneering work and a highly accomplished career in public finance for her unwavering dedication to diversity and supporting, promoting, and developing women in the industry, Massachusetts Treasurer Deborah Goldberg embodies all the qualities of the Freda Johnson Award. It is with the greatest esteem that we award her the 2022 Freda Johnson Public Sector Award.”

In 2016, the Treasurer started the Women + Finance Fellowship, the first fellowship of its kind sponsored by a government organization. Understanding the importance of building a network and pipeline, the Treasurer wanted to identify and foster diverse talent for the financial industry, and advocate for the placement of women and non-binary people in leadership roles.

"To receive an award named after someone who was a tremendous trailblazer and overcame incredible barriers is an unbelievable honor," said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. "Freda exemplifies everything about staying the course, persevering, hanging in there, and then succeeding. So being awarded the Freda Johnson award is thrilling."

### CONSULTATION SESSION

Massport will host a hybrid (in-person and virtual) consultation session on the *Boston Logan International Airport 2020/2021 Environmental Data Report (2020/2021 EDR)*. A representative from the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Office will participate. This meeting will be streamed in English and Spanish.

The hybrid Consultation Session for the 2020/2021 Boston Logan EDR is scheduled for:

**Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM**  
**Cathy Leonard-McLean Community Room**  
**Logan Airport’s Rental Car Center\***  
**15 Transportation Way**  
**East Boston, MA 02128**

If you wish to attend the meeting virtually, please visit <https://www.massport.com/massport/about-massport/project-environmental-filings/logan-airport>

Requests for additional languages must be made a minimum of 72 hours before the December 15, 2022 meeting date and should be sent to [community@massport.com](mailto:community@massport.com).

Please note that an electronic copy of the 2020/2021 EDR is available on Massport’s website at <http://www.massport.com/massport/about-massport/project-environmental-filings/logan-airport>.

Additional copies of the 2020/2021 EDR may be obtained by calling Brad Washburn at (617) 568-3546 or emailing [bwashburn@massport.com](mailto:bwashburn@massport.com) during the public comment period.

Massport has requested an extension of the public comment period, which began on **November 23, 2022**, the publication date of the MEPA *Environmental Monitor*, and will end on **January 23, 2023**.

Written comments may be submitted by **January 23, 2023** to the following address:

The Honorable Bethany A. Card,  
Secretary Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs  
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Comments may also be submitted electronically on the MEPA Public Comment Portal at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicComment/Landing>

\*The Cathy Leonard-McLean Community Room is located on the lower level of the Rental Car Center (RCC) Facility at Boston Logan International Airport. The RCC is accessible by the MBTA via Airport Station or the Silver Line and then by a Massport Shuttle Bus. Please allow additional travel time if using the MBTA. Parking for the RCC is available at the loading dock area on Porter Street and in the visitor spaces in front of the RCC.





## Martucci awarded Humanitarian Award at Boston Children's Hospital event

her. And she would like to send a special thanks to the Griffin Family for choosing her as the 2022 recipient.

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At the end of a long day, you might reflect on what you ate and decide you didn't get enough protein. When this happens, we grab a can of Freshé Sicilian Caponata or Provençal Niçoise. You can have it with good bread, on top of a salad, or mixed with grains, legumes, or beans. We've added a few cans

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A Team (7th and 8th grades) took second place in their division.



JVE (Kindergarten) cheered their last game this season on Saturday.

## Winthrop Youth Cheerleaders take home first place in regional competition

Special to the Transcript

On November 5, 2022 the Winthrop Viking Youth Cheerleaders competed in the New England Dance and Cheer Competition held at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston, MA. This competition is one of the largest on the East Coast with over 3,500 cheer and dance athletes competing and this year over 122 cheer teams. 4 Winthrop teams in the youth cheer program competed. Our 1st/2nd grade team AND our 3rd/4th grade team both came home with 1st place in their divisions! Our 5th/6th grade team got 4th place and our 7th/8th grade team got 2nd place. All athletes have worked incredibly hard for the last 3 months and all their dedication and work paid off. We are

very proud of all of them. This competition marked the end of our cheer season. We would like to recognize all of our game day cheerleaders for their commitment to Winthrop Viking Youth Cheer, congratulations and we will see you next year. The Winthrop Viking Youth Cheer Board would like to give a special thanks to Dan Abbott and the members of the Pleasant Park Yacht Club. Dan and the members not only donated their space but helped move mats, let us hold banquets and lended a hand whenever possible. We would also like to give thanks to The United Methodist First Church of Winthrop for donating their hall for our practice time. It is the generosity of these Winthrop business and people that made it a great experience for

our young athletes. Winthrop Viking Youth Cheer would also like to give a special mention to our 8th grade athletes moving on after this season. Briana Rizzotto, Eilla Giacalone, Giuliana Martin, Juliet Bettano, Kylie McFarland, Makayla Herdt, Scarlet



The D team, consisting of Third and Fourth-graders, took first place in their division.



The C team, made up of Fifth and Sixth-graders took fourth place in their division. They were the only Winthrop team to compete at the silver level.

Bomarsi, Stefani Sernavsky, Sydney Symmes, and Sofia Gonzalez. Our organization has enjoyed

every moment spent with these amazing girls and wish them all the best going forward. We know

they will all do great things in the future. You will be missed.

## WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

### WHS GIRLS HOCKEY OPENS SEASON SATURDAY

The Winthrop High girls hockey team will open its 2023 season this Saturday when coach Anthony Martucci and his Lady Vikings trek to Janas Rink in Lowell to take on Shawsheen Tech/Bedford at 1:00.

"This should be another exciting season of Lady Vikings' hockey," said the always-enthusiastic Martucci. "We are all pumped up once again and this year's team has some championship qualities."

Winthrop will be led by a quartet of senior captains, Mia Norris and the Holmes triplets, Emma, Abby, and Julia.

"I think right now the team is progressing well

under the leadership of our four captains," said Martucci. "They are leading by example and really pushing the team to be elite every single time they step on the ice. All four are excellent players and will be relied upon heavily this season."

The Lady Vikings have engaged thus far in two pre-season scrimmages and have played impressively in both.

"Our first scrimmage was last Saturday night in Weymouth," said Martucci. "We played very well for it being our first real game together as a group. The final score for the game was 2-1, although we held a distinct advantage in shots."

Norris and freshman Reese Ferrara lit the lamp

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# A Perfect Season

## Caggiano brothers reunite with Dom Savio's 1982 Super Bowl team

By Cary Shuman

Winthrop's Peter Caggiano was a starting offensive lineman on the 1982 Dom Savio High School football team.

That East Boston powerhouse won the Division 4 Super Bowl with a 14-12 victory over Rockland at BU's Nickerson Field, completing a perfect 11-0 season.

On Sunday, Caggiano and his younger brother, Mark Caggiano, also an offensive lineman, reunited with their teammates at a 40th anniversary luncheon at Anthony's in Malden.



Four juniors on the 1982 Dom Savio High School football team, Paul McGunigle, Mike Borzillo, Michael Holden, and Peter Caggiano.



A photo of the undefeated 1982 Dom Savio High School football team.

Caggiano, a junior offensive guard in 1982, had an outstanding season for a prolific Savio offense led by quarterback Peter Milano of Saugus and running backs Brian McCarthy of South Boston and Sean O'Toole of Dorchester. The co-head coaches were Bill Maradei and Reg Lanciani.

The 1982 Savio defense, led by All-Scholastic defensive end Joe Gaff, was even more dominating, holding opponents to a single touchdown during the regular season. One of the team's nine shutouts was a 2-0 decision over Don Bosco when Angelo Fantasia tackled the Boston quarterback in the end zone for a safety on the final play of the game.

Peter Caggiano went on to be a captain of the 1983 Savio team that had a 7-3 record. His brother, Mark Caggiano, became a captain of the 1984 Savio team.

Peter was a three-year starter for the Spartans. His brother lined up next to him for the 1983 Spartans as a starting offensive tackle.

"This is fantastic to be back with this team," said Peter, who is president of the Winthrop Youth Football organization. "I see some of these guys all the time, but a lot of these guys I haven't seen since high school. It's great being here."

Peter and Mark said their parents, Ernest Caggiano and Annette Caggiano, attended every game during the 1982 season.

"We used to own the ambulance service in Winthrop, so my father donated the ambulance for home games," recalled Peter.

Mark Caggiano said of Savio's Super Bowl season and being a starting lineman situated adjacently to his older brother, "Peter was a much better player than I was. It was an honor to follow him as a team captain. I have great memories of playing football at Savio."



Brothers and teammates, Peter Caggiano and Mark Caggiano, pictured at the 40-year reunion of the 1982 Super Bowl champions.

## USPS ready for holiday season, provides shipping tips

Staff Report

The Postal Service is keeping up the pace as the hustle and bustle of the holiday season gains momentum. To ensure customers get their holiday packages on time, our letter carriers will be delivering as early as 6:00 a.m. in many major metro locations across the country. So, if you hear the sounds of an early morning package delivery, please know it's our way of helping Santa get an early start.

This month, our carriers will be out delivering

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for Winthrop.

"I thought our defense played very well in this game," said Martucci. "They limited any real scoring chances for Weymouth and did a great job getting pucks to the net in the offensive zone."

"Up front we looked very fast and hard to slow down," Martucci continued. "We have a bunch of players who can really go and it showed in this game. The goaltending duties belonged to freshman Riley Towse, who did

a fantastic job in her first varsity start."

This past Tuesday Winthrop hosted Boston Latin at Larsen Rink and reached the back of the Latin net for six goals.

"Once again we had a major shots-on-goal advantage," said Martucci, "but in this game we were able to deposit more pucks into the back of the net, six goals in total, by four different Vikings."

Emma Holmes and Sami Dimento scored two goals apiece, with Avalina

Coffey and Norris adding solo tallies.

"I thought all three lines that we had available -- we were missing a bunch of skaters due to the flu -- played incredibly well," said Martucci. "We had a lot of 'jump' in this game and it proved overwhelming."

"Some really impressive stuff came from forwards Izzy Cash, Talia Martucci, Reese Ferrara, Gabby Buonapane, Hannah Parker, Tori Bates, and Stella Pelletier," said the coach. "On defense, we got some excellent play from Avalina Coffey, captain Abby Holmes, Amelia Spencer, Mia Currier, and Izi Hain."

"Once again holding down the fort in between the pipes was Riley Towse, who finished with a 10-save shutout," added Martucci. "Back up goalie Hannah Barrett was a star on the defensive door duty."

The Lady Vikings will play an 18-game schedule in which they will face their eight opponents from the Northeast Hockey League -- Shawsheen, Marblehead, Beverly, Masconomet, Peabody, Medford, Newburyport, and Gloucester -- twice each. They will take on non-league rivals Acton-Boxboro and Boston Latin Academy once each.

## WHS BOYS BASKETBALL OPENS THIS WEEKEND

The Winthrop High boys basketball team will open its 2023 season when the Vikings compete in the Salem Academy Charter School tournament this weekend in Salem.

Winthrop will take on Salem Academy on Friday evening and then face either Bishop Fenwick or Danvers on Saturday.

"We're flying over here," said WHS head coach Mike Triant, whose squad has been engaged in a busy pre-season with scrimmages against Georgetown this past Saturday, Revere on Sunday, and East Boston on Tuesday. "All were competitive games for us."

The 2023 edition of the Vikings will be led by senior captain Zach Bogusz.

"Zach and George Galuris are pretty much the only returning contributors from last year," noted Triant. "Ryan Harris, Raesean Bebri, Andrew Faretra, Eddie Ramadani, and Eljo Hysa are also returning."

"Vasilis Tsiotos, Dimitri Koukouflakis, and Alex Daignault have all returned to WHS and will help us out. Jeremi Matias Liriano transferred from Charlestown High," added Triant. "David Gonzalez will round out the active roster. James Faretra and Julian Diaz will also be

## WHS BOYS HOCKEY OPENS SEASON SATURDAY

with the team and will hopefully be active around the halfway point of the year.

"We are hoping we have an exciting style of play, to build off of last year's tourney berth, and continue to get ourselves over that .500 win percentage," the coach added.

The Vikings will have a full, 20-game schedule. They will face their Northeastern Conference divisional rivals Danvers, Gloucester, Saugus, and Swampscott twice each and NEC non-divisional foes Peabody, Beverly, Salem, Masconomet, and Marblehead once apiece.

Winthrop will host a Christmas holiday tournament, opening up against Saugus and then facing either East Boston or Revere. Other non-conference foes include Bishop Fenwick and Northeast Regional twice each.

**NEW COACH, NEW SEASON FOR WHS GIRLS BASKETBALL; OPENER SET FOR SATURDAY**

The Winthrop High girls basketball team, under the direction of new head coach Mike DeGregorio, will open its 2023 season against non-league opponent Andover this Saturday at noon at the WHS gym.

The Lady Vikings then will travel to Bridgewater-Raynham this coming Tuesday.

Winthrop will engage in a 22-game schedule, featuring two contests each against Northeastern Conference divisional rivals Saugus, Gloucester, Danvers, and Swampscott and single contests with NEC non-divisional foes Salem, Peabody, Beverly, Marblehead, and Masconomet.

Non-league opponents, in addition to Andover and Bridgewater-Raynham, will be Newburyport (twice), Newton North, Bishop Fenwick, Revere, St. Mary's of Lynn, and Woburn.

Coach Dale Dunbar and the Winthrop High boys hockey team will open their season this Saturday evening (December 10) at the McVann-O'Keefe Rink in Peabody against Bishop Fenwick.

The opening face-off is set for 6:00.

The Vikings' 20-game schedule will include two contests each with Northeastern Conference rivals Danvers, Marblehead, Gloucester, Masconomet, and Beverly, with single games vs. NEC non-divisional foes Peabody and Swampscott.

Non-league opponents will include Fenwick, Lynnfield, Medford (twice), Lexington, Stoneham, and Dedham.



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## LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIMAGE



Our Lady of Fatima statue proceeding into the church.



Our Lady of Fatima statue, enthroned and crowned on the altar .

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

Parishioners gathered for a day of healing and prayer at Saint Michael the Archangel Parish during the November 19 visit of the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, which has been traveling the world since 1947. Adoration of the Blessed Mother included a mass, rosary, and confessions.

“Everywhere she goes, people will be reminded of what she said in 1917,” explained guardian of the statue, Larry Maginot referring to Our Lady’s mission of peace. “It’s the same Gospel message her son proclaimed 2,000 years ago.”

The sculpture of Our Lady reflects how the Blessed Mother revealed herself as the Immaculate Heart to three children in Fatima in 1917, during World War I. Sister Lucia, a Carmelite nun, was among the first to witness Our Lady with her cousins, Francisco and Jacinta, at the age of 10. She declared that the statue was the best likeness of Mary that she had ever seen.

“As beautiful as this image is, it pales in comparison to the wondrous image that stood before the three children,” said Maginot. “In Lucia’s memoirs she said you would have to imagine the brightest, burning blaze. That light was God, shining like beams radiating from her hands.”

According to Maginot, Our Lady asked the children if they were willing to offer themselves to God in order to save souls and stop all suffering. They responded in agreement, and referred to the Blessed Mother as The Beautiful Lady.

“Something very powerful happened to those children in that moment. They were enraptured with that light,” described Maginot, who continues to spread Our Lady’s words as the children of Fatima did. “Every time Our Lady appeared to those three children, she told them to pray the rosary every day to bring an end to the war. When we are meditating upon the mysteries of the rosary, we are truly drawing near to her heart.”



Lillian Rauseo and her grandmother, Mary Honan.



Parishioners gathering at Saint Michael the Archangel Parish for the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima on November 19.



Parishioners gazing upon the Blessed Mother in prayer.



Steve Gagin, enjoying refreshments with Paul, Patrick, and Kevin Corkhum.



Robert and Jess Limbquist, John Regan, Therese McNamara, and William Homeyer.



The LaMonica Family enjoying coffee and pastries before mass.



Larry Maginot, guardian of the statue.

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# OBITUARIES

## Rose M. Brown

One Hundred Three Years Young

Rose M. (Swartz) Brown of Revere, formerly of Winthrop and raised in Dorchester, entered into eternal rest on December 1 at 103 years of age.

She was the devoted wife of the late Edmund J. Brown, beloved mother of Eileen and Edward Wickham and Andrea and Nate Lincoff; cherished grandmother of Jared and Lena Wickham and Matthew and Taylor Lincoff; proud great grandmother of Eli Wickham and Cade Lincoff; dear sister of the late Max Swartz, sister-in-law of the late Shepard Brown and great grandmother of the late Landon Lincoff.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to Congregation 420 c/o Jack Satter



House, 420 Revere Beach Blvd, Revere MA 02151, Boston Children's Hospital, 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston MA 02215-9911, Temple Tifereth Israel, 93 Veterans Road, Winthrop MA 02152, or a charity of one's own choosing. For online condolences, go to: [www.goldmanfc.com](http://www.goldmanfc.com).

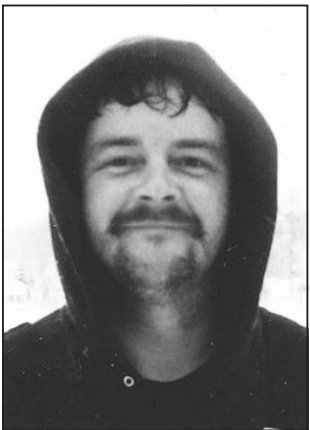
## Mark Emery

His youthful spirit and gentle nature will be greatly missed

Mark Emery passed away on December 1 at the age of 58 at Massachusetts General Hospital. Mark was raised in Revere and was a longtime resident of Winthrop.

Mark was a simple man who enjoyed the small things in life. He was an avid hockey fan, lifelong fisherman and would never pass up a camping trip. Mark, who is survived by his daughter, Leigha, was a devoted and loving father who always went the extra mile. His youthful spirit and gentle nature will be greatly missed.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the visitation from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Friday, Decem-



ber 9 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. followed by a funeral service in the funeral home at 12 Noon. Services will conclude with the interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

For directions or to sign the online guestbook, go to [www.caggianofuneral-home.com](http://www.caggianofuneral-home.com).

## Richard William Nastari

Former Winthrop Auxiliary Police Lieutenant

Richard William Nastari of Winthrop, formerly of Revere and East Boston, passed away on December 6.

Richard was a former LT. of Winthrop Auxiliary Police. He was a retired ADS of the Suffolk House of Corrections and also a retired chief engineer of the Logan Hilton Hotel. He will be missed by many.

The beloved husband for 25 years of Gloria (Mower) Nastari, he was the devoted father of Douglas Boudrow, dear brother of Lisa Ruscio and the late Jim of New Hampshire and Doreen Nastari of Belmont and cherished uncle of Steven Ruscio.

Family and friends will honor Richard's life by gathering at the Ruggiero



Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, Orient Heights, East Boston on Friday, December 9 from 9 to 11 a.m. A prayer service will take place in our serenity chapel at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with Richard being laid to rest in Winthrop Cemetery, Belle Isle Section. To leave an online condolence visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com).

# National Grid recommends home prep ahead of winter

Staff Report

With colder weather and storm season approaching, including the likelihood of rain and strong winds later today, National Grid is encouraging customers to proactively prepare their homes and businesses for the weeks and months ahead.

Every day, National Grid works to ensure that customers receive the safest and most reliable energy service possible. National Grid has secured sufficient natural gas sup-

plies to keep customers warm this winter, and is continuously inspecting, investing in, and upgrading critical infrastructure, performing vegetation management services to keep power lines clear of obstructions, and preparing our crews to respond to major weather events.

In 2021, National Grid made more than \$800 million in infrastructure and related investments across Massachusetts, including work that upgraded and secured critical facilities that help power and heat homes and businesses. These investments along with other efforts have resulted in National Grid having strong system performance so far in 2022, with our electric network operating at 99.995 availability -- a nearly 7 percent improvement over 2021 -- providing customers with reliable electric service day-in and day-out.

"As we head into the late fall and begin winter, the chance for inclem-

ent weather to potentially impact our customers in Massachusetts is greatly increased," said Tanya Moniz-Witten, Vice President of New England Electric Operations. "Ahead of storm season, we recommend all our customers make sure they are prepared in case of outages in their area. National Grid takes steps throughout the year to make our system more resilient, but major storms can cause significant damage. In the event of a power outage, our crews and support teams will be ready and work-

ing for as long as needed to safely restore service as quickly as possible."

Winter will also mean higher electric and gas bills. National Grid recognizes increased bills will pose challenges for many customers. In September, the company launched its Winter Customer Savings Initiative, which is designed to help customers reduce their energy use and lower energy costs, manage their energy bills and payments, and help them secure available energy assistance if they need it. More information

about the initiative can be found at [ngrid.com/here-to-help](http://ngrid.com/here-to-help).

Before inclement weather brings challenges to the region, National Grid is offering customers the following tips and reminders:

### Stay Safe:

- People who depend on electric-powered life support equipment, such as a respirator, should let National Grid know. To register as a life support customer, call the company's Customer Service Center at 1-800-322-3223.

### Prepare your home:

- Customers with generators are encouraged to conduct regular maintenance checks to ensure the generator is operating safely.
- If applicable, schedule a home's furnace tune-up to ensure it is in proper working order, and ensure it and any water heaters are properly vented.
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and change the batteries every year.
- Remove dead or rot-

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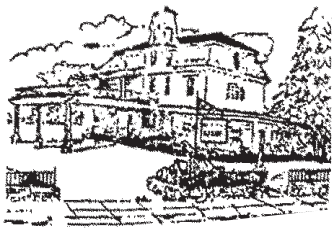
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# Edwards secures over \$170,000 for Winthrop in State Budget; \$2 million in state funding for region

Special to the Transcript

In her first year in office, Senator Lydia Edwards worked with her colleagues in the House, & with Senate leadership to secure over \$2 million of funding for housing support programs, open space, homelessness response & prevention, public safety, and legal services. "This year I

was proud to secure over \$2 Million for important community projects across the First Suffolk & Middlesex District. This year the Commonwealth has a massive infusion of federal funds from ARPA & COVID relief, and increased tax revenue. We must take full advantage of this surplus and reinvest in our communities" said Senator Lydia Ed-

wards (D-Boston).

Regional

This session Sen. Edwards has secured over \$1 Million in direct funding for water transportation. \$1 Million to fund regional a ferry service connecting Winthrop, Lynn, Quincy, East Boston and Boston as mitigation resulting from the renovation of the Boston Harbor Tunnels.

"This session I have worked with a bipartisan group of my Senate colleagues, and Senate leadership to secure millions of dollars of funding for ferry programs across our district. A robust ferry system is more important than ever, as we recover from the pandemic, with Summer Tunnel construction, the housing crunch,

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## FY 23 Budget Earmarks

**Friends of the Belle Isle** \$50,000 shall be expended to the Friends of the Belle Isle Marsh, for the implementation of their environmental preservation programs. Regional

**Revere Police Department** \$10,000 shall be expended to Police Department in the City of Revere Revere

**Pine Street Inn** \$20K for staffing support for a safe haven housing for women who are homeless and have mental health issued in the City of Boston. Boston

**2022 International Sand Sculpting Festival** 50K awarded to provide public safety support for 2022 International Sand Sculpting festival. Revere

**Women Encouraging Empowerment** 50K expended for the operation of Women Encouraging Empowerment. Revere

**Cambridge HEART** \$10,000 shall be expended to Cambridge HEART. for the implementation of their program to address the root causes of harm, violence, and injustice in the City of Cambridge Cambridge

**The Brazilian Worker Center** \$50,000 shall be expended to the Brazilian Worker Center in the City of Boston, for the implementation and operations their programs Boston

**NAACP Cambridge** \$10,000 shall be expended to the NAACP Cambridge Branch. for the continued implementation of their programs Cambridge

**East Boston Latino Festival** \$50,000 shall be expended to ZUMIX, Inc. in the City of Boston for the organization of the East Boston Latino Festival in the summer of 2022East Boston

**Cambridge Workforce** \$15,000 shall be expended to the Cambridge Workforce; for the implementation and operations of their programs Cambridge

**Popportunity** \$10,000 shall be expended to Popportunity; for the implementation and operation of their programs Cambridge

**Substance Use Disorder & Homeless Initiatives SUDHI** It allocates \$50,000 for the Substance Use Disorder & Homeless Initiatives Office in the city of Revere. Revere

**CASA, Winthrop** \$20K expended for Community Against Substance Abuse, in the town of Win-

throp. Winthrop

**The Possible Zone** \$200,000 shall be expended to The Possible Zone to support at-risk students experiencing learning loss that needs credit recovery, early college credit, internships, job training and community supports. Boston

**Courageous Sailing** \$12,500 shall be expended for the Courageous Sailing program Boston

**East Boston High School** \$50,000 shall be expended to the East Boston High School, for the implementation of the BAM Youth Guidance program. East Boston

**Water Transportation Services in Mitigation of Harbor Tunnel Renovation Project** \$1M for the operation of a water ferry connecting the Town of Winthrop, the City of Lynn, the City of Quincy, East Boston and Boston as mitigation resulting from the renovation of the Boston Harbor Tunnels. Winthrop

## Economic Development Earmarks

**Free Green Space and Outdoor Entertainment at the Hugh O'Donnell Elementary School**

\$200,000 for Hugh R. O'Donnell elementary school in the East Boston section of the city of Boston for playground and outdoor space improvements and free concerts in partnership with the Boston Landmarks Orchestra"; East Boston

**Encourage Economic Growth and Home Ownership in Areas Facing Rapid Displacement**

\$200,000 for Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations for outreach, resource creation and pilot programs to encourage fiscally sound, innovative methods to stop the displacement of small businesses and tenants. Boston/Regional

**Winthrop Weekend Ferry Service** \$150,000 for the operation of weekend ferry services in the city known as the town of Winthrop" Winthrop/Regional

**Funding to Eradicate Racial Discrimination in Housing** \$100,000 to Citizens' Housing and Planning Association, Inc. to support programming to eradicate racial discrimination in housing in the commonwealth. Regional

**Revere Fire Fund** \$350K to Greater Boston Legal Services to administer a fire fund for victims of the 370 Ocean Ave Fire in Revere Revere

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# Winthrop Senior Center News

35 Harvard Street, Winthrop, MA 02152

Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9am-3p.m. / Friday: 9am-1p.m.

Website: town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging

Email: COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us

Phone: 617-846-8538

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, December 8

9:30am: Exercise  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
12:15pm: Bingo

## Friday, December 9

10:00am: Ceramics  
10:00am: Line Dancing  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

## Monday, December 12

9:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch  
11:30am: Game Day/ Mahjong  
12:30pm: Art with Dawn  
1:00pm: Creative Writing with Gerard

## Tuesday, December 13

9:30am: Exercise  
10:00am: Spanish Class  
10:30am: Focus Group – Creating a Zero Carbon Action Plan

11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

## Wednesday, December 14

9:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
9:30am: Friends of WCOA  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
11:00am: Zumba with Cindy  
1:00pm: SHINE Counseling (appointment required)  
1:15pm: Italian Class

**Grab and Go Lunches** 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 at the Senior Center. 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 – Thursday from 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.

**Food Drive to Support** the Winthrop Community Food Pantry. The Council on Aging will be holding a food drive in support of the Winthrop Community Food Pantry during the months of November and December. Nonperishable items can be dropped off at the Senior Center during our regular hours.

Accepted items include, but are not limited to: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Pasta Sauce, Canned Tuna Fish, Soup, Personal items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant & shampoo), House-hold items (laundry detergent, liquid dish soap, paper towels, trash bags, sandwich bags). Thank you for your support!

## Upcoming Events

Sign Up Now  
**Apple Pie Giveaway.** The Council on Aging will be giving away a limited

number of apple pies again this holiday season. To request a pie, call us at 617-846-8538. Pies can be picked up at the Senior Center on Tuesday, December 20 between 10am-1pm. \*Limit of 1 pie per household

**Dennis’ Holiday Light Tour Van Trip & Dinner** at D’Parmas. Thursday, December 15. \$10 (cash or check; make checks payable to “Town of Winthrop”); dinner on your own. The van will pick you up from your home between 3:30pm and 4:00pm, and drive you to D’Parmas, where you can enjoy dinner before viewing the area’s holiday light displays. Please note that dinner is not included in the cost of the trip. Van trips are limited to 8 people. Sign up at the Senior Center. Only a few seats remain available.

## 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.

**Bowling:** Tuesdays at 10am at the Winthrop Elks.

**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 12p-3pm. Appointments are required; to schedule, please stop by the Senior Center or call us at 617-846-8538.

**Technology Class:** Volunteers will be available from 10am-12pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month to help you with any tech support you need. Bring your laptops, smartphones, or tablets, along with your questions. To register, call the Senior Center.

## Senior Center Trips

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

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

Cost: \$118. Make checks payable to: All Around New England.

\*All Around New England requires all trip participants to have had the COVID-19 vaccine to travel with them.

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and issues with the MBTA. Moreover, rising housing costs in Boston are pushing people and families to look for housing further from the urban hub, we must have effective transit options for people moving to the North and South shores.” said Senator Lydia Edwards (D-Boston). In the budget, Senator Edwards also secured \$50,000 for the Brazilian Worker Center, which works to protect the rights of Brazilian immigrants, and domestic workers, and \$50,000 for the Friends of the Belle Isle Marsh, and \$200,000 for the Possible Zone which offers programming to youth that builds entrepreneurial skills. In the Economic Development bill Senator Edwards secured \$100,000 for Citizens’ Housing and Planning Association, Inc. to support programming which combats racial discrimination in housing in the Commonwealth.

The Senator also secured \$200,000 for Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations for outreach, resource creation and pilot programs to encourage fiscally sound, innovative methods to stop the displacement of small businesses and tenants. East Boston Sen. Edwards also secured an additional \$200,000 for the Hugh O’Donnell Elementary School for a playground, and outdoor space improvements, space for free concerts in the Economic Development Bill. In the FY23 Budget the Senator secured \$50,000 for East Boston High School’s implementation of their BAM Youth Guidance Program. Winthrop In the Economic Development Bill, the Senator secured \$150k to fund Winthrop Ferry Service on Weekends. The Senator also secured

\$20,000 for Community Against Substance Abuse, which provides free programming for youth in Winthrop in the FY23 Budget. Revere In the budget the Senator secured \$10,000 for the Revere Police Department, \$50,000 for the annual International Sand Sculpting Festival, \$50,000 Revere’s Department on Substance Use Disorder & Homeless Initiatives, \$50,000 for Women Encouraging Empowerment. In the Economic Development Bill, Senator Edwards secured \$350,000 Fire Fund for the victims of the fire at 370 Ocean Ave in Revere. Cambridge Additionally, the Senator secured \$10,000 for Cambridge HEART, \$10,000 for the Cambridge NAACP, \$15,000 for Cambridge Workforce, and \$10,000 for Popportunity.



PHOTO BY JIYANG CHEN

Bass-baritone Ryan McKinny will star as Béla Bartók in the upcoming “Bluebeard’s Castle.”



PHOTO BY LEIGH WEBBER

Tenor Jamez McCorkle stars as the title character, Omar, in the upcoming performances of “Omar.”

## Boston Lyric Opera to present a new production of Bluebeard’s Castle from director Anne Bogart

Special to the Journal

Casting and production announcements for Boston Lyric Opera’s spring 2023 performances are being released today, including performers in BLO’s premiere production of Bluebeard’s Castle/ Four Songs in March 2023 and the New England premiere of Rhiannon Giddens and Michael Abels’ new opera, Omar in May 2023. Public tickets for both performances are on sale December 1.

### BLUEBEARD’S CASTLE/FOUR SONGS

Bass-baritone Ryan McKinny) stars as the fictional, fairytale character Bluebeard in Béla Bartók’s one-act psychological thriller Bluebeard’s Castle that will be paired with the dramatic song cycle Four Songs (Vier Lieder) by composer Alma Mahler (wife of Gustav). The highly anticipated production is directed by Anne Bogart, whose 2019 version of The Handmaid’s Tale for BLO received universal acclaim and was one of BLO’s best-selling shows. Naomi Louisa O’Connell sings the role of Judith, the bride who realizes she’s gotten herself into a much different post-nuptial situation than she envisioned. O’Connell also performs Mahler’s “Four Songs.” BLO Music Director David Angus conducts. Bluebeard’s Castle/Four Songs will

play March 22-26, 2023 in an immersive, multi-genre experience that includes a salon-like atmosphere, dance and more installed at The Terminal @ Flynn Cruiseport in South Boston.

A full list of the Bluebeard’s Castle/Four Songs artistic and production team is available at <https://blo.org/bluebeard/>.

### OMAR

Tenor Jamez McCorkle stars in Omar, the title role he premiered at the Spoleto Festival last spring and brought to LA Opera this fall. Omar is the story of Omar Ibn Said, a prominent scholar of the Islamic faith and many other subjects, who was born to a wealthy West African family. Enslaved in South Carolina at 37 years old, Ibn Said escaped his first place of enslavement and headed to North Carolina where he lived as a slave until his death in 1864. His is the only known autobiographical essay written in Arabic by a Muslim man enslaved in America.

Grammy winner Rhiannon Giddens wrote the libretto and composed the music in partnership with film and orchestral composer Michael Abels for a production conceived by Kaneza Schaal. Classical Voice San Francisco called the production “a profoundly moving spectacle,” and lauded McCorkle’s performance as “a career-defining role.” Michael Ellis Ingram conducts the BLO Orchestra and Chorus.

Additional casting announced for Omar includes Cierra Byrd in the role of Fatima, Omar’s Mother and Daniel Okulitch playing the dual roles of enslavers James Owen / Johnson. BLO Emerging Artists (current and alumni) in principal roles include: Neal Ferreira as Auctioneer / Taylor; Emma Sorenson as Eliza, Little Daughter; Nicholas LaGesse as Abdul, Omar’s Brother / Abe; and Fred C. VanNess Jr. as Amadou-Renty. Catherine Daniel plays Katie Ellen/ The Caller. Omar plays May 4-7, 2023 at the Emerson Cutler Majestic Theater.

Additional casting for Omar and a list of the original production creative team is available at <http://www.blo.org/omar>.

Omar is co-commissioned by Spoleto Festival USA, Carolina Performing Arts, L.A. Opera, Boston Lyric Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago and San Francisco Opera. It is inspired by Dr. Ala Alryyes’s translation of Omar Ibn Said’s autobiography in his book A Muslim American Slave: The Life of Omar Ibn Said.

Individual tickets for BLO’s Spring 2023 performances of Bluebeard’s Castle/Four Songs and Omar are on sale December 1. Two-show subscriptions, also available now, offer a 10% discount over individual tickets.

Subscriptions and individual tickets can be purchased online at [blo.org](http://blo.org), by phone at 617.542.6772 or by email at [boxoffice@blo.org](mailto:boxoffice@blo.org).

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held an important hearing at the request of Revere residents to consider the opening of the Belle Isle inlet to navigation by construction of two culverts and two bridges over the waterway. The first in a series of evening entertainments arranged by the scholarship committee of the Winthrop Woman’s Club will be held January 13.

### 120 years ago December 19, 1902

The Republican Town Committee has filed with the Secretary of State and the Town Clerk an accounting of its receipts

and expenditures during the recent campaign. Printing expenses were \$35.09; teams at caucuses and elections, \$18.00; clerical work before the election, \$10.00; checking off of names at the election, \$5.00; and dinner, \$16.02. Total receipts were \$148.10, leaving a balance after expenditures of \$45.06. Town Treasurer George A. Foxcroft is the proud recipient of a medal from the Commonwealth in honor of his service with the Mass. Volunteer Militia, which was called to arms by President Lincoln on April 15, 1861. Some young ladies

at the high school have formed a local branch of the state Floral Emblem Club.

### 130 years ago December 17, 1892

Uncle Sam has his eye on eight lots of land on Grover Cliff which he wishes to utilize for coastal defenses. Condemnation proceedings to secure the land have begun in U.S. District Court.

Winthrop is listed as the third fastest-growing community in the state, one of only five, the others being Brockton, Revere, Everett, and Amesbury, to have doubled its population from 1880 to 1890.

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ting branches on trees. • Schedule a free Mass Save home energy assessment to learn ways to reduce winter energy use. Call 888-774-3167 to schedule an appointment.

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- Food – at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food, plus a can opener.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio.

- Flashlight and extra batteries.
- First-aid kit.
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation.
- Personal hygiene supplies.
- Extra cash.
- Cell phone with chargers.

### Prepare a winter emergency kit in the event of a major storm



WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL HOSTS COUNTRY FAIR

Photos by Marianne Salza

Hundreds of family and friends attend-  
ed the Winthrop High School (WHS)

Junior Class Country Fair for the opportunity to win 300 raffle baskets on November 17, at Saint Michael the Archangel Parish hall.



Class Officers: Reese Brodin, Sage Calinda, Kaylee Farrell, Hannah Parker, and Shannon Abbot.



Julia, Patrick, and Sloane Morris, and Maya Murray.



Ashley, Brady, and Joey Vianchino.



Kaden and Genie Karge with Pat Lopez.



Debby Consoli, Denise Larkin, Chris Devine, and Paula Ronan.



Charlotte Flynn and Ginger Cross.



Gianna and Matthew proudly displaying their uncle's raffle.



Class Advisors: Doreen Araujo and Koren Brodin.



Sharon Sicurella, Amy Wheeler, and Jill Petersen.



Kate Brodin, Siena Furfaro, Jeanne Holgersen, Rachel Gonzalez, Stephanie Furfaro, and Tanji Cifuni.



Jenny Cimino, Wendy Walsh, Maria Cimino, Danielle Reardon, and Roseann Spinale.

Public program honors Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day at Charlestown Navy Yard

Special to the Journal

National Parks of Boston hosted a commemorative service and a wreath-laying ceremony at the USS Constitution Museum and on the World War II-era destroyer USS Cassin Young to remember and honor those who perished in the attack on the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The free three-part public program on Wednesday, December 7, was held in Charlestown Navy Yard, followed by an outdoor ceremony beside USS Cassin Young, and a return to the Museum for refreshments, generously sponsored by the Mayor's Office of Veterans' Services.

Participating in the ceremony was National Parks of Boston Superintendent Michael Creasey, USS Constitution Museum President & CEO Anne Grimes Rand, USS Constitution Commander Billie J. Farrell, USN, Massachusetts Secretary of Veterans Affairs Cheryl Poppe, Boston Commissioner of Veterans'

Services Robert Santiago, and other special guests including Kay Van Valkenburgh, great grandson of Captain Franklin Van Valkenburgh of USS Arizona. The program will include the USN Color Guard and rifle and cannon salutes from both Cassin Young and Constitution. The public will also be invited to participate in the Museum's "50,000 Letters of Gratitude" initiative to send letters of appreciation to veterans, active service members, and their families.

USS Cassin Young was named for U.S. Navy Commander Cassin Young, recipient of the Medal of Honor for his distinguished and heroic actions during the attack on Pearl Harbor, which initiated the United States' entry into World War II. As commanding officer of USS Vestal, which was moored to USS Arizona, Comdr. Young took personal command of his ship's three-inch anti-aircraft gun at the beginning of the attack. When the forward magazine of Arizona was hit, Cmdr. Young

was thrown overboard and incredibly swam back to his ship amidst burning oil on the water between the two ships. Despite the subsequent bombing of Vestal, Comdr. Young moved his ship away from Arizona to save the ship and countless lives.

Cassin Young has similarly served the country with distinction. It was built in San Pedro, California, typical of the many Fletcher-class destroyers constructed in the Charlestown Navy Yard during World War II. The ship was commissioned at the end of 1943 and first saw action in the Pacific Theatre in 1944. It took part in the landings in the Philippines, rescued survivors from the stricken carrier USS Princeton, screened the American force that sank four Japanese carriers in the battle of Cape Engano, and survived two separate kamikaze hits, one of which killed 21 crew members. No stranger to Charlestown, the ship was recalled to service in 1951 and underwent modernization at the shipyard on several occasions

during the next decade before finally hauling down her commissioning pennant in 1960.

"It is fitting that we remember this day aside Cassin Young at Charlestown Navy Yard, one of the first of six Navy Yards in the country," said National Parks of Boston Superintendent Michael Creasey. "Today, the National Park Service protects the Cassin Young and provides a home base for USS Constitution, to honor the service people of the United States Navy past and present, and provide current and future generations the opportunity to forge meaningful connections to these national treasures and iconic cornerstones of the American story."

The National Parks of Boston is a collection of three National Park Service sites – Boston National Historical Park, Boston African American National Historic Site, and Boston Harbor Islands National and State Park. Established by individual legislation and for designated purposes, the three

units have come together under a unified organizational umbrella to collaborate in ways that celebrate our cultural heritage, reconnect people to history and nature, and provide outdoor recreation opportunities on land and on the water. For more information, visit: [nps.gov/bost](https://nps.gov/bost), [nps.gov/boaf](https://nps.gov/boaf), and [boston-harborislands.org](https://boston-harborislands.org).

The USS Constitution Museum serves as the memory and educational voice of USS Constitution by offering award-winning exhibits where all ages can have fun while learning and exploring history together. The Museum's mission is to engage visitors in the story of Constitution to spark excitement about maritime heritage, naval service, and the American experience. The Museum is open seven days a week with a pay-what-you-wish admission policy, and the Virtual Museum is open 24/7. The USS Constitution Museum is a 2022 winner in USA Today's 10Best Readers' Choice in the "Best History Museum" category and Boston

Parents Paper's Family Favorites in the "Historic Sites & Tours" and "Museums & Attractions" categories. For more information, visit [usscm.org](https://usscm.org).

USS Constitution, America's Ship of State, is the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat and played a crucial role in the Barbary Wars and the War of 1812, actively defending sea lanes from 1797 to 1855. USS Constitution was undefeated in battle and destroyed or captured 33 opponents. The ship earned the nickname of Old Ironsides during the War of 1812 when British cannonballs were seen bouncing off the ship's wooden hull. The active-duty Sailors stationed aboard USS Constitution provide free tours and offer public visitation as they support the ship's mission of promoting the Navy's history and maritime heritage and raising awareness of the importance of a sustained naval presence. For information, visit [www.navy.mil/uss-constitution/](https://www.navy.mil/uss-constitution/).







ST. JOHN’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH SNOWFLAKE FAIR

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

Homemade chocolate chip cookies, lobster rolls, and Christmas wreaths were crowd pleasers during Saint John’s Episcopal Church Snowflake Fair.

On December 3, families shopped for crocheted hats and cozy, knit blankets. There was an enormous display of jewelry, as well as tree ornaments, and decorations for the home.



Star Richards, 2-years-old.



Danielle Norcross with her 2-year-old twins, Lilly and Luke.



Carol Belcher with David and Danielle Norcross working in the kitchen.



Kathy, Traci, and Tiger Nelson.



Father Walter Connelly speaking with parishioners while they enjoyed lunch.



Brittany and Jackie McGrail sold homemade baked goods.



Frank Costantino and his granddaughter, Carol Rose Costantino.



Ruth Ashton and Mary Mitchell selling Christmas ornaments.



Danny Dalo and his sister, Patty Nicholson.

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