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FUEL ASSISTANCE BENEFIT LEVELS INCREASED TO \$2,200

At the urging of ABCD and other Community Action Agencies, more LIHEAP funding is now available to people in need this winter. The maximum benefit level has been increased to \$2,200, from \$1,600 which will help struggling families, individuals and elders to make it through the harsh winter season. ABCD continues to accept new applications for Fuel Assistance and encourages everyone to explore the potential for assistance.

Residents are urged to see if they meet the guidelines for the increased benefit. The program will run through April 30, 2030.

Residents of Boston, Brookline or Newton can apply by calling at 617-357-6012. Residents of Malden, Medford, Ever-

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WINTHROP LODGE OF ELKS HOST CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE KIDS



Children of the Winthrop Elks members gear up for present time at the Winthrop Lodge of Elks Christmas Party and Santa has a list of all the names. See more photos on Page 13.

Fire Department awarded grant for funding for safety equipment

Staff Report

Chief Scott Wiley is pleased to announce that the Winthrop Fire Department is one of over 300 fire departments across the

state to have been awarded a grant as part of the Department of Fire Services Fiscal Year 2023 Fire-fighter Safety Equipment Grant Program.

The \$12,840.79 grant awarded to the Winthrop Fire Department will be used to purchase personal protective equipment and

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Police department moving forward with body camera program

By Adam Swift

Police body cameras will benefit the community and the department, according to Police Chief Terence Delehanty.

The town and the police department are looking to move forward with a five-year lease for police body cameras and associated software with Arizona-based Axon.

Tuesday night, the Town Council met with a representative from Axon and Delehanty about the services provided by the company.

The police department has an \$84,000 grant that would pay for the cameras and first year of the lease, according to Delehanty. Future years of the lease would be budgeted as a capital item, he said.

While not a state or federal requirement at this time, Delehanty said moving forward with police-worn body cameras makes sense, as it will increase transparency, and will likely be a requirement in the near future under police reform.

"It is certainly in the

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best practices of policing nowadays for transparency and accountability that people wanted to see after the George Floyd death," said the chief. "That's what brought us here, and that was at the crux of police reform, although that happened many miles away from us, it still affected us. Talking to the town manager when he came in, there was an opportunity for a grant, and we said if we can get the grant, we will go full steam ahead with this process."

A body camera policy is currently being negotiated with the police unions, Delehanty added.

"We have looked at the final recommendations that the body-worn camera commission that was set up through police reform has just reported back on August 2 of this year," said

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Santa Claus is coming to Town

Santa will be arriving in Winthrop on Saturday evening, Christmas Eve and touring the Town with the help of Winthrop Fire-fighters Local 1070.

The following is the approximate schedule of the parade:

4:30PM: Start at Deer Island to Tafts: Tafts to

Elliot: left on Elliot to Church Square: left on Shirley to Triton: down Triton to Bay View: Bay View to Shirley: left on Shirley to Crystal Cove: Crystal Cove to Park: left on Park to Beacon: right on Beacon to Beacon Cir-

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Council votes to maintain uniform property tax rate

By Adam Swift

As has been the case in past years, the Town Council voted to accept a uniform tax rate for residential and commercial property Tuesday night.

With the uniform rate, Interim Assessor Patrick Harring said the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2023 should come in at \$10.70

per \$1,000 of valuation.

The average tax bill would go up about 2.25 percent, or a little over \$172 per year for a homeowner with a single-family house assessed at just over \$624,000.

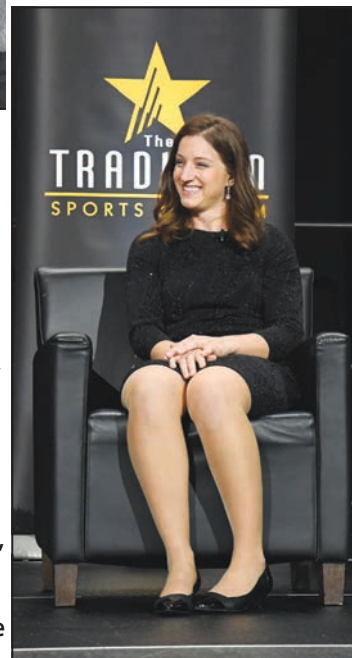
"The average single-family home in Fiscal Year '22 was \$554,013,

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WINTHROP'S JILLIAN DEMPSEY IS HONORED AT THE TRADITION



Boston Pride captain and former Harvard ice hockey star Jillian Dempsey of Winthrop received the Hockey Legacy Award at the Sports Museum's The Tradition, a gala celebration of Boston sports, that was held Dec. 6 at the TD Garden. Pictured above are the honorees, from left, Chante Bonds, Jillian Dempsey, Bill Rodgers, Lawyer Molloy, Johnny Damon, Mark Recchi, and M.L. Carr. In the photo right, Jillian Dempsey is interviewed on stage about her numerous achievements in high school, college, and professional women's hockey and being a positive role model for student-athletes. On receiving the award, Dempsey said, "It was such an incredible honor to receive the Hockey Legacy Award at The Tradition evening. I really enjoyed interacting with the other recipients: Johnny Damon, Mark Recchi, M.L. Carr, Lawyer Milloy, Bill Rodgers, and Chante Bonds. I am truly humbled to be in the company of some of Boston's greatest sports figures. It was even more special to have my family and teammates at the Garden supporting me during the ceremony."



The Independent Newspaper Group office will be **closed** on **Monday, Dec. 26** in observance of the Christmas holiday..

Deadlines for next week's issue will be **Friday, Dec. 23 at noon**

YES VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS

In 1897, Francis P. Church, an editorial writer for the New York Sun, received this letter from a little girl, and wrote the now-famous reply. It remains appropriate for this holiday season 107 years later.

Dear Editor,
I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If your see it in The Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus? Virginia O'Hanlon 115 West 95th St. New York, N.Y.

Dear Virginia,
Your Little Friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little.

In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus.

He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.

There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make

tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal life with which the childhood fills the world would be extinguished. Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove. Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is not a sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that is not proof that they are not there.

Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world. You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue

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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.

SUNDAY, DEC. 4

1854: Lieut. Crisafi notified the parents of two juveniles who had been fighting in the middle school parking lot to come pick up their children. Lieut. Crisafi filed a report.

MONDAY, DEC. 5

1309: A landscaping truck dropped gravel all over the road on Main St., causing a hazard. The company had its own sweeper come to clean it up.

1439: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle that was blocking a driveway on Woodside Ave. to move the vehicle.

1702: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

1736: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle that had been parked on Shirley St. for over a month to move his

vehicle.

1749: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance on Temple Ave. and restored the peace.

1833: A person came into the station to report a case of harassment. The officer filed a report.

2023: A Tewksbury St. resident who had taken a walk reported that a stray cat had followed her home. The cat was reunited with its owner.

2050: An officer responded to a call on Trident Ave. and restored the peace.

2114: An officer responded to a disturbance between roommates on Trident Ave. The officer spoke to both parties, who agreed to stay away from each other, and restored peace.

TUESDAY, DEC. 6

1148: An officer retrieved a hypodermic syringe that was in a barrel at the Pond St. playground and brought the needle back to the station for proper disposal.

1220: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Governor's Drive for the civil moving infraction of cutting off a funeral procession. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1521: An officer responded to a report of an assault on Pleasant Park

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Rd. and filed a report.

2014: An officer discovered a motor vehicle that had been reported as stolen out of Somerville in the 300 block of Shirley St. The vehicle was towed.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7

0029: An officer directed persons playing a TV loudly in their apartment on Pleasant St. to turn it down for the night.

1744: A resident came into the station to report a fraud involving a disability claim. The officer filed a report.

1923: An officer responded to a report of a motor vehicle that struck a utility pole at Veterans Rd. and Cutler St. and fled the scene. National Grid was called to assess and repair the damage.

2216: An officer issued a parking ticket to a motor vehicle blocking a driveway on Edward St.

2235: A dog that was found on Floyd St. without tags was taken to the Ocean View Kennels.

THURSDAY, DEC. 8

0758: A motor vehicle operator came to the station to report having struck another vehicle while driving his daughter to school. The officer filed an accident report.

0938: An officer provided traffic control at the scene of a fire on Veterans Rd.

1245: Officers and emergency personnel responded to a two-car motor vehicle (MV) accident in Metcalf Square. One of the operators was transported to the MGH and one MV was towed. The officer filed accident and incident reports.

1759: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Beach Rd. for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights

after dark. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1831: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main St. and Amelia Ave. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator and advised the operator to be more cautious while driving.

1848: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Beach Rd. for the civil moving infractions of operating without headlights after dark and a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator for the headlight infraction, but issued a citation for the stop sign violation.

FRIDAY, DEC. 9

1115: A Nevada St. resident reported that her dog had escaped from the backyard. The dog was located and returned to its owner.

1321: A Hermon St. resident came into the station to report a broken lock on her shed. The officer filed a report.

1401: An officer directed the operators of five motor vehicles to move from the handicapped parking spots.

1428: A Somerset Ave. resident called the station to report that her parked motor vehicle (MV) had been struck by a work van and requested assistance with the exchange of papers. The officer who responded arrested the operator of the van, a 45 year-old Lynn man, on an outstanding warrant.

1830: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on River Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1855: A Summit Ave. resident came into the station to report vandalism and trespassing on his

property. The officer filed a report.

2036: A caller reported that a vehicle operating on Crest Ave. had struck a parked vehicle and fled the scene. The caller provided the plate number of the vehicle that left the scene. The officer spoke to the owner of the vehicle that had been struck and then located the second vehicle, which was parked in a driveway on Temple Ave. The office observed that this vehicle had damage consistent with the accident. The officer attempted to contact the owner of the second vehicle and filed a report.

SATURDAY, DEC. 10

1001: An officer responded to the 800 block of Shirley St. upon a report of a person going door-to-door. The officer spoke to the subject, who was selling carpeting, and advised him of the need to obtain a permit in order to engage in that activity.

1330: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1354: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1415: A Marshal St. resident reported that two dogs were running free in the area. The dogs were reunited with their owner prior to an officer's arrival.

1854: An officer issued parking tickets to eight vehicles that were parked on the No Parking side of Cliff Ave.

SUNDAY, DEC. 11

0012: An officer stopped a motor vehicle

on Main St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0014: An officer ordered a tow for a motor vehicle blocking a driveway on Pleasant St. The officer filed a report.

1026: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance on Kennedy Rd. and kept the peace.

1056: 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.

1109: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Woodside Ave. for the civil moving infraction of excessive window tint. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1129: 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.

1751: Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident at Pauline and Pleasant St. There were no injuries. The officer filed a report.

1757: Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Upland Rd. in which a passing vehicle struck a parked vehicle. There were no injuries. One of the vehicles struck the curb and popped a tire and required a tow. The officer filed a report.

1848: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Revere St. Both vehicles were towed. The officer noted that the accident was weather-related.

2240: An officer responded to a call from a Burrill Terrace resident who reported that her roommates were playing music loudly. The officer spoke to all of the parties and restored the peace.

VETERANS SERVICES HELPING OUT LOCAL VETS AND THEIR FAMILIES



Town of Winthrop Veterans Service Officer Phil Ronan (left) and veteran Jim Guilfoyle delivered turkeys to needy veterans' families that were donated by Delaware North. Anyone interested in donating to the Veterans Food Fund can call Phil at 617-846-3065.

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ballistic protection equipment.

The program provides local fire departments with a variety of equipment that makes the dangerous job of firefighting safer. This is the third year that funding has been awarded for this purpose as part of a five-year, \$25 million bond bill filed by the Baker-Polito Administration

to support firefighter safety and health in the coming years.

Fire departments in Massachusetts were able to apply to this program for 121 different types of eligible equipment, including ballistic protective clothing, thermal protective clothing, gear washers and dryers, thermal imaging cameras, assorted

hand tools and extrication equipment, communications resources, hazardous gas meters, fitness equipment and more.

"Every time a firefighter goes to work, they could be asked to rescue a child from a burning building, clean up a spill of hazardous materials, treat a patient with a contagious medical condition, or rush

into a hostile event to rescue and treat victims," said State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey. "This program is absolutely vital to helping fire departments prepare for the vast array of hazards they face today and making sure that firefighters go home safe after every call."

Body Cameras // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Delehanty. "The Senate has yet to take any action on those recommendations, but we are looking at those recommendations and trying to include as many of them as possible in our policy, because we know those will become law and will be required in our policy."

As for the Axon products themselves, the chief said there are a number of reasons to recommend the company, including product integration, the ability to quickly share video with other entities, such as the district attorney's office, and the ability to easily redact items from

videos.

Videos automatically upload to a cloud platform when they are placed in a docking station, and those docking stations also ensure the software for the cameras are updated. Delehanty said the cloud platform meets FBI cybersecurity standards.

The cameras are also automatically connected through a signal to officer tasers and firearms, so of-

ficers do not have to take time to turn the cameras on if they are in a situation where every second counts.

"I don't want officers thinking I have to turn this on before I draw my weapon," said Delehanty. "These seconds could cause someone their life. To have everything as automatic as possible removes human error."

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

SHEET PAN CHICKEN BREAST WITH FETA AND VEGETABLES

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 pounds boneless chicken breast cut into 1-inch cubes
- 12 ounces green bell peppers,

- halved lengthwise and seeded
- 1 medium white onion, quartered
- ½ cup Italian-style salad dressing
- 6 ounces crumbled feta cheese
- 2 teaspoons dried oregano

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). Lightly oil a sheet pan.

STEP 2: Spread out chicken, peppers, and onion across the sheet pan. Sprinkle with Italian dressing, feta cheese, and oregano; combine gently.

STEP 3: Bake in the preheated oven until chicken is no longer pink in the center and the juices run clear, 20 to 25 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center of a chicken breast should read at least 165 degrees F (74 degrees C).

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Officials remind residents about the importance of flu and COVID-19 vaccinations

Special to the Transcript

With flu season underway, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) is reminding residents of all ages to get vaccinated. Flu activity across the country is higher than usual so far this year. Residents can get both a flu shot and a COVID-19 booster in the same visit.

"This flu season, residents can protect themselves and their families by getting a flu vaccine even if they haven't gotten a vaccine in years past," said Public Health Commissioner Margaret Cooke. "It's easy to get your flu shot along with your COVID-19 booster if you're eligible for one, and both vaccines are widely available."

The flu can lead to serious illness, hospitalization, or death. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that there have already been 13 million cases, 120,000 hospitalizations, and 7,300 deaths due to flu this season. The most common symptoms of flu are fever, cough, and sore throat. Symptoms can also include body aches, headaches, chills, runny nose, and fatigue.

Flu vaccination is especially important for people who are at higher risk of severe disease which could result in hospitalization or death. People at higher risk include those who are over age 65 or under 2 years, and anyone with a chronic respiratory condition, heart disease,

a weakened immune system, or who is pregnant. Antiviral medications, such as Tamiflu, are available with a prescription to help reduce disease severity.

"Everyone over the age of 6 months is eligible for both the flu and COVID vaccines and can receive both vaccines at the same time. Spending time around more people increases the chances you will be exposed to one or more viruses," said Dr. Larry Madoff, Medical Director of DPH's Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences. "The current flu vaccine is a good match to the circulating strains and gives you the antibodies you need to help fight off infection."

COVID and flu vaccines are both widely available for everyone 6 months and older. Other actions that people can take to help prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses like the flu and COVID-19 include staying home when sick, keeping children home from daycare or school if sick, covering coughs and sneezes, and practicing good handwashing hygiene.

More information on how to find a flu and/or COVID-19 vaccine site near you can be found here. Information about influenza and COVID-19 is available by visiting mass.gov/influenza or mass.gov/covid19, calling your health care provider, local board of health, or DPH at (617) 983-6800.



The Winthrop Firefighters Local 1070 would like to thank the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Margaret Winthrop Rebekah Lodge 153 for their annual generous donation. Shown in the photo are Chief Scott Wiley and Union President Eric Cusack.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center hosts listening session

Special to the Transcript

On Thursday, December 15, East Boston Neighborhood Health was proud to host a listening session with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office for Civil Rights (OCR) Director Melanie Fontes Rainer on President Biden's Executive

Order on Securing Access to Reproductive and Other Healthcare Services. The meeting provided an opportunity for federal, state and local public health and community leaders, including Massachusetts State Representative Marjorie C. Decker, to discuss the essential role of federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) in increas-

ing access to reproductive health care, a critical part of advancing women's health equity.

EBNHC is a leading provider of care to women in our community, and this year alone, provided high-quality women's health care to more than 37,000 patients, 74% of whom are Hispanic and 83% of whom are a racial/

ethnic minority.

For more information about your Reproductive Health Rights in the U.S., visit here <https://reproductiverights.gov>. For more information about how the U.S. Department of Justice is working to protect access to reproductive health services under federal law, visit www.justice.gov/reproductive-rights.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) is one of the

nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community health center in Massachusetts, serving over 100,000 patients and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a Health Center Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has offered access to comprehensive care for the underserved populations of Chelsea, East Boston,

Revere, Winthrop, Everett and Boston's South End. EBNHC is dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families, and individuals by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services to all who live and work in our service area. For more information, please visit www.ebnhc.org.



Featured from left to right – Everett Handford, HHS Region 1, Regional Director; Susan Rhodes, Regional Manager, Office for Civil Rights (OCR); Assaad Jean Sayah, M.D. Cambridge Health Alliance; Greg Willmot, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), President & CEO; Melanie Fontes Rainer, OCR Director, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Rep. Marjorie C. Decker, MA. House of Representatives; Dr. Julio Mazul, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, EBNHC; Ernani DeAraujo, Chief Legal Officer, EBNHC; Dr. Jackie Fantes, Chief Medical Officer, EBNHC; Phil Johnston, CEO, Johnston & Associates.

School Comm. approves secretary unit contract

By Adam Swift

The School Committee approved a new three-year contract with the Winthrop Teachers Association's secretarial unit at its meeting on Monday.

The contract includes a 2 percent pay increase per year, as well as a number of increases in longevity pay and stipends for work that typically takes extra work hours.

"There were some language changes kind of cleaning up old language of the contract that needed to be renewed a little bit, such as the employee rosters and providing that information to the committee in a timely fashion," said Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard. "One item that is a new benefit is the holiday of Juneteenth, which is a federal holiday they are entitled to."

Longevity adjustments were another aspect of the contract that was adjusted, Howard said, with additional \$50 for step 10, 15, and 20 years in each of the three years of the contract.

Once a secretary has been with the schools for 25 years, their longevity pay will increase from \$1,600 to \$2,000.

A number of stipends, paid to either a single secretary at each school or divided among them, were also increased.

"The graduation stipend for Winthrop High School

was in there at \$1,000, and we've increased that to \$2,600," said Howard. "At the discretion of the principal that may be divided between multiple secretaries who are doing that work above and beyond the school day for graduation."

Similarly, the stipend for working on the Moving On ceremony at the middle school was increased from \$750 to \$1,000.

"A new benefit in the collective bargaining agreement revolves around student registration," the superintendent said. "The secretaries have taken on building registration, which is a change from the way registration used to be conducted when we had a single parent liaison doing the majority of that work."

There will now be a \$1,000 stipend per building to be decided by the principal. There will also be a \$500 per building stipend for those schools where residency needs to be reestablished at grades three, six, and nine.

"We also added a stipend that has been given for years but not recognized in the collective bargaining agreement, and that was the Medicaid stipend, which is \$1,600," said Howard. "It has been budgeted and paid in the past through a grant, but moving it into the collective bargaining agreement allows for retirement

benefits to be taken from that."

In addition to the two percent year salary increases, there will also be a minor market adjustment of \$500 for steps one through seven in the current school year, and an adjustment of \$700 for step eight.

In other business, Howard discussed the state's recent decision to allow a 14 percent increase in private school tuition next year and how it will impact the Winthrop budget for out-of-district special education costs.

"It's the largest increase in tuition for private special education schools in the Commonwealth in many, many years, and I can tell you that the superintendent group, as well as the PPS (pupil personnel services) directors group, has been extremely vocal with the state of Massachusetts about the shock of that sticker price," said Howard.

Howard said the impact is going to fall primarily on smaller school districts, such as Winthrop, as opposed to big city districts.

"A 14 percent increase on our total out of district tuition, separate from collaboratives, is going to be somewhat of a sticker shock, but we are preparing for that with our budget and the use of circuit breaker money in the future," said Howard.

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and that increased by about 12.8 percent," said Harring. "The average single-family bill last year was \$6,515.19. With the estimated tax rate that we are proposing tonight, that single-family tax bill would rise to \$6,687.30."

The average assessed value for a commercial or industrial property in the town for FY23 stands just short of \$820,000, an increase of 16 percent over FY22, according to Harring. The tax bill on that assessed value would be \$8,667, he said, an increase of around 6 percent.

This year, there were 267 residential properties, 21 commercial properties, and 191 personal properties that contributed to new growth.

"New growth is utilized

in calculating the levy from year to year, the amount to run the town," said Harring. "As you know, the increase of the levy is 21/2 percent plus the amount of growth. So the growth is an important amount that we calculate, and it's kind of average for this year, it's contributed \$236,683."

Harring said that there is not enough commercial development in the town to justify shifting a heavier burden of the tax rate on to commercial property owners wouldn't make much sense, since less than 7 percent of the town's property is commercial, and over 93 percent is residential property.

Legally, municipalities can vote to shift the tax burden onto commercial property by up to 150 percent.

According to the assessor's office, that maximum shift would result in only a 3 percent decrease in the tax bill for residential property owners, while commercial tax bills would increase by about 50 percent.

"The law does allow you to shift more on commercial, as high as 50 percent," said Harring. "The history of the differential tax rate over the years, Winthrop has historically maintained a single tax rate. Shifting the rate on to the commercial, industrial personal property would create a greater tax burden on those properties while the residential properties would only benefit from a small savings, mainly because Winthrop is comprised of residential property at 93.8 percent."

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Coleman, Natalie	Crystal Cv Apartments In	600 Shirley St #15	\$319,000

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SUN TRANSCRIPT

OUR Opinions

MERRY CHRISTMAS

This is the most wonderful time of the year, to paraphrase the popular song, with holiday music playing in the malls and on our car radios, resurrecting our earliest childhood memories of Christmases-past.

We choose just the right tree, decorate it carefully with our family-heirloom ornaments, and when we first turn on the lights, it brings a smile to the faces of even the oldest among us.

Despite the hectic rushing to and fro', everybody, it seems, is in a good mood. We endure the traffic and the long lines in stores because we know that what we are doing will bring joy and happiness to others.

For those of us with young children, we get to see Christmas through their eyes, giving us a second-chance to experience the wonder and joy that we felt when we were their age.

Although all of us celebrate the holiday season in our own way, the common thread is one of peace, joy, and happiness, regardless of religious or secular beliefs. Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or a Seinfeldian Festivus, the spirit of the season imbues us with a sense of togetherness that transcends whatever negativity may exist both in our own lives and in the world around us.

We wish all of our readers a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

ANOTHER TESTAMENT TO BOB DELEO'S LEGACY

We were in attendance last Wednesday afternoon at the Chelsea Soldiers Home for the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Community Living Center that will provide 154 residence rooms for our veterans. The \$199 million project will serve as a model throughout the country for dignified, long-term veteran care.

Among the many dignitaries on hand was Governor Charlie Baker. During his brief, off-the-cuff remarks, the governor specifically noted, "This building could not have happened without the support of former House Speaker Bob DeLeo, for whom this was a 'passion project' -- and when the Speaker of the House gets behind something that strongly, then things get done."

We were struck by the governor's heartfelt words to recognize the significant contribution that Bob DeLeo made to this immense undertaking -- the project had been in limbo until Bob's push finally got it off the ground -- that will benefit our veterans for years to come.

It also occurred to us that this is one of the countless number of projects across our state that directly are attributable to the hard work and dedication of Bob DeLeo during his tenure as the Speaker of the Mass. House -- a legacy that will have left a lasting imprint upon our state that will prove of benefit to residents of Massachusetts for generations to come.

A GREAT WORLD CUP

We don't claim to be big soccer fans, but even we were caught up in the excitement and the drama of the World Cup, which reached its climax this past Sunday with the exciting and dramatic victory by Argentina in a shoot-out over defending champion France.

As long-time Boston sports rooters, we know of the passion that we and our fellow fans have for our local teams. But our enthusiasm does not even come close to that of World Cup fandom for their heroes.

The raw emotion among the fans in the stands, their raucous celebrations in the streets back home, and the individual stories of fans who traveled thousands of miles (and who spent their life savings) just to be on hand were epic.

Moreover, it was a World Cup for everyone, including the U.S., which qualified for the cup for the first time in eight years and made it through the knockout round, but especially for the fans of underdog Morocco, which became the first team from Africa and the Arab world to reach the semifinals of the World Cup.

At a time when there is so much misery and conflict in our world, the World Cup brought nations together as no other event can and we were happy to join in the world-wide celebration and joy that it brought over the past few weeks.

We'll be looking forward to the 2026 World Cup, which will be hosted in venues across No. America in Mexico, Canada, and the U.S.

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GUEST OP-ED

Light and Strength for Christmas

ing? Do you have a place to sleep? Do you have a comfortable bed? Is your house or apartment warm and comfortable? Do you know you will have food to eat on Christmas day? Do you have a television to watch? Do you have a telephone? Do you have a few dollars in your pocket?

I'm very aware there are millions of Americans who are below the financial income poverty level. They have it tough. Our cities are filled with growing numbers of homeless populations. People are sleeping under bridges, overpasses and on riverbanks. Too many of these have met with unfortunate circumstances in life due to bad choices, addictions, unemployment, mental illness, and family issues. The list is never-ending. This doesn't make their lives any easier. Just because there is a reason for the problems doesn't make their burdens light-

er or unnoticeable. Their reality is still harsh and painful.

Millions more immigrants are coming to America. Where will they sleep? Where will they work? Many of them will work for \$8 an hour and work hard but many of them will be homeless or stranded in homeless shelters on government dependence for a long time. Would any of us want to trade places with them? I don't think so.

Whatever darkness you are facing this Christmas is your reality. Seeing the hurts of others doesn't make your troubles go away. However, if you can be thankful for the life you have, then maybe Christmas will take on a whole new light.

Look to the most special gift of all this Christmas -- the baby in the manger. Shepherds raced to see the baby just as the angels said they would. Wise men came from the

east and worshipped him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Mary and Joseph did the best they could as peasant parents of a new baby boy.

Keep the scripture of Isaiah 9:6 handy this Christmas. "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

May His peace comfort your heart and be your light and strength through this season and every day to come.

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NatGrid prepares for winter storm to impact state

Staff Report

National Grid is preparing for a winter storm to potentially impact Massachusetts Thursday night through early Saturday morning, bringing a wintry mix of snow and rain along with strong winds into the region.

National Grid is preparing for this storm by securing more than 300 field-based crews and about 1,000 personnel as part of the company's emergency response operations. This includes overhead line, forestry, contractors, underground, damage assessment, wires down, transmission, and substation workers.

The company has been preparing for the storm for several days, and is continuing to monitor the weather, communicating with local officials, first responders, and life support customers.

The Company offers the following tips and reminders:

Customers Should Stay Connected:

- Report power outages at www.nationalgridus.com or call 1-800-465-1212.
- Use your mobile device to track outage information and storm-related safety tips through National Grid's mobile site accessible at www.ngrid.com/mobile.

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Customers should stay connected for updates

- Track outages and estimated restoration times at www.nationalgridus.com/outage-central
- To stay connected during storms and outages, text to 64743 using any of the below commands.

- o REG to sign up for text alerts
- o OUT to report an outage
- o SUM followed by your town, county, or state to get a summary of outages in your area
- o HELP for the full list of commands

Stay safe:

- Never touch downed power lines, and always assume that any fallen lines are live electric wires. If you see one, report it immediately to National Grid or your local emergency response organization.

Power problems can sometimes interrupt public water supply systems or disable well pumps, so

it's an especially good idea to keep a supply of bottled drinking water handy, as well as some canned food.

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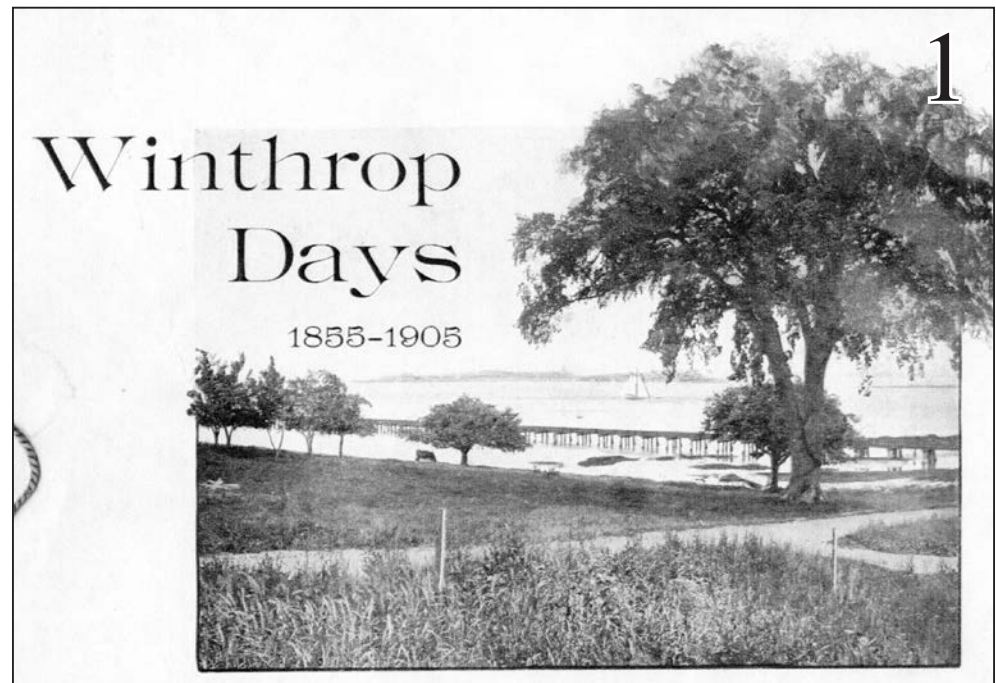
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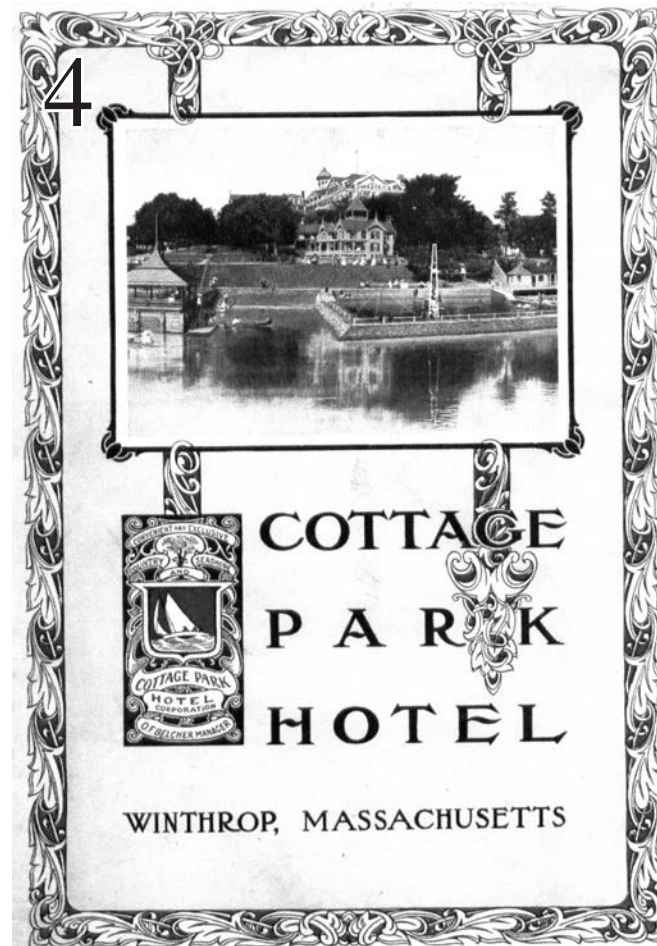
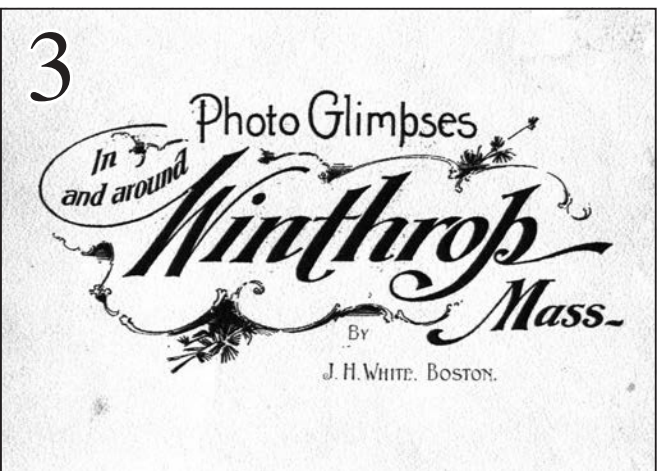
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ART 982 - DOCUMENTS RECORDING HISTORICAL INFORMATION ON WINTHROP



A number of inquiries have been received on sources of historical information related to Winthrop's past and how one could obtain copies. There are a number of books, pamphlets and other documents that are available along with numerous photographs, picture postcards and several videotapes that depict various facets of our town's growth. While all are generally in the public domain, some can be quite expensive to purchase due to their scarcity. From time to time a few appear on "eBay" or in the many New England shops that carry such items. It is from these collections that the material for the Then and Now series is obtained along with the many conversations that have been held with lifelong residents of our town. A partial listing of the most prolific documents is shown below.

1. Historical Postcards of Winthrop by G. David Hubbard, Stephen F. Moran and Terry Vazquez.
- 2 Historical Mapping of Winthrop by G. David Hubbard, Stephen F. Moran, John Winthrop Sears, Margaret F. Hinckley and Dr. James O. Taylor.
3. Kings Handbook of Boston Harbor - by M. F. Sweetser, 1882 Moses King, Publisher
4. History of Chelsea (in two volumes) - by Mel-



- len Chamberlain, 1908, The University Press
5. History of Winthrop - by William Clark, 1952
6. Historical Notes on Winthrop - by Russell Hughes, 1987
7. Article in New England Magazine 1892 - The Town of Winthrop 1630 - 1892 by Albert Winslow Cobb
8. Winthrop Days 1855 - 1905 by Mary Priscilla Griffin - 1905
9. A Concise History of Winthrop 1630 - 1902 by Charles W. Hall - 1902

10. WIHA NGRR Student Activity Book - 2011
11. Lucius Floyds notes of 1909 on Winthrop in the mid 1840's
12. Winthrop Towne 1624 - 1930 by Winthrop Tercentenary Committee.
13. Stage Coach and Early Railroad Days in Winthrop by Channing Howard 1938
14. The Town of Winthrop - Article by William H. Gardner in the Bostonian 1895
15. The Town We Live In - 1624 - 1926, a series of 100 Articles in the "Winthrop Sun" by Frank Tucker.
16. Winthrop Real Estate 1637 - 1954 by Channing Howard.
17. Our Streets: How we got them and their names 1950 by Channing Howard.
18. Photo Glimpses in and around Winthrop, By J.H. White - 1893
19. And, of course, our series of over 660 Winthrop Then and Now articles that the Transcript

has printed during the past thirteen years. Copies of four of these turn-of-the century (1890 - 1920) booklet covers are shown here. If any of our readers have documents or information that could be used in a future article, please call me at 846-2901. The more that is done to preserve our history and make it readily available to all will help those in the future to realize what a wonderful community we have. For those who like maps, the NGRR and old postcards of our Town, copies of the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association books on these subjects (see numbers 1, 2 and 10 above) are available at The Winthrop Market Place, The Book Depot, Century 21 Seacoast, Elliot Whittier Insurance, Beacon Photography or by contacting this writer.



10 years ago
December 20, 2012
The All Saints Choir of Men and Boys performed at the 11th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols Saturday at St. John the Evangelist Church.

With the victims of the recent tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut in mind, residents gathered at Crest Avenue Playground for a candlelight vigil to end gun violence. Superintendent of Schools John Macero and Police Chief Terence Delehanty spoke to the Town Council about the safety and security measures taken in the Winthrop schools in the aftermath of the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut.

Winthrop Firefighter's Local 1070 have announced the approximate times for the start of 2012 Santa's route that will take place on Christmas Eve, December 24. The annual event has been popular with local residents as Santa travels through the streets of Winthrop.

Les Miserables, Zero Dark Thirty, and Rise of the Guardians are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
December 24, 2002
Gov. Jane Swift's decision to slash \$48 million from the MWRA rate-relief line item in the state budget will mean higher water and sewer rates for MWRA customers, including Winthrop's.

Winthrop native and former resident Robert Cox, 58, has published a children's book, Ben and the Purple Frog. Cox is a former police officer in Newburyport and is director of maintenance at a nursing home in Lynn.

Winthrop native and lifelong resident Robert Donahue has been named the new chief of the Massport Fire Department.

Santa once again will tour Winthrop to meet all of the town's children on Christmas Eve atop a Winthrop Fire Department truck, a tradition that started in 1959.

Gangs of New York, The Wild Thornberrys Movie, and The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago
December 31, 1992
The 38 members of the Winthrop Police Department moved into their new quarters in the renovated former Post Office building this week. The change from their former cramped quarters in the basement

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

of Town Hall will make a huge difference for the better in the department's operations.

Police are seeking the vandals who have been destroying the pedestrian crosswalk signs throughout the town.

A Few Good Men, Aladdin, and Home Alone 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago
December 29, 1982
The selectmen have approved a request by Warner Cable to sell its services door-to-door throughout the town.

Sam Corwin, Winthrop's oldest resident, was feted to a special 106th birthday party December 17 at the Cliff House Nursing Home.

The selectmen met with noise abatement officials from Massport in hopes of establishing a better line of communication with them.

Nancy Dalrymple has been appointed a full time police officer by the selectmen. She has been a reserve officer since 1980.

Most Winthrop store owners report that they will not open on Sundays even after the new Sunday store opening law goes into effect January 1.

The Winthrop High marching band has announced it will attend a music festival in Toronto in May.

50 years ago
December 27, 1972
Police are probing the mysterious death of a Winthrop elementary school teacher, Ruth Hamilton, 23, who was found dead in her Cambridge apartment.

Michael Matarazzo of Winthrop recently was elected the assistant treasurer of the Charlestown Savings Bank.

The Jewish community of Winthrop will honor Nathan Blumsack at the 25th anniversary dinner of the State of Israel Bonds.

Townspeople were saddened this week with news of the passing of Anthony Abbatesa, proprietor of Terrie's Food Mart in the Centre.

Slaughterhouse Five is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago
December 27, 1962
President John F. Kennedy has sent a personal letter to former Selectman Peter Princi thanking him for the job he has done as Collector of Customs for the Port of Boston for the past two years, a post to which Kennedy appointed Princi. State Senate President

John E. Powers has cited the poor fiscal condition of the state's cities and towns and the need for more funding for education as the key issues facing the legislature in the year ahead.

Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra star in Ocean's 11 at the Revere Drive In. West Side Story is playing at the Revere Theatre.

70 years ago
December 31, 1952
The town's first highway fatality in more than a year and the sharp increase in the number of accidents has prompted Police Chief William Pumphret to order investigations into all auto accidents, minor or otherwise, with court action to be taken if negligence is discovered.

Miss Janet Collins, just two days shy of her 20th birthday, was fatally injured Christmas night when the car in which she was a passenger crashed into a pole on Shirley St. near the Winthrop Yacht Club.

A rousing welcome to the New Year will be held by the three local yacht clubs and the Lodge of Elks, where there will be gala New Year's Eve parties.

The South Ferry will sail its last commuter trip from East Boston to Boston proper on New Year's Day, thus ending a chapter of local history. The Narrow Gauge Railroad formerly connected with the ferry to bring people to Boston, but now the ferry will join the railroad in being displaced by the automobile, which brings travelers through the Sumner Tunnel to Boston.

A gala rally, which will have local resident Swede Nelson serve as master of ceremonies, will kick off the 1953 March of Dimes campaign in the hall of St. John the Evangelist church.

A former Winthrop man, William H. Rozell, who is serving with the Navy in Korea, has written a letter to young Billy Fussell of Woodside Avenue encouraging the boy to continue to raise his rabbits despite the objections of some of his neighbors.

Charlton Heston stars in The Savage at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago
December 24, 1942
Notice has been received by the Winthrop Rationing Board that the Shirley Street school must convert to coal, which will save an estimated 22,500 gallons of heating oil annually.

Christmas Day at Ft.

Winter Storm // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

- 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.
- Check on elderly family members, neighbors and others who may need assistance during an outage period.
- Electric safety:
 - If you use a generator to supply power during an outage, be sure to operate it outdoors. Before operating generators, disconnect from National Grid's system by shutting off the

main breaker located in the electric service panel. Failure to do this could jeopardize the safety of line crews and the public.

- If you lose power, turn off any appliances that were on when the power went off, but leave one light on so you will know when power is restored.
- Gas Safety
 - If you suspect a natural gas leak:

- Get Out - All occupants should leave the house immediately. Do not use the telephone or light switches for any reason.
- Call Us - After leaving the house and reaching a safe environment, call the

National Grid 24-hour gas emergency numbers:

- New England: 1-800-640-1595
- Stay Out - Do not return to your home until National Grid tells you it is safe.

Reminder: It's not safe to work in an elevated bucket during periods of increased wind gusts. Our line workers begin restoration work only when conditions are deemed safe.

For more information, please visit our website, follow us on Twitter, watch us on YouTube, like us on Facebook and find our photos on Instagram.

WINTHROP POLICE DEPARTMENT HOLDS HOLIDAY GALA TO BENEFIT THE WINTHROP POLICE EXPLORER POST 99

Courtesy photos

The Winthrop Police Dept. held a holiday fundraiser on Saturday evening, December 10, at the Winthrop Yacht Club to benefit the department's Explorer Post #99 program.

Among those on hand for the gala event were State Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco and State Senator Lydia Edwards, along with mem-

bers past and present of the following police departments: Winthrop, Mass. State Police, Lynn, Revere, MBTA, Boston University, and North Shore Community College, as well as Chelsea Dispatch and the Suffolk County Department of Corrections, and many friends, family, and community supporters

Great fun was had by all!



Rich Boyajian receives his first-place prize of Boston Bruins tickets donated by Reference Real Estate from event organizer WPD Detective Samantha Ferrino.



Zoe Susice receives the second-place winner of a \$100 gift card to Belle Isle Seafood from Det. Ferrino.



Members of area law enforcement agencies who were on hand for the festivities of the Winthrop P.D.'s holiday gathering.



The Post #99 Explorer of the Year, Adriana Rizzotto (center), is pictured with Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty, Lt. Stephen Rogers, Det. Samantha Ferrino, State Senator Lydia Edwards, and State Representative Jeffrey Turco.

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cle: down Shore Drive to Tewksbury: left on Tewksbury to Shirley:

4:45PM: right on Shirley to Veterans Road: right on Veterans Road to Locust Street: left on Locust Street: Locust to Revere Street: right on Revere Street to Sagamore:

5:00PM: Sagamore to Grovers: left on Grovers: Grovers to Cliff: right on Cliff to Seal Harbor: Seal Harbor to Pond Street: right on Pond Street to Highland Ave: right on Highland to Nahant: Nahant to Grovers: left on Grovers:

5:30PM: Grovers to Highland: right on Highland to Cliff: Cliff to Quincy Ave: left onto Quincy: Quincy to Upland Road: left on Upland to Revere

Street: left on Revere Street: right on Revere to Harvard: left on Harvard to Payson: right on Payson to Main:

6:00PM: right on Main to Bowdoin: left on Bowdoin to Centre: right on Centre to Hermon: left on Helmon to Belcher: Belcher to Winthrop: left on Winthrop to Atlantic: left on Atlantic to Hermon:

6:30PM: : right on Hermon to Main: right on Main to Winthrop: left on Winthrop to Banks: Banks to Main: right on Main to Pleasant: left on Pleasant to Lincoln: left on Lincoln to Brookfield: right on Brookfield to Pleasant: left on Pleasant to Walde-

7:00PM: left on Walde-mar to Pauline: right on Pauline to Lowell Road: Lowell to Maple: Maple to Loring: right on Loring to Court: left on Court to Johnson: Johnson to Somerset: left on Somerset

7:30PM: Somerset to Pleasant: right on Pleasant to Cottage Park: right on Cottage Park to Bartlett Parkway: left on Bartlett Parkway to Orlando: Orlando to Bartlett Road:

8:00PM: Bartlett to Pleasant: right on Pleasant to Plummer: right on Plummer to Frances: left on Frances to Sunnyside: left on Sunnyside to Pleasant: left on Pleasant to Bartlett: right on Bartlett to Jefferson: right on Jefferson to Putnam: right on Putnam to Buchanan:



Party-goers having fun at the Explorer Post #99 holiday fundraiser: Elaine Faro, Samantha Ferrino, Dina Bahloul, Gerri Bahloul, Ann Faro, and Jackie Lamont.



Some of the Explorers who were on hand for the Winthrop Police holiday fundraiser to support the Explorer program.



The members of the Hickey family enjoying the festivities at the recent Winthrop Police holiday fundraiser for the department's Police Explorer program.

8:30PM: left on Buchanan to Winthrop: right on Winthrop to Washington: left on

Washington to River Road: left on River Road

to Chester: left on Chester to Bowdoin: right on Bowdoin to George: left on George to Wintlu-op: left on Wintlu-op to Jefferson: Jefferson to Freemont: right on Freemont to Pau-

line: right on Pauline to Fire Headquarters:

9:00PM: Santa heads back to North Pole to load up his sleigh

A woman and a young boy are smiling and looking at each other. The woman is holding a purple object, possibly a toy or a piece of equipment.

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WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

VIKINGS NIP DANVERS IN OVERTIME DRAMA, 3-2

Senior captain Jack Hayes netted the game-winning goal with 40 seconds left in overtime to give the Winthrop High boys hockey team a dramatic 3-2 victory over Northeastern Conference rival Danvers last Saturday afternoon at Endicott College's Ray Bourque Arena.

The contest was a seesaw affair, with the Vikings holding the advantage early, only to see the Falcons grab the momentum in the latter part of the contest before Winthrop snatched it back in the OT session.

Winthrop moved out to a 2-0 lead in the opening period on goals by Phil Boncore (assisted by Mike Holgersen and asst. captain Nate Evangelista) and junior captain Petey Silverman (assisted by Jack Hayes and Boncore), the latter coming on a power play.

However, the Falcons chipped away with a lamplighter in the middle period and then evened the count late in regulation with a goal on a power play that resulted from a five-minute major penalty. Regulation time expired before the penalty did, which meant that Danvers had a 4-on-3 advantage for a good portion of the five-minute OT session.

However, the Vikings successfully killed the remainder (almost three minutes) of the major penalty, and then earned a man-advantage when a Falcon was whistled for a penalty, setting the stage for Jack Hayes's heroics with 40 seconds to play on which asst. capt. Billy Hayes earned an assist.

Senior goalie Nicolas Babine was solid in the net for the Vikings to earn the victory.

Winthrop now stands at 2-0 on the season and was scheduled to take on Lynnfield last night (Wednesday). Coach Dale Dunbar and his crew will get a chance to play before

their home crowd for the first time this season when they host non-league rival Grafton Monday afternoon at 1:00.

WHS GIRLS BASKETBALL TOPS SAUGUS, 54-20

The Winthrop High girls basketball team gave new head coach Anthony Hatzisavas an early Christmas present in the form of his first career head-coaching victory with a 54-20 triumph at Saugus last Friday evening.

The Lady Vikings took control of the contest from the outset, grabbing a 13-6 advantage at the first buzzer, and never looked back. Winthrop, despite key players Grace Fleurial and Reese Brodin sitting on the bench with foul trouble in the second period, lengthened their margin to 26-13 at the intermission.

The Winthrop defense tightened even further to start the second half, holding Saugus to zero (0) points for the entire eight minutes of the third period, enabling the Lady Vikings to pull away for the 54-20 finale.

Maddie Stiglets led the way for Winthrop with a fine, two-way effort. Maddie hit for 17 points, pulled down four rebounds, dished two assists, and made seven steals.

Kaylee Farrell struck for double figures with 13 points and snared seven boards. Brodin and Sophia Lindinger both chipped in four points and made three steals apiece.

Fleurial and Lilly Conway controlled the game in the paint, and Zoey Bogusz made a nice contribution with five points, four rebounds, and two assists.

"It was a great win over Saugus," said Hatzisavas. "The girls were very excited and focused for their first conference game."

"The girls played hard and stayed together throughout the whole game," Hatzisavas added. "It was one of those proud

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Winthrop basketball team rallies, but falls short to Fenwick, 60-57

By Cary Shuman

The Winthrop High boys basketball team rallied from a 14-point deficit, but its furious fourth-quarter comeback fell short to Bishop Fenwick, 50-47, Tuesday on the Crusaders' homecourt in Peabody.

Jeremy Matias scored six of his team-high 14 points in the final quarter to lead the comeback and create a last-second opportunity for the Vikings to send the game into overtime. After securing a defensive rebound, Matias

raced upcourt before his three-pointer missed connection at the buzzer.

"In the fourth quarter, we started to play with the pride and intensity that Vikings play with, but unfortunately on this night, it was too little, too late," said Winthrop head coach Mike Triant.

The Vikings struggled offensively in the second quarter as Fenwick outscored Winthrop, 21-9 in the frame and built a 36-23 advantage. "We have to start quicker," said Triant. "They played a tough, aggressive man-to-man de-

fense, and we had a tough time getting the shots we wanted. Our free throw shooting (8-of-16) was also a factor in the loss."

Matias was a standout in the Vikings' frontcourt. "Jeremy played really well," said Triant. "He's really making his presence felt at both ends of the court."

Team captain Zack Bogusz connected on a three-pointer during the fourth-quarter rally and finished with nine points. George Galuris helped pilot the Vikings' comeback, finishing with 11 points

overall. Andrew Faretra (6 points), Ryan Harris (5), and Raesean Bebris (2) also contributed for the Vikings.

Winthrop lost to Saugus, 65-57, Friday despite an impressive 22-point-4 assist performance by Galuris, the Vikings' talented, sophomore guard. Bogusz had 14 points and 6 assists. Faretra scored eight points while Harris netted six points.

Winthrop (2-2) plays Northeast Regional Thursday in the home opener

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THE ZENITH 42 LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS HOST ANNUAL MEMBER HOLIDAY DINNER AT WINTHROP ARMS RESTAURANT

The Zenith Lodge #42 of Winthrop hosted the annual holiday dinner at the Winthrop Arms Restaurant last week.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows has always been known as a community-based caring organization, their annual member holiday party was no exception to the rule. All members are invited but were requested to bring a gift from a list of Winthrop families in need of a little holiday cheer for their children on Christmas Day. At the end of the day, 10 Winthrop families were given gifts requested by the parents to give the children.

From the Winthrop Zenith Lodge #42 a happy and safe holiday season.



The toys that will be given to Winthrop children on Christmas morning, that were collected at the Zenith Lodge's Christmas Dinner.



Nobel Grand of Zenith Lodge #42 Geri Gatchell (seated 3rd from left) along with District Deputy Grand Master Frank Fielding, and Past Massachusetts Grand Master Mary Vitiello (second row center) and the members and special guests of the lodge at the Winthrop Arms Restaurant.



WINTHROP LODGE OF ELKS 1078 HOSTS VETERANS IN ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

Last Sunday afternoon the Winthrop Lodge of Elks hosted veterans from the New England Shelter of Homeless Veterans in Boston for the annual holiday dinner. This is a long-standing event that the Winthrop Elks are proud to be associated with.

The veterans were bused into the lodge on Washington Avenue and were greeted by Exalted Ruler Dennis Ranahan and the officers of the lodge. Volunteers made then guests feel at home and brought cold drinks and hors d'oeuvres before the prime rib dinner was served.

A visit from Santa was also on the menu, as well as a stocking filled with necessities for each veteran, following all that dessert was served and these veterans enjoyed the best in hospitality and went home with a Christmas smile on their face.



Winthrop Veterans, Steve White, John Stasio, Bob Burditt, and Al Bell.



Elk volunteers happily serve the veterans.



Christine Daly serves up lots of delicious prime rib.



Derek Goodwin and Dave McDonald enjoy a delicious prime rib dinner at the Winthrop Lodge of Elks.



Winthrop's Veterans Service Officer Phil Ronan with Skip Marcella and Steve White.



Veterans Kurk Wars and Rhonda Thomas with the special guests Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Director of Winthrop's Veterans Services Phil Ronan with Santa at the annual veteran's dinner at the Winthrop Lodge of Elks.



Veteran Trish Milano has visit from Santa.



Guest of Lodge 1078, Sandra McCanns, Brie DeGraaf, Kurk Watts, and Rhonda Thomas.



Winthrop Elks 1078 Officers and volunteers, Diane Pixley, Sue Gaugham, Colleen Murphy, Paula Ward, Roberta Daly, Exalted Ruler Dennis Ranahan, Christine Daly, Dennis Boudrow, Benita Carey, Jane Howell, Mary Ellen Jacques, Paula Shea.

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The Winthrop High girls basketball team opened its season on a positive note with a pair of victories over Northeastern Conference rivals Swampscott and Gloucester this past week. In Friday's season opener against Swampscott, Ashelyne Babb, the Lady Viking point guard who sprained her ankle in the second period, but who came back to play in the second half, led Winthrop in the scoring department with nine points. Kristen Siscamanis added seven points and pulled down a team-high seven rebounds. Nikki Tsiotis chipped in four points, followed by the trio of Temison Meggison, Nina

Bartlett, and Liana Ferullo with three points apiece. Theresa Jones scored two points to round out the Lady Viking scoring. In a 43-31 triumph over Gloucester, eight Winthrop girls got onto the scoring sheet, led by Meggison, who turned in a powerful double-double with 12 points and 14 rebounds. Front court mate Siscamanis hit for eight points and snared nine boards. Nikki Tsiotis also tingled the twine for eight points, followed by Jen Adamson with five, Babb (who sat out the week's practice sessions because of her ankle) with four, Bartlett with four (to go with her eight rebounds), Jen Adamson with two, and Alyssa Mackey with a

free throw.

The Winthrop High Lady Bulldog hockey team earned three of a possible four points in the opening week of their season, tying Medford, 4-4, and defeating Cambridge, 4-2. Kara Donati, Ariana Dembro, Juliana Kennedy, and Gabby Kenniston lit the lamp for Winthrop. Saturday's encounter with Cambridge, Donati, Kennedy, Dembro, and Caroline McKinnon scored the Winthrop goals. Winthrop goaltender Gretchen Howard turned aside 21 Cambridge shots.

David Capone scored a goal with just over 2:00 to play to give the Winthrop High boys hockey team a 1-1 tie at Mansfield last Wednesday. Luke Hodgk-

ins earned the assist on the play.

The Winthrop High girls indoor track team handily defeated Lynn Classical 59-27 in the opening meet of the 2012-13 indoor season. The Lady Vikings won a commanding eight of the 10 events to cruise to the victory. First place finishers for Winthrop were: Julia Wallace in the high jump with a leap of 4-10; Ashley Jurovich in the shot-put with a toss of 31-11; Carly O'Keefe in the 50 yard hurdles in 8.2 seconds; Jordan Griffiths in the 600 with a clocking of 1:59.5; Amy Sena with a run of 3:37 in the 1000; Michaela McCarthy in the mile with a time of 6:46; Abigail Love in the two mile run in 15:16; and the 4 x 400 relay squad that

edged their Classical rivals by 3.5 seconds with a time of 4:44.3.

Although the Winthrop High boys indoor track team came out on the short end of their season-opening meet with Lynn Classical last week, a number of Vikings turned in fine performances. Jordan Corbett-Frank sprinted to victory in the 50 yard dash in a time of 6.1 seconds. Joey Bosco captured the 1000 yard run in 3:34.2. Shawn Preble took the mile in 6:25. Zack Bonilla reigned supreme in the two mile in 13:34.

The Winthrop High boys basketball team dropped a pair of encounters this past week, falling to Northeastern Conference rivals Swampscott

and Gloucester. Friday's encounter against a tall Swampscott squad, which features three front court players who stand at 6-5, 6-5, and 6-4, saw the Vikings fall behind by as many as 24 points in the second half.

However, led by the backcourt duo of Jeff Laguerre (24 points) and Josh Babb (17 points), Winthrop battled back to slice the margin to seven midway through the fourth quarter. However, the Vikings were never quite able to get over the hump as Swampscott made some shots down the stretch to preserve a 66-53 victory. In a 69-62 loss to Gloucester, Babb and Curtis Lockett shared scoring honors with 19 points apiece for the Vikings.

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Thursday at 7 p.m. The freshman team will play at 4 p.m., while the junior varsity team will play at 5:30 p.m.

David Green Memorial Christmas Tournament set for Dec. 28-29

The Vikings will host the David Green Memorial Christmas Tournament

Dec. 28-29 in Winthrop. The tournament honors the life of David Green, a retired Massachusetts state trooper and Winthrop resident who died during a

shooting incident in the town on June 26, 2021. Brown's actions were heroic on that tragic day.

United States Air Force veteran Ramona Coo-

per was also fatally shot during the incident.

Winthrop will play Saugus on Dec. 28 at 2 p.m. Revere and East Boston will play in the tourna-

ment opener at noon. The semifinal winners will play in the championship game on Dec. 29 at 2 p.m. The consolation game is at noon.

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moments as a coach where they came out and brought the intensity, especially after a couple of tough non-conference matchups that opened our season."

Hatzisavas and his crew took to Newton North today (Thursday) for another battle with a non-conference foe. They will be off until January 3 when they will play at NEC foe Salem.

3-0 WINTHROP GIRLS HOCKEY HOSTS PEABODY WEDNESDAY

The Winthrop High girls hockey team improved to 3-0 on the season with a pair of victories over Northeast Hockey League (NHL) rivals Marblehead and Newburyport this past.

The Lady Vikings' next encounter is set for this Wednesday evening (December 28) when coach Anthony Martucci and his crew host Peabody, Winthrop's main contender for the NHL title, in a huge early-season battle. The puck will drop for the opening face-off at 6:10 at Larsen Rink.

This past Tuesday evening, the Lady Vikings trekked to Salem State College to take on another traditionally-tough NHL foe, Marblehead, and skated to a 5-1 victory.

"This was a dominant performance from us," said Martucci. "We out-shot them for the game, 57-9. Our team speed is off the charts this season. We send out four lines of players who can all fly."

Forward Talia Martucci led the WHS scoring attack with a hat trick, one in each period, with assists going to Hannah Parker, Mia Norris, and Reese Ferrara.

"Talia had a good game," said Martucci, her dad and head coach. "She was driving to the net hard, and found the loose pucks. Her third goal was an absolute seed."

Izzy Cash reached the back of the Lady Magician net off a great pass by Gabby Buonapane and Adrianna Rizzotto lit the lamp on a bullet from the point, assisted by Emma Holmes, bringing Emma within three points from the 100-point mark for her career.

"Our captains once again led us to victory,"

noted Martucci. "Julia, Abby, and Emma Holmes, as well as Mia Norris, have been fantastic leaders. They come to work every day and they are not afraid to get gritty."

"I also want to mention the stellar play of our freshman class, Avalina Coffey, Tegan Pereira, Reese Ferrara, Chloe Couture, Mia Currier, Stella Pelletier, Avery Shea, and Riley Towse," Martucci continued. "This group has really been awesome for us. Pereira and Coffey are incredible young players who continue to get better and better. Ferrara and Couture are high end offensive players who also bring an intensity and a commitment to playing hard in all three zones. Currier, Pelletier, and Shea are three players who are 100% team first. They show up, work hard, and battle every single day."

"Towse has been working so hard in every practice and game. She is stepping into a huge role as the starting goalie for us and is handling it all in an elite way."

Last Saturday, the Lady Vikings made the long bus ride to Newburyport a worthwhile endeavor, coming home with a 2-1 victory over the Lady Clippers.

Winthrop took control in the opening period, grabbing a 2-0 lead in the opening period on goals by Mia Norris and Abby Holmes.

"Mia Norris has really been elite for us so far this season," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "She is absolutely flying, and playing so hard in all three zones. It was great to see her getting rewarded for all of her hard work."

"Abby Holmes is the heart and soul of our defense," Martucci continued. "She is the only senior leading a young core of defense. Abby has been insane this season. She is giving us quality defensive play, but also supplying some offensive help as well."

Newburyport lit the lamp on a power play in the middle period to make it a 2-1 contest, but the Winthrop defense and freshman goaltender Riley Towse held firm the rest of the way.

"It was a great game," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "I would

say we controlled the game for the most part, but Newburyport never gave up and their goalie was phenomenal. We carried play from the outset, and pretty much peppered their goalie. She had to make 40 saves."

"Right now we are getting incredible team defense," Martucci continued. "Our defense was fantastic in this one, limiting chances and keeping Newburyport off-balance offensively all game long. Tegan Pereira, Avalina Coffey, Amelia Spencer, Abby Holmes, Mia Currier, Izi Hain, and Adrianna Rizzotto (who is out with an injury) have been elite from day one."

Up front I cannot say enough about the relentless forechecking and backchecking of all of our forwards," added Martucci. "We are flat out flying, and making some great passes as well. Our four lines have all been great. The line of Julia and Emma Holmes with Sami Dimento is putting the other teams back on their heels. The Mia Norris, Hanna Parker, Talia Martucci line is playing excellently together. Freshman Reese Ferrara is centering Izzy Cash and Gabby Buonapane, forming our 'grind line.' Chloe Couture is flanked by Tori Bates and a mix of Stella Pelletier and Avery Shea, all playing the role of energy providers."

"In net, freshman Riley Towse has really answered the bell for us," said the coach. "She is making some huge, timely saves, and she has been dialed in. I am really proud of Riley. She has huge shoes to fill, and she knew that coming in. She has responded very well to that challenge. Our back-up goalie, Hanna Barrett, has improved immensely in a very short time, and she brings a lot of enthusiasm to the locker room and the bench every game."

Martucci and his crew are off through the holiday weekend prior to their big encounter with Peabody next Wednesday.

GIRLS INDOOR TRACK TEAM TOPS SALEM

The Winthrop High boys and girls indoor track and field teams opened their season by engaging in a tri-meet against

Northeastern Conference opponents Salem and Peabody at the New Balance track facility in Brighton at which all of the NEC schools took part for their season-openers.

The highlight of the tri-meet for the Winthrop girls was their 33-18 triumph over Salem. Among the top performers for the Lady Vikings were freshman Arianna Cappuccio, who sprinted to victory vs. Salem in the 55 meter dash with a clocking 8.15. Arianna's effort also earned her a second-place finish vs. Peabody.

Sprint teammate Sophia Munson took second vs. Salem and third vs. Peabody in the dash with a time of 8.22.

In the 300 dash, junior Daniela Gomez (53.20) and senior Olivia Skpmro (53.48) went 2-3 vs. Sa-

lem.

In the 600, junior Kailey Sullivan put up five points for the Lady Vikings vs. Salem with a clocking of 2:27.41, and in the 1000, junior Maria Victoria Cimaglia took first vs. Salem and third vs. Peabody with a run of 4:07.56.

Libby Carney took second vs. Salem and third vs. Peabody in the mile with a time of 6:31.17.

Gomez (25'-4") and junior Lara Ferrari (24'-10.75") went 1-2 vs. Salem in the shot-put.

On the boys' side, the top performer for Winthrop was senior Benjamin Prew in the mile with a second-place vs. Peabody and a first-place vs. Salem in a personal record (PR) time of 5:34.96.

Other Vikings who scored points for the Winthrop cause were:

senior Daniel Guauque in the 55 dash with a second place vs. Salem in a time of 7.42; Evan Rockefeller with a third in the 55 dash vs. Salem in 7.54; Owen Munson with a third place vs. Salem in the 300 dash in 50.64; freshman Sean Dolan in the 600 with a third vs. Peabody and a second vs. Salem in a clocking of 1:49.48; and freshman Brady Tallent, who posted five points to the Winthrop scoresheet in the Salem contest with a first place in the 55 meter hurdles in a time of 12.18.

"Congrats to senior Ben Prew for his all time best in the one mile and to Arianna Cappuccio for winning the 55," noted WHS head coach Nik Beshere.

Both teams are scheduled to face Gloucester today (Thursday) and Marblehead next Thursday.

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OBITUARIES

Steven Alan Smith

Longtime Airline Industry Manager

Steven Alan Smith, 69, of Lakeville, MN passed away unexpectedly from a cardiac event at his lake home in Cumberland, WI on December 17. He was born in Boston to Raymond Alexander and Mary Eileen (Griffin) Smith and grew up in Winthrop.

Steve and Cathy were high school sweethearts and soulmates who were inseparable from early on. They loved to travel together all over the globe. Steve was a caretaker for Cathy while she was battling and recovering from breast cancer. He loved spending time with his family, friends and grandkids – his favorite role most of all was that of grandpa (aka Gump).

Steve was an airline industry manager for nearly 40 years. He started his career in 1979 with Northwest Airlines in Boston. His roles took him to Minneapolis, Memphis and Atlanta. He came out of retirement to end his career back in Boston with American Airlines. What he loved most about his job were the people. He was admired by superiors and subordinates alike – bringing skills of leadership, diplomacy and negotiation to his role. He could handle the thorniest of personnel issues and leave everyone feeling heard.

Steve was civically engaged and often volunteering in his community. He looked forward to his annual pilgrimage to Twins/Red Sox spring training games. A Boston transplant with a loyalty to his Boston teams, he did become a Twins



fan... except for when the Red Sox were playing. Ever the political junkie, he loved to wind people up, but ultimately he was seeking deeper understanding. Steve always exuded consideration for others and a genuine curiosity for understanding different points of view. The twinkle in his eye rarely left – and that humor and joyfulness will be remembered by many.

Steve will be dearly missed by his loving wife of 44 years, Cathleen “Cathy” Richardson Smith; sons, Christopher Steven (Kellee) Smith and Matthew Justin (Amanda) Smith; grandchildren, Bodee James, Paislee Rose, Russell Christopher and Leon Murphy Smith, plus one on the way; siblings, Jimmy Smith, Peggy Masella, Robert (Elaine) Smith and Lisa (James) Robbins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Eileen, and sister, Suzanne Smith.

A celebration of life ceremony will be planned for a later date, details forthcoming in Spring of 2023.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland, WI is serving the family.

Vincent Maurici

Federal Reserve Bank retiree

Vincent “Jimmy” Maurici of Winthrop passed away at home on December 18. He was 91 years old.

Born in East Boston, he was the beloved son of the late Angelina and Placido Maurici. A resident of Winthrop for over 32 years, he was employed in the accounting department at the Federal Reserve Bank prior to his retirement.

He was the devoted husband of the late Mary Jane (Clark) and the loving father of the late Evelyn Jane Maurici, dear brother of Angelo Maurici and his wife, Victoria and the late Salvatore Maurici; loving uncle of Angela Maurici Ahern and her husband, Richard, Marina Maurici Hodgetts and her husband, Erik, Mary Jane Maurici Towse and her husband, Robert, Suzanne Maurici and Salvatore Maurici.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend



the visitation from the Caggiano-O’Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop today, Thursday, December 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. followed by a funeral service in the funeral home at 12 noon. Interment will be private.

A special thanks to the Visiting Angels and the Purple Nurse for their care and compassion shown to Mr. Maurici.

To sign the online guestbook, go to www.caggiano-funeralhome.com.

John Faia

Barber, worked at Faia’s Barber Shop in Winthrop

John A. Faia, 79, of Winthrop passed away on December 16, 2022. He was 79 years old.

The beloved husband of the late Louise O. (O’Brien) Faia, he was born in Lynn, the cherished son of the late John and Phyllis (Bryder) Faia.

John was a Vietnam War veteran serving in the United States Marine Corps from 1962-1966. A barber by trade, he worked in Gio’s Barber Shop in Winthrop.

John was the devoted father of Kerrie L. Faia of Lynn, the dear brother of the late Delores Moody

and Phyllis Sperounis.

A Funeral Service with military honors will be held in the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Conner Avenue. Bourne today, Thursday, December 22 at 12:45 p.m. Please arrive at the gate by 12:30 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Donations in his name can be made to the MSPCA, 350 S. Huntington Ave, Jamaica Plain, MA. 02130.

Funeral arrangements are from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop.

To sign John’s guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Andrea Melanson

Now resting in peace in God’s care

Andrea M. (Rush) Melanson of Winthrop passed away on December 11 after a long illness at the Dana Farber Hospital. The loving daughter of John and Jacqueline (Reilly) Rush of Winthrop, she was the loving sister of John Rush of Murray, UT,

Mark Rush of Hope Mills, NC and the late Matt and Michael Rush and the dear aunt of Jake, Nick, Reilly, Christina, Lorenzo, Mike, Andrew, Chris, Tyler and Savannah.

Andrea is resting in peace now in God’s care. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Andrea’s funeral service will be private for family only. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA. 02215.

Funeral arrangements were from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. To sign Andrea’s guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Paul Flynn

Retired Boston Fire Lieutenant



Paul Flynn, 95, of Winthrop passed away peacefully at home on December 14

surrounded by his loving children.

Born in the City of Cambridge, he moved to Winthrop as a child and eventually settled down and raised his family.

At the age of 17, Paul joined the United States Navy in 1944, during his years in the Navy he trained with special combat units, served on the Island of Saipan during WWII and in the Korean War. He served on the Destroyers U.S.S. English DD-696, U.S.S. Compton DD-705 and the LST 32. Following his military service, he was in the Merchant Marine from 1952-1957. In 1957, he joined the Boston Fire Department. During his 35 years with the Boston Fire Department, he spent most of his career at Ladder 1 located in downtown North End and eventually retiring at 65 as a Lieutenant of the Tower Company in Boston.

After retirement he loved to spend many hours outside either gardening tomatoes or just reading on his swing. If he wasn’t traveling with Paula, you could find Paul enjoying his daily visits to the local coffee shop where he would meet his friends.



He loved the Red Sox, animals, dancing, music and had a great sense of humor. He was admired and loved by all.

He was a devoted husband for over 61 years to the late Paula (Anderson) Flynn and was the loving father of Danny Flynn and his girlfriend, Barbara Troy of Winthrop, Patricia Flynn of Winthrop, Tommy Flynn and his wife, Catherine of Wilington and Kathleen Flynn of Wilmington; brother to the late Frances Flynn; cherished grandfather (RARA) of Michael, Patrick and Connor and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and his cat, Flynnie.

Services were private.

To sign the online guestbook, go to www.caggiano-funeralhome.com.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Caggiano-O’Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop.

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neighborhood centers.

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FRIDAY IS DEADLINE TO START COVERAGE THROUGH THE HEALTH CONNECTOR

The deadline for Massachusetts residents to start the New Year with health coverage is looming, with Friday, Dec. 23 being the last day to enroll with Massachusetts Health Connector, for coverage starting in January.

The Health Connector’s Open Enrollment runs through Jan. 23, 2023, but the busiest deadline annually is the December date leading to January coverage. Residents who need coverage can go to MAhealthconnector.org to sign up or find local help with an application.

“Massachusetts continues to lead the nation in coverage, with more than 97 percent of the state having health insurance, but there are still people

who need access,” says Louis Gutierrez, the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Health Connector. “Getting coverage through the Health Connector means having the peace of mind that comes with being able to see a doctor when needed, as well as getting access to free preventive health care and other services.”

Residents can get an estimate for health plan costs in two minutes or less by visiting the Health Connector’s online Get an Estimate tool. For those looking for one-on-one assistance with an application, there are 19 Navigator organizations in more than 30 locations that have trained, experienced people available to help complete an application and pick a plan. People with questions or need assistance can also use the Health Connector’s new online chat service, or call customer service at 888-MA-ENROLL if they need additional help.

The Health Connector makes health insurance and services more affordable by offering help paying for monthly subsidies, including through the ConnectorCare program that includes premiums as low as \$0, low co-pays, and no deductibles; as well as extended federal Advance Premium Tax Credits that can help pay for thousands of dollars of premiums a year.

The majority of people who apply for health coverage through the Health Connector will qualify for help lowering their health care costs. Also, new for ConnectorCare members in 2023 are \$0 co-pays for a number of important medications for chronic conditions, like diabetes, asthma, coronary artery disease and hypertension.

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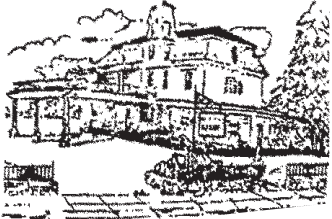
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Mary Stefano

Hairstylist, Beauty Merchandiser and
Winthrop Town Meeting member

Mary Paula (Gravallese) Stefano, 80, passed away on December 14 after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's.

Born in Malden, the beloved daughter of John M. and Camille M. (Casella) Gravallese, she was raised in East Boston, where she attended Fitton. She later obtained her hair dressing license and was employed as a stylist and teacher at Solari Hair Salon in Winthrop.

She married Frederick Stefano, Jr., in 1964, after a seven-year courtship, and enjoyed almost 60 years of marriage.

The couple started their life together on St. Andrew Road in Orient Heights and then moved to Winthrop, where they raised their daughters.

Mary was well known in the community and was busy working from home, cutting, coloring, and perming the hair of her friends and neighbors.

She enjoyed all the community had to offer, including being a town meeting member, spending days at Winthrop Beach with friends and family and riding her bike, alongside the other moms, with her toddler daughter on the back.

She eventually became a beauty merchandiser for Revlon and later represented Lancôme at Macy's. Everyone who knew her admired her impeccable style and beauty.

Family brought Mary happiness. She and her daughters were very close, and she found further joy with the birth of her grandchildren.

She was fortunate to have many lifelong friends from childhood, in addition to those she made throughout her life.

Mary was the number one fan of her husband's artwork. Above all, she loved to travel throughout North America and Europe.

In later life, she was her husband's companion in his golf cart, riding around the course at the Winthrop Golf Club, and on many days, Mary and Fred could be spotted walking along the shore of Constitution Beach in East Boston.

Mary took pleasure in spending time at her



daughter's New Hampshire lake house, so it was fitting that for her final years, she was cared for with love and dignity by the wonderful staff at Grace House in Windham.

Mary was the cherished wife of Frederick of Winthrop; devoted mother of Lisa Stefano of Winthrop and Jennifer and Brian Becker of Pelham, New Hampshire; dear grandmother ("May May") of Elizabeth and the late Kathryn Haggerty of Winthrop and Andrew and Aiden Becker, both of Pelham, New Hampshire. She was the treasured sister of John J. Gravallese and his late wife Roberta, both of Wakefield and the late Richard Gravallese. Mary is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours at Vertuccio & Smith Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Route 107), Revere, on Wednesday, December 28 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services will begin from the funeral home on Thursday, December 29 at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Joseph-St. Lazarus Church, 59 Ashley Street, East Boston, at 11 a.m. Interment will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances in her name may be made to Uncommon Threads (uncommonthreads.org/money-donations; specify Mary's name in the comment section).

Online condolences may be made by visiting vertuccioandsmith.com.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, Revere.

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 22

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

Friday, December 23

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

Monday, December 26

The Senior Center will be closed

Tuesday, December 27

9:30am: Exercise
10:00am: Technology Class
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

Wednesday, December

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9:30am: Yoga with Kathleen
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:00am: Zumba with Cindy
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.

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 Ull-

man, 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.

Cambridge Breast Center earns national recognition for patient care

Special to the Transcript

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), a community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville and Boston's metro-north communities, has received a three year re-accreditation by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC), a program of the American College of Surgeons.

NAPBC accreditation shows that the Cambridge Breast Center meets the highest national standards for breast care. After a rigorous survey, the center was found to offer comprehensive care, the best available treatment options, a team approach to breast cancer, early detection programs, access to clinical trials, and cancer education and support services.

"More than a decade ago, the Cambridge Breast Center was the first in Massachusetts to achieve NAPBC certification,"

said Siva Vithiananthan, MD, CHA's chief of surgery. "And as patient care has evolved, CHA has been there every step of the way - giving patients exceptional care and service in a friendly, community setting."

"Our model brings together surgeons, oncologists, radiologists, social workers, and others to support the patient throughout their journey," added Amy Moldrem, MD, director of the Cambridge Breast Center. "We are here for our patients and their families, whatever their circumstances, to provide guidance, support, advice and treatment. Whether you need a world-class breast radiologist, a fabulous and caring oncologist, an expert breast reconstructive surgeon, or a program for people at high risk, you'll find it here. We truly care for you, and about you, in every sense."

MIXED LODGE CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAY AT ALIA'S



With dinner at Alia's Restaurant on Shirley Street in Winthrop, Mixed Lodge #2057 celebrated the Christmas holiday with fellow members. Seated front and clockwise are: Past President Goldie Boncore, Nora DiRuzza, Michelle Abbatesa, Brenda Carrozza, Lynnmarie Desrochers, State Rep. Jeff Turco, Town Councilor Rob DeMarco, Laura Lopez, President Agnes Nobile (standing), Joe Arria, Mike Abbatesa, Vice President Janis LaRosee, Orator Donna Segreti Reilly, Tony Gemellaro, and Past National/State President Phil Boncore.

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Heath featured the presentation of framed Battalion Certificates to the entire First Battalion under the command of Lieut. Col. Sarkis Zatarian.

Pat O'Brien and George Murphy star in The Navy Comes Through at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

90 years ago December 31, 1932

There will be a public meeting in Town Hall for all Winthrop residents to be apprised of the need for acceptance by the town of the breakwater bill which recently was signed by Gov. Ely. The state will pay \$125,000 of the total cost of \$150,000 for the breakwaters along Shore Drive and the town will have to pay the balance of the \$25,000.

For the first time in Winthrop's 80 years of existence, the town will be the host of the great New England Conference

of the important Methodist Episcopal Church. This feat is largely due to the efforts of Rev. C. Oscar Ford, pastor of the First Church of Winthrop, Methodist Episcopal.

The selectmen played the role of Santa with the distribution of 113 Christmas baskets to needy families of the unemployed through the efforts of the Winthrop Unemployment Committee. The total value of the baskets is estimated at \$565. Each basket contained a roast of pork, a peck of potatoes, two pounds of onions, four pounds of squash, three cans of milk, and cans of fruit and vegetables.

The locally owned and managed Floyd Milk Company announces its merger with the H.P. Hood and Sons Milk Co.

Laurel and Hardy star in Pack Up Your Troubles at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

110 years ago December 28, 1912

Town Meeting on Monday brought out 155 voters and lasted until 10:55 p.m. Members severely criticized the Board of Fire Engineers and voted down all three of the articles the board had submitted, including one article calling for the purchase of motor-driven equipment when the horses wear out.

Some of our merchants reported an exceptionally good Christmas trade Tuesday when local shoppers were unable to get into Boston because of the snow storm.

St. John's Episcopal Church was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens for the two services on Christmas Day.

At the Dream Theatre at Winthrop Beach, the escape artist Hayco, known as the Russian Houdini, is making quite a hit.

The Winthrop Lodge of Elks,. In accordance with its Christmas custom, afforded over 100 children some Christmas cheer. Each child received a prize and a Punch & Judy show followed.

120 years ago January 3, 1903

Bowling is more popular than ever. It seems everyone is a bowler. At times it is impossible to find an open lane in one of our local bowling alleys.

130 years ago December 30, 1892

Dr. Dorman once again has been successful in the removal of a tapeworm from a patient where two other doctors had failed. The patient, a Chelsea resident, highly commended Dr. Dorman for alleviating this condition.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P2636EA Estate of: Alejandro C. Robles Date of Death: 10/08/2021 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Alicia Patterson of Disputanta, VA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Alicia Patterson of Disputanta, VA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/06/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: November 25, 2022 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE Winthrop Board of Health Regulation on the Operation of Public and Semi-Public Swimming Pools On September 13, 2022, the Winthrop Board of Health voted to adopt a Regulation on the Operation of Public and Semi-Public Swimming Pools with an effective date of January 1, 2023. The purpose of the regulation is to protect the public in the Town of Winthrop. Any swimming pool other than a private swimming pool used in connection with a single- or two-family residence shall be classified as a public or semi-public swimming pool. No Public or Semi-Public Swimming pool or Special Purpose Pools shall be used without the benefit of a permit for operation being issued by the Board of Health. For a copy of this Regulation, please go to the Winthrop Board of Health website at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/board-health. 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW Project: Boston Logan International Airport Runway 27 End Runway Safety Area Improvements Project (EEA #16433) Location: East Boston, MA Proponent: Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) Massport has submitted the Draft Environmental Assessment/Final Environmental Impact Report (Draft EA/Final EIR) for the Boston Logan International Airport, Runway 27 End Runway Safety Area Improvements Project for public review in accordance with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) regulations and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The document responds to all requirements of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) Certificate issued by the Secretary of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) on August 29, 2022, and was prepared in accordance with the FAA's NEPA requirements. The public comment period will begin on December 23, 2022, and end on January 23, 2023. Comments must be submitted by close of business on January 23, 2023, through: * For MEPA's Public Comment Portal (<https://eeonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicComment/Landing/>) or by emailing MEPA analyst, Jennifer Hughes, at jennifer.hughes@state.ma.us; and * For NEPA public comments by emailing FAA's Environmental Protection Specialist, Cheryl Quaine, at cheryl.j.quaine@faa.gov. An electronic copy of the document is available on the Massachusetts Port Authority's website at <https://www.massport.com/logan-airport/about-logan/environmental-reports/> and printed copies are available for viewing at the Boston Public Library (Main Branch, Charlestown Branch, and East Boston Branch), Chelsea Public Library, Revere Public Library, and Winthrop Public Library. Copies may also be obtained from Stewart Dalzell, Deputy Director, Environmental Planning & Permitting, Massachusetts Port Authority, at 617-568-3524 or SDalzell@massport.com. 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION Docket No. SU22P2746EA Estate of: Patricia A. Corkhum Date of Death: April 18, 2022 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Kevin P. Corkhum of Winthrop, MA Kevin P. Corkhum of Winthrop, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE Winthrop Board of Health Regulation to Prevent the Release of Black Plastic into the Environment On September 13, 2022, the Winthrop Board of Health voted to adopt a Regulation to Prevent the Release of Black Plastic into the Environment with an effective date of January 1, 2023. The purpose of the regulation is to prohibit the purchase, sale, distribution, and use of any black plastic disposable service ware in any food establishment or retail establishment in Winthrop. As of July 1, 2023, no Food Establishment or Retail Establishment may use, sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute disposable food service ware made from black plastic. The Board of Health may exempt a food establishment or retail establishment from any provisions of this regulation for a period of up to six months upon written application by the owner or operator of that establishment. For a copy of this Regulation, please go to the Winthrop Board of Health website at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/board-health. 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION Docket No. SU22P2744EA Estate of: Alexandra Desfosses Date of Death: June 22, 2022 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Mary B. Desfosses of Durham, NH Mary B. Desfosses of Durham, NH has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 12/22/22 W

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF JANUARY 3, 2023 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at on/about 7:00 PM In the Harvey Hearing Room and VIA Zoom that the Town Council vote to Town Council vote to appropriate \$989,542 Certified Free Cash Town Council vote to transfer \$24,232.64 from Salary Reserve and appropriate \$30,567.36 (\$54,800) from Free Cash / Non Union COLA's Denise Quist Town Clerk/Council Clerk 12/22/22 W

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WINTHROP LODGE OF ELKS 1078 HOLDS ANNUAL CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PARTY AND VISIT FROM SANTA



The Claus’s get a huge greeting from all the children.



Andrew Monton talks with Mrs. Claus.

Last Sunday afternoon the children of Winthrop Elks members were invited to the annual Elks Christmas Party and visit from Santa.

DJ Crazy Jeff Lyons kept the kids entertained with music and games while they all awaited Santa’s arrival via the Winthrop Harbor Masters boat.



Santa gives a big wave as he docks at the Elks Lodge.



Santa and Mrs. Claus with their escorts, Harbor Master Arthur Hickey, Mark Sorrentino and Kevin Janielis.



DJ Jeff Lyons with a photo -op with Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Agnes Nobile with her grandchildren, Shawn and John Hayes visit with Santa.



Sonny Brugman’s expression sums it up about his visit to Santa, but he’s still on the nice list.



Santa with Ella Frangese and Lianna Sheldon.



Cora Hill has a very brief meeting with Santa.



WINTHROP LODGE OF ELKS HOSTS WINARC CHRISTMAS PARTY



Winthrop High School and Winthrop Youth Football players volunteered at the Lodge of Elks WINARC Christmas Party, demonstrating their service to the community. Front row, from left, are CJ Cifuni, Nikita Rossi, Nate Previte, Michael D’Ambrosio, Joesh Pumpfhret, Desmond Cassidy, Jacob Buchman, Dominic Spinale, and Michael Ferrara Back row, from left, are Jeremy Pena, Evan Demayo, Nicholas Rich, Paul Ferrara, Charlie Ferrara, Welvis Acosta, Robert Rich, Matias Delgado, Donovan Cassidy, Robert Noonan, and Matthew Noonan.



Event Chairperson Roberta DiPierro thanks Winthrop High football captains Welvis Acosta and Robert Noonan for the team’s assistance at the Elks WINARC Christmas Party.



Long-time Winthrop boys basketball coach Jack MacDonald and his son, Alan MacDonald, are pictured at the Elks WINARC Christmas Party.



Yvonne Cennaro and her daughter, Emily Cennaro, are pictured at the Elks WINARC Christmas Party.

Cary Shuman photos

The Winthrop Lodge of Elks hosted its annual WINARC Christmas Party Dec. 11 at the Elks function hall.

The guests enjoyed a delicious lunch, musical entertainment, and a special visit by Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Event Chair Roberta DiPierro and her committee did an outstanding job organizing and hosting the event that brought holiday joy to all the guests and their families.



Ned Davenport presents a gift of appreciation to Event Chairperson Roberta DiPierro at the Winthrop Lodge of Elks WINARC Christmas Party at the Elks function hall.



Kevin Anderson Jr., with his parents, Lori Anderson and Kevin Anderson Sr., at the Elks WINARC Christmas Party.



Ready to serve the luncheon to guests at the Elks WINARC Christmas Party are Elizabeth Snow, Heather Martin, Clair Colvario, Rosanne Lagiero, Roberta DiPierro, and Past Exalted Ruler Jane Howell.



Some of the many guests are pictured at the Winthrop Lodge of Elks WINARC Christmas Party held Dec. 11 at the Elks function hall.

Independent's 2022 Christmas Kids



The D'Urbanos



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