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Questions: Please contact the Winthrop Art Association at 617.846.2644 or email [Artswinthrop02152@gmail.com](mailto:Artswinthrop02152@gmail.com). This project is funded in part by a grant from the MA Cultural Council through the Winthrop Cultural Council. We look forward to receiving your entries.

**THE ERUZIONE FAMILY'S WINTHROP CHARITIES MAKES A DONATION TO WINTHROP SCHOOLS**



Olympic gold medalist Mike Eruzione and his wife, Donna Eruzione, made a very generous \$10,000 donation on behalf of the family's Winthrop Charities organization to the Winthrop Public Schools. Pictured at the check presentation ceremony at Winthrop High School are, from left, Donna Eruzione, Mike Eruzione, Supt. of Winthrop Schools Lisa Howard, School Health Nurse Leader Tara Beuoy, and WHS Principal Matt Crombie. The funds will be used to purchase additional defibrillators for the school district so it can expand the number of units in each school building, along with portable devices that will be available for use in case of a medical emergency at all home and away sporting events.

**A beacon of Winthrop strength across the country**

Whether it is serving the public through his work as a transit operator or the strength he has

shown in two bouts with cancer, Winthrop native Mike Delia is a source of inspiration for knocking the curveballs life throws at you right out of the park.

Delia, a self-described "Winthrop Viking through and through to heart," has been around transit operation since he was a child. At age five, Delia would go to work with his father, a 20-plus-year veteran in the bus driving business.

"I loved riding the bus with him and so, of course, going around town, out to Deer Island and back," said Delia.

This set the stage for Delia to get his first real taste as a transit operator. When he was able to get his commercial driver's license, he started driving



Delia with his parents Mike and Diane Delia in front of a SFMTA Bus.

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**Schools make safety training a priority**

Winthrop schools are putting safety first for students and staff.

During the district's last half day, Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard said there was an excellent Stop the Bleed (tourniquet training), AED (automat-

ed external defibrillator) and CPR training for staff. "Although we don't like to think about them, they are things that our teachers really felt like they needed," said Howard. "Back in 2018 or 2019, we did our first Stop the Bleed, which is tourniquet training, and that was very dif-

ficult for our staff to think about putting tourniquets on people in a school. However, that, along with CPR and our AED training, I think makes our staff more comfortable."

Howard said all the medical training and tech-

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**WPD plays major role in success of Middle School Open Rec Program**

By Cary Shuman

The Winthrop Police Department, in partnership with CASA (Community Action for Safe Alternatives), is seeing the important benefits of its Middle School Open Recreation Program, with teenagers participating in weekly recreational activities at the old Middle School gymnasium under the supervision of police and CASA personnel.

Police Lts. Mary Crisafi and Steve Rogers, and Det. Samantha Ferrino are the key leaders of the program that has been drawing more than 60 sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students on a regular basis to the drop-in sessions which are held Fridays, from 6 to 8 p.m. The program is free of charge for participants.

State Rep. Jeff Turco, who was instrumental in securing a state Shannon Grant for the program,

and Police Chief Terence Delehanty made a special visit Friday to show their support of the program.

Turco, who is the father of six children, has earned plaudits for his work in the advancement of after-school programs and youth enrollement in supervised extracurricular activities in a safe, structured environment.

Program leaders credit Turco's leadership at the state level.

"Jeff was able to assist the town in obtaining the Shannon Grant, and that funding has allowed us to operate our program on Friday nights," said Crisafi. "He is a big supporter of the Open Rec program."

Crisafi said the program gives teenagers the opportunity to interact with each other in basketball and other activities.

"Our teenagers play mostly basketball, board

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**VALENTINE'S SALE AT ST. JOHN' EPISCOPAL CHURCH**



Father Walter Connolly and Danny Dalo pictured at St. John's Episcopal Church's Valentine's Fair this past weekend. See more photos on Page 16.

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## WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Winthrop Police Department responded on the listed dates. The log is a public record and available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### MONDAY, JAN. 30

1246: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1340: Verizon was notified of low-hanging wires on Highland Ave.

1514: A resident came into the station to report being harassed on-line. The officer filed a report.

1946: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Cross and Franklin Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1950: Officer Carter assisted a family with the installation of a child car seat.

2108: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2123: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 31

1034: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. Upon determining that the vehicle's registration had expired and was non-renewable, the officer ordered it towed and issued a citation to the owner.

1403: An officer ordered a tow for a parked motor vehicle with a registration revoked for insurance cancellation on Main St.

1423: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1515: A resident came

into the station to report receiving threats from a person

he had met on an on-line dating site. The officer filed a report.

1552: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1700: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley and Underhill Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1920: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of excessive window tint. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2142: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1

0016: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Veterans Rd. and Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0107: An officer issued a parking ticket to a motor vehicle located in the municipal lot in Metcalf Sq.

0754: An officer provided assistance to the Fire Dept. on Bellevue Ave.

2047: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 2

1123: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The

officer issued a citation to the operator.

1215: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1241: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1452: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Hadassah Way for the civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1854: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Terrace Ave. and Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1920: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1936: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 3

0135: An officer issued parking tickets to 10 vehicles on Hale Ave.

1105: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Walden Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1229: A resident came into the station to report the violation of a domestic abuse prevention restraining order pursuant to c. 209A. The officer filed a report.

1253: An officer stopped a motor vehicle

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

1404: A person came into the station to report a minor motor vehicle accident the night before involving a bicyclist. There were no personal injuries, but there was damage to the side of her vehicle. The officer filed a report.

1655: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity theft and a larceny. The officer filed a report.

2119: A Bellevue Ave. resident reported that youths were in the street causing a disturbance. The officer sent the youths out of the area.

### SATURDAY, FEB. 4

0758: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Crest Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1252: Officers responded to a report of a motor vehicle striking a utility pole in the 200 block of Shirley St. and leaving the scene. The officers located the vehicle on Coral St. The airbag in the vehicle had been deployed and medical attention was summoned for the operator. National Grid was called to fix the light pole. Officers shut down Shirley St. from Neptune Rd. to Coral Ave. because of exposed wires. The officers filed a report.

1445: A resident reported that hate speech had been written on the crossbar of the hockey net at the street hockey rink on Ingleside Park. The officer filed a report. An officer was able to cover-over the graffiti.

1528: More graffiti was discovered at Ingleside Park.

1830: Officers responded to a report of a group of teens fighting outside of an Ocean Ave. address. The parties, who had been attending a baby shower, had dispersed by the time the officers arrived. An officer filed a report.

1920: An officer assisted the Fire Dept. with traffic control in the 500 block of Shirley St.

1950: The DPW was summoned to turn off the water at a water main break on Jefferson St.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 5

0016: Officers responded to a report of a person playing music loudly in an apartment on Somerset Ave. The officers were unable to make contact with the person playing the music. The officer filed a report and will contact the landlord.

0159: An officer responded to a report of loud music in a unit at Governors Park and restored the peace.

0937: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Sturgis St. for the civil moving infractions of a marked lanes violation, a passing violation, and a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1609: A caller reported that persons were on the ice at Lewis Lake. An officer advised a father who was with two small children that the ice was unsafe.

2151: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Revere St. in which a vehicle struck the Seven Eleven sign. The operator of the vehicle reportedly fled the scene. The officers located the operator and issued a citation to him for the criminal charges of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage.

## Safety // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

niques can also be used by staff for medical situations that arise outside of school, as well.

"We did get some really good feedback from staff about being appreciative of that," she said.

The training also shows the collaboration of the school department working together with the police, fire, and town health departments, as well as Action Ambulance.

"We have well over 300 employees, and we have limited time to do a lot of our professional development, but this one was a big one for us because of the benefits district wide and town wide," said Howard.

The training should be completed across all four district schools by the end of next month, Howard said.

There's also more good news on the AED front. Howard said at the next School Committee meeting, she'll be announcing a donation from one of the town's foundations that will be used to update and purchase additional AEDS for the school buildings.

By law, schools need one AED per building. Currently, there is one on each floor of the middle and high schools, two at the Arthur T. Cummings School, and one at the Gorman-Fort Banks School, along with four travel AEDs used by the district's athletic trainers and coaches.

"The donation we are receiving is going to allow us to purchase a handful more of these devices with the goal of eventually having them on every floor of every building," said Howard. "We feel the Arthur T. Cummings and the Gorman-Fort Banks need more devices."

The way the schools are set up, Howard said she doesn't want there to be an incident where someone has to run from the third floor to the first floor to get an AED.

"We want them on every floor, and ideally, on every end of our buildings," she said.

Howard added that the district is also looking to purchase an AED for the outside of the fieldhouse at Miller Field.

## Make a splash at the 2023 JetBlue Shamrock Splash

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port Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Better Beaches Program in partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The Better Beaches grant allows local organizations to host fun beach events free to the public in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull.

Last year, money raised at the splashed sponsored events in Winthrop including movie nights, kayaking, canoeing, swimming, and more.

This year, with your help, Save the Harbor will be able to award \$300,000 in Better Beaches grants to local organizations.

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Participants of the 2022 Shamrock Splash run into the cold water of East Boston's Constitution Beach.

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- 2 teaspoons olive oil
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- ¼ cup olive oil
- 4 large white potatoes, peeled and thickly sliced
- 2 large yellow bell peppers,

- seeded and cut into wedges
- 2 large orange bell peppers, seeded and cut into wedges
- 3 large onions, cut into wedges
- ½ cup white wine
- ½ cup chicken stock
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

#### DIRECTIONS:

**STEP 1:** Gather all ingredients.

**STEP 2:** Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

**STEP 3:** Heat 2 teaspoons olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat, and cook and stir the sausage until browned, 5 to 10 minutes. Transfer cooked sausage to a large baking dish.

**STEP 4:** Pour 1/4 cup of olive oil into the skillet, and cook potatoes, stirring occasionally, until browned, about 10 minutes.

**STEP 5:** Place the potatoes into the baking dish, leaving some oil in the skillet

**STEP 6:** Cook and stir yellow and orange peppers and onions in the hot skillet until they are beginning to soften, about 5 minutes.

**STEP 7:** Add the vegetables to the baking dish. Pour wine and chicken stock over the vegetables and sausage, and sprinkle with Italian seasoning, salt, and pepper.

**STEP 8:** Gently stir sausage, potatoes, and vegetables together.

**STEP 9:** Bake in the preheated oven until hot and bubbling, 20 to 25 minutes. Serve hot.

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# Superintendent praises retiring special education teacher Hodgkins

By Adam Swift

The school district, especially the high school, will miss special education teacher Maria Hodgkins' empathy, sympathy, and advocacy when she retires at the end of the school year, according to Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard.

Howard read Hodgkins' retirement letter at last week's School Committee meeting, and offered her

own kind words for her long-time friend and fellow educator.

"Composing a letter of retirement is not an easy task, especially when you truly love what you do," wrote Hodgkins. "It is time to reflect on all the time that has passed with deep appreciation. I will be retiring in June of 2023 after working with the Winthrop Public Schools since 1987."

Hodgkins stated that she

is grateful she's had the opportunity to work with an outstanding team of administrators and staff.

"Winthrop Public Schools is not only an exemplary school system, it's a special place that my entire family has graduated from," she stated. "My parents, my siblings, my children, and if I did the math right, my granddaughter in 2037. For nine years, Winthrop High School has been my second home, and

a piece of my heart will always encompass the administration, the amazing S1 staff, and the unforgettable students."

Howard said Hodgkins truly encompasses everything someone would want to be as an educator and a person.

"She is an incredible special education teacher and more importantly, she's just a kind human who truly understands students in the most diffi-

cult situations that we see in the Winthrop Public Schools in her role," said Howard. "She has been a lifesaver to the school district in terms of creating a program that has allowed students to be educated in their home school environment. That takes dedication, that takes work, that takes creativity, and I think most importantly, it takes empathy, sympathy, and advocacy for students who could easily be educated in

a different environment."

Howard said she hopes that even though Hodgkins is retiring, she will help mentor the next generation of special education teachers.

"If I had to describe Maria, she makes special education special," said Howard. "We've had a lot of kids who graduated from Winthrop High School in the past several years who I can honestly say without Maria might just not have."

## Mike Delia // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

buses part-time in Winthrop for Paul Revere Transportation.

"I got to know a lot of regular passengers, people from the town [Winthrop], and of course, lived in the town, so even to this day, I hold that near and dear," said Delia.

Although his start driving buses part-time was a passion that would only continue to grow, Delia also had his share of passion in another area of expertise – communications. Along with being involved in Winthrop Community Access Television, he also worked for WGBH for a few years right out of college.

As time passed, these two career paths, transit operation, and communications were on a collision course.

"My career was kind of at a crossroads. I had been a transit operator at the time – it had been about 10 years – and I also had this college background. So my crossroads was like, what area do I really want to pursue," said Delia.

Eventually, as Delia put it, "Public service ultimately won out." The decision to fully pursue transit operation led Delia to where he resides now, California, in the San Francisco area, where he has worked for the San Francisco Municipal

Transportation Agency (SFMTA) since 2014.

As a transit operator for SFMTA, Delia was able to operate many different modes of transportation. He has driven buses, trolleybuses, streetcars, the metro, which he likened to the MBTA's green line, and even the historic cable cars.

"As someone who is a history buff and also appreciates especially the older, we'll say heritage or vintage equipment – once I had the opportunity to operate that stuff, I mean, I was really happy," said Delia.

While he thoroughly enjoyed operating historic equipment, the different types of vehicles Delia drove also allowed him to get to know and build relationships with people across the areas he served.

"I was really afforded the chance to get to know all these people, and I think in some ways it opened my perspective a little bit as if to say don't judge a book by its cover to use an old saying," said Delia.

"Everyone is a human being; everyone has a sense of purpose."

As Delia was doing what he loved, life began throwing those curveballs. In 2019 Delia was diagnosed with testicular cancer that he battled and



Mike Delia in front of a SFMTA streetcar with his wife Meredith at the controls.

eventually beat. However, cancer reared its ugly head once again.

During October of 2021, Delia was not feeling well and, upon a visit with his oncologist, was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia. That diagnosis sent him to the hospital, where he did not leave for 30 days.

"My life pretty much changed overnight," said Delia. He detailed a horrifying first week in the hospital, saying, "They thought I could die in that first week."

Pretty much immediately, Delia began chemotherapy treatment that involved him going into the hospital for 30 days at a time for treatment and then returning home for 30 days to recover.

While this process obviously took a toll on Delia physically, it also had significant ramifications on his mental health as his treatment affected his immune system making it impossible to do what he had done for so long as a transit operator – interact with others.

"My complete social network was like erased in one day," said Delia.

As Delia continued to fight through some of his darkest days, an unsuspecting outlet allowed him to revitalize his socialization – baseball cards.

During his time as an operator, Delia created baseball cards with photos of him and his frequently known nickname, "Mr. Boston," – which he got for his accent and personality – and passed them out to passengers and visitors.

"The baseball cards ultimately proved as an outlet or opportunity for me to update my friends and family and people I couldn't see regularly," said Delia.

"I would put a little information on the back. I would be like, Mike is recovering, and this is where he's at, and so I was kind of in the dark for six months, and then I started doing the cards again, and that was the beginning of my reemergence."

Eventually, as Delia stayed strong and never gave up, he got a life-saving bone marrow transplant last April. Currently, Delia is still going through some less-invasive treatments and, as he described, is "teetering in and out of remission."

Although Delia is still

batting, that is not stopping him from working in other aspects of his life. Delia is advocating for patients going through similar experiences in fighting cancer.

"There's plenty of people out there who don't have the support system, that don't have the encouragement, that don't have the hope to stay alive, and the one thing I can tell people is don't ever give up," said Delia.

"As bad as things may seem, you have to fight. If you don't fight cancer is going to win."

Not only is Delia advocating for those who need help in their battles with cancer, but he has also returned to work at SFMTA. Due to his illness, his return to work is not as an operator but in a new role as a Public Relations Assistant under the Chief of Staff's office.

The position will allow Delia to harken back

to his days of work in the communications field and serve as a Public Relations liaison for SFMTA, something he is excited about.

Delia has been a true superstar for SFMTA since he started there, as he even won the San Francisco Transit Riders 2022 Operator Of The Year award – a year he was not even driving due to his illness – for his tremendous work over the years.

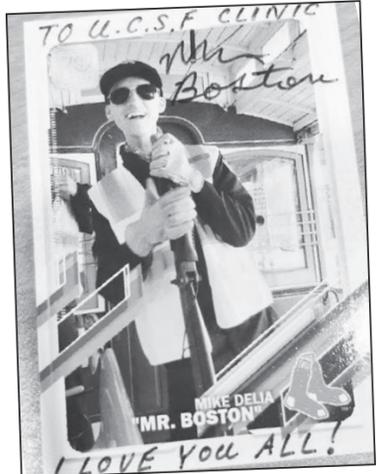
"To know that it was totally organic, a group of people thought of me and nominated me. I mean, I will cherish that award to the day I die," said Delia.

As Delia continues his battle and drives on new career avenues, he cannot say enough about the support he received from everyone during his fight, including his family and friends, especially those from Winthrop.

An emotional Delia said, "I

can't tell you how much overwhelming support came out of Winthrop just helping me through this."

"A special recognition goes out to the Winthrop community, especially Winthrop Vikings teachers and athletics, and numerous families, especially the Houghton, Schlichting, Gaglione, Furlong, Passaro, Polo, Fucillo, Crossman, Smith, Petrucelli, Quinn, and Winthrop Community Access Television, as well as countless other town supporters who reached out during my time of need."



One of the many baseball cards Mike Delia has created.



Mike Delia operating a Winthrop bus back in 2013.

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### THANK YOU, MIKE AND DONNA!

We'd like to take a moment to thank Mike and Donna Eruzione for their recent generous donation to the Winthrop School Department for the purchase of defibrillators for all of the town's schools.

The Eruzones, through their family's charity, Winthrop Charities, have made countless donations over the years to many Winthrop organizations, with a particular focus on our town's schools and youth.

Legends come and legends go, but Mike Eruzione, who played a pivotal role in the Miracle on Ice when the U.S. men's ice hockey teams won the gold medal at the 1980 Winthrop Winter Olympics with his goal that beat the Russians in the semifinals (named by Sports Illustrated as the Greatest Sports Moment of the 20th century), never has forgotten his roots and the community where he grew up.

Mike and Donna have done it again -- and we know we join with all of our fellow residents in thanking them for their generous gift that will make our schools a safer place for everyone.

### THE SKY IS FALLING?

With U.S. jets shooting down numerous unidentified flying objects seemingly every day over North American air space in the past week, we're all wondering, "What the heck is going on?"

As this is being written, the only thing we know for sure is that the first object that was shot down off the coast of South Carolina was a Chinese spy balloon.

Our military reportedly has adjusted its radar to try to spot more incursions -- which explains why the last three objects were picked up, whereas previously they may have gone unnoticed -- but one thing that these incidents have taught us is that our radar detection apparatus needs a serious upgrade.

It's tempting to joke about it -- Saturday Night Live did a funny skit about the Chinese spy balloon. And for our part, as we were watching the home videos and comments made by civilians, it made us think of the episode from the old TV show "F Troop" from the 1960s (yes, we are that old) when a balloon was shot down with bows and arrows, whereas this balloon was shot down by an F-22 Raptor fighter jet.

But there are so many unanswered questions and so many theories. Were the three other objects that were shot down also spy aircraft from another country? And if so, from where? Or were they owned by a private entity that also might be doing some sort of covert surveillance? How about aliens from outer space?

We'll only know the full story when all of those aircraft are recovered and analyzed. And it wouldn't be surprising if a few more objects are shot down in the coming days.

But in the meantime, let's hope we don't become a nation of Chicken Littles.

### THE VICTIMS IN TURKEY AND SYRIA NEED OUR HELP

The ongoing tragedy because of the devastating earthquake that struck the nations of Turkey and Syria is the worst humanitarian disaster the world has seen in many years.

More than 35,000 people have died and that number is sure to rise even further in the coming days.

Natural and other disasters in our part of the world have been barely a blip compared to what the people of Turkey and Syria are dealing with. To put the earthquake in perspective, the combined death toll from the Surfside condo collapse in 2021 and Hurricane Ian in 2022 was 250. Both were terrible tragedies, but that number is less than one percent of the earthquake's death toll.

In addition, tens of thousands have been injured and millions more have been left homeless -- all told, this is a disaster of unimaginable proportions.

There are many international organizations from which to choose to assist with disaster relief efforts and we urge all of our readers who have the ability to do so to make a donation.

### FOR PATS FANS, THE SUPER BOWL JUST ISN'T THE SAME

This past Sunday's Super Bowl game between the Eagles and the Chiefs certainly lived up to its hype.

But for those of us who were New England Patriots' fans for the two decades from 2001-19, the Super Bowl season just isn't the same.

Yes, on Sunday we marveled at Mahomes the Magician and rooted for Jalen Hurts, whose story has been so inspiring since his days at Alabama.

But the days when Foxboro was the center of the football universe -- the Pats were in nine Super Bowls in 18 years -- seem like only a distant memory, the likes of which never will be equaled again.

It was a good run, way better than anyone could have imagined when Adam Vinatieri kicked his game-winning field goal as time expired to win the 2002 Super Bowl.

Watching this past Sunday's Super Bowl served as a bittersweet reminder of our home team's former glory and the joy it brought to our region when our children wore their favorite Patriot player's jersey to school and everyone, it seemed, was glued to their TV sets.

But as we all know, all good things must come to an end.

And, not to be cynical, but with young quarterbacks like Mahomes, Josh Allen, and Joe Burrow in the AFC, it will be a long, long time before New England gets back to the big game.

### TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE

Dear Editor,

The devastating earthquake that occurred last week in Turkey and Syria has killed more than 33,000 people and flattened thousands of buildings in a region already plagued with humanitarian crises. The magnitude 7.8 quake reverberated across the southeastern region of Turkey along the border of Syria, during a harsh winter storm, hindering rescue efforts and overwhelming hospitals.

International relief organizations estimate that 23 million people are in need of relief after the quake and its aftershocks. The affected cities in Turkey are home to millions of residents and Syrian refugees, and the region of Syria impacted by the quakes has over a million internally displaced Syrians who rely on humanitarian assistance.

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

An Old Testament story records an overwhelming infestation of frogs throughout Egypt. There was no place in Egypt where frogs were not present in large numbers. The plague was sent in response to Pharaoh's attitude toward the Israelite people who lived in slavery under his rule. When God ended the plague there were piles of dead frogs all over Egypt. In the streets, bedrooms, bathrooms, closets, storage facilities, and places we can only imagine. It became a very stinky situation as they raked up the dead frogs and piled them up all over Egypt.

The Classified Document saga seems to be growing in similar fashion to the dead frogs of Egypt. They appear to be everywhere and they stink. The odor has to be particularly bad for Presidents Donald Trump and Joe Biden as well as Vice President Mike Pence.

First came the big raid of

By Steven Sharek

It's no longer a secret that Massachusetts vocational-technical and agricultural high schools are a great option for students of all backgrounds who want to learn a trade and pursue a career. Unfortunately, there simply isn't enough space in these schools to accommodate the huge demand.

Right now, there are roughly 55,000 students in Chapter 74 state-approved vocational-technical and agricultural programs, with another 6,000 students on wait lists. At the same time, business and industry are crying out for skilled workers.

We can be proud of these schools. They excel in academic performance, graduation rates, and expanded programming that includes fields like environmental science; information technology; and medical, health, and dental assisting. Students excel because they enjoy the engaging, hands-on learning.

We are at a tipping point. With this lack of available seats and strong

While world governments are sending aid, The Boston Foundation has published a Giving Guide on its website on organizations that can receive assistance to help those in need. Here are a few ways citizens can provide philanthropic support to residents of Turkey and Syria:

**Turkish Red Crescent:** The Turkish Red Crescent is the largest humanitarian organization in Turkey and is part of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent. They have already mobilized kitchens, tents, and blankets to the affected areas. Support their efforts through the International Committee of the Red Cross.

**Doctors without Borders:** Doctors without Borders is an international, independent organization that provides medical assistance to people affected by disasters such as the Syria-Turkey earthquake. On the ground, they are treating patients in their

supported hospitals, and their teams have donated emergency medical kits to other facilities in the region.

**Syrian American Medical Society (SAMS):** SAMS is a global medical relief organization that works on the front lines of crisis relief to save lives. They are providing urgent medical care to the injured at Bab Al Hawa hospital among others.

**CARE International:** Social justice organization CARE International is assessing the most urgent needs to help in the emergency response. CARE Türkiye works closely with Turkish authorities and other organizations to support refugees with food, safe drinking water, and hygiene items.

**Union of Medical Care and Relief Organizations:** UOSSM is a coalition of humanitarian, non-governmental, and medical organizations working under a unified strategic

framework to increase the effectiveness of the humanitarian response in areas of crisis.

**Save The Children (Emergency Fund):** Save The Children is working with partners on the ground to coordinate the national emergency response in Turkey and establish a response team to provide support to children and communities.

At critical times, The Boston Foundation prepares Giving Guides to help both their donors and others find ways to support nonprofits taking on critical issues -- locally, nationally and internationally.

Donations can be made on the websites of these organizations.

I hope that you will consider donating to one or more of them as I will be doing.

Thank you,

Bill Schmidt

### GUEST OP-ED

#### Classified document stink piles

Trump's home in Florida. Late at night, FBI agents went through his home and personal items and carried out boxes of documents. Next, we hear that Biden has had classified documents in his home for years. They seem to be scattered everywhere throughout his house. Then, Mike Pence in Indiana has more classified documents. What are these men doing with these documents? They are scattered out like the dead frogs of Egypt.

Again, what are these individuals doing with classified documents? I used to keep a big box of comic books when I was a kid. I would read a comic and then put it in the box. Sometimes I would read them again. I definitely knew that I had them. Why would past administrations hold on to classified documents? How did they get to the locations where they were found?

The National Archives has asked all the former Presidents to check for classified documents. Jim-

my Carter? Where would he have them? In his family Bible? Mixed in with old Sunday school lessons that he has taught at the local Baptist Church? I don't think so but you never know who might have picked them up, packed them in a box, and placed them on a shelf in his garage. What about George W. Bush? Could documents be under the seat of his old truck? Bill Clinton has emphatically stated he does not have any classified documents but he has made emphatic statements before. These former Presidents have said they do not have such documents.

Did Trump carry these documents out of the White House when he and his family climbed aboard the Presidential helicopter? I've never seen Trump or Biden carry anything. Which aid picked up some boxes and tossed them into the moving van? Where is White House security when it comes to classified documents?

Only time will tell and

we may never know for sure about the plethora of classified documents. We hope they aren't reading some of them in China or Russia. Who can say for sure where they are not being read? We do not know for sure whether or not someone else has them. Could another family member have a box or two somewhere? How much money would China, Russia or others pay for classified documents?

Democrats and Republicans will point fingers and scream about all this in the next election. Both sides will try to make the other side look worse but it appears there is plenty of stink everywhere.

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### GUEST OP-ED

#### Start Solving the vocational admissions problem: Improve access, create more seats

demand for vocational education, advocates, elected officials, and editorial writers are understandably concerned about whether students are being admitted equitably into our schools. Vocational school leaders are, too.

The current debate is centered on admissions policies and whether the adoption of a lottery system is the silver bullet for fixing any inequities, real or perceived. The reality is that a lottery does nothing to address the lack of capacity and it does not guarantee desired enrollment outcomes.

As educators, we'd like to offer enrollment to everyone. We simply can't. We don't have the space. No lottery will ever change that. A lottery will just rearrange who sits in the seats, with 6,000 kids still on the outside looking in. With that in mind, we are working hard to conduct our admissions processes as fairly and equitably as possible:

-Since admissions regulations were revised by the state in 2021, 97% of vocational-technical and agricultural high schools have made changes in their

admissions policies, personnel, or training. Clearly, our schools are serious about this effort.

-Grades are now less of a factor. Many schools now give equal consideration for grades of C or above, unlike before when student grades

were more heavily emphasized.

-Disciplinary issues are now less of a factor. Minor disciplinary issues are no longer factored into the admissions process.

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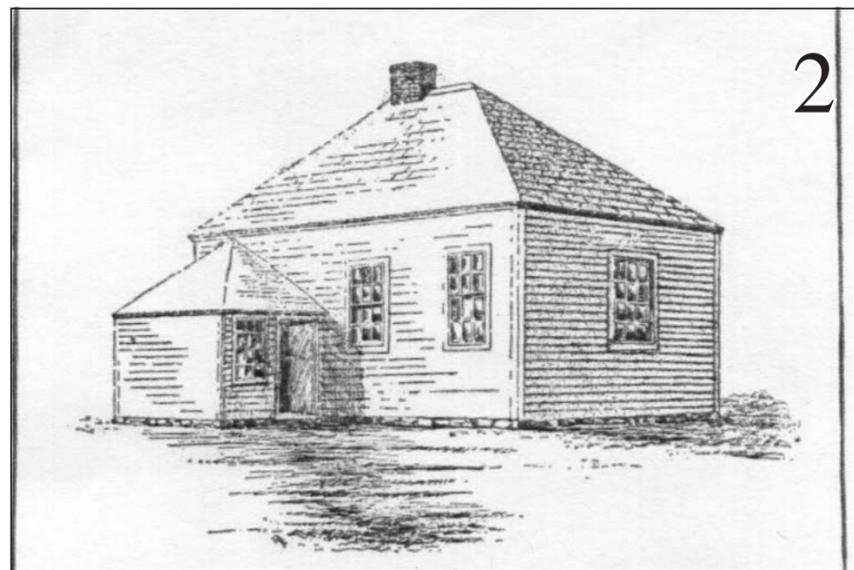
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Just as we who live in Winthrop today focus on a good education for our children, the early settlers on our peninsula were concerned about the schooling of their offspring. At first such schooling was held in the home, sometimes with a tutor brought in from outside the area. In the mid 1700's, classes were held on a semi regular schedule in the home of John Tewksbury, formerly the Jonathon Bill house built in 1638 and shown in picture one, located at what is now 29 Beal Street. A list of those attending in 1779 showed 23 students half of which were Tewksbury children. This building was razed in 1927. As to the children of the workers at the Point Shirley Fishery from 1753 to 1763, classes were held in a private home in that area for the ten years that the business operated. Although the number of households North of Point Shirley remained constant at 4 to 6 from 1640 to about 1800, the number

of children increased to the point that required the first public schoolhouse to be built in 1805 at the Metcalf Square location of the current Police Station - see the drawing of it in picture two as it appears on our Town Seal. This was a one room 20 x 25 foot building which held students from ages 5 to 21 for classes in reading, writing and arithmetic. It was described by Lucius Floyd, a boy of ten in 1844, "as having plank seats and desks extending lengthwise the full width of the building, over which the students tumbled to their places." This first school building was razed in 1845 and replaced by a second school building on the same site which was used for ten years and then moved and incorporated into the construction of the house currently standing at 278 Winthrop Street where our own Steve Moran and his wife Maryellen now reside. In 1856, a Town House was built on the same Metcalf Square site as depicted in

picture three. The first floor had two class rooms and the second floor housed the Winthrop Lyceum (beginning of the Public Library) and the initial Town Offices. In 1881, the requirement for a regular school building to house the fast growing school age population had become a reality and a four-room Pauline Street School was constructed on the site of the present E.B. Newton School. The Town House was then converted into our First Town Hall. This Pauline Street School building was enlarged in 1893 to appear as shown in picture four. This building burned down in 1907 and the current brick E.B. Newton School building was then constructed which now houses the Winthrop Cultural Council, the Clock Gallery, the Winthrop Historical Commission, the Community Christian Center and the Winthrop School of Performing Arts.



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## THE MORE Things Change

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

**10 years ago**  
**February 14, 2013**  
Fresh off the success and joy of its Awards Night and Kickoff Gala, the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce enjoyed another positive boost, that being the tremendous opportunity that Speaker Robert A. DeLeo has given to the Chamber through his securing of a \$25,000 state grant to be used to help local businesses. DeLeo was able to obtain the grant and target it for a "pilot program" for the Winthrop Chamber. The Speaker will evaluate the results from Winthrop's use of the funds from the grant and determine if the pilot program should extend to other communities statewide.

The Winthrop Democratic Caucus is scheduled for Monday at the Robert A. DeLeo Senior Center, 35 Harvard Street. All registered democrats in Winthrop are eligible to participate to elect delegates to attend the State Democratic Convention.

Winthrop resident Mike Eruzione, who scored the winning goal in the U.S. Olympic hockey team's 4-3 victory over the Soviet Union in the 1980 Winter Olympics, has placed the jersey that he wore up for auction. Memorabilia industry experts say that the jersey should garner a bid in excess of \$1 million in the Feb. 23 auction, one of the highest amounts ever for an item. Other Eruzione items to be auctioned off include the stick he used to score the winning goal; the jersey he wore in the gold medal game, the Cowboy hat he wore in the opening ceremonies, and "all the stuff that was sitting in my hockey bag in a trunk in my attic," Eruzione said. A portion of the proceeds from the auction will go to the Eruzione family's organization, Winthrop Charities, and to a scholarship at Boston University. Eruzione's decision to put the items up for bid has generated national headlines. He has already made several appearances on television including ESPN and Fox TV and the story has been featured in many publications. He will be a guest on The Today Show on NBC the week of the auction.

At its monthly breakfast meeting Tuesday, Winthrop Chamber of Com-

merce members heard a presentation from James P. Robertson Jr. and Jason Robertson about the assisted living residential facility planned for the former Winthrop Hospital site. Robertson Jr., who represents Winthrop Manor Development, considered different proposals from individuals and groups looking to develop the property. He said his company connected with Jason Robertson (not related) of The Gralia Group and the two parties came to an agreement on a 20-year lease for the property.

A Good Day to Die Hard, Identity Thief, and Safe Haven are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

**20 years ago**  
**February 20, 2003**

The School Committee voted 5-0 to support the recommendations of School Superintendent Thomas Giancristiano to close a \$205,000 budget gap for the current fiscal year (which has been caused by state local aid reductions by Gov. Mitt Romney that took \$489,000 away from the town) by eliminating all spring sports programs, all building repairs except for emergencies, and a deep cut in the substitute teacher account.

A wild storm on President's Day brought 28 inches of snow during the week and high surf to Winthrop's shoreline. However, favorable tide conditions resulted in no flooding along the coast.

Winthrop police issued \$300 tickets to a number of residents who were throwing snow from their driveways and sidewalks into the street, a practice that is forbidden under the town by-law.

Marine Sgt. Michael Merchant has been deployed to the Middle East and is aboard an assault carrier headed for Kuwait in anticipation of the U.S. invasion of Iraq.

The Life of David Gale, Old School, and The Jungle Book 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

**30 years ago**  
**February 24, 1993**

Police arrested two local men for setting fire to three cars and then setting a grass fire, all within a span of several minutes Thursday morning. There

was no apparent motive for the arson spree.

A gala farewell party was held at the Elks for Florence and Al St. Pierre, two long-time residents who are leaving Winthrop to retire elsewhere.

Cardinal Bernard Law has expressed his disappointment with the announcement that Dom Savio High will be closing at the end of this school year and said he hopes that students will be able to find other Catholic schools to attend.

A Native American group has asked the MWRA to cease further work on construction of the new sewage treatment plant on Deer Island until it can be determined what the impact will be of the new plant on a Native American burial ground on the island.

**40 years ago**  
**February 23, 1983**

The upcoming April town election figures to be a hot one. Six candidates are seeking the post of Town Meeting Moderator that is being vacated by John L. Murphy, who recently was named a Superior Court judge by former Gov. Edward J. King. Incumbent Selectman John Van Dalinda is being challenged by Ron Vecchia. In the School Committee contest, incumbents Beverly Brody Barisano and Donald Clayman are facing a challenge from Peter Burke.

Two armed robberies occurred in the town in the past week at the 4-M gas station and at the Pizza Shop on Revere St.

The School Committee has voted to make Winthrop High School a four year school beginning in September. The committee, citing declining enrollment in the public schools, also voted to close the Chase School on Shirley Street and transfer its students to the Dalrymple School.

The Dark Crystal is playing at the Kincade Theatre.

**50 years ago**  
**February 21, 1973**

A Middlesex Superior Court judge has ordered the town to pay \$10,905 plus interest to the Northeast Regional Vocational School for the current school year, funds that

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tions for those applying, including easier access to interviews and translation services.

The admissions changes only took effect recently so we have limited data to gauge whether the changes we've made are making a real difference. One year of data doesn't make a trend. Moreover, our schools have no access to demographic information about the students who do not enroll. We need help from the state on this so we can make best-informed decisions.

Finally, there's no guarantee that a lottery would actually help the protected groups of students that all of us want to help. In fact, simulations run by some of our schools have demonstrated that a lottery would yield exactly the opposite result. That is, a lottery would result in lower numbers of enrolled students in some protected

groups (just as one school experimenting with a lottery recently discovered).

Vocational-technical schools are continuously striving to serve under-represented populations. Consider special education. Five of the 10 school districts in Massachusetts with the largest percentages of students with disabilities are vocational-technical and agricultural high schools.

While there is strong sentiment on the both sides of the lottery debate, what all advocates of high quality vocational-technical education can agree on is this: The state can do more to help vocational schools and our potential students:

First, the state needs to make a massive capital investment in vocational school construction to create more seats. Second, our schools need unfettered access to our middle

schools so we can inform students, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, about the value of vocational education. Put another way, we need better access to reach the very students our detractors say are being excluded.

As demand for limited seats continues, we must work together to create opportunity and bright futures for all our high school students. Vocational-technical and agricultural high schools in Massachusetts will continue to do their part.

Steven C. Sharek is Executive Director of the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators, a professional association of educational leaders who administer and advocate for high-quality vocational-technical and agricultural education.

# Winthrop Senior Center News

35 Harvard Street, Winthrop, MA 02152 Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9am-3p.m. / Friday: 9am-1p.m.

Website: town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging Email: COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us Phone: 617-846-8538

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

## Thursday, February 16

9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class  
10:30am-11:30am: Coffee & Conversation  
12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
12:45pm: Bingo

## Friday, February 17

10:00am-12:00pm: Ceramics  
10:00am-11:00am: Line Dancing  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

Monday, February 20  
The Senior Center will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day

## Tuesday, February 21

9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class  
11:00am-12:00pm: Blood Pressure  
11:30am-12:30pm: Ballroom Dancing  
12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
1:30pm-2:30pm: Creative Writing with Gerard  
1:30pm-2:30pm: Chorus

## Wednesday, February 22

9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
9:30am-10:30am: Friends of WCOA Meeting  
11:00am-12:00pm: Zumba with Cindy  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
1:15pm-2:45pm: Italian Class

**Senior Lunch Program:** The Senior Center offers in-person dining on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12-12:30pm. Grab and Go Lunches are also 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.** The Senior Van runs Monday – 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 avail-

able on our website and in our newsletter.

**CAPIC Fuel Assistance.** CAPIC will be at the Senior Center to assist in signing up for fuel assistance from 9:30am to 12pm on:  
March 15, 2023  
April 19, 2023  
Appointments are on a first come, first served basis. For more information on the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIEHAP), go to: www.capicinc.org, or call 617-884-6130.

**Pizza Party.** Wednesday, March 15 at 1-3pm  
Cost \$2.00. Sign up at the front desk.

**Fall Risk Prevention Clinic.** Tuesday, March 21 at 11:30am  
Join Dr. Maegen Brady De Leo, Physical Therapist from Cummings Physical Therapy for this interactive

And engaging workshop designed to help minimize the risk of falling, as well as information on modifications that can be made to the home.

## Programming & Activities

A full listing of the Senior Center's programs and activities is available

in our newsletter and on our website.

**Ballroom Dancing:** Ballroom dance is a set of partner dances, which are enjoyed both socially and competitively around the world. We will tackle Waltz, Swing and Rumba, plus Cha Cha, and Foxtrot. This class will be held on Tuesdays from 11:30am-12pm.

**Blood Pressures:** First and third Tuesday 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 9am-3pm and Fridays from 9am-12pm.

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

schedule, please call the Senior Center.

**Seaside Tappers:** The Seaside Tappers meet on Mondays for Tap Classes from 10:30-11:30am, at the Methodist Church. For more information, contact Gail at: 617-763-7311.

**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 1pm-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.

## Upcoming Trips

Flyers, with additional trip information, are available at the Senior Center.

**Wednesday, March 8, 2023:** Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with Emmet Cahill at Danversport

Yacht Club  
Cost: \$89 (drive on your own) or \$119 (with transportation)  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal choice: Corned Beef & Cabbage or Baked Schrod

**Sunday, April 30, 2023:** Lunch & Show at the Newport Playhouse  
Provider: All Around New England  
Cost: \$127  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

**Saturday, May 20, 2023:** Lobster Roll Cruise (trip full; wait list only)  
Provider: All Around New England  
Cost: \$114  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal choice: Lobster Roll, Roast Beef Rollup, Vegetarian Rollup, or Chicken Caesar Salad

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023:** The Texas Tenors at Danversport Yacht Club  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
Cost: \$89 (drive on your own) or \$119 (with transportation)  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal choice: Stuffed Breast of Chicken or Baked Scrod

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were withheld by Town Meeting because town officials asserted their belief that Winthrop is being unfairly assessed by the regional school district.

However, in a case decided last month by the Supreme Judicial Court, Town Counsel Joseph Harvey successfully argued to the SJC that the town is being unfairly assessed and the SJC upheld the town's withholding of more than \$30,000 for prior school years.

The Sun Transcript notes the uncharacteristic bitterness among some of the candidates for elective office as the upcoming town election draws to its climax.

The selectmen have gone on record as favoring the purchase by the town of the portion of Deer Island that is owned by the

City of Boston which presently is not being used for any purpose.

Fiddler on the Roof, held over for a second week, is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

## 60 years ago February 21, 1963

A State House panel has given permission to a Boston contractor to burn demolition rubble on Gallops Island in Boston Harbor. However, Winthrop officials were assured that they can halt the burning, which will take place just three miles off the Winthrop coast, if it becomes a nuisance to local residents.

Sgt. David Rice, who finished just one point behind Lieut. Frank Perrone on the Civil Service exam for Police chief, has appealed the results of the

exam to the Civil Service Commission, which now must recheck the tests for accuracy. Lieut. John Van Dalinda finished third on the exam.

Gov. Endicott Peabody has named Andrew Benson, a former Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, to the State Utilities Commission.

The Winthrop Housing Authority has signed contracts for the construction of public housing for the elderly off Putnam St.

Miles Rambler on Bowdoin St., Fullerton Chevrolet on Main St., and Petersen Mercury on Revere St. are among the area car dealers who will be holding their traditional Washington's Birthday Open Houses this week.

Steve Reeves stars in The Trojan Horse at the Winthrop Theatre.

## 70 years ago Feb. 26, 1953

Despite an anticipated tight battle for the three seats on the Board of Selectmen, a low voter turnout is being predicted for Monday's election.

An auction sale to benefit the Winthrop Teachers Fund is set for March 18. Proceeds will be used to buy food and clothing for needy children with whom the teachers come into contact in our schools.

Rock Hudson stars in Lawless Breed at the Winthrop Theatre.

## 80 years ago Feb. 20, 1943

Five candidates are vying for the three seats on the Board of Selectmen in the upcoming town election March 1. Roy Pidgeon is the lone incumbent seeking re-election.

Gov. Leverett Saltonstall has ordered that the weekly air raid siren tests across the state will be conducted on Saturdays at 12 noon instead of at 1:00

p.m. Marlene Dietrich, Randolph Scott, and John Wayne star in Pittsburgh at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

## 90 years ago Feb. 25, 1933

With 38 candidates having filed their nomination papers for town office, the March 6 town election promises to be a battle royale with 11 contested races. Monster rallies at which all of the candidates have been invited to speak will be held in the coming days.

The Winthrop Board of Trade has given its approval to the proposal for the construction of breakwaters along Winthrop Shore Drive. The state already has approved the appropriation of \$100,000 for the project, but the town must pay its share of \$25,000, a matter that will be decided at the upcoming town meeting in March.

Building Inspector Timothy J. Mahaney reports that he issued permits in 1932 for the construction of nine single-family homes and one two-family home.

Barbara Stanwyck stars in The Bitter Tea of General Yen at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

## 100 years ago Feb. 22, 1923

Tuesday evening was a busy one for Chief McNeil and his men, who conducted three important liquor raids in rapid succession from 7:45 to 10:00. At 108 Shirley St., the officers found a fully-equipped, 100-gallon still and five big tanks containing 1050 gallons of mash and eight gallons of moonshine. The owner of the property, Mrs. William Smith, said she rented the rear of the building to a man whose whereabouts

presently are unknown. Winthrop Carnival Night at the Winthrop Theatre, the biggest night in the musical world in our town, filled every seat and every inch of standing room in the theatre.

## 110 years ago Feb. 22, 1913

It is doubtful that many residents are aware of the large amount of money being spent by the new owners of the Winthrop Pure Ice Co. in perfecting their plant since they took over from the previous owners. The company presently is supplying most of the businesses in town and much of the retail trade.

The Governor's Council has denied the request of former well-known resident Cardenio King, who was convicted of stealing his clients' investment money, for a pardon. King reportedly is ill and dying.

The recent Valentine Party held by the Cottage Park Y.C. was a grand success in every way.

Mr. Grafton Potter gave a private Valentine Dance for his friends at the Cliff House Saturday night at which some 30 couples attended.

The George Washington Supper was held in the vestry of the Union Congregational Church, attended by exactly 254 persons who disposed of the good things, consisting of roast beef, mashed potatoes, turnips, fruit salad, coffee jelly, apple pies, rolls, and coffee.

## 120 years ago Feb. 21, 1903

The Winthrop selectmen had better be prompt in preparing the articles for the town warrant for the upcoming Town Meeting. The selectmen of the Town of Wareham recently were indicted for their failure to meet the legal

deadlines. About 300 members of the Knights of Columbus were on hand for the ceremonies in honor of the 23 candidates for the Third Degree.

Local commuters have become accustomed to uninterrupted service on the Boston Elevated even during times of a heavy snowstorm, as occurred last week.

A bill calling for the annexation of Winthrop into Boston to become the 26th Ward of that city has been filed in the legislature. If passed, the voters of Boston and Winthrop must approve it.

## 130 years ago Feb. 24, 1893

The pupils of both the high school and the grammar school acquitted themselves well in front of the large crowd assembled at Town Hall for the presentation of their prized dissertations. Miss Flora Townsend of the high school was recognized as the star performer of the evening for her recitation of the Second Trial, which she delivered with humor, pathos, and sentiment.

The subject of proper bathing suit attire was the subject of discussion at the fifth session of Town Meeting last week. Town Meeting voted to postpone action on articles calling for a new Town Hall, establishment of a cellar grade, and a proposed dike and water park. Members voted to establish a committee to look into creating a park on town-owned land on Pauline St.

Last Monday's blizzard canceled school and may be called the worst day of a very hard winter. The snow brought service on the railroad to a halt for a period of time.

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# WINTHROP CULTURAL COUNCIL HOSTS HEARTS CONTENT MARKET

Photos by Marianne Salza

Glass and crystal jewelry, fiber art, and pottery were featured during the Winthrop Cultural Council's (WCC) Hearts Content Art Market on Febru-

ary 11. Artisans displayed their whimsical bird sculptures, greeting cards, and crocheted scarves

during the fair held at the EB Newton School and Cultural Center. "It was a success and

well-attended, with a wonderful, congenial atmosphere," said WCC Chair Joanne Hillman. "We have

plans for a mid-summer market."



Leslie and Paul Reardon, looking peering through prints by Dawn Mahoney.



Dawn Mahoney, president of the Winthrop Art Association.



Frank Marino, of Frank's Innovative Bird Creations, with his granddaughter, Isabella, and Lycia Marino, shown during the Winthrop Cultural Council's Hearts Content Art Market.



Michael Bacon, of Jangles Jewelry, holding his African copal bead necklaces, and Merrill Frank, of Fly Me to the Moon Pottery, holding her stoneware pottery bowl.



Brenda Curry and Phyllis Poor, with her fiber art.



Joanne Salza and Joanne Hillman, Winthrop Cultural Council chair.



Anna Poulos and Kim Witthaus admiring greeting cards by Mary Pat McNally.



Abstract artist, Chuck Guest, and his grandson, Andrew Whitney, 6-years-old, holding his bald eagle drawing with marker.



Jenna Diorio, of The Bracelet Adventure, wearing her Madagascar rose quartz bracelet.

## Open Rec // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

and trivia games, or just show up to socialize with their friends," said Crisafi. The Open Rec Program will continue through the end of the school year in June.

Crisafi said the goal is to open a permanent youth center at the old Middle

School gymnasium. "We would love to work with Parks and Recreation Director Sean Driscoll, who does a great job with his program, and establish a community youth center there," said Crisafi. "The Middle School has been vacant for several years."



Winthrop's 6-foot-6-inch State Representative Jeff Turco, and 6-foot-3-inch Police Chief Terence Delehanty display their athleticism and reach during a Feb. 10 visit to the Winthrop Open Rec program.



Winthrop Police Officer Jennifer Adamson, Gabby LaMonica, and Councilor Hannah Belcher.



The leadership team of the Winthrop Open Rec program is pictured at a weekly session Friday night at the old Middle School gymnasium on Pauline Street. Front row, from left, are Police Lt. Mary Crisafi, CASA Youth Program Coordinator Paige Caballero, CASA Executive Director Amy Epstein, and Police Lt. Steve Rogers. Back row, from left, State Rep. Jeff Turco, Assistant Program Coordinator Jake Stimpson, CASA Board Vice President Aaron Williams, Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center Director Jackie LaMont, Police Chief Terence Delehanty, and Police Sgt. Giulio Bonavita. Missing from photo: Police Det. Samantha Ferrino.



The Winthrop Open Rec program participants, staff, and special guests, Police Chief Terence Delehanty and State Rep. Jeff Turco, are pictured at last Friday's session at the old Middle School gymnasium.

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### WHS LADY VIKING HOCKEY TEAM HOSTS SENIOR NIGHT AT LARSEN RINK

Last Saturday afternoon the Lady Viking Hockey Team recognized their Senior Captains for their dedication and hard work in making the team a success over the past 4 years of their careers, and their team manager for all her hard work.



Senior Captain Mia Norris with her sister McKayla Norris, grandmother Pat Pumpfhret, brother Mike, and parents Cathy and Mike.



Senior Captains Julia, Abby and Emma Holmes with uncle Mike Bertino, parents, Jen and Jay, and sister Olivia.



Team Manager Senior Haven Pereira with dad Steve, brother Jace, sister Tegan, and cousin Jillian Buonopane.



Larsen Rink's own Zibby, with the Senior Captains of WHS, Mia Norris, Abby Holmes, Julia Holmes, and Emma Holmes.



The Winthrop High School girls hockey team honored its four senior captains - Emma Holmes, Julia Holmes, Abby Holmes, and Mia Norris - on Senior Night at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center. Team Manager Haven Pereira was also honored during the pre-game ceremonies.

### FRESH & LOCAL

#### Steam It!

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

If all you're steaming is vegetables, you are missing out on a world of easy cooking. Just think of all those Dim Sum carts filled with bamboo steamer baskets of dumplings, fish balls, buns, and cakes.

New England cooking includes many steamed favorites. We love clam shack "steamers," the local name for soft-shelled clams steamed in salt water, wine, or beer. Steaming is our preferred way to cook lobsters or crabs. Traditional Boston brown bread is steamed in a coffee can. This makes sense when you realize that

many colonial homes did not have an oven. Steaming is a great way to cook fish at home. Classic Asian recipes for scallion ginger fish and French fine dining Paupiette de Sole are both steamed. Delicate fish can be steamed off the burner in just the residual steam in the pan. This helps prevent overcooking.

#### Double Duty

Melissa Clark recently published her recipe for One Pot Salmon and Rice in the New York Times. She started by steaming a pot of coconut rice with a bit of green curry paste added for zest. When

the rice was about half cooked, she added the fish. She wrote, "...since salmon's so easygoing, draping the filets right on top of the rice to steam struck me as the simplest way to go, with the fewest dishes to wash afterward."

Clark is right about clean-up. Not only will you use fewer pots and pans when you steam things but this wet cooking method also makes those things you use easier to clean. Another trick used by those who do a lot of steaming is to protect the steamer with parchment paper with holes to let steam move about. You can make your own or buy

these premade to fit popular steamer sizes.

#### Equipment

You can spend money and take up space with specialized steaming appliances. However, there's a good chance that your kitchen will have something that can be used to steam food. A soup pot with a folding steamer basket will work fine for many items. Other food can be steamed on a heat-resistant dinner plate.

Most companies that sell pans offer a multi-pot with a couple of baskets that let you steam more than one item at a time. These come in various materials and price points from aluminum to stainless steel. Some cooks use their rice cookers as steamers. Instant Pots have steamer settings.

Simple multi-level bamboo steamers let you cook different food on each level, and you can remove each item from the stack when it is cooked to your desired doneness.



PHOTO BY RASMUS GUNDRORFF SÆDERUP

Steamed dumplings are always a treat!

If you have a wok, you could use it for steaming. Although wok guru, Grace Young warns that this might ruin the seasoning patina. She suggests a second wok just for steaming and boiling.

#### Steaming Tips

Never underestimate the danger of burns with steam. Use protection for your hands when you touch the pan or steamer. Always lift covers away from your face, so the cover protects you from the steam.

Make certain any plate or bowl you use in a steamer is heat resis-

tant. To encourage good steam circulation, put an upside-down saucer under your food dish to lift it from the bottom of the cooking pot.

Make sure the water does not boil away. You can open the steaming vessel to check the water level. While this is most important when steaming a whole chicken or large pudding, it can also happen with shorter cooking times.

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## WHS girls hockey celebrates Senior Night with a victory

By Cary Shuman

The Winthrop High School girls hockey program recognized its four seniors in the finest way possible, skating to a 7-0 victory over Medford Saturday at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center.

"The day was a full success," said head coach Butch Martucci.

Seniors Emma Holmes, Julia Holmes, Abby Holmes, and Mia Norris were honored in pre-game ceremonies for their contributions to the varsity during their careers. The Class of 2023's Fab Four—some has led the team to a

15-0-0 record this season, with an undisputed league championship just one win away.

Julia Holmes paced the Vikings with a hat-trick performance. Emma Holmes, Mia Norris, Thalia Martucci, and Izi Hain also scored goals.

"The Medford goalie had a ton of saves and kept us at bay until the third period [when Winthrop broke the game open with four goals]," said Martucci.

Winthrop's freshman netminder, Riley Towse, picked up her fourth shut-out of the season with six

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## JENNA LETTERIE HONORED AT MIDDLEBURY SENIOR NIGHT



Jim Letterie is the president of the Winthrop Town Council and owner of Letterie's Italian Market in Winthrop Center, but he's also a proud hockey parent with his wife, Dawn Letterie. Last Friday, they traveled to Middlebury (Vermont) to be part of Senior Night ceremonies in support of their daughter, Jenna, a senior captain for Middlebury who will be hoping to defend its NCAA national championship



in the upcoming playoffs. Jenna is having another outstanding season and nearing the 100-point career milestone, with 36 goals and 60 assists. The Letteries are pictured above during the pre-game ceremonies at Kenyon Arena. In the photo (left), Middlebury coach Bill Mandigo presents flowers to Jenna in recognition of her successful four-year career at the prestigious school.

## WHS VIKINGS GYMNASTICS TEAM DEFEATS MARBLEHEAD



Sara Jurovich anticipates her next move on the uneven bars.



Izzy Rice on the vault.



Julia Hurley in a leap above the balance beam. See more photos on Page 11.

PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

## WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

### VIKINGS HOOK FISHERMEN TO CLAIM THE NEC NORTH; NOW RANKED #1 IN D-4

The Winthrop High boys hockey team delighted a capacity crowd at Larsen Rink with a 4-2 victory over Gloucester, their closest rival in the North Division of the

Northeastern Conference, Saturday afternoon.

Combined with the Fishermen's subsequent loss to Marblehead on Monday night, coach Dale Dunbar and his crew are the undisputed 2023 champions of the NEC North.

In addition, the victory over the highly-ranked Fishermen (12th in Divi-

sion 2) nudged the Vikings ahead of Norwell for the first time this season to move into the #1 spot of the MIAA's Division 4 power rankings.

The Vikings led all the way in a contest that had a playoff atmosphere from the drop of the puck on the opening face-off, with both teams playing a fast-paced and physical game.

Viking senior captain Jack Hayes, assisted by junior captain Petey Silverman and senior Colin Banfield, gave Winthrop an early 1-0 lead.

Phil Boncore, assisted by the captaincy duo of Hayes & Silverman, made it 2-0 before the period ended.

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## HONORING WHS VIKINGS SENIORS

### WHS LADY VIKING BASKETBALL HOSTS SENIOR NIGHT

Last Friday evening at the final regular season home basketball game, the WHS girls' basketball team recognized their seniors for their many contributions and dedication to the team.



Senior Captain Madison Stiglets with her parents, Rachel and Brian and sister Sydney.



Senior Malin Flatner with her teammates and host coordinator Irene Nargi.

### WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS RECOGNIZES SENIOR AKYNA RONAN

Winthrop Gymnastics recognizing their Senior Captain Akyna Ronan for her dedication and many contributions to the team.



Senior Captain Akyna Ronan with her family, parents Rosa and Ronnie and her brother Andrew.



Head Coach Peter Gobel and Asst. Coach Crista Vaccaro with the 2023 WHS Gymnastic Team; Front row; Captains Ellie O'Donnell, Akyna Ronan and Shannon Abbott. Back row; Jillian Buonopane, Brooklyn Banfield, Julia Hurley, Zoe Rey, Sara Jurovich, Isabella Rice, Emma Faretra, Gianna Sorrentino, and Melissa Cash.

### RESIDENT HONORED AT NORTHEAST VOCATIONAL HOCKEY SENIOR NIGHT



Senior Santino Perullo with father, Anthony.

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Gloucester got on the board in the middle of the middle period to cut the lead to 2-1, but a power play goal by Jackson Andy, assisted by Hunter Fife, late in the period restored the Winthrop lead to two goals entering the final 15 minutes.

The Fishermen lit the lamp within the opening minute of the third period to make it 3-2, but before the Viking faithful could begin to settle in for what loomed as a nail-biting finish, Boncore responded just 15 seconds later, with Silverman providing the assist, to re-up the lead to two goals, 4-2.

The Winthrop defense and goalie Nico Babine took it from there, shutting down the Gloucester offense the rest of the way to preserve the big win.

The Vikings now stand at 9-0-1 against all NEC opponents (6-1 against their North Division rivals) and 14-2-1 overall. They were set to trek to Haverhill last night (Wednesday) to face NEC North foe Masconomet and will journey to NEC South rival Peabody for a contest Saturday at 4:00.

Dunbar and his crew will wrap up their regular season next Tuesday (Feb. 21) when they host non-league opponent Dedham, which is ranked 21st in D-4, at Larsen for a 2:00 face-off.

### LADY VIKINGS GROUND THE FALCONS, 40-22; TURN SWAMPSCOTT BLUE; THEN TAME PANTHERS; EARN CO-SHARE OF NEC SOUTH

The Winthrop High girls basketball team was on a roll this past week, defeating three Northeastern Conference rivals in succession and attaining

a co-championship of the South (Lynch) Division of the Northeastern Conference.

Last Tuesday coach Anthony Hatzisavas and his crew traveled to Danvers to take on the Falcons. After the long bus ride, the Lady Vikings found themselves trailing by a score of 20-12 at the end of the first half.

"They made some shots and we just came out flat," said Hatzisavas. "At half-time we talked about picking it up on defense which would lead to easy offense and that's exactly what happened."

The Lady Vikings executed their coach's strategy to about as near-to-perfection as possible, limiting Danvers to just two points -- that is not a typo -- through the entirety of the second half to cruise to a 40-22 victory.

Grace Fleuriel led the way for Winthrop with a powerful double-double of 14 points and 15 rebounds. Kaylee Farrell reached double figures with 11 points and Lilly Conway "gave us tremendous minutes off the bench contributing six points and being a big factor on the defensive end," noted Hatzisavas.

This past Friday, the Lady Vikings hosted Swampscott on Senior Night and celebrated the occasion in appropriate fashion with a 51-34 triumph over the Big Blue.

"We kept the defense going from the Danvers game and held them to nine points in the first half," said Hatzisavas. "We controlled the game for the most part."

Senior Maddie Stiglets led Winthrop in the scoring department with 16 points. Maddie, who has been a varsity player for four years, and fellow senior Malin Flatner, who is an international student from Norway, were honored before the game for their contributions to the WHS girls basketball program.

Fleuriel achieved another

double-double with 12 points and 12 rebounds, a feat that Grace attained despite playing only 15 minutes because of foul trouble.

This past Tuesday, the Lady Vikings made the long bus ride to Beverly a worthwhile endeavor, bringing home a 46-41 victory from the Panthers' lair.

The Winthrop defense once again was solid to start the game. The Lady Vikings grabbed a 9-4 advantage after one period, but the Lady Panthers closed the gap to 23-21 at the half.

The teams battled back-and-forth after the intermission, but Winthrop received some clutch performances down the stretch to hold on for the win.

"We needed someone to step up and that was captain Maddie Stiglets," said Hatzisavas. "Maddie had nine of her 22 points in the fourth quarter, hitting clutch free throws in the end to pull away, and she also had 10 rebounds."

Fleuriel chipped in with 11 points and Farrell also hit for double figures with 10 points.

Prior to their run of victories, the Lady Vikings played the well against a strong Masconomet squad (which sports a 10-2 record in the North Division of the NEC, second only to undefeated Peabody), but came up short by a score of 62-52.

"Masco is a very good team," said Hatzisavas. "We were down 40-20 at the half and we battled back and cut it to within six with about four minutes to go. We really picked it up on the defensive end and had some great contributions on offense."

Fleuriel once again was a force for Winthrop with yet another double-double of 18 points and 15 rebounds.

"Grace has been playing phenomenally this season and really controlling the paint," added Hatzisavas.

Stiglets struck for 14 points and Reese Brodin reached double figures with 11 points.

"We can now say we are co-NEC Lynch champions along with Saugus," said Hatzisavas. "I couldn't be more proud of the girls. They deserve this. It's been a long year for all of us and they were able to stick together and earn this."

Winthrop presently stands at 10-10 overall and is scheduled to wrap up the regular season this week against two non-league opponents. The Lady Vikings traveled to Bishop Fenwick last night (Wednesday) and will trek to Woburn next Wednesday.

Hatzisavas and his crew, who are ranked 13th in the MIAA power ratings in Division 4, then will await word of their first round opponent in the state tourney.

### WHS BOYS PLAY WELL VS. BEVERLY

Although the Winthrop High boys basketball team came up short in its contest with a powerhouse Beverly squad this past Tuesday, WHS head coach Mike Triant saw some positive signs from his Vikings, who remain on course to qualify for the post-season state tourney.

"Beverly is a phenomenal team," said Triant of the Panthers, who are ranked ninth in the MIAA's Division 1 power rankings and who are the undisputed champions of the Northeastern Conference with an 11-1 record. "We lost the game, but I liked the way we played. We were down 21-16 after the first quarter, but I explained to the team that it wasn't the scoreboard I was worried about."

"We wanted to execute sets and make stops and

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## WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS VS. MASCONOMET

Photos by Bob Marra

The Vikings won their third straight gymnastics competition with a 131.65 – 117.95 score over Marblehead on Saturday,

February 4. The win improved the Vikings record to 4-2 with a final meet scheduled Friday against Masconomet at 7 p.m. at the Winthrop Gymnastics Academy.



Alayna Ronan makes a move in the balance beam competition.



Izzy Rice on the uneven bars..



Izzy Rice above the balance beam.



Shannon Abbott strikes a pose at the conclusion of her floor exercise.



Jillian Buonopane soars during her floor exercise.



Alayna Ronan in the middle of a flip as Gymnastics Academy President meet Director Peter Gobiell looks on.



Zoe Rey in a flip during her floor exercise.



A young fan watches as Ellie O'Donnell during floor exercise.



Julia Hurley on the vault.

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at times we did just that against an excellent D-1 state champion contender," added Triant. "I'm hoping that this prepares us for our last two games of the season and then for the state tournament."

George Galuris struck for 14 of the Vikings' 52 points in the 94-52 finale. Teammate Vasili Tsiotis also reached double figures with 10 points and Alex Daigneault hit for eight.

Triant and his crew are ranked 31st in the MIAA D-4 power ratings, a spot that automatically qualifies them for the state tourney.

They are scheduled to wrap up their regular season this week against non-league rivals Northeast Regional tonight (Thursday) and Bishop Fenwick

next Wednesday, February 22. The Fenwick contest will tip off at the Holland gymnasium at 2:00 in the afternoon and will be highlighted by Senior Night festivities.

### WHS GYMNASTS DO WELL VS. TOP-RATED MASCO

The Winthrop High gymnastics team hosted defending state champion Masconomet Friday evening at the Winthrop Gymnastics Academy (WGA). Although the Lady Vikings came out on the short end of a 144.7-135.75 decision, their total of 135.75 points marked their highest score of the season.

Winthrop started the night off on uneven bars with Brooklyn Banfield scoring a 6.2 on a well-executed routine. Brooklyn was followed by captain Shannon Abbott, who added a few more difficult moves to her routine to the pleasure of her teammates and scored a 6.6.

Captain Ellie O'Donnell, who has been taking over for her sister and becoming a bar specialist, performed a routine, shooting to a handstand, a difficult maneuver that only a few of the team can perform.

"Ellie scored a 7.5 from one of the toughest-scoring judges we've seen this season," said WHS co-coach Christa Vaccaro.

Freshman Zoe Rey, with her high flying back uprise, scored a season high of 7.8. Isabella Rice, despite suffering from a bad sinus infection, still scored an 8.25. Captain Alayna Ronan, competing in her last meet as a WHS senior, hit her routine, scoring an 8.55 to take third place on bars.

After the first event, the

Vikings trailed the state champs, 35-4-32.1.

On the vault, the Winthrop team came back and completed their best vaults of the season. First up was Banfield, doing a hand-spring, scoring an 8.4. She was followed by Sarah Jurovich doing the same vault and getting an 8.35.

Julia Hurley, performing her new twisting vault, scored a season high of 8.6. Abbott, performing a new half-on, full twist-off, received a personal best of 8.7, tying her for third place.

"Isabella Rice had trouble with her twisting vault, sending her head-first into the warning mat," noted co-coach Pete Gobiell. "But she shook it off and ended up on her feet for her second attempt."

Ronan did her full twisting handspring, scoring an 8.5, and the Vikings came up just short to Masco, 35.45-34.2, in that event.

At this point, the Vikings knew that if they wanted to make a run at the state champs, they would have to hit their beam routines.

Freshman Jillian Buonopane led the way, sticking her beam routine and scoring a season high of 7.8. That put some pressure on Hurley to stay on the beam and keep it going.

"Julia has the least number of falls on the beam this season," noted Vaccaro, and Hurley came through once again. "Julia fought hard and stayed on, scoring her season-high and personal best of an 8.8."

"You could feel the pressure building on the sidelines before Zoe Rey did her routine," said Gobiell.

Handling herself like a seasoned-veteran, the freshman stayed on the

beam, scoring an 8.1.

The Vikings were on a roll and everyone in the gym could feel it. O'Donnell was next up and delivered one of the best performances of the night, staying on the beam and scoring an 8.9.

Ronan, competing in her last meet on the balance beam for her high school career, didn't disappoint her fans and delivered a stuck routine, scoring a season-high of 9.05.

That left sophomore all-around Rice to try for the Vikings to become one of only a handful of teams that go 6-for-6 in a competition on the beam.

Isabella dealt with the pressure and delivered a solid routine, staying on the beam and scoring an 8.9. Winthrop tallied a season-high of 35.65 in the beam, just behind Masco's score of 36.55 (only the top four scores of each team are counted).

"You can't ask for more than that," said Vaccaro. "Six up and six stuck routines. The Masco coach commented that her team hasn't performed that way all season."

Heading into the final event, the floor exercise, Buonopane tied Hurley with a score of 7.65. Abbott and Rey also tied with scores of 8.15.

Rice pushed through her routine, scoring an 8.2, and O'Donnell performed her routine "with hardly any deductions," noted Vaccaro, scoring an 8.4.

That left senior captain Ronan to perform the last routine of her six-year high school career. Alayna hit every skill, displaying the ability and cool of a veteran gymnast, and turned in a season-high score of 9.4.

"Alayna went out on top, like the true champion she is," said Gobiell.

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saves.

In last Wednesday's game against Marblehead, Winthrop rolled to an 8-1 victory. Emma Holmes had a hat trick, while Mia Norris, Hannah Parker, Samantha DiMento, Tegan Pereira, and Julia Holmes also tallied for Winthrop.

Winthrop was set to play Latin Academy Wednesday night. The Vikings host Gloucester Saturday (2:30 p.m.) and travel to Beverly for the regular season finale Tuesday (7:30) at Raymond Bourque Arena.

#### Emma-VP! Emma-VP!

The NEHL coaches will meet Sunday at 9 a.m. at Winthrop High to select the league MVP, All-Conference, and All-Star Awards.

With her league-leading offensive numbers and

her team's unblemished record, Emma Holmes should be the unanimous choice for league MVP.

"She's absolutely been the best player in the league, hands down," lauded Coach Martucci.

Julia Holmes, Abby Holmes, and Mia Norris are strong candidates for All-Conference Awards while Riley Towse is sure to get some recognition for her phenomenal rookie season.

#### Pereira nets her first goal of the season

Freshman defenseman Tegan Pereira blasted a slapshot past the Marblehead goaltender for her first career goal. Pereira has been a steady contributor for the Vikings all season.

Sophomore Izzy Hain, who has shown a lot of improvement this season,

scored her second goal of the season in the victory over Medford.

"We're trying to find more ice time for Izi, and she's making good use of it," said Martucci.

#### Receiving support at games from Winthrop Youth Hockey

Butch Martucci said he's been pleased to see players from Winthrop Youth Hockey's girls' teams turning out to support his WHS varsity team.

"Their attendance at the games has been really special for our players," said Martucci. "We really enjoy it. They're so excited to see us play, and we're so excited to have them there. We're going to try to go as team and watch their team play in the district championship game."

## OBITUARIES

### Robert Burke

Draper Laboratories retiree - his top priority was his family

Robert H. "Bob" Burke of Winthrop was called home to God in his Kingdom on February 10. He was 89 years old.

He was born in East Boston to John J. and Mary O. (MacCormick) Burke Sr. and was the dear brother

to the late: Rita DiSilvio, Theresa M. Davis, John Burke Jr., Francis E. Burke and Carol A. Burke.

Bob attended high school in East Boston and continued his education at Northeastern University where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He started his career at Raytheon, eventually moving to MIT and retiring from Draper Laboratories in Cambridge.

There, he worked on nuclear submarines and for NASA. Bob was a Korean War Veteran, serving in the U.S. Army from 1953-1955.

Bob or "Papa" adored his family. He loved spending time with them and chatting on the phone - even mastering the art of text messaging and "selfies." Bob's top priority was his family, never missing a birthday, anniversary or just a quick call to say "hello" and "I'm thinking of you."

Bob loved living in the town of Winthrop, not too far from the home of his favorite Boston Red Sox. You could often find Bob tending to his meticulous yard, planting flowers (especially roses) and chatting with his neighbors. Bob's family will most remember him as a bright, charming and quick-witted man who always made



people laugh.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 64 years, Grace L. (Battaglia) Burke of Winthrop. He was the father of Karen Sirianni and her husband, Anthony of Falmouth, the late Joseph Burke and his surviving wife, Tina of Ashland and Robert Burke and his wife, Colleen of Saugus; seven

grandchildren: Joseph Sirianni, Amanda Evans, Justin Burke, Julia Sirianni, Alivia Burke, Lauren Burke and Devon Burke; three great-grandchildren: Julian Evans, Jackman Sirianni and Damien Sirianni and nephews: Michael and Frank DiSilvio and John and Kevin Burke.

Bob's funeral will be held today, Thursday, February 1 in St. John the Evangelist Church (St. Michaels Parish) 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop, at 11:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Please go directly to the church. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section).

Donations in Bob's memory can be made to a charity of your choice. Funeral arrangements are from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop.

To sign Bob's guestbook, please visit: [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

### Lorraine Boudrow

Retired travel agent who always had a welcoming smile and hug

Lorraine A. (McKinnon) Boudrow of Winthrop died peacefully on Wednesday, February 8 at the age of 84.

Lorraine worked for many years as travel agent at American Express Travel in Cambridge. She loved to travel with her late husband, John and their group of close friends. They all shared amazing adventures all over the world including her favorite place, Disney World. Lorraine loved to entertain her friends on the front porch at 8 Pleasant Street and hosting Christmas Eve celebrations. She always had a welcoming smile and hug. Words can not express how much she will be missed by those that love her.

She was the beloved wife of the late John A. Boudrow of Winthrop; cherished mother of Michael A. Boudrow of Chelsea, VT, James Boud-



row and his wife, Becky of Corinth, VT, Timothy Boudrow and his late wife, Aimee of Winthrop, Lori Rouleau and her husband, Paul of Saco, ME and the late John K. Boudrow of Winthrop. She was the proud grandmother of Amanda, Andrew, Dylan, Joshua, Lauren and Jessica and she also leaves behind her dear sisters, Diane McKinnon of Winthrop and Charlene DeCesare and her husband, Vince, of Londonderry, NH.

Her funeral was conducted from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home on Tuesday, February 14 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church. Interment will be private.

To sign the online guestbook, go to [www.caggianofuneralhome.com](http://www.caggianofuneralhome.com).

To place a memorial in the Winthrop Sun Transcript, Call 781-485-0588

## VETERANS APPRECIATION AT BEACHMONT VFW POST 6172

Courtesy photos

Recently, an inter-city event giving back to our veterans was held in neighboring Revere at the Beachmont VFW Post 6712. Members of the Winthrop Elks, Winthrop American Legion and Revere Mottola Post were also in attendance. During the event about 200 buck-

ets stuffed with a new winter coat, gloves, hat and a box of face masks were given out to those veterans in attendance. All of the coats were donated by Don Cox's Mass. Veterans Support Foundation. All of the buckets were donated by Home Depot and Job Lots also contributed a large amount to the donations.



State Reps. Jeff Turco, Rep. Steve Xiarhos and Rep. Joe McGonagle.



Don Cox (who collected gift buckets with coats) John Floyd Chairman.



Chairman John Floyd, Mass. Secretary of Veterans Services Cheryl Poppe and State Rep. Joe McGonagle.



Shown left to right, John Floyd Chairman, Ken Holgersen Post Commander, Don Cox President of Mass. Military Support Foundation, Rep. Steve Xiarhos, Rep. Jessica Giannino, Veteran Peter Lacey and Rep. Joe McGonagle.



Members of the Winthrop American Legion Post #146.

## WHS SPORTS Through the Years

### 10 years ago February 14, 2013

The Winthrop High girls basketball team's 29-28 victory at Danvers clinched an outright Northeastern Conference South Division championship for Coach Ignacio Oyola and his crew. Theresa Jones and Temison Meggison topped the Lady Viking point chart with six points each. Nikki Tsiotis added five, Ashelyne Babb and Nina Bartlett chipped in four, Kristen Siscamanis hit for two, and Polli Tsiotis sank a free throw in a game in which every point mattered. Winthrop, which now stands at 14-3 overall and 11-2 in the NEC South (three games ahead of second place Danvers)

The Winthrop High boys hockey team post-

ed a pair of impressive, shutout victories this past week, taking the measure of Gloucester last Wednesday, 2-0, and then blanking Saugus 4-0 on Monday. Assistant Captain Chris "Buddy" Page continued to terrorize Winthrop's Northeastern Conference, figuring in five of Winthrop's six goals over the two games.

Winthrop netminder Ray Feeley chalked up both wins with six periods of shutout hockey. The win over Saugus was most notable for the rough and unsportsmanlike conduct of the Sachems, who played a rude host to the Vikings. Two Saugus players received disqualifications for hitting from behind.

The Winthrop Lady Bulldog hockey team,

which earned a thrilling 3-2 win at Everett last Wednesday with a goal in the final minutes by Kara Donati to clinch a berth in the state tourney, will host Masconomet Saturday at Larsen Rink.

### 20 years ago February 13, 2003

The Winthrop sports community is mourning the passing of legendary Winthrop High hockey coach William "Bill" Falasca, who died this week at the age of 82. He coached Winthrop teams to eight NEC titles, an Eastern Mass. crown, and a state championship in 1976 with a team that went

25-0-1. He was named the Lynn Item's Hockey Coach of the Year eight times.

The Winthrop High hockey team earned a 4-0 win over Revere in a non-league encounter this week. Viking junior netminder Adam Sullivan racked up yet another shutout in goal for Winthrop. Freshman Evan O'Brien, Lucas Guarino, Pat Gunn, and Frank LeClair scored for Winthrop.

The WHS girls basketball team fell short in its bid to qualify for the post-season state tourney with a 41-37 loss to Savio Prep Sunday. A win would have enabled the Lady Vikings to qualify for the tourney,

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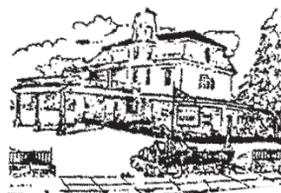
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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### TRAFFIC COMMISSION APPROVES MAKING BROADWAY BUS LANE PERMANENT

CHELSEA- The city's Traffic and Parking Commission approved making the bus and bike lane on Broadway permanent.

The request was initially made by former City Manager Thomas Ambrosino in a letter dated Sept. 28, 2022.

"The goal is to make permanent the bus and bike lane that operates downtown currently between Fay Square and Third Street/Everett Avenue," said Alex Train, the city's Housing and Community Development Director. "Currently, the bus lane operates to serve the Route 111, Route 112, and other local bus routes. A study that the city commissioned did demonstrate that it had no adverse impact on traffic and it did improve safety in the downtown."

As a result of that study, Train said the city administration recommended that the bus and bike lane be made permanent, as well as be integrated into the redesign of the infrastructure downtown.

The City Council typically has the final sign off on recommendations approved by the Traffic and Parking Commission.

In other business, the commission approved a plan to add a second vehicular peak a.m. lane on Everett Avenue southbound.

"Due to rush hour traffic, at times it is difficult for drivers to access the Rte. 1 onramp going into town," said Train. "We would propose adding a restricted lane that would only operate between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m. Monday through Friday."

After 10 a.m., drivers would be able to use the metered parking spaces along the southbound side of Everett Avenue.

"We did have our transportation consultant examine this just to determine whether there would be any adverse impacts, and they concluded that there wouldn't be any negative impacts if it was done," said Train.

The commission also agreed to have the traffic consultant look into the feasibility of a request made by a resident to make Clark Avenue one way between Stockton Street and Webster Avenue.

"Due to the fact that this involves the direction of the street and traffic circulation, we would want to table this in order to examine the operational and safety impact a change might have," said Train. "The resident that petitioned the commission did cite a number of reasons for the request, so we would propose relaying this to our transportation engineer just to look into it to make sure it was viable and wouldn't have any negative impacts."

### BPS ADDS ELECTRIC BUSES TO ITS FLEET

EAST BOSTON-Mayor Michelle Wu celebrated the arrival of the first two electric school buses to the Boston Public Schools (BPS) school bus fleet. An additional 18 buses

will arrive in the coming weeks and are expected to be in use following the February school vacation. This is a major milestone in creating a Green New Deal for the City of Boston, leading to immediate health and quality-of-life improvements for Boston students, workers, and residents, while advancing climate action. Mayor Wu joined BPS Superintendent Mary Skipper, Green New Deal Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia, BPS Director of Transportation Dan Rosengard, bus driver trainers, and community members at the Readville bus yard in Hyde Park to see how these electric buses are being integrated into the fleet.

"I'm grateful to the many people who have been instrumental in getting Boston to this point and helping us demonstrate the many overlapping benefits of moving to a green economy and ensuring that our kids and our workforce are at the center of that transition," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "Today is one of many steps we are taking to make Boston a Green New Deal city and to move with the urgency that our communities and residents deserve. From cutting down on emissions from every part of our education infrastructure — where our students learn and how they get to class — to preparing our next generation of workers to build and sustain cleaner, greener infrastructure for all of us, we're so excited about where this will lead Boston."

"Our children deserve to learn, grow up, and play while enjoying clean air and experiencing a healthy environment free of air pollution," said Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper. "When these buses hit the road, they will operate with zero emissions and significantly lower noise levels than their diesel-fuel counterparts. So when you see the buses with the green bird with a plug logo on each side, be sure to wave and smile as they and the children inside represent our great city's future."

"As a City, we know we must prioritize the development of electric vehicle infrastructure to support the future of green mobility in Boston to advance our Green New Deal for all of our residents," said Green New Deal Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia. "I'm grateful to Boston Public Schools for their leadership in making critical climate investments while supporting the health of our communities and growing our green workforce trained with these skills."

The BPS Department of Transportation carefully selected the first routes — 111 trips, across 42 schools — to run electric school buses based on a variety of factors, including distance from the dispatch yard charging station, total length of route, and the expected traffic patterns along the route, with a preference for stop-and-go traffic rather than highway driving. Additionally, the cold weather deployment was factored into route selection to ensure power supply for battery conditioning and bus heating. Routes travel through nearly all of Boston's neighborhoods.

BPS is finalizing installation of 20 charging stations at the Readville bus

### DIDOMENICO JOINS MOTHERS OUT FRONT RALLY FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE



Senator Sal DiDomenico recently joined the Mothers Out Front organization for a rally at the State House. Senator DiDomenico was joined by other elected officials and an impressive showing of Mothers Out Front advocates from his district and from local chapters throughout the Commonwealth. DiDomenico vowed to attendees that he would continue to fight for the most aggressive climate actions in the legislature so we can protect our environment and planet for generations to come. The advocates walked through the State House to the Governor's office and were able to spend time meeting with Governor Healey, Massachusetts' newly appointed Climate Chief, Melissa Hoffer, and the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Rebecca Tepper.

yard, utilizing increased charging capacity that was added with support from Eversource. Each electric bus will have a dedicated charger and be charged every day. The total time to charge each bus is about three to four hours. The learnings from this first phase of electric school bus deployment will support the City in designing and implementing future electric school bus fleet expansion.

Prior to integrating the 20 buses into the fleet, BPS is training driver trainers, drivers, mechanics, operations staff, and emergency responders to ensure familiarity with the bus design and operation. During the upcoming February vacation, drivers will test routes to ensure they are comfortable driving the new buses in advance of students boarding later this month. An estimated 2,561 students across 42 schools will be riding the 20 buses each school day. BPS currently has 620 buses on the road each day.

Boston's Green New Deal works to address climate change with positive co-benefits including creating good jobs, enhancing public health, and transforming structures to promote racial and economic justice. School bus electrification will protect children from diesel particulate matter, eliminate tailpipe emissions, address air quality and noise concerns around school pick-up and drop-off, and offer a healthier work environment for bus drivers and monitors. The City of Boston is fostering the Green New Deal by leveraging funding to invest in solutions that improve the lives of Bostonians and catalyze the transition to a just, green City.

In April 2022, Mayor Wu first announced that up to 20 electric school buses would be deployed during the 2022-23 school year. These electric buses will replace existing diesel buses. These buses were funded through the BPS operating budget and the federal American Rescue Plan Act. Mayor Wu previously shared the goal that BPS will work to replace additional big buses each year, and then move to replacing smaller buses until the entire fleet is electrified by 2030.

Additionally last spring, the Public Works Central Fleet Maintenance Division introduced the first ever train-the-trainer class for fleet mechanics from the Public Works Department (PWD) and BPS on how to safely service and repair electric vehicles at

Madison Park Technical Vocational High School. To date, eight mechanics from the PWD and two from BPS have completed the course and continue to take online classes to keep pace with the ever-changing technology. Beginning in the fall of this year, electric vehicle maintenance will be added as part of the core curriculum for seniors participating in Madison Park's automotive program.

This celebration will lay the foundation for the future of the Boston Public Schools bus fleet. The City intends to use federal funding from the Environmental Protection Agency and Inflation Reduction Act to further expand the number of electric buses in the fleet and enhance training for staff.

The City has been making progress on its commitment to installing electric vehicle (EV) charging stations throughout Boston's neighborhoods for both municipal use and residents. The City currently operates 66 LV II EV charging plugs across 14 municipal parking lots. There are plans to add an additional 18 LV II EV charging plugs, and four high-speed LV III DC fast chargers this year. This investment in public charging, along with the City's EV readiness policy for new development and right-to-charge rules for condominium residents provide a foundation for the rapid, equitable electrification of transportation in Boston. The City also continues to electrify its vehicle fleet, adding charging plugs where City vehicles are garaged, prioritizing EVs in its replacement cycle, and adding its first all-electric street sweeper last year.

### FORESTEIRE'S TRIAL UNDERWAY

EVERETT-The jury trial of former Everett School Superintendent Frederick Foresteire got underway this past Monday in Malden District Court.

Foresteire is facing multiple counts of indecent assault & battery and simple assault & battery for his alleged actions involving three females who worked for the School Department during his tenure as superintendent of schools.

Monday's proceedings included the selection of the jury, the opening statements by Middlesex County Assistant District Attorney Carrie Spiros and defense attorney Ge-

rard Malone, and testimony by the first of Foresteire's three accusers.

Foresteire, who is 79 and who resigned in 2019 after lengthy career when the accusations became public, had attempted to plead out his case last December by means of a continuance without a finding (commonly referred to as a CWOFF), which is an admission to sufficient facts to the charges, but without pleading guilty.

However, the District Court judge at that time, Emily Karstetter, rejected the plea deal and instead recommended a guilty finding and imposing a sentence of 18 months with 12 months suspended.

Foresteire rejected that offer and opted for a jury trial.

At that December hearing, the three women delivered emotional victim impact statements inside the courtroom. All three women, who worked in different capacities in the School Department, alleged that Foresteire engaged in inappropriate behavior while they were working in their jobs in the School Department. The three women also said that Foresteire's actions adversely affected their physical and mental health.

At Monday's hearing, the first of the three witnesses described multiple allegations of behavior directed toward her by Foresteire that have given rise to the charges.

Malone in his opening statement told the jury that Foresteire adamantly denies the charges and that he will be taking the stand in his own defense.

The trial is expected to continue through most of this week.

### RBP ANNOUNCES DATES AND THEME FOR THE 2023 REVERE BEACH INTERNATIONAL SAND SCULPTING FESTIVAL

REVERE-The Revere Beach Partnership (RBP), in coordination with its co-sponsors the City of Revere and the Department of Conservation and Recreation, is excited to announce that it will be hosting the 19th Annual Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival from July 28th to 30th, 2023.

"Revere Beach Partnership's mission is to preserve and enhance Ameri-

ca's first public beach for the enjoyment of all. We are thrilled this world-class festival allows us to showcase the beauty of Revere Beach to people from all over the world. Visitors will marvel at not only the beautiful works of art in the sand but also the incredible revitalization that continues to transform the area along this historic beach," said John Hamel, Chairman of the Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival Committee.

The theme for this year's event will be "Celebrating 90 Years of Kong" and will feature a centerpiece sand sculpture highlighting an epic King Kong battle. The event's signature master sand sculpting competition will feature 15 master sand sculptors, three days of live entertainment, gourmet food trucks, specialty food vendors, exhibitors, amusement rides, as well as some special King Kong-themed surprises that will be announced closer to the event.

"The International Sand Sculpting Festival is one of the best times of the year to come out and enjoy Revere Beach," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "I always admire the work of the sculptors who fly in from everywhere around the world to sculpt on our coastline. We are looking forward to welcoming you back to Revere Beach once again to enjoy the countless activities and peruse all the new amenities and businesses our beach has to offer!"

The Revere Beach Partnership is excited to see everyone on the beach once again for this free, family-friendly event that has become a New England tradition. More details and announcements about the event will be made at a later date. For the most up-to-date information about the event, please visit our website [www.rbissf.com](http://www.rbissf.com), or follow us on social media.

Revere Beach Partnership is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was established in 2001. The mission of the Revere Beach Partnership is to preserve and enhance America's first public beach for the enjoyment of all. The partnership is made up of a volunteer board that shares a love for Revere and Revere Beach. For more information, please visit [www.reverebeachpartnership.com](http://www.reverebeachpartnership.com) or [www.rbissf.com](http://www.rbissf.com).

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
 By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Cara M. Gilmore to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., dated January 20, 2010 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 46033, Page 134, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association to NewRez LLC F/K/A New Penn Financial, LLC D/B/A Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, recorded on May 20, 2022, in Book No. 67673, at Page 3 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 5:00 PM on March 20, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 15 Ocean Avenue, Unit 105, Chase Condominium, Winthrop, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT: ALL THAT CERTAIN CONDOMINIUM IN TOWNSHIP OF WINTHROP, SUFFOLK COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEING SHOWN AS UNIT 105 OF THE CHASE CONDOMINIUM CREATED BY MASTER DEED FILED 08/16/1988 IN BOOK 14949 PAGE 178 AS AMENDED. ALSO INCLUDED IS PARKING SPACE NO. 10. For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 29376, Page 78. These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and

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 The applicant seeks a permit to convert the current preexisting non-conforming 2-family structure to a 3-unit residential building. The permit was denied in accordance with the Town of Winthrop Zoning By-Laws Chapter 17.12.130 three family dwellings are not permitted in the RA district. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Hall.  
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ily structure to a 3-unit residential building. The permit was denied in accordance with the Town of Winthrop Zoning By-Laws 17.12.130 three family dwellings are not permitted in the RA district. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Hall.  
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of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday February 23, 2023, at or after 6:30 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the application of person requesting:  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
  
**BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING 3/2/2023: Case 023-2022**  
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**Robert Morfino - Property Address 35 Summit Avenue**  
 The applicant seeks a permit to convert to utilize his residence for the purpose of renting 1 bedroom and operating as a legal bed and breakfast/transient lodging business. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and

available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Hall.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
 Docket No. SU23P0086EA  
 Estate of:  
**Rui Manuel Rodrigues Amaral**  
 Also Known As:  
**Rui Manuel Amaral, Rui M. Amaral**  
 Date of Death:  
 March 7, 2021  
 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Deborah A. Amaral of Winthrop, MA A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Deborah A. Amaral 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.  
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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Winthrop Town By-Laws, that the Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on March 1, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom on the Notice of Intent from Cottage Park Yacht Club, 76 Orlando Avenue, Winthrop, MA for the regrading and repaving of the parking lot, installing an ADA ramp as well as some small concrete repairs to

### LEGAL NOTICE

  
**BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING 2/23/2023: Case 006-2023**  
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**Daniel Vannoni - Property Address 35 Lincoln Street**  
 The applicant seeks a permit to convert the current preexisting non-conforming 2-fam-

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### SENATOR LYDIA EDWARDS HOLDS OFFICE HOURS AT THE ROBERT DELEO SENIOR CENTER



Senator Lydia Edwards visited the Robert DeLeo Senior Center last Tuesday afternoon, Senator Edwards(center) is shown with Director Kathy Dixon, Asst. Director Matt Rodes and her Legislative Aide Eric Reidister.



Lauren Reed was on hand, Reed represents Elder Services for Winthrop, Revere and Chelsea.

Photos and story by Al Terminiello jr.

Last Tuesday afternoon between 1-2pm Senator Lydia Edwards met with Winthrop residents at the Robert DeLeo Senior Center in Winthrop to discuss her upcoming agenda and any points of interest residents may want to bring to her attention. About 20 from around the community joined the senator and showed an interest in her thoughts on their concerns.

Senator Edwards made it well known that she has a vested interest in Winthrop and will not let it be pushed aside because of its small community size.

She has requested that the Suffolk County DA start his tour of Suffolk County in Winthrop.

Other concerns of Senator Edwards is the increase in crime, while it has risen in Revere and Boston, Winthrop's numbers are down. Edwards did mention her extreme concern that it is juvenal crime that has increased. Adding it's the covid crisis that has a major contribution to this, and that more after school programs will help.

While being a short time, a lot of ground was covered and a lot of information exchanged, between Senator Edwards and the residents of Winthrop.



Senator Edwards listened while Winthrop residents expressed concerns about housing, gun safety, and Logan Airport.



Maryalice Sharkey spoke on airport fumes, senseless idling causing more pollution, and possible solutions to be considered.



Local activist Donna Reilly discussed the possibility on combining local interest groups from Winthrop and East Boston to gain strength in pushing their cause to the next level

### LOCAL STUDENT EARNS Academic Honors

#### NAPOLI EARNS DEAN'S LIST HONORS

Liliana Napoli, of Win-

throp, earned dean's list honors at The University of Tampa for the Fall 2022 semester. Napoli is majoring in Nursing BSN.

Students must maintain a GPA of 3.75 or higher to be eligible for the dean's list. The University of Tam-

pa is a private, comprehensive university located on 110 acres on the riverfront in downtown Tampa. Known for academic ex-

cellence, personal attention and real-world experience in its undergraduate and graduate programs, the University has about

200 programs of study and serves about 11,000 students from 50 states and most of the world's countries.

## EBNHC introducing the Office of the Patient Advocate

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Equity is one of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's (EBNHC) biggest focuses this year in all facets. With equity in mind and to improve patient service, the EBNHC is creating the Office of the Patient Advocate.

In a press release, Greg Wilmot, EBNHC's President and CEO said the office will "provide patients, a significant number of whom are immigrants and non-English speakers, with an additional ac-

cess point to address and resolve any concern that may arise."

Elida Acuña-Martínez, EBNHC's Senior Director of Interpreter Services and the Office of the Patient Advocate, described what its creation means for over 100,000 patients that the health center serves.

"By creating this office, we send a clear message to our patients and empower them to advocate for themselves and their families. Our team is here to support them in doing just that," said Acuña-Martínez in the same press

release.

The creation of this office will undoubtedly be massive in the health center's emphasis on equity in that it will serve patients that may face barriers in the healthcare realm. For example, according to statistics provided by EBNHC, 71% of its patients are below 200% of the federal poverty level, and 70% of patients are served best in a language that is not English.

Along with creating the Office of the Patient Advocate, the EBNHC has been hard at work in other

areas to promote equity in its care.

The health center has created a diversified staff to better understand and serve its patients, with 50% of its 1,500 staff members being from its service area, 32% speaking Spanish, and 45% being Latinx.

EBNHC has also done tremendous work with its Interpreter Services Department, offering interpretation in-person, over the phone, and via video. EBNHC statistics revealed that the health center provided over 205,000 inter-

pretations to patients in its last fiscal year with these services – a figure comparable to Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH).

As a new year gets underway, it is evident that with the creation of the Office of the Patient Advocate, the EBNHC is taking significant steps to provide the best and most equitable care to its patients.

"I know that East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is not just a medical provider, but a trusted-community-based organization that provides

our neighbors with hope, care, and critical resources," said Acuña-Martínez in the press release.

"We want our community to know that there are people in every corner of our organization who are here to advocate for them and help them achieve the best health care for themselves and their families," said Wilmot in the press release.

For more information about the new office, you can visit <https://www.ebnhc.org/en/visitors/patient-info/patient-experience.html>.

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## VALENTINE'S SALE AT ST. JOHN' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

Shirley Hines loves feeding peanuts to squirrels; and when she discovered a TY Beanie Baby squirrel at St. John's Episcopal Church Val-

entine Fair, she nestled it throughout the morning, naming it M&M, after her favorite chocolate. During

the February 11 fair, homemade snickerdoodle cookies and lobster lunches were top selling favor-

ites. Parishioners took chances to win romantic gift baskets and a handmade sweethearts quilt.

Rainbow body scrub, origami greeting cards, and crocheted afghans were also on display.



Danny Dalo, Father Walter Connolly, Ashley Chaput, and Patty Nicholson.



Mary Mitchell, Denise and John Economides, and Joe Aiello.



Seven-year-old, Isabella, and Jacqueline Brandao shopping for a bracelet.



Jane Sears and Ruth Ashton at the raffle table.



Kathy Nelson and Susan Castella at the baked goods table.



Kathy Nelson, Jennie Luongo, and Shirley Hines, with her new squirrel TY Beanie Baby, M&M.

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## Senator Edwards and Representative Connolly launch Housing for All Caucus

Special to the Journal

Senator Lydia Edwards and Representative Mike Connolly, joined by 60 of their colleagues, launched the Housing for All caucus in the Massachusetts Legislature. At the inaugural meeting, legislators presented their priority housing policy ideas for the current legislative session on a myriad of topics including: homelessness prevention, tenant protections, support for first-time homebuyers, affordable housing production, zoning reform, revenue to support local affordability, anti-discrimination, and civil rights.

"I am proud to launch the Housing for All caucus with Senator Lydia Edwards and so many of our legislative colleagues," Representative Mike Connolly (D-Cambridge) said. "Today's affordable housing emergency is without any prec-

edent in modern history, so it requires all of us to come together to seek consensus on comprehensive solutions that can address each aspect of this ongoing crisis."

"I'm thankful to be joined by Representative Mike Connolly and many of my colleagues from the legislature in this work," said Senator Lydia Edwards (D-Boston). "Every day I hear from families in my district who are facing eviction, rent increases, and housing instability. I am committed to using every tool available to address the housing crisis, deliver immediate relief to families in need, and to work collaboratively to create a system that makes housing truly affordable for all."

The purpose of the caucus is to build consensus for policies addressing all aspects of the housing crisis. Initial areas of interest include: advancing the vision

of Housing as a Human Right, working to end housing discrimination in all its forms, building support for local affordable housing policies and programs, and working with DHCD Secretary and the future Secretary of Housing to improve systems currently in place. The caucus will achieve these aims by supporting legislation, advancing budget priorities, expanding the knowledge base of members, staff, and the public, and by building collaborative relationships with the administration, legislative leadership, local housing authorities and affordable housing developers, and other key community stakeholders.

The Housing for All caucus is being founded by a total of 61 legislators. In addition to Sen. Edwards and Rep. Connolly, members currently include those listed in the table below.

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