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**MBTA PUBLISHES
3-YEAR SAFETY
IMPROVEMENT
PLAN**

The MBTA announced the release of its 3-Year Safety Improvement Plan, a forward-looking document that on the MBTA's commitment to strengthen its safety culture through continuous improvement.

The three-Year Safety Improvement Plan was produced in response to an act of the Legislature and incorporates a number of safety-related initiatives related to all modes of transportation operated by the MBTA. The plan is centered on four categories: workforce; data, system, and communica-

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PHOTOS BY MARIANNE SALZA

The Third station, Jesus falls the first time, is shown during the Saint Michael the Archangel Youth Ministry presented The Living Stations of the Cross on March 31.



Aaron Armistead, as Jesus, Tyler Eaton, as Pontius Pilate/Guard/Simon, Amelia Spencer, narrator, Gabby Buonopane, as Veronica/Guard, and Talia Martucci, as the Blessed Mother. See more photos on Page 6.

Superintendent and police chief discuss school safety measures

By Adam Swift

In the wake of yet another school shooting in

the nation, Police Chief Terence Delehanty and Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard appeared before the Town Council Tuesday night to give an overview of safety procedures in school and town buildings.

"Because of the violence going on, I've gotten phone calls wanting updates on safety in our school facilities," said Council President James Letterie.

Letterie noted that both Delehanty and Howard work extremely hard to focus on safety in the schools and in town buildings.

Delehanty noted that school security has been a focus since he has been

chief, and added that many of the security upgrades in town over the past decade are thanks to grants that former House Speaker Robert DeLeo helped secure.

Every August, Delehanty said a team of public safety and facilities staff go through all the school buildings in the district with a checklist for safety protocols.

"Every phone is checked, every camera is checked," said Delehanty. "Detective Wayne Carter runs the camera system for the entire town, including assistance with the school security cameras. If a school camera goes

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Council committee considers changes to Town Zoning Board

By Adam Swift

The Town Council's rules and ordinance subcommittee supports a proposal to increase the size of the Zoning Board of Appeals, but is waiting for more feedback from the ZBA before making a formal recommendation to the full council to move forward with the changes.

Last month, Council President James Letterie introduced a motion seeking to increase the size of the Zoning Board of Appeals from six to seven members to make it easier to vote on appeals and conduct business.

This would allow the board to have five members on a hearing with four votes needed to approve an appeal, giving it more flexibility, according to Letterie.

"The first motion we discussed would increase the size of the board of appeals and it would require us to appoint additional members to that," said Council Vice President Stephen Ruggiero, who chairs the rules and ordinance subcommittee. "The second motion cou-

pled with that would adopt Mass General Law Chapter 39, Section 23, which would allow the associate members of the board of appeals to step in and vote for a regular member of the board of appeals if that person were to be absent on the day of a vote."

The associate member could not have missed more than one meeting during the hearing process, and would have to attest in writing that they were aware of all the facts and provisions of the relevant case.

"In our opinion, this would make for a more efficient process ... and it would create a more efficient government," said Ruggiero. "The general consensus is that we were in favor of these; we had a few follow up questions we sent to (the city solicitor) which we received answers on. I think our concerns were clarified, but we decided to hold these until our next council meeting just because we haven't heard back from members of the board of appeals directly and we

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Master hairstylist, Nataly Mercado, Owner, Eyes on Me, and Melanie Vokey, hairdresser, with their canine friend, Onix.

'Eyes on Me' opens up in the Winthrop Center

Story & Photos by Marianne Salza

Master stylist Nataly Mercado will be celebrating the grand opening of her beauty supply and salon, Eyes on Me, with a ceremony on April 8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The Winthrop

resident hopes that customers will feel comfortable in her new location in the Winthrop Professional Building in Winthrop Center.

"I am super excited to

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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, MAR. 20

1352: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Washington Ave and Sturgis St. for the civil moving infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1631: A Cottage Park Rd. resident came to the station to report that her motor vehicle had been broken into two nights previously. Her employee identification badge had been taken from the vehicle. The officer filed a report.

TUESDAY, MAR. 21

0121: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle without a resident parking sticker on Hale Ave.

0936: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Coral Ave. in which a vehicle struck two parked vehicles. The operator was not injured and one vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.

1008: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle parked in a handicapped spot on Cutler St. to move his vehicle.

1507: A resident came into the station with his daughter to report harassment and bullying at the high school. The officer filed a report.

1701: A Main St. resident reported that three youths were attempting

to get into her house and were making threats directed at her son. The officer filed a report.

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 22

1140: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Winthrop and Belcher Sts. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1621: A resident reported being the victim of a hit-and-run accident. The officer filed a report.

1815: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2045: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction of making an improper turn. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2147: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Cross St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

THURSDAY, MAR. 23

0050: Officers responded to a report of two male parties arguing outside of the Washington Chambers on Washington Ave. The officers arrested Christopher R. Yarrow, 28, of 100 Circuit Rd., for the criminal offenses of causing malicious destruction to property in an amount greater than \$1200, disorderly conduct, and making a threat to commit a crime.

0813: Officers responded to a report of a hit-and-run motor vehicle accident on Banks St. The victim provided the officers with

a description of the vehicle that fled the scene and a partial plate number. The officer spoke to all parties and filed a report.

1131: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that was parked in the work zone on Perkins St.

1311: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Cross St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1535: A resident came into the station to report that his son was assaulted by another student at the Middle School. The officer filed a report.

1542: A Bowdoin St. resident reported finding a loose dog with a collar but no tags. The Animal Control Officer located the owner, who was out of town. The Bowdoin St. resident agreed to hold onto the dog until its owner returned.

1730: A resident reported finding a loose dog at Main and Hermon Sts. The Animal Control Officer helped return the dog to its owner.

1904: An officer stopped a motor vehicle in the 500 block of Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1949: Residents on Summit Ave. reported that they caught a small dog with no tags that was running loose in the area of Winthrop Shore Drive. An officer picked up the dog and brought it back to the station, where it was reunited with its owner with the assistance of the Animal Control Officer.

2238: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at MaiN and Fairview Sts. for the civil moving infraction of an equipment violation. When the officer determined that the

operator's license was suspended, which is a criminal offense, he issued a citation for both the civil and criminal matters.

2245: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pleasant St. and Edgehill Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, MAR. 24

0124: An officer issued parking tickets to five vehicles in the area of Lowell and Maple Rds.

0134: An officer issued parking tickets to nine vehicles in the area of Cliff Ave. and surrounding streets.

0915: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Lincoln St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0948: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1112: The Animal Control Officer issued a citation to a dog owner whose dog was not on a leash.

1157: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Argyle St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1357: An officer issued parking tickets to two vehicles parked in the handicapped spots at the high school.

1418: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Locust St. for the civil moving infraction of driving on the wrong side of the road. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1422: A person came

into the station to report that her motor vehicle had been struck by a hit-and-run operator on Kennedy Rd. The officer filed a report.

1502: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1722: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator who said he was lost.

2223: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between neighbors in a condo on Shore Drive. The officer directed one of the parties to turn down their music.

2246: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley and Payson Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

SATURDAY, MAR. 25

0123: An officer issued parking tickets to nine vehicles on Beacon St.

0958: An officer spoke to dog owners at Coughlin Park about the town's leash by-law.

1039: An officer stopped a motor vehicle that had been reported as stolen out of Salem. The officers arrested the operator (who said that the owner had allowed him to use the vehicle), Edwin Josue Castro, 22, of Lynn, for the criminal offenses of receiving stolen property in an amount greater than \$1200, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and receiving a stolen motor vehicle.

1144: A resident came into the station to report a fraudulent charge by a collection agency using his identity. The officer filed a report.

1321: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shore Drive and Locust St. for the civil moving infraction of a plate violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1809: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley and Crescent Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

SUNDAY, MAR. 26

0115: An officer moved along a large group of youths who were in cars and playing music loudly at Woodside Park.

0511: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked within 10 feet of a fire hydrant on Coral Ave.

0941: A Trident Ave. resident reported multiple incidents of the theft of mail and packages in recent months.

1205: A Shore Drive resident reported finding a stray dog. The Animal Control Officer came by to retrieve the animal. The officer returned the dog to the owner, who said it had escaped past a gate.

1220: A male party reported that he had jumped the curb at Dolphin Ave. and Shore Drive earlier in the morning and had struck a road sign. The officer filed a report.

1304: A Beal St. came into the station to report the theft of her I-phone from her motor vehicle. The officer filed a report.

2009: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Tafts Ave. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2019: An officer directed a person playing music loudly in a Trident Ave. residence to turn it down.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

STUFFED TOMATO BASIL CHICKEN

INGREDIENTS:

• 4 (6 ounce) boneless, skinless chicken breasts

• ½ (12 ounce) bottle garlic and herb marinade

• 16 fresh basil leaves

• 1 large tomato,

thinly sliced 4 slices provolone cheese

• 12 slices bacon

• ¼ cup freshly grated Parmesan

DIRECTIONS

STEP 1:

Place chicken breasts on a flat work surface. Slice horizontally through the middle, being careful not to cut through to the other side. Open the 2 sides and spread them out like an open book. Place chicken and marinade into a large resealable plastic bag. Squeeze out excess air, seal the bag, and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

STEP 2:

Preheat the oven to 500 degrees F (260 degrees C).

STEP 3:

Lay opened chicken breasts on a broiler pan. Place 4 basil leaves on one half of each chicken breast. Top each with 2 to 3 tomato slices and 1 cheese slice, then fold chicken together to enclose filling. Fasten with toothpicks if needed. Wrap 3 bacon slices around each chicken breast.

STEP 4:

Cook in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. Turn chicken and cook for 15 minutes more. Remove from the oven, sprinkle chicken with Parmesan, and continue cooking until cheese is melted, 2 to 3 minutes

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want to make sure we give them ample time to consider these.”

In other business on Tuesday night, Town Manager Tony Marino said repairs to the commuter ferry are almost complete. He also verified that there will be a stop along the ferry route this season at the Hyatt Hotel at Logan Airport.

“That should help some of our residents who work at the airport,” said Marino.

In addition, Marino said the Revere Street reconstruction project is still on track to go out to bid this June, with construction to begin next spring or summer.



Master hairstylist, Nataly Mercado, Owner, Eyes on Me, holding her puppy, Onix

Eyes on Me //

be here,” said Mercado, owner. “It’s friendly and cozy.”

Eyes on Me was established in 2010; and Mercado is delighted to be settling in her new, bright shop that includes a vertical garden with delicate, curtain fairy lights that she and her father assembled together.

Hairdresser and cosmetologist, Melanie Vokey, owner of MelRo’s Place, has joined Mercado, and will be continuing her business in the shared space.

“I want everyone to

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thrive,” Mercado emphasized.

Mercado has been a hair stylist for 19 years, working primarily in Winthrop; and jokes that her toughest client is her son, Jordan, a high school freshman.

“I love that I constantly get to learn. I recently went to training in mastering blondes. I have worked with different companies. I have educated people about products and haircuts. I’ve tried everything,” continued Mercado. “When you teach, you learn, too. The more I learn, the more fulfilled I

feel in my career.”

In addition to being a beautician and cosmetologist, Mercado enjoys painting. One of her pieces can be viewed behind the front desk of her salon. Mercado can often be seen playing soccer with her 4-month-old Giant Schnauzer, Onix, who is being trained to become an emotional support dog.

“He’s a very good boy. He’s calm and keeps me company,” described Mercado while Onix slept at her feet. “I want him to be a therapeutic dog for all my clients. He cuddles and plays with them.”

Eyes on Me opened in its present location, 43 Putnam Street, #A, Winthrop, in March. Grand opening festivities will include a ribbon cutting at 12:30pm, and drinks, appetizers, and music beneath a tent in the parking lot. Visitors can receive 20% off haircare products, and enter to win one of two free hair makeovers by Mercado and Vokey.

“I want to have a big party because having a business is a big celebration. It’s for everyone,” exclaimed Mercado, who is inviting local business owners to leave their business cards at Eyes on Me. “It’s part of being Hispanic – it’s all about family and friends.”

Eyes on Me is open Tuesday – Friday 10am-6pm, and Saturday 10am-3pm. Visit www.EyesOnMeBeauty.com or call (617) 458-9074 to learn about services or book an appointment.

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The Pizza Center held its Grand opening at the new location Friday March 24, at 15 Walden St., Winthrop.



Carla, David and David Petrucci Jr.

MBTA continues hiring campaign, offering \$7,500 sign-on bonus for multiple positions

Staff Report

The MBTA today announced that, effective April 15, the MBTA will increase its sign-on bonus to \$7,500 for applicants applying to a number of eligible positions throughout the MBTA as part of its aggressive hiring campaign.

The list of positions eligible to receive the \$7,500 sign-on bonus has also been expanded and includes Bus Operators, Rail Repairers, Track Laborers, Streetcar Operators, Subway Train Operators, Service Technicians, and Fuelers. Previously, the MBTA's recruitment efforts included a \$4,500 sign-on bonus for new Bus Operators only.

Prospective candidates looking for a rewarding career where they can

have a positive impact on the entire region should visit mbta.com/careers for more information on open positions and to learn about the MBTA's many benefits and incentives. The MBTA continues to be part of area career fairs throughout the spring and summer months and beyond, and will also host several mobile recruitment events within various Boston-area neighborhoods. The MBTA continues to seek out opportunities to connect with the public on open positions at the T, and the mobile recruitment events will include a customized MBTA bus outfitted with workstations and computers where applicants can meet with MBTA recruiters, discuss career opportunities, and apply for a job on the spot:

MBTA Recruitment Event:

• In person on April 15 from 10 AM to 1 PM at the Jubilee Christian Church, 1500 Blue Hill Avenue, in Mattapan.

UMass Dartmouth Career Fair:

• In person on April 18 from noon to 3 PM at UMass Dartmouth, 285 Old Westport Road, in Dartmouth.

MBTA Recruitment Event:

• In person on April 22 from 10 AM to 1 PM at the Wollaston Station Parking Lot, 90 Woodbine Street, in Quincy.

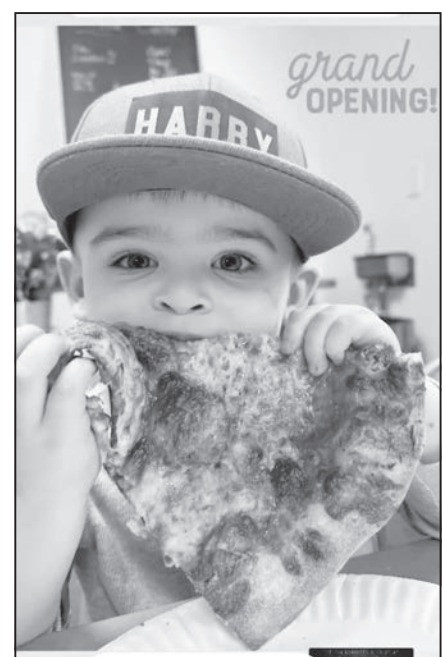
MBTA Recruitment Event:

• In person on April 29 from 10 AM to 1 PM at North Shore Community College - Lynn Campus,

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Carla, Elizabeth Slaney and Danielle Dichiara.



Baby Harry Ofilos Sweeney enjoys a slice during the Grand Opening.

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down, that gets fixed the same day.”

Due to safety concerns, both Delehanty and Howard stated that they cannot reveal the location of every school security camera and safety procedure in place.

The town is also a member of NEMLEC, the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council, which Delehanty said provides almost immediate access to personnel and equipment in case of an emergency or threat in the schools or the town in general.

“One of the primary reasons for joining Nemlec was their Stars program, which gets activated on any type of threat to a school,” said the chief.

In addition to the response team, Delehanty and Howard both noted that there is a threat assessment team in place that is immediately notified if there is any hint of a threat against the school.

Howard said one of the keys to school safety is the cooperation between the schools, the public safety departments, and the entire town.

“Security and safety for our students, staff, and community is the number one priority for the Winthrop Public Schools,” said Howard.

The superintendent said the schools are working on safety initiatives and

priorities every day.

In the event of an emergency or crisis, Howard said all staff are trained in the ALICE school shooting program. In addition, many staff members have received CPR and Stop the Bleed training.

The district's emergency plans are updated every year, Howard said, with updates and changes made during the school year if needed.

There is also a heavy emphasis on social emotional learning in the district, and all students from K-12 receive a social emo-

tional check in each year. If there are any potential issues identified, Howard said the district can contact relevant state agencies to assist the families and students.

“We take security incredibly seriously in this town, and we understand there is only so much you can tell us,” said Letterie. He added that he feels comfortable with the dedication of Delehanty, Howard, and their staff in providing the measures needed to keep Winthrop's students safe.

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OUR Opinions

HAPPY RAMADAN, EASTER, AND PASSOVER

One of the things that we take for granted as Americans is our freedom to worship -- or not to worship -- as we see fit.

What brings this thought to mind is the plethora of religious-oriented observances that are occurring this month: the Muslim holy month of Ramadan has been ongoing since March 22 and extends through April 20; the week-long Jewish celebration of Passover begins today (Wednesday); Easter Sunday, preceded by Good Friday, is this Sunday for Catholics and Protestant denominations; and the Orthodox Christian observance of Easter is set for next Sunday.

In addition, the Cambodian community will be celebrating the Cambodian New Year for three days from April 14-16.

This confluence of religious holidays serves as a reminder to all of us that the concept of freedom of religion began -- and still exists -- in America. Most of the Pilgrims, as well as many of the other early settlers of America, were religious separatists who had broken from the Church of England and who came to America in order to be free from persecution (though the Pilgrims, who were known as Puritans, were themselves intolerant of other religions),

We wish to take this opportunity to wish our readers of all religious preferences a happy and healthy holiday season.

GOOD LUCK, MR. ENG -- YOU'LL NEED IT

Governor Maura Healey last week announced the appointment of Phillip Eng as the next General Manager of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA). Eng is an engineer with nearly 40 years of experience in transportation, including serving as the President of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Long Island Rail Road and the Interim President of New York City Transit.

To say that Mr. Eng will be facing a number of significant and immediate challenges is not even an understatement.

His appointment comes on the heels of an announcement by the T a few weeks ago that speed restrictions between 10-25 miles per hour on the Red, Orange, Blue, and Green Lines -- in other words, the entire system -- were to go into effect immediately because of the decrepit condition of the rail beds on the T's tracks.

As we can attest after riding on the Red Line two weeks ago -- in which we crawled along at a snail's pace for almost the entire ride from South Station through Quincy -- the T's Rapid Transit system is anything but rapid and more aptly could be described as the Turtle Trolley.

In addition to unsafe tracks, the T also has to deal with the roving gangs of thugs on its trains who terrorize passengers with seeming impunity, as has been the case recently on the other end of the Red Line, where passengers were mugged during rush hour at Harvard Square station.

The T also has to address a serious shortfall of workers. According to news reports, the T is offering new employees a \$7500 cash signing bonus in order to make a dent in its present shortfall of 2800 workers. The manpower shortage already is having an effect on the frequency of bus routes. But given the low unemployment rate in the state, the T's prospects of getting the new workers it needs to function at anywhere near 100 percent optimization seem slim.

The T also is dealing with a huge decrease in ridership across all of its modes of transportation. We took the Hingham Ferry to Rowe's Wharf last week during rush hour. Before the pandemic, there would be a long line of commuters snaking along the waterfront from the Rowe's Wharf hotel to board the ferry back to Hingham.

Instead there were no more than 10 people waiting to get onto the boat -- and this was at 5:30 on a Friday evening, usually a prime-time rush hour boat that ordinarily would be packed with commuters. This decrease is not confined to the ferry. According to the T's own figures, there were 1.2 million daily riders of the T in February, 2019. However, in February 2023, the number was 702,000 -- a huge decline that is not expected to increase any time soon.

In addition, the T's ambitious plans to electrify its buses have encountered significant delays. In order to electrify its buses, the T needs to construct new garages that are capable of charging an electric bus fleet. However, the garages that already are under construction in Cambridge and Quincy are facing significant delays and the third garage on the Arborway in Jamaica Plain already is two years behind schedule. Plus, according to news reports, the T is facing delays in the delivery of the electric buses it has ordered.

It is clear that even with a significant infusion of cash from the legislature, the T will have difficulty bringing its system into the 21st century. Moreover, given the already-low ridership and the poor quality of service, the T will continue to lose riders who cannot afford to be late for work everyday because of decrepit infrastructure and a lack of workers.

The MBTA always has been a favorite target for criticism from the press and politicians. However, the many years of neglected maintenance, which are due entirely to underfunded budgets from the legislature, combined with the after-effects of the pandemic, have brought the T to the crisis situation it is facing today.

Mr. Eng may very well be a superb choice for the top job at the T, but no one should expect him to work miracles.

All of us should wish him the best of luck because a modern and efficient public transportation system is essential for the Boston Metropolitan area to thrive.



Winthrop Marketplace celebrates 24 years with scholarship announcement

Special to the Transcript

This year, the Winthrop Marketplace is celebrating its 24th year of being in business in this community. Over these many years, the Winthrop Marketplace has had the pleasure of employing hundreds upon hundreds of people to work at the grocery store. While the Winthrop Marketplace has people of all ages working there, many of its employees are local high school students working their first job. Here, they learn time management

and organizational skills, further develop their social skills, and earn a sense of pride from having a wage earning job. These high school students are also participating in a myriad of extra-curricular activities such as sports, drama, dance and sailing programs that we must work around as school comes first.

The Winthrop Marketplace has always felt that in order to be the community grocery store, then the store must support the community. We have contributed to the Winthrop

High School sports programs, drama programs, and art programs. In addition, the Winthrop Marketplace has supported many organizations in town such as the Elks, the various yacht clubs and fundraisers' for various houses of Worship in our community. Furthermore, we have run numerous fundraisers for families navigating very challenging times.

This year for the first time, we are going to be sponsoring an annual scholarship, from the Wallerice family, for a

Winthrop High School Senior who is going to major in business and has been working in the community. We are committed to the youth in our town and awarding this scholarship is our way of trying to ease the burden of college expenses. What better way to invest in our community than to invest in tomorrow's leaders. And we can only hope that can continue to earn your patronage over the next twenty-four plus years and can always be your community marketplace.

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750 Washington Street, in Lynn.

Latino Career Expo:

- In person on May 4 from 1 PM to 8:30 PM at the Marriott Courtyard Boston Downtown, 275 Tremont Street, in Boston.

MBTA Recruitment Event:

- In person on May 6 from 10 AM to 1 PM at Wonderland Station Parking Lot, 1234 North Shore Road, in East Revere.

National Aviation Academy Career Fair Career Fair:

- In person on July 13 from 10 AM to 3 PM at the National Aviation Academy, 130 Baker Avenue Extension, in Concord.

National Aviation Academy Career Fair Career Fair:

- In person on October 26 from 10 AM to 3 PM at the National Aviation Academy, 130 Baker Avenue Extension, in Concord.

The Healey-Driscoll Administration has requested \$20 million in the Commonwealth's March supplemental budget for new resources that can enable the MBTA to better recruit and retain employees to meet its needs. This includes money that could be used for incentives such as hiring and retention bonuses, increased pay for

Bus Operators, and a robust marketing campaign.

As a tight labor market impacts staffing at transit agencies across the country, the MBTA has streamlined and fast-tracked its hiring process through digitization, improving hiring cycle times, and doubling the size of its HR Recruiting team. The MBTA has also gone to many online and in-person career fairs across the region; collaborated with local partners like education centers, MassHire, and more regarding identifying eligible candidates; and continues to brainstorm innovative ideas to promote the MBTA's many benefits and incentives. Making steady progress on its recruitment efforts, the MBTA nearly doubled the number of new hires in the first half of Fiscal Year 2023 (676 hires) when compared to the same period in Fiscal Year 2022 (344 hires). Employee retirement is cyclical and is incorporated into the MBTA's ongoing workforce planning and retention efforts.

The MBTA offers competitive salaries, extensive healthcare benefits, free public transit, training programs, tuition assistance, employee assistance programs, and an emphasis

on diversity, equity, and inclusion. MBTA employees also receive attractive retirement plans, paid vacation, holidays, and sick time, and flexible spending accounts. The MBTA also covers the cost of obtaining a Commercial Driver's License as part of the Bus Operator hiring and training process, which is an over \$10,000 value.

Members of the public can view open positions online and visit the MBTA website for more information on insurance and other benefits.

The MBTA envisions a thriving region enabled

by a best-in-class transit system. The MBTA's mission is to serve the public by providing safe, reliable, and accessible transportation, and holds core values built around safety, service, equity, and sustainability. Each employee that works for the MBTA performs their roles based on our vision, mission, and values. The MBTA is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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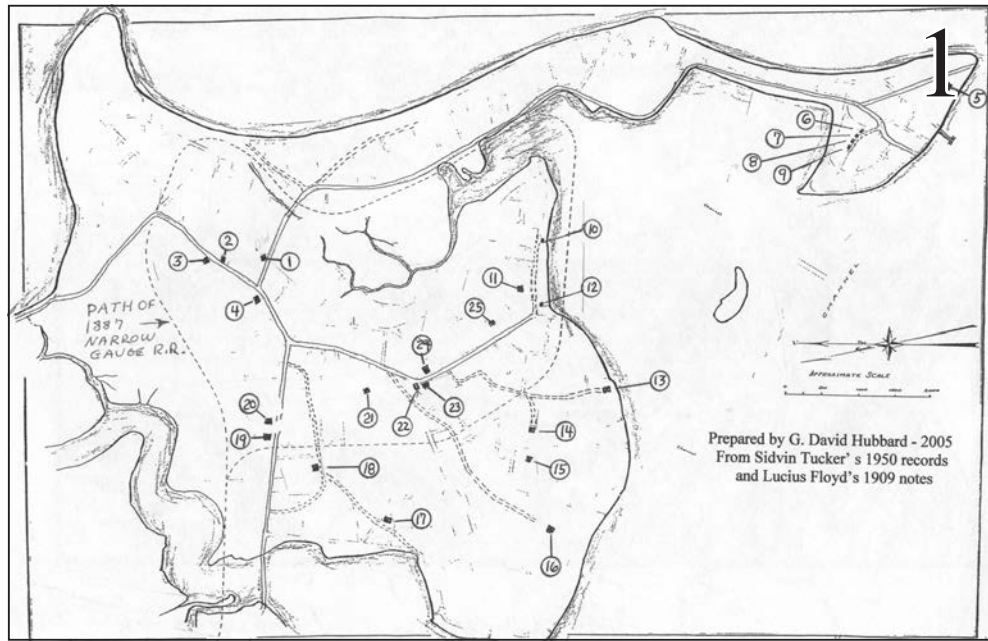
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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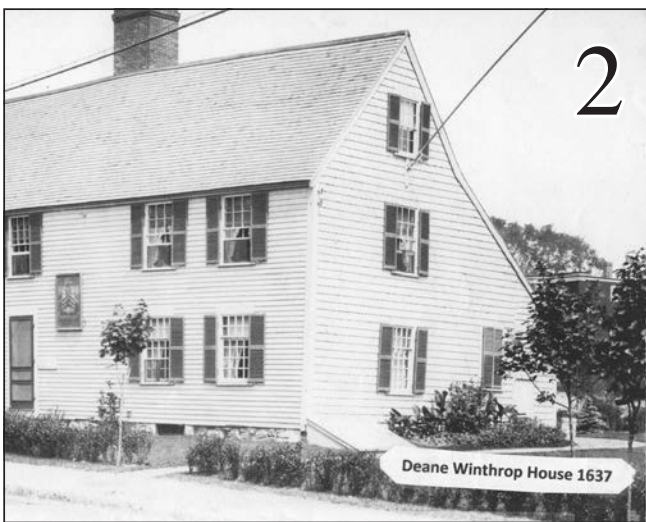
ART 994 - WINTHROP IN 1844 WITH 25 BUILDINGS



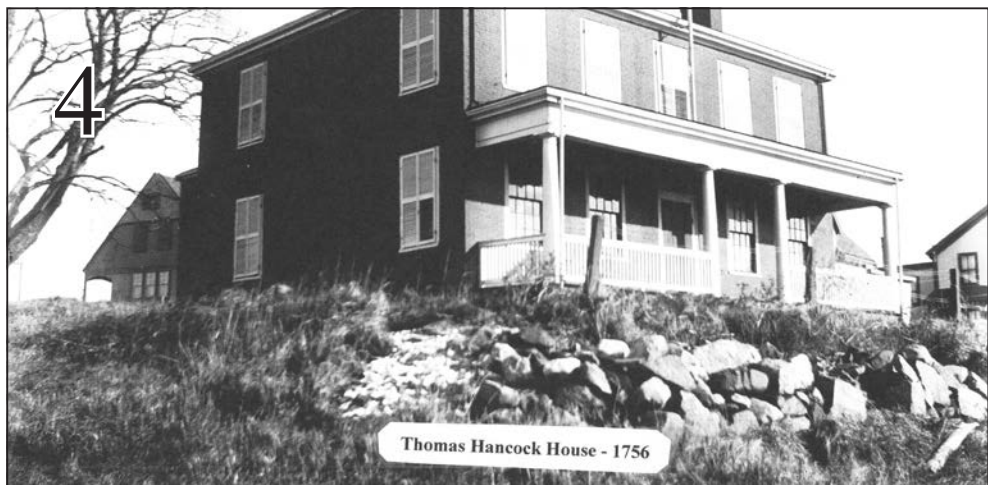
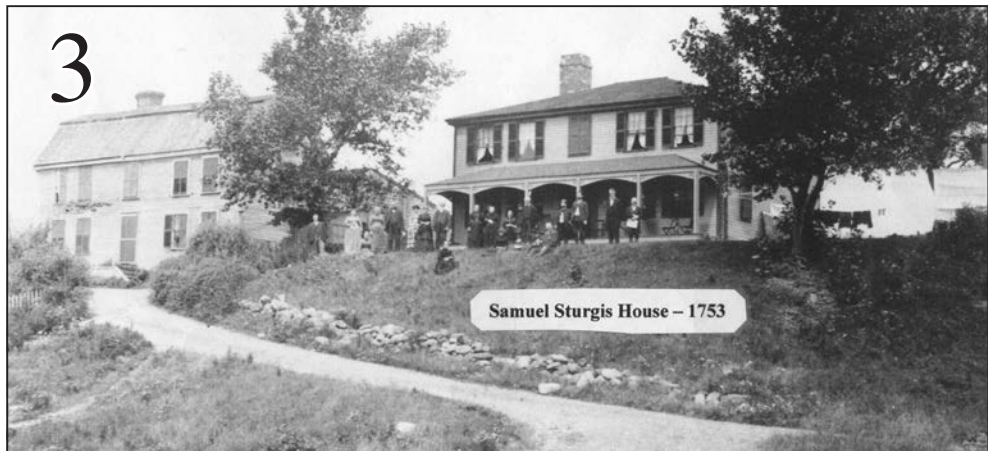
One of the most fascinating things that occurs in documenting the history of a community is to be able to establish a solid benchmark for a specific year and we believe that the figure 1 map and chart below define the buildings on our peninsula in 1844.

Extensive research has gone into the early development of homes on our peninsula. From the 4 to 5 farms North of Cottage Hill that existed from 1637 to about 1800, plus the buildings and homes for the Fishery Industry (1753 – 1755) and the Salt Works (1812 – 1842) located at Point Shirley, very little construction occurred before the first bridge to East Boston was built in 1839. A map showing the 25 buildings here in 1844 was prepared and included in the recently published 2nd edition of our book on the history of Winthrop thru Maps. Based on a large number of known maps that depict the growth of our Town, along with notes left by Lucius Floyd (born 1834) that give a detailed description of the buildings that existed here when he was a school boy, the following is a listing of those buildings that are shown on the map of figure one. Of the 25 buildings then in town, 11 are still here with 4 of them on their original foundations. Pictures of the oldest 3 remaining homes are printed with this article. The other 8 have been relocated and/or incorporated into later buildings as noted on the chart below.

ORIGINAL OWNER	Yr.
ORIG. ADDRESS	Built
Current Status	
1. Deane Winthrop	1637
40 Shirley St.	One of earliest 11 on original site
2. David Floyd Sr.	~ 1840
Revere St.	Moved about 1890, site unknown
3. Thomas Floyd	~ 1840
Revere St.	



One of earliest 11 but moved to 62 Locust	205
4. David Floyd Sr.	17. Sam Tewksbury
Revere St.	Ingleside Ave
1844	1830
One of earliest 11 but moved to 140 Shirley St. in 1895	Moved across street 1875, razed 1982
5. Taft's Inn	18. Rev. Oliver/Jon Bill
Taft's Ave.	29 Beal St.
1839	1638
Razed 1950-52	Razed 1927
6. Samuel Sturgis	19. Charles Sturgis
7 Siren Street	208 Main Street
1753	1640
One of earliest 11 on original site	Razed 1955
7. Joseph Tewksbury	20. Edward Floyd
Siren Street	210 Main Street
~1730	1842
Razed 1902 after a fire	One of earliest 11 still here on original site
8. House//Church	21. Samuel Belcher
Siren Street	Cor. Belcher & Cora
~1754	1840
Razed before 1890	No longer there
9. Hancock-Wheeler	1874
49 Siren Street	22. First School
1756	Old PO. New Police Sta.
One of earliest 11 on original site	1805
10. G.W. Tewksbury	Razed 1845 for new school which later became 2nd floor of Current
105 Washington Ave.	278 Winthrop St. Home in 1854 when the first Town Hall was built on this site.
~1830	
One of earliest 11 moved to 106 Washington ~ 1910	23. Eben Burrill
11. Henry Tewksbury	Rear of Wadsworth Bld.
Thornton Park	1844
~ 1817	Razed 1940
One of earliest 11 moved to 92 Bowdoin ~ 1880	24 First Church
12. Edward Gibbons	217 Winthrop St.
Washington Terr.	1834
1640	One of earliest 11, top floor of 197 Winthrop St. since 1872
Razed 1860 after 1858 Storm Damage	25. James Belcher
13. Joseph Belcher	James Ave.
125 Sunnyside Ave	1840
1775	One of earliest 11, now at 154 Bowdoin St. since mid 1890s This list and the above map showing the locations of these building will probably raise a number of questions by our readers, If you have any documentation indicating that your house should be included on this list, please contact me at 617-846-2901 so we can discuss your information.
1890	
14. Joseph Burrill	
Plummer Ave.	
1844	
Unknown	
15. William Wales	
Cottage Pk. Rd.	
1840	
No longer there 1866	
16. John Sargent	
6 Somerset Terr.	
1836	
One of earliest 11 still here, with the main section moved to	



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
April 4, 2013
Robert Sanborn Sr. is stepping down as chief of the Winthrop Auxiliary Police after 38 years of service in the volunteer department. The Town Council honored Sanborn with a special citation at its meeting Tuesday night. Council President Peter Gill made the presentation at the outset of the meeting.

Winthrop School Superintendent John Macero met Wednesday with the Massachusetts School Building Authority and said the Town is one step closer to building a new High School and Middle School facility. In January the Winthrop School Building Assistance Committee (SBAC) voted 14-4 in favor of building a new Middle School and High School during a joint Winthrop School Building Assistance Committee/Winthrop School Committee meeting. "We have now entered the phase of tweaking the scope and design," said Macero.

A Cummings Elementary School teacher has been placed on administrative leave as Winthrop Police and the Suffolk County District Attorney's office investigate alleged inappropriate behavior with an autistic student.

The 32 foot fireboat Sentinel was heavily damaged in a freak accident. The boat became pinned under the town dock during low tide and was unable to free itself as the tide turned. Water flooded the trapped boat. The boat was able to be pumped out at the following low tide and refloated.

Tyler Perry's Temptation and GI Joe: Retaliation are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
April 10, 2003
Middle School students Ann Goldberg and Suzanne Martucci, who have been watching the war in Iraq unfold on their TV screens, have decided to show their support for our troops by sending them care packages with donations from their fellow students.

Support appears to be growing for the \$2 million Prop. 2 and 1/2 override that the selectmen voted to place on the ballot in May.

Assistant Harbormaster Chuck Famolare reports that after many discussions with Massport officials, the security zone which Massport has placed around Logan Airport should not affect local boaters. The security zone encompasses waters within 500 feet of Logan's perimeter in which boaters may not stop or cause a wake.

A Winthrop resident, Samantha Power, who resides on Shore Drive, has won the Pulitzer Prize for non-fiction for her book, A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide. Power is a lecturer at the Kennedy School and a war reporter who is an expert on genocide.

What a Girl Wants, Old School, and A Man Apart are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago
April 15, 1993
The Winthrop Board of Health is moving forward on implementing new smoking regulations to protect the health of residents and employees.

The new rules would ban smoking in all restaurants. The present rules require that in eating establishments with more than 25 seats, non-smoking sections must be set aside.

Defense attorneys for the four men who have been indicted for the alleged murder of Ronald Corolla, who was found dead in shallow water by a by-passer on the beach at Pt. Shirley in August, 1991, near the boat where he and a group of friends had partied the night before, have filed motions to dismiss the indictments on the basis that the cause of Corolla's death has never been determined.

Two local men, John Leary and Richard Lovering, are in critical condition after their motor vehicle plunged 25 feet onto the rocks on the beach below after crashing through the guard rail on Winthrop Shore Drive at Crest Ave.

The newly-revitalized Winthrop Jaycees will hold a meeting April 21 at JJ's CafE.

Unforgiven, The Crush, and Indecent Proposal are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago
April 13, 1983
Winthrop DPW Director Donald Hodgkins has announced a massive town-wide clean up effort for the town's streets in conjunction with the selectmen's community-wide Clean Sweep Week.

Police have identified two local youths as the prime suspects in a Summit Avenue housebreak.

Thanks to the efforts of E. Arthur King, who spearheaded a community-wide effort, a weather vane will be placed atop the E.B. Newton School and the clock will be repaired.

Local officials will meet with officials from the state DEQE to discuss the town's concerns with the pumping station at Sales Creek in Revere which local authorities contend is discharging pollutants downstream and contaminating Belle Isle March and Creek.

50 years ago
April 11, 1973
Massport has scheduled hearings in Chelsea, Revere, Winthrop, E. Boston, and S. Boston, the five communities that will be most-directly impacted by Massport's proposed Comprehensive Master Plan, to give residents an opportunity to voice their concerns over the proposal.

Long-time Winthrop resident Henry McCarthy, 83, the founder of the fabled Tech Tourney in 1926 for the top high school basketball teams in the state when McCarthy was the coach of the MIT basketball team, passed away this week. The Tech Tourney eventually evolved into what is now the state basketball tournament.

The selectmen met with Animal Control Officer Jack Van Buskirk to discuss Van Buskirk's request to hire an assistant ACO at a salary of \$1500.

The Advisory Committee is predicting a slight decrease of 50 cents in the tax rate to \$67.50, citing the decision by Town Meeting to use the town's federal revenue sharing funds for general budget purposes.

Burt Reynolds stars in

Shamus at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago
April 11, 1963
Town Meeting approved an appropriation of \$2000 for the demolition of 11 dilapidated summer cottages and fishing shacks that have been an eyesore on the Winthrop/Revere line for many years.

Town Moderator Edward Sharkey upbraided Town Meeting members at the start of the fourth session Monday for the failure of enough Town Meeting members to be on hand to constitute a quorum, terming it "appallingly disgraceful."

Sun Transcript Publisher Andrew P. Quigley announced this week that he has purchased Middle Brewster Island near Boston Light. Quigley said the purchase fulfills a lifelong dream of owning a harbor island ever since he was a boy when he summered on Pt. Shirley and learned of the lore and history of the Boston Harbor islands from former Winthrop resident Edward Rowe Snow.

David Polansky, a member of the Winthrop High band, has been honored for the third year in a row by being named the top cornetist in the all-state high school band.

Robert Ryan stars in Billy Budd at the Revere Drive In. Charlton Heston stars in Diamond Head at the Revere Theatre.

80 years ago
April 9, 1953
A roving band of teenage thugs, apparently holding a grudge against local auxiliary police officers, were taught a painful lesson in the art of self defense when they tangled with a local Navy veteran in a dimly-lit parking lot. The Navy man, John Hess of 11 Edward St., was surrounded by a group of 10 teens who asked him if he were an auxiliary policeman. Although he responded that he was hot, the youths set upon him. However, Hess knocked out one of his assailants into unconsciousness and leveled three others. Hess bears some scars from the attack, but was otherwise unharmed.

The major issue of whether the town should construct a \$650,000 gymnasium and auditorium onto the senior high school comes before Town Meeting tonight.

Local officials say the safety of the town could be at stake if the federal government decides to eliminate the civilian fire department at Ft. Banks.

Robert Taylor and Elizabeth Taylor star in Ivanhoe at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago
April 10, 1943
Walter G. Baker, who has owned and operated a gasoline station at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets for many years, has sold his business to William J. Reid and Sons Shipbuilders. Reid needs to expand its operations thanks to the government contracts the firm has received from the federal government to build boats for the military.

All residents are expected to plant their Victory Gardens to do their part for the war effort this summer.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRESENTS THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Photos by Marianne Salza

Saint Michael the Archangel Youth Ministry presented The Living Stations of the Cross on March 31. Parishioners witnessed the sorrowful Passion of

Christ as observed by the Blessed Mother, who beheld compassionate acts of kindness during her son's pain and weariness. Members of the church prayed for God's mercy, guidance, and deepened faith.



Tina Talvi, cantor.



First station: Jesus is condemned to death.



Second station: Jesus takes his cross.



Sixth station: Veronica wipes the face of Jesus.



Eighth station: Jesus speaks to the women.



Amelia Spencer, narrator.



Twelfth station: Jesus dies on the cross.



Father Chris O'Connor leads parishioners in the Hail Mary.

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tions; rules, policies, and procedures; and quality management. In each category and across all modes, the plan lays out a series of

objectives that will result in improved service while prioritizing the safety of MBTA customers, employees, and contractors at

all times.

The MBTA's three-Year Safety Improvement Plan embodies a multitude of mandated requirements

from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), United States Coast Guard (USCG), and the Department of Public Utilities (DPU). It contains an overview of the relevant state and federal regulatory authorities, required safety plans, a description of each transit mode, safety objectives for the next three years, and the safety performance targets for each transportation mode. This document also includes an overview of the FTA's Safety Management Inspection (SMI), related Special Directives, and MBTA's targets for achieving compliance with the directives.

This Safety Improvement Plan is in addition to the FTA's Safety Management Inspection report produced in 2022. That process involved a re-

view of operations, training, vehicle maintenance, signals, train control, and track access among other items. As a result, the FTA issued eight special directives; in response, the T developed 38 corrective action plans and 545 action items that detail how the T intends to address each special directive. As of February 2023, the T completed 36 percent of the total action items with the expectation for 100 percent completion by the end of 2025.

The Safety Improvement Plan will be updated annually following an assessment of progress made based on measurable objectives within the plan. That assessment will include a variety of factors including a summary of injuries and associated trends, an analysis of financial and human resources needed to continue progress, and recommendations to maintain focus on the plan's objectives.

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Sports

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

SHUTOUT VICTORY FOR WHS BOYS LACROSSE IN RETURN AS VARSITY SPORT

The Winthrop High boys lacrosse team marked its return as a varsity sport with a 17-0 victory over Salem last week.

"It was a good first start to the season," said WHS head coach Brian Donnelly. "We went up pretty quickly in the first quarter with a fast run of about six goals in six minutes. This allowed us to put some of our second- and third-line guys in to get some invaluable looks early in the season."

"Assistant Jeff Parsons has been working hard with our younger guys on gaining more confidence on the field and it showed during the second half when these players got to get in," Donnelly added. "Jeff brings an awesome level of excitement to practice that really gets the guys going."

"It was a great team effort all-around," Donnelly continued. "We were able to control the ground ball game and in turn control possession which was great. Our defense didn't allow one shot on net the entire first half of the game. It was great to have

some upperclassmen like Welvis Acosta get his first varsity goal, which we don't see much from a defenseman."

"It was also great to see some underclassmen like freshman Ace Daigneault and Colin Cifuni get a hat trick out there in the first game back, along with our junior captain Robert Rich getting six assists in just the first quarter. Junior Alex Daigneault, returning after a year away at Brewster Academy, also had a hat trick and will be a pivotal part of our offense moving forward," Donnelly added.

"We have a big game this Friday against a division one Weymouth team," Donnelly said. "We will look to continue to improve on what we did well and fix some of our issues we still need to work on. We are looking for our defense to continue to work as a unit and communicate as much as possible. Our offensive system that Rich Cifuni put in is really coming together and our players are starting to buy into the system and understand where the looks are coming from. Overall, we are excited to move forward in the season and continue to improve both individu-

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Vasili Mallios completes a successful season as Division 1 college official

By Tony Ferullo

Heckling fans. Screaming coaches. Unruly players.

Welcome to the world of Suffolk University alumnus Vasili Mallios, a Division I men's basketball official who is never happier than when he's standing on a crowded basketball court dressed in his striped jersey with a whistle around his neck.



Vasili Mallios.

"I love what I do," he says, "and I have the best seat in the house."

Basketball runs deep in Mallios' family: His brother, Dino, led the nation in assists while playing for St. Anselm's College and his sister, Katerina, played hoops at Babson College. In addition, his uncles, Chris Tsiotos, BS '77, JD '83, Nick Tsiotos, BS '77, and Max Tsiotos, BSBA '87, played basketball for the Suffolk Rams. Chris Tsiotos, a star for the men's basketball team, is a member of the Suffolk Athletics Hall of Fame.

As for Vasili Mallios, he played basketball all the way through Winthrop High School, but gave it up when he got to Suffolk. He rediscovered his passion for the sport halfway around the world when he joined a club team while

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WHS SOFTBALL TEAM OPENS SEASON WITH SCRIMMAGE

Bob Marra Photos

Winthrop softball started its season with a scrimmage against Mystic Valley on Wednesday, March 29.



Amelia Spencer (left) and McKenzie Margardo.



Pitcher Hannah Barrett at the top of her windup.



Gabby Golden with a bunt attempt.



Jenna Whitehead breaks from first base on a passed ball.



Rightfielder Tina Fabiano fields a hit as a Mystic Valley runner advances to second.

WINTHROP PLAYERS LEAD BOSTON TEAM TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN HELLENIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



The Boston Hellenic All-Star team, including former Winthrop High School standout-athletes Niki Tsiotos, Polixeni Tsiotos, and Katerina Mallios, traveled this past weekend to Chicago where it captured the championship in the National Hellenic Invitational Basketball Tournament (NHIBT). The tournament showcased outstanding basketball players of Greek heritage. The Tsiotos twins, Niki and Polixeni, helped to lead the Winthrop Vikings to a North sectional title and an appearance in the state semifinal at the TD Garden in 2015. Their cousin, Katerina Mallios, helped the Vikings roll to a 20-0 record and NEC title heading into the MIAA Tournament in 2007. Pictured after winning in the NHIBT championship game in Chicago are, from left: Marianna Pappageorge (San Francisco), Niki Tsiotos (Winthrop), Mary Louise Dixon (Wellesley), Katerina Mallios (Winthrop), Polixeni Tsiotos (Winthrop), Eleni Mazareas (Nahant), Connie Barkoulies, (Chicago), Stephanie Dremonas (Chicago), Kristin Georgopoulos (Chicago), and Eleni Dixon (Wellesley).

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WINTHROP VIKINGS BASEBALL KICKS OFF SEASON WITH SCRIMMAGE AGAINST EASTIE JETS

Bob Marra photos

Winthrop and East Boston braved the chill wind and low temperatures in a pre-season scrimmage baseball game at Veterans

Field on Wednesday, March 29. Both teams are working out the pre-season kinks as they prepare for the upcoming regular season.



Shortstop Pete Silverman makes a nifty backhand play on a ground ball headed toward left field.



Zach Bogusz started on the mound for the Vikings in a pre-season scrimmage against East Boston.



Second baseman Nick Marchese reaches for a throw as an East Boston baserunner slides into second base, with shortstop Petey Silverman moving in to back up the play. (background petey silverman).



First baseman Matt DeCarney waits for a pickoff throw that arrives a split second late to get the East Boston runner.



Matt Noonan has a hand on the second-base bag as he avoids a pick-off tag.



Rightfielder Evan Rockefeller bobbles a fly ball that was carried by the wind as he chased it down.



Third baseman Jackson Andy prepares a throw after fielding a short ground ball.



Matt Reardon came on for a few inning of relief pitching.

BREAKDOWN OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 BY SERIES		
1000 SERIES - Administration	Salaries	\$739,225.28
	Expenses	\$357,017.40
	Sub-Total	\$1,096,242.68
2000 SERIES - Instruction		
General Education	Salaries	\$13,191,367.79
	Expenses	\$1,084,381.49
	Sub-Total	\$14,275,749.28
Special Education	Salaries	\$6,597,091.17
	Expenses	\$0
	Sub-Total	\$6,597,091.17
3000 SERIES -School Services		
	Salaries	\$281,269.00
	Expenses	\$7,500.00
	Sub-Total	\$288,769.00
4000 SERIES - Operations & Maintenance		
	Salaries	\$675,150.00
	Expenses	\$1,215,853.00
	Sub-Total	\$1,891,003.00
5000 SERIES - Fixed Charges		
	Expenses	\$100,131.00
	Sub-Total	\$100,131.00
9000 SERIES - Programs with other Systems		
General Education	Salaries	\$489,261.00
	Expenses	\$175,000.00
Special Education	Salaries	\$560,891.00
	Expenses	\$1,591,863.00
Athletics	Salaries	\$111,608.80
	Expenses	\$210,000.00
Technology	Salaries	\$98,000.00
	Expenses	\$60,000.00
Maintenance	Salaries	\$40,000.00
	Expenses	\$30,000.00
	Sub-Totals	\$3,366,623.80
School District Other	Expenses	\$10,016,332.01
BUDGET TOTAL		\$37,631,941.94

Encore partners with Boston Red Sox

Encore Boston Harbor announced a multi-year partnership with the nine-time World Series champions, the Boston Red Sox. With the newly formed collaboration, Encore Boston Harbor now has partnerships with all the region’s professional sports teams, the Boston Red Sox, Boston Bruins, Boston Celtics, New England Patriots and New England Revolution.

“Boston is the city of champions and Encore Boston Harbor is proud to be a partner of all the city’s major sports teams,” said Jenny Holaday, president of Encore Boston Harbor. “We truly believe this makes us the premiere destination for all sports enthusiasts and entertainment seekers.”

To celebrate the partnership, Encore Boston Harbor has made \$25,000 donations to the Red Sox Foundation, Shamrock Foundation, Boston Bruins Foundation, and Patriots Foundation. The donations were commemorated by check presentations with Encore Boston Harbor President Jenny Holaday; Bekah Salwasser, Executive Vice President, Social Impact and Executive Director of the Red Sox Foundation; Andre Tippett, Pro Football Hall of Fame and Executive Director of Community Affairs for the New England Patriots; Jenny Holaday, President of Encore Boston Harbor; Dave Hoffman, Senior Vice President of the Boston Celtics; Kerry Collins, Senior Director of Community Relations of the Boston Bruins.

This newest collaboration between two of Boston’s most recognizable organizations demonstrates commitment to the fundamentals of what makes Boston special. Together, both the Boston Red Sox and Encore Boston Harbor will continue to invest in community organizations, build on Boston’s passion for sports and offer top-level entertainment to Encore Boston Harbor guests and baseball fans alike.

Under the partnership, the organizations will jointly participate in marketing and co-branded program elements including:

- Complimentary shuttle service to Encore Boston Harbor from Fenway Park after each Red Sox home game.
- Red Sox Ticket and overnight stay packages
- Team-related events held at Encore Boston Harbor including watch parties, a Boston Red Sox take-over day, and Red Sox Foundation events.

Shown left to right during the Encore Boston Harbor Check Presentation: Bekah Salwasser, Executive Vice President, Social Impact and Executive Director of the Red Sox Foundation; Andre Tippett, Pro Football Hall of Fame and Executive Director of Community Affairs for the New England Patriots; Jenny Holaday, President of Encore Boston Harbor; Dave Hoffman, Senior Vice President of the Boston Celtics; Kerry Collins, Senior Director of Community Relations of the Boston Bruins.

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ally and as a team."

The contest with Weymouth tomorrow (Friday) is set for 5:30 on the turf under the lights at Miller Field. Donnelly and his crew will host Northeastern Conference rival Swampscott on Monday at 4:30 and will trek to Beverly next Thursday.

WHS GIRLS LAX DOMINATES IN SHUTOUT VICTORY

The Winthrop High girls lacrosse team opened its season in impressive fashion with a 14-0 victory at Salem last Thursday.

The Lady Viking offense generated a balanced scoring attack that saw eight Lady Vikings reach the back of the Salem net and that also featured eight assists.

Talia Martucci netted a hat trick; Emma Holmes scored two goals and had three assists; Hannah Parker scored two goals and had one assist; Avalina Coffey and Kailey Sullivan both scored two goals; Sam DiMento and Mia Norris both scored a goal and had an assist; Lizzie Quinn scored a goal; Gabby Buonopane earned two assists; and Juia Holmes recorded an assist.

WHS goalie Adrianna Rizzotto (one save) earned the shutout in net.

"It was a great first game," said WHS head coach Emma Marrs. "Overall we were able to successfully execute some of the things that we worked on together at practice and it showed what we still need to work on."

"We have a lot more time to practice this week and we are excited to face Saugus this Thursday for our home opener," Marrs added.

The opening faceoff for today's (Thursday's) contest with Saugus at Miller Field is set for 4:30. The Lady Vikings will travel to Swampscott on Monday and will host Beverly next Thursday at 4:00.

WHS BASEBALL TEAM OPENS WITH 9-1 WIN

The Winthrop High baseball team opened its 2023 season with a 9-1 victory over Northeast Regional this past Monday at Veterans Field.

After spotting the visiting Golden Knights an early 1-0 lead in the opening inning on a bloop single into right field, WHS starting pitcher Zach Bogusz tossed lights-out baseball the rest of the way, finishing with 10 strikeouts over his five innings of work.

"Zach has been great for us for the past two years on the mound. He likes to pound the strike zone and mix it up well. He worked hard in the off-season, and it really showed in this game," said WHS head coach Mark DeGregorio. "Zach did an excellent job of limiting base runners. His 2-seam fastball was the best I have ever seen it. The movement on the 2-seam away from righties was too much for the batters to handle. He mixed in his slider well and did a good job of forcing them to swing the bat and also did a good job of controlling both sides of the plate."

The Viking offense got rolling in the second inning, thanks to an RBI triple by sophomore Matthew Noonan, who was starting his first varsity game in the outfield and went 2-for-4 in his varsity debut.

"Matthew has been great for us since day one," said DeGregorio. "He came into the season as someone who can play infield and outfield, but we quickly realized how smooth he is in the outfield tracking fly balls."

Winthrop broke the game open in the fourth. Billy Hayes led off the inning with a double. Petey Silverman (who was 2-for-4 on the day), who has been the Vikings' lead-off hitter since last year, followed up with a single and advanced to second on an errant throw.

"It was a great, heads-up running play," noted DeGregorio. "Petey is someone who puts the bat on the ball and has a knack for getting on base."

Colin Kinsella (who went 2-for-3 with three RBI and two stolen bases) then jumped all over the first pitch and launched a deep and powerful drive into the gap in right-center for a triple to drive in both runs. Colin himself then came across the plate on an errant throw.

"This is something we stressed hard in the off-season, advancing on balls in the dirt, errant throws, or dropped cuts," said DeGregorio. "We were able to exploit that today. We want to be aggressive and put teams on their heels with pressure on the basepaths."

After Bogusz worked his five innings, DeGregorio handed the ball over to Jay Fotiades, who shut down Northeast over the final two frames.

"Jay is another player who is always consistent for us," said DeGregorio. "He throws strikes, mixes it up with his off-speed pitches, and just goes out and competes every time he takes the mound."

The Vikings also received strong contributions from Phillip Boncore, who went 2-for-4 with a stolen base; sophomore Michael Donahue, who started his first varsity game in center field and provided solid defense; junior Evan Rockefeller, who started in left field; and junior Jackson Andy at third.

"We executed well and it was a great team win," said DeGregorio. "We had a great week of practice and an excellent scrimmage against Stoneham to help prepare us for our first game. The kids were focused and ready to compete from the first pitch."

"We are very excited about the upcoming season," continued DeGregorio. "We are returning a nice young core group of players. We have what I consider to be a deep roster with a lot of positional flexibility. I think that may have been something we needed more of last year and I believe with this current roster, we are set up better for that."

"We are returning a captain from last year in senior Colin Kinsella, who was a tone-setter for us as a team," continued DeGregorio. "Rounding out the captaincy spots this year are senior Zachary Bogusz, junior Peter Silverman, and junior Matthew DeCarney. These three players had really good years for us last year. Zach returns as a key pitcher for us and first baseman. Peter Silverman is our leadoff hitter from the year before and just has a knack for the game. Matthew DeCarney was a phenomenal hitter last year for us and we are excited about his pitching development as well."

"We also have a great

WINTHROP MITE A WINS VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP



The future of Winthrop Hockey looks bright with all three Mite teams having great 2022-2023 seasons. Following a AAA loss to rival Masco and a heartbreaking overtime loss for the AA team it was all up to Mite A to deliver a championship for Winthrop. The team, led by coaches Scott Mallet Jr., Mike DiMento, and Tom Rikkola, was comprised of all first-year skaters ages 7 and 8. They developed quickly over the regular season and earned the opportunity to face Everett/Revere in the championship game on March 26 at Kasabuski Arena in Saugus after posting playoff wins against Marblehead and Melrose. The championship game was Winthrop's from the start as they got out to an early lead on their way to a 7-2 triumph over the neighboring Everett/Revere team. Congrats to the boys and girls on a memorable day for them and Winthrop!

Shown above, left to right: Mario Marengi, Maximo Polcaro, Talia Forbes, Lennon Mallet, James O'Neill, Mia McFarland, Braden Bombarski, Own Healy, Roman Carson, Catherine DiMento, Alexia Graygor, and Jack Rikkola. Coaches, from left to right are: Mike DiMento, Scott Mallet Jr., and Tom Rikkola.

group of players that round out the roster from last year to make this year something to look forward to. We are returning sophomore Phillip Boncore who literally plays any position and is a really tough out at the plate," said DeGregorio. "Jackson Andy has been working very hard in the offseason and looks really comfortable at third and on the mound."

"In the offseason we put together a much more challenging schedule for this upcoming year, knowing that you have to play a tough schedule with the new tournament formatting," DeGregorio added. "This year we have added Wakefield, who is a perennial contender in Division 2; Ipswich, who finished five spots ahead of us in the tournament last year; Sharon High, who plays in the toughest division in the state with teams like Franklin and Taunton; and Cardinal Spellman also was added this year."

"The coaches have done a great job for us at the beginning of the year trying to get this team ready and focused for the task at hand," DeGregorio said. "The support and hard work they put in shouldn't go unnoticed as Michael Vatalaro, Joseph Murphy, Anthony Sorrentino, Neil Cacciola, and Frankie Fabiano have been instrumental to ensuring that the program be further ahead this year than we were last year up to this point. We also added Jack Wallace to the staff this year. He has brought some great insight with him and experience having played five years of college baseball."

DeGregorio also mentioned the strong pre-season effort of his team that featured a visit to Boston College by the Vikings.

"We played a scrimmage against Newburyport and competed well against a great Cape Ann League (CAL) team," DeGregorio said. "They have been the cream of the crop for the CAL conference for years now and are very well-coached. We did some really good things against them and got to see all 20 players that we wanted to see in the game."

"It was essential for us as coaches to be able to see some of our guys play different positions and we got to see eight different pitchers compete. I thought we did a really good job overall seeing our first live competition," DeGregorio noted.

The day after the scrimmage the entire program went to Boston College to watch Boston College play N.C. State.

"It was a great experience for the program," said DeGregorio. "We were able to tour the facilities, the locker rooms, the Frates Center, and watch batting practice, allowing us on the field and in the dugouts. It was very hospitable of them to allow us to have access to those things. It was a great day for all."

"We want to thank Casey Goll for allowing us to use the Arms afterwards for a team lunch after the game," DeGregorio added. "The Winthrop community has been really supportive of the program. These are

just some of the things we want to continue to do for the program. It is great for bonding and team-building."

DeGregorio and his crew will host Northeastern Conference (NEC) foe Peabody today (Thursday) at 4:00.

"Peabody always is tough and competitive. They always seem to replenish every year no matter how many seniors they graduate. They are well-coached by Mark Betten-court, who has been coaching them for a long time. We are looking forward to our first conference game," DeGregorio said.

The Vikings will entertain non-league foe Rockport on Saturday morning at 11:00 and will host Danvers next Wednesday at 4:30.

WHS SOFTBALL TEAM OPENS 2023 SEASON

Although the Winthrop High softball team came out on the short end of an 18-6 decision to O'Bryant

High in its season-opener this past Monday, there were a number of highlights for first year head coach Erin Vercruysse's squad.

Four Lady Vikings -- Gabrielle Golden, Amelia Spencer, Samantha Harrison, and Izzy Cash -- had two hits apiece and Lily Tallent, Zoey Bakos and McKenzie Magardo contributed RBIs.

The Lady Vikings also pulled off a triple play when shortstop Izzy Cash snared a low line-drive, threw to first baseman Sam Harrison to double-off a runner, and Harrison fired back to second to double-off another O'Bryant runner.

Vercruysse and her crew have a busy week ahead. They were scheduled to host Swampscott yesterday (Wednesday) and will trek to Salem tomorrow (Friday). They will entertain Excel Academy on Monday at the Little League field at 4:00 and will travel to Beverly next Wednesday.

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

Thursday, April 6

9:00am-3:00pm: Medical Pedicures

9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)

12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

Friday, April 7

10:00am-12:00pm: Ceramics

10:00am-11:00am: Line Dancing (\$5)

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

Monday, April 10

9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)

10:00am-11:30am: Representative Turco Office Hours

11:00am: Grab Lunch Pick Up

11:30am-3:00pm: Game Day / Mahjong

12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$6)

Tuesday, April 11

9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)

11:30am-12:30pm: Ballroom Dancing with Gerard

12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

1:30pm-2:30pm: Creative Writing with Gerard with Gerard (\$5)

1:30pm-2:30pm: Chorus

Wednesday, April 12

9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen

11:00am-12:00pm: Zumba with Cindy

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

1:00pm-3:00pm: Shine Counseling

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 – Thurs-

day from 9am-3pm. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, and can be made by calling the Senior Center. Medical rides will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

Senior Citizen Property Tax Abatement Program. Applications for the 2023 Senior Citizen Property Tax Abatement Program are available at the Senior Center and on the COA's website. This program allows seniors, aged 60 and older, to volunteer their services in exchange for a reduction in their property tax bill. For more information, and full program requirements, please visit www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging, or stop by the Senior Center. Applications must be returned to the Senior Center by noon on Friday, April 7, 2023.

CAPIC Fuel Assistance. CAPIC will be at the Senior Center to assist in signing up for fuel assistance from 9:30am to 12:00pm on April 19, 2023. Appointments are on a first come, first served basis. For more information on the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), go to: www.capicinc.org, or call 617-884-6130.

Eats & Treats Café: (cooking demo) On April 19 (2-3pm) we will be bringing back the Eats & Treats Café

Cooking demonstration. This month's recipe will be a French yogurt cake. Space is limited, so sign up now!

Cost: \$5 (sign up at the front desk)

The Aging Eye: Common Age Related Eye Diseases and Tips For Healthy Eyes. On May 8 (10:30-11:30am) Dr. Melda Gerow from the Winthrop Eye Center will be at the Senior Center to talk about symptoms of age related eye disease and preventative measures and treatment options.

Sign up at the front desk.

Mother's Day Pizza Party: Join us at the Senior Center on Tuesday, May 16 for a Pizza Party with entertainment by David Bates.

Cost: \$2 (sign up at the front desk)

Programming & Activities

A full listing of the Se-

nior 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-12:30pm.

Blood Pressures: First and third Tuesday of each month from 11:00am to 12:00pm. No appointment needed.

Bowling: Tuesdays at 10:00am 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 9:00am-3:00pm and Fridays from 9:00am-12:00pm.

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 Wednesdays for Tap Classes from 10:00-11:00am, 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.

Sunday, April 30, 2023: Lunch & Show at the Newport Playhouse (WAIT LIST ONLY)

Provider: All Around New England

Cost: \$127

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Saturday, May 20, 2023: Lobster Roll Cruise (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

Thursday, August 10, 2023: Corvettes Doo Wop Revue and traditional Maine Lobsterbake at Fosters Lobsterbake in York, Me.

Provider: Best of Times Travel

Cost: \$119.00

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Meal Choice: Whole broiled 1 ¼ lb. or ½ BBQ Chicken

Thursday, September 7, 2023: Neil Diamond & Friends at the Castleton Banquet Hall, Windom N.H.

Provider: Best of Times Travel

Cost: \$79.00 (drive on your own) or \$109.00 (with transportation)

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Meal choice: Apple Cranberry Stuffed Chicken or Vegetarian Lasagna

Sunday, December 31, 2023: An American Bandstand- New Year's Eve Day at the Danversport Yacht club

Provider: Best of Times Travel

Price: \$95.00 (drive on your own) or \$125.00 (with transportation)

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Meal choice: Stuffed Breast of Chicken or Baked Schrod

OBITUARIES

Beverly Deveau

Of Florida, formerly of Winthrop

Beverly A . Deveau of Florida, formerly of Winthrop, passed away on December 10. She was 84 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved daughter of the late Monica (Kinlin) and Ralph Sheehan, she was the devoted wife of Edward Deveau and the late Waldo Pisco, the loving mother of Paula M. Floyd and her husband, William of Winthrop, Michael Pisco and his wife, Janice of Bridgewater, Dennis Pisco of Connecticut and Gayle DeVaney of Ontario; dear sister of the late Dennis Sheehan and stepmother to Lisa Bouche and her late husband, Eddie and David DeVeau and his wife, Bridget. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and five step grandchildren.

Family and friends are



cordially invited to attend the graveside service in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery on Friday, April 7 at 1 p.m.

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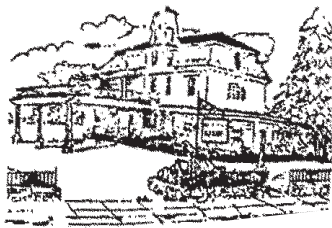
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studying abroad during his sophomore year in his family's native country of Greece.

"I missed the game and wanted to get back into it somehow," says Mallios, who received his BSBA degree from Suffolk in 2011. "I knew I didn't want to coach. That's when I decided to try and become a referee."

After passing the necessary certification tests, Mallios began officiating elementary school games and eventually worked his way up to the high school level. He then made the jump to the college ranks, refereeing Division 3 and 2 games for about five years, before becoming a Division 1 official four years ago. Between No-

vember and March, Mallios officiates games in the evenings and on weekends.

"You have to stay composed, know the rules, and be approachable," says Mallios, who has officiated in the America East, Metro Atlantic Athletic, and Colonial League conferences, among others. "It's not easy because we are counted on to make so many split-second decisions in the course of a game."

"No referee is perfect; we all mistakes. When a call you make is challenged, the important thing is to listen, have confidence in the decision you make, and move on. I have fun with it and smile."

By day, Mallios is a

sixth-grade math teacher at the James Otis Elementary School in East Boston. His Suffolk education—with its emphasis on communication skills, working in groups, multitasking, and time management—has, he says, benefited him both on the court and in the classroom.

Jim Nelson, Suffolk's emeritus director of athletics, remembers how impressed he was watching Mallios referee for the first time.

"Vasili had this presence on the court that made you respect his feel for the game," says Nelson, who, in addition to his three-plus decades as AD also spent 20 years as men's head basketball coach. "From a coaching

standpoint, he was unbiased at all times and in complete control of his emotions.

"I knew then that he was going to make a difference in the game and go places in the officiating world."

"The goal is to get to the top of DI," says Mallios, mentioning conferences such as the Big East and ACC. "I just want to keep learning and working hard. What I have learned is that you need to be focused and level-headed 100% of the time to be successful in this business."

Tony Ferullo is a senior writer in the Office of Public Affairs at Suffolk University in Boston.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

FORMER COUNCILLOR APPOINTED CLERK

CHELSEA - Former City Councillor Clifford Cunningham will be back in the council chambers next month, but in a new role.

The council voted 9-0 to appoint Cunningham as the new clerk to the city council. He will replace long-time council clerk Paul Casino.

Last year, Casino announced his intention to retire at the end of 2022, but has stayed in his position on a temporary basis while the council has sought his replacement.

“As folks know, our beloved city council clerk is leaving, and we were really in crunch time to fill his position, and we were fortunate enough to be able to find someone in a former city councilor, Clifford Cunningham,” said Councilor-at-Large Damali Vidot, who chaired the subcommittee in charge of the search process. “We really had a beautiful interview and a really robust dialogue. We’re looking forward to him serving with us; he has big shoes to fill, but I have no doubt that he’ll be able to fulfill all the duties of that role.”

The starting salary for the position is \$54,819.06, and Cunningham is slated to begin his new position on April 3. There will be a 12-month probationary period as part of the job, and Cunningham will have six months to apply for and complete an online parliamentary course with an average of at least 70.

Vidot said the online course was added to the requirements of the posi-

tion because there were not many people who applied for the job who were registered parliamentarians.

In other business, the council officially voted on the recommendation of members to serve on a screening committee to help select a new city manager. That committee will go through applications, conduct interviews, and select a handful of candidates for the council to interview to find a replacement for former City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

The full members are Fidel Maltez, Joan Cromwell, Michelle Nadow, and Juan Vega. The alternate members selected by the committee are Jen Hassell and Jonathan Gomez-Pereira.

Eugene O’Flaherty was previously appointed by Council President Leo Robinson to chair the screening committee.

“A lot of residents put their names in, and we had some heated debates, but we think we have a great combination of folks from the community involved to help us get through this very difficult and very serious business,” said District 8 Councilor Calvin Brown.

Vidot noted that councilors have been meeting with the Collins Center, which is facilitating the search process, to find out the priorities each councilor has for a new city manager.

“They will then take that information and create a profile to help the steering committee and guide them in the search for a new city manager,” said Vidot.

NEW DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES NAMED

EVERETT - The City Council unanimously confirmed the appointment of Terri Ronco to a three-year term as the City of Everett’s new director of human resources.

Ronco has begun work in her key position, succeeding Justin Shrader.

Ronco was seated in the Council Chambers next to Mayor DeMaria’s Chief of Staff, Erin Deveney, during the Council meeting.

Ronco previously worked at the Greater Boston Food Bank as senior human resources manager.

Ronco grew up in Maine and has lived in Everett for five years. She is a graduate of Allegheny College (Pennsylvania), where she majored in English Literature.

Ronco worked in retail management for several years. “That’s how I decided that I wanted to work in HR because I managed people. So, I’m not a traditional HR person, I didn’t go to school for HR, but then I got my Master’s in human resources management and most recently I got a Master’s in employment law (from Northeastern University),” related Ronco.

Ronco said she is looking forward to working with Mayor Carlo DeMaria’s Administration in her new job.

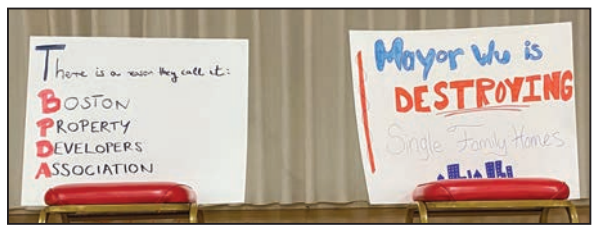
“I really hope that I can help make a difference and really cultivate a great culture here for employees,” said Ronco. “I’m a resource and I love helping people, so I’m really looking forward to it.”

ORIENT HEIGHTS STANDS AGAINST ZONING CHANGES



Joanne Pomodoro (above) makes her views about the zoning plan known.

Signs (right) created and put on display during the meeting.



RESIDENTS AGAINST ZONING CHANGES

EAST BOSTON - At least a couple hundred Orient Heights residents gathered together on Wednesday, March 22, in the Madonna Shrine Function Room to voice their displeasure with zoning changes proposed by the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

As described by Kathleen Onufer, the BPDA’s Assistant Deputy Director for Downtown & Neighborhood Planning, the zoning proposal “tries to focus on the form of a building to make sure we’re thinking about what is the appropriate scale building to go into neighborhoods.”

The proposed zoning

would have parameters for certain aspects of a building, such as setbacks, height, width, and more.

As part of this proposal, Orient Heights would be split into two zoning areas. In the first area, which makes up most of Orient Heights and Baysview, buildings would be limited to two-and-a-half stories and allow only two units plus an additional dwelling unit (ADU).

As for the other area closer to MBTA stations, buildings of up to three stories would be allowed with three units and an ADU. However, lots over 50 feet wide would allow for a maximum of six units and an ADU.

It should be noted that Jason Ruggiero, a Community Engagement Manager with the BPDA, indicated

that developments could only include an ADU if owner-occupied.

Additionally, as part of the zoning proposal, the off-street parking requirement would be waived for buildings with three units or fewer.

Along with several elected officials and a significant amount of Orient Heights residents, the BPDA’s Chief of Planning, Arthur Jemison, was also in attendance.

“This is not an effort to dramatically up-zone your neighborhood,” said Jemison – which got a loud collective groan from the couple hundred Orient Heights residents.

It was clear from the beginning of the meeting that

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Of: Winthrop, MA
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Aleyda G. Mendez of Winthrop, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Eric J. Romero is in need of a Conservator or other

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owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust dated April 19, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 67555, Page 26, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 36A Trident Avenue, Unit No A, of the 36/38 Trident Avenue Condominiums, Winthrop, MA 02152 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on May 4, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land referred to herein is located in the County of Suffolk, State of Massachusetts, and is described as follows: The Unit (“Unit”) known as 36A in the building located at and known as 36/38 Trident Avenue, Winthrop, MA of the 36/38 Trident Avenue Condominium, Winthrop, Massachusetts (“Building”), a Condominium (“Condominium”) established by the grantor pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A, by Master Deed dated February 8, 2005, recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 36453, Page 305 (“Master Deed”), which unit is shown as 36A on the floor plans (“Plans”) of the Building recorded simultaneously with the Master Deed, and is shown as Unit 36A on the copy of a portion of the plans attached to and recorded herewith, and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided for in Section 9 of Chapter 183A. The Unit is conveyed with: 1. An undivided interest of 26.71% in the common areas and facilities (“Common Elements”) of the Condominium described in the Master Deed, as amended, attributable to the Unit.

2. An easement for the continuance of all encroachments by the Unit on any adjoining units of Common Elements existing as a result of construction of the Building, or which may come into existence hereafter as a result of settling or shifting of the Building, or as a result of repair or restoration of the Building or of the Unit after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty, or after a taking in condemnation or eminent domain proceeding, of by reason of an alteration or repair to the Common Elements made by or with the consent of the Trustees. 3. An easement in common with the owner of other units to use any pipes, wires, ducts, flues, cable, conduits, public utility lines, and other Common Elements located in the Unit or elsewhere in the Condominium and serving the Unit. 4. Rights and easements in common with other Unit Owners as described in the Master Deed. 5. The exclusive use of the parking areas shown as “Garage Parking Space No. 3 (right side)” as shown on the Site Plan for the Condominium recorded with the Master Deed. Said Unit is conveyed subject to: 1. Easements in favor of adjoining units and in favor of the Common Elements for the continuance of all encroachments of such adjoining units or Common Elements on the Unit, now existing as a result of construction of the building, or which may come into existence hereafter as result of settling or shifting of the building, or as a result of repair or restoration of the Building, or of any adjoining unit or of the Common Elements after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty, or after a taking in

condemnation or eminent domain proceeding, or by reason of an alteration or repair of the Common Elements made by or with the consent of the Trustees. 2. An easement in favor of the other units to use pipes, wires, ducts, flues, cable, conduits, public utility lines, and other Common Elements located in the Unit or elsewhere in the Condominium and serving such other units. 3. The provisions of this Unit Deed, the Master Deed, the Declaration of Trust, which trust is dated February 8, 2005 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 36453, Page 322 and the Plans, as the same may be amended from time to time by instrument recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, which provisions, together with any amendments thereto, shall constitute covenants running with the land and shall bind any person having at any time any interest or estate in the Unit, his family, servants, and visitors, as though such provisions were recited and stipulated at length herein. 4. All easements, agreements, restrictions and conditions of record insofar as the same are now in force and applicable. The Unit is intended only for residential purpose, and no other use may be made of the Unit. For mortgagor’s title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 38779, Page 166. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and

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PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF APRIL 18, 2023
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct Public Hearing(s) on Tuesday April 18, 2023 at on or after 7:00 pm in the Harvey Hearing Room: That section .52.010, entitled Board of Appeals, be amended by striking the first sentence of said section and inserting in its place the following: There shall be established a board of appeals, consisting of five members and two associate members, appointed by the council president and confirmed by the town council. The balance of this section shall remain as currently written. That the Town of Winthrop adopt the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 39, section 23, entitled Effect of Member Attendance on Vote in Adjudicatory Matter with respect to all municipal adjudicatory hearings conducted by the Town of Winthrop. All documents, legally accessible, pertaining to this hearing(s) can be viewed in the Town Clerks Office, Room 5 during normal business hours at the Winthrop Town Hall. Denise Quist
Town Clerk
4-6-2023

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residents did not want anything to do with this plan. Several signs around the room criticized the BPDA and Mayor Michelle Wu for a plan that residents felt would destroy single-family housing in the area.

While Mayor Wu was not in attendance – which elicited more groans from the crowd – several other elected officials were and showed their support for Orient Heights.

Senator Lydia Edwards was one of those elected officials in attendance and stood behind residents.

“When we hear about the up-zone or changing of zoning as a form of predictability, a lot of people just don’t believe it is going to be real,” said Edwards, referencing the abundance of variances given to developments even with today’s zoning guidelines.

“What needs to be part of any plan for us to trust this process is to see you stop giving out variances and enforcing the zoning that we have right now,” she added, which garnered a round of applause.

At-large, City Councilor Erin Murphy also threw her support to residents saying, “It’s my job as your at-large City Councilor to be your voice. I will say, and I don’t mean this in an adversarial way at all, but – I don’t work for the Mayor – I work for those who voted me in,” which got another round of applause.

After several elected officials spoke, it was finally time for residents to take one of the microphones around the function room

and state their positions. Several did so – loud and clear.

One resident was concerned with the ADU aspect, explaining that even if ADUs were limited to owner-occupants, what is to stop owners from knocking down a one-family home, building a two-family building, living at a property, then building out the ADU before leaving.

In response, Jemison said that his “reasonable person” answer was, “Developers don’t typically do that – developers don’t typically move into a neighborhood and then live there for years and then add an ADU.”

Jemison’s answer elicited a loud, sarcastic laugh from residents. However, Jemison went on to say that rules could be written into the zoning to prevent that from happening.

Another concern brought forth by another resident, John Casamassima, was regarding the actual allowable size of buildings under this proposal.

“The part that is not clear about what’s been presented is how large these buildings are going to be. We’re talking about saving backyards, but for example, every house on this side of the street can have a foundation of 3,000 square feet – it’s 40% of the lot size,” said Casamassima.

“You can have a first floor of 3,000 square feet, you can have a second floor of 3,000 square feet, and I don’t know if there’s a cap ... I don’t want to live next

to a 10,000 square foot Wellesley mansion whether it’s one unit or three.”

Essentially the answer Onufer gave was that a cap would depend on different given lots across the neighborhood, dependent on things like a maximum floorplate, setbacks, and lot coverage guidelines.

As the meeting went on, resident after resident voiced their displeasure with the plan. One resident called the plan a “war on family,” while others shouted for the BPDA to “go away.”

Through all the comments and views stated, Joe Arangio, another resident, probably summed up the feelings of those in the crowd best by describing what they wanted from the plan.

“We want to maintain the fabric of this community. We want two or less units, and we want them

in buildings that have front and side and rear setbacks that are consistent with the rest of the community – that’s the bottom line – with parking,” said Arangio.

Overall, it is clear that residents of Orient Heights are not going to lie down and accept what has been proposed for their neighborhood and are willing to fight for the fabric of their neighborhood.

Moreover, it is even more apparent after the turnout last Wednesday, and as Ruggiero alluded to at the beginning of the meeting – the conversation is not over just yet.

the summer for reconstruction, some City Councilors would like to see the state’s transportation department provide some relief for local commuters on the Tobin Bridge.

At Monday night’s meeting, the council approved a motion from Councilor-at-Large Gerry Visconti requesting a representative from MassDOT and the state legislative delegation appear before the council to discuss plans for the tunnel closure. In addition, Visconti requested state officials not enforce the bus lane on the Tobin Bridge to help alleviate congestion for commuters.

“Any relief we can give travelers on that bridge would help the city, as well,” said Visconti. “I would like to know what their intentions are, and what they can do to help the congestion on the bridge.”

Councillor-at-Large Dan Rizzo said he often drives over the Tobin Bridge and doesn’t believe there is enough bus traffic to warrant all other vehicles being forced to use the left lanes. He added the city could discuss with the DOT making them HOV lanes to help with traffic while the tunnel is being reconstructed.

“That bus lane on the Tobin Bridge has really been a disaster for our community,” said Ward 6 Councilor Richard Serino. “What happens now is you take an entire lane of the Tobin Bridge, and now the traffic backs up to around Park Avenue and Mountain Avenue at times.”

Serino said it would be nice to see the state give Revere a little consideration when it comes to traffic and other issues on Rte. 1.

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