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VALENTINE'S DAY  
FIRE SAFETY TIPS

Keep fire safety in mind this Valentine's Day to safely maintain the spark of a romantic evening. According to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), that means keeping a close eye on what's cooking on the stove or in the oven and practicing caution when using candles.

"For anyone planning to celebrate Valentine's Day at home this year, there's a good chance those plans will include a special meal and glowing candles," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. "Our goal is to make sure these romantic gestures are done with fire safety in mind."

Cooking is by far the leading cause of U.S. home fires with nearly half (49 percent) of all home fires involving cooking equipment. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires and half of all cooking fire deaths.

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# Council supports letter seeking accommodations on MBTA 3A zoning

By Adam Swift

There was a full house at Tuesday night's Town Council meeting, with many residents, as well as councilors, raising concerns about a potential major change in zoning in Winthrop.

By the end of the year, the town will be expected to present an approved multi-family zoning district to the state as an adjacent MBTA community under Section 3A of the state's Zoning Act.

The purpose of Section 3A is to encourage the production of multi-family housing by requiring MBTA communities to adopt zoning districts where multi-family housing is allowed as of right, and that meet other requirements set forth in the statute.

But both councilors and residents who spoke on Tuesday night stated that the zoning change, which calls for zones with the potential of building at least 882 multi-family housing units, puts an unfair burden on a town which has a small area and is already densely populated.

Towards the end of Tuesday's meeting, the council approved sending a letter drafted by Council President Jim Letterie, with some revisions, to Governor Maura Healey and other state leaders to

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Staying Power

Even in Montreal, Dempsey is still a hometown hero

By Cary Shuman

There were posters throughout the Tsongas Center Sunday afternoon hailing the return of former Boston Pride and Harvard hockey star Jillian Dempsey to the area.

Dempsey, who grew up in Winthrop and was a teacher at the Cummings Elementary School, is now skating for the Montreal team in the Professional Women's Hockey League (PWL). Montreal was playing the Boston team and judging by the scores of people wearing Jillian Dempsey "Pride" jerseys (in the crowd of 4,500) and the incredible hometown support she received on her shifts, the fans made it clear that they want the former Pride captain back representing her hometown again.

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Montreal center Jillian Dempsey joins twin brothers, Camden Dykens and Jackson Dykens, for a post-game photo Sunday at the Tsongas Center in Lowell.

"We Miss U Dempsey," made clear the Winthrop contingent of supporters who were greeted by Jillian Dempsey (front row, center) following the game.

State, local leaders ask for reconsideration of lead water service line grant formula

By Adam Swift

A change in a federal grant funding formula for the replacement of lead line services would have a negative impact on local communities, according to state and local leaders.

Last week, Governor Maura Healey, Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell, and Treasurer Deborah Goldberg submitted a letter to EPA Administrator Michael Regan urging him to reconsider a new grant formula that has reduced lead service line replacement funding to Massachusetts by more than \$30 million.

The EPA's new data and methodology has cut nearly half the Massachusetts share of funding through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Grant. Massachusetts received \$65,783,000 in fiscal year 2022, but was only allocated \$33,700,000 for 2023 and future years of the program.

"Massachusetts has made great progress in removing lead service lines so that all of our communities can rely on clean drinking water," said Healey. "The historic federal investments made possible by President Biden and our congressional delegation have been instrumental in these efforts, and we ask the Environmental Protection Agency to provide us the resources so we can together continue advancing this important work."

In Chelsea, City Manager Fidel Maltez said his city has invested a tremendous amount of money in removing lead lines in the main pipes in the streets.

"However, there remains a significant amount of lead lines from the streets into the houses," said Maltez. "These are typically the responsibility of the property owner, but they are a significant cost, especially in a community like Chelsea, they have a significant barrier. Landlords don't want to spend \$10,000 - \$15,000 to remove a lead line into a property."

Through grant and funding mechanisms, Maltez said Chelsea has been able to assist property owners with those costs.

Local communities have been able to use a variety of funding to help

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## Delehanty retiring as police chief in July

By Adam Swift

Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty is retiring after almost 15 years in the top spot in the department in July.

In addition to serving as police chief, Delehanty was the town's interim town manager twice, including prior to the hiring of current town manager Tony Marino.

"By far, he is one of the best chiefs I have ever worked with, and certainly one of the best chiefs in the state and he will be sorely missed," said Marino. "We thank him for his service and we will have the proper celebrations when that time comes."

Thanks to prior town councils and work done by Delehanty, Marino said there is a succession plan in place for hiring a new chief.

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

MONDAY, JAN. 22

1053: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that was parked on the sidewalk on Winthrop St.

1810: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1826: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in a non-designated area on George St.

1858: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1911: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1918: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1920: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1953: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Governors Drive for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights after dark. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

TUESDAY, JAN. 23

0331: An officer issued four parking tickets to vehicles without resident parking stickers at Locust and Cross Sts.

0450: Officers responded to a call from a Pauline St. resident who found a homeless man in the entryway. The officers moved along the man, who is well-known to the officers.

0922: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Pleasant St. in which a vehicle struck a utility pole, snapping it in half. Wires were brought down in the vicinity of 300 Pleasant St. The operator and his passenger walked home from the scene. The motor vehicle was towed.

1242: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of speeding (39 in a 25 m.p.h. zone). The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1305: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a number plate violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1340: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of speeding (39 in a 25 m.p.h. zone). The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1439: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that reportedly had been parked for four days in the 15-minute parking zone in the 500 block of Shirley St.

1613: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of failure to yield. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2057: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden and Main Sts. for the civil moving infraction

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of an equipment violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2100: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights after dark. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2108: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Golden Drive because the operator's license had expired. The officer told the operator, who was parked in front of his residence, not to drive until his license has been renewed.

2145: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley and Underhill Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2321: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Chester Ave. and River Rd. for the civil moving infraction of driving too fast in view of the snowy conditions. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 24

0126: An officer issued four parking tickets to vehicles without resident parking stickers on Beal St.

1122: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that reportedly had been parked for five days in the 30-minute parking zone in the 100 block of Winthrop St.

1300: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a number plate violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1314: An officer removed a person who was causing a disturbance in the Dunkin' Donuts on Main St.

1339: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of a number plate violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1354: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a number plate violation. When the officer discovered that the operator had a suspended license, which is a crim-

inal offense, the officer issued a citation to the operator for both infractions. The motor vehicle was towed.

2349: An officer ordered persons playing loud music in an Ocean Ave. apartment to turn it off for the night.

THURSDAY, JAN. 25

0516: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle partially blocking a driveway on Shore Drive.

0841: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

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

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction of making a right on red where not permitted. The officer issued a citation to the operator for that infraction, as well as for not having his license in his possession.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Governors Drive for the civil moving infraction of excessive window tint. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Governors Drive for the civil moving infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1247: A resident reported receiving a scam phone call in which the scammer said that her grandson was in trouble and requested money. The resident, who did not provide any information to the scammer, wanted the incident to be logged.

1250: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The

officer issued a citation to the operator.

1428: Officers executed an arrest warrant at Veterans Rd. and Hadassah Way and arrested a 45 year-old Winthrop man who had five outstanding warrants from three different courts.

1532: Officers assisted the Fire Dept. with traffic control at the scene of a fire in the 300 block of Winthrop St.

FRIDAY, JAN. 26

0140: An officer issued three parking tickets to vehicles on George St.

0140: An officer issued 10 parking tickets to vehicles on Crest Ave.

0819: A person called the station to report that his vehicle had been side-swiped while parked in the parking lot at the Ft. Banks School. The officer filed a report.

0823: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of excessive window tint. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Harvard St. for the civil moving infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1033: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. and issued a citation to the operator for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. A licensed operator took control of the vehicle.

2046: An officer stopped a motor vehicle with an expired registration on Pleasant St. The officer stood by while the

owner renewed the registration on-line.

2059: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

SATURDAY, JAN. 27

1000: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of a check-washing fraud. The officer filed a report.

1323: A person called the station to report that her father had been scammed on Facebook. The officer filed a report.

1330: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at River Rd. and Lewis Ave. for the civil moving infractions of excessive window tint and having a child unsecured in a seat. The officer issued a citation to the operator for both infractions.

1805: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Bowdoin and Buchanan Sts. 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.

2131: An officer ordered the owner of a motor vehicle partially blocking a driveway on Cliff Ave. to move the vehicle.

SUNDAY, JAN. 28

0136: An officer issued parking tickets to eight vehicles without resident parking stickers on Maryland Ave.

0303: An officer directed a loud group of party-goers on a back porch in a building at Hutchinson St. and Crest Ave. to shut it down for the night.

0820: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Cutler St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0835: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Terrace Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

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## Boston City Council accepts anti-terrorism grant that impacts region

By Adam Swift

Last week, the Boston City Council voted to accept a \$13.3 million anti-terrorism grant that the previous council had narrowly voted against accepting.

The grant will impact surrounding communities, including Chelsea, Revere, Everett, and Winthrop, who are all part of the Metro Boston Homeland Security Region.

The grant from the Department of Homeland Security is designed to provide planning exercises, training, operational needs, and response to terrorism threats, including biological, chemical, nuclear, and explosive incidents.

The funding was reintroduced by Mayor Michelle Wu several weeks ago and the council initially voted to send the request to committee.

But Councilor Ed Flynn put the request forward for a vote at last week's council meeting. Flynn noted that other communities in the homeland security region, including Chelsea and Quincy, are dependent on the money and that the council should not delay the vote.

Following last December's 6-6 vote that failed to accept the grant, a number of first responders, politicians, and other bodies urged the council to accept the \$13.3 million grant.

Congressman Jake Auchincloss sent a letter to the council and Council President Ruthzee Louijeune urging them to accept the grant. He stated that the Israel-Hamas war has heightened the region's need for anti-terrorism funding as reports of anti-semitism are on the rise.

Earlier this year, Chelsea City Council President Norieliz DeJesus and several other councilors introduced a late motion requesting that the Boston City Council accept the grant funding, however, that motion did not move to a vote.

In the resolution, the councilors noted that Chelse typically receives approximately \$400,000 per year in funding from the grant, which in the past has helped fund the purchase of ballistic shields, cameras, maritime equipment, radios, trainings and a firearm trailer.

The decision to block the funding drew widespread criticism, including from then-Boston City Council President Ed Flynn, the Boston Police Patrolman's Association, Boston Firefighters IAFF Local 718, the Professional Firefighters Association of Massachusetts, Representative Jake Auchincloss (who represents Brookline), the Boston Globe Editorial Board, the Boston Chamber of Commerce, and the Massachusetts Catholic Conference, the resolution further stated. It added that the decision also drew criticism from the Massachusetts Legislature, with State Senators Nick Collins (D-Boston) and Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) introducing bipartisan legislation to strip local elected bodies of their authority to approve public safety grants.

Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez said the annual funding is a tremendous support for the city, particularly in its emergency response, emergency management, and public safety infrastructure.

With this round of funding, Maltez said the focus of the police and emergency management departments would be to increase the amount of surveillance they have available around the city, particularly related to street cameras.

Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe said the city was thankful the City of Boston approved this grant which will help pay for training and equipment that support programs such as active shooter drills, maritime rescue and response training, communications equipment, hazmat training and equipment, and USAR training and equipment.

"Revere, Cambridge, Quincy, Boston, Everett, Somerville, and Winthrop all benefit from this grant process," Keefe said.



## Fraud Fighters Workshop comes to Winthrop

About 50 residents attended the Suffolk County Fraud Fighters Workshop presented by District Attorney Kevin Hayden's office and community partners. The workshop was hosted by the Winthrop Police Department's Senior Monthly Outreach Program at the Winthrop Senior Center.

The goal of these workshops is empower older adults to protect themselves against financial fraud. The presentation covers common scams and the necessary tools on how to stay alert and safe. Resource folders and members of Hayden's office and Metro Credit Union representatives were available after to answer additional questions.

District Attorney Kevin Hayden emphasized how important this cause is to him and shared with resi-

dents that his mother was a victim of financial fraud.

State Representative Jeff Turco thanked Hayden's office and the Winthrop Police Department for raising awareness and looking out for residents.

Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty highlighted a recent incident in which a Winthrop resident was scammed out of \$34,000. Chief Delehanty urged residents "when in doubt, call us at (617) 846-1212."

The Suffolk County Fraud Fighters is a multi-agency external effort to help residents identify and avoid scams. Also involved are the Boston, Chelsea, and Revere police departments, the Boston Housing Authority, the Vine Street Community Center, Hebrew Senior-Life, Central Boston Elder Services, Metro Credit Union, Mystic Valley Elder Services and the US Secret Service.



Police Chief Terence Delehanty with State Rep. Jeff Turco, DA Kevin Hayden and Lt. Mary Crisafi.



Some attendees with representatives from the District Attorney's Office and the Winthrop Police Department.

## Lead Service // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

address the lead service line issues.

Last year in Winthrop, the Town Council approved a \$980,000 zero interest loan from the MWRA to pay for the removal and replacement of about 100 lead lines, according to public works director Steve Calla.

Calla said the Department of Environmental Protection has increased the number of lead water service lines the town is required to remove each year. In addition to full lead service lines, the DEP is now mandating the removal of partial lead service lines in their calculations, he said.

Calla said there 423 of the full lead service lines remaining in town, and about 400 partial lead service lines.

In Revere late last year, city officials warned of the potential of high levels of lead in the drinking water of homes with lead service lines and urged residents to remove the lines.

The City of Revere Water and Engineering Departments removed 68 lead services and confirmed 32 services to be non-lead, this fiscal year. All lead services included in the tests done in October were also removed, city officials stated late

entire state," said Goldberg, who is also Chair of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust. "There are very serious concerns with the EPA's data that will hinder this vital work, and we urge them to reevaluate their position. The well-being of Massachusetts residents, particularly our most vulnerable, depend on the continuity of these critical resources."

The EPA's lead remediation programs are a realization of President Biden's goal to remove 100 percent of lead service lines nationwide and address the critical public health and environmental justice challenges that come from lead-contaminated drinking water, according to Healey. This includes the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund which has \$15 billion in funding nationally from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), signed by President Biden in 2021.

The letter from Governor Healey and state leaders identifies Massachusetts's unique needs for lead remediation funding based on the high percentage of housing stock from before 1940, when the use of lead in service lines was prevalent and emphasizes how the effects of this today cause disproportionate lead exposure in communities of color.

"The reductions in EPA funding could dramatically limit Massachusetts's incredible work addressing our unique challenges with lead service lines," said Director of Federal Funds and Infrastructure Quentin Palfrey. "Massachusetts has shown the ability to impactfully use federal funding to make progress on this public health crisis, and we will continue our efforts to secure each and every federal dollar that enables this work to continue."



The event, hosted at the Winthrop Senior Center was well-attended.

## Bill Schmidt will support Bridge Over Troubled Waters in the 8th Annual Winter Walk

Special to the Transcript

On Sunday, February 11, at 8:30 am at the Boston Common, Winthrop resident Bill Schmidt will be participating in the Annual Winter Walk as a member of the Bridge Over Troubled Waters Team to help raise awareness and funds for individuals experiencing homelessness in Boston.

Winter Walk is an initiative that is centered on an annual walk, 2 miles around the streets of the city in February, the coldest month of the year.

Winter Walk is a chance to link arms with those who experience homelessness and to listen humbly to their stories – it is a chance to show them that we care about their lives and to affirm a commitment to do all it takes to ease their struggles.

Bridge Over Troubled Waters (<https://www.bridgeotw.org/>) is a non-profit organization, founded in 1970 and located in Boston, that supports homeless, runaway, and at-risk youth ages 14-24 with accessible, age-appropriate programming, a safe place to stay, and a path home.

Bridge serves 2,000 youth each year through street outreach, survival aid, healthcare, counseling, case management, education, job development, and housing services.

Bill Schmidt stated, "The mission and work of Bridge Over Troubled Waters are both close to my heart, and through my role on its Advisory Council, I know that the youth served by Bridge have been acutely impacted by the pandemic and economic events of the last few years, especially

in managing their mental health".

He continued, "Now, more than ever, it is so important to raise support for our community members without a safe place to call home. I hope people will consider supporting me and the Winter Walk Team from Bridge as we raise awareness for youth and other individuals experiencing homelessness on February 11th".

To support Bill Schmidt's fundraising efforts for Team Bridge at the Winter Walk 2024, his fundraising page is <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/winterwalk2024-boston/account/1679344/>.

Schmidt concluded, "Winter Walk is an incredible event that I look forward to each year, and I hope citizens will consider supporting me for the 2024 event".

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OUR Opinions

ZUCKERBERG, ET AL:

THE WORST OF THE WORST

Last week’s dramatic hearing in the U.S. Senate, in which the heads of a number of social media companies testified in front of a gallery that was filled with parents who lost children because of the pernicious effects of social media companies, hopefully will result in meaningful regulation that will hold these social media companies accountable for their deliberate targeting of our nation’s youth with content that the companies know is harmful.

Arguably the worst offender among the group, Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg, apologized to the parents sitting behind him and weakly told them he would try to do better. However, as South Carolina Senator Lindsey Graham bluntly put it directly to Zuckerberg, “You have blood on your hands.”

Two years ago the Wall Street Journal revealed that Facebook was fully aware of the addictive and harmful qualities of its social media platforms and the specific damage that they cause to vulnerable young people. Yet Facebook has done nothing to ameliorate its behavior because of the billions of dollars it earns by targeting children with content that they know is dangerous for our childrens’ mental -- and ultimately physical -- well-being.

One of the most telling pieces of testimony came from the head of Tik-Tok, who was asked whether he allows his own children on the Tik-Tok platform. He replied that he doesn’t -- because his family resides in Singapore, where Tik-Tok is not allowed to be used by children. However, as Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar pointed out, here in the United States there are no limits placed on social media companies because of the millions of dollars that they spend to lobby members of Congress.

The very next day after the Senate hearing, the stock of Facebook (which is now known as Meta) jumped by a whopping 20% after it announced record earnings, increasing the company’s value by hundreds of billions of dollars.

If we were to list the worst kind of people in the world, they would include murderers, rapists, child molesters, and drug dealers. But in this era of pervasive social media, we now can add a new type of sociopath -- the heads of social media companies that deliberately prey upon our children, whom they view as nothing more than a profit-center for their businesses.

A new book by Boston native Frank McCourt, a billionaire real estate mogul and former owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers, makes the case for regulating social media companies because of the threat they pose to our children and our democracy. His central thesis is that we need to do so now before it is too late.

We call upon our national legislators, especially Senators Warren and Markey, to support the bill in the Senate that will allow these social media companies to be sued by those whom they harm. As Senator Graham pointed out, the social media companies have refused to police themselves and the only way to do so is to “open the courtroom doors” to their victims.

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BEHIND....

A while back we wrote an editorial about the clear and obvious evils of the easy availability of sports gambling via smartphones. This past Sunday evening, the news program 60 Minutes had a segment on exactly that topic, highlighting how young men under the age of 25 have become addicted to on-line sports gambling, where they can place a bet not only on the outcome of a game, but also literally wager on every play, pitch, and moment across the international sporting world, simply with the push of a button on their smartphones at all hours of the day and night.

The report noted that many young men have gambled away their college loan money and their inheritances because of their addiction to these so-called sports books. The advertising for these gaming sites, such as Draft Kings and FanDuel, pitched by high-profile celebrities, makes it look like harmless fun. But as 60 Minutes noted, the reality is far darker.

We have no problem with sports betting when it is done at a casino or similar venue. However, allowing it to happen via a smartphone invites addictive behavior, especially by young people, that can lead them to financial ruin and a lifetime of gambling addiction.

In our view, it is clear that the companies such as Draft Kings, FanDuel, and others are nothing less than predatory monsters that seek to take advantage of vulnerable young people.

Just as our state legislature realized two generations ago that lowering the drinking age to 18 was a societal disaster, we call upon our state legislators to revise the laws that allow these sports betting houses to prey on vulnerable individuals 24/7/365.

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GUEST Op-Ed

A little bit of kindness to protect Massachusetts parklands and foster community

By Brian Arrigo

Just under a year ago, I had the honor of being appointed to lead the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), the state’s largest landowner and steward of roughly half a million acres across Massachusetts. It’s been an amazing first year – I’ve traveled across the state, getting to know our beautiful state park system, and the incredible and dedicated staff, who work every day to preserve these spaces for generations to come.

Growing up in and later serving as mayor of Revere, I loved being close to Revere Beach – America’s first public beach – and would often start my day by clearing my head with a run along the beach. As the fastest growing city in the Commonwealth, the Revere community and so many others depend on our beaches, parks, reservations, reservoirs,

and other open spaces that serve as urban oases and retreats.

The pandemic showed us how important these spaces are for our mental and physical wellbeing. They connect us with nature and our neighbors, building healthy and diverse communities of all ages and backgrounds. With more people than ever visiting and experiencing the beauty of our state parks, it’s important to be mindful of the impacts our actions have on each other and the environment.

With this in mind, I’m excited to invite everyone to join us in the Be Kind! public awareness campaign, that we launched last fall in partnership with the Friends of the Fells and the Friends of the Blue Hills. Be Kind! encourages all of us to act with kindness while visiting our state parks – to the people around us, park staff, and the plants

and animals that call these spaces home.

Be Kind! suggests actions that park visitors can take to ensure they are being respectful of one another and of our natural environment. Specifically, it encourages all, whether they are regulars in our DCR parks or first-time visitors, to:

- Listen for other people on trails and make space for others to pass;
- Keep dogs leashed outside of designated off-leash areas;
- Leave no trace of litter or waste; and
- Stay on the trails – on foot, paw, or bike.

Whether hiking, biking, or walking your dog, keep an eye out for Be Kind! signs along the trails at the Middlesex Fells and Blue Hills Reservations. While these parks are piloting the program, we are excited to expand this initiative to parks across the state in the future.

You can join us in shar-

ing the Be Kind! message on social media using #BeKindMA and we would love to see your photos and stories of kindness in our parks.

As part of DCR’s commitment to providing access to natural, recreational, and cultural resources, we look forward to collaborating with more groups, elected officials, civic leaders, and communities across the Commonwealth to grow this movement of kindness, protect our precious spaces, foster community, and create unforgettable memories for all. Let’s Be Kind!

For more information about the Be Kind! public awareness campaign, visit <https://www.mass.gov/guides/be-kind-massachusetts>.

*Brian Arrigo is the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR).*

MBTA Zoning // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

outline those concerns the town has with the 3A zoning requirements.

Letterie said there are still many questions about the 3A zoning, such as if the town could be fined if it doesn’t comply, or what grants the state may take off the table for noncompliance.

“Everything I have read, there is nothing definitive,” said Letterie. “But from every information I have right now, I am dead against this, I want to be clear about that. But as a council, we have to make sure we are doing what is best for Winthrop, and I don’t think this is best for Winthrop.”

Letterie and several others noted several times that from what they have seen in the state requirements, there are no benefits to the town. He added that Town Manager Tony Marino and councilors Joseph Aiello and Suzanne Swope helped give input in the letter he wants to send to the governor.

The letter notes that Winthrop needs to maintain its identity as a welcoming, small community of 1.6 square miles on the shores of Boston Harbor.

“Demands to build more housing via the MBTA Communities 3A zoning mandate are at odds with one another,” the draft of the letter states. “While we agree that we could add some housing in a planned and organized manner, 882 units are beyond our capacity.”

The letter then goes on to list the town’s concerns with the zoning and requests for special consideration from the governor’s office.

The letter requests that Winthrop be reclassified under the zoning requirement so that it would only have to provide zoning for allowing for 5 percent of the total housing stock in town, rather than the 10 percent at which it is currently classified.

In the letter, Letterie also requests an extension of one year for approval of the zoning changes to Dec. 31 of 2025, in line with the

request to be reclassified as an adjacent (MBTA) small community.

This extension would give the town council, planning board, and consultant time to analyze the town’s current housing stock.

Given the existing dense neighborhoods, limited land mass, and flooding issues in the town; Letterie requested that the minimum size of the necessary multi-family zoning district be reduced from 12 to 10 acres.

“This would allow us the flexibility to meet the unit requirement without unfairly burdening one or two neighborhoods,” stated Letterie.

In the letter, Letterie also noted that Winthrop has an underutilized MBTA bus service that is being reduced in the upcoming MBTA bus route changes that were proposed last year.

“With 25 percent of our population being senior citizens, and many unable to get to the existing and soon to be modified bus stops, we request the flexibility to create this zoning further away from our limited MBTA bus routes,” stated Letterie.

Also noted is that there are very limited development and redevelopment opportunities in the town, and that the town’s narrow streets make it difficult to accommodate additional on-street parking.

“Unlike other communities, Winthrop is unique,” Letterie continued. “We have additional parking and risk from MWRA and Logan Airport. For example, our proximity to Logan Airport causes air and noise pollution.”

In addition, Letterie stated there are also risks associated with traffic and potential emergency response to the MWRA facility at Deer Island.

“Given everything listed above, we reiterate that Winthrop is unique and has been placed in the wrong category as an adjacent community,” Letterie continued. “Winthrop is a

small sliver of land threatened by population, rising tides, aging infrastructure, high density, and a limited commercial tax base. Please consider our request for a new classification and a reduction in the MBTA district’s egregious requirement as we are truly a unique community with challenges that do not fit the one-size-fits-all of the MBTA communities 3A guideline offered by the Commonwealth.”

Letterie said he sees the letter as a first step with addressing the issues with the 3A zoning.

“Instead of being the bully, we try to do the right thing and have the state make allowances for us and see how this goes,” said Letterie. “I am hoping the governor will take this seriously and have some sort of response to this.”

Council Vice President Hannah Belcher said she believed the letter did a good job hitting all the points that have been brought up by residents in meetings and in emails over the past several weeks regarding 3A.

Councilor-at-Large Rob DeMarco said he is a firm no on approving the 3A zoning for the town, however, he said the letter is a very respectful first step to send to the governor.

Precinct 2 Councilor John Munson said he believes the most important part of the letter is the request for a delay of the 3A zoning plan and approval for the town.

“When you are asking for a reclassification, you are asking for the 882 (units) to be reduced to 441, and that is still a lot,” said Munson. “I would really press home the delay part, because quite frankly, I think that might be the best strategy. If we can delay, we don’t have to be fighting lawsuits with the state, we don’t have to be losing money and opportunities from the state, but at the same time, we don’t have to comply.”

Aiello said he believes the letter takes the high ground of trying to get some accommodations, without the town having to give up any of its options.

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# Dempsey //

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Dempsey’s Montreal contingent defeated Boston, 2-1, in overtime, and is currently in first place in the six-team PWHL.

**Cummings School delegation**

Andrea O’Leary, principal of the Cummings School, led a delegation of teachers, parents, and students in the arena.

“The students, staff, parents, and I miss Jillian very much,” said O’Leary. “We want her back in Boston. I don’t know if she would be able to teach and play professional hockey, but we would do our best to keep her with us, and we’d love to have her back as soon as possible. She looks great on the ice skating for Montreal. It’s very difficult to be here and watch the Boston team play, but still root for Montreal.”

Middle School seventh grader Molly Titemore is one of Jillian Dempsey’s former students. “It’s really exciting to be here,” said Molly. “I haven’t seen Miss Dempsey in a while, so it’s really good to see



Winthrop’s Jillian Dempsey, pictured with her sister, Meaghan Dempsey, and their parents, Jack Dempsey and Susan Dempsey, following the Montreal-Boston Professional Women’s Hockey League game Sunday at Tsongas Center in Lowell.



Hockey fans and Jillian Dempsey supporters state their case at Sunday’s Montreal-Boston game that they want the former Boston Pride and Harvard star back playing for their hometown team.



Montreal teammates Gabby David, Kati Tabin, Sarah Bujold, Jillian Dempsey and Kennedy Marchment, pictured on the ice following their 2-1 victory over Boston Sunday at Tsongas Center in Lowell.

her. She’s definitely been a big part of my life. She really helped me a lot with everything like my math, my reading. She’s an amazing hockey player.”

## Petrola brings his WYH U-12 girls team

Anthony Petrola, who almost won a state title while a standout player at Savio Prep in East Boston, chaperoned a trip to the game for the Winthrop Youth Hockey U-12 girls team that he coaches.

“They’re all fans of Jillian,” said Petrola, whose 11-year-old daughter, Bri-

anna, plays right wing for Winthrop. “Some of the girls had Ms. Dempsey as a teacher. Jillian is so exciting to watch as a player. I wish she were playing for Boston. It [the PWHL] is great hockey. The girls love coming to watch the female professionals compete, and it’s really inspiring for them, especially playing hockey themselves, they get to see something like this.”

## Grateful for the reception

The ever-personable, ever-eloquent Jillian Dempsey met with many of her supporters and fans in the arena’s concourse after the game. She graciously signed autographs and posed for numerous photos.

Dempsey, 33, was thankful for the outpouring of support by the Boston fans.

“It was so heartwarming. It really made my day. It was very special to see all the posters and the Boston Pride jerseys and



Coach Anthony Petrola and his Winthrop Youth Hockey U-12 girls team are pictured at the Tsongas Center where they watched Jillian Dempsey’s Montreal team defeat Boston, 2-1, in overtime.

the Dempsey shirts, and so many of the faces from the Winthrop community that I love,” said Dempsey. “This year [playing for Montreal] is so different in many ways, but I miss being in school and in the classroom, so to see my teacher friends, former students, the Winthrop Youth hockey team, and all those connections to home – it all brought a big smile to my face, and it’s something I truly appreciate.”

Dempsey also noted the presence of her family, including her parents, Jack and Susan Dempsey, and her older sister, Meaghan Dempsey, a Savio Prep class valedictorian and Harvard graduate who is now a schoolteacher in Revere.

“Meaghan is a great role model,” credited Jillian. “She molded that path. I think part of me wanting to attend Harvard was because she wanted Harvard and spoke so highly of it. From that younger age, I was always able to look up to her. She did everything the best way an older sister could, so I am fortunate to have her.”



Montreal center Jillian Dempsey autographs a souvenir for one of her many fans after the game.

## Breaking attendance records

The all-time leading scorer (146 points in 142 games) for the Boston Pride in the PHF, Dempsey is skating as a center on Montreal’s third line and is part of the penalty-killing unit. One of the highlights so far for Dempsey was assisting on teammate Claire Dalton’s opening-game goal, the first in Montreal team history. Interestingly, Dalton played college hockey at Yale. “We had a little Harvard-Yale connection there,” jested Dempsey. Dempsey said hockey fans have been turning out in high numbers for PWHL games in Canada and the United States. Montreal’s home games have been played before huge crowds and the games are televised live on TSN.

“We’ve been fortunate to play in some of the record-setting games attendance wise,” said Dempsey. “In our opening game of the season in Ottawa, we broke an attendance record for women’s pro hockey in North America. In our next game in Minnesota, who

plays at the Xcel Energy Center where the Minnesota Wild play, we shattered that record with 13,300 fans. It was pretty incredible to see the stands filled that way. We have a game on Feb. 16 against Toronto at Scotiabank Arena (home of the Toronto Maole Leafs) and that game is sold out (with 18,800 fans expected). It’s going to be really exciting to be in that venue with that many fans in an NHL rink.”

As fans attending the Montreal-Boston game at Tsongas Arena clearly noticed, the PWHL is being run very professionally and it has a great product. The game presentation was excellent. The action on the ice was fast and furious, the stickhandling, passing, and goaltending superb, as one would expect from the best female hockey players in the world.

And there is no one better to keep advancing the game of women’s hockey than Winthrop’s Jillian Dempsey.

Just ask her legion of fans who hope to see their beloved “Demps” wearing Boston Green next season.

# Delehanty //

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“We do have two deputy police chiefs,” said Marino. “My plan for replacing (Delehanty) is to interview both of those deputy chiefs.”

Marino said the interviews will be done alongside Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard,

who he said has a lot of interaction with the police chief and with the school resource officers in the department.

“It just makes a lot of sense to have Lisa there, and once those interviews are complete, I will select the most qualified candi-

date,” said Marino. “That will have a ripple effect down to have other positions to fill after that, but that is the plan for filling that position, so we are moving forward with that.”

Delehanty graduated from Winthrop High

School in 1987 and began his career with the Winthrop Police Department in 1995. Three of Delehanty’s brothers and his father all served as police officers.

During his time as chief, Delehanty co-developed the town’s Problem Prop-

erties Task Force and implemented a Community and Law Enforcement Assisted Recovery (CLEAR) program. He also served as the Emergency Response Coordinator and trainer for the town and the school department.

Delehanty is also a licensed attorney in the state, with a degree from the Massachusetts School of Law.



Police Chief Terence Delehanty.

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“Keeping a close eye on what’s cooking can be a challenge, particularly on special occasions like Valentine’s Day when you’re trying to get everything just right,” said Carli. “But when you consider that unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires, it’s clear that carefully monitoring what’s on the stove and in the oven is critical to ensuring a fire-safe evening.”

Candles, which also represent a leading cause of home fires, need to be used with caution. NFPA data shows that half of all candle fires started when a flammable object – such as furniture, bedding, curtains, home decorations, or clothing – was too close to a lit candle. In 21 percent of home candle fires, the candle was either left unattended, discarded, or otherwise misused. Over

one-third of candle fires (36 percent) started in the bedroom.

Carli recommends using flameless or battery-operated candles, which provide a similar look and feel to open-flame candles while eliminating the risk of associated fires. If you do plan to use real candles, following are tips from NFPA to do so safely:

- Avoid using candles in the bedroom and other areas where people may fall asleep.
- Place candles on sturdy, uncluttered surfaces where they will not be knocked over.
- Use caution when lighting candles. Keep hair and any loose clothing away from the flame.
- Do not allow candles to burn down too close to the base of the holder or container.
- Never leave a child

alone in the presence of a burning candle.

- Keep matches and lighters out of children’s reach.

For more information about cooking safety, visit our cooking safety page; for more candle safety information, visit our candle safety page.

In addition, NFPA encourages the public to make sure they have working smoke alarms and to develop and practice a home escape plan.

## VITALE NAMED DEAN’S LIST

Regis College proudly announced that Sofia Vitale, of Winthrop was named to the university’s Fall 2023 Dean’s List recognizing their outstanding academic achievements.

“Being named to the Dean’s List is a recog-

nition of a students’ semester-long unwavering commitment to their academic program,” said Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Mary Erina Driscoll, PhD. “Regis is committed to building students’ character and confidence as they are intellectually prepared for a life and career of meaning through an inclusive and innovative environment. Sofia’s steadfast commitment to academic excellence is reflected in being named to the Dean’s List.”

To earn a spot on the Dean’s List, Regis sophomores, juniors, seniors, and professional studies students must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher; first-year students must have a GPA of 3.25 or higher. Additional criteria can be found in Regis’ Academic Catalog.

## WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

### HALF TIME HOISIN CHICKEN WINGS

#### INGREDIENTS:

- cooking spray
- ½ cup hoisin sauce
- ⅓ cup low sodium teriyaki sauce
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger
- 1 tablespoon chile-garlic sauce, or to taste
- 3 pounds chicken wings, cut apart at joints, wing tips discarded

#### DIRECTIONS

**STEP 1:** Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). Spray a baking sheet with cooking spray.

**STEP 2:** Whisk together hoisin sauce, teriyaki sauce, brown sugar, garlic, ginger, and chili-garlic sauce in a bowl.

**STEP 3:** Arrange chicken wing pieces on the prepared baking sheet. Brush chicken with hoisin sauce mixture.

**STEP 4:** Bake in the preheated oven until chicken wings are no longer pink in the center, 20 to 25 minutes on each side, basting every 15 minutes.

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ANNUAL WINTHROP POLICE CITIZENS ACADEMY GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023

Courtesy Photos

The 10-week academy involved instruction by Winthrop Officers and our community partners on subjects such as domestic violence, police exploring, motor vehicle law and accidents, patrol procedures, firearms, critical incidents, gangs, juveniles, narcotics

enforcement, prevention and treatment, community policing and engagement as well as many other topics relevant to police work. The academy will also include a post-graduation police ride-along. The class experience was designed to introduce citizens to the career of policing and law enforce-

ment and provide a clear picture of what it's like to be a Police Officer in the

Town of Winthrop. Class participation and engagement is encouraged and

graduates leave with new friends as well as a true representation of a career

in law enforcement.



"Now you See" program courtesy of Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden as presented by instructor Jackie Lamont.



Shown left to right, front-row: Stephen Machcinski, Lyna Bahmani, James Rzatkiwicz and Jeremy Scott Mahoney-Wright. Back row: Lt. Stephen Rogers, Linda Calla, Carolyn Carideo, Peter Gill, Annette Anderson, Deborah Vecchio Osbourne, Paul Basken, Deborah Passaro, Mary Barnby and Lt. Mary Crisafi.



Lt. Steve Rogers and Deputy Chief John Goodwin with Lyna Bahmani.



Lt. Steve Rogers and Deputy Chief John Goodwin with Carolyn Carideo.



Lt. Steve Rogers and Deputy Chief John Goodwin with Peter Gill.



Lt. Steve Rogers and Deputy Chief John Goodwin with Deborah Osbourne.

"Annie" playing for one week only at Boch Center Wang Theatre

Story by Marianne Salza

Spunky, little orphan, Annie, and her friends endure a "hard knock life" at

a neglectful orphanage in 1933 New York. Although times can be burdensome, she believes there is hope

for sunshine. "Annie," directed by Jenn Thompson, and featuring scores by Tony Award winners, Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse, and Martin Char-nin, will be presented in Boston's Boch Center Wang Theatre February 6-11 for its 2023-2024 North American Tour.

"It's an important mes-sage any time, especially during tumultuous times in the world," explained Jeff T. Kelly, who plays Rooster Hannigan in the musical. "Clinging onto optimism when situations seem to be bad and getting worse is an important out-look to walk away from after watching the show."

Annie warms the heart of billionaire, Oliver War-bucks, and his staff when she spends the holidays at his mansion. Together, they set out to reunite An-nie with her parents; but Rooster -- the brother of



COURTESY PHOTO  
Barnstable native, Jeff Kelly, who plays Rooster Hannigan in the musical, "Annie," coming to the Bock Center Wang Theater Feb. 6-11.

the orphanage's caretaker, Miss Hannigan -- has his own conniving scheme.

Kelly, who considers Rooster to be a comic re-lief villain, feels that audi-ences of all ages can enjoy the play. It incorporates political references, social movements, and an in-quisitive dog.

"As someone who en-joys learning about differ-ent periods, the historical element resonated with me," revealed Kelly. "The

political conflicts that were going on during the Depression and Prohibi-tion, and the music of that era tickle my fancy."

Kelly began his career in musical theater nine years ago, in his early 20s. His background in martial arts, hockey, and fencing have been useful skills on stage. Kelly is a graduate of the American Musical and Dramatic Academy, New York City. His recent theater credits include playing Fluke in "Mil-lion Dollar Quartet," and Tommy Devito in "Jersey Boys."

"The road has been fun and enlightening. I'm en-joying being on tour," de-scribed Kelly. "A goal of mine is to stay on tour for a while."

Kelly's acting career has allowed him to ex-plore different cities like Denver, San Antonio, and Galveston. When trav-eling, Kelly asks locals about their recommenda-tions for the best Buffalo

wings in the area. Besides a shack that he discovered off a beaten path in the Bahamas, Kelly has con-cluded that the Buffalo wings from his hometown restaurant, DJ's Famous Wings, are superior.

"This last year has been such a good step because I did a cruise contract, played the lead in a re-gional, and I'm playing a principal on a nation-al tour. They're three, massive milestones in a performer's career," said Kelly. "I've been very fortunate. To successfully achieve them has been a really good feeling."

Kelly is excited to return to his Boston, and stop in Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers, where he would eat after marching band rehearsals when he was a member of the Boston University drumline. The Barnstable native plans to bring his friends to Cape Cod so they can revel in his favorite Buffalo wings together.

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# Sports

## WINTHROP GYMNASTICS SENIORS HONORED AT FINAL HOME MEET



Asst. Coach Christina Vaccaro, Senior Captain Shannon Abbott, Senior Captain Ellie O'Donnell, and Head Coach Peter Gobiell.

The WHS Vikings Gymnastic Team had their final home match against Bishop Fenwick last Saturday evening, prior to the start of the match, their seniors were recognized for their accomplishments over the years as Vikings. Special sentiments were stated from the underclassman to their mentors

and senior captains. The seniors of Bishop Fenwick were recognized, but a special presentation was made to BF Senior Ariana Summa. Summa practices at the Winthrop facility and is well known and is friends with the Viking team.



Senior Captain Ellie O'Donnell with her mom Barbara, sister Mary and family.



Bishop Fenwick Senior and Viking friend, Ariana Summa, with her parents, Susan and Frank Summa.

### WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

## Boys Hockey drop first contest, but still ranked No. 1 in Division

The Winthrop High boys hockey team dropped its first contest of the season to Northeastern Conference (NEC) North foe Marblehead last Saturday afternoon at Larsen Rink. The Vikings had defeated the Magicians in their first meeting earlier in the season by a 3-1 score, but Marblehead, which came into Larsen with a five-game winning streak and a #12 ranking in Division 3, turned the tables in the rematch.

However, prior to that setback, coach Dale Dunbar and his crew moved a step closer toward clinching the 2024 championship of the NEC North with a 5-1 victory last Wednesday evening over Danvers at the Ray Bourque Arena at Endicott College.

Winthrop opened the scoring with a goal from Mike Holgersen, assisted by captains Petey Silverman and Billy Hayes. The Vikings made it 2-0 on a short-handed goal by assistant captain Robert Rich with an assist from Aiden Survilas.

Danvers got on the board late in the period to cut the lead to 2-1, but Silverman scored three unanswered goals in the middle period to boost the Vikings into a commanding 5-1 lead. Capt. Pete's first goal of his so-called "natural hat trick" was assisted by Holgersen and Hayes, the second by Nick Romano and Hayes, and the third by Romano and Holgersen.

Viking junior goaltender Mike Donahue posted another solid effort between the pipes, turning aside 23 Danvers shots.

Saturday's contest with Marblehead was one of those games that every sports team at all levels seems to endure during the course of a season.

The Vikings had plenty of chances to score in the opening period, but the lone lamplighter of the first 15 minutes belonged to the Magicians. The second period was almost a replay of the first, but with Marblehead scoring two goals to take a 3-0 lead into the final period. The Vikings continued to control the action in the third period and finally broke through to close the gap

to 3-1 with five minutes to play when Phil Boncore reached the back of the Magicians' net, assisted by Silverman. Winthrop battled furiously to score again, but the Magicians took advantage of an empty net in the final minutes for the 4-1 finale.

Dunbar and his squad now stand at 12-1-1 on the season and still remain atop the MIAA's Division 4 power rankings by a wide margin. In addition, Winthrop is solidly in first place in the NEC North with a 6-1-0 mark. (Danvers has three losses and Marblehead, Gloucester, and Masconomet all have four losses.)

Dunbar, his staff, and players wish to thank all of the Viking Alumni who came to the Marblehead game to support the team.

Winthrop has a busy and challenging schedule in the coming week: The Vikings were scheduled to trek to non-league foe Essex Tech, the #5 team in Division 3, yesterday (Wednesday); travel to Gloucester, the #10 team in D-2, on Saturday at Talbot Rink at 6:00; entertain non-league opponent Medford on Monday at 6:30; and then host fierce NEC North foe Masconomet, the #12 team in D-2, next Wednesday for a 6:10 opening face-off.

### GIRLS HOCKEY TOPS NEWBURYPORT, 4-1; HOSTS PEABODY MONDAY

The Winthrop High girls hockey team improved its record to 8-2-2 on the season and officially qualified for the post-season MIAA Division 1 state tournament with a 4-1 victory at Northeast Hockey League (NHL) opponent Newburyport this past Saturday evening.

"This was a great road win for us," said WHS head coach Anthony Martucci. "It was a long bus ride to Graf Rink on a Saturday night. Every team in our league is out to get us, and we know it. So every single conference game we are in for a dogfight. Like true champions this group always responds, and that is what they did



Head Coach Peter Gobiell and Asst. Coach Christina Vaccaro are shown with the WHS Varsity Viking Gymnastics team. Front row: Jillian Buonopane, Capt. Shannon Abbott, Capt. Ellie O'Donnell, and Isabella Rice. Back row: Julia Hurley, Gianna Sorrentino, Charlotte Zarba, Zoe Rey, Sara Juvouich, Brooklyn Banfield, Macy Werstak, and Melissa Cash.



Senior Captain Shannon Abbott with her dad, Dan, and her family.

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WINTHROP HIGH VIKINGS HOCKEY VS. MARBLEHEAD MAGICIANS

Photos by Bob Marra

Winthrop's unbeaten season was halted Saturday by streaking Marblehead as the visiting Magicians pulled out a 4-1 win for the upset and their

sixth straight win. The Vikings, meanwhile, sit atop the MIAA Division 4 Power Rankings with a 12-1-1 record as they enter the final six games of the season over the next two weeks.



BOARD PLAY: Petey Silverman pins Marblehead's James Mackenzie against the boards as the puck bounces behind the net.



CLOSE BUT NO: Michael Holgersen goes to a knee as the puck bounces above him after Marblehead goalie Leo Burdge made the save on a point blank shot.



CLOSE ALL DAY: Winthrop pressured the Marblehead net all day but the Vikings were stymied by Magician goalie Leo Burdge. Here Petey Silverman is denied by Burdge as he is hounded by Marblehead defensemen London McDonald and Will Sullivan (27)



ON TARGET: Billy Hayes lets a shot fly from the point as Marblehead's Hogan Sedky (7) defends.



SEEKING SPACE: Jackson Andy (9) finds some skating room along the boards.



DENIED: Phil Boncore fights off Marblehead defender Ben Wales (2) but his shot ended up in the pads of Marblehead goalie Leo Burdge.



DREAM WEAVER: Mike Holgersen (16) works his way around Marblehead's Ben Wales.



ROAD CLOSED: Aidan Survilas (12, left) has his eyes on the bouncing puck but finds his way to the net blocked by Marblehead defensemen Toby Grenier (4) and Charlie Grenier.



ALL OUT EFFORT: Rob Rich is on the ice but keeps up the fight to control a loose puck.



HANDCUFFED: The puck is under the left gloved hand of Marblehead's sprawled Hogan Sedky as Petey Silverman swoops in for a scoring attempt.



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# OBITUARIES

## Lawrence Cellucci

Longtime Raytheon Cost Analyst who later worked for the State of Massachusetts in the accounting division

Lawrence M. Cellucci of Winthrop passed away at the Leonard Florence Center for Living in Chelsea on February 5. He was 74 years old.

Born in Boston, the beloved son of the late Josephine (Iudica) and Gerardo Cellucci, he worked as a cost analyst for Raytheon for many years before working for the State of Massachusetts in the accounting division.

He was the beloved father of late Michael Cellucci, dear brother of Andrea Meriano and her companion, Joseph Buccini of Revere, loving uncle of Cristina Meriano, brother in law of the late Carmine Meriano and is also survived by many loving cousins and dear friends.

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



throp on Friday, February 9 from 4 to 7 p.m. The funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Saturday, February 10 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with the interment in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery.

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

## Theodore Cooledge

Master Mason

Theodore E. Cooledge, 78, of Wilbraham, passed away on January 29, at Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer.

Ted was born in Boston on May 15, 1945, and raised in Winthrop, the son of the late Wallace and Eilene (Bauer) Cooledge. He was a Master Mason working diligently for 40 years and was recognized for his faithful service to Freemasonry in Massachusetts where he served as Deputy Grand Master.

He is survived by his partner, Gerald Small of



Wilbraham and two brothers, Wallace Cooledge II and his wife, Kathleen of Florida and Ronald Cooledge and his wife, Suzanne of Marshfield, MA and he leaves his dear friends, Richard and Steven LaBorde of East Longmeadow, as well as nieces and nephews. All services and burial will be private.

Arrangements entrusted to the Byron Keenan Funeral Home and Cremation Tribute Center, 1858 Allen Street, Springfield, MA, 01118.

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## Kathleen Mary McLaughlin

Former Air Force Captain and long time aerospace industry technical editor

Capt. Kathleen M. McLaughlin USAF (Fmr.) of San Pedro, California, formerly of Winthrop, died on January 19. She was 79 years old.

After service in the Air Force, Kathleen worked for many years as a technical editor in the Aerospace Industry, notably at Hughes Aircraft.

The devoted life partner of the late Maj. Stephen A. Wawak USAF (Ret.), she was the cherished daughter of the late William M. and Marjorie (Nelson) McLaughlin; dear sister of Sheila A. Harley of Friday Harbor, WA, Rev. William H. McLaughlin of Newburyport, Maureen E. Cook and her partner, Loren Melhart of Burien, WA, Christine M. Egan and her husband, Walter of Winthrop, the late Carol J. Koegel and the late Sharon E. McLaughlin. She was the loving aunt of Anne E. Bjorklund, John W. Harley and his wife, Lynnette, Jean M. Harley and her husband, Greg Pentecost, Sean M. Egan and Jacob T. Egan, great-aunt of Torin and Axel Bjorklund and Grant and Austin Harley, as well as great-great aunt to Finley W. Harley. Kathleen was the sister-in-law of John F. Harley of Long Beach, CA



and the late Maj. Thomas R. Koegel USAF (Ret.) and his surviving wife, Addy Bergeron of Los Angeles, CA.

A Requiem Mass will be celebrated at The Immaculate Conception Church, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA on Saturday, February 10 at 10:30 a.m. and the Requiem Mass in Newburyport will be streamed on 2/10 at 10:30 a.m. EST at: [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org)

Funeral service to be held at Green Hills Memorial Chapel, 27501 S Western Ave., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA on Friday, February 16 at 11:30 a.m.

Information regarding streaming February 16 service will be available on the Green Hills Website, [www.greenhillsla.com](http://www.greenhillsla.com) prior to the service.

## Eileen Gavin

Loving wife, mother and grandmother who dedicated her life to her family

Eileen (Gould) Gavin of Winthrop passed away on January 31. She was 81 years old.

Eileen was the beloved wife of William A. Gavin. Born in Winthrop, she was the daughter of the late Marion (Callahan) and George E. Gould.

Prior to her retirement, Eileen worked as the administrative assistant to the President of

Time Life Music. Eileen will always be remembered as a loving wife, mother and grandmother who dedicated her life to her family.

She was the devoted mother of Jill Gannon and her husband, Alonzo Doe of Westampton, NJ, and Jodi St. Ours and her husband, Michael of Fredericksburg, VA.; adored grandmother of Haley Gannon of Charlottesville, VA, Brady Gannon of Corpus Christi, TX, Gavin St. Ours of Fredericksburg, VA and her step-grandson Devyn St. Ours of Arnold, MD; the dear sister of Joanne Biagi of Virginia and the late Marion Gale and Grace Waugh. She is also



survived by many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, on Friday, February 9, from 9 to 11 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in

St. Michaels Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church) 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 11:30 a.m. Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the Alzheimer's Assn. 309 Waverley Oaks Rd.

Waltham, MA. 02452. To sign Eileen's guestbook, please visit: [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com)

## David Gay

Landscaper

David M. Gay of Winthrop passed away unexpectedly at the Massachusetts General Hospital on February 2. He was 43 years old.

Born in Boston, he was the beloved son of Camille Racca (Rossi) and Richard Gay (Jane).

A life-long resident of Winthrop, he enlisted in the United States Army reaching the rank of Private First Class. After his honorable discharge, he went on to work as a landscaper.

He was the dear brother of Stephanie Petropol and her husband, Michael of Albany, New York, Andrea Gay of Winthrop, the late Richard Gay and loving uncle of Max and Sammie.

Family and friends are



cordially invited to attend the visitation from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Friday, February 9 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. followed by a funeral service in the funeral home at 12 Noon. Committal will be private.

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

## Grace "Ginny" Sennott

Former Winarc president, active at Camp Fatima and long time family liaison for new patients at the Franciscan Hospital for Children

Grace "Ginny" Conway Sennott, a life-long resident of Winthrop, passed away on February 2 after a long battle with cancer.

Ginny was the very proud mom of Jack (Donna) of Simsbury, CT, Kevin (Colleen) of Warwick, RI, and Heather and Kelly, both of Winthrop. Her greatest joys were her eight amazing grandchildren: Alanna (Antonio Hernandez), Kevin, Jr. (Anna Doten), Sammi (Anthony Legere), Katherine, Rachel, Brian, Anna and Lizzie, and her beautiful great-granddaughters, Sadie Grace and Natalie Jane Legere. Ginny also leaves her three brothers: Jack (Joanne), Paul (Kelly) and Kevin (Nancy) Conway, and many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. She was predeceased by her brother, Jim Conway and was the former wife of the late John Sennott. She counts his partner, Chris O'Brien as one of her dear friends.

Known for her love of holidays, and her social calendar evolved around massive Christmas Eve and July 4th celebrations, with epic squirt gun battles, Horribles Parade costume planning starting in May, fireworks and first edition Christmas plays.

When her kids were young, Ginny stayed home to raise them, but also volunteered for many years with Winarc, serving as President for a time. She also served on various citizen boards, one of which helped create an early group home for the disabled in Winthrop. When the kids got older, she worked for many years as the family liaison for new patients at the Franciscan Hospital for Children. There she made some wonderful friendships that supported her through her fight with cancer right up to the end. She was also very proud that several of the families she worked with have stayed in touch over the years. Ginny and three of her "Fran" friends formed the self-described Fab Four and prided themselves on being her actress granddaughter, Rachel's oldest fan club, proudly skewing the age demographic of her fan base by about fifty years! For almost twenty years, Ginny volunteered



at Camp Fatima's Exceptional Citizens' Week and found her "Fatima Family." She, Heather and Kelly lived for this August week and started counting down to the first day as soon as summer hit.

Once she retired, she devoted her energy to hiking (until a wrong turn led to an unfortunate night sleeping between boulders in the Whites put a stop to that!) and her garden. These passions were passed down to the next generations, except for her granddaughter, Sammi, who, after one lightning-filled hike, swore she would "never go hiking with Nana again," a promise she has stuck to! She did, however, get the gardening bug!

The family would like to thank her wonderful medical team at Tufts Medical Center for their compassionate and skilled care as well as the truly special caregivers at the Kaplan Family Hospice Center in Danvers.

Grace's funeral will be from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Tuesday, February 13, at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in Saint Michael the Archangel Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church) 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section).

Visiting hours will be held in the funeral home on Monday, February 12, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Ginny loved the color blue and flowers, so she would love it if guests dressed accordingly, and who are we to argue with our mom?

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Winarc, PO Box 520240, Winthrop, MA 02152, or Friends of Fatima, 32 Fatima Road, Gilmanton Iron Works, NH 03837.

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

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# Chloe Gentgen receives Zonta Amelia Earhart Fellowship

Special to the Journal

Local Massachusetts Zonta Clubs of District One, recently honored Chloe Gentgen, this year's recipient of the Amelia Earhart Fellowship, at a dinner and awards cere-

mony hosted by the Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore. Ms. Gentgen is a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Chloe's presentation

detailed her research focus on space systems engineering, mission architecture and the multi-disciplinary optimization applied to deep-space robotic exploration. The guest speaker at the event was Olivier de

Weck, Apollo Program Professor of Astronautics at MIT, where he is the director of the Engineering Systems Laboratory. Professor de Weck spoke on the history of exploration predating that of space exploration, demonstrating the complexity of technological systems, their design and how they evolve over time.

The Amelia Earhart Fellowship is a Zonta International program. Established in 1938 in honor of famed pilot and Zonta member, Amelia Earhart, the \$10,000 Fellowship is awarded annually to up to 30 women internationally pursuing Ph.D./doctoral degrees in aerospace engineering and space sciences. Women who demonstrate a superior academic record conducting research applied to aerospace engineering or space sciences are eligible.

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. For more information, please visit the website; Zonta.org.



Left to right, Mary Knight, Janice Sikorski, Georgia Green, Lee Farrington, Sheila Arsenault, Chloe Gentgen, Christine DePrizio, Joan Lanzillo-Hahesy, Janice Tatarka, Barbara Lawlor, Diane Cambria, Mary Jane O'Neill -- Missing from group photo- Pam Miller, Theresa DiPietro, Adele Lubarski



Olivier de Weck, Guest Speaker, Mary Knight, Janice Tarkata, Zonta Club of Chelsea & North Shore President, and Chloe Gentgen.



Left to right, Mary Knight, Zonta District 1 Director of communications, Theresa DiPietro, Zonta member, and Chloe Gentgen Amelia Earhart Fellow.



## THE MORE Things Change ...

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

### 10 years ago February 5, 2014

MWRA officials presented an outline of the proposed pilot program for food waste treatment and conversion to methane gas for use on Deer Island. Frederick Lasky, executive director of the MWRA, Daniel K. O'Brien, director of the Deer Island Treatment Plant, and David F. Duest, manager of process control, made their presentation at the Town Council meeting Tuesday night. The plan could increase truck traffic through the town.

LinneaStar, a popular and highly sought-after spiritual and psychic medium, will help local residents reach others in spirit during a group Metaphysical Message session, Metaphysical Messages from the Other Side with LinneaStar on Thursday evening, February 6th at Winthrop High School in Winthrop, Massachusetts. The group sessions will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The cost is \$20 for students and \$25 for adults to attend the session. Proceeds will benefit the Winthrop High School Life Skills Program.

### 20 years ago February 12, 2004

Winthrop voters overwhelmingly defeated a Prop. 2 and 1/2 override ballot question that would have raised \$6 million to cover the expected town budget deficit for the coming fiscal year by a wide margin, 4005 against and 2838 in favor. Selectman Ron Vecchia, speaking at a pro-override rally after the vote was tallied, thanked them for their efforts, but said the selectmen now must take the painful task of cutting budgets in every town department and eliminating funding for the Senior Center, town library, and Parks and Rec. Dept. The day after the vote, more than 300 WHS students walked out of school and marched to French Square to protest the rejection of the override because of the cuts that will result to the schools,

including the elimination of all sports. The total vote of 6865 voters was one of the largest-ever for a local election.

The third-grade classes at the Dalrymple School were visited by U.S. Marine Jamie Stasio, a Scout Sniper, who had been a penpal with the students during his time serving in Iraq.

A Winthrop man, Andrew Armstrong, 21, has been sentenced to 15 years in state prison for a home invasion and stabbing of two sisters living in an apartment on Beal Street in December, 2000. The sisters had come home from shopping and found an inebriated man in their apartment. He stabbed them and fled the scene.

Winthrop residents are mourning the passing this week of Bill Gorman, a long-time and beloved educator and coach in the Winthrop schools. He was the Principal of the new Ft. Banks School at the time of his death following a long illness and had been the principal of the E.B. Newton School since 1993. He was 56.

Long-time residents also are mourning the passing of Anthony Abatessa Jr., who with his family operated the popular Terrie's Food Mart in Winthrop Centre for almost 50 years. He was 67.

### 30 years ago February 17, 1994

The Chamber of Commerce's third annual Awards Night and Installation of Officers dinner will be held March 3 at the CPYC.

Tax Collector Andrew Maylor has taken the first step in pursuing delinquent taxpayers by listing by-legal ads in the Sun-Transcript for the tax taking of the owners' properties.

Locust Street resident Jeremy D'Entremont has completed a documentary film on the history of Winthrop entitled, "Winthrop by the Sea: The Evolution of a Town."

Police are seeking information about the daytime theft of cash from the Temple Tifereth Israel.

### 40 years ago February 15, 1984

Warner Cable has announced a second rate hike within a year, increasing the price of basic cable by 50 cents and the top price for HBO/The Movie Channel by \$1.00.

The Beautification Committee has unveiled its plans for the beautification of French Square.

Car thefts continue at a high rate in the town with car thieves attracted by the large number of late-model vehicles at the local apartment complexes.

### 50 years ago February 20, 1974

After an hour-long meeting between the selectmen and local gasoline dealers, it is clear that Winthrop motorists will not be able to get all the gas they need because of the 50 percent cut in supply to local dealers caused by the Arab oil embargo.

The Winthrop Jaycees will host their sixth annual local Candidates Night at Memorial Auditorium next week.

Roy Scheider stars in The Seven Ups at the Kincaide Theatre.

### 60 years ago February 20, 1964

Town Meeting will tackle a warrant of 59 articles when it convenes in March, including the one calling for the construction of a new high school. Although Town Meeting unanimously approved that article last year, less than two-thirds of the town's voters approved the measure at a referendum that was forced by the article's opponents. Town Meeting therefore first must change the by-law requiring a two-thirds popular vote and then pass the new article.

A 17 year-old local youth who was arrested by Officers Crawford and Wright has admitted to at least four recent housebreaks. The youth said he entered the homes in broad daylight after determining that no one was home and then gaining access through either a side

or rear door.

Three of the town's remaining five Spanish-American War veterans attended the recent annual Sinking of the Maine ceremonies marking that event 66 years ago.

Water Commissioner John Forristall passed away suddenly this past weekend. He had lived in Winthrop for more than 50 years. He was 56.

Winthrop was slammed by the second strong Northeaster in four days.

Local car dealers in Winthrop and throughout the area are holding their annual Washington's Birthday open houses.

Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, Anita Ekberg, and Ursula Andress star in Four for Texas and Sydney Poitier stars in Lilies of the Field at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 70 years ago February 18, 1954

An overflow crowd of 250 persons jammed the Shirley Street School auditorium to hear the candidates in the upcoming town election speak on the issues.

Audiences have responded enthusiastically to the giant panoramic screen that has been installed at the Winthrop Theatre. Up-to-the-minute 3D equipment also has been installed.

Winthrop will be the scene of an air raid test Monday at noon. All motorists must stop their vehicles and seek shelter, as must all pedestrians, at the sound of the first siren.

A bill sponsored by Gov. Christian Herter and passed by the legislature will reduce state income taxes by 25 percent.

Winthrop's State Representative Thomas Key voted against a bill filed by State Senator Andrew P. Quigley that would have forbade jet aircraft from landing at Logan Airport and sought to build a new airport in an unpopulated area of the state. As justification for his vote, Key

## Winthrop Senior Center News

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A full list of the activities, programs, trips, and services offered at the Senior Center can be found in the newsletter, which is available at the Senior Center and on our website.

### Monday, February 12

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage  
10:00am-11:00am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
11:30am-2:30pm: Gane Day/Mahjong

### Tuesday, February 13

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage  
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$5)  
1:00pm-2:00pm: Valentines Ice Cream Social

### Wednesday, February 14

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage  
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)  
10:30am-11:30am: Zumba with Cindy (\$5)  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
11:30-12:30pm: Tai Chi / Qi Gong with Cindy (\$5)  
1:00pm-3:00pm: Shine Counseling  
1:15pm-2:45pm: Italian Class

### Thursday, February 15

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage  
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)  
10:30am-11:30am: Coffee & Conversation  
12:00pm-12:30pm: Dine In/Grab and Go Lunch Pick Up  
12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

### Friday, February 16

9:00am-12:00pm: Computer Usage  
10:00am-11:00pm: Line Dancing (\$5)  
11:00am- Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
11:00am-12:30pm: Creative Writing Workshop



Visit the Senior Center Online for more information

**Senior Lunch Program:** The Senior Center offers in-person dining on 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 that they were requested for.

**Senior Van.** The Senior Van runs Monday - Thursday from 8:45am-3pm. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, and can be made by calling the Senior Center at least two weekdays prior to the desired date. Rides to medical appointments will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

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# Mass. man extradited from Sweden in connection with fires at local Jewish institutions

Special to the Transcript

A Massachusetts man has been extradited from Stockholm, Sweden to face charges in connection with his alleged obstruction of an investigation into fires set at Jewish institutions in Chelsea and two other communities in May 2019.

Alexander Giannakakis, 37, formerly of Quincy, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Boston in 2019 for making false statements in a matter involving domestic terrorism; falsifying, concealing and covering up a material fact in a matter involving domestic terrorism; concealing records in a federal investigation; tampering with documents and objects; and tampering with

an official proceeding.

After the indictment was returned, at the request of the United States, Giannakakis was arrested by Swedish authorities in a Stockholm suburb. The United States subsequently sought Giannakakis' extradition from Sweden to the United States to face charges in Boston.

In connection with his arrest in Sweden, authorities learned that he unlawfully possessed a firearm and other weapons in Sweden. Giannakakis was charged and convicted of those crimes and served a sentence in Swedish prison. On Dec. 4, 2023, near the completion of that jail sentence, the Supreme Court of Sweden ruled favorably on the United States' extradition request,

and on Dec. 21, 2023, the Government of Sweden granted the request for Giannakakis' extradition.

Giannakakis arrived at Boston's Logan airport on Feb. 2, 2024 and was scheduled to appear in federal court in Boston this week.

According to the indictment, in and around February 2020, Giannakakis' younger brother became the prime suspect in an investigation into four fires set at Jewish-related institutions in the Boston area: the first during the evening of May 11, 2019 at a Chabad Center in Arlington; the second at the same location during the evening of May 16, 2019; the third at a Chabad Center in Needham; and the fourth during the evening

of May 26, 2019 at Jewish-affiliated business in Chelsea.

According to a report from the U.S. Attorney's office, the fire at the unidentified business was set next to the building near an exit door and was quickly extinguished by employees. A container of flammable acetone was found nearby.

Giannakakis' younger brother was hospitalized in a coma at the time he was identified as a suspect in February 2020. He remained in a coma until his death later that year.

According to the indictment, Giannakakis left the United States with his younger brother's electronic devices and papers and brought them to Sweden, where he was living

at the time. According to court documents, when Giannakakis returned to the U.S. in March 2020, he was questioned by investigators and made false and misleading statements. Giannakakis allegedly removed and concealed physical evidence being sought by investigators which implicated his brother. Shortly after concealing that evidence, Giannakakis departed the United States for Sweden. Giannakakis remained in Sweden until his arrest by Swedish authorities in February 2022.

The charges of making false statements in a matter involving domestic terrorism and falsifying, concealing, and covering up a material fact in a matter involving domestic terror-

ism by trick, scheme, and device each provide for a sentence of up to eight years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. The charges of concealing records in a federal investigation, tampering with documents and objects, and tampering with an official proceeding each provide for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and statutes which govern the determination of a sentence in a criminal case.

## Sports Years // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

ter. Coach Ron Spinney's squad now stands at 14-3 in the NEC. Cheri Lee led Winthrop in scoring in both games with 25 points vs. Marblehead and 18 vs. Gloucester.

The WHS hockey team moved within one point of clinching a berth in the state tourney with easy wins of 7-1 over Lynn English and 7-3 over Swampscott. Michael Palmer scored two goals in the English game and Ken Timmons reached the 100 point career mark.

Viking distance runner John Mullane captured first

place honors in the 1000 meter run at the Northern Area Meet in a time of 2:26, just two seconds shy of the WHS school record. Lady Viking track standout Erica Towlson was a double-winner in the girls' meet, taking the high jump with a leap of 5'-4" and the low hurdles in a time of 7.3. Nicole Zedalis earned second place in the shot-put.

40 years ago

February 15, 1984

Coach Bill Falasca's WHS hockey team moved into first place in the

NEC with a 6-2 win over Gloucester and a 12-2 rout of Lynn Classical. Winthrop now stands at 12-2-2 on the season and clinched a berth in the state tourney for the 11th straight year for the Vikings.

50 years ago

February 20, 1974

The WHS boys basket-

ball team clinched their third successive NEC title with victories over Lynn English and Swampscott to improve to 16-2 on the season. The dynamic backcourt duo of Adam Hubley and John Harrison combined to score 41 points in the Swampscott win and 32 in the English triumph.

The WHS hockey team fell just short of winning an NEC title with a 1-0 loss to first place Beverly. However, the Vikings will begin state tourney play next week.

60 years ago

February 20, 1964

The WHS basketball

team achieved a milestone for the program by qualifying for the state tourney for the first time with wins over Saugus and Chelsea. Marie Usseglio, Linda Jacobsen, and Patty Hansen played key roles for the girls in the tourney-clinching victories. However, WHS center Patti Jean McGrath sprained her ankle in the Chelsea win and may be questionable for the start of tourney play.

90 years ago

February 17, 1934

The Winthrop Improvement Society, with vice-president Carl Root presiding, held a public meeting to discuss an extension of the three breakwaters that were built this past summer.

team, which finished in a tie for third place in the NEC, now awaits word of its opponent in the 17th annual Bay State Basketball Tournament. This will be Winthrop's third trip to the Bay State tourney, which is an invitational tournament for teams that did not qualify for the Tech Tourney, which Winthrop won last year and was crowned the Class B state champion. Winthrop won the Bay State tourney in 1955 and reached the semifinals in 1956.

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asserted that jet aircraft will make less noise than the present propeller craft because they will need less time to warm up on the runways. However, aeronautic engineers have been unanimous in their assertion that the new jet aircraft will be far louder than the propeller craft.

Winthrop and area car dealers are holding their annual Washington's Birthday open houses.

John Wayne stars in Hondo at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago

February 12, 1944

The grim toll of war reached Winthrop again

this week by announcement from the War Department that Pvt. Theodore Pollard of the U.S. Marine Corps made the supreme sacrifice for his country during the battle of Tarawa. Pvt. Pollard previously had fought at Guadalcanal. The flag at Town Hall was flown at half staff for three days in his honor. He was the son of Mrs. Margaret Pollard of Paine St. He also leaves a sister and two brothers. Pvt. Pollard had been engaged to be married.

The Winthrop Soldiers and Sailors Committee will celebrate its first anniversary with a fitting dinner Wednesday evening at

the USO Club on Nahant Ave.

A silk American flag was presented to the Winthrop unit of the Mass. National Guard by the Ladies Auxiliary of the David Groman Post JWV.

Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray star in No Time for Love at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

110 years ago

February 14, 1914

Patrolman David Buckley arrested two East Boston men who had broken into the home of C.D. Bradbury at 16 Lewis Avenue and ransacked the place while Bradbury was away in Brooklyn, N.Y.

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WINTHROP SUN-TRANSCRIPT

The Town Republican League has endorsed Fred Fisher, Roy Pigeon, and Leonard Atkinson for the three seats on the Board of Selectmen in the upcoming town election.

Definite prospects for a decline in the population in the U.S. are foreseen by federal economists as the result of the present-day social code in which the rearing of children has been sublimated to the craving for economic luxuries. Economists cite the high cost of child-rearing in the city, estimated to be about \$10,000 from birth to age 18. The birth rate in the U.S. has declined for the past 11 years, with 600,000 fewer births in 1933 than in 1922. Also, the flow of immigrants from Europe has all but stopped. It is estimated that the country's population will reach a peak of 136 million within three years.

Son of Kong, starring Robert Armstrong and Helen Mack, is playing at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

100 years ago

February 16, 1924

The race for the

Board of Selectmen is shaping up as a fierce one among the slate of candidates endorsed by the Republican Town Committee, the slate endorsed by the Citizens League, and Jessie Leonard, the editor of the Winthrop Sun, who (the Sun reports) is the favorite of the many church, lodge, and society organizations.

The Board of Fire Engineers reports that the town has 3250 feet of hose, the most ever. There were only three false alarms last year, compared to three times that many the year before. The Fire Department also added chemical tanks that are useful in fighting grass fires, of which there were 54 last year. There were 69 bell alarms in 1923 with the total property losses in those fires amounting to \$50,487.

The Winthrop Tennis Club is seeking to be able to play on Sundays through an article on the warrant for Town Meeting that would have the town adopt the Sunday Sports Law.

110 years ago


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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

  
BOARD OF APPEALS  
PUBLIC HEARING  
February 22, 2024  
:Case 001-2024  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 22, 2024, at or after 6:30 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the application of person requesting:  
David and Carissa Juengst  
88 Putnam Street  
Winthrop, MA 02152  
Applicant seeks a variance and special permit to construct a 2-story addition, per plans submitted, to an existing one-family structure. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Hall.  
Darren Baird, Chairman  
Denise Quist, Town Clerk  
Winthrop Board of Appeals  
2/8/24, 2/15/24 W

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE  
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By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Anthony J Lentini and Alice M Lentini to First Franklin A Division of Nat. City Bank of In, and now held by DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2005-FF4, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF4, said mortgage dated May 20, 2005 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 37146, Page 77, as affected by a Loan Modification dated May 20, 2016 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 56177, Page 161; said mortgage was assigned from First Franklin, a Division of National City Bank of Indiana to First Franklin Financial Corporation by assignment dated July 28, 2005 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 37780, Page 301; said mortgage was assigned

from First Franklin Financial Corporation to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-FF4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FF4 by assignment dated February 10, 2009 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 44590, Page 237; said mortgage was assigned from First Franklin Financial Corporation to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders of the First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-FF4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FF4 by assignment dated April 12, 2023 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 68876, Page 185; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on March 11, 2024 at 01:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land with the buildings thereon situated in said Winthrop, bounded and described as follows: EASTERLY: on Cora Street in said Winthrop forty-four ad 50/100 (44.50) feet; SOUTHERLY: by land now or late of Mary L. Hull one hundred and nineteen and 77/100

(119.77) feet to land of Frederick W. Belcher; WESTERLY: by land of said Frederick W. Belcher fort-six (46) feet; NORTHERLY: by Lots 32 and 34 on a plan of building lots in said Winthrop, property now or formerly of Belcher heirs, dated September, 1875, made by George Wadsworth and recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds at the end of Book 1371. Said premises being Lot numbered 35 on said plan. Book 26316 Page 138 The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgageor's Title see deed dated May 13, 2001 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 26316, Page 138. TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser.

The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Brock & Scott, PLLC 23 Messenger Street 2nd Floor Plainville, MA 02762 Attorney for DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2005-FF4, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF4 Present Holder of the Mortgage (401) 217-8701 2/01/24, 2/08/24, 2/15/24 W

Date of Death: 11/17/2023  
To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Alan Ganz of Hampton Falls, NH requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Alan Ganz of Hampton Falls, NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/05/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)  
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised ad ministration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 02, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 2/08/24 W

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq.) First Priority Credit Union claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Winthrop, 45 Winthrop Shore Drive, given by Anita D'Amato and Kelli D'Amato to First Priority Credit Union, dated January 28, 2014, and recorded in Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 52625, Page 84, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 03/18/2024 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on 1/31/2024. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson

Recorder 2/08/24 W  
**LEGAL NOTICE**  
PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF FEBRUARY 20, 2024  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing(s) on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at on/about 7:00 PM In the Harvey Hearing Room - That the Town Council transfer \$50,000 from the Town Council Reserve Account to a new special article account, titled "Stormwater Engineering", for Phase 1 of the Stormwater Engineering for the Tileston Rd, Girdlestone Rd, and Pico Ave Areas. That the Town Council vote to appropriate \$33,564.10 from Free Cash to the Opioid Settlement Fund(619) as per DLS Bulletin BUL-2023-07, attached. This amount represents the settlement funds received during FY23 and not spent, that must be spent for Opioid remediation related purposes. Note that future receipts will be deposited directly into this special revenue fund as per the DLS guidance. 2/8/24 W

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU24P0245EA Estate of: Deana G. Ganz

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT TO: ORDER OF NOTICE Docket Number: 24 SM 000447 Anita D'Amato and Kelli D'Amato

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# Atlantic Works Gallery announces February Show

Special to the Journal

Atlantic Works Gallery (AWG), the East Boston artist-run collaborative space for art and ideas, announced that as part of its traditional new year’s focus on its newest members, Renato Viganego will have a solo show in February: Lo Immenso... Cotidiano. Bodegones. The Immense...Daily. Still Lifes. Viganego will show work that revolves

around the still life and human figure where the oil paint on the canvas plays an essential part of the piece. The show opened Saturday, February 3 and will run until Saturday, February 24. There was an opening reception on February 3, and will be a “Third Thursday” reception at the gallery on February 15, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
“My inspiration comes from emotion,” says the

Columbian-born artist. “From my emotion, the line is infinite, the drawing is my language and the drawing is a faithful response of emotion and nothing can be truer.”  
Viganego’s compositions, painted in oil on linen, focus on everyday objects: jars, vases, vessels, dishes, cups, sugar bowls, milk pitchers, crystal plates. “For me it is important to always keep smaller details in context of the

larger forms,” he said.  
Lo Immenso...Cotidiano. Bodegones. The Immense...Daily. Still Lifes (details)  
• Show opens Saturday, February 3; Reception 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
• “Third Thursday”; February 15, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
• Show closes Saturday, February 24  
Atlantic Works Gallery, 80 Border Street, Boston, MA 02128, now in its



twenty-first year, is an artist-run collaborative space for art and ideas located in East Boston. The gallery is open to the public every Friday and Saturday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. For private viewing, contact contact@atlanticworks.org.  
For more information, visit https://atlanticworks.org/.

# SUPER SUNDAY

## Fans set to wager on the Big Game this Sunday at WynnBET Sportsbook in Encore

By Cary Shuman

Football fans will be making their way to Encore Boston Harbor in Everett Sunday to make a wager on the Super Bowl at the WynnBET Sportsbook located on the casino floor.  
The NFL’s title game,

matching the defending champion Kansas City Chiefs and the San Francisco 49ers, arrives just more than a year after wagering on sports became legalized in Massachusetts.  
As befitting its status as a world-class, five-star resort/casino, Encore’s

sportsbook is considered “New England’s premier destination to place a wager.”  
Fans will be able to view the game at the sportsbook on more than 70 televisions, including a 10-foot-high and 123-foot-long video wall. Two food establishments,

Frank and Nick’s and Shake Shack, are situated inside the sportbook area.  
While the New England Patriots are in a rebuilding phase following a two-decade dynasty that produced six Super Bowl titles, there is still considerable interest in this year’s game. The NFL is at an all-time high in international viewership and popularity. Sponsors are paying \$7 million for a 30-second commercial during the broadcast.  
And in a strong local

connection to the game, former Everett High School and Brown University football standout Mike Borgonzi is the assistant general manager of the Kansas City Chiefs. Borgonzi, who starred for the Crimson under longtime head coach John DiBiase, has helped build two Super Bowl championship teams and will be seeking a third Lombardi Trophy for the Chiefs on Sunday.  
Encore officials said the WynnBET Sportsbook

will open Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and remain open all day. In addition to the Super Bowl, fans can also wager in person on other sports such as NBA and NCAA college basketball and the NHL.  
San Francisco is currently a two-point favorite over Kansas City in the game.  
(Information from the Encore Boston Harbor/WynnBET Sportsbook website was used in this story).



The WynnBET Sports Bar is pictured inside Encore Boston Harbor in Everett.


## St. Michael Archangel Parish receives award

Special to the Transcript

The Healey-Driscoll Administration announced \$3.8 million in grant awards to support security enhancements for 80 Massachusetts nonprofits at high risk of hate crimes or attacks by extremists. Grant recipients that include St.Michael Archangel Parish of Winthrop for \$45,136 and other faith-based organizations, health care providers, social service providers, and other community-based organizations whose beliefs or missions make them potential targets for attack.  
The Office of Grants and Research (OGR), an agency that is part of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EO-PSS), awarded grants totaling \$3,800,000 through the FY24 Commonwealth Nonprofit Security Grant Program and the FY24 Commonwealth Nonprofit Security Personnel Grant Program. The Commonwealth Nonprofit Security Grant Program awarded grants totaling \$3,500,000 to 66 nonprofits to enhance physical security at their locations. An additional \$300,000 was awarded through the Commonwealth Nonprofit Security Personnel Grant Program to assist nonprofits with the cost of contracted security personnel.  
In addition to the grant awards announced today, OGR is offering another \$4.75 million in funding for similar nonprofit security. The funds will help nonprofits enhance building safety and security for their members, visitors, and staff.  
The Massachusetts Nonprofit Security Gant

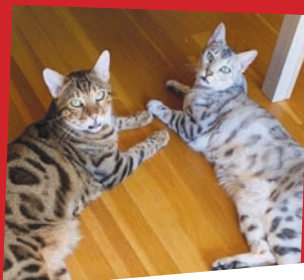
Program will utilize federal funds made available through a State Fiscal Recovery Funds allocation from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Award announcements are expected this Spring.  
“Every individual deserves the fundamental right to practice their faith without fear. These grant programs allow us to invest in the faith-based and nonprofit organizations that serve as the cornerstones of our communities,” said Governor Maura Healey. “We will combat bias on every front and ensure that sacred spaces are protected from the threat of violence and extremism.”  
“Our administration is committed to promoting the safety and protection of houses of worship, medical facilities, cultural venues, and other gathering places. These grants provide the tools and resources needed to strengthen our community institutions and ensures Massachusetts ability to uphold our core values of diversity and inclusion,” said Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll.  
“Public partnerships and collaborations with faith-based and nonprofit organizations have been vital to community safety. These organizations are part of the social fabric of our neighborhoods and our region. This funding allows us to support and protect these nonprofits as they continue providing essential services in our communities,” said Secretary of Public Safety and Security Terrence Reidy.  
“Nonprofit organizations are there for community members in their time of need – whether

they’re seeking medical assistance, pastoral care, education, or services. We have a duty to ensure that these institutions and all who pass through their doors are protected from threats and violence. I’m proud of my office’s work partnering with nonprofits across the state to create safer gathering spaces for our communities,” said OGR Executive Director Kevin Stanton.  
The announcement of these recent grant awards strengthens the administration’s steadfast commitment to safeguarding diverse communities and promoting inclusivity. A newly formed Massachusetts State Police (MSP) unit, the Hate Crimes Awareness and Response Team (HART), was rolled out in November 2023 in order reinforce the statewide response to hate crimes and hate-based incidents.  
The administration announced in November that \$461,920 in Hate Crime Prevention grants were being designed to expand and support programs to assist educators, administrators, students, and staff to reduce incidents of bias in schools.



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