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NEWS Brief

FRIENDS OF WINTHROP BEACH SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The Friends of Winthrop Beach is seeking volunteers to participate in Save the Harbor's annual "Jet Blue Shamrock Splash" to help raise funds for Movie Night on the Beach and other free, public events on our beaches this summer. This exciting annual SPLASH will be held on Sunday March 10th at Constitution Beach from 11:00 to 1:30. Volunteers can dress in appropriate Shamrock attire to "take the plunge." Help Save the Harbor

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ONLY THE BEGINNING: Petey Silverman raises his stick and fans behind the glass cheer in celebration of Silverman's first period goal that gave the Vikings a 1-0 lead on their way to a 6-1 win over Hudson in the Round of 16 of the MIAA Division 4 championship tournament.

WHS hockey rolls into Elite 8

Silverman, Vikings stay red hot in MIAA Tournament

By Cary Shuman

Buoyed by an enthusiastic home crowd



and bolstered by a solid team-wide effort, the No. 1-seeded Winthrop High boys hockey team skated to commanding victories over Tri County (9-2) and Hudson (6-1) in MIAA State Tournament home games at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center.

The Vikings were scheduled to play No. 24 seed Ashland in the Elite 8 round Wednesday night at the Stoneham Arena with a spot in the Final Four on the line.

All the positives that Coach Dale Dunbar's contingent carried over from the Vikings' NEC championship season – an explosive offense, excellent defense, and stellar goal-tending – were present in the two MIAA playoff

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REQUEST DENIED

State says no to reclassifying town under MBTA zoning

By Adam Swift

The state does not look as if it will take action to reclassify Winthrop's standing under the new MBTA Communities Act, which calls for zoning allowing for increased multi-family housing in communities with or near MBTA transportation.

Under the zoning guidelines, Winthrop would need to create multi-family zoning districts that could create 882 new housing units. That plan would need to be approved by the state by the end of the year.

In a letter the Town Council sent to Governor Maura Healey in early February, the council requested the state reclassify Winthrop as an adjacent small town. That classification would reduce the number of units that would need to be created in half.

The council also asked for a one-year extension of approval and implementation.

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Biden, Trump top town ballot in primary

By Adam Swift

There were few surprises in the Winthrop results for Tuesday's presidential primary.

The Winthrop vote totals closely mirrored those across the state, and the nation so far, with President Joe Biden easily topping the Democratic primary ballot and former President Donald Trump comfortably taking the Republican side of the race.

Of the 1,836 votes cast in the Democratic primary, Biden collected 1,460. The No Preference option came in with 178 votes in the unofficial results, while Dean Phillips had 88 votes and Marianne Williamson finished with 53.

Juan Pablo Jaramillo

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East Boston Neighborhood Health Center to rebrand as NeighborHealth

Special to the Journal

During an announcement to its nearly 2,000 employees, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) outlined plans to rebrand its health system, which serves more than 120,000 people and has an operating budget of \$270 million. The largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts announced it will become NeighborHealth in June 2024, taking on a new name and visual identity.

"For over 55 years, we've proudly served the East Boston community. In recent decades, our thriving and growing health system is serving many more families, in many more communities through a comprehensive and diverse set of services, programs, and clinical locations. Now, as our state's largest provider of community-based primary care services, we have an opportunity to unify our health system under one name that is inclusive of all our clinical locations and reflective of the diverse communities we serve," said EBNHC's President and CEO Greg Wilmot. "As NeighborHealth, we will remain as committed as ever to our mission and patient promise to provide high-quality, patient-centered care to all who live and work in our communities."

EBNHC was founded in 1970 during the Civil Rights Movement to meet a gap in healthcare services for East Boston's working class and predominantly Italian immigrant population, serving as a relief station for Boston City Hospital in the early 1900s. As its patient community grew beyond East Boston, EBNHC followed with new sites and services to

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Later this year, EBNHC will update the signage of their main clinical buildings to reflect their new name and identify – NeighborHealth. Featured in the rendering above is East Boston's 20 Maverick Square location.

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

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

MONDAY, FEB. 19

1052: A person came into the station to report that she had been the victim of an assault. The officer filed a report.

1100: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1408: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

2302: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

TUESDAY, FEB. 20

0924: A contractor came into the station to report the theft of a large quantity of scrap metal from a work site at 198 Cottage Park Rd. The officer filed a report.

1244: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warn-

ing to the operator.

1307: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1319: 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 for that offense, as well as for the additional civil infraction of not having his license in his possession.

1525: A resident came into the station to report being defrauded of \$19,000 in cash by a party in California. The officer filed a report.

1537: An officer moved along two pick-up trucks at the corner of Nevada St. and Shore Drive that were blocking traffic.

1733: A Sturgis St. resident reported that her dog has been missing since 3:00 p.m.

1802: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

0637: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

0839: Officers arrested a 55 year-old Winthrop

man on an outstanding warrant.

1027: A person called the station to report that a dog was jumping on her at Hannaford Park and the dog's owner then started to yell at her. The dog was not on its leash. The officer spoke to both parties, advising the dog owner that a dog always must be on a leash, and restored the peace.

1328: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1638: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Highland Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1755: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Shirley Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1924: An officer assisted the Fiore Dept. at the scene of a stove fire in a Woodside Ave. residence.

2122: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who said he was lost.

2150: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Hermon Sts. for the civil moving infraction

of making an improper turn. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22

0126: A tow company reported towing a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

0928: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0936: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1236: An officer stopped a motor vehicle with expired registration plates on Thornton St. The officer directed the owner, who had been warned of the problem previously, to park his vehicle on private property. The officer took possession of the plates.

1443: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer

gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1452: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1508: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Elmwood Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1807: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who is a new driver.

1948: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, FEB. 23

0749: A person called the station to report that there was a seal on the beach at Pt. Shirley close to Deer Island. The matter was referred to the Environmental Police.

1137: Officer Carter assisted two families with the installation of child car seats.

1140: A tow company reported the trespass tow of two motor vehicles from Governors Park.

1147: An officer walked to the area on the beach on Pt. Shirley where a seal had been reported earlier in the morning, but the seal was gone.

1313: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

1346: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1747: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1906: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction

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Primary // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ran unopposed for Democratic State Committee man in the district, and finished with 1,226 votes in Winthrop. Gabriella Gigi Coletta was unopposed in the primary for Democratic State Committee Woman and tallied 1,271 votes.

In the Republican presidential primary, Trump cruised to victory with

1,201 votes to 468 for former South Carolina governor Nikki Haley. The other candidates on the ballot all finished in the single digits.

In the race for Republican State Committee Man, Paul Ronukaitus had 971 votes in Winthrop to 366 for Talen Carvalho. Verra Carducci topped the bal-

lot in a three-way race for Republican State Committee Woman in Winthrop with 612 votes to 414 for Jeannemarie Tamas and 193 for Rachel Miselman.

The Libertarian primary saw the no preference option come away with 14 of the 26 ballots cast, while none of the candidates finished above two votes.

Zoning // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

tation of the new MBTA zoning guidelines.

“Winthrop’s need to maintain its identity as a welcoming small community of 1.6 square miles on the shores of Boston Harbor and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts’ demand to build more housing via the MBTA Communities/3A zoning mandate are at odds with one another,” stated the letter from the council

“While we agree that we could add some housing in a planned and organized manner, 882 units are beyond our capacity.”

Communities that do not enact the MBTA Communities zoning mandate are at risk of losing state grants and other funding opportunities.

In the response to the council, Ed Augustus, the secretary of the state’s Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, stated that Winthrop does not meet the definition of adjacent small town which would lower the housing creation requirement in the guidelines.

“In choosing this definition, EOHLC used the same criteria as the Executive Office of Economic Development uses to identify the communities eligible for its ‘Rural Development Fund’ competitive grant program,” Augustus stated.

To qualify as an Adjacent small town, an Adjacent community must have a population of 7,000 or fewer year-round residents, or a population density of less than 500 persons per square mile. Winthrop has a population of 19,316 residents and a population density of 9,702 persons per square mile according to the 2020 US Census.

“It is not the kind of community that the Adjacent small town category is intended or designed to include,” Augustus stated. “For this reason, EOHLC cannot reclassify Winthrop as an Adjacent small town.”

In the letter, Augustus also noted that the state has already significantly revised its MBTA Communities requirements between the Draft Guidelines of December 2021 and the Guidelines that are in place now, in part because

of the factors the town council identified in its letter. He said the changes substantially reduced the minimum multi-family unit capacity that “Winthrop’s reasonably sized multi-family zoning district must accommodate, and also provided

Winthrop with greater flexibility in determining where to locate its multi-family zoning district.”

Augustus said the EO-HLC recognizes that densely populated neighborhoods may have a limited ability to accommodate new housing.

“It is important to note that the minimum unit capacity requirements for MBTA Communities refer to zoning capacity, and not to production of new housing units,” Augustus stated. “Under the Guidelines, zoning capacity means the number of units that the zoning would allow if all of the land was undeveloped.”

Augustus continued that adopting compliant multi-family zoning would not require Winthrop to add 882 new housing units.

“Indeed, given Winthrop’s relatively high existing density, the number of ‘net new’ units that could be created under compliant zoning would likely be much less than the minimum unit capacity,” stated Augustus.

In the communication with the state, and at several council meetings this year, a number of councilors and residents have spoken out against the burden the MBTA zoning would place on the resources of an already densely populated town.

“Winthrop is a small sliver of land threatened by pollution, rising tides, aging infrastructure, high density and limited commercial tax base,” the council stated in the letter to Healey. “Please consider our request for reclassification and a reduction in the MBTA district acreage requirement, as we are truly a unique community with challenges that do not fit the one-size-fits-all that the MBTA Communities/3A law/guidelines offered by the Commonwealth.”

State Representative

Jeff Turco said the zoning is a bad, one-size fits all policy, and that he hopes the council and the town continues to stand against it.

“I read the secretary’s letter and I have a lot of respect for him, but I think this one-size fits all state policy to basically take over the zoning in Winthrop and other communities is wrong,” said Turco. “I hope the town council takes a stand for the future of the town and says no, we don’t want your grants, you can keep your grants and if you want to sue us, sue us. I think it is dangerous the idea that we are going to make the possibility of building an extra almost 900 units in this town coupled with some of the changes in the upcoming housing bond bill.”

Turco said he is frustrated that the MBTA zoning puts an undue burden on Winthrop and other working class communities, while more affluent suburbs that still benefit from the commuter rail do not have to pay as steep a price.

The representative noted that there has already been a healthy amount of residential development in Winthrop over the past several years, and that those units should count toward the MBTA zoning guidelines.

“For the state to come in and say none of that counts against your number, for me, that is just wrong,” said Turco.

In the next several months, Turco said he intends to file an amendment to try to change Winthrop’s designation under the zoning.

“I’m not overly optimistic, the Speaker of the House came out just last week and sort of said every community that is still fighting this is going to comply,” said Turco. “But I do think that we have a compelling argument of why Winthrop is mis-designated. If we can get them to reevaluate our designation, and give us credit for some of the stuff that has already come on the line in the last year or two or three, I think it is certainly a lot more palatable for the town, so that is the angle that I am going to be pushing.”

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Perrin promoted to Fisher College’s Vice President of Student Affairs

Special to the Transcript

The Fisher College Board of Trustees and President Steven Rich have announced the promotion of Winthrop resident Brian J. Perrin, JD, to the position of Vice President for Student Affairs. Vice President Perrin has served as Dean of Students since 2021. The College has redefined the Vice President’s position to include responsibilities as both Vice President for the Student Affairs Division, as well as Dean of Students. Perrin’s new position oversees; Campus Police, Athletics, Medical Services, Mental Health Counseling Center, Food

Services, Student Activities, Student Conduct, Judicial Affairs, Legal General Counsel, and Campus Housing. Since joining the Fisher College staff in 2018 as Chief of Police, Perrin has served the College in a number of key administrative positions, most notably Interim Dean of Students and thereafter as permanent Dean of Students. “Throughout his tenure, Perrin has exhibited his unwavering commitment to our students and their overall well-being. During Perrin’s time here at Fisher College he has demonstrated his leadership skills, compassionate concern for stu-

dents, and a collaborative and flexible approach to problem solving on a 24/7 basis” said Fisher College President Steven Rich. “Fisher College is a unique, vibrant and amazing place, and I have always been impressed with and enjoyed working with so many motivated students, faculty, and staff,” Perrin said. “I plan to continue enhancing collaborative partnerships with our colleagues and students to promote student development, increase student engagement and participation and achieve a higher level of satisfaction in all that Fisher has to offer” he continued. “We will continue to offer new and

exciting opportunities for all our students to develop the skills that will prepare them for the world and life beyond Fisher College and to be the leaders of tomorrow.” “I congratulate Mr. Perrin on this well-deserved promotion,” said Steven Rich, President of Fisher College. “This position is an important part of my leadership team that works across Fisher’s campus to ensure all our students have positive and transformative experiences while attending our college” Perrin is a licensed attorney and holds a Juris Doctorate from the Massachusetts School of Law,



Fisher College Vice President Brian Perrin (left) and Fisher College President Steve Rich (right).

and has a successful law practice in Winthrop MA and a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Salem State University.

NeighborHealth // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

provide more convenient care. Today, EBNHC operates nearly a dozen clinical sites throughout Greater Boston including East Boston, Winthrop, Everett, Revere, and Boston’s South End. Providing high-quality primary care services to the largest Health Safety Net population as well as the largest Latino population in the Commonwealth, NeighborHealth will remain committed to eliminating barriers to care due to disparities associated with race, cultural background, and economic status. “Five decades ago, community leaders of East Boston planted a seed of love in the heart of our community that grew to become the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center. Joined together with the South End Community Health Center, we will become NeighborHealth, serving many thousands of families in several communities. Along with our entire Board of Directors, I’m brimming with pride,” said Rita Sorrento, EBNHC’s long-time Chairwoman of its Board of Directors. “I am proud to see how East Boston Neighborhood Health Center continues to expand to meet the needs of our communities and remains committed to its founding mission of serving all who walk through our doors,” said EBNHC’s CEO Emeritus Jack Cradock.

“Under the name NeighborHealth, I am excited to see the next chapter unfold and the positive impact it will undoubtedly bring to communities throughout Greater Boston.” Acquired by EBNHC in 2020, the South End Community Health Center, with an equally rich legacy, will also embrace the new name, NeighborHealth, in June of this year. “In the 1960s, I saw firsthand the urgent need for community-based primary care in the South End and was fortunate to join forces with an incredible group of people who shared my vision for justice in healthcare. For me, NeighborHealth symbolizes a renewed dedication to serve our communities with compassion and sensitivity, something we need now more than ever,” said Dr. Gerald Hass, co-founder of the South End Community Health Center. Responding to community feedback, EBNHC worked with patients, staff, and community leaders across the Boston area to arrive at a name that best unified the health systems’ breadth of services across multiple campuses. The new brand, NeighborHealth, will align the health system’s visual identity with its mission and vision to deliver a healthcare experience that is compassionate, person-centric, cul-

turally relevant, and most importantly – accessible to all. Undergoing the official name change in June 2024, the soon-to-be NeighborHealth will continue to be a staple in Boston’s diverse communities by leveraging its core values:

- With community: We don’t just serve communities; we belong to them. We understand the lives of our patients because they’re deeply interconnected with our own; and that’s why we can address complex needs and cultural nuances. We’re more than providers; we’re neighbors.
- Open to all: Too many people face barriers to receiving high-quality care due to disparities associated with race, cultural background, or economic status. As a community-focused health system, we are committed to eliminating these barriers to provide the right care to everyone who needs it, no matter who they are.
- Beyond the clinic: We know that health care doesn’t start or end in the exam room. The fact is, where and how people live can have a profound impact on health outcomes and wellbeing. That’s why we take a holistic approach to care, working with community partners to engage people in the community before they become patients at our clinics.
- A valued team: A

healthful workplace is essential to great patient care. That’s why we are committed to the wellbeing of our team, building a safe and supportive space where staff are recognized and valued for their work, and patients are treated based on their unique needs by providers they trust.

- Better care: We bring compassionate, high-quality care to communities across Greater Boston. Community, however, is not just a place where care happens – it’s a healthful state we all should aspire to. We live longer, healthier lives in community, with those who know and care about us. That’s why we believe that care in community is better. And that’s what we’re here to champion.

Patients and partners seeking additional information about the upcoming

rebrand, please visit ebnhc.org. East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is one of the nation’s largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts, serving over 120,000 people and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a National Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has offered access to comprehensive primary care, specialty care and emergency care for patients in the Commonwealth. In a first-of-its-kind merger in 2020, EBNHC joined forces with the South End Community Health Center and expanded services to patients who live and work in Boston’s South End and Roxbury neighborhoods. EBNHC champions

innovative care models to actively bridge health equity gaps in our low-income and immigrant communities with services unique from other health care providers in our state. In addition to primary and specialty care, EBNHC operates Massachusetts’ only satellite Emergency Department, which is the fourth busiest ED in Boston and is co-located with advanced radiology, including CT scan services, same-day Behavioral Health Urgent Care and an integrated pharmacy. Today, EBNHC remains dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families, and individuals both in and out of the exam room by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services. For more information, visit www.ebnhc.org.

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OUR *Opinions*

FIRE, FIRE EVERYWHERE

The fires that have been burning out of control this past week in Texas and Oklahoma -- and which are continuing to rage as this is being written -- are yet another harbinger of what awaits us thanks to the ever-increasing rate of climate change that is affecting every corner of the earth.

The fires in Texas, which have killed two persons, destroyed 500 homes, and caused entire towns to be evacuated, come on the heels of the recent fires in Chile, which destroyed entire communities and claimed 131 lives, more than the tragic fire a few months back that occurred in Hawaii.

Fire in other parts of the globe in recent years have charred millions of acres of land and wiped out entire communities, from Australia, to California, to Canada, and the Siberian tundra.

The out-of-control wildfire fires not only have caused loss of life and brought economic devastation to communities and individuals, but they also have sent acrid smoke that enveloped large swathes of neighboring countries, as happened in the Midwest and East Coast last summer when the fires in eastern Canada raised our air quality to extremely unhealthy levels for days at a time.

But these fires are only part of the equation of climate change. Ocean temperatures reached record highs this year, threatening coral reefs and marine life across the globe. What had seemed as inconceivable -- that the world's oceans could turn into dead zones -- no longer is in the realm of science fiction. It's a reality that could occur within a few short years.

In addition, with the hot oceans providing the fuel for tropical storms, hurricanes promise to be ever-stronger and more devastating.

Air temperatures have set records month-after-month and year-after-year for the past five years, with each successive year exceeding the one before. The record warmth in the continental U.S. this winter has resulted in the least snow cover on record and has prevented the usual lakes from freezing. Glaciers are disappearing everywhere, from the polar regions, to Greenland, to the Alps in Europe.

In short, everything that is climate related is off-the-charts -- and not in a good way. If what climate scientists tell us is true -- that we are in a race against time to change our ways and that we must stop burning fossil fuels in order to save the environment as we know it -- then it is becoming increasingly clear that our feet are stuck in the mud.

PLEASE: NO
PUBLIC DRINKING ON
ST. PATRICK'S DAY

With the St. Patrick's Day holiday and traditional South Boston parade approaching on Sunday, March 17, we urge our public safety officials to plan for enforcing the laws which prohibit drinking in public, especially by underage drinkers.

Last year in the aftermath of the South Boston parade, we found ourselves in the unfortunate position of riding the Red Line to the South Shore. The trains were packed with highly-inebriated, rowdy, under-age drinkers who were drinking openly on the trains and then flinging their empties around the train cars, striking other passengers. The platforms resembled war zones, with large-scale fights and scores of youths who were passed out left-and-right.

We realize that everyone wants to relax and have a good time on St. Patrick's Day, but that is no excuse for our public safety officials to turn a blind eye to underage drinking and drinking in public. In addition, for those of us of Irish descent, the perception that being "Irish for a day" means drinking heavily is highly-insulting.

It is inevitable that with the high degree of public intoxication that is tacitly permitted by our public safety officials, there will be a tragedy. We urge our public officials to take steps ahead of time to stop this annual reign of dangerous mass chaos.

Forum

LETTERS to the Editor

ON THE MBTA
ZONING PROPOSAL

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concerns and my strong opposition to the MBTA 3A zoning proposal.

Many of our fellow Winthrop residents have expressed concerns that

this proposal is totally inappropriate for Winthrop and would have serious long term negative effects on our town..

Zoning decisions should remain local and not be a "one fits all" mandate forced on individual communities by Beacon Hill legislators..

I urge our residents to stay strong and to voice our very serious concerns to the Town Council as well as to our State Representative Turco and Senator Edwards

To our Town Council, thank you for expressing concerns to Beacon Hill and asking for reconsideration of the MBTA 3A zoning proposal. .

I strongly urge you as our local legislators to vote to reject this overreaching, significantly damaging and inappropriate legislation being forced on our town.

Thank You

Peter Gil



**10 years ago
March 5, 2014**

Winthrop resident Kim Garbarino will swim for 24 hours in the pool of the Lynn YMCA to raise funds for the Annual Campaign that directly supports the Y's financial assistance program. In October, 2012, Garbarino flew to England, entered the water on the morning of August 12 and swam 34 miles across the English Channel in 15 hours and 37 minutes. He arrived in Wissant, France, achieving a goal he had held for 44 years.

Winthrop's School Building Assistance Committee (SBAC) has narrowed the field of construction managers for the high school-middle school school building project down from four to one after conducting interviews with four pre-qualified construction management firms. The full SBAC, after hearing a description of the interviews, voted on Monday to have Project Manager, Skanska, negotiate terms on its behalf with one of the firms, Gilbane Inc.

The Winthrop High School Drama Society participated in the Massachusetts Theater Guild Drama Festival on March 1, at Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School. The cast performed Fly-boy by Yvonne Adrian, about an eight-year-old boy, Zachary (played by Bobby Gioiosa) who strangely stops speaking.

**20 years ago
March 11, 2004**

Selectman Martin O'Brien, saying he has been frustrated by the inaction of the Planning Board, has drafted an article for the May Town Meeting that will seek to amend the town's zoning by-laws to allow for the licensing of bed & breakfast businesses in the town.

The Winthrop High School Drama Society performed Go, Dog, Go at the high school's Fortunato Hall before packed audiences Friday and Saturday evenings.

The selectmen unveiled a new financial plan for the coming fiscal year that will seek to restructure the town's debt, consolidate departments, and seek a smaller Prop. 2 and 1/2 override than the \$6 million override measure that was rejected by voters a few weeks ago.

A ballot question for the May town election will ask voters whether they want a new form of town government in Winthrop. If voters approve a change, they also will elect a nine-member Charter Commission, for which 20 candidates already are in the running.

**30 years ago
March 17, 1994**

Members of the School Department and School Committee, led by School Supt. Joseph Laino, explained to the Advisory Committee why they are requesting a budget for the coming fiscal year of \$10,795,029, which is an increase of \$939,582 over the last fiscal year. Laino said that salary increases and costs for new textbooks account for most of the increase.

Boston Globe columnist Mike Barnicle delighted a crowd of 250 persons who were on hand for the annual Rotary Club Senior luncheon held at the Middle School cafeteria.

**40 years ago
March 21, 1984**

Massport Exec. Dir. David W. Davis met with various citizen groups this week to assure them that Massport is committed to a soundproofing program for area private residences in the vicinity of Logan Airport.

Court Rd. residents appeared before the selectmen once again to plead for relief from sewage back-ups in their basements.

A Winthrop Centre businessman was the victim of an armed robbery while making a night deposit at a local bank for the second time in two weeks.

Tom Selleck stars in Lassiter at the Kincade Theatre.

**50 years ago
March 20, 1974**

Local residents are mourning the passing of well-known local realtor and civic leader W. Henry Burke, who passed away Friday after a brief illness.

Massport reported this week that a record 10,702,988 passengers passed through Logan Airport in 1973, an increase of 2.2 percent over 1972.

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

Local attorney Jerome Falbo testified at the State House in favor of several bills that would limit Logan Airport expansion.

Michael's clothing store held its grand opening at the new Michael's Mall this week at which a large number of residents were on hand.

Chariot of the Gods is playing at Kincade's Winthrop Cinema.

the matter rests with the School Committee. Town Meeting also approved raises for the town's police and firefighters, including reserve police officers.

Transcript sports editor Bob Remer has been elected President of the Winthrop Rotary Club.

Rock Hudson and Barbara Rush star in Taza, Son of Cochise, at the Winthrop Theatre.

**60 years ago
March 19, 1964**

A stormy opening session of Town Meeting did not end until 11:35 Monday night. Most of the discussion centered around the proposed pay raises of \$200 and \$300 for town employees that are being recommended by the Personnel Board, but not recommended by the Advisory Committee. Advisory Comm. Chairman William Egan cited the small (3.6 percent) increase in the cost of living over the past three years and the \$500 pay raises that were given to employees last year. Town Meeting voted to reject the raises.

Police blocked off both entrances to the town Friday evening to avert a rumored battle between gangs of youths from East Boston and Winthrop. One Winthrop boy was attacked and severely beaten with clubs by a group of six Eastie youths in Orient Heights and another local youth was severely beaten on Bowdoin St. Police also responded to reports of firebombs being hurled from cars.

Bob Katz of Winthrop, a student at the University of Vermont, recently won a poster contest for the school's Winter Carnival.

A parade and remarks by dignitaries will highlight the dedication of the new Temple Tifereth Israel set for this Sunday.

The selectmen elected a new Board of Fire Engineers this past week. The new board consists of James Zeigler, Francis McQueeney, and Daniel Cash.

Audrey Hepburn and Cary Grant star in Charade at the Winthrop Theatre.

**70 years ago
March 18, 1954**

Although Town Meeting approved a pay raise of \$500 for Winthrop teachers, the final say on

George Hamilton, Chairman of the Winthrop Salvage Committee, urges every patriotic man, woman, and child in the town to take part in this week-end's waste paper drive. The paper is used to make cardboard boxes and containers that are used to ship supplies to our troops.

Joseph Davison will sit in the Moderator's chair for the start of the annual Town Meeting Monday at which members will act on 63 articles on the warrant.

Many friends and family members filled St. John's Episcopal Church for the ordination of Rev. Albert E. Jenkins this past week.

Greer Carson and Walter Pidgeon star in Madame Curie at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

**80 years ago
March 18, 1944**

Local officials will attend a hearing in the federal court building regarding the possibility of federal funding for the dredging of Shirley Gut to make it possible for small fishing boats and other watercraft to use the Gut to relieve the congestion of large shipping in the main channel.

Police Chief Howard Tewksbury called upon the Town Meeting members to approve the article seeking to increase the manpower in the police department. Tewksbury said there presently are just 12 patrolmen, divided into three shifts, with each man entitled to every eighth day off. Tewksbury said that the modern criminal element requires more sophisticated coverage than the town presently has.

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Town Meeting, with Joseph Davison as Moderator, adjourned at 11:35 Monday night after appropriating \$491,600 and acting upon 47 articles. Newly-elected Town Clerk Bessie Dodge received a large basket of jonquils upon the occasion of her first Town Meeting as Clerk. Overall mem-

Gov. and Mrs. Channing Cox will be among the guests at the annual meeting and dinner of the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association at which more than 400 members and guests will be on hand.

The Winthrop Teachers

Mr. C.F. King, the local resident whose company, the King-Crowther Co., has been the subject of heavy litigation in Texas, may stand to lose his

Winthrop Magee topped the balloting for the Board

A hearing was held at the State House on the question of uniting the City of Boston with the suburbs into a Greater Boston. However, most of the speakers were against the idea of annexing the suburbs into Boston.

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Hockey //

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games.

Two-time NEC Most Valuable Peter Silverman figured prominently in the offensive firepower, putting together a 6-point night (three goals, three assists) versus Tri-County (a 12-town regional vocational school district in Franklin) and a 4-point afternoon (1 goal, 3 assists) versus Hudson.

Silverman's linemates, Phil Boncore and Mike Holgersen, were equally potent contributors, with Holgersen scoring a key goal to help Winthrop pull away from the Hawks, and Boncore finishing off the visitors with the final two goals of the game.

Sophomore defenseman Colin O'Leary had a lamplighter from the point and junior forward Jay Fotiades also scored a goal to turn a 1-0 advantage into a 3-0 lead in the second period against Hudson.

All-NEC goaltender Mike Donahue submitted another strong effort that also included an assist on Boncore's first goal.

In the win over Tri-County, senior forwards Joe Rich and Glen Calla netted timely goals.

Freshman forward Joe Pumphret helped get the ship rolling against Hudson with an assist on Winthrop's only goal (Silverman) in the first period.

Coach Dunbar maintains his coaching philosophy

Head coach Dale Dunbar, who has played the game at the highest levels, was pleased with his team's dominating performances, but he stayed true to his "one-game-at-time" mantra, not eyeing the Final Four or a game on the Garden ice.

"We're not looking past anything. We're just trying to execute everything that we have in place: our forechecking, our power play, all of our principles – we just want to execute at a high level," said Dunbar.

The former BU standout feels his team can match up with any team in the division. A perennially challenging regular schedule has helped the Vikings in the post-season.

"As long as we play our game, we feel very comfortable against whomever we play," said Dunbar. "This is a nice opportunity



BACK DOOR PLAY: Aidan Survilas tries to turn the corner on a scoring attempt from behind the net.



ON TARGET: Hunter Fife fires a shot on Hudson goaltender Brandon Garzia.



HIGH GEAR: Glen Calla steps into high speed as he chases a puck along the boards.



EVASIVE ACTION: Joe Rich dodges a hit by Hudson's Tim O'Malley.



KEEP AWAY: Billy Hayes checks Hudson's Tim O'Malley as teammate Petey Silverman (right) and Hudson's Tom Chamberlain race toward the puck.



ONTO THE THE ROUND OF 8: Goaltender Mike Donahue strikes a pose as he and teammate Hunter Fife celebrate as the clock runs out to give Winthrop a 6-1 win over Hudson Saturday at Larsen Rink.

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Sports

Silverman soars to new heights

By Cary Shuman

After a sensational 52-point regular season of 27 goals and 25 assists, Petey Silverman hasn't let up one bit in the MIAA Tournament.

"It always a good thing to start up hot," said Silverman before taking the ice for Monday's practice session. "We finally got over that bump of the second round. We just want to keep it going and find that other gear during the playoffs."

Winning goaltender Donahue earns an assist

By Cary Shuman

Michael Donahue has enjoyed an excellent first season as the starting goaltender for the Winthrop High boys hockey team. He was named All-Conference after posting a GAA [goal against average] under 2.00 during the Vikings' championship season.

In the second of his two-post season starts Saturday, Donahue also placed his name on the scoresheet.

"That was the first point of my career," said Donahue, smiling. "The puck hit off my blocker. Petey [Silverman] skated up the ice and he found Philly [Boncore] on the back door and he just put it into the net."

Donahue was quick to credit his defensemen for his All-Conference recognition and the two playoff wins.

"They're the reason

Silverman said the Vikings came into the playoffs well-prepared.

"With the strength of the schedule we play, probably one of the best in the division, I think it prepared us well for the post-season," said Silverman.

Asked about his line's performance through the first two playoff games, Silverman offered, "Our chemistry has been unbelievable, off the charts. Philly [Boncore] and [Mike] Holgersen – we work really well out there."

why my goals against is under 2.00," lauded Donahue. "Billy Hayes, Colin O'Leary, Paulie Ferrara, Jackson Andy, and Hunter Fife – they've been playing great hockey. We're all dialed in every day."

Donahue also noted his day-to-day work with goaltending coach Dan Lynch. "Coach Lynch is helping me a lot," said Donahue. "I love all our coaches (Dale Dunbar, Mike Norris, Phil Lundberg, Chris Finn). They just push us every day in practice to make us better."

A product of Winthrop Youth Hockey where he was "always the goaltender," Donahue has played a previous game at the TD Garden in Boston.

"It's a dream to play at the Garden. I played there once in the sixth grade with Winthrop Youth Hockey. We played a team from China," Donahue recalled.

Believe In Boncore! Junior three-sport star nets two goals in Round of 16 game

By Cary Shuman

Phil Boncore has been playing his best hockey of the season. The junior forward put the "o-r-y" in victory against Hudson with his two goals in the third period.

The three-sport athlete was asked about his own contribution on offense and the team's wide edge in the two tournament games.

"It's all Petey [Silverman] and Holgie [Mike Holgersen] honestly," said Boncore about his line-mates. "[Mike] Donahue is playing out of his mind. He's keeping us in everything. He's making the saves he needs to save. The 'D' is everywhere. They're scoring goals. We're always in the offensive zone and that begins with our defense."

Boncore has been playing with a lot confidence, perhaps a benefit of having competed in playoff

games in multiple sports.

"Coach [Dale Dunbar] is just believing in me right now," said Boncore. "He believes in me and I trust him to let the boys need to do what they need to do."

Boncore also praised the Winthrop High students who helped fill Larsen Rink all season and into the playoffs.

"They're awesome. I mean, having all of our friends there, they're so supportive," he said.

Dunbar said Boncore is playing sound, consistent, two-way hockey.

"Phil is coming on at the right time of the season," said Coach Dale Dunbar. "He's been finding the net. We need that consistency with everybody finding the net. Playoff time you need secondary scoring, checkers to check, scorers to score, and Donny [Mike Donahue] to keep the puck out of the net."

VIKING HOCKEY NOTEBOOK John Hayes was in the House

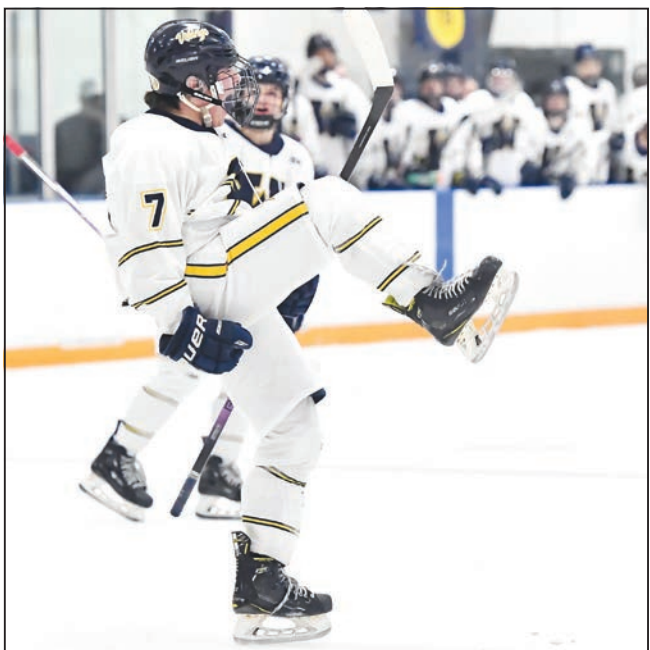
It brought back great Winthrop sports memories to see John Hayes at Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center Saturday cheering on his nephew, senior hockey captain Billy Hayes, in the Vikings' 6-1 win over Hudson.

John Hayes is simply one of the most successful athletes in WHS history. As a three-year Viking quarterback (two years as the starter), the Vikings were unbeaten for three consecutive years. John

SCENES FROM WHS HOCKEY VS. TRI-VALLEY



ON TARGET: Joe Rich follows through as the puck heads toward the net for Winthrop's third goal in the first period.



KICKING HIS HEELS: Phil Boncore (7) celebrates his first of two goals in Winthrop's 9-2 win over Tri-Valley Regional.

mined-but-undermanned Tri-County Regional 9-2 in the opening round of the MIAA Division 4 boys hockey tournament Wednesday, February 28

at Larsen Rink. Northeast Conference two-time MVP Petey Silverman was up to his usual offensive dominance as he tal-

lied three goals and three assists to pace the win, and teammate Phil Boncore chipped in a pair of goals.



NOT THIS TIME: Phil Boncore (7) scored a pair of goals but this close-in bid was stopped by Tri-Valley goalie Declan Buckler.



THUMP: Glen Calla (22) knocks Tri-Valley's Paul McLaughlin off his skates.

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All State presented by Coach Cadigan, Nick Cappuccio and Ryan Harris.



Boston Globe and Herald All-Scholastic, Nick Cappuccio.



Coach Chris Ferrara presented the Dan Govoni Lineman of the Year Award to, Matthew Reardon and Alessio Marcoccio.



Coach Emily Bitchell presents the Varsity Cheerleader Awards to, Kate Brodin for Sportsmanship, Gabby Currier for Viking Pride, and Bella Reardon the Coaches Award.



Vasili Tsiotos with is parents, Nick, and Nitsa.



Jason Rockefeller presented the WHS Viking Seniors a hand-crafted Viking Plaque with their number on it.



The Paul Frazier Scout Player of the Year, presented by Coaches Vinny Sparacino and Nick McCarthy to, Paul Ferrara, Will Murphy, Ace Daigneault, Nick Romano, Joe Pumphret.



Coach D'Ambrosio presented the Lefty Defelice Award to Mark Johnson and Danny Thomai.



Coach Paul Smith presented the William Rutherford Thanksgiving Day MVP Award to George Galuris.



Head Coach Jon Cadigan and Viking Captains Ryan Harris, Robert Rich, Evan Rockefeller and Donovan Cassidy present Exalted Ruler Christine Daly an autographed football from the team.



Senior players with their Letters.

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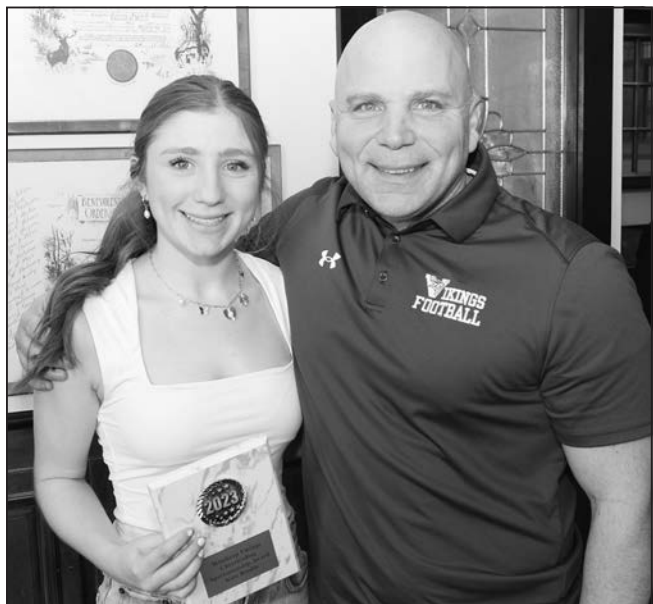
has two Super Bowl rings (1981 and 1983), throwing a touchdown pass to Steven Staffier in Winthrop's 14-3 victory over Xaverian at Sullivan Stadium in Foxboro. John – along with Viking fans – still bemoans the fact that the Winthrop was 10-0 in the 1982 football season, but was not invited to defend

its state title because of the ratings system at that time. John completed his career by helping Coach Pat McGee's Viking track team win the 1984 Northeastern Conference championship. John is a two-time inductee in the WHS Hall of Fame for his football and track championships.

We saw John shopping for groceries this past weekend and John told us how proud he is of his nephew, Billy, and his leadership of the Vikings. John Hayes' last high school football game (Super Bowl) was at the New England Patriots' home stadium in Foxboro. Billy Hayes' last high school

hockey game could be played on the Boston Bruins' home ice at TD Garden if the Vikings were to keep rolling. A tip of the cap to the Hayes family and all the excitement and glory that they have brought to the town of Winthrop.

WHS VIKING FOOTBALL AWARDS LUNCHEON HELD AT THE WINTHROP LODGE OF ELKS



Coach Derek Brodin is shown with his daughter Kate, after she received the WHS Sportsmanship Award for cheerleading.



Coach Derek Brodin presented the Dr. Robert Harney Defensive Player of the Year to Philip Boncore.



Coach Mark D'Ambrosio presented the Thomas D'Ambrosio Scholarship to Donovan Cassidy.



Coach Nick McCarthy presented Evan Rockefeller the Edward McFarland Scholar Award.



Evan Rockefeller and Ryan Harris were presented the Irving P. Alexander Award by Coach Cadigan.



The Curtis Cramb Offensive Player of the Year went to Nick Cappuccio, presented by Coach D'Ambrosio.



Members of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks serving the players and guests, Doreen Gillis, Roberta Daly, Karen Gallo, Exalted Ruler Christine Daly, and Betty Dalton.



NEC All Conference, Donovan Cassidy, Matt Reardon, Nick Cappuccio, Ryan Harris, Alessio Marcoccio, Robert Rich and George Galuris.



NEC All-Stars, Phil Boncore and Vasili Tsiotos with Coach Cadigan.



Peter Caggiano presented the Winthrop Youth Football Award to Ted Bailey and the "Nettie" Caggiano Memorial Award Scholarship to Robert Rich.



The Robert Remer Coaches Award was presented to Vasili Tsiotos, Donovan Cassidy, and Robert Rich by Head Coach Jon Cadigan.



Junior players with their Letters.



Sophomore players with their Letters.



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JV Cheerleader Awards, Head Coach Briana Hogan presents the Rookie of the Year to Ariana D'Amelio, Viking Pride Award to Hannah Gorman and the Beast Performer to Scarlet Bomarsi.

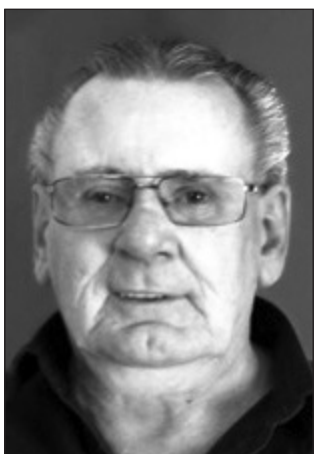
Edward “Buddy” Gleeson

February 22, 1934 – February 28, 2024

Edward “Buddy” Gleeson of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully on February 28.

Edward was born in Boston on February 22, 1934 to the late Francis and Josephine (Cahill) Gleeson. He grew up in a large Irish family and married his loving “Betty.” He passed away peacefully at home after a brief illness. Edward had just celebrated his 90th birthday.

The beloved husband of over 60 years to the late Mary “Betty” Gleeson, he was the devoted father of Edward Gleeson of Winthrop, Tracy Wilson and her husband, Kenneth of Hampton, NH, Doreen Gleeson and her loving companion, Charles DiGiacomo of Winthrop; dear brother of William Gleeson and his wife, Josephine of East Boston, Joanne Candelora and her husband, Frank of Revere and the late Frank, Mary, Joseph, John, Herbert, Theresa, Thomas, Kath-



erine and Elaine and he is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends honored Edward’s life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, East Boston on Wednesday, March 6th with visitation followed by a prayer service in our serenity chapel. Services concluded with Edward being laid to rest with his lovely wife, Betty at Winthrop Cemetery, Belle Isle Section. To leave an online condolence, visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Constance Agatha McNeil

Loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother

Constance Agatha (Sparaco) McNeil of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, entered onto eternal rest on February 28 surrounded in the love of her family at the age of 94.

The devoted daughter of the late John and Lillian (Gazzaro) and sister of the late Agatha Boyd, she was the loving wife of the late James (Jim) McNeil with whom she shared 41 years of marriage; dedicated mother to Marissa Madden and her husband, Peter of Reading, James (Jamie) McNeil of Middleton and Nancy Famolare and her husband, Charles of Winthrop; proud Nana to Lauren Magro, Ashley Happy, Peter Madden, Kayla Famolare and Gianna Famolare; great grandmother to Joey and Dylan Happy and Lilli and Violet Bemister and she is also survived by her loyal fur grandbaby, “Lizzy the Dog.”

Family and friends honored Connie’s life by gathering at St. Joseph - St.



Lazarus Church, 59 Ashley Street, East Boston, on Monday, March 4th and again on Tuesday, March 5th for a Funeral Mass in the church. Services concluded with Connie being laid to rest at Winthrop Cemetery, near River Road and Cross Street, Winthrop.I

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Joseph / St. Lazarus Parish, 59 Ashley Street, East Boston, or to a charity of your choice.

For more information, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

OBITUARIES

June Marie Lupis

Beloved Matriach, fondly known as the “mayor of Seaview Avenue

June Marie Lupis, beloved matriarch of Winthrop and former resident of East Boston, passed away peacefully on February 23, 2024, at the age of 90.

Born on June 20, 1933, June was a cherished mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend who left an indelible mark on the lives of those who knew her. June is survived by her loving daughters, Bernadette DeAngelis and Carol Harvey, along with their late husbands Alan and Bob, respectively. Despite the sorrow of losing a brother and sisters before her, June’s legacy lives on through the many lives she touched.

Fondly known as the “mayor of Seaview Ave.,” June was a fixture in her community, a source of warmth, kindness, and wisdom. Her home was a gathering place, filled with laughter, love, and the comforting aroma of homemade meals. She created a sense of family not only with her blood relatives but also with friends who became like family over the years. June leaves behind a rich tapestry of memories for her numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends. Her generous spirit, compassionate heart and unwavering love will



be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Family and friends came together to honor June’s remarkable life on Wednesday, February 28th, at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, East Boston, followed by a procession to St. John the Evangelist Church on Winthrop St., Winthrop, for an 11:30 a.m. Funeral Mass celebrating June’s life. June was laid to rest beside her beloved husband, Angelo, at Winthrop Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests memorial donations made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital, reflecting June’s compassionate and caring nature. As we say our final goodbyes, let us remember June Marie Lupis for the love she shared, the lives she touched, and the enduring legacy of kindness she leaves behind. May she rest in eternal peace.

John Grover

A larger than life character, charismatic and full of love for his friends and family

John S. Grover of Winthrop passed away suddenly on March 3rd at the age of 69.

He was born on April 13, 1954 to Herbert and Patricia Grover. John was one of four siblings, he was predeceased by his brothers, William Grover and Richard Grover and his sister, Karen Bodvar. John was the beloved husband of Sandra (Herron) Grover. They were married for 46 years and together they raised three sons: Mathew Grover, Adam Grover and Evan Grover. John also had five grandchildren: Raechel Ward, Erick Grover, John Grover II, Robert Grover and Gabriel Grover and he was a great grandfather to Malcolm Rodriques whom he got to meet before he passed. He was also a loving uncle to many nieces and nephews.

John was a larger than life character. He was charismatic and full of love for his friends and family. He was a printer by trade for many years before retiring to a peaceful life of watching sports, telling stories about his father and spending time with his grandchildren. He was a history buff, lover of classic rock and building models. He was always the center of attention whenever he was in the company of friends and family.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 12 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Gately Funeral Home, 79 W. Foster Street, Melrose. A funeral service will take place at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Jimmy Fund.



Ruth L. Calvano

March 9, 1933 - December 31, 2023

Ruth L. (Norlin) Calvano of Winthrop entered into rest on December 31, 2023 at 90 plus years of age. Born in Pittsfield, New Hampshire, Ruth was the cherished daughter of the late Arthur C. Norlin and Judith DeMasi.

Her father, a native of Norway, spoke many languages and was an engineer whose work for the United Shoe Machinery had him travel to South America, where he and Judith, a native of Italy, spent a period during which Ruth’s two sisters, Beatrice and Charlotte, were born in Rio de Janeiro.



Ruth, the youngest of the three, although North-American born, often reminisced over memories from her earliest years in Brazil and Argentina.

She would allude to the sounds and images of the wildlife indigenous to the Amazon rainforest and its lively elements.

On the family’s return to the United States, they lived in Chelsea, Massachusetts, where Ruth attended school and then went to work as a seamstress in the garment industry.

She adored her mother, “Giuditta” in Italian, as Ruth would indeed succeed in uttering at times in the latter part of 2023. Like her father, Judith spoke more than her native Italian, namely, Portuguese, Spanish and English.

In the mid-1950’s Ruth met the man she would marry, Louis J. Calvano, Jr. Lou had worked in Air Cargo in New York and by that time was working for National Airlines at Logan Airport. Not surprisingly, their first encounter was at an Italian restaurant in East Boston, as the two shared an affinity for the neighborhood’s unique culture.

With the birth of their first son, Louis, and with her sisters in nearby Revere, the Chelsea - Revere - East Boston triangle was most certainly home.

About a year following the birth of their second son, Arthur, the family moved to Tampa, Florida, where brothers Louis and Arthur grew up until the family returned to Massachusetts in the summer of 1980, eventually landing in Winthrop. Winthrop would become Ruth’s steadfast stomping ground, as she walked one corner of the town to another.

She immediately made close friends while Arthur enrolled at St. John the Evangelist School and Louis at St. Dominic Savio High School. Arthur would also later attend Dom Savio and then Holy Cross and Louis, Suffolk University.

The travails of becoming a single mother in the mid-80s and the trials that it created for her bore the forerunners of her great tenacity and grit, which could hardly be subdued by misfortune and the worst disease, even up to her passing. Because for Ruth, nothing was more important than her sons’ well-being and seeing a smile on their faces, a smile that they inherited from their mother - a smile that was each of theirs and theirs alone.

Well, that and the unconditional love that she demonstrated for animals, and cats above all. Ruth was wholehearted in her care and treatment of all kitties through the years, and not just her own. On Bowdoin Street she kept a close watch on a large outdoor cat as he began to

falter (for the longest time thinking it was a she, as Ruth always called him “her girl”), fearing that she would get hit by a car with her diminished dexterity.

She loved dogs too. She would occasionally carry treats with her and surprise a dog down the Center with an unexpected serving. She was a huge fan of an adorable resident cat named Nate of a hardware store in Beverly. On one October day in Salem years back, she enjoyed the most special company of a pig named Willy and his owner. Just a few examples.

The importance and symbolism of maintaining a smile and being able to laugh went hand in hand with the resilience and positive attitude that Ruth exhibited for 33 ½ years subsequent to losing her Louis in a tragic accident in 1990. She was equally persevering, persistently unaccepting, and inexplicably perspicacious through and amidst the formidable physical and mental challenges provoked by the infirmity that she was dealt that began to surface over the greater part of the last decade.

Ruth had an uncanny ability to articulate in her own succinct way that which was unquestionably true. Direct and often funny, other times replete with emotion if not pain, she managed to hit it right on the button.

Those who truly knew her shall never forget that smile of hers that embodied her kind, selfless and magnanimous spirit. Those who knew her wouldn’t be surprised that she lived with deep humility up until her passing.

Ruth was the loving mother to her son and primary caregiver, Arthur C. Calvano and to the late Louis J. Calvano, III. She was the dear sister of both the late Charlotte Timms and the late Beatrice Pesino. Ruth is survived by Arthur, her nephew, Louis Duguie, three nieces - Sabrena Pesino, Dena Cordeiro and Nena O’Brien (and her husband Eric), as well as their children and grandchildren.

She also leaves behind her precious Poppy, of nearly twenty feline years.

Visitation will take place at the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home on Saturday, March 9 from 9 to 11 a.m. A Funeral Mass will follow the visiting hours at 11:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church (of Saint Michael the Archangel Parish) located at 320 Winthrop Street, Winthrop.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ruth’s memory can be made to any of the following organizations at their websites: Alley Cat Allies - <https://www.alley-cat.org> ; The Compassionate Friends - <https://www.compassionatefriends.org/grief/>; or The Humane Society of the United States - <https://www.humanesociety.org>.

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

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Stephen R. Joltki

March 28, 1934 – February 28, 2024

 Family & friends are respectfully invited to attend a visitation on Friday, March 8th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Parish / St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St. Winthrop, for Stephen R. Joltki, who died on Wednesday, February 28th at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston following a very long illness, he was 1 month shy of his 90th birthday. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated following the visitation at 4:00 p.m. Interment will be held privately.

Steve was born on March 28, 1934 to his late parents, Steven Joltki & Apollonia (Pohorecka) Joltki in Boston. He was one of four children. He was raised & educated in Boston's old West End.

Steve was a very talented and gifted athlete and destined for the major leagues. Known, locally as "shut out Steve", he played and pitched in the West End league in Boston. He was drafted by the Dodgers and played semi pro baseball for their farm team the "Red Hats". While there, he pitched a "No Hitter" and got a standing ovation and the folks in the stand filled his ball cap with tips. He got called up to the majors and at his first game, unfortunately, sustained an injury by a wild ball that hit his pitching elbow and ended his career.

He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War, while continuing to play ball for the Army team with teammates from the west end and north end of Boston. Because they so won often, his superiors on base asked him to stay on and manage the Army team, but he declined as he wanted to come home to his wife and was honorably discharged for his service.

Stephen married his wife, Carolyn (Kaziukonis), who he knew growing up, on October 14, 1956 and they lived on Beacon Hill. The couple later moved to east Boston, before settling in Winthrop in 1969. During this time, they began their family together and had happily & proudly raised their son & daughter.

Steve worked in the food industry all his working career. He along with his wife owned & operated two restaurants, "Foxie's Deli" in Wattertown and a second in Newton for many years. He was recruited by Baystate Lobster Co. to develop gourmet recipes for seafood lobster bisques, chowders and other foods. He then opened a frozen Seafood Factory in Winthrop with investors and worked ad-hoc for various manufacturers with contracts to produce seafood recipes - frozen to ship to luxury hotels in Bermuda and Caribbean until he retired.

At the Fancy Food shows, Julia Child was a repeat patron for his famous lobster bisque. Culinary interest and talent ran in the family and he influenced his children. His son Steve followed in his footsteps and became a chef on mega yachts in



Europe and Caribbean and his daughter Kris, ran Saveur magazine in New York City and worked for Gourmet and Bon Appetit.

Steve was a selfless person and would give to anyone in need, literally, the shirt off his back... he was always there to help. He did a lot of charity work in the soup kitchens of the Pine Street Inn and other homeless organizations, for the church and charities locally and in Europe. He sponsored a Vietnamese family in his home after the war for a few years, always helped neighbors and friends and anyone not having a place to go on a holiday was always welcome at his table.

Steve loved travel and was especially proud of one of the last trips he took with his brother Paul and cousins to the Ukraine where his father was born and was lucky to take a cherished memento home - a brick from the foundation of his grandfather's house before it was gone.

He loved cooking/entertaining, auctions, antiques and working in the garden. With his daughter, he planted thousands of tulips and spring flowers, window boxes and over a hundred varieties of roses - French, English, heirloom, climbing on perogolas and festooned 20 feet up on trees around his property wafting an incredible fragrance throughout the neighborhood.

He was fun and funny and loved to dance. He was a huge rat pack and classical music fan and often had the windows open with his Bose speakers on full tilt with Mozart, Vivaldi, Tchaikovsky's 1812th Overture or Frank Sinatra blaring through the neighborhood. When his flowers were in full bloom, a hint of salt air blowing in off the ocean, you could find Steve enjoying his late vintage port wine with a good cigar on the porch while he listened to the music... one of his greatest joys.

He is the beloved husband of 67 years to Carolyn A. (Kaziukonis) Joltki of Winthrop. The loving father of Kris A. Joltki & partner John Tiano, and the late Steven M. Joltki. The cherished papa of Max Joltki, Alexander Boone, & William Boone. He is the treasured brother of the late Olga Kasinowicz, Paul Joltki, & Mitchell Joltki. Also lovingly survived by several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, & grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Stephen's memory to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Boston, 18 Canton Street, Stoughton, MA 02072. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertucciosmithvazza.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, Revere.

Elizabeth Curtis

Of Revere, formerly of East Boston

Elizabeth A. Curtis of Revere, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 1.

The loving daughter of Philip Puzzo and the late Elizabeth Gallagher, she was the beloved wife of the late Richard Curtis, devoted mother of Christopher Curtis, Angela Curtis and her fiancé, Steven McGrath; dear sister of Brian Puzzo, Barbara Puzzo and Danny Gallagher. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor Elizabeth's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Ori-



ent Heights) East Boston, on Saturday, March 9th from 1 to 5 p.m. A prayer service will be held in our Chapel at 4:30 p.m. Committal services will be private. For more information please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Hosanna Lochiatto

Of Winthrop

Hosanna "Dot" Lochiatto of Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on February 16, 2024. She was 83 years old.

Born in Boston, she was the beloved daughter of the late Elizabeth (Cardinale) and Alphonse Ricupero, the devoted wife of the late Stefan Lochiatto and the loving mother of Lisa Viera of Salem, Kevin Lochiatto of New Hampshire, Alan Locke and Kristen Lochiatto Thomson, both of Winthrop; dear sister of Debbie MacDonald of Ipswich, Joyce Davey of Florida and the late Leonard Ricupero and Theresa Ricupero. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Services and interment were private.

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Daniel Wiener

GE Retiree

Daniel T. Wiener of Winthrop passed away on March 4, 2024. He was 77 years old.

Daniel was the beloved husband of the late Ellen (Vida) Wiener. Born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, he was the cherished son of the late Eva (Novak) and Jan Wiener.

Prior to his retirement, Daniel worked as a steam turbine assembler for General Electric.

Daniel was the devoted father of Daniel H. Wiener

and his wife, Shari War-den of Reading. He was the dear brother of the late Michael Wiener.

Funeral services for Daniel will be private. Donations in his memory can be made to the Pine Street Inn, 444 Harrison Ave., Boston, MA. 02118. Funeral arrangements were from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. To sign Daniel's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

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

1919: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Crest Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. When the officer determined that the operator did not have an active driver's license, which is a criminal offense, the officer issued a citation to the operator for both offenses. The officer stood by until a licensed operator came by to take control of the vehicle.

2000: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2044: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2121: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Hutchinson 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.

2127: An officer dispersed persons in two vehicles from Hannaford Park, which is closed after dark.

2201: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of an equipment violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2218: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction of making an improper turn. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2223: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. The vehicle belonged to the operator's parents. The officer ordered the operator to park the vehicle on private property and not to operate the vehicle until his parents resolve the issue with the vehicle on Monday morning.

SATURDAY, FEB. 24

1139: An officer assisted the Fire Dept. at the

scene of a dryer fire in a residence on Shore Drive.

1412: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1524: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Tafts and Maryland Aves. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1629: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Winthrop and Atlantic Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator, as well as for the civil infraction of not having his registration in his possession.

1644: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1723: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1750: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1855: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of a number plate violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2101: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Bayview Ave. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

SUNDAY, FEB. 25

0301: An officer directed persons playing music loudly in a Revere St. apartment to turn it off for the night.

0854: An officer responded to a report of vandalism to a motor vehicle on Hermon St. The officer filed a report.

1333: A Winthrop St. resident reported that a tree on her property had been damaged. The officer filed a report.



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With daylight saving time beginning on March 10, Massachusetts fire officials are reminding residents to check their smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms when they change their clocks.

“We’ve seen too many tragedies in homes without working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms,” said State Fire Marshal Davine. “Most fires and CO incidents take place at home, and these alarms are your first line of defense. As we spring forward this weekend, remember to check your alarms when you change your clocks. Be sure they’re present on every level of your home. And unless you have newer alarms with sealed, long-life batteries, this is a great time to replace the alkaline batteries in all your alarms.”

Most Fatal Fires Occur in One- and Two-Family Homes

Of 45 fire deaths in Massachusetts last year, 31 – nearly 70% – took place at home. Nearly 75% of these residential fire deaths took place in one- and two-family homes. Investigators found working smoke alarms at just one-third of those dwellings.

Replace Expired Alarms

“Smoke and CO alarms are like any other appliance – they don’t last forever,” said Hyannis Fire Chief Peter Burke, president of the Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts. “An alarm’s manufacturing date is printed on the back of the device. Smoke alarms need to be replaced after 10 years, and carbon monoxide alarms need to be replaced after 5, 7, or 10 years, depending on the make and model. If your alarm is out of date, or if there’s no date at all, it’s time to replace it.”

Replacing an out-of-date alarm? The Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code requires replacement battery-operated smoke alarms in older one- and two-family homes to be photoelectric and have sealed, long-life batteries and a hush feature. These alarms are easier to maintain and less likely to be disabled while cooking or by someone using the batteries for other household appliances.

“Disabling a smoke alarm puts you and everyone in your building at risk,” said Chief Burke.

“Test your alarms once a month to be sure you and the people you care for are protected.”

Fire officials recommend that you choose alarms from a well-known, national brand. Look for the mark of an independent testing laboratory such as UL or Intertek. Many Massachusetts fire departments have found alarms purchased on Amazon and other online retailers that do not meet the Fire Code – and may not perform when they’re needed most.

“If the price seems too good to be true, then it probably is,” said State Fire Marshal Davine.

Create & Practice a Home Escape Plan

“We have less time than ever before to escape a fire at home,” said State Fire

Marshal Davine. “You could have three minutes to escape safely. Creating and practicing a home escape plan that includes two routes out will help you make the most of that precious time to get outside before poisonous gases and heat make escape impossible.”

“Working smoke alarms and a practiced home escape plan are among the most fundamental and important tools for surviving a fire,” said Chief Burke. “Be sure everyone in the home knows what to do and where to go when the alarm sounds, including young children, older adults, and people with disabilities. Always keep doorways, stairways, and windows clear of furniture and other obstructions so you can leave quickly and safely.”

Older Adults at Greatest Risk

More than half of last year’s fire deaths involved adults aged 65 and older. In FY23, the Department of Fire Services’ Senior SAFE grant program awarded more than \$575,000 to hundreds of fire departments across Massachusetts to support assistance with alarm installation and testing. Older adults who need help testing, maintaining, or replacing smoke alarms should contact their local fire department, council on aging, or senior center for assistance.

Carbon Monoxide Hazards

Heating equipment is the leading source of carbon monoxide at home, State Fire Marshal Da-

vine said, but winter isn’t over yet and CO remains a hazard even in warmer weather. While many carbon monoxide incidents involve furnaces and other heating appliances, CO is also produced by stoves, grills, and vehicles, as well as generators put into use during a power outage.

“Firefighters detect carbon monoxide at about 5,000 calls each year in Massachusetts, and we’ve already seen cases of fatal carbon monoxide poisoning in 2024,” said Chief Burke. “We can’t see, smell, or taste carbon monoxide. Working CO alarms are the only way to detect this silent, invisible killer. If you hear you CO alarms sounding, get out to fresh air and call 9-1-1 right away.”

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

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. SU24P0469EA Estate of: Wanda Rattigan Also known as: Wanda S. Rattigan 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 Assunta S. Pisani of Santa Rosa, CA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Assunta S. Pisani of Santa Rosa, CA 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

04/11/2024. 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 administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 29, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 03/07/24 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. SU24P0341EA Estate of: Paul Austin Lewon Also known as: Paul A. Lewon Date of Death: 10/30/2023

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by John Stanley of Winthrop, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: John Stanley of Winthrop, MA 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 03/29/2024. 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 administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 16, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 03/07/24 W

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WINTHROP TREE REMOVAL PUBLIC HEARING The following trees are hereby considered for removal under Massachusetts General Laws

relating to such action: 170 Grovers Avenue 51 Loring Road The trees at these locations are posted. A public hearing will be held on MONDAY, March 18th at 6:00 PM at the Public Facilities Building, 100 Kennedy Drive. In the event you have any objections and are unable to attend the hearing, a written notice should be filed with the DPW prior to the hearing. The Town of Winthrop does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age and handicapped status in employment of the provisions of services. Sincerely, Paul O'Donnell, Tree Warden podonnell@town.winthrop.ma.us 3/7/24, 3/14/24 W

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLIC NOTICE Docket No. SU24P0397EA Estate of: Frances C. Daly

To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department

of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on February 9, 2024 Paula Ward of Winthrop, MA intends to file with the above-named Probate and Family court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Probate of a Will Petition for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative, to serve without surety on the bond Paula Ward of Winthrop. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate Court 03/07/2024 W

Winthrop Senior Center News

35 Harvard Street, Winthrop, MA 02152

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

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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.

Friday, March 15

9:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m.: Computer Usage
10:00 a.m - 11:00 p.m.: Line Dancing (\$5)
11:00a.m- Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30 -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.

Monday, March 11

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
10:00 a.m - 11:00 a.m.: Yoga with Trish
11:00am- Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30 a.m - 2:30 p.m.: Game Day / Mahjong

Tuesday, March 12

11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
12:00pm-2:00pm: St Patrick’s Day Party
12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$5)

Wednesday, March 13

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)
9:30 a.m - 11:00 a.m.: Friends of WCOA Meeting
10:30 a.m - 11:30 a.m.: Zumba with Cindy (\$5)
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30-12:30pm: Tai Chi / Qi Gong with Cindy (\$5)
1:00 p.m - 3:00 p.m.: SHINE Counseling
1:15pm-2:45pm: Italian Class

Thursday, March 14

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
10:30 a.m - 12:00 p.m.: Council on Aging Meeting
12:00pm-12:30pm: Dine In/Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

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Healey announces “Massachusetts Maple Month” in support of local commerce

Special to the Transcript

To celebrate a new agricultural season in Massachusetts, Governor Maura Healey is declaring March as Massachusetts Maple Month. Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) Commissioner Ashley Randle joined state and local officials and representatives from the Massachusetts Maple Producers Association today at Severance Maple Products in Northfield to raise awareness of the state’s maple sugar industry and to encourage residents to visit their local sugar house and purchase locally made maple products.

In a recent visit to Severance Maple Products included a tour of their operations and retail store, along with a reading of a Governor’s Proclamation and ceremonial tapping of

a maple tree to commemorate the official start of the sugaring season. Owners Milt and Robin Severance have been sugaring since 1976. Their first year yielded a couple of gallons of maple syrup, but today, they produce a couple thousand gallons annually. All of their products are produced locally in Northfield at their sugarhouse kitchen, with availability online, in local stores, and at craft and agricultural fairs in the area.

Massachusetts is one of the top maple-producing states in the country, home to over 300 maple producers that produce more than 70,000 gallons per year. The sector employs over a thousand people, contributing over \$15 million to the local economy. Maple sugaring profits allow many Massachusetts farms to stay in business year-round by diversify-

ing their offerings, serving as a supplemental source of income to their other crops.

“We are tapping into this maple month with more support and appreciation for our sugarmakers than ever. The maple industry is not only economically, culturally, and historically important for the region but also plays a vital role in our environmental and climate resilience efforts,” said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Rebecca Tepper.

“The industry maintains and preserves more than 15,000 acres of land and is working to modernize equipment and install renewable energy sources. We are proud to see this the sector transition to one of the state’s most energy efficient and sustainable in agriculture.”

Since 2018, MDAR has awarded over half

a million dollars in Climate Smart Agriculture Program Grants to maple producers throughout the state. These grants have been used to offset the costs of installing updated, environmentally friendly equipment, including high-efficiency evaporators, heat recovery and reverse osmosis equipment, and photovoltaic solar arrays, lowering carbon footprints and environmental impacts.

“Our farming community had an enormously challenging year in 2023, so it’s with great optimism that we usher in a new growing season and celebrate our maple producers with the first agricultural crop of the year,” said MDAR Commissioner Ashley Randle. “While the maple sugaring season may be brief in Massachusetts, our maple producers work hard year-round to bring us this naturally sweet and nutritionally dense crop that is versatile and universally enjoyed by all. We’re proud to support them, and I can’t wait to enjoy a pancake breakfast topped with fresh maple syrup at a local sugarhouse this month.”

All month long, maple sugarhouses around the state will open their doors to host visitors with fun, family-friendly interactive activities, as well as serving stacks of pancakes, waffles, and French toast covered in local maple syrup. Maple sugaring is one of the few agritourism activities available during the early months of the year. Over 60,000 visitors spend more than \$2 million during the sugaring

season. Farms, restaurants, bed and breakfasts, country inns, and other tourist businesses share in this income, which primarily flows into small towns and farm communities.

“Sugarhouses and local farms across Massachusetts provide memorable and immersive experiences for visitors of all ages,” said Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism Executive Director Kate Fox. “We encourage visitors and residents alike to check out Massachusetts sugarhouses during Maple Month, where they can experience a behind-the-scenes tour, sample delicious treats, and purchase local maple syrup and maple products from these unique small businesses.”

“I’m so thankful to kick off maple season here in the Second Franklin District,” said Representative Susannah Whipps (I – Athol). “This brief sweet period of time is a sign that spring is coming and a reminder of the importance of this industry to our economy, tourism and food system.”

“I am delighted to join Governor Healey, EEA Secretary Tepper, MDAR Commissioner Randle, the MA Maple Producers Association, and many others in celebrating March as Massachusetts Maple Month,” said Senator Jo Comerford (D-Northampton). “I am tremendously proud to represent many outstanding maple producers who are living and working in the Hampshire, Franklin, Worcester district.”

“We expect a great maple syrup harvest this

spring as many sugarmakers across the state are off to an early start,” said Massachusetts Maple Producers Association Coordinator Missy Leab. “As the sweet steam rises from our local sugarhouses this spring, we encourage everyone to take the opportunity and visit one or more of the 300+ Massachusetts maple producers where you can talk with a sugarmaker, ask all your maple questions, and see, smell, and taste spring. Watch the fascinating process of turning fresh maple sap into pure maple syrup. Don’t forget to bring home a jug of Massachusetts sweetest crop: pure maple syrup!”

Maple syrup has been produced and consumed for centuries in North America. Its initial availability during the tail end of the winter season signals the start of the agricultural awakening in Massachusetts and is a sure sign that spring is around the corner. Tree tapping in Massachusetts can start as early as late January and continue through April, though March is officially Maple Month. Most importantly, the temperatures must be below freezing at night and above freezing during the days for the tree sap to flow. Furthermore, weather, soil, and genetics of the tree can affect maple syrup flavor.

Please visit the Massachusetts Maple Producers Association (MMPA) to learn more about the maple sugaring process. For a complete listing of maple sugar houses in the Commonwealth, visit the MassGrown website.



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MDAR Commissioner Ashley Randle with state and local officials alongside Milt and Robin Severance (far right), owners of Severance Maple Products in Northfield

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