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SANTA'S ANNUAL VISITS TO WINTHROP



Santa is happy to return the greatest gift of Christmas Spirit to the many people lining his route through Winthrop. See Pages 2 and 5 for more photos.

Council President to offer annual address at Jan. 7 meeting

By Adam Swift

The Winthrop Town Council will hold its first meeting of the new year on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Harvey Hearing at Town Hall.

During the meeting, Town Council President Jim Letterie will give the annual State of the Town Address.

For Letterie, it will be his fourth address to the town as council president. It will also mark the beginning of Letterie's 20th year serving on the council.

During the address,

Letterie said he expects to talk about some of the big issues that will come before the council in 2025.

"We will absolutely be touching on the firehouse debt exclusion, the school override, the middle school site," said Letterie. "We will be talking about flooding issues on Morton Street, Girdlestone, Tilestone, and Pico. I think those are the major points that we will be discussing over the next several months."

While the past year saw

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Anthony Fucillo leads Belmont Hill football team to Souza Bowl victory

By Cary Shuman

Anthony Fucillo is hitting his stride as the head football coach at the Belmont High School just two years into his tenure.

Fucillo's program made its second consecutive post-season appearance this season and claimed its first victory with a 38-7 triumph over Worcester Academy in the Bob Souza Bowl, which is named after the longtime Saint Sebastian School head football coach.

After spotting Worcester a 7-0 lead, Belmont Hill, who is known as the Sextants, scored 38 unanswered points, making an emphatic statement to win the championship trophy on its home field.

Fucillo, whose father, Hall of Fame coach Tony Fucillo is the team's wide receivers coach, had his team playing its best football of the season in November. Back the start of



Belmont Hill School head football coach Anthony Fucillo proudly holds aloft the NEPSAC Bob Souza Bowl Game championship trophy following his team's 38-7 victory over Worcester Academy.

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NEW YEAR 2025 RUN & RIDE JAN. 3, 6:00

Celebrate the New Year with a festive group ride & run with Bike Winthrop and the Winthrop Run Club! We will start and end from the breezeway outside Drop Zone at Michael's Mall. Free bike lights and glow sticks will be available, but we encourage you to bring your own as well so that we are as visible as possible along the route. Warm up with a cup of free hot cocoa afterwards or stay for a fresh brew and trivia at 7:00!

Route will be posted soon and will be about 2 miles. Children must be able to ride independently (no training wheels) on gentle hills or be in an attached seat or trailer. Details on the Bike Winthrop Facebook page.

Christmas Eve in Winthrop is always extra special as Santa, with some assistance from his favorite "helpers" at the Fire Department, traverses the many streets and roads of Winthrop. Kids young and old line the streets, braving the chilly night, to greet Santa as he brings the Christmas Spirit all throughout the town.



Ophelia and Adelaide Boxill show off their Winter fashion style.



Santa speeds by some fans cheering him on Grovers Avenue.

DEREK KOUYOUJIAN PHOTOS

Girls hockey remains unbeaten Spencer, Martucci net goals in a 2-1 victory over AC

By Cary Shuman

The Winthrop High girls hockey team again showed it belongs among the elite programs in Massachusetts, skating to a 2-1 victory over Arlington Catholic Saturday at Larsen Rink.

Senior captains Amelia Spencer and Talia Martucci each scored second-period goals to help Butch Masuc-

ci's contingent improve its record to 4-0 as 2025 arrives.

A two-time Division 1 state champion, Arlington Catholic scored on the first shift of the game. The visiting Cougars held a 1-0 lead until Spencer tied it at 1-1 on an assist by junior Chloe Couture.

Late in the second period, Martucci took the puck

off a faceoff win by junior center Reese Ferrara and scored a power-play goal for what turned out to be the game-winner.

The task of protecting a one-goal advantage grew tougher late in the third period when Winthrop incurred successive penalties. But junior goaltender Riley Towse and the Winthrop penalty-killing unit

emerged unscathed during tense 5-on-3 and 6-on-4 situations.

"It came down to the wire," said Coach Martucci. "At the end, they pulled their goalie to get to a 6-on-4, but we were able to finish it off."

Martucci credited the PK group of Reese Ferrara,

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Steve and Julia Rand with their canine friend Coco see Santa speed by from the comfort of their porch.



The Abello Family.



The Boxill Family.



The Wadkins Family.



On Pauline Street the Caruccio Family was happy to see Santa ride by on his sleigh.



Santa fans young and old line up at the corner of Pond Street and Highland Ave to cheer him on.



Santa fans cheer him on at the corner of Winthrop and Centre Streets.



Santa receives a warm welcome at the corner of Pond Street and Highland Ave.



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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.

lating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

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

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

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

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator, as well as for the civil infraction of not having his registration in his possession.

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

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

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

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Lincoln St. being operated by a person with a suspended license. The operator was test-driving the vehicle and the owner was with him. The owner took control of the vehicle and the officer issued a citation to the original operator for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

1242: 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.

1301: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1317: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infractions of a red light violation and a

marked lanes violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1636: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden and Pauline Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

0024: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. and issued a citation to the operator for the criminal offenses of operating an uninsured motor vehicle and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. The vehicle was towed.

0057: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

0119: 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.

0147: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pleasant St. and Ingleside Ave. and arrested the operator, Joseph Daniel Fialkowski, 25, of Peabody, on an outstanding warrant and for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. He also was cited for the civil motor vehicle infraction of speeding. The motor vehicle was towed.

0801: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden and Pauline Sts. 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 civil infraction of not having his license in his possession.

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden St. and Walden Place for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

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

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-- An officer stopped a

motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

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

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

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

-- An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden St. and Walden Place for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. When the officer determined that the operator had a suspended license, which is a criminal offense, the officer issued a citation to the operator for both the criminal and civil infractions. The vehicle was towed.

1157: An officer issued a citation to a motor vehicle with an expired registration, which is a civil offense, that was parked on Bellevue Ave.

1659: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Woodside Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1713: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Locust Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a crosswalk violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1728: A Winthrop office assisted the Malden Police with the arrest of an individual on Revere St.

1820: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1845: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle parked on a crosswalk on Main St. to move the vehicle.

2221: An officer dispersed persons in two vehicles from the cemetery on Kennedy Rd.

2259: A report of flooding on Girdlestone Rd. was referred to the DPW.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

0019: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

0041: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

0118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Beach Rd. for the

civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0133: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Hadassah Way for the civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0942: 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.

1037: 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.

1137: 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.

1139: An officer responded to a minor two-car motor vehicle accident at Revere and Shirley Sts. The officer filed a report.

1154: An officer directed a person playing music loudly at a Sewall Ave. residence to turn it down.

1309: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1437: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden St. and Walden Place for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1650: An officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers at a motor vehicle accident on Chester Ave. There were no injuries and neither vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.

1919: An officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers at a motor vehicle accident on Revere St. There were no injuries and neither vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.

1933: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2013: An officer issued parking tickets to two vehicles parked in the "No Parking Here to Corner" zone on Ocean Ave.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

0034: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator for that offense, as well as for the civil infraction of not having his registration in his possession.

0202: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator for that offense, as

well as for the civil infraction of not having his registration in his possession.

0300: An officer issued parking tickets to eight vehicles without resident parking stickers on Hutchinson St., Crest Ave., and Veterans Rd.

0727: An officer retrieved hypodermic syringes in the area of the public stairs on Hutchinson St. and brought the needles back to the station for proper disposal.

0852: 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.

1037: 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.

1140: A person came into the station to report an attempted scam. He said he received a phone call from a person purporting to be from National Grid who said that his account was delinquent and he was facing a shut-off if he did not make a payment within 20 minutes. The person said he called National Grid directly and they said his account was in good standing.

1219: 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.

1236: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. and issued a citation to the operator for the criminal offense of attaching plates and for the civil infractions of a number plate violation and operating an unregistered motor vehicle. The motor vehicle was towed to the owner's home where it was parked on private property.

1243: A person called the station to report that a dog that was roaming feely on Shirley St. had been acting aggressively. The Animal Control Officer spoke to the owner and advised them that the dog must be leashed at all times.

1358: A person called the station to report that she and her husband received a phone call from someone who said they were from National Grid. She said that she and her husband did not fall for the scam, but wanted the incident noted in the police log.

1446: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident on Hawthorn Ave. in which a vehicle struck a parked vehicle. There were no injuries and neither vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.

1831: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Main St. The operator of one of the vehicles had a suspended license, which is a criminal offense. His vehicle was towed and he was issued a citation for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

1854: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident at Beach Rd. and Shore Drive between a Ford Escape and a Mercedes sedan. Both parties refused medical attention. The operator of the Mercedes called for a private tow. The officer filed a report.

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OUR Opinions

HAPPY NEW YEAR

It's hard to believe that another year has passed and that 2025 is here -- and that we now are entering the second quarter of the 21st century.

For those of us who are close to three-quarters of a century in age, as we look back at the quarter-century markers of our lifetime, we realize that when we were young, everything from the past seemed like very, very long ago.

For example, when we'd be watching WWII movies such as *The Longest Day* or *The Battle of the Bulge* in the 1960s, that war seemed to be entirely of another era. But those events had occurred less than 20 years previously.

That's about the same length of time, for example, that separates the start of the war in Iraq, which was in 2003, to today. Yet as we look back on that war, it seems like it was only yesterday that we were glued to our TV sets watching the U.S. forces advance to Baghdad.

Thoughts such as these make us realize that the one thing we've discovered about aging is that the older we get, the faster that time seems to go by.

We often quote a verse from Alfred Lord Tennyson's "Ring Out Wild Bells" when we write our annual New Year's editorial.

But after re-reading the poem in its entirety, we are printing the whole thing, because it sums up -- better than we ever could express -- our feelings about 2024 and our hopes for 2025.

Although it was published in 1850, its verses are timeless. Indeed, one could apply every stanza to something going on in the world today.

So we hope you take the time to read it and enjoy it, as we did the other day:

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.
Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.
Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more,
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.
Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.
Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out thy mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.
Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.
Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.
Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

We wish all of our readers a Happy and Healthy New Year.

FRANK BELLOTTI

Massachusetts lost one of its greatest-ever public servants recently with the passing of Francis X. Bellotti, a former Lieutenant Governor and three-time Attorney General, at the age of 101.

Frank, as he was known to everyone, was a brilliant politician and lawyer who dedicated his life to serving the people of the Commonwealth.

His tenure as Mass. AG from 1975-87 is widely regarded as the national model for the modern office of the state attorney general. He brought the AG's office into the forefront on issues such as civil rights and consumer protection in the 1970s, achievements for which he was recognized by the National Association of Attorneys General as the most outstanding attorney general in the United States in 1981.

There are three things that younger readers should know about Frank Bellotti. The first is that he was a man of great humility and integrity. He was just a straightforward, regular guy.

Second, he always stayed in great shape, which helps explain why he lived to be 101. He was a fierce competitor in handball and worked out every day.

The third is that he is just about the last from the Greatest Generation of politicians who served our state so well. Frank served with distinction in WWII in Europe as the commander of a troop of 58 men and was a contemporary of notable politicians such as John F. Kennedy and locally, Andrew P. Quigley.

We know we join with many of our fellow long-time residents in mourning his passing and in extending our condolences to his large family, which includes 11 surviving children, 25 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Forum



THE MORE Things Change ...

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

10 years ago January 2, 2015

The Inspectional Services Department kicked off the new year with everyone moving under one roof at 100 Kennedy Drive across from the Fort Banks school.

Winthrop native Gracie Curran and her High Falutin' Band, who have been traveling across the country and along the East Coast, recently received the 2014 Blues Artist of the Year award at the Boston Music Awards on Dec. 14.

Selma and Unbroken are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago January 6, 2005

The recent Christmas tsunami that devastated regions in the Indian Ocean and that thus far has claimed 150,000 lives has many people wondering what would happen if a tsunami were to strike in Winthrop.

The Charter Commission has issued its preliminary draft and now will seek public input at a hearing next week.

Long-time Winthrop residents are recalling the life of E. Arthur King, a founding member of the Winthrop Historic Commission, who also was active in many other civic endeavors. He passed away Thursday at the age of 94.

Joe Clark of the Winthrop Federal Credit Union has been installed as the President of the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce for the third year.

The Aviator, Meet the Fockers, and National Treasure are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago January 12, 1995

School Supt. Joseph Laino told the School Committee that administrators and teachers have spent hundreds of hours preparing for the move of the fifth grade to the Middle School next year, which will affect 175 students.

Belle Liberman, proprietor of Belle's Feminine Fashions, who has been a fixture in Winthrop Center since 1950 when she started her first retail store known as The Little Shop, has announced that she will be retiring at the end

of February.

Police Chief Angelo LaMonica has announced that police officer William Hetherington will become the department's first DARE officer with a grant recently-received by the department.

Dumb and Dumber, Pulp Fiction, and The Santa Clause are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago January 9, 1985

The Concerned Citizens Committee is urging all Winthrop residents to mobilize in force to oppose the proposed sewage treatment plant to be constructed by the newly-created Mass. Water Resources Authority on Deer Island.

Long-time Town Hall employee Marie Turner has become the first candidate to announce that she will be running in the April town election for the Town Clerk position that is being vacated by long-time Town Clerk John Clark.

The Airport Hazards Committee has demanded that Massport continue funding airport noise studies in order to obtain current data. Committee member Ed Hazlett said that the 1981-83 study is "old news."

The School Committee will recommend a five percent payraise for all school employees at the upcoming Town Meeting.

The annual winter Viking Sale Days now is in progress at merchants throughout the town.

Dune, The Cotton Club, and Starman are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

50 years ago January 15, 1975

Former selectman Jim Loughran, who stepped down from that post just a month ago to take a job as the Executive Secretary for the town of Dedham, has now resigned that position. Loughran reportedly is in line for a cabinet position in the administration of newly-elected Gov. Michael Dukakis.

The selectmen voted this week to restrict parking in the area around Town Hall to one hour, effective immediately. Town Hall employees will receive special stickers enabling them to park for longer periods.

A 15 year-old East Boston girl was apprehended by officers Arthur Floyd and Francis Riley and charged with car theft after they stopped the girl following a disturbance at McDonald's Friday night.

Bill and Dorothy Kincaide are celebrating their one year anniversary as the owners of the Winthrop Theater.

Attorney Phil Boncore has announced his candidacy for the Board of Selectmen.

Michael's is holding its famous \$1.00 sale during the Viking Sale Days event this weekend. Customers who purchase one clothing item, including men's suits, will be able to purchase another for \$1.00.

Clarence the Cross-Eyed Lion is playing at the Kincaide Theatre.

60 years ago January 14, 1965

Harold Winter, the senior member of the Board of Park Commissioners, submitted his resignation last night, the culmination of the recent feud between himself and his two fellow board members.

Planning Board members Dick Dimes, William Barry, and W. Henry Burke conferred with the selectmen and Town Counsel Joe Harvey to discuss their article for Town Meeting that would restrict the size of political signs around the town.

Town Meeting Moderator Edward D. Sharkey disclosed this week that he will not seek re-election. Sharkey, an attorney, has held the post of Moderator for 17 years.

The Winter Dollar Days sales event is being held by merchants throughout the town. At Michael's, men's Van Heusen shirts, regularly \$5.00, are \$3.95 during the sale days.

Peter Sellers stars in *The Pink Panther* at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago January 13, 1955

Selectman Andrew Benson, citing the pressures of his law practice, stunned the local political

scene with his announcement this week that he will not be a candidate for re-election. Benson was the Democratic nominee for State Rep. and narrowly lost the final election in November to Republican Fred Baumeister. Three candidates, Mel Carver, Walter Van Dalinda, and former selectman Walter Smith, already have announced they will seek Benson's post.

The annual Winter Dollar Days sales event in Winthrop's stores gets underway Friday and will extend for eight days.

The Brotherhood Council of Christians and Jews, representing 46 organizations in town, will hold an evening of fun and good fellowship February 26.

Police still are baffled after finding an 83 year-old man bleeding and in serious condition on Winthrop Beach Sunday morning. Although he was found unconscious and with no trousers on, police have ruled out both robbery and an accident.

The impact of the Baby Boom throughout the country, especially as regards the expected influx of children into the public schools, was discussed at a meeting of the Winthrop League of Women Voters this week.

Judy Garland and James Mason star in *A Star is Born*, in color, at the Winthrop Theater.

80 years ago January 11, 1945

Unlike last year, when there was only one contested race on the town election ballot, a large number of contested offices will be decided by the voters in this coming March's town election.

Pvt. Charles "Buddy" Bacchini, who has been reported missing in action in Belgium since September 18, reportedly has been declared a prisoner of war of the Germans.

Ensign Josiah John Kirby, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kirby, is home on a 30-day leave from his base in Pensacola, Florida,

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DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

The Reeves Family enjoying the visit from Santa.



Sarah Campbell and Ellen MacNeil were happy to see Santa.



The Butters Family had a great evening.



At the corner of Brookfield Road and Lincoln Street, Quinn and Ava Rogowicz with Alivia Reddington get a good perch for a better view of Santa before his arrival.



The Bernard Family dressed for the arrival of Santa.



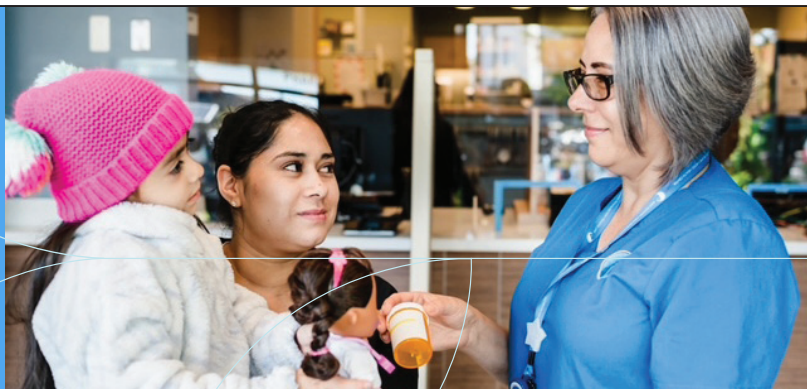
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THE WHS VIKINGS HOST BIG BLUE OF SWAMPSCOTT AT HOME

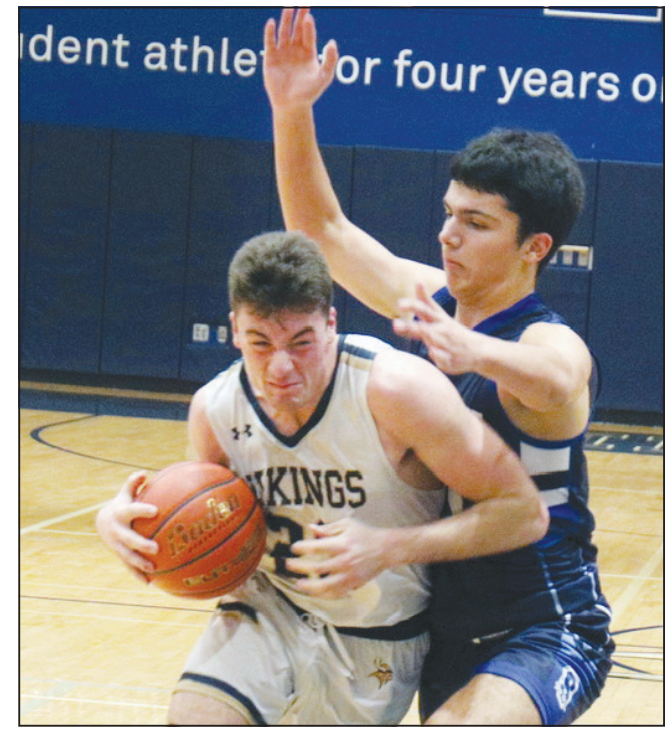


Junior guard Noah Bayersdorfer skies for a three-point attempt.



Nick Correa fights for a rebound.

The Winthrop High School boys basketball team fell to Swampscott, 63-45, in an Northeastern Conference game on the Vikings' home court.



Capt. Matthew Reardon found it tough under the basket.



Capt. Matthew Reardon grabbed a rebound and looks to make a play.



Nico Ruggieri looks to make a pass.



Noah Bayersdorfer played a tough game, grabbing rebounds and paying the price under the basket.



Chris Crocker has control of the basketball versus the Big Blue of Swampscott.



Spencer Parco is double-teamed by the Swampscott defense.

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

WHS BOYS ROLL PAST EXCEL, 69-52; HOST SAUGUS FRIDAY

The Winthrop High School boys basketball team earned its first victory of the season with a 69-52 triumph over Excel Academy (formerly South Boston High) in the consolation game of the fourth annual David Green Memorial Basketball Tournament on Saturday at the WHS gym.

The Vikings sprinted to a 10-0 lead in the opening minutes of the contest and never looked back. Senior captain Matthew Reardon opened the scoring with a nifty reverse lay-up underneath, junior Noah Bayersdorfer drained a three-pointer to make it 5-0, and Reardon sank a free throw for a 6-0 Viking lead.

Bayersdorfer continued to have a hot hand in the period, hitting two more from three-point land and scoring an old-fashioned three-point

play when he rebounded his own miss and put back the rebound on which he drew a foul.

By the time the period ended, the Vikings, who employed a stifling defense, held a commanding 21-5 advantage and were well on their way to the win.

"I'm very excited about this year's team," said second-year WHS head coach Quinton Dale. "We're young and have gone through some growing pains through the first part of the season, but the boys are committed to the new system and culture, and are improving every day. "Our defense has made significant improvements over the last two weeks and our shots are starting to fall more consistently," Dale continued. "We have a very unselfish group of players, led by senior captains Matthew Reardon and Spencer Parco, who are committed to playing team ball, and doing the little things that put the team in a position to win."

Dale and his crew, who stand at 1-5 on the season, are scheduled to host Northeastern Conference South Division rival Saugus this Friday evening (January 3) for a 7:00 opening tip. They will entertain Salem on Monday before traveling to Peabody next Thursday.

WHS BOYS HOCKEY HOSTS MASCO NEXT WED.

The Winthrop High School boys hockey team, which split its two contests in the Michael Giordano Hockey Tournament in South Boston during the vacation week, defeating Lynnfield 4-2 in the preliminary round before falling to Boston Latin (the defending Division 2 state champion) in the championship contest, 3-0, will entertain Northeastern Conference rival Masconomet next

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WHS SPORTS THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago December 30, 2014

The Winthrop High School Hockey Boosters Club, in conjunction with varsity hockey coach Dale Dunbar, has earmarked Saturday, January 24, to commemorate the Winthrop High School hockey program's 50th anniversary. The celebration will feature a boys Varsity game at 2 pm, an Alumni Legends game at 4 pm, and a gala celebration open to the public at 6:30 pm at St John's Church Hall.

20 years ago January 6, 2005

The WHS girls basketball team enjoyed a successful week, capturing the Stop & Shop Holiday Classic played at Chelsea High with a 60-42 triumph over Whittier Tech in the tourney final. Freshman Kristen Finn led Winthrop with 17 points, while Kristin Visco hit for 12 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Rachele DeLeo, who had scored 24 points in the tourney semifinal, reached double figures with 10 points. The Lady Vikings then returned to competition against their Northeastern Conference rivals and earned a 50-49 triumph over Lynn English in overtime. Visco

led the way for coach Peter Grimes's team with 20 points.

Senior Anthony Griffin hit for 22 points to lead the WHS boys basketball team to a 57-38 win over Lynn English. Griffin was 11-for-11 from the free throw line.

Winthrop's B.U. hockey alumni, Mike Eruzione and Dale Dunbar, were among the invited guests who attended the opening of the Agganis Arena, B.U.'s new \$95 million hockey facility, this past Monday.

30 years ago January 12, 1995

Coach Peter Grimes's WHS boys basketball team improved to 6-1 this week with a 74-65 triumph over Swampscott and a 75-58 win over Marblehead. Todd Doherty scored 18 points in the Swampscott victory and Lawone Bennett led the way with 14 against Marblehead.

The WHS hockey team improved to 5-1 in the NEC with a 5-3 win over Lynn English and a 5-0 shutout of Beverly. Steve Calla scored two goals and teammates Jack Cimino, Chris Ford, and Jim Clark scored a goal apiece against English. Michael Palmer lit the lamp

twice and Calla, Robert Boncore, and Rich Coscia scored one goal each against Beverly.

40 years ago January 9, 1985

Coach Bill Falasca's WHS hockey team, the defending NEC champion, is riding high with a 6-0 record after a 9-2 win over Lynn English. Bobby Crossman has been the Vikings' top scorer with 14 goals and 10 assists.

The WHS boys basketball team earned its first win of the season last week in thrilling fashion, defeating Lynn Classical 52-51. Senior Jimmy Lyons sank a jump shot with four seconds to go to give the Vikings the dramatic triumph. Center Tom Juravich scored a team-high 17 points. Winthrop then earned another dramatic win, 61-57 in overtime, against Salem. Lyons led Winthrop with 21 points and Sean Conway hit for 19 to pace the Vikings.

The WHS girls basketball team stands at 6-3 on the season, led by Maureen Sheltry, who is leading the Lady Vikings in both scoring and rebounding thus far this season.

Franci Dolan and Sheila Kennedy combined for

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Sports

MEET YOUR WHS GIRLS VARSITY HOCKEY TEAM



Head Coach Butch Martucci and Asst. Coach Chris Palmer with the 2024-25 Winthrop High School girls hockey team at Larsen Rink. The Lady Vikings are wearing their new green jerseys dedicated to the memory of Todd Sullivan.



WHS Viking Seniors with Head Coach Butch Martucci and Asst. Chris Palmer. Front row: Hannah Barrett. Back row: Tori Bates, Izi Hain, Captain Talia Martucci, Captain Amelia Spencer, and Gabby Buonopane.



Head Coach Butch Martucci with his Senior Captains, Talia Martucci and Amelia Spencer.

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Amelia Spencer, Avalina Coffey, and Chloe Couture for preserving the lead. Towse played 42 minutes (out of a 45-minute game) of shutout hockey while rejecting 17 AC shots.

“We had both Martucci and [Tegan] Pereira in the penalty box late in the game, and that’s a tough duo to have in there,” said Butch Martucci. “But thanks to Riley and our defensemen, we were able to hang on.”

VIKING NOTEBOOK

Amelia Spencer gave the offense the boost it needed with the Vikings’ first goal, cited Coach Martucci. “Amelia has been a key player since she started in Winthrop (as an eighth grader). She’s a fantastic defenseman who gives her whole heart and soul. This goal was a pretty one. She made a couple of nice moves and went right in and put it in the 5-hole. It’s always fun to watch Amelia score a goal, because she gets so excited during the celebration.”

Talia Martucci leads the Vikings in scoring with 7 points (six goals, one assist). Tegan Pereira, who scored goals in each of the first three games, is second with 6 points.

As one would expect, Talia Martucci is getting extra attention from opponents. In fact, an Arlington Catholic player committed a penalty while trying to contain the dynamic forward. Martucci

made the Cougars pay when she scored on the ensuing power play.

Longmeadow High School (“a big, physical team out of western Massachusetts,” according to Coach Martucci) is next on the Vikings’ schedule for a Saturday matinee (1 p.m.) at Larsen Rink. Next Wednesday (Jan. 8 at 5:15 p.m.), the Vikings travel to Peabody for a Northeastern League showdown with the No. 5-ranked Tanners. Peabody (4-0-1). Peabody has wins over Falmouth (4-0) Medford (6-1) Woburn (2-1) and Beverly/Danvers/Ipswich (5-1) and a 3-3 tie with defending Division 1 state champion St. Mary’s in a Dec. 21 meeting. The common opponent is Medford, whom the Vikings defeated, 7-0, in their season opener.

“We’re playing really well and we’re getting a lot of girls to step up and play some good, sound hockey,” said Martucci. “Some of the younger players are making a big impact. Nora Zaffini (eighth grade) has stepped in well on the third line with Abby Githnji (freshman) And the senior, Tori Bates, is really leading that line. We needed some hard-working shifts from them late in the Arlington Catholic game and that line delivered for us.”

Winthrop is currently ranked No. 11 in the Boston Globe Top 20 poll.

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

Friday, January 10

9:00am-12:00pm: Computer Usage
10:00am-11:00am: Line Dancing (\$5)
11:00am: Grab & Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30am-12:30pm: Creative Writing
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, January 6

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

Tuesday, January 7

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
10:30am-11:30am: Zumba with Cindy (\$5)
11:00am-1:00am: Art Class with Dawn (\$6)
11:00am: Grab & Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:45am-12:45pm: Tai Chi / Qi Gong
2:00pm: The Senior Center will be closing early

Wednesday, January 8

The Senior Center Will Be CLOSED. HAPPY YEAR!!

Thursday, January 9

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:00am-3:00pm: Medical Pedicures
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
10:30am-12:30pm: Red Hatters
12:00pm-12:30pm: Dine-In / Grab & Go Lunch Pick-Up
12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

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after having just received his commission and flight wings.

Hedy Lamarr and Paul Henreid star in The Conspirators at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

90 years ago January 15, 1935

Candidates for town office in the March election are coming to life, with some of the incumbents already having filed their nomination papers.

The last load of stone for the two additional breakwaters along Shore Drive was put into place by the contractor last week. Total cost for the two breakwaters is \$246,000.

More than 200 persons filled the Odd Fellows Hall to hear a talk given by Samuel Tick, Ph.D., from California, on the so-called Townsend Plan. Tick answered many questions about the proposed \$200 per month plan for senior citizens ages 60 and over. The Townsend Plan is expected to get a full hearing before Congress this year.

The Winthrop Unemployment Committee reports that it is receiving five times as many requests for assistance as it can handle and therefore is making a general plea for all residents to make a donation to the committee.

W.C. Fields and Baby LeRoy star in It's a Gift at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

100 years ago January 10, 1925

A large crowd attended the talk by Van Ness Bates, a member of the Metropolitan Planning Board, concerning the plan to

construct a high level bridge from East Boston to Boston. Bates said the big advantage of a bridge over a tunnel is the cost, with the price of a bridge about \$16 million and the price of a tunnel about \$42 million, which was the cost of the recently-built tunnel in New York City under the Hudson River. He said a bridge would eliminate the many dangers of the current ferry, which suffers a large number of serious mishaps every year. He also spoke of a bridge connecting Deer Island with Long Island.

The recent large number of real estate transfers in Winthrop shows the strong interest in real estate in our town

Winthrop, along with the rest of the Eastern Seaboard, was rocked by an earthquake at 8:05 a.m., this past Wednesday, January 7.

Construction of the new junior high school on Hermon St. is proceeding ahead of schedule.

110 years ago January 16, 1915

The storm that hit the town this week was the strongest to strike here since the storm of 1898 when the steamship Portland sank on November 27, 1898, amidst hurricane-force winds and huge waves off Cape Cod. The steamship, which lost an estimated 200 passengers and crew, had been en route from Boston to Portland, Maine, but the ferocity of the storm blew it back toward the Cape. Dr. Porter's lawn was covered with sea water by 8:00 in the morning.

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Wednesday (January 8) at Larsen Rink. The opening face-off is set for 6:10.

Prior to the contrast with Masco, coach Dale Dunbar and his Vikings, who stand at 2-3 on the season, will make the long trek to Gloucester this Saturday evening (January 4) for a 6:00 opening face-off with the Fishermen at Dorothy Talbot Rink.

WHS GIRLS HOOP HOSTS PEABODY NEXT THURSDAY

The Winthrop High

girls basketball team will have a busy week ahead with four games in seven days. Coach Anthony Hatzisavas's Lady Vikings, who stand at 1-4 on the season, will hit the road for three contests starting at Saugus this Friday (January 3). They will trek to Salem on Monday and then to Cambridge Rindge and Latin on Tuesday before returning home to host Peabody next Thursday. The opening tip for the home matchup with the Lady Tanners is set for 6:00.

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its share of challenges, Letterie said there is plenty that makes Winthrop a special community.

"I drive a lot, I drive through a lot of the other cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth, and I'm just so happy to be part of this community," said Letterie. "We discuss a lot of items in and out of the town and a lot of people get upset, but you drive around this town and it is just so beautiful. The infrastructure is in pretty good shape, the shoreline is just magnificent, our proximity to Boston, al-

though the traffic is more than we would like, it is still a pretty short ride to get in and out of the airport.

"It's just a special place to live, you have all of the beauty and amenities of a small, quaint town, yet you have the geographic flexibility to be in the city so quickly."

Letterie said the amount of discussion generated by the issues in the town also shows that its residents genuinely care about Winthrop and what happens to it.

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Gloria Duval

She was a beacon of love and strength for her family, leaving behind a legacy of kindness and devotion

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Gloria M. Duval, who departed from this world on December 22, 2024 at her home in Winthrop.

Gloria was born on December 24, 1928 in Tewksbury to the late Lillian G. (Pitts) and James Farren.

A dedicated and cherished daughter, Gloria was a longtime resident of Winthrop, where she ventured into entrepreneurship by owning her own ceramics business. Her adventurous spirit led her to always embrace new experiences, embodying a zest for life that inspired those around her.

Gloria found joy in exploring the world through travel and treasured moments spent with her children and grandchildren. She was a beacon of love and strength for her family, leaving behind a legacy of kindness and devotion.

Within her community, Gloria was an esteemed member of the Cottage Park Yacht Club, where she served as the president of the Women's Bowling League. Additionally, she was an active participant in the Winthrop Catholic Women's Club, contributing her time and efforts to various charitable endeavors.

Gloria M. Duval will be deeply missed by all who knew her as her warmth, generosity and unwavering spirit continue to resonate in the hearts of those she leaves behind. May her legacy of love and resilience serve as a guiding



light for generations to come.

She was the devoted wife of the late Ernest H. Duval and the loving mother of Michele Moran and her husband, Patrick of Chicago, John Duval and his wife, Cathie of Topsfield, Denise Duval of Venice Beach, FL, Paul Duval and his wife, Anne of Rockport, Patrice Dorsi and her husband, Gerry of Winthrop and Thomas Duval and his wife, Shari of Boxford; dear sister of the late John Farren and Geraldine Farren. She is also survived by 20 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Monday, December 30 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church. Services concluded with the interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

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16 points to lead the unbeaten WHS girls indoor track team to an important 43-43 tie with Swampscott, thus setting the stage for a showdown for the NEC title with undefeated Beverly.

her added 12 points and Bob Kneeland hit for 10. However, Winthrop suffered its first league loss with a 61-54 defeat to Andover. Billy McGillicuddy led Winthrop with 16 points.

50 years ago January 15, 1975

Coach Bill Falasca's WHS hockey team now is tied for first place in the NEC with Lynn English thanks to wins of 6-1 over Saugus and 3-1 over Salem. Sophomore Jackie Burke scored two goals in the showdown with Saugus, as did "Mr. Lamp-lighter," Bobby MacDonald. Viking goalie Ken Lorange made 40 saves in the Salem triumph.

Coach Henry McCarthy's WHS boys basketball team made it five wins in a row with victories over Swampscott and Lynn English this past week. Steve Demetriou paced the Vikings in scoring in both games with 18 and 17 points respectively.

60 years ago January 14, 1965

Coach John Myers's WHS basketball team, led by Capt. Mike Princi with 14 points, defeated Woburn, 70-56. Mike Kelle-

70 years ago January 13, 1955

Capt. Tommy Flynn sank three of five free throws in the final minute to propel Winthrop to a 49-45 win over Marblehead, the second straight triumph for coach John Sheehan's team, which opened its Northeastern Conference schedule with a 67-47 runaway victory over Amesbury.

80 years ago January 11, 1945

The Winthrop High basketball team made its debut as a member of the Northeastern Conference an impressive one this week, with a 38-36 triumph over Amesbury and a 41-33 win over Newburyport. Capt. Billy Countaway scored 23 points in the win over Newburyport, the defending NEC champ. Myron Atlas and Milton Neal also played well in the big victory.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Condiments, Sauces, and Chutneys, Oh My!

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We love exploring other cultures through their foodways which means we've amassed a wide selection of condiments, sauces, chutneys, and such. Slowly, our growing collection has taken over our already too-small refrigerator. To solve the problem, we've purchased a small refrigerator just for condiments.

Refrigerate After Opening

If you read the labels on most of these bottles and jars, they say, "refrigerate after opening." We follow this advice not for food safety reasons but for food quality. Most of these products are not refrigerated in their native settings. Many are salted, pickled, or fermented for preservation. However, in their native settings, they are used and replaced far more frequently than in our home.

In a Korean household, Kimchi is eaten daily and used up quickly. The same applies to fish sauce in a Thai or Vietnamese kitchen or preserved lemons in the Middle East. These are treasured additions to favorite dishes, but they're not used quickly enough to prevent them from losing their flavor intensity without refrigeration in our home.

Fusion Experiments

We have a plan to use up many of the condiments we bought for special dishes by challenging ourselves to find other uses. Think about the role a condiment plays in its native culture, then use it to replace other ingredients.

Great starting points for this type of fusion experiment can be egg dishes, salad dressings, and sandwiches. Kimchi adds saltiness and spice to Korean dishes. Add some to scrambled eggs, and they

take on a new dimension. Google "kimchi salad dressing recipes" for dozens of options. Replace the sauerkraut on a hot dog or rye with kimchi.

Hoisin sauce is traditionally used in Chinese cooking as a glaze for meat, part of a stir fry sauce, and as a dipping sauce for Peking Duck. It offers a wonderful balance of sweet, savory, pungent and salty flavors. When something you cook is lacking those notes, add a bit of hoisin.

Consider what it might do as a glaze for carrots, squash, burgers, or spread on a wrap.

Make Your Own Condiments

While we have not taken on the task of making our own ketchup, we've improved the taste of commercial versions by adding sriracha. In researching for this article we found endless references to making your own



Here's a peek inside our condiment refrigerator.

preserved lemons, pickles, relishes, chutneys and sauces.

We love chutneys and have traditionally made small batches around the holidays. Our love of Indian food has added many chutney recipes to our collection. We also love to try some of the great chutneys from small producers like Blake Hill Preserves in Vermont.

Buy Quality Not Quantity

Early on in our use of

fish sauce, we discovered the vast difference between the least and most expensive versions and finally settled on Red Boat Fish Sauce 40°N recommended by Andrea Nguyen a Vietnamese food educator we trust.

Chili Crisp is another example of a condiment that has become a fad and is appearing in so many versions at so many price points that deciding which to try can be daunting. We still buy the Lao Gan Ma Spicy Chili Crisp we've

kept on hand for years.

One way to try a few different versions of the same condiment is to swap a bit with friends. We've been doing this with spices for years. Now that we have room to store a bit more we can start a condiment swap to add to our soup and spice swaps.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Email Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

Mike Eruzione recalls his visit to President Carter at the White House

By Cary Shuman

One day after the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team won the gold medal in Lake Placid, Captain Mike Eruzione, his teammates, and other medalists boarded Air Force planes headed to Andrews Air Force Base.

They were summoned to the nation's capital by President Jimmy Carter who welcomed the team to the White House for a national recognition ceremony. Mr. Carter enthusiastically greeted Eruzione with a congratulatory handshake and pat on the back before the ceremony.

"I just remember how nice the President and his wife (First Lady Rosalynn Carter) were," recalled

Eruzione this week. "And I remember how proud he was of our team and what we accomplished."

James Earl Carter Jr., the 39th President of the United States, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024. Mr. Carter was 100 years old.

Interestingly but unsurprisingly to those who instantly realized the magnitude of their victory, Eruzione and company were the main topic on the CBS Evening News with Walter Cronkite that night.

Said CBS News reporter Leslie Stahl (who grew up in Swampscott) in her coverage of the story, "It was hard to remember a time when the entire country was so united in its excitement and happiness over anything. It was evident in New York this morning when the

American team left Lake Placid on the Air Force plane. And it was evident in Washington when the planes touched down at Andrews Air Force. And it was evident on the lawn of the White House. As the Marine band played patriotic songs, the ceremony took on the flavor of a heroes' welcome. Mr. Carter said this was one of his proudest moments."

"These are wonderful young Americans, and they have thrilled our nation, and we're all deeply grateful for your tremendous achievements," said President Carter.

Reporters swarmed to Eruzione following the ceremony to interview the captain and get his comments about the 1980 Summer Olympics boycott in Moscow by the

U.S. team, a decision that had been made by President Carter.

"It's a sad thing that something like that could happen, but if our country decides that that's the thing to do, then it is the thing to do," Eruzione told the media.

President Carter went on to win the Democratic nomination in the 1980 Presidential Primary, defeating then-U.S. Sen. Ted Kennedy of Massachusetts, but lost the general election in a landslide to Ronald Reagan, who became the 40th President of the United States and served two terms in office.

(Information from the Feb. 25, 1980, CBS Evening News broadcast was used in the compilation of this story).

Police// CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

0929: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1430: A person came into the station to report that she had found an Apple Watch in the parking lot at Larsen Rink. The office filed a report. The owner of the watch came in a few hours later to retrieve it.

1917: The Animal Control Officer found a small dog on the loose at Winthrop and Banks Sts. The officer brought the dog to the Ocean View Kennels.

2141: A person called the station to report that he had observed a person backing up his vehicle from a parking space at the Winthrop Golf Club, twice striking another vehicle, and then leaving the scene. The officer filed a report.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

0137: An officer issued 15 parking tickets to vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of

Johnson And Bellevue Aves.

0346: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. being operated by a person without a valid license, which is a criminal offense. The officer issued a citation to the operator and a licensed person was able to take control of the vehicle.

1052: A disabled motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Crystal Cove Ave. was ordered towed and was brought to private property.

2052: An officer directed a person operating a U-Haul truck that was parked at Moore and Shirley Sts. and overhanging the corner to park the truck at the Public Landings for the night.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

0231: An officer issued parking tickets to eight vehicles without resident parking stickers in the area of Tewksbury St.

0235: An officer issued parking tickets to six vehicles without resident parking stickers on Shirley St.

0659: An officer ordered a tow for a vehicle blocking a driveway on Thornton Park.

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Planning Board
PUBLIC HEARING
January 15, 2025
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at or after 7:00 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the

application of person requesting:
PROJECT ADDRESS: 214-226 Winthrop Street, Winthrop, MA 02152
APPLICANT NAME/ APPLICANT ADDRESS:
Chris Young- 5 Fremont Street, Winthrop, MA 02152
214-226 Winthrop Street- The Applicant is proposing a conversion of the existing building to create a mixed-use building that aligns with the character of the neighborhood and supports the goals outlined in the Center Business District. The Conversion will include

12 rental units, consisting of 10 one-bedroom units and 2 studio apartments, as well as 5 retail spaces on the ground floor. All retail spaces are currently occupied. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Hall.
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Victory // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

the 2024 campaign, Fucillo felt his team would be a bowl game contender and BHS lived up to those high expectations.

"I expected to be in the mix," said Fucillo. "It was a tough year injury-wise and we lost to some good teams, but we got healthy at the end at the right time."

Needing a win in the regular season finale to qualify for the bowl game, Belmont Hill routed Governor's Academy, 35-8, to earn the invitation.

Fucillo, who is also the school's assistant athletic director, will send ten of his seniors on to play college football, including Tommy Rupley and Sampson Onuoha, who will both be attending Division 1 Duke University. Six seniors will be playing football at NESCAC schools (Anthony himself is a graduate of prestigious Tufts University) while two graduating players will head to other Division 3 schools.

"This is probably the

greatest class in Belmont Hill history in terms of college placement," Fucillo stated proudly.

Fucillo lauded his father Tony's contribution as the receivers coach. "The group had a great year," said Anthony. "Three of his guys will be playing college football next year."

Belmont Hill will return its three-year starting quarterback, Reis Little, and other highly rated players on offense. With the program's success and Fucillo's quickly established reputation as a superb head coach, one would expect Belmont Hill to be a much-sought after choice for students considering the prep school route.

Fucillo, who has relocated to Belmont (Mass.) with his wife, Dr. Stephanie Clegg, and their daughter, Madison Fucillo, attended three Winthrop High football games this season, notably the Vikings' Thanksgiving victory over Revere.

"They got banged up at the wrong time this sea-

son, but they battled all season and showed a lot of resilience," said Fucillo. "Coach Jon Cadigan does a great job with that program."

Anthony said he took a lot of pride in his sister, Jenny Fucillo Golic, being inducted into the Winthrop High School Athletic Hall of Fame in November. After becoming one of the state's premier hurdlers and receiving the Wallace B. McLean Best Athlete Award at Winthrop High School, Jenny went on to excel academically and athletically at the University of Notre Dame (graduating magna cum laude).

"I have to say Jenny is probably the best athlete in the family," offered Anthony. "She definitely held the torch and is probably one of the harder workers in our family. She worked so hard through high school to get to where she was. I'm glad that she was honored for her hard work and dedication to her sports."



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Volunteers and staff prepare 900 bags of food

On Thursday, December 19, NeighborHealth's Community Resource and Wellness Center buzzed with activity as staff and volunteers prepared 900 bags of food for holiday distribution to families and residents in the community.

The health system's healthcare navigators, social workers, behavioral health team members and leaders were joined by volunteers from AmeriCorps and Union Capital Boston to assemble fresh produce, dry goods and lean proteins like eggs, pork and chicken to distribute ahead

of the holidays. NeighborHealth's holiday food distribution was a part of their ongoing initiatives through the Community Resource and Wellness Center, where they provide food and other necessities to the community year-round to residents. The food program is made possible through the support and partnership of NeighborHealth's food suppliers, Red Cross Food Pantry, Spoonfuls, and the Greater Boston Food Bank, as well as the dedicated staff, volunteers and community members whose continuous contri-

butions enable NeighborHealth to provide more than 10,000 pounds of food weekly to the community.

To sign up for this program and learn more about the Community Resource and Wellness Center at 282 Meridian Street in East Boston, visit: Community Resource and Wellness Center at NeighborHealth.

About NeighborHealth, formerly 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, NeighborHealth 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, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center joined forces with the South End Commu-

nity Health Center and expanded services to patients who live and work in Boston's South End and Roxbury neighborhoods. NeighborHealth cham-

pions innovative care models to actively bridge health equity gaps in our low-income and immigrant communities with services unique from oth-

er healthcare providers in our state. For more information, visit www.neighborhealth.com.



NeighborHealth Chief Operating Officer Ryan Boxill and volunteer Jehova Hernandez working to prepare fresh produce for distribution to NeighborHealth community.



Bags of food, prepared by NeighborHealth team members, ready to go to families for the holidays.



NeighborHealth President and CEO, Greg Wilmot, joined NeighborHealth staff and volunteers to help prepare holiday food for the community.



NeighborHealth Chief of Human Resources Steven Snyder assembles holiday food bags for the community.



NeighborHealth's Community Resource and Wellness Center as staff and volunteers prepared for holiday food distribution.



NeighborHealth AmeriCorps member Eve Feuerbach bagging food to distribute to local families for the holidays.

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