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NEWS Briefs

CHA NAMES BRIAN HERRICK, MD, CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), an academic community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville and Boston's metro-north region, has named Brian Herrick, MD, as its new chief information officer. Dr. Herrick, who has served in various IT leadership roles at CHA since 2010, has more than 15 years of management experience in the health care delivery and IT environments.

Dr. Herrick most recently served as CHA's chief medical information officer, a position he has held since 2012. As the senior physician responsible for overseeing the organization's IT collaboration with patients, clinicians, operations, quality, compliance and researchers, he has played an essential part in improving patient quality and provider satisfaction. He has led CHA's optimization and implementation of clinical information systems to ensure they support patient care, quality measure

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Winthrop Public Schools Preschool Screening

The Winthrop School Department will conduct the annual Preschool Screening for 3 and 4 year old children born prior to September 1, 2016. The screenings will be held on March 11, 12 & 13, 2019 at the Gorman Fort Banks School. The purpose of the screening is to identify those children in need of special education services. Additionally, children who will be 4 years of age prior to September 1, 2019, not identified as a student in need of special education services, will be eligible for tuition based lottery openings in the integrated preschool program. Information regarding program options can be found at: www.winthrop.k12.ma.us under the Parent Information tab.

All students must participate in the screening process to be considered for placement.

To schedule an appointment and obtain the required application, please contact Judi Buono, Student Registration, 617-846-5500 x7102, on or before Feb. 28, 2019. Screenings are held by appointment only.

EBNHC PACE CENTER VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY



PHOTO BY KATE ANSLINGER

Hannah Gorman and Joe Petruncio have a little buccaneer fun with a carnation during the PACE program's Valentine's Day party with middle schoolers. The post-Valentine's Day party was sponsored by PACE and the Odyssey Grill. See more photos on Page 8.

Residents plan protest on water and sewer rates

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Cathleen Napoli and other residents are fed up with the recent water and sewer rates in Winthrop so she took to social media and the airwaves to let everyone know how shocking the bills are.

Napoli started her protest with a posting on Facebook page called "Winthrop Open

Discussion."

She's calling for a rally at noon on Saturday, March 9 at the Ingleside Park Gazebo, with a rain date of March 16, to protest the recent water and sewer fee increases.

In addition, Napoli wants to invite the Massachusetts State Auditor's Office to conduct an audit of the methodology, accuracy and fairness of the cur-

rent Water Sewer assessment process.

On Tuesday night, the Town Council and the Town Manager heard from others who were ticked off about the water bills too.

"We have the second raise in our water bill in a year and I'm concerned about that," said Diane Sands of Precinct

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Next Level Fitness opens its doors in Winthrop

By Kate Anslinger

"Stronger Together" is the motto that Next Level Fitness CEO Micah Logan, believes in when it comes to fitness. As the founder of the 'one-stop

shop' for health and fitness, Logan, currently owns a Next Level studio in the North End and will be expanding with a second location in Winthrop.

The 4,000 square-foot fitness facility dedicated to small

group and one-on-one training, will be located in the MSA building at 354 Main St. and is complete with three workout rooms with cutting-edge equipment, a client recovery lounge, and meal-prep services. Logan will be partnering up with certified trainer, Zach Deeb, who will take on the role of studio manager.

The studio will have options for athletes who range from beginner to advanced, categorizing classes into three modules: shred, strength, and total body. The combination of workouts is designed to give clients a full body workout in 45-minute sessions, using high-intensity interval training (HIIT), weights, and cardio.

"When Zach called me up and asked me to partner with



PHOTO BY KATE ANSLINGER

Micah Logan and Zach Deeb show off the monitor on the wall that will showcase client progress during training sessions.

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Ferrino selected as Precinct 1 Councilor

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

You may now call him Precinct 1 Councilor Richard Ferrino.

The Town Council voted 4-3 Tuesday night to have Ferrino fill out the remaining term of Precinct 1 Councilor Michael McDuffee who died in January. "I'm very pleased the majority of the council voted on my behalf," Ferrino said. "I looking forward to convincing the other councilors that I am up to the task and I will perform in a manner that will make them change their minds."

The other candidate was Licensing Board member Nick



PHOTO BY SUE ELLEN WOODCOCK

Precinct 1 Councilor Richard Ferrino.

Bracy. Councilors Heather Engman, Michael Lucerto and Nick LoConte preferred Bracy.

"I'm glad Nick put his

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STUDENT HIGHLIGHT Samantha Long learns that writing is a relationship

By Kate Anslinger

Samantha Long has a gift for creating well-liked characters, devising a plot, and creating noteworthy dialogue, and her talent will be recognized when the Winthrop Drama Society takes her script to the semi-final stage. Having always had a knack for writing, seventeen-year-old Long took a chance and passed a homemade script onto drama teacher, Karen Calinda, last summer.

"When Samantha approached me, I read what she had and I was blown away," said Calinda. "She is an amazing writer. It's an endearing story, very relatable about a young boy trying to do the right thing and things get out of control. You can't find a nicer person. She's unassuming and talented."

Tell us about the process of writing the script.

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Samantha Long.

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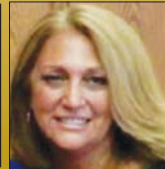
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Recruit George Costa and his family.



Retired State Trooper Michael Casamassima pins a badge on recruit Jennifer Adamson.



Recruit Martin Butler and Deputy Chief John Goodwin.



Recruit Christopher Miccichi and his mother.

POLICE RECRUITS SWORN IN AT TOWN HALL

OFF TO THE ACADEMY

Photographs by Sue Ellen Woodcock

Tuesday night, Feb. 19, Town Clerk Carla Vitale swore in 10 new police recruits for the department. They will attend a 372 hour course of study at the police academy.



Donald Stone, a 36-year veteran of the Boston Police Department, pins a badge on his son Daniel Stone.



The Perrin family: Sean (left) and Brian Perrin Sr (right) congratulate new recruit Brian Perrin Jr.



Proud mother Elaine Faro pins a badge on her daughter Vanessa Faro Petersen as her sister and Winthrop Police Officer Samantha Faro Petersen looks on.



Mimoza Hysa gives her son Xhulio Hysa a big hug.



Recruits David Ventura, Daniel Stone, Vanessa Petersen, Brian Perrin, Joan Pena, Christopher Miccichi, Xhulio Hysa, George Costa, Martin Butler and Jennifer Adamson.

WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

Friday, Feb. 8
Kennedy Dr., DPW assisted to move vehicle to a legal parking spot. Vehicles owner is going to order a private tow.
Court Road, Raccon on front porch. Raccon has been removed.
Cliff Ave., Two car motor vehicle accident. No injuries.
Quincy Ave., Caller stated she was driving and has an accident.
Faun Bar Ave., Burglar alarm room motion. Officer checked premises. Unit cleared.
Pauline St., Large group of teens. Units clear, incident happened elsewhere and the party was looking for his friends, party sent on their way.
Revere St., Commerical burglar. Unit report all secure.
Saturday, 2/09
Sturgis St., Possible dead possum in the street.
Cottage Park Rd., Caller could hear men's voice in the background talking.
Metcalf Sq., Bank of America Debit VISA card turned in by resident.
Revere St., Loud party and music. Unit spoke to parties who will be turning the music down.
Perkins St., Report states grey sedan is parked blocking her driveway. Vehicle has

driven away.
Tileston Rd., Commercial white pickup truck has been parked in same spot all weekend.
Circuit Rd., Caller states that someone was in her driveway/ they have since left this has happened before. Would like to speak to officer.

Monday, Feb. 11
Sturgis St., Officer found dog wondering in the vicinity. Officer was able to contact owner.
Metcalf Sq., Housing Authority reports serving a trespassing order.
Pleasant St., Blocked driveway.
Revere St., Report states a male possible Hispanic grey coat standing outside in their driveway.
Ferry St., Female called to state she has not heard from her friend who is elderly and is concerned for her safety.
Sea View Ave. & Pleasant St., Stop sign at the corner has been turned around and is not visible at that intersection. DPW is notified.
Hermon St., Alarm set off. Teachers going into school set it off.
Shore Drive, Baby seal on beach needs help. Notified New England Aquarium.
Shore Dr., Caller is stating

there is a motor vehicle with Delaware plates, black SUV with roof rack, with two people in the vehicle who have been there for a few minutes.
River Rd., Harassment called in to be put on file.
Revere St., 2 car motor vehicle accident. Red Sedan and other MV. Parties were transported to MGH.
Bowdoin St., Several Motor vehicles parked under No Parking signs,. Female stated there's a snow emergency no plows can get down.
Walnut Ave., 68 year old states she is missing money. Would like an officer to respond.
Somerset St., Caller states a black Honda parked on the street impeding the plows coming through.
Public Landing, Shirley St., Open Storage container at the Mccay construction site.

Wednesday, Feb. 13
Neptune Ave., Passer by stated she saw a heavy set male standing on the sidewalk with a jacket on waving a knife yelling at someone in a vehicle.
Sea Foam Ave., Report there is a vehicle parked on the sidewalk. Unit arrived on scene stated the vehicle was parked in the driveway running and overhanging the sidewalk by a bit.
Shore Dr., Units executing a warrant.
Revere St., DMV unit pushing the vehicle to the side unit personal tow comes along.
Main St., Female party has table set up on sidewalk selling Valentines items, causing traffic.
Locust St., Haven't shoveled, dangerous to walk. Notified DPW.
Main St., Officer dropping off some licensing information.
Johnson Ave., Person states she is receiving harassing messages through social media.
Moore St., Assist fire with a possible forced entry for a vacant house with a possible burst in water pipes.
Summit Ave., Reports there is a animal in the middle of the street, impeding traffic, possible hurt. Caller didn't know what kind of animal.
Mermaid Ave., Party came in

to report an issue with a dog off leash which was on his property growling at him while he was clearing snow from his car in his driveway. He had a mutual verbal altercation with his next door neighbor, the owner of the dog, whose name he doesn't know.
Governors Dr., Calling party reports her neighbor continuously smokes marijuana which enters her apartment making her sick.
Seal Harbor Rd., Accidental call
Madison Ave., Wire Down
Revere St., Near the beach coming from Revere, reports of a small dog with brown and white patches jumping on cars and running into the street.
Donovan's Beach, Refrigerator out on the curb with doors attached.
Winthrop St., Caller reports finding a wallet in the rear parking lot.
Woodside Ave., Party came in to report that she had an altercation with her boyfriends ex girlfriend where water was thrown in her face. She does not want to pursue this incident but wants it noted.

Friday, Feb. 15
Shirley St., Repossession order for vehicle.
Almont St., 911 hang up from landline.
Bartlett Rd., Report there is a water cover off in the vicinity.
Shirley St., Opposite side of the street behind telephone pole are 3 gallons of paint.
South Main St., Black pickup truck blocking street. No fire truck could get down.
Crest Ave., Owner just walked into his business and it was broken into.
Bowdoin Ave./River Rd., Caller reports her daughters were walking home from the high school when a male approached carrying an abundance of bags no other description was able to be given and stated., "Hey girls ever do cocaine?" "The police did me wrong locked me in a mental hospital and shot me up with cocaine." The girls were scared and ran home then told their mother. The mother was advised if this happens again to inform her daughters to call 911 so that we can respond and deal with the situation.

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there were guidelines to consider, the big one being that the play can't exceed 40 minutes. The script is constantly evolving, even now. Myself, Mrs. Calinda, and our whole cast are all perfectionists who want the script to be the best it can be, so little changes are always being made.

What is your favorite subject?

My favorite subject tends to be English every year. Writing and reading are huge parts of my life. You can convey such specific ideas and feelings simply by arranging certain words in certain ways. Language, writing specifically,

is a gateway into unexplored worlds and experiences; the goal for someone who writes is to transport their readers/ audiences/ listeners into a new place and make them really feel something with their words, and English class has always been a good place to practice that concept. I also love psychology, which I started taking this year, and art, which I have been taking all throughout high school; anything that taps into human emotion and activity and tries to explain somehow who we are and what makes us tick.

Do you have any plans for college or career goals?

College is approaching so quickly! I really feel like I was just in elementary school. My goal, no matter which school I attend, is to study some kind of creative writing. I love writing scripts, short stories, poetry, and I want to be surrounded by creative people at college, wherever I go.

Who is your role model?

Greta Gerwig and Ava DuVernay are big ones for me. They are both screenwriters and directors; Greta Gerwig wrote and directed *Lady Bird*, a movie that I watch over and over again just to marvel at and pick apart the dialogue. Ava DuVernay has such an incredible mastery

of words in her scripts; she knows what is going to make the most impact and hit the audience in the gut. She said something once, maybe in a Tweet, that I found really poignant; she said, in reference to writing, "It's a relationship. Between you and what comes from you." I think this is so true and so well worded. Everything I write feels like a little piece of me outside of my body, tied back to me by a string, or something like that. Otherwise, my role models are everyone I've ever worked with in the Winthrop High School Drama Society. I have learned, and am still learning, everything from them.

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Project Here’s online app for youth prevention education wins Parents’ Choice Award 2019

Attorney General Maura Healey announced that Project Here Games, an online app available for middle school students to practice healthy decision-making skills for substance use prevention, has been selected as a 2019 Parents’ Choice Gold Award winner.

“Project Here Games gives our young people the skills needed to make healthy choices, deal with stress and social pressures, and avoid substance use,” said AG Healey. “We are proud to be recognized by Parents’ Choice and grateful to our partners for their ongoing work helping us stop substance use before it starts.”

The Parents’ Choice Awards program, awarded by the Parents’ Choice Foundation, honors the best material for children, including books, toys, music, magazines, software, videogames, television and websites, each year. Parents’ Choice selected Project Here Games as its only 2019 Gold Award winner in the website category, calling the application’s content “skillfully designed” and applauding its thought-provoking hypothetical scenarios for allowing children to consider how different actions can have different outcomes.

AG Healey and the GE Foundation unveiled Project Here Games in September 2018 as part of Project Here, a \$2 million public-private collaboration to make substance use prevention education available to all public middle schools in Massachusetts.

Project Here Games, developed by FableVision Studios in partnership with Health

Resources in Action, teaches students about healthy choices, peer pressure, substance use and coping with stress through games, quizzes, and scenarios. The app helps students gain practical skills to navigate challenging situations and make healthy decisions as they grow up, and is available for free on computers, tablets, and smart phones. It can be used by teachers as an in-classroom activity or by students outside of school.

“Project Here is a great example of a public-private collaboration that is making real progress in helping students make healthy decisions,” said Ann R. Klee, President, GE Foundation. “Project Here Games is connecting with kids in innovative ways by bringing gamification to the fight against substance use and the opioid crisis.”

“Project Here Games has been described by middle schoolers as ‘so cool,’ ‘fun’ and ‘wicked easy to use,’” said Ivy Schmalzried, Senior Program Manager at Health Resources in Action. “We are excited to have won a Parents’ Choice Gold Award to recognize the app as a unique way to help foster healthy development of skills in young people to prevent substance use.”

“FableVision Studios was proud to help design and develop this game-based approach alongside the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office and Health Resources in Action in the important work of supporting young people in our state and combatting substance use,” said Gary Goldberger, FableVision President and Co-Founder. “We are honored to be a part

of the team and have our work acknowledged by the Parents’ Choice Foundation.”

Project Here was announced in May 2017 by the AG’s Office, the GE Foundation, Epicenter Experience and The Herren Project to promote social emotional learning and empower students to make healthy decisions through an innovative combination of curricula, digital content, and support for educators and students. The program provides every public middle school with access to a free Online Toolkit with resources to educate students about marijuana, vaping, opioids and other substances, and learn social and emotional skills needed to make healthy decisions. The Toolkit also allows students the opportunity to connect to a support network of licensed social workers at The Herren Project. To date, more than 290 schools have registered for Project Here and are accessing its resources.

In September 2018, AG Healey also announced nearly \$450,000 in grant funding to 109 schools through the Project Here Substance Use Prevention Curriculum Grant to implement evidence-based substance use prevention curricula over a two-year period. The funding was awarded to individual schools, school districts, and educational collaboratives across 38 Massachusetts cities and towns and will reach tens of thousands of students.

Learn more and register for Project Here at www.projectherema.org. Project Here Games is available at www.projecthergames.org.

HIGHLAND REAL ESTATE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Four Winthrop High School students were selected for the artwork they created for Highland Real Estate to use as new bus signs. From left to right is Sharon Tallent, Atiyeh Cassidy, Jim Polino, Dante Polino, Matt Polino, teacher Brian Donnelly, Ginny Brown, Chrissy D’Ambrosio, Elizabeth Polino and Jonathan Polino. Winners from left to right are : Izzy, Ferullo, Sage D’Amelio, Dina Maka and Emily Creador.

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name into the hat,” Ferrino said adding that public service has its ups and downs. “It’s all part of a growing experience in government.

For his own constituents in Precinct 1 he’d like to hold some meetings and address a few things that have been overlooked.

Ferrino has been active in town affairs for a number of years and grew up calling Winthrop home.

He will serve out the remainder of the 2019 season.

There will be an election in November to determine who will serve the remaining two years of the term.

Ferrino is the son of Judge Joseph Ferrino.

Ferrino, 57, has lived in Precinct 1 for the past 30 years, and is employed as the assistant chief of probation in Salem Court.

He has been active in town affairs over the years with the Historical Commission (chairman at one time), Parks and Recreation, the Memorial

Committee and the Winthrop Housing Authority.

He also worked on the town’s Capital Improvements Committee, the Dalrymple School Reuse Study, the E.B. Newton Reuse Committee. He was also a Town Meeting member for over 25 years. He currently serves on a UMass-Lowell Advisory Board for Humanities and Science. Ferrino is a member of the Freedom Foundation and served on the Dom Savio Prep School board.

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reporting and operational processes.

His accomplishments include launching a number of



Dr. Brian Herrick.

new features in CHA’s My-Chart patient portal, which gives patients active in the system better control to manage their health, and guiding CHA through the many stages of Meaningful Use incentive programs. Dr. Herrick has also worked with regional healthcare leaders to create a standard in CHA’s electronic medical record to promote inter-organizational information exchange to benefit patient care.

“As a family medicine physician and informatics leader, Dr. Herrick has a keen understanding of CHA’s operational, clinical and technical needs,” said CHA CEO Patrick Wardell. “He will provide

compassionate and innovative leadership in support of our mission to improve the health of our communities.”

Dr. Herrick completed his medical degree at Dartmouth Medical School, family medicine residency at the University of Rochester, a fellowship in faculty development at the University of California at San Francisco and a certificate in biomedical informatics from Oregon Health and Science University. He completed his board certification in clinical informatics in 2017.

CHA is an academic community health system committed to providing high-quality care in Cambridge, Somerville and Boston’s metro-north communities. CHA has expertise in primary care, specialty care and mental health/substance use services, as well as caring for diverse and complex populations. It includes three hospital campuses, a network of primary care and specialty practices and the Cambridge Public Health Dept. CHA patients have seamless access to advanced care through the system’s affiliation with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston.

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108 Grandview Ave	Winthrop, MA	6 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Bungalow	64	\$699,000	\$700,000
30 Temple Ave	Winthrop, MA	9 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial	9	\$699,999	\$700,000
80 Somerset Ave	Winthrop, MA	10 room, 4 bed, 3f 1h bath Colonial	11	\$699,999	\$710,000
125 Loring Rd	Winthrop, MA	10 room, 6 bed, 3f 2h bath Other (See Remarks)	53	\$779,000	\$770,000
64 Orlando Ave	Winthrop, MA	9 room, 5 bed, 2f 1h bath Other (See Remarks)	29	\$799,000	\$774,500
71 Winthrop St	Winthrop, MA	11 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Contemporary	33	\$829,000	\$775,000
98 W Shore Dr	Winthrop, MA	9 room, 5 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial	28	\$789,900	\$802,000
153 Court Rd	Winthrop, MA	10 room, 5 bed, 2f 0h bath Queen Anne	123	\$975,000	\$900,000
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OUR *Opinions*

TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC
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A recent national report confirmed what those of us in the Greater Boston area have known all-too-well for all-too-long: That by some measures, traffic congestion on our metropolitan roadways is the worst in the entire nation and among the worst in the world.

Traffic congestion in Boston and its environs no longer is confined to the usual morning and evening rush hours during the work week. We seem to be getting closer and closer to a reality of traffic jams, 24/7/365.

And heaven forbid that there is road construction or an accident, which can make a bad situation nightmarish.

What is especially aggravating about this reality is that the Big Dig, which we still are paying for, was supposed to alleviate what had been legendary traffic tie-ups that had plagued the Greater Boston area for decades.

We endured the travails of the Big Dig throughout the 1990s, but were promised that when it was done, all of the aggravation, plus the billions and billions of dollars in cost overruns (that we commuters still are paying for via fare increases on the harbor-crossing tolls and tunnels when the feds refused to pay more than the billions they already had committed to the project) all would be well-worth it because Boston traffic would be a breeze for the foreseeable future.

Yet here we are, barely 15 years past the Big Dig's completion, and traffic is worse than it ever has been.

The failure of the Big Dig to deliver on its promise of reduced traffic congestion is similar to the failure of the original Central Artery project that was completed in the 1950s. By the time that elevated roadway was built, it already was obsolete because there was more traffic passing through Boston each day than it had been designed to handle. Within two decades, traffic on the Central Artery was more than double its capacity.

Admittedly, just getting rid of the elevated Central Artery has been a huge boon to our downtown area. Although it was nice to drive through the city with a view from above street-level, the removal of that iron monstrosity from the landscape has been well worth the cost.

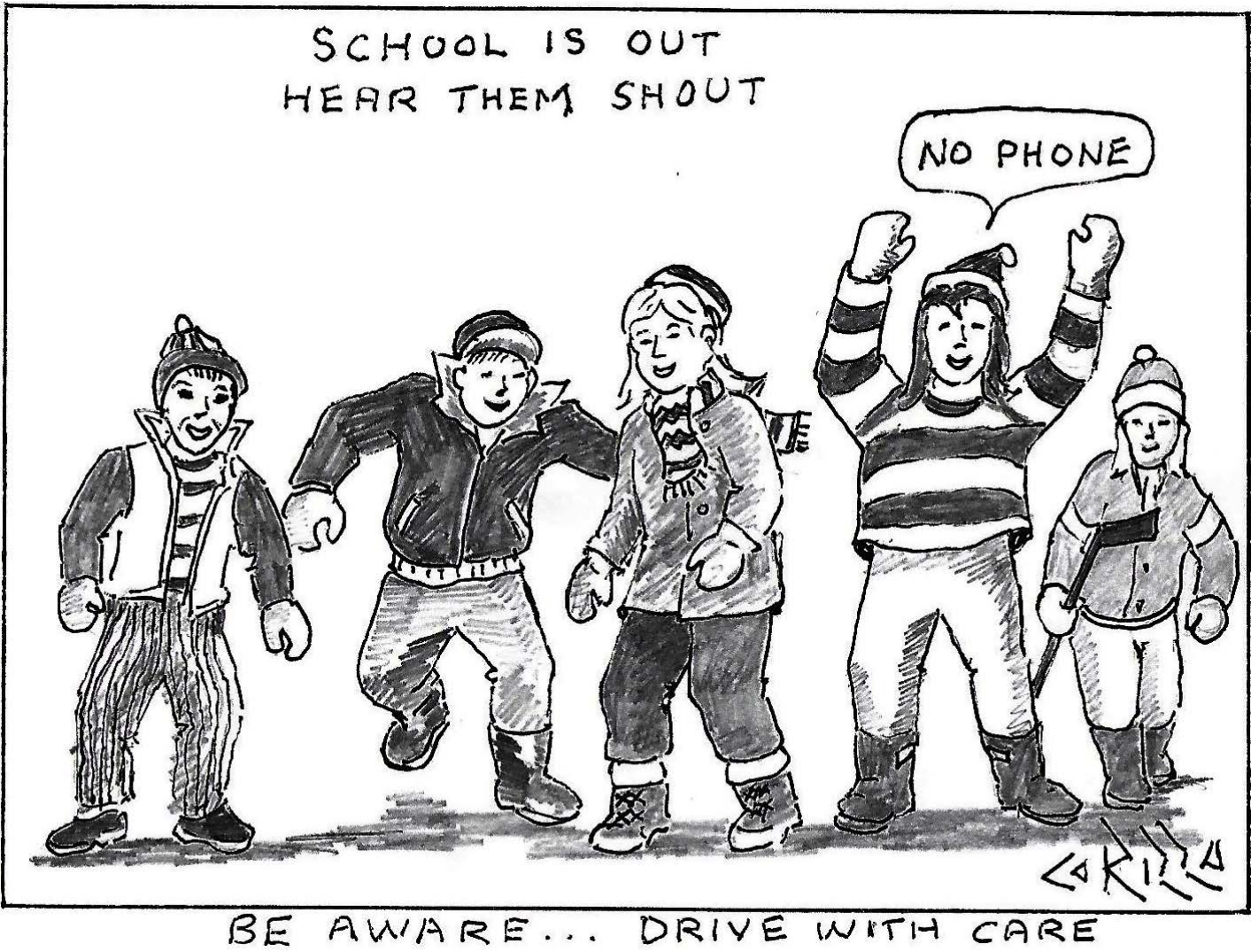
Still, it has been disappointing that the Big Dig ultimately has failed to achieve its main objective of significantly reducing traffic congestion throughout Greater Boston.

It is clear that public transportation is the only means by which our traffic problem will be alleviated. Unfortunately, the MBTA and its commuter rail lines are woefully unprepared to make even a dent in the traffic situation.

Some have suggested that linking North and South stations will help somewhat -- but that is another project of epic Big Dig proportions with questionable overall value to the traffic problem.

So it seems that we are stuck in a gridlock of our own doing -- and there is no foreseeable clear road ahead without major investments in our public transportation infrastructure.

Forum



LETTER to the Editor

FIRST YEAR ON THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dear Editor,
While it seems like only yesterday that I was fortunate enough to be selected to fill a vacancy on the Winthrop School Committee, it is in fact one year since my appointment. I thought I would take this opportunity to report to the citizens of our town what I have experienced so far, and my hopes for the future. Today, I am more convinced than before of the importance of an excellent educational system to our community and the impact it has on each one of us.

As many of you know, my passion for education is deeply rooted. I began my career as a speech therapist in public schools, including in Burlington, Massachusetts, after which I became a faculty member at Emerson College in Boston in the field of Communication Disorders. More recently, I have worked in higher education administration, serving my longest terms as a Vice President of Enrollment and Student Affairs at Emerson College and Vice Provost at George Mason University. My current role as a grandmother of two young girls, one of whom attends the Fort Banks School, is both most challenging, and most rewarding.

On the School Committee, my main interest has been in Curriculum, and I chair the subcommittee on that subject. I am very pleased that Ms. Lori Gallivan accepted the position of Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability. In the short time that she has been here, she has improved organization, efficiency and communication by effectively working with teachers and principals. You can now look at the Curriculum and Instruction section of the Winthrop Public School website to see

what our children are learning each week!

Our work on the School Committee is very team-oriented, and most of our ideas, proposals, discussions and deliberations are worked out in subcommittees. All of us serve on several subcommittees, and my involvement with my fellow committee members and our Superintendent, Lisa Howard, has given me a broad understanding of the work ahead.

In my opinion, the biggest challenges facing our school system are lack of funding, attracting and retaining qualified teachers, and maintaining reasonable class sizes. Funding is the major hurdle to overcome many of these challenges.

As an example, we faced a sudden influx of kindergartners in late August and early September, which meant that we needed to add a teacher and an aide to maintain a reasonable class size. Fortunately, the Town Manager and the Town Council worked with the Superintendent and School Committee to come up with the necessary funds to remedy this situation, albeit later in the school year than if the funds had been readily available.

The good news is that we have an influx of new teachers who are eager for professional development and, of course, competitive salaries. The Superintendent is carefully tracking and encouraging professional activities, monitoring class size, overall enrollment and, through collaborative work with teachers and principals, has developed an in-depth understanding of the budget and our needs.

I pledge to work with my fellow School Committee members, the Town Council and other interested citizens to develop strategies to resolve our challenges and celebrate

our successes. The work to provide a first-class education for our children is not easy, but it is very important. It requires the support of the whole community, not just parents and guardians of current students. I welcome your ideas and input now and in the future. Based on my service during the past year, I am optimistic about our future, and I intend to seek election to remain on the School Committee in November.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Swope, Ed.D.
Winthrop School Committee Member

NOW IS THE TIME
TO QUIT SMOKING

Dear Editor,
February is American Heart Month. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, smoking is a leading cause of heart disease.

Smoking can lead to the narrowing of blood vessels and high blood pressure and quitting smoking greatly improves heart health. So, make a resolution for a healthier life for you and your family. If you're a smoker, quitting is the most important step you can take to protect your health, decreasing the risk of lung disease, cancer, and even early death.

If you want to quit and tried in the past, don't give up. It often takes several tries before you can quit for good. However, with planning and support, you can become tobacco-free.

The Massachusetts Smokers' Helpline offers both telephone and online support 24 hours a day, seven days a week (with some holiday exceptions) by calling 1-800-QUIT NOW (1-800-784-8669) or through KeepTryingMA.org. Online support includes quit planning tools and chatting with others who are trying to

quit. Free nicotine patches, gum and lozenges are available to eligible users. The combination of coaching and quit-smoking medication can make you nearly three times as likely to quit for good!

Quitting smoking can be hard—here are five ways to make it easier:

1. Set a quit date. Choose a quit day this month. Give yourself about two weeks to prepare.
2. Tell your family and friends you plan to quit. Share your quit date with important people and ask for their support. Daily encouragement and planned activities can help you stay on track.
3. Anticipate and plan for challenges. The urge to smoke is short—usually only three to five minutes. Those moments can feel intense. Before your quit date, write down healthy ways to cope with cravings so you can get past them.

Healthy choices include:
· Drinking water
· Taking a walk
· Calling or texting a friend
4. Remove cigarettes and other tobacco from your daily routine. Throw away your cigarettes, lighters, and ashtrays. Clean your car and home. Old cigarette odors can cause cravings.

5. Talk to your doctor about quit-smoking medications. Over-the-counter or prescription medicines can help you quit for good; your quit coach and pharmacist can provide guidance.

For more information, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW or visit KeepTryingMA.org.

Make the choice to quit today, making February, American Heart Month, the beginning to a smoke-free and healthier you!

Sincerely,
Edgar Duran Elmudesi, MSW
Metro Boston Tobacco-Free Community Partnership

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Public hearing scheduled on Winthrop Taxi fare hikes

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

A public hearing regarding the taxi fares charged by Winthrop Taxi is expected to be held during the Town Council meeting on March 5.

Shawn Cluen, owner of Ride Right Transportation, doing business as Winthrop Taxi is seeking a regular fare anywhere in Winthrop to Win-

throp to increase from \$4 one way to \$6 each way. For Winthrop seniors the one-way fare would be increased from \$3 to \$5. Another perk the taxi company would like to add a "Senior Day" on Wednesdays when seniors pay \$4 to anywhere in Winthrop to anywhere in Winthrop.

They are also taking a hit from ride-share programs like Uber and Lyft.

He noted that he also pays rent in Winthrop, excise tax, fuel is purchased in town, insurances and Massachusetts taxes including unemployment tax.

"The rate increase is necessary due to increased operating costs for insurance, equipment and labor," Cluen said in a letter to town officials.

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"Winthrop Taxi is also involved in helping seniors, assisting the town with local events and projects," Cluen stated.

Senior Center Director Kathryn Dixon said the senior center runs its own 10-passenger van and only charges \$3 round trip.

"It'll be good for business," Dixon said when called.

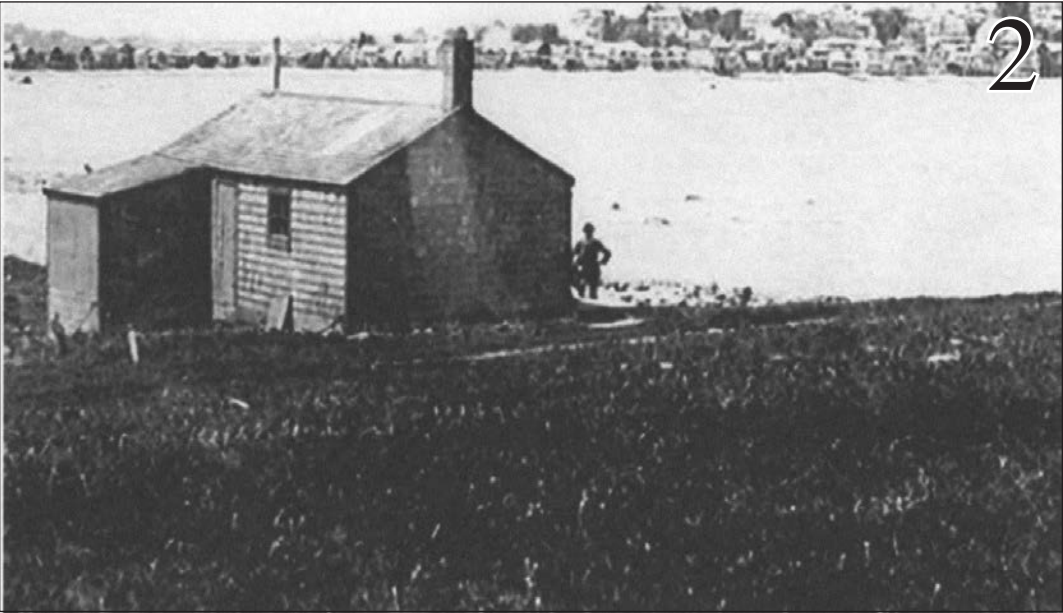
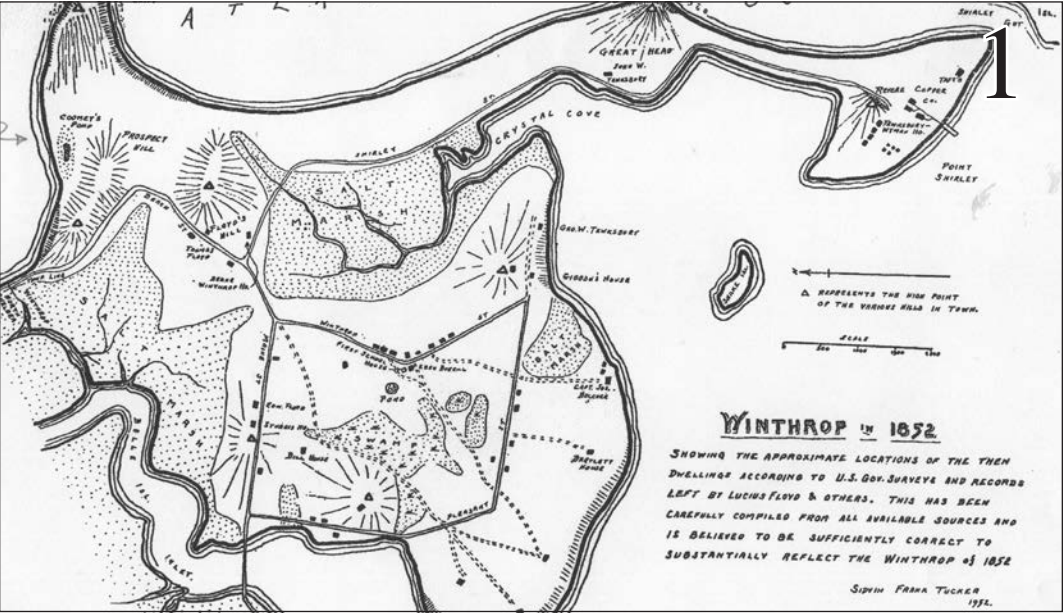
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

By G. David Hubbard • Photos courtesy of Stephen F. Moran

ARTICLE 867 - COOMEY'S POND AND GOVE'S SHANTY



In reviewing early maps of our peninsula and related historical documents, only three fresh water ponds are referred to. The first was in the “PIT” area across from the Town Hall where the new Arthur Cummings Elementary School is now located. The second was Coomey’s Pond located near the intersection of Grover’s and Sewall Avenue, and the third was a marshy area in the Center near French Square. Indian tribes often came from inland to camp near one or more of these ponds during the summer. Today’s article is focused on Coomey’s Pond which is noted on the map in picture one, a segment of Sidvin Tucker’s map depicting Winthrop in 1852. Just north of this pond, near the shore line, Mr. Gove built a clubhouse for men in 1892 known as “Gove’s Shanty.” This building is also annotated on the map of picture one and is depicted in picture two. The man standing just to the right of it is reported to be

Mr. Gove. The water behind the building is the small bay off of Halford Beach and the land area beyond it is Beachmont. The members of this club would come over to have a drink, smoke a cigar, do a little fishing and discuss the current political problems. No doubt their wives were glad to have them out of the house for a while. This club was disbanded in 1906 as homes were built in the area. By then several of the yacht Clubs had been opened which also became the gathering places for such groups of our town Fathers. The third picture contains 16 members of the club which are identified as follows: from left to right in the front row, Mr. Cordis, Sydney Griffin, Lorenzo Tewksbury, Warren Belcher, Sam George, Charles Burrill, Fred Belcher, Edward Magee, Willard Bacon and Thomas Harrington, Austin Belcher, Mr. Freeman and Ed Freeman. Many of these men served as elected Officials of Winthrop and

their names can be recognized as being associated with certain streets and buildings of today. While Coomey’s Pond, as such, has not been visible for over a hundred years, that portion of the area not built on is still low land primarily used as a lawn. In June of 2008 there was sufficient rainfall to flood the area and it appeared that the pond had returned. See picture four of the flooded lot at the corner of Grovers and Nahant Avenues with the bird swimming in it. Ah yes, the past so me times returns again to make its presence known. It should be noted that a number of the other men ‘s clubs came and went on our peninsula during this same 1890 to early 1900s period of time, one of which was the Point Shirley Clam Club. If any of our readers have additional information on this club or possible other such clubs and would be willing to share it with us, please call me at 617-846-2901. We would appreciate hearing from you.



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

20 years ago
Feb. 18, 1999
Gov. Paul Cellucci officially has changed his position on Runway 14/32 and said he now favors the new runway. Cellucci had said during his campaign last fall that he opposed the runway, which local residents say will increase air traffic over area neighborhoods.

The School Committee has contracted with REW Home Health to provide nurses to the public schools to fill the void left by the bankruptcy of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, which is shutting down its Winthrop health center effective Feb. 28. The EBNHC had been providing the Winthrop schools with nurses.

The School Committee has instructed the Athletic Department to come up with \$6500 to install hoods on the lights at Miller Field before any more games can be scheduled. The committee’s vote was a response to abutters who had complained about the glare from the new lights last fall.

St. John the Evangelist Church has welcomed its new pastor, Rev. Charles E. Bourke.

“October Sky,” “200 Cigarettes,” and “Saving Private Ryan” are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago
Feb. 21, 1979
Winthrop firefighters battled two multiple-alarm blazes this week at 59 Quincy Ave. and 235 Shore Drive. Damage was estimated at \$90,000 between the two fires.

The selectmen have chosen local attorney Albert Shaw to be the hearing officer for the changes being brought by the Board of Selectmen against Police Chief David Rice regarding Rice’s alleged failure to run the department properly, as well as issues pertaining to Rice personally.

One of the most important articles for the upcoming Town Meeting will be the article seeking an appropriation of \$2,500 for plans to be drawn up for the revitalization of Winthrop Centre.

Town Meeting also will take up the matter of appointing a full-time Animal Control Officer and instituting a system of harsh fines and penalties for those who do not obey the dog laws.

Paul J. Roy has joined the firm of Eliot, Whittier, and Hardy as an associate.

Ron Vecchia announces his candidacy for the Board of Heath. Richard Gill announces his candidacy for re-election to the School Committee.

50 years ago
Feb. 20, 1969

An armed burglar was shot by Winthrop police, who had cornered the suspect on the second floor of the Winthrop Yacht Club. The man toppled off the second floor porch and plunged into the icy waters from where he was rescued by the police. Lt. David Rice, who had received the call, dispatched Officers Guenard, Scholwin, and Staff to the club upon the report of the alarm going off. The officers were met there by caretaker Jim Noiles, who also had been notified. When the officers heard footsteps on the second floor after a search of the first floor, they raced upstairs. Officer Staff was the first to confront the suspect and ordered him to stop. When the man refused to do so and appeared to be reaching into his pocket, Staff shot him once. The suspect ran away, but then fell off the porch and into the shallow water among the pilings, where Scholwin then forced him to surrender.

The state may take over the drainage project at Lewis

Lake, which would save the town \$50,000 of the \$104,000 cost of the project.

St. John the Evangelist parish will hold a parish reunion for the first time in many years on February 21.

A group of 60 persons was on hand to lay a wreath at the Spanish-American War monument in Metcalfe Square to observe the 71st anniversary of the sinking of the U.S. Battleship Maine in Havana Harbor. Thomas Knudsen, one of the two surviving veterans of the war in Winthrop, was assisted across the snow to the ceremonies.

Massachusetts residents for the first time observed Washington’s Birthday on a Monday this week instead of the usual date of Feb. 22, pursuant to the Monday Holidays Act of the state legislature that was passed in 1968.

The Beatles star in “Yellow Submarine” at the Winthrop Theatre.

60 years ago
Feb. 19, 1959

Two boys and two girls have been apprehended by school officials for allegedly defacing numerous books, including encyclopedias and expensive texts, at the Winthrop Public Library. Appropriate punishment has been meted out to the culprits.

A professional city planner, Draveaux Bender, will present a “Winthrop Master Plan” on March 3 at what promises to be one of the most important public meetings to be held in many years.

Local stores will be closed on Monday, Feb. 23, in observance of Washington’s Birthday, which this year falls on a Sunday.

Jerry Lewis stars in “Geisha Boy” at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago
Feb. 17, 1949

There is great interest in the selectmen’s race, which features 12 candidates for the three seats on the board, at the upcoming town election in two weeks. There are no other contested town offices on the ballot.

Winthrop Housing Authority Chairman Edward R. Thomas has announced that state approval is imminent for the construction of 73 veterans housing units in the town at a total cost of \$733,000. The state has allocated \$20 million for construction of housing units for veterans across the state. The first units, to be built at the corner of Pleasant and Main Sts., will consist of two-story, brick buildings, each containing six family units. They will be built on the site of the old Fiske Estate, where the home there has been boarded up for 30 years. Another site will be the filled-in land at Hermon and Main streets, where there will be 13 single and 18 duplex-style dwellings.

Sgt. Paul Abely, acting upon the suspicions of his wife, who thought that two youths were acting “suspiciously” as they stood across the street from the Abelys’ home on Tileston Road early Monday night, followed the youths and observed them loot a car on Marshall Street, then doing the same to a nurse’s car in the Winthrop Community Hospital parking lot. Abely, who was dressed in civilian clothes, had hoped they would lead him to their hideaway, but when he lost their trail, and then picked it up again, he moved in to arrest the duo. One of the two boys escaped while the other tussled with Abely until help arrived. Interrogation of the one led to the arrest of the other and their admission that they had a 24 year old accomplice who was a local taxi driver. Police

also recovered over \$1,000 in merchandise that had been reported stolen in recent weeks.

Miss Dorothy L. Kinney, head librarian for the Winthrop Public Library, is observing her 28th anniversary of working there.

80 years ago
Feb. 18, 1939

Townpeople marked the 10th anniversary of the opening of the new Town Hall last week. The first meeting of the Board of Selectmen in the new building was held on Feb. 6, 1929. During the past 10 years, which has seen a Depression for the entire time, the duties of the board and their clerk, Charles Hagman have become much more demanding of their time.

The Massachusetts Selectmen’s Assoc. has awarded the town an honorable mention for its annual town report in a competition among similar-sized communities.

Loretta Young and Richard Greene star in “Kentucky,” filmed in brilliant technicolor, at the Winthrop and State Theaters.

90 years ago
February 23, 1929

With contests for eight of the town offices, including seven candidates for the three seats on the Board of Selectmen, there is expected to be great excitement for the upcoming town election.

Area clam diggers made an appeal to the selectmen to reopen the town’s mud-flats which have been closed to clammers since Sept. 12, 1927. The representatives of the clamdiggers’ association said that the closure has brought great hardship upon the clammers and their families.

100 years ago
Feb. 22, 1919

The Methodist Church was filled to its doors for the Recognition Services held for the boys who have returned home from the war. Rev. Charles H. Otto presided and each of the boys was invited to the platform.

The local Draft Board for Division 25, which encompasses Winthrop and Revere, has closed its headquarters. The board, under the direction of Judge Charles Brown of the district court, registered 9,576 men and drafted 782. In addition, another 682 men were ready to report for service when the Armistice was signed.

110 years ago
Feb. 20, 1909

The Winthrop Town Government Assoc. has endorsed the candidacies of Brendan J. Keenan, William Sanby, and George H. Raynes for the three seats on the Board of Selectmen in the upcoming town election. Keenan and Sanby are candidates for re-election, while Raynes is described as, “An alert, enterprising American, 34 years of age, of good New England stock.”

The Winthrop Civic League held a meeting at which it endorsed its candidates for selectmen and other town offices. The group endorsed James Carr, Elmer Dawson, and Charles Foster, representing the Beach, Highlands, and Center sections of town, for the Board of Selectmen.

A crowd of about 600 was on hand for the grand parish reunion of St. John the Evangelist Church. The whist and dance party were enjoyed by all.

A well-attended meeting was held to discuss the matter of building playgrounds for the town’s children pursuant to the new state law.

OBITUARIES

Angelo Console

Retired barber

Angelo A. Console of Overlook Drive, Winthrop passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on Feb.15. He was 90 years old. Born in East Boston, the beloved son of the late Anna (Famolare) and Thomas Console, he was a long time resident of East Boston before moving to Winthrop over 15 years ago. Prior to his retirement, he was employed as a barber working at Etna in Brighton Center.

He was the devoted husband of the late Rita A. (Martinelli) and the loving father of Thomas A. Console and his wife, Pamela of Winthrop; dear brother of Connie Baumgartner of Amesbury and the late Dickie Console and cherished grandfather of Christie A. Brady and her husband, Kevin of New Jersey.



The Funeral Mass was celebrated in the St. John the Evangelist Church on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Services concluded with internment in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop. To sign the online guestbook go to www.caggianofuneralhome.com.

Salvatore ‘Sonny’ Fantasia

Of Salem, N.H., formerly of East Boston



MBTA retiree Salvatore “Sonny” Fantasia of Salem, N.H., formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully on Monday, Feb. 18.

Sonny was an Air Force Veteran who served in the Korean Conflict. He was employed by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for 33 years, enjoyed youth sports and spent many years organizing and coaching in any way he could.

The beloved husband of Geraldine (Maggio) Fantasia, he was the devoted father of Theresa Tahtamoni of Salem, New Hampshire, Angela Fantasia of Revere, Diana D’Urbano and her late husband, Anthony of the North End, Richard Fantasia and his wife, Joann of Florida and Angelo Fantasia and his wife, Noreen of New Hampshire and the dear brother of the late Richard Fantasia. He was the loving grandfather of Christopher, Marc, Eric, Antuan, Christina, Diana, Sophia, Joshua, Richard, Fallon Rose, Jacob,



and Lucas and the cherished great-grandfather of Logan Ryan, Guliana, Mario, Gabriella, Anthony, and Nicholas.

Family and friends will honor Sonny’s life by gathering in the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St., East Boston (Orient Heights) on Friday, Feb. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Saturday morning at 8:30 before leaving in procession to Saint John the Evangelist Church, Winthrop Street, Winthrop for a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with Sonny being laid to rest at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Salvatore’s name to Saint Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

For more information, visit ruggieromh.com.

TOWN OF WINTHROP’S WATER/SEWER RATE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the new water/sewer rate?

The combined water/sewer rate has increased by \$3 per hundred cubic feet as of Feb. 4, 2019 from \$19.90 to \$22.90.

Wasn’t there also an increase last year?

Yes, the water/sewer rate increased in May 2018 from \$16.90 per hundred cubic feet to \$19.90. This was primarily due to an increase (\$272,282) in the assessment that the Town pays to the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) for the purchase of water. The MWRA calculates the assessment based on the water usage during the prior three years.

The water/sewer rate increase to \$19.90 was also necessary to afford \$440,300 in new debt for critical water/sewer projects for the town

and \$121,852 for equipment.

Additionally, the previous rate was insufficient to support budgeted expenses for fiscal year 2018, which was projected to result in a deficit of \$479,000. The rate increase in May 2018 and efforts to curtail spending partially mitigated this deficit.

Why is the water/sewer rate increasing again?

Based on the first two quarter billings in fiscal year 2019, usage was down 6.2% over a similar period in prior fiscal years. Reduced usage results in a projected deficit of \$576,000 for the remainder of fiscal year 2019. The increase from \$19.90 to \$22.90 is necessary to remediate this deficit with only two billing cycles remaining in the fiscal year (which are the two lowest billing cycles during the year).

It’s important to note that

the increase is not a result of any spending added after the original fiscal year 2019 budget process.

Why doesn’t my rate go down when I use less?

The MWRA assesses the town using a three-year usage calculation. Because of this, current usage does not affect the current assessment charged by the MWRA. Current decreases in usage and any future usage changes will over time be factored in by MWRA to future assessments that the town receives.

Why can’t we reduce spending instead of increase rates?

Much of the increased spending is for the required debt service payments for previously completed infrastructure improvement proj-

ects. The first payments for the debt service for certain projects began in fiscal year 2019.

Additionally, there are other fixed costs that are not currently possible to reduce without a significant impact on service delivery to the community.

What is the community getting from these rate increases in return?

The community has an aging water/sewer infrastructure. The projects related to the debt service payments are critical to ensure the continued delivery of safe drinking water to our residents.

Are these rate increases going to continue?

The Town Manager has committed to not altering the rate until July 1, 2020.

Water rates // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

5. “The second hike in a year is kind of outrageous. I’d like to go along with an audit.”

Per the State Auditor’s office, they can only conduct this audit if the town government votes to request the audit.

Water and sewer rates were just raised 17 percent in May 2018 because of a water and sewer budget deficit when Police Chief Terry Delehanty was interim town manager. It was said then that there was a risk to raise the rate further because a higher rate often resulted in less usage by residents. This has been the case with a six percent reduction in use from last spring.

In May, Town of Winthrop will increase water and sewer rates by \$3 per hundred cubic feet beginning with the current billing cycle.

The increase, from \$19.90 per hundred cubic feet to \$22.90 is the result of a drop

in the amount of water used by the Town in the first half of the billing year.

The reason for the \$3 rate increase is to offset a projected \$576,000 deficit caused by a 6 percent reduction in usage

based on the first two billing cycles of this fiscal year. This deficit must be offset by June 30, 2019. There are no new projected increases in expenditures beyond those that have been previously planned.

Thank You

In Loving Memory of Bob Harvey

To the Winthrop Community - we cannot thank you enough for showing your outpouring of love and support to us, not just at this time but always. We promise to pay it forward...

—Carol, Shawn and Emma Harvey

Thank everyone for coming and celebrating dad, thank you for sharing the love with my mom and sister.

My dad, lived his life with many titles, son, brother, father, godfather, coach...but everyone could call him Bob.

From his beginnings in Malden to his final days Bob was always himself he never pretended to be someone else.

Growing up as one of 7- I had to listen to him recall his youth constantly. From breaking his leg doing the icky shuffle in touch football, to winning a state championship to MC, to sticking up for his family and friends I could always find a lesson in his stories. His family was always important – and his friends even more – David you know where you fall in his heart.

My father’s next love was hockey. He was a great defenseman although some may differ ... Johnny L., he was nicknamed “BOOMER” by Mr. Norton for his steaming slapshot. He played for Malden Catholic and the Rolling Rock Braves., and countless recreational leagues.

He passed on his passion to not only his children but a community in Winthrop. Coaching kids that wouldn’t play past mites to a 2013 woman’s Bean Pot Champion, he just wanted to share the gift of hockey. After his playing days were over and us kids had grown he continued attending local games watching his friends children play and always was there to support his Alma Mata- MC for every big game.

One February weekend playing hockey in Montreal with Uncle Jack – he met my mother- they came home he took her to a Montreal Canadians game – and they never looked back. They dated for 4 years and this past Monday would have celebrated 30 years of a dance they did together. My mom will tell you she loved him so very much.

Professionally Bob was in healthcare, he over saw the sterilization and

processing of medical instruments at various hospitals throughout Boston, then he found his calling in the sales world of instruments working his way up to leading regional teams around the east coast traveling to help doctors better serve their patients. He was proud of his work, his process and his network. His professional career was no different than seeing him on the street, he was more of a friend than a coworker, and would try his best to take care of those who helped and took care of him. He also took Emma and myself along as his trusty assistants. Myself experiencing the OR at Beth Israel, with reggae playing as I walk to his office with a firm order to play whatever games I wanted to on his computer, or my sister getting to tag along on a trade show networking and rubbing elbows with industry pros.

On day during a campus visit to Framingham state he finally admitted something wasn’t right and after several doctor visits - revealed the truth, kidney cancer, and pulmonary hypertension. Bob didn’t let us see it, he made it feel like he was told he just stubbed his tow and he got to work. After his kidney was removed and cancer was officially gone he was deemed too high risk for MGH instead of giving up he found Duke University Hospital and the incredibly rigorist program in North Carolina.

He moved away from his family and friends to Durham and as today his friends surround him to make sure he

doesn’t have to worry about a thing – they have his back.

He attended every one of Emma’s lax games, my rugby games, dragging oxygen behind him... It was clear who he was fighting for, and for 6 more years we were so lucky to have him with us. He set short goals, he got to see me graduate from college, begin a career. He saw his Emma reach college, pursue her dreams, and grow into a beautiful woman, he didn’t reach his last goal but together we will all help him reach it to watch Emma graduate college.

He loved spending time with his parents at the family house in West Yarmouth and the healing waters of Lewis Bay, he traveled with Mom to Nancy and Chuckie’s home in Pompano Beach before the winter chill would hit, he would leave with Chuck and their dog Lizzie to cause havoc before Mom and Nancy would arrive a week later. He would start in September to countdown the days for the trip.

Make no mistake nobody should have to endure what my father did, most people would not have made it past the first diagnosis. Bob didn’t show you think he was sick, he didn’t make he was hurt, and he for sure didn’t want anyone’s pity. He was an example of strength, a leader, and a person to aspire to. He was human and imperfect by nature but for those that got to know him he was cherished and treasured and very much loved.

So in the spirit of who my father was, I pass along something he told me throughout the years. “we only have each other”. So whether it’s someone here today or someone you meet on the street, treat them like Bob would, help each other, be there for each other, and never stop fighting for those you love.

Later today raise a beer or as years passed changed to holy water and toast Bob.Thank you everyone, God Bless and let’s give my DAD the send off he has earned and deserves!

Eulogy written by son Shawn

In Loving Memory of

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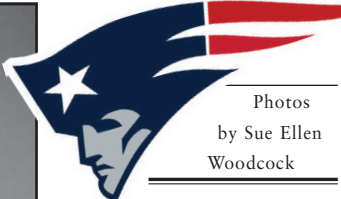
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LOMBARDI TROPHY AT THE ARBORS



Patriots Superfan Millicent Aronson gets the rally rolling with Pat the Patriot.



Residents of The Arbors on Pleasant Street had a chance to celebrate the Patriots Superbowl win with a visit from Pat the Patriot, the Lombardy Trophy and the Patriots Cheerleaders last Friday.



Arbors resident Marilyn McCleod, Executive Director Christine Kaliris and Arbor resident and Korean War Vet Jim Molloy visit with the Lombardi Trophy.



Arbors residents Elizabeth Ham and Joe Petrovick, along with Cathy Petrovick hang with Pat the Patriot, Patriot cheerleaders Jenna Cloutier and Morgan Dzick.

Winthrop Senior Center News
February 21 – February 27, 2019

Hours: Mon-Thurs:8:30-4pm/Fri:8:30-2:30pm

Thursday, February 21
10:30am – Zumba with Barbara
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Bingo

Friday, February 22
9:30am – Exercise Class
10:00am – Ceramics with Gerry
10:30am – Line Dancing with Cindy
12:00pm – Lunch

Saturday, February 23
10:30am – Zumba with Cindy

Monday, February 25
9:30am – Exercise
10:00am – Art Class with Dawn
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Bingo
6:15pm – Zumba Toning with Barbara

Tuesday, February 26
9:30am – Tai Chi with Cindy
10:00am – Arts & Crafts
10:00am – Bowling (at Winthrop Elks)
10:30am – Zumba with Cindy
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – Chorus Rehearsal
1:00pm – Paint Night in the Afternoon with Dawn Mahoney (\$20, sign up by February 19th)
1:00-3:00pm – Free Hearing Screenings (Appointment Required)
2:00pm –Technology Class with Betsy

Wednesday, February 27
9:30am – Exercise Class
9:30-11:30am – Kelly’s Nails on Wheels (Manicures cost \$10; Appointment Required)
10:00am – Legal Aid Clinic for Seniors (Appointment Required)
10:30am – Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)
10:30am – Tap Dancing with Tracy (at the Methodist Church)
12:00pm – Lunch
1:00pm – GOLF Card Game
1:15pm – Italian Class with Michael
3:00-3:45pm – Play Chess with the WMS Chess Club

For additional information on our services, activities, programs, or to view our newsletters, lunch menus and more, visit our website: town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging.

Hearing and Vision Support: The Low Vision and Hearing Impaired support groups will not meet in January or February. The next meetings for these two groups will be in March 2019.

Tai Chi and Zumba with Cindy: Tuesday’s Tai Chi and Zumba classes will not meet in January or February. Classes will resume on Tuesday, March 19th.

Yoga with Kathleen: Beginning Thursday, March 7th we will be offering a second yoga class with Kathleen. The new class will meet on Thursday mornings at 8:30am.

Senior Lunch: If you would like to come for lunch, please call the day before by 12:00pm so that your order is counted for the next day. Thank you!

Play Chess with the Winthrop Middle School Chess Club: Members of the WMS Chess Club will be at the Senior Center on Wednesdays, from 3-4pm. No previous knowledge of chess is necessary. Beginner and experienced players are welcome to come and play. If you would like to sign up, or would like more information, please call the Senior Center at 617-846-8538. All equipment will be provided.

Indoor Walking Club: The Indoor Walking Club will be starting Monday, November 26th; walkers can use the Middle/High School Monday-Friday from 4:15-5:15pm (when school is in session). If you would like walk, please sign up at the Senior Center. You will also need to fill out a CORI form (forms are available at the the Senior Center).

Technology & Learning with Betsy: The next learning sessions with Betsy Duplin will be on Tuesday, February 26th and March 26th from 2:00-3:00pm. Bring your laptops, smart phones, or tablets, along with your questions. Learning this new technology can open up a whole new world for you.

SHINE Counseling: Volunteer SHINE Counselors are here to help you with any health insurance questions you may have. If you would like to visit with one of our SHINE Counselors, please call the Senior Center (617-846-8538) to schedule an appointment.

We are looking for a Spanish teacher to teach a weekly, one hour class. A small stipend is available. Please contact the Senior Center at 617-846-8538 if you are interested.

Do you have any unused jewelry hanging around the house? If so, would you consider donating it to the Senior Center? We put jewelry on sale, with all proceeds benefiting the Senior Center. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Tuesday, February 26 (1:00-3:30pm): Paint Night in the Afternoon with Dawn Mahoney. Please sign up at the front desk. Cost: \$20 (checks only; please make payable to: Dawn Mahoney). Sign up by February 19th. All materials will be provided.

Tuesday, March 19 (1:00-2:30pm): First Annual Baking Contest. Sample a variety of homemade cakes, pastries, pies and cookies baked by our Seniors. Coffee and Tea will be served. There will be a lively auction of baked goods. Tickets cost: \$5 and must be purchased by March 12th. There is no cost for bakers. If you are interested in participating in the contest as a baker, please contact Programs Coordinator, Pamela Aranov at the Senior Center, or email her at: paranov@town.winthrop.ma.us.

Wednesday, March 20 (12:00pm): Eats & Treats Café. Join us for our new, monthly cooking demonstration, and sample the finished product: Irish Tea Cakes! Cost: \$2.00 (space is limited to 10 people).

UPCOMING TRIPS

Tuesday, March 12, 2019: Celtic Angels of Ireland St. Patrick’s Day Show at the Venus DeMilo. Cost: \$95 (includes lunch). Meal choice: Corned Beef and Cabbage or Baked Haddock.

Sunday, May 5 – Wednesday, May 8: 3 Night Trip to Cape May and Atlantic City, New Jersey. Cost: \$875/double or \$1125/single. \$300 deposit due at sign up. Balance due March 22nd. There will be no cancellations after March 22nd. For more information on the trip, please pick up a flyer at the Senior Center.

UPCOMING CASINO TRIPS

Casino Trips Cost: \$29; sign up at the Senior Center. Please make checks payable to “Friends of the WCOA”. You must sign up by the Friday before the trip.

February 26th – Foxwoods Casino (departs Senior Center at 7am)
March 26th – Mohegan Sun Casino (departs Senior Center at 8am)

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to the new state law.

**120 years ago
Feb. 24, 1899**
Although the residents of the Beach section are in favor of the proposed electric railroad, the Highlands’ residents are not and reportedly a candidate to oppose the two incumbent selectmen who voted in favor of the railroad is set to

step forward.

Winthrop residents filled the large hearing room at the State House to support the bill before the legislature’s Committee on Metropolitan Affairs calling for a \$10,000 appropriation for the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct a roadway connecting the Highlands with Great Head along the shoreline.

The Tax Collector has published notices of overdue tax bills owed by local residents.

**130 years ago
Feb. 22, 1889**
According to the soon-to-be-published annual town report, the average age of brides in the town last year was 22 years and nine months, and the average age of grooms was

28 years and one month. In its report, the Board of Health recommends that a sewer be constructed for Cottage Hill for the removal of swill. The School Committee is recommending enlarging the Center School to accommodate the increasing number of children in the town.

VALENTINE’S DAY PARTY AT EBNHC NEIGHBORHOOD PACE CENTER

ODYSSEY GRILL, MIDDLE SCHOOLERS PARTNER TO SPREAD SMILES

Photo by Kate Anslinger

Dedicated middle schoolers spent time during February vacation bringing smiles to residents’ faces at the neighborhood PACE center. After presenting each individual resident with a carnation, students delivered hearty dishes of pasta for a post-Valentine gathering.

Owner of Odyssey Grill, Jola Thomai, knows the importance of human connection and has made it her mission to keep the elderly population free of loneliness and isolation, especially those who are separated from their family

and friends.

“Our goal (myself and my husband) is to help our kids see that they are making an important impact on other people’s lives,” said Thomai.

There was no shortage of smiles at the PACE center, as both students and residents interacted and shared in conversation.

“We sent out an email asking for students to volunteer, and within a few minutes we had 15 volunteers,” said Amy Gallagher, an ESP at the middle school. “We are lucky to have such amazing kids in the district.”



Sue Sobolewski and Elaine Kenny.



Sue Sobolewski, Pat Scopa, and Lillian Marino.



Middle school students get ready to hand out roses.



Cori Powell hands Lucille Auclair a rose.



Casey Petersen, Christian Buonopane, Fallon Hurley, and Amy Gallagher.



Alexis MacElree and resident, Lucille Gambardella.



Alexis MacElree and Naomi Evangelista.

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A group of middle schoolers get ready to deliver some dishes.

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Sports

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

WHS HOCKEY TEAM TIES MANSFIELD; SHOOTS FOR NEC NORTH TITLE

Winthrop High captain Sam Yarrow scored a dramatic goal with 40 seconds left in the game to give the WHS hockey team a 2-2 tie in a battle with non-league rival Mansfield, a Division 1 school that is ranked 12th in the state, this past Saturday afternoon at Larsen Rink.

Luke Evangelista, assisted by Yarrow and Brian Chalmers, gave the Viking a 1-0 advantage in the opening period, but Mansfield lit the lamp twice in the middle period to take a 2-1 lead that held up until Yarrow's heroics in the closing moments.

WHS sophomore goalie Ryan Hovermale made 26 saves in his first complete game in the net.

Saturday's contest was highlighted by Senior Night festivities at which the eight members of the Class of 2019 -- Sam Yarrow, Luke Evangelista, Chris Finn, Ryan Skoczylas, Brian Chalmers, Marc VanBuskirk, Corey Cherico, and Andrew DiMento -- were honored for their contributions to the WHS hockey program.

WHS head coach Dale Dunbar and his crew were set to meet Saugus last night (Wednesday) with an undisputed Northeastern Conference North Division title at stake.

The Vikings entered the contest with an 8-2-1 record in the NEC North, tied for first place with Marblehead (7-2-3 in the NEC North) with 17 points. A victory or a tie would give Winthrop an outright title.

Winthrop edged Saugus 3-1 in their first meeting at Larsen Rink in mid-January and last night's encounter at Kasabuski Arena promised to be a fierce battle. Although Saugus entered the tilt with a seemingly-mediocre 4-4-3 league mark (6-8-1 overall), the Sachems defeated and tied Marblehead in their two games and will be a formidable hurdle in the path of an outright title for Winthrop.

The Vikings, who are 13-4-2 overall, then will await word later this week of their seeding and first-round opponent in the upcoming Division 2 North Sectional of the MIAA state hockey tournament.

YARROW IS NEC'S MVP; DUNBAR COACH OF THE YEAR

Post-season accolades poured in for the Winthrop High hockey team this week with the announcement of the all-star teams of the North-eastern Conference.

Viking senior captain Sam Yarrow, who has tallied 41 points on 20 goals and 21 assists, was named the NEC's Most Valuable Player and WHS head coach Dale Dunbar was named the Coach of the Year.

CELEBRATING WHS HOCKEY SENIORS



Head Coach Dale Dunbar with Asst. Coaches Mike Norris and Phil Lundberg join the WHS Viking Seniors, front row: Captains, Chris Finn, Sam Yarrow and Brian Chalmers. Back row: Andrew DiMento, Asst. Captains, Ryan Skoczylas and Luke Evangelista and Marc VanBuskirk during the Winthrop High School Hockey senior night.

Yarrow was joined on the NEC's All-Conference team by co-captain Luke Evangelista (21 goals, nine assists) and co-captain and goalie Ryan Skoczylas (1.69 goals-against average and a .931 save percentage).

Three other Vikings were named to the all-star team: captains and defensemen Chris Finn and Brian Chalmers and junior forward Joey Holgersen.

The NEC all-star game is set for this Saturday at 1 p.m. at Salem State College.

game of the season" to earn a 5-3 victory over Masconomet Regional last Saturday.

The loss was Masco's lone defeat in the Northeastern Hockey League and left the Lady Chieftains with a league mark of 7-1-2, tied for first-place with Peabody.

Winthrop finished in third place in the NHL with a league record of 6-3-1. The Lady Vikings tied Peabody and defeated Masco in the final week of the season after having lost to both teams earlier in the year.

Emma Carleton gave Winthrop a 1-0 lead in the opening period, scoring off a great rush that Emma finished with a pretty backhand between the legs of Masco goalie Molly Elmore, who is committed

to Division 1 school Sacred Heart.

The period was a back-and-forth affair that was highlighted from a Winthrop perspective when Lady Viking netminder Summer Tallent stopped Masco's top player, Abby Gendron, on a break-away to preserve the lead.

The teams traded goals in the middle stanza. The Lady Vikings increased their advantage to 2-0 on a beautifully-executed passing play from Julia Holmes to Kaiya Rodriguez.

"Kaiya played her best game of the season and Julia is having a huge year for an eighth grader," noted Martucci. "On that particular play, Julia made a nice rush, taking the Masco defense wide, and

then sending a perfect pass across to Kaiya at the far post. Kaiya one-touched it right into the short side."

Masco got one back from their freshman sensation, Isabel Hulse, who took advantage of a poor Winthrop line change and scored on a break-away.

That set the stage for the Lady Vikings to pull out the win in superb fashion in the final 15 minutes of play.

Masco brought the game back to level when the Lady Chieftains took advantage of a two-on-one break, converting on a nice passing play from Hulse to Hendron to draw even at 2-2.

The battle ensued in that status until WHS senior cap-

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WHS SPORTS THROUGH THE YEARS

20 years ago
Feb. 18, 1999

The WHS girls basketball team defeated Lynnfield, 38-33, to win its third straight game and clinch a berth in the post-season state tourney. Senior center Anita Datta led Winthrop with 12 points and Shannon Barker added eight, as Ron Spinney's Lady Vikings improved to 10-9 on the season.

The WHS hockey team improved to 10-6-1 after a 9-2 thrashing of Swampscott to clinch a state tourney berth. Freshman Bobby Kneeland scored a hat trick in the rout.

Ed Rossi scored a goal and had an assist for his league-leading 25th assist of the season. Geno DeAngelis had a goal and two assists.

Jackie Costonis took first place in the high jump with a leap of 5'-4" at the State Class D track meet Saturday. Elizabeth Lewis took second in the 600 meter run in 1:41. The 4 x 400 relay team of Lewis, Kerry Benjamin, Michelle LaFrazia, and Tammy Riley took third place with their best-ever time of 4:18. Coach Warren MacPhail's Lady Vikings finished in fourth place in the team standings.

WHS GIRLS HOCKEY KNOCKS OFF MASCO

The Winthrop High girls hockey team turned in what head coach Anthony Martucci termed "our most complete

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH




Rachel Farley
sport: Gymnastics grade: 10 favorite food: Pasta
favorite TV Show: One Tree Hill favorite teacher: Mr. Leonardo
future plans: Go to college and do gymnastics

Bobby Hubert
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WHS VIKING BOYS HOCKEY SENIOR NIGHT AT LARSEN RINK

The Winthrop High School boys ice hockey program honored its seniors before the final home of the regular season at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center.

The seniors have continued the Vikings' winning tradition under the direction of Head Coach Dale Dunbar.

The players and their families were honored in impressive ceremonies.

The Vikings will begin play in the MIAA State Tournament next week.



Captain Brian Chalmers with his family.



Asst. Captain Cory Cherico with his family.



Andrew DiMento with his family.



Asst. Captain Like Evangelista with his family, and brother Viking Noah.



Marc VanBuskirk with his parents.



Captain Chris Finn with his family.



Captain Sam Yarrow with his family.



Asst. Captain Ryan Skoczylas with his family.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

FAJITA QUESADILLAS

Ingredients:

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| 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided | 4 flour tortillas |
| 1/2 onion, sliced | 1/2 pound cooked steak, cut into 1/4-inch thick pieces |
| 1/2 green bell pepper, sliced | 1 cup shredded Mexican cheese blend |
| salt to taste | |

Directions:

- Heat 2 teaspoons oil in a 10-inch skillet over medium heat; cook and stir onion and green bell pepper in the hot oil until onions are softened, 5 to 10 minutes. Season mixture with salt and transfer to a bowl.
- Brush 1 side of each tortilla with remaining oil. Place 1 tortilla, oil-side down, in the same skillet; sprinkle with 1/2 the steak, 1/2 the onion mixture, and 1/2 the Mexican cheese mixture. Place a second tortilla, oil-side up, onto cheese layer, pressing down with a spatula to seal.
- Cook quesadilla over medium heat until cheese melts and tortillas are browned, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Remove quesadilla from skillet and cut into wedges. Repeat with remaining ingredients for second quesadilla.

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Winthrop Drama Society gears up for state semi-finals on March 2

By Kate Anslinger

White magic, the power of God, and a monster that is made out of clay mud, all weaved into a story based on Jewish legend, is what the Winthrop Drama Society will be taking to the semi-final stage this year. The play, rightfully titled, “Golem,” was written by 17-year-old junior, Samantha Long and will be presented Saturday March 2, on the stage that the

students are most comfortable with...the Neil Shapiro Center for the Performing Arts. Winthrop will be one of 14 preliminary sites hosting the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) High School Drama Festival, which will catapult the competitive season. Organized on three levels-preliminary, semi-final, and state, high schoolers will be scored on technical design, acting quality, and the ability to stay within the 40-minute time requirement.

The drama society has been rehearsing diligently since the start of the year, in hopes of bringing another major accomplishment to the stage. Unlike their performances in the past, “Golem,” is not a pre-existing play, and there was a lot of tweaking and editing the script to make it feel organic. Set in Prague in the 1700s, “Golem” takes place in a community that fights back with the help of a young boy and his creation of a monster that comes to life. While the

monster saves some of the citizens, it ends up getting out of hand, resulting in more problems and leaving the boy to make tough decisions.

“It was certainly challenging to create the ensemble considering we were working from scratch with no research,” said drama teacher, Karen Calinda. “I like to think of Samantha’s creation has her own Disney version of a legend.”

Costume designer Zara Powell had to work hard to

come up with ideas that were realistic and fitting for the brand-new project.

“Costumes for this show have honestly been a bit of a challenge because there isn’t anyone else who has ever done this play before so there is nothing to go off of, but I think we’ve come up with some great ideas and designs,” said Powell. “The show itself is going to look great and it’s been fun to play with different styles than I’m used to.”

The Drama Society will

be defending their two-year title as state championships on Saturday, March 2nd in the Neil Shapiro Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets can be purchased at the door for the all-day event.

“We don’t like to think about it as winning, we just want to bring an amazing piece of theater to life,” said Calinda. “However; winning over the past two years has certainly set a precedence for kids.”

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

PLANS UNVEILED FOR CHELSEA NIGHT MARKET

CHELSEA – The City’s Chelsea Prospers initiative has been working behind the scenes for months – often hinting that something fun is coming – and last week they unveiled the Chelsea Night Market, the newest, biggest plan yet to enliven the downtown district.

Director Mimi Graney has been working with Chelsea native Edwardo Chacon, of Jukebox Events, to come up with a summer gathering in the parking lot behind the Chelsea Walk – a ‘Night Market’ that would take place five times on Saturdays in the summer.

“This is going to be a reflection of the City in its first year,” said Graney. “As it grows more popular, you’re going to see the abutting cities like East Boston, Everett and Revere coming. We want vendors here to be Chelsea residents. We want artists and performers to be Chelsea residents. We do want to mix it up too. The Night Market is for the City of Chelsea and for residents.”

The idea was also championed during a Chelsea Prospers meeting on Feb. 6 by Edwardo Chacon. Chacon grew up in Chelsea and graduated from Chelsea High School. After that, he went to college in Florida and then lived in Los Angeles for many years, doing corporate marketing events with big budgets.

And every time he returned to Chelsea, he said he could picture some sort of hip, fun market taking place in his hometown.

Now, having returned to Chelsea a year ago, he decided to try to help make it happen.

“I always came back and felt like something like I was doing elsewhere could really happen in Chelsea,” he said. “I would look at the city and just feel that Chelsea had the right atmosphere to do these things too and one year ago I moved back and felt like I had to try. My goal is to do the same things I was doing elsewhere in Chelsea. I feel Chel-

sea is a city that’s perfectly located for this and the people deserve it. They would love it and be filled with a sense of excitement.”

The layout of the event would be in the City parking lot behind the Chelsea Walk. There would be a stage for performances, vendor booths in the middle, places for food and an art installation in the back end. In the future, next year hopefully, the initiative hopes of have a beer garden in the back end. However, Graney said they discovered that the laws against public drinking are too strict and couldn’t be changed in time to accommodate this year’s market.

Many in the audience, however, were very excited about the idea of a beer garden and talked for some time about how to make it happen. However, Graney said it is out for this year, but she did say the enthusiasm in the room for a beer garden would help for changing the ordinances so next year one could be put in the mix.

Graney said they hope to have fire jugglers, creative lighting and artists of all kinds. The entertainment would vary, with the times for the market being from 7-10 p.m.

The tentative dates are June 8, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 21, and Oct. 5.

The first one on June 8, Graney said, would have a graduation theme since the next day is graduation.

“It’s going to be a pre-celebration for the high school senior class,” she said. “We have baby pictures of all of the kids and an artist is creating a collage. There will be performers from the class and they are really going to be our ambassadors.”

Vendors would be selling new and used items, and it would be highly curated and very unique. There would also be service oriented vendors like henna tattoo and chair massage. The food would be hot and ready to eat street food using BBQ grills and such instead of food trucks.

“It would be scaled for an intimate, community oriented atmosphere,” read the literature.

PARKING STUDY COMES IN AT MORE THAN \$200,000

CHELSEA – A parking study asked for by the City Council has had few interested takers, and the only bid on the study has come in at an exorbitant \$210,000.

The Council called for a parking study to be done for the entire City late last year, and the City began work on getting a consultant in place through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process.

However, City Manager Tom Ambrosino said there was only one bidder, Howard Stein Hudson (HSH), and they only bid on a portion of the city rather than the entire city.

“HSH believes that a parking study encompassing the entire City of Chelsea will be too big and likely too expensive of an undertaking,” wrote Ambrosino. “Instead, HSH is proposing that, in addition to the downtown, it would identify only a few other target neighborhoods for study. I don’t know if the Council would be satisfied with that limitation.”

The other piece of the puzzle is the cost.

Ambrosino said the cost of HSH’s limited proposal was \$210,780.

“That is much more than we anticipated, and I don’t know if the Council is prepared to expend that sum,” he wrote.

Ambrosino called for the Council to convene subcommittee to talk about next steps. He said they could accept the expensive proposal from HSH, or they could re-bid the project and hope to get more proposals.

A date is being set for the committee meeting.

•City Manager Tom Ambrosino is recommending against taking the trash collection operations in-house, a proposal floated by the Council last month.

He said the City’s Department of Public Works had made some initial calculations that showed it would be about the same costs to bring it in-house as it would be to continue using its contractor, Russel

Disposal.

“The (figures) make clear that there are no obvious savings by taking the work in-house,” he wrote. “Our best estimate is that annual costs would probably be somewhat greater than what we pay to Russell.”

However, many of the concerns of the Council, including Councilor Enio Lopez, came from the mish-mash quality of pickup.

Ambrosino said he understood those concerns, but didn’t believe taking the operations in-house would improve the mistakes that are made.

“It is my opinion that, given the nature of the trash business, where litter, rough handling of barrels and occasional missed deliveries are inevitable no matter who is performing the work, bringing this work in-house would not demonstrably improve quality, at least not to the extent where any improvement would be noticeable to our residents.”

He said he would not recommend any change.

However, he did not close the door on taking other functions in-house.

He said he isn’t opposed to bringing things like some water and sewer work back in-house.

“I feel strongly that we should probably take in-house certain water, sewer and drainage work that we currently outsource,” he said. “But, in the case of that utility work, I can definitively show that the City will save substantial money doing the work ourselves, and I do believe the quality will be a noticeable improvement to our residents.”

However, he said he doesn’t believe the same to be true for the trash realm.

COUNCIL APPROVES EVERETT SQUARE RENEWAL PLAN

EVERETT – In what will be a keystone decision for the future of Everett Square, the City Council on Monday approved the vast and long-term Urban Renewal Plan (URP)

for the Square – a plan that includes public amenities, eminent domain takings and street improvements over a period of 20 years.

The Council approved the URP for Everett Square by a vote of 7-2, with a few caveats that included oversight by the Council for any proposed land takings. Councilors Michael McLaughlin and Fred Capone voted against the URP as they said they didn’t have enough time to review it.

“The real goal is Braza Grill and the Bouvier Building that we’re targeting to do something there first,” said Mayor Carlo DeMaria. “We had meeting with them. Everyone has shown up. The only ones who have not shown up is the liquor store and the Middle Eastern restaurant that is empty... A lot of this came from meetings we had with the Council about doing something in the Square – working collaboratively to bring some vibrancy there.

He said the first piece of action is likely going to be along the left-hand side of Norwood Street and that corner. He said no businesses would be displaced if they want to stay.

“We want to put something out for the left side of Norwood Street,” he said. “To be able to put an RFP on the street with any teeth, we need to be approved for this plan... For instance, if we want to do an RFP on the street and we want to keep the 8/10 and Angelo’s Barber and the show repair, we just put that in there. We can RFP that they stay in there.”

City Planner Tony Sousa said it is all about creating momentum and getting the first investor to buy into the Square.

“It’s all about creating momentum,” he said. “If we get one major project, it builds momentum. We haven’t had a large project in the Square for so many years. All we need is one. I’m reminded of the Commercial Triangle and the EnVision Hotel...A couple projects with a new development will release a lot of momentum in the Square.”

The URP was the product of several other studies that were used as reference mod-

els, including the activation study done by Utile for the Square in 2016. The URP has 20 action items, some of them small things like reconfiguring the streets to actually taking property and rebuilding structures.

The concept plan proposes for the Everett Redevelopment Authority (ERA) to acquire 29 properties or portions of properties and transfer 11 municipal properties to the ERA. That assemblage of property would result in 10 parcels ready for redevelopment.

The plan also recommends that 10 new buildings be constructed on those parcels, and that 18 existing properties be rehabilitated.

Another key part of the plan focuses on the schools in the area, including the Whittier School and the Old High School. DeMaria said they are thinking about taking the preschool overflow classrooms at the Old High School and at the Webster School and combining them with the Whittier in a new building. He said that would open up new sites for development in the corridor.

Mayor DeMaria said there were no homes identified in the plan to be taken, except for one home on Hosmer that had asked to be included in the URP.

“I don’t think we’ve identified any homes from the circle down except the one on Hosmer,” he said, noting that no families were going to be removed from their homes and forced out.

Several councilor were in favor of the proposal.

Councilor Wayne Matewsky said it was time to move forward on improving the Square.

“I can say the (Bouvier Building) is a blight,” he said. “That isn’t an insult to anyone. I have a vested interest. I want the City to move forward.”

However, many in the audience that had come to speak on the plan were against it.

Sal Sacro, owner of Sacro Plaza in the Square, said he did not want his property involved in the URP. The plan

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tain Abby Stafford took the bull by the horns and finished off a perfect, end-to-end rush with an incredible snap-shot goal that brought the WHS fans to their feet.

Rodriguez struck again to boost Winthrop into a 4-2 advantage, but Masco refused to give in and scored a nice power play goal to get back within one with five minutes to go.

However, the Lady Vikings would not be denied. A power play goal from Emma Holmes with just under two minutes to play proved be the insurance tally that sealed the victory.

“We played three solid periods and really stuck to our game plan,” said Martucci. “It was great to get our 10th win of the season, and to get it against a very good team like Masco was even better.

“Our goalie, freshman Summer Tallent, once again was amazing in net,” Martucci

continued. “She is just a warrior. She battles, she fights, and she makes huge saves for us game-in and game-out.

“Our newly-formed line of Julia Holmes, Emma Holmes, and Kaiya Rodriguez looked unreal,” Martucci added. “They created offense on every shift they got. Kaiya had her best game in a Vikings’ uniform. She is only a sophomore with crazy speed and an awesome energy.

“Abby Stafford’s goal ignited a fire in this team that had been missing for a few games,” Martucci said of his captain’s crucial lamplighter. “She is a heart-and-soul player and the team feeds off the things she does. When they saw her do that, it erupted the crowd, and it ignited the team.”

Stafford has been selected to represent Winthrop in the Shriners all-star game this

year. Only three other girls from the Lady Viking program (Kara Donati, Cat Salvetti, and Bella Perotti) have been selected to play in this very distinguished game of the state’s best players.

Captain Emma Carleton (19 goals, 16 assists) now stands just three points shy of 100 points for her career.

“Emma has been the bulk of our offense from game one and she has continued to put up points regardless of opponent,” lauded Martucci. “She has simply done what we needed all season long. Emma has two games guaranteed to try to get the three points she needs to reach 100 and be among a very small group (Taylor Brown, Mackenzie Clark, Caroline McKinnon, and Mia Price) from our program to achieve this milestone.”

Martucci and his crew were

set to wrap up their regular season last night (Wednesday) with a non-league encounter with Winchester. Senior Night festivities will highlight the evening at which Emma Carleton, Abby Stafford, Kirsten Griffiths, Bella Perotti, and Olivia Holmes will be honored for their contributions to the WHS girls’ hockey program.

Winthrop then will await word of their seeding and first-round opponent in the upcoming state hockey tournament.

WHS GIRLS HOST AUSTIN PREP TONIGHT

The Winthrop High girls basketball team will host Austin Prep this evening (Thursday) at the Winthrop High gymnasium in the Lady Vikings’ season finale. Tip-off

for the junior varsity squad is set for 5 p.m. with the varsity contest set to get underway at 6:30 p.m.

Last week Winthrop Lady Vikings traveled to Saugus and came up on the short end of a 51-34 decision.

The opening period was back-and-forth, with Saugus holding a slight edge, 11-9, at the first buzzer. However, the Lady Sachems stepped up their defense in the second period, holding Winthrop to just four points, to leave the Lady Vikings trailing, 25-13, at the intermission.

Winthrop continued to have trouble on the offensive end to start the second half. Saugus increased its lead to 40-17 after three periods. The Lady Vikings hit for 17 points over the final eight minutes, drawing as close as 11 points, but it proved too little, too late.

Maura Dorr paced the Lady

Vikings with 15 points. Lily Pulsifer and Caroline Earl hit for six points each.

In the JV contest, Saugus bolted to a big lead in the opening period and held a 25-7 advantage at the half. The junior Lady Vikings rallied in the third period, scoring 16 points to draw within 38-23 at the third buzzer.

Winthrop continued to play hard and pulled as close as two points in the fourth quarter before dropping a 44-38 decision.

The Lady Vikings were led in the scoring department by MacKenzie Acevedo with 12 points, followed by Emma Forsyth with eight points, Polina Bell and Alana Grillo with five points each, and Sam Galuris with four.

Keeping It in the Family

DiPietro Dentistry boasts 65 years of family dental care

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

For 65 years, the DiPietro family has been offering general family dentistry to patients from Revere and around the area. Keeping the business strong today are three siblings. Dr. William DiPietro DMD, Dr. Christopher DiPietro DMD (Tufts University School of Dental Medicine) and dental hygienist Gina DiPietro share their workspace and their enthusiasm for dentistry every day. Their father Dr. Joseph DiPietro, who lived on Rumney Road, started the business in



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Dr. William DiPietro, Dr. Christopher DiPietro and dental hygienist Gina DiPietro of DiPietro Family Dental Care.

1954 and built the office at 123 Revere St. in the 1970s. He retired at the end of 1993 and passed away in 2016. “It’s been two generations of personal care and attention,” said Dr. Christopher DiPietro. The practice uses an intra-oral camera so patients can see the work going on, and all the dental work done in high magnification, he added. They also use digital X-rays. “We use the latest materials, metal free,” Dr. Christopher DiPietro said. Dr. Rebecca Paccone, DMD, is also a member of the practice. Paccone is a graduate from University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. The practice uses specialists for oral surgery. Most root canals are done in the office, but in a pinch a specialist can also be called in. Many of the employees have worked for DiPietro for more than 10 years. DiPietro Family Dental Care was awarded 2018 Best of the Best Award from Market Surveys of America. “Our father had a lot of influence on us, we wanted to be

like him,” Dr. Christopher DiPietro, adding that when they came to the office the biggest toy was the water spray. As the siblings matured, they would assist their father with dental procedures, handing him instruments and gauze as needed. All of this exposure to dentistry at a young age has stayed with all three through adulthood. “Being exposed at an early age, we picked up on the dentistry,” said Dr. Christopher DiPietro. “That’s how we developed an interest. Today they find they can be working at opposite ends of the building and not see each other all day.” “We get so busy with what we are doing,” he said, but they’ve allowed each other to have space. They can also brag that they have some of their original patients from 1954. “We have some who were single in 1954, who are now great grandparents,” he said. “We have a lot of generations of the same family. That’s pretty much how we have built our patient base.”

WINTHROP STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

BRYANT UNIVERSITY STUDENTS NAMED TO DEANS’ LIST

Bryant University is committed to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence and is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the fall 2018 Deans’ List. Congratulations! Zachary Ayers Sophia Soares For 156 years, Bryant University has been at the forefront of delivering an exceptional education that anticipates the future and prepares students to be innovative leaders of character in a changing world. Bryant delivers an innovative and uniquely integrated business and liberal arts education that inspires students to excel. With approximately 3,700 graduate and undergraduate students from 38 states and 53 countries, Bryant is recognized as a leader in international education and regularly receives top rankings from U.S. News and World Report, Bloomberg Businessweek, Forbes, and Barron’s. Visit www.Bryant.edu.

LETTERIE NAMED TO DEAN’S LIST AT MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Jenna Letterie, daughter of Jim and Dawn Letterie was named to the Dean’s List during the fall term at Middlebury College. The Dean’s List is the second highest year, fall/spring recognition for academic achievement at the liberal arts institution in Vermont. To be selected for the Dean’s List, students must carry a full course load of four or more classes during the semester, achieve a grade point average of 3.3 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher and earn no grade lower than a B minus.

RESIDENT RECEIVES ACADEMIC HONORS

Northeastern University is pleased to recognize those students who distinguish themselves academically during the course of the school year. The following local students were recently named to the University’s dean’s list for the fall semester, which ended in December 2018. * Winthrop resident Jakob Hain, a Northeastern University student majoring in Computer Science In addition to achieving distinction through the dean’s list, he is a member of the University Honors Program, which offers high caliber students the chance to further hone their studies and interests, live in special interest on-campus housing, and participate in one or two honors courses each term. Invitation into the honors program is highly competitive and students must maintain a high GPA and strong commitment to campus leadership to remain a part. To achieve the dean’s list distinction, stu-

dents must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.5 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C- during the course of their college career. Each student receives a letter of commendation and congratulation from their college dean.

KELLEY EARNS DEAN’S LIST RECOGNITION AT NORWICH UNIVERSITY

The following student has been recognized on the dean’s list at Norwich University for the fall 2018 semester: * Owen Douglas Kelley, Norwich University is a diversified academic institution that educates traditional-age students and adults in a Corps of Cadets and as civilians. Norwich offers a broad selection of traditional and distance-learning programs culminating in Baccalaureate and Graduate Degrees. Norwich University was founded in 1819 by Captain Alden Partridge of the U.S. Army and is the oldest private military college in the United States of America. Norwich is one of our nation’s six senior military colleges and the birthplace of the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC). www.norwich.edu Norwich University is celebrating its bicentennial in 2019. In fulfillment of Norwich’s mission to train and educate today’s students to be tomorrow’s global leaders, Norwich launched the Forging the Future campaign in 2014. The five-year campaign, which is timed to culminate in 2019, is committed to creating the best possible learning environment through state-of-the-art academics and world-class facilities and is designed to enhance the university’s strong position as it steps into its third century of service to the nation.

RESIDENT ON UMAINE FALL 2018 DEAN’S LIST

The University of Maine recognized 2,388 students for achieving Dean’s List honors in the fall 2018 semester. Of the students who made the Dean’s List, 1,666 are from Maine, 669 are from 34 other states and 53 are from 25 countries other than the U.S. Liz McDuffee of Winthrop received Dean’s List honors for fall 2018, completing 12 or more credit hours in the semester and earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

DOLAN ON DEAN’S LIST AT VILLANOVA

John Dolan, son of Thomas and Carol Dolan and a 2018 Winthrop High School graduate has been named to the Dean’s List for exceptional academic performance in the Villanova School of Business at Villanova University for the Fall 2018 semester.

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had included an empty retail space on his building's first floor as part of the plan, but he said he didn't want to have government dictating what he does with the property.

"We'd like to participate in revitalizing Everett Square and bringing some subsidy to Everett, but we don't want somebody taking control of our first-floor property and having the authority to convert it to condos."

Sacro's first-floor space was later taken out of the URP before the Council voted to approve.

Resident Gerly Adrien said she is worried about luxury housing replacing and displacing people who live in the Square now.

"I sadly oppose this," she said. "The idea of having luxury condos concerns me. Gentrification is real. I'm nervous families I know and grew up with will be pushed out further where there is no public transportation...I want to make sure we keep Everett our city. Our city where we live and not a city where other people can come in and control it."

Samantha Lambert said she has been to many of the ERA meetings on the Square, and hoped that there might be more opportunities for small business and retail. She said she hopes it doesn't turn into several national franchises that destroy the historic integrity of the Square.

"I remember taking my money down to Albie every week at Everett Music," she said. "That's really what I would like to see in the community so it's not just franchises. My fear is it could be Station Landing or Assembly Row along Broadway Everett and that would destroy the integrity of Everett Square."

The plan now is submitted to the state Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), where they will have 60 days to review it and make a decision on it.

If approved, DeMaria said the City would begin taking actions on some of the initial steps in the plan.

PUTTING CITY FUNDS TO GOOD USE

EVERETT – In October of 2018, the City of Everett and State Sen. Sal DiDomenico worked with the Everett Public Schools (EPS) to provide an additional \$2.5 million for

the 2018-19 school year to help relieve high classes sizes in the district's five elementary schools.

The additional \$2.5 million in Chapter 70 funds were secured by Sen. DiDomenico and turned over to the EPS thanks to the collaborative efforts of Mayor Carlo DeMaria, the Everett City Council, and the Everett School Committee.

When school began in September, class sizes were approaching, or topping, 30 students at several grade levels. The accompanying chart (below) shows how the funds have enabled the district to solve this problem.

"We thank the Sen. DiDomenico and the city for helping us quickly find a solution to this problem," said Interim Superintendent Janice Gauthier. "Class size is directly related to student performance, and this money helped ensure that we can continue to put the success of our students at the heart of everything we do."

The complete breakdown of teaching and staff additions that have been made in recent months have been formally presented to the School Committee, City Council, and the School Finance Committee.

EAST BOSTON, CHELSEA STAND TOGETHER AGAINST SUBSTATION

EAST BOSTON – Environmentalists, activists, residents and elected officials on both sides of the Chelsea Creek are standing in solidarity in firm opposition against Eversource's plan to place a substation at the City Yards in East Boston along the Chelsea Creek.

Last week in Eastie, the state's Energy Facility Siting Board (EFSB) held a public meeting to discuss Eversource's Notice of Project Change that moves the proposed substation from the eastern corner of the City Yards in East Eagle Square to the western corner. The original location on the eastern portion of the city-owned parcel was approved by the EFSB last year.

In its Notice of Project Change Eversource seeks approval to move the Substation 190 feet to the western side of the City Yards lot. The scope of the upcoming meeting is limited to Eversource's proposed relocation of the substation from its current site

on the eastern side of the city parcel to its new proposed location.

Eversource said the two 115-kV transmission lines that would connect to the substation would no longer be routed along Condor and East Eagle streets if the substation is placed in the western portion of the parcel.

Local environmentalists from Eastie and Chelsea have called on the EFSB to explore alternatives to placing Eversource's proposed substation along the Chelsea Creek.

For two years, local environmentalists on the Eastie and Chelsea sides of the Creek have launched a visual, media and talking campaign against Eversource's plans to place the substation at the City Yards in Eagle Square.

At the meeting, U.S. Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, who represents both East Boston and Chelsea, sent a video testimony from her office in Washington, D.C.

"I'm your sister in solidarity," said Pressley. "This at its best is poor urban planning and at its worst an injustice. It is unconscionable that a community already overburdened with environmental injustices would be put in harm's way and have those existing health hazards exacerbated. The community should be a part of planning and I know when we organize we win and this is a fight like so many others we are taking on and I stand with you."

Last year the EFSB ruled in favor of placing the substation at the City Yards. However, the final ruling came with some provisos. According to the state board, the EFSB vote to approve the substations and 115 kV underground cables in Eastie, Chelsea and Everett came with some conditions. The EFSB directed Eversource to enter into discussions with the City of Boston regarding the possible relocation of the new substation and the related cable on the Chelsea Creek site.

Sen. Joseph Boncore thanked the members of the Eastie and Chelsea communities for standing up for environmental justice.

"You really need to reexamine the location," Boncore told the EFSB. "East Boston is an environmental justice community, and a high level of scrutiny should be applied to your review of this proposal and consider that the site is in a residential neighborhood and right next to a park and on the water. I would ask you to

ANNUAL RHS HOCKEY ALUMNI GAME



Four generations of Segee family during the annual RHS Alumni Hockey game. Over fifty players hailing from as far back as the 70s participated in the annual fundraising game. Keith, Kyle and Chris take a break on the ice to share a moment with their mom, Fire Lt. Ginny Segee and grandfather, Dick Segee, along with their little ones, Connor, Colton, Isla, Cameron and Emerson.

listen, a lot of people showed up to this meeting and (their opinion) is the temperature of this neighborhood on this issue."

Rep. Adrian Madaro said he was not only at the meeting as an elected official, but as a resident of Eagle Hill--just a few blocks from the proposed site.

"I certainly share many of the concerns (with the community)," said Madaro. "I want to thank all the residents here because we finally have a vehicle to express our opinions. The proposed location is next to the American Legion Playground where I grew up playing basketball. I hear all the time from families who are concerned about the potential impacts of siting a substation directly adjacent to one of the most highly frequented parks in East Boston. What does that mean for the safety of children and families that play and recreate at the playground? This proposal is also in the midst of a flood zone and East Boston is susceptible to climate change and extreme weather events."

Madaro pointed out that twice last year the area where the substation is proposed flooded during extreme weather events.

Councilor Lydia Edwards said she believes in process and the dignity that process

gives to a community. However, she questioned whether or not the community process was flawed when it came to siting the new substation.

"If the process is one that is not trusted then you provide no dignity to or respect to those living in the community," she told the EFSB. "That is my concern. From the beginning the approval of this substation to today the process has been flawed. My community has not felt heard or valued. The community has felt this has been Eversource's process and not the community's."

Local activist John Walkey, who lives in Eastie and works with Greenroots Chelsea argues that the project represents an increased risk in both communities already bearing a huge environmental burden in the region by playing host to Logan International Airport, highways and jet fuel storage tanks along the Chelsea Creek.

Walkey made a push for the EFSB to see a more logical place to site the substation.

"If only there was a place in East Boston with restricted access that would be a more appropriate location. Maybe a place that already had millions of dollars invested in raising the ground level so it is more flood resilient. Maybe a place that already is much more secure with state police

oversight and very limited access. Maybe a place that takes up over a third of the land-mass in East Boston. And just maybe a place that is going to be a consumer of over half the electricity that goes through the substation anyway. Obviously the (Logan) Airport is a far more logical place," said Walkey.

As part of its decision, the EFSB directed Eversource to provide an update to the board on the status of discussions between the community and city before construction on the substation commences. This has given additional time for Eversource, the City of Boston, and residents to iron out the alternative locations for the substation.

The substation was initially slated to be built on an Eversource-owned parcel on Bremen Street. However, under the former late Mayor Thomas Menino, Boston executed a land swap with Eversource. Eversource have the City of Boston the Bremen Street parcel so the city could build the new East Boston Branch Library in return for a city-owned parcel in East Eagle Square.

Longtime community activist Fran Riley equated stuffing the substation between beautiful community green space like American

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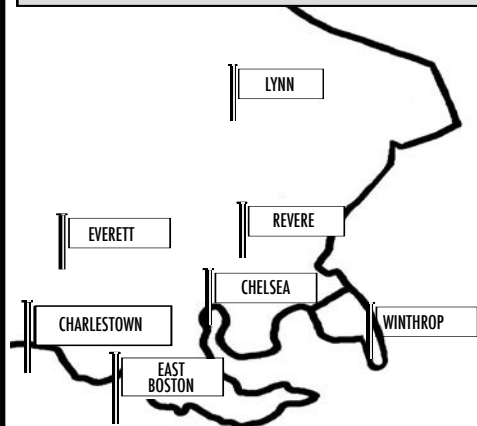
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recorded with the Suffolk
County Registry of Deeds
in Book 59575, Page
96 of which mortgage
the undersigned is the
present holder, for
breach of the condition
of said mortgage and
for the purpose of
foreclosing the same
will be sold at Public
Auction at 1:00 P.M. on
the 21st day of March,
2019, on the mortgaged
premises located at 3
Seal Harbor Drive, Unit
735, Winthrop, Suffolk
County, Massachusetts,
all and singular the
premises described
in said mortgage, as
follows, to wit:
The unit ("Unit") No.
735 in the Seal Harbor

Three Condominium
(the "Condominium"),
situated off Pond Street,
Winthrop, Massachusetts,
a condominium
established pursuant
to Massachusetts
General Laws, Chapter
183A by Master Deed
dated July 28, 1987
recorded with Suffolk
Registry of Deeds, on
August 13, 1987 in
Book 13971, Page 218
(said Master Deed is
hereinafter referred to
as the "Master Deed"),
which Unit is shown on
the floor plans of the
Condominium recorded
simultaneously with the
Master Deed.
All capitalized terms used
herein which are defined
in the Master Deed and
which are not specifically
defined herein shall
have the meaning given
to them in the Master
Deed.
Said Unit is conveyed
together with:
1. An undivided .871
percent interest in the

Common Elements
described in the Master
Deed;
2. The exclusive right to
use any terrace to which
there is direct access
from the interior of such
Unit;
3. The exclusive right to
use the Private Garages
or parking spaces in
the parking garage
designated as D40T on
said floor plans of the
Condominium recorded
simultaneously with the
Master Deed;
4. The exclusive
right to use the heat
pump, heating and air
conditioning unit located
outside the Unit, if any,
which serves such Unit
and serves no other
portion of the Building;
5. The exclusive right to
use the storage cubicle
shown on the Plans
and bearing the same
number designation as
such unit.
Said Unit is conveyed
subject to and with the
benefit of:

1. Provisions of said
Chapter 183A;
2. The provisions of
the Master Deed and
floor plans of the
Condominium recorded
simultaneously with
and as a part of the
Master Deed (including
without limitation the
encumbrances listed
on Exhibit A to the
Master Deed), and
the Declaration of
Trust establishing the
Seal Harbor Three
Condominium Trust
(the "Trust") recorded
with said Registry of
Deeds on August 13,
1987 in Book 13971,
Page 244, in each case
as the same may be
amended from time
to time by instruments
recorded in said
Registry of Deeds, which
provisions, together
with any amendments
thereto, shall constitute
covenants running with
the land and shall bind
any person having at
any time any interest

or estate in the Unit,
his family, servants,
tenants, invitees, and
visitors, as though such
provisions were recited
and stipulated at length
therein;
3. Such taxes
attributable to the Unit
and Common Elements
for the current fiscal
year and the next
succeeding fiscal year as
are not due and payable
on the date of delivery
hereof; and
4. Provisions of existing
building and zoning
laws.
The Unit may be
used for the purpose
permitted by, and shall
be subject in all events to
the restrictions set forth
in, Paragraph 12 of the
Master Deed, as the
same may be hereafter
amended, the provisions
of which Paragraph 12
are incorporated herein
and made a part hereof.
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Suffolk County Registry
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Page 93.
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the sale to a later date
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at the time and date
appointed for the sale
and to further postpone
at any adjourned
sale date by public
announcement at the
time and date appointed
for the adjourned sale
date.
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sold and conveyed
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benefit of all
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titles, tax liens, water
and sewer liens and any
other municipal
assessments or liens or
existing encumbrances
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mortgage, whether or
not reference to such
restrictions, easements,
improvements, liens or
encumbrances is made in
the deed.
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condominium unit,
then the premises will

also be sold subject to
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amended, the applicable
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and all amounts as may
be due, following such
sale, to the applicable
condominium trust. If
the successful bidder at
the foreclosure sale
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the property according to
the terms of this notice
of sale or the terms of
the Memorandum of
Sale executed at the
time of the foreclosure,
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the right to sell the
property by foreclosure
deed to the second
highest bidder (or other
successive bidders, in
the order of their bid)
provided that such other
bidder deposits with
Mortgagee's attorneys,
Tamkin & Hochberg,
LLP, the amount of the
required deposit as set
forth below within five
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sale. The balance of the
purchase price is to be
paid by certified or bank
check at a closing to be
conducted no more than
thirty (30) days after the
date of the auction.
The description for the
premises contained in
said mortgage shall
control in the event of
a typographical error in
this publication.
Other terms, if any, to be
announced at the sale.
BEE Investments, LLC
Present Holder of Said
Mortgage
By its Attorneys,
Tamkin & Hochberg, LLP
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Newton, MA 02458
617-964-2501 (phone)
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N.A., s/b/m to Wells
Fargo Bank Southwest,
N.A., f/k/a Wachovia

Mortgage, FSB, f/k/a
World Savings Bank,
FSB by assignment
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Deeds at Book 59602,
Page 93 for breach of
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Southerly on land of
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on land of said Ingalls
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Marshall 120.40 feet to
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8588:626
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to a return of the deposit
paid. The purchaser
shall have no further
recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee
or the Mortgagee's
attorney. The description
of the premises contained
in said mortgage shall
control in the event of an
error in this publication.
TIME WILL BE OF THE
ESSENCE.
Other terms, if any, to be
announced at the sale.
Wilmington Trust,
National Association, not
in its individual capacity,
but solely as trustee for
MFRA Trust 2016-1
Present Holder of said
Mortgage,
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reject any or all bids
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Monica Ford
Chief Procurement
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that the Winthrop Town
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Tuesday, March 5, 2019
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Winthrop, MA that the
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Legion Playground and the Condor Street Urban Wild is like stuffing ‘liverwurst into an Italian Cannoli.’

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION URGED IN SUFFOLK DOWNS PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

EAST BOSTON –Last week the owners of the Suffolk Downs site, HYM Investment Group, LLC, released its Planned Development Area Master Plan (PDA). This started that a 90-day public comment period that City Councilor Lydia Edwards is urging East Boston residents to submit their comments.

In its filing, HYM proposes approximately 10.5 million square feet of development on the approximately 109 acres of the Suffolk Downs site in the City of Boston. The multi-phased proposal will include development of a new mixed-use neighborhood, a 40-acre publicly accessible open space system, and two retail squares at Suffolk Downs and Beachmont MBTA stations.

The initial project phase will include approximately 1.39 million square feet of development consisting 520,000 square feet of corporate use and amenity space, three residential buildings, and a portion of the townhomes proposed along Waldemar Avenue totaling more than 800 housing units. Phase I also includes the construction of the Horseshoe Pond landscaped wetland enhancements and Belle Isle Square public plaza with over 100,000 square feet of ground floor retail.

However, Suffolk Downs is in an overlay zoning district that the city establishes special zoning for to add more control and oversight for a large or complex project like HYM’s. The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals may approve a request to establish a PDA where a development that is well-suited to its location cannot be accommodated by the general zoning for the area. For example, a PDA

may be appropriate where a development involves a large building, a cluster of buildings, or a mix of uses like the proposed Suffolk Downs site.

Approval of a PDA requires the submission of a development plan. Development plan submission triggers a 45-day public comment period and requires the approval of both the BPDA and the ZBA. However, HYM agreed to extend the comment period to 90 days as well as translating the entire filing into Spanish.

Councilor Edwards said the comment period will really give the community the opportunity to define the proposed neighborhood.

“We really need the neighborhood of East Boston to be part of the public comment,” said Edwards. “There are folks that have expertise in design and other folks that are going to be commenting but I want to see as many people as possible writing letters of what they want to see for that 100 plus acres.”

Edwards said she wants the community at the ‘helm’ of driving Suffolk Downs’ look and feel through this public comment period.

“I plan to have a couple of public meetings on this,” said Edwards. “I’ll even drive to folks’ homes if they want me to in order to discuss this. We want folks to get into this process and really start to think about it.”

Edwards said she is not only very excited for this opportunity to comment but has been very upfront about her standards for planning a neighborhood.

“A neighborhood is diverse,” she said. “It is diverse both economically and ethnically and that what makes a community. I want more affordability because the percentage at 13 percent is a little too low for me know. I also want a place for working poor people because if we plan from the beginning to their exclusion then that is a sin and a shame. We need to plan for diversity so I’m asking you to get online, look at the PDA and really get involved.”

“The redevelopment of Suffolk Downs presents a monumental opportunity for residents to shape the future of our community,” said Edwards. “Fortunately, this is what we do best in Eastie: work with large institutions to ensure they are good neighbors and that industry benefits our neighborhood. It’s time for all of East Boston to speak up on the proposal.”

The public comment period will end on March 2 and comments can be sent to www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/suffolk-downs#comment_Form.

CINDA DANH ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR WARD 6 COUNCILOR

LYNN –Cinda Danh has announced her candidacy for the Ward 6 seat on the Lynn City Council. The 27-year-old Lynn resident is seeking the seat that was previously held by Peter Capano, who stepped down in January after he took office as state representative.

Following is her announcement:

Cinda Danh announces her candidacy for Ward 6 Councilor. The daughter of Cambodian Genocide survivors who immigrated to the U.S. in 1988, Cinda and her three brothers grew up in Lynn. Thanks to the hard work and sacrifice of her parents, including her dad’s working as a union machinists and her mom taking on various jobs to support the family, they would buy their first home in Ward 6.

“I’m running for Lynn City Council because I care deeply about our community. Lynn needs bold, new leadership and I want to be a voice to ensure government is working for all of us,” said Cinda. “I will work hard to make city government accessible to every single resident.”

In 2011, Cinda got her first exposure to the power of advocacy when her dad unexpectedly lost his job and their home was going to be fore-

closed. She was approached by local organizers who informed them of their rights as homeowners, which allowed them to stay in their home. Through sharing her family’s story with elected officials, Cinda got her first exposure to how government works and how it can better serve all of us.

Advocating for residents going through foreclosure ignited a passion for public service that led her to the Massachusetts State House, where she served as an intern, legislative aide, and then as chief of staff to a state representative.

Currently, Cinda is a government relations specialist at Preti Strategies. She is the creator of Faces of Lynn magazine, co-founder of Voices of Lynn festival, a member of the Lynn Rotary Club, a board member for Arts After Hours and Community Path Coalition of Lynn, a volunteer for Kakrona Center of Lynn, Raw Art Works alumni and a graduate of Lynn Classical High School.

After receiving her bachelor’s degree in human services from UMass Boston, Cinda moved back to Lynn to work for and serve her community. Cinda is experienced, knowledgeable, and passionate about our city and its people. She knows how government works and how to get things done for the betterment of Ward 6 and the entire community.

Cinda is set to kick off her campaign on Wednesday, March 20, at 6 p.m. at Apsara Angkor restaurant located on 877 Western Ave., Lynn. Please join us and learn more about Cinda and her commitment to serving Ward 6 on the City Council. For more information, call 978-395-7503 or visit www.cindaforlynn.com.

REVERE SCHOOL OFFICIALS FIGHTING FLU

REVERE – Four Revere schools are participating in

a national school health program aimed to keep kids healthy this school year through technology. They are part of this year’s FLUency, a national health program by Kinsa, a company that makes smart thermometers to help parents and school nurses know what illnesses are going around their schools. With the help of Lysol, Kinsa is providing all families in the participating Revere schools with free smart thermometers that connect to the Kinsa app so parents can see what illnesses like strep throat, chicken pox, and lice are going around their schools.

The four Revere schools are the Beachmont, Whalen, Garfield and Lincoln and are among the 500 available spots nationally for the program.

FLUency’s Jared Flamm said the program was launched a few years ago as a test to see if FLUency and the app would better help school nurses.

“All that participated in that pilot program reported that it was a help,” said Flamm. “So the way the program works is that school nurses submit an application to be part of the program and are accepted based on criteria they outline and whether or not the program will be beneficial to their school.”

Since the program started in the four Revere schools, over 700 of the smart thermometers have been handed out to Revere school parents.

Student sick days take a toll on families, cost districts millions of dollars in funding, and negatively affect student achievement. FLUency is a philanthropic program that reduces the spread of illness in elementary schools. The FLUency program connects Revere parents and school staff on issues of student health, enabling quicker detection of spreading illness and rapid response to help keep students well and in class.

One of the goal of the program, said Flamm, is to also decrease the workload on overly taxed school nurses in Revere by arming families with thermometers so sick

children are not sent in to school to see the nurse. The technology also helps school nurses in Revere know what trends are going around their school so they can react appropriately and encourage preventive health measures to keep healthy students well.

“What we’ve heard from school nurses in Revere and across the state is come Monday morning during flu season there’s a line out the door at the school nurse’s office,” said Flamm. “So the program gives parents and nurses that extra tool they need for early detection and also tracking what illnesses may be spreading around any given school and plan accordingly, like encouraging students and staff to wash their hands more often or disinfecting classrooms.”

ARRIGO SAYS STATE OF CITY IS STRONG


REVERE – Mayor Brian Arrigo, beginning his fourth year as the city’s chief executive, said the state of the city is “strong” during his Annual State of the City Address Feb. 7 before a large audience at the Susan B. Anthony School Auditorium.

Arrigo highlighted some of the achievements of his administration, including the city achieving its highest bond rating in history, but added that “we are not done.”



He said “with the support and cooperation of our City Council and our School Committee, we continued Revere’s progress, now in 2019, our City is thriving.”

Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito had the honor of introducing Arrigo. She praised the mayor and other city leaders for having done “a phenomenal job in really setting the tone and creating an environment that is very welcoming to your residents, but really welcoming to others who want to grow a business here, start a business here, and think about the opportunities here in this city.”

She also noted the many successes in the Revere school district, especially in mathematics and the sciences.




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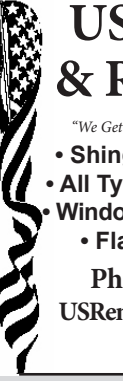
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and asked me to partner with him in this beautiful space, it was a dream come true,” said Logan. “We are all about community here, and it will be an inclusive environment for all levels of fitness.”

Each workout is customizable and allows clients to match their current fitness level with their future goals. As added bonus, the trainers will send out daily accountability checks to make sure clients are staying on track.

“The small-group training has been very successful for me. It’s very approachable and you gain a lot of learning experience,” said Alec Sennot, a music teacher at the Gorman Fort Banks School who will be making the transition from the North End location to the Winthrop location. “I’ve lost 20 pounds since December and I’ve gotten a lot stronger.”

Each small-group training session will consist of four clients and one coach, and members will be encouraged to partake in active recovery sessions and foam rolling in the cardio room.

“I think we have great potential to grow here, and I’m looking forward to being a part of it,” said Deeb.

If you are interested in checking out the membership options and rates, please see: www.nlfhealth.com or email info@nlfhealth.com.



Next Level Fitness CEO Micah Logan and Certified Personal Trainer Zach Deeb, partner up.



Zach Deeb demonstrates how a weighted sled is pushed across the training floor.



One of the three training rooms, with functional training equipment.



Marianna Clark and Tracy Gahagan check out the Client Recovery Lounge.

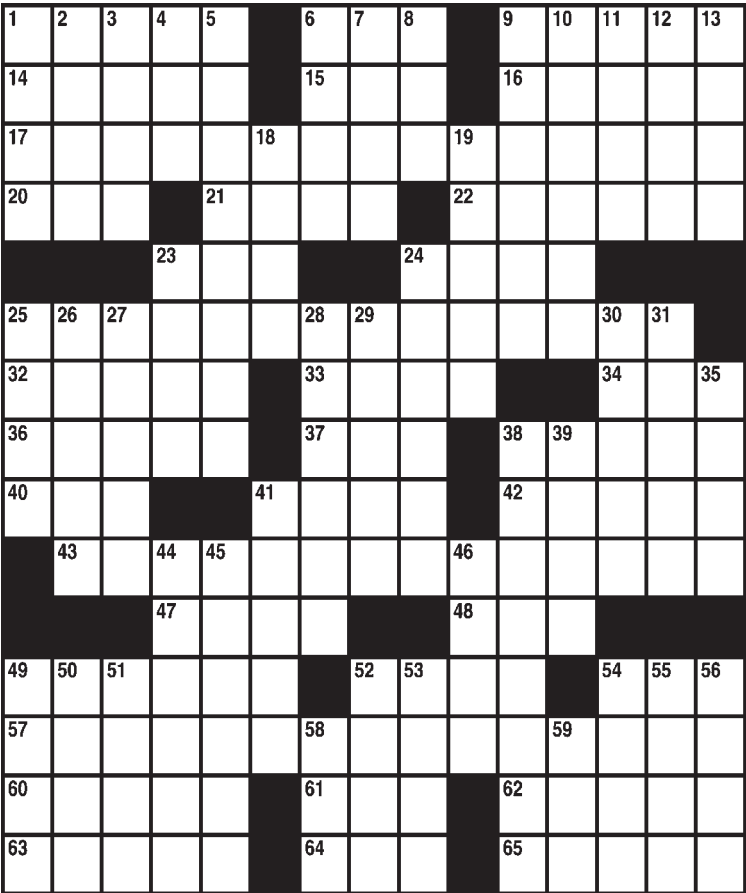


Jessica Paulson makes a smoothie with all natural ingredients, in the Client Recovery Lounge, where members will be encouraged to cool down and relax after a tough workout.

Crossword Puzzle

- Across
- 1 Medea’s husband
 - 6 Tarboosh : Arabic ; __ : Turkish
 - 9 When bulls crow?
 - 14 Utah County seat
 - 15 Obit number
 - 16 Hamilton of “The Terminator”
 - 17 Continental alliance’s intl. strategy
 - 20 Prime meridian hrs.
 - 21 Drops a pop
 - 22 Otolaryngologist’s diagnosis
 - 23 “Richard III” star McKellen
 - 24 E or G, e.g.
 - 25 Treat thicker than the original
 - 32 Bluesy Waters
 - 33 Resistance units
 - 34 “Outstanding!”
 - 36 Looking displeased
 - 37 50-50, say
 - 38 Covered in goo
 - 40 Allotment word
 - 41 Rabbit’s title
 - 42 Actor Davis
 - 43 Toyota RAV4 competitor
 - 47 Two-time Indy 500 champ Luyendyk
 - 48 Old boat-steering tool
 - 49 Yes or no follower
 - 52 Askew view
 - 54 Storm of the ‘90s
 - 57 Complaint after a reluctant act
 - 60 Slop
 - 61 Canada’s smallest prov.
 - 62 Moved like goo
 - 63 Country’s Tucker
 - 64 You can find one in the four longest puzzle answers, even if you don’t believe
 - 65 Draws closer

- Down
- 1 File format for pics
 - 2 __ lily
 - 3 Player’s piano?
 - 4 Ab __: from the start
 - 5 “Seriously!”
 - 6 Not foul
 - 7 Clutch contents
 - 8 Path to enlightenment
 - 9 Smashed
 - 10 Slicker
 - 11 Taking care of business
 - 12 Year when “Hamlet” is believed to have been completed
 - 13 Remarks
 - 18 Beach bird



- 19 Vanishing sounds
- 23 “Doubtful”
- 24 D’gito
- 25 He played Dillinger in “Public Enemies” (2009)
- 26 Great Plains natives
- 27 Swahili for “freedom”
- 28 “Got that right!”
- 29 One taking things wrong?
- 30 Dadaist Max
- 31 Jack of “The Great Dictator”
- 35 Batik artist
- 38 Show leniency toward
- 39 Red letters?
- 41 Prickly shrub
- 44 Person sometimes 9-Down
- 45 Biological ring
- 46 Gallivant
- 49 Part of DOS: Abbr.
- 50 Midwest university with 23 team wrestling championships
- 51 Bollix up
- 52 Grievance
- 53 Peculiar: Pref.
- 54 Strip under duress?
- 55 Cabinet dept. since
- 56 Numbers on horses
- 58 PC core
- 59 Soil-moving tool



THEATER REVIEWS
THE LITTLE FOXES

By Sheila Barth

Run. Take the T. Drive. Call a transportation service. However you get there, don’t miss Lyric Stage Company of Greater Boston’s superb production of Lillian Hellman’s classic play, “The Little Foxes”.

The three-act, 2-1/2-hour play - with two 10-minute intermissions - is theater at its best.

The play is set in 1900, in a wealthy home, situated in a small Southern town. The three acts move swiftly, taking place over a tumultuous four weeks.

Award-winning director Scott Edmiston waves his theatrical magic wand, leading a superb Boston all-star cast through one dramatically explosive scene after another. Longtime, multi-award winning Janie E. Howland’s set, adorned with period, tufted brocade furniture, sparkling, elegant crystal chandeliers; background floor-to-ceiling lush, green drapes; circular wooden stairway, a coffee silver service set and delicate china boast the Hubbard family’s opulence. It’s such a showpiece, theatergoers are encouraged to take pictures of it minutes before the play starts.

Veteran costume designer-multi-award winner, Gail Astrid Buckley, has also created splendidly breathtaking period costumes, highlighted by award winning lighting designer Karen Perlow’s spotlights.

And the play? Ever since Lillian Hellman’s drama premiered February 1939 at National Theatre in New York City, its popularity has escalated on stage, in touring companies, radio adaptations and filmdom, because of its timeless, universal theme - family greed at its ugliest.

Veteran, award winning Dewey Dellay’s battery of sounds, including offstage voices, keeps theatergoers in the center of the melee.

In other words, everything about Lyric Stage’s ambitious presentation is superlative.

Set in Alabama, greedy Regina Hubbard Giddens and her equally wily brothers, Benjamin and Oscar, want to invest with Chicago businessman Mr. Marshall, to build a cotton mill in their area. “We’ll be bringing the cotton mill to the cotton.” Ben exudes enthusiastically. Portraying Ben, veteran actor Remo Airdi appears nonchalant, but

nimbly controls his siblings and their financial future, until Regina unleashes her own diabolical plan.

They’ll all make millions. However, the Hubbards must equally invest 1/3 of \$275,000 to get the project underway. But Regina can’t. Her husband Horace is gravely ill, and has been treated in a Maryland rehab for five months, too ill to leave there. But they need Horace’s money, so manipulative Regina orders their sweet, virginal daughter, Alexandra, to bring Horace home. She’s convinced she can coerce Horace into agreeing. He always gives in to her, she gloats.

Oscar and Ben have their own idea on how to seal the deal and get Horace’s money. They recommend Oscar’s repugnant son Leo and Regina’s sweet, virginal daughter Alexandra should marry.

But the greedy trio has a better plan. Nasty, scheming Leo, who works at the bank, will steal Horace’s Union Pacific railroad bonds worth \$88,000 from his safe deposit box.

When fatally-ill Horace discovers their theft, he hatches his own plan to thwart their betrayal and Regina’s, until.....

Helplessly, we watch Horace (terrific Craig Mathers) endure cardiac pain and Regina’s cruelty, his life slipping away.

And we’re horrified by Re-

gina, who turns her pseudo charm and acerbic venom off and on, like a spigot. Anne Gottlieb’s mien, facial expressions, body language, and tone are magnificently malevolent.

Multi-award winning actress Amelia Broome is marvelous as Birdie, Regina’s foil, and Oscar’s wealthy, genteel wife, who’s a throwback to pre-Civil War antebellum luxury and gentility. Oscar (fantastic Will McGarrahan) browbeats and humiliates Birdie, who has her own sad secret. She’s also acutely aware Oscar didn’t marry her for love, but for her money and social status. We empathize with Birdie’s emotional suffering, weeping inwardly with her. Birdie adores Alexandra (talented recent Northeastern U graduate, Rosa Proccaccino), but dislikes her only son, Leo, whom Michael John Ciszewski portrays so convincingly, we hate him, too.

Birdie expresses her wish for spending their potential money windfall- to restore her family’s once-prosperous plantation and cotton fields to their glorious heyday. But everyone ignores her.

Boston-based Cheryl D. Singleton personifies reason as Addie, the family’s black servant; Kinson Theodoris retains the Hubbards’ manservant Cal’s subservience; and Bill Mootos Jr. is cleverly wry as Chicago businessman Mr. Marshall.



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