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A MEMORIAL DAY TO REMEMBER



Linda Calla, Senator Boncore, Sgt. Bill Furey, and Speaker DeLeo at the Memorial Day Services held this past Monday, overlooking the Winthrop Cemetery. See more photos on Page 8.

Winthrop looks to get its own planning department

By Laura Plummer

At its most recent meeting on May 19, the Winthrop Town Council heard a presentation by Tufts University students on the benefits of creating a planning department for the Town of Winthrop.

Patrick Higgins, Alisha Patel, Ethan Pepin and Adrian Tanner presented a slideshow entitled Four Centuries Young: The Case for a Planning Department in Winthrop.

Planning was defined by the team as “the process of working with residents and elected officials to accomplish community goals.” The team conducted a literature review, interviewed planning professionals and analyzed budget statements to discover what benefits a professional planning department could bring to Winthrop.

The students explained

that a town planner’s key role is to establish communication with foundations and to secure grant funding. They cited two projects—Win2030 and the \$1.3 million sewer upgrade—that could be budgeted more effectively with the help of a planner.

The presentation also showed how a planning department could increase the Town’s professionalism—giving support to planning boards, provide consistency around the development process, and tailoring new developments to community values.

The report claimed that a town planner could help fight climate change by engaging in coastal partnerships, seeking out climate-specific grants, and altering the Master Plan to be more environmentally conscious.

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— Adopt-A-Senior —

By Kate Anslinger

There is no doubt that the class of 2020 will have a unique experience as they receive their diplomas this year. The pandemic has certainly put a damper on the many events that graduating seniors have looked forward to since they were side by side in elementary school. As a way of making sure the seniors receive the

congrats that they deserve, this year’s graduating class is being put up for adoption.

Community members have the opportunity to show their love by adopting a senior. Organizer of the “Adopt-A-Senior” program, Stephanie Long, and other volunteer parents, will randomly assign a senior to interested adopters,

See ADOPT-A-SENIOR Page 5

Rev. Tom DiLorenzo to leave Holy Rosary Church

Begins new ministry at St. John the Baptist in Quincy on June 1

By Cary Shuman

The Rev. Tom DiLorenzo, the well-known spiritual leader at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Winthrop for the past 25 years, is leaving the church to become the pastor at St. John the Baptist Church in Quincy.

“Father Tom,” as the distinguished clergyman is known reverentially by those who have had the honor of being a part of



Father Tom DiLorenzo.

ministry and the thousands across the country who listen to his daily radio pro-

gram, will start in new position on June 1.

“I’m going to miss Winthrop and Holy Rosary, of course,” said the Rev. DiLorenzo, 73. “Through the years, I’ve met hundreds of Winthrop residents. I’d mention names, but I can’t do that because I would be leaving people out. I’m going to miss the people here. We’ve prayed for healing for so many people.

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Center Business District project updates and schedule

Special to the Transcript

From May 31 through June 4 the following is schedule of work for the Center Business District.

Continue constructing the new sewer main on Woodside Ave. and begin construction of the new sewer main on Somerset Ave. Construction will occur on Woodside Ave. between Somerset Ave. and Bartlett Rd. and from the intersection of Woodside Ave. and Somerset Ave. approximately 50 feet onto Somerset Ave. Ave. Work

is planned to be done at night to reduce the impacts to traffic. See the notice regarding night work for additional information. The construction on Woodside Ave. will require Woodside Ave. to be closed to vehicle traffic from Pauline St. to Bartlett Rd. during work hours. The construction on Somerset Ave. will require closing Somerset Ave. between Cottage Park Rd. and Woodside Ave. during work hours. Sidewalks will remain open during construction to allow pedestrian access to the properties and

businesses. Vehicle access to Woodside Ave. will be restored at the end of each workday. Detours and police details will be in place to assist with directing traffic.

NOTICES:
NIGHT WORK: Construction hours will transition to night work starting June 1st. Approximately 125 linear feet of sewer construction on Woodside Ave. between Somerset Ave. and Bartlett Rd., approximately 50 linear feet of sewer

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House passes bond bill that will give Winthrop \$500,000

Special to the Transcript

House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo joined his colleagues in the House to pass legislation authorizing up to \$1.7 billion in spending for

the improvement of information technology equipment and related projects in Massachusetts.

The House voted for the IT financing package – which also contains key funding for food se-

curity -- using its remote voting procedures for the COVID-19 emergency. The bill provides \$500,000 for information technology upgrades in Winthrop.

See BOND BILL Page 9



PHOTO BY OLIVIA DRISCOLL

Members of the graduating class of Winthrop High School for 2020 were treated to a parade last Friday, May 22, put on by their teachers, staff, neighbors and Town officials. The Parade is one of multiple efforts by the Town and its residents to congratulate their High School seniors in this time where the standard graduation practices have gone. Shown above, the Winthrop Fire Department shows their support to the Class of 2020. See more photos on Page 6.

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NEWS Briefs

FEMA ANNOUNCES OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE FOR THE 2020 HURRICANE SEASON

To address the challenges of managing disaster response and recovery efforts during this year’s hurricane season, FEMA is releasing the “COVID-19 Pandemic Operational Guidance for the 2020 Hurricane Season” to help emergency managers and public health officials best prepare for disasters, while continuing to respond to and recover from coronavirus (COVID-19). The guidance can also be used by private sector and non-governmental organizations to gain an understanding of the government’s posture, planning and readiness efforts.

The guide provides actions emergency managers and public officials can take to prepare for response and recovery operations during ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response efforts. Specifically, the guidance:

- Describes anticipated challenges to disaster operations posed by COVID-19;
- Highlights planning

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

MONDAY, MAY 11

1153: A Belcher St. resident called to report that a neighbor has cameras facing her house and believes that she is being recorded. The officer spoke to the caller.

1405: A Thornton Park resident reported that a window in her motor vehicle (MV) had been smashed. The officer responded and observed the damage.

1928: A clerk in a local store reported that a customer claimed that the clerk did not give the customer the correct change. However, the video revealed that the clerk did provide the correct change. The officer will file a report.

2023: A Cottage Ave. resident reported that four planters had been stolen from her driveway earlier in the day. A neighbor had observed the incident. An officer was able to locate the alleged offending party, who stated that he had thought the planters had been put out with the trash. The planters were returned to the calling party, who was advised not to leave property by the trash in her driveway.

TUESDAY, MAY 12

0800: A Loring Rd. resident reported that his MV had been broken into overnight. The officer will file a report.

0858: Another Loring Rd. resident reported that both his and his wife's MVs had been rummaged through overnight and that some spare change had been taken.

1138: A resident in the Grandview Ave. area reported that a man and a woman were out on the flats and behaving suspiciously. The officer spoke to the two individuals and informed them that they need a license if they wish to be shellfishing.

1352: A Shore Drive resident reported finding a loose dog with no identification. The owner came for the dog.

1532: A BOLO (be on the lookout) was issued for a white Kia SUV from which gun

shots were fired in East Boston earlier in the day. The Kia has been seen entering and exiting Winthrop recently and all officers were advised to use caution. The Kia was a rental from Pennsylvania.

1849: A 20 year old person riding a bicycle collided with a parked van at Crystal Cove and Faun Bar Aves. The van had substantial damage with dents and broken glass.

2026: A lost black dog was in the area of Cutler St. The dog's tag had a phone number. The owner was called and came to retrieve the dog.

2036: A Jeep that had been reported stolen out of Swampcott was found in the back parking lot at Governor's Drive.

2312: A Trident Ave. resident reported that her upstairs neighbors were running around and making a lot of noise. The officers spoke to the parties. The neighbors said they were going to bed for the night.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

0411: An Atlantic St. resident reported that his MV had been broken into overnight and his wallet and other items were taken. He was advised to cancel all of his credit cards.

0808: Another Atlantic Ave. resident reported that her MV also had been broken into overnight.

1221: A Sagamore Ave. resident reported that a dog in the neighborhood has been outside barking for 40 minutes.

1303: An officer stopped a MV that was going around the construction cones on Grovers Ave. The officer gave a warning to the operator.

1312: A caller reported that his MV had been broken into overnight. However, he did not wish to file a report.

1617: An officer and the Animal Control Officer responded to a report of a loose dog in the area of Metcalf Square. They spoke to the owner, who stated they had been unable to find

the dog.

THURSDAY, MAY 14

0043: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. and Bayview Ave. The officer directed the operator to park the vehicle legally and will issue a summons to the operator for a motor vehicle violation.

0903: A Governor's Drive resident reported that two tires on his MV had been slashed. The officer observed the damage and will file a report.

1244: An officer directed multiple dog owners who had their dogs off their leashes at Coughlin Park to comply with the town's leash law.

1537: An officer directed three youths who were at the skate park to disperse.

1541: An officer stopped a MV on Banks St. The officer arrested two persons: Michael Materra, 18, of 45 River Rd., on charges of possession with intent to distribute a Class D controlled substance, distribution of a Class D controlled substance, conspiracy to violate the drug laws, inducing a minor to distribute drugs, and being a minor in possession of alcohol, and a 17 year old juvenile on charges of illegal possession of a Class B controlled substance, illegal possession of a Class E controlled substance, and conspiracy to violate the drug laws.

1733: A Seal Harbor resident reported that three males were fishing from the condo's property and making a lot of noise. The officer directed the males to leave the premises and to fish at the end of Temple Ave.

1917: A Banks St. resident reported finding a lost dog. The resident was able to locate the owner, who retrieved the dog.

1933: A resident at the Ft. Heath apartments reported that a fellow resident was setting off fireworks from a balcony. The officer who responded confiscated all of the fireworks. The person who was setting off the fireworks, who was visiting, agreed to leave for the night.

2039: Officers responded to a report of an alleged altercation between a nephew and uncle. The nephew al-

legedly pushed the uncle, who fell and split his head. The uncle was transported to the MGH. The officer will file a report.

2202: A BOLO was issued for a MV that had been reported stolen and had entered the town via Main St. State and Revere police also were notified.

2209: A Somerset Terrace resident reported seeing a male party acting suspiciously and trying door handles of parked motor vehicles in the street. After the officers spoke to the caller and went to the scene, they discovered that the MV which the suspicious-acting male party had abandoned was the MV that had been reported stolen and was the subject of the BOLO. The K-9 officer was summoned to search for the male party and perhaps another male party who had been seen in the vicinity. The caller gave a description of the male party and a male matching that description eventually was located at the CVS in East Boston. The officers arrested Julian P. Soto, 20, of Chelsea, on a charge of receiving stolen property with a value greater than \$1200.

FRIDAY, MAY 15

0728: A Cottage Park Rd. resident reported that her husband's MV had been broken into overnight.

0816: An officer responded to the scene of a two-car MVA on Pauline St. and assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1003: A calling party from the Housing Authority reported that a man who was not wearing a face-mask was standing outside of the Golden Drive apartments shouting and demanding to be let in. The man will be served with a No Trespass notice.

1020: A person who was causing a disturbance on Terrace Ave. was transported to the hospital.

1145: A Somerset Ave. resident reported that his MV, which had been parked overnight on Cottage Park Rd., had been broken into and some items were taken.

1303: An officer was flagged down by a person who said she had found a dog wandering in the area.

She said she would hold onto the dog until the owner showed up at the police station to report it missing.

1455: An officer directed the owner of a MV parked on the corner of Fremont St. and Jefferson Ave. to move his MV so that it would not be an obstruction for traffic.

1534: An officer moved along some youths who were playing football at the high school field.

1556: An officer moved along a group of six youths who were playing hockey on the Walden St. court.

1642: An officer directed the owners of three MVs parked on Grandview Ave. to move their vehicles so as not to obstruct traffic.

1756: An officer directed a loud group in Hannaford Park to disperse.

1821: An officer ordered a MV that had been parked for a week on Bellevue Ave. to be towed.

1831: Officers conducted a search for a male party who had been reported missing by a woman who said she had left her husband at the entrance to Deer Island while she took walk with a friend. However, the husband no longer was in the MV when she returned. The husband eventually was located at his mother's house in Revere.

1837: An officer responded to a report of a man and a woman arguing about parking on Highland Ave. The male party reportedly told the female that she could not park in front of his house. The officer spoke to both parties and restored the peace.

2055: An officer responded to a report of a parking dispute between neighbors on Trident Ave. in which one of the parties made a threat of a physical assault. The officer spoke to both parties and restored the peace.

SATURDAY, MAY 16

0850: An officer on a directed patrol at Coughlin Playground informed two persons at the park of the town's leash law.

1058: An officer stopped a MV that had struck a sign at Magee's Corner. The only damage was to the MV. The officer will file a report.

1127: An officer issued

a parking ticket to a MV parked illegally on Walde-mar Ave.

1527: An officer dispersed a group of youths playing basketball at the Walden St. courts.

1543: An officer dispersed a group of youths in the skate park at Ingleside Park.

1640: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV parked illegally on Shirley St. at Yirrell Beach.

SUNDAY, MAY 17

0045: Officers responded to a report of three persons who were being loud in the back yard of a Marshall St. residence. The officers directed the trio to keep it down.

0747: An officer responded to a report of a dog owner not cleaning up after his dog at the Public Landing. The officer spoke to the dog owner.

0827: A report of a dead raccoon in the middle of Pleasant St. was referred to the DPW.

1358: An officer spoke to a tenant and landlord who were having a dispute over loud music.

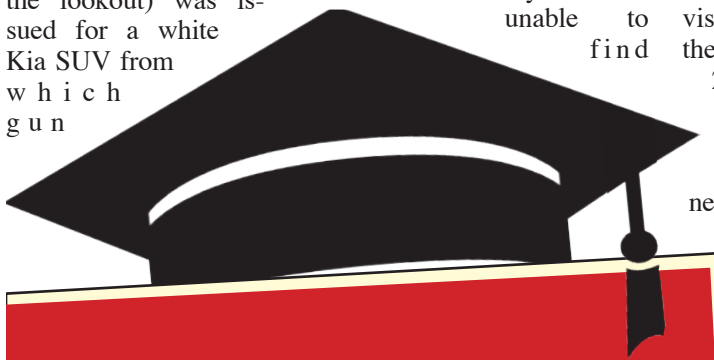
1359: Officers responded to a MVA on Central Ave. at Revere St. in which a MV struck a parked MV. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers. A pregnant female who was injured in the accident was transported to the Whidden Hospital.

1438: Officers responded to a report of a house on Buchanan St. being struck by BBs. The owner of the house said he was shooting at a target. He agreed to stop shooting.

1633: An officer responded to a report of a group of youths on bicycles riding in the street at Belle Isle. The officer directed the youths to be more careful and not to ride their bikes into oncoming traffic.

2059: Officers responded to a report of loud music at 100 Governor's Drive. The officers discovered that it was a birthday party for a 12 year-old girl. The party-goers agreed to turn down the music. The group also was informed of the emergency by-law restricting

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Costonis Giveback Trust donates new sign to Winthrop Golf Course

Special to the Transcript

Dr. Anthony Costonis, Trustee of the Sylvia Costonis Family “Giveback Trust” presents the Win-



Shown from left to right are Rob Honan, who made the sign; Chris Previte, Vice President of Winthrop Golf Club, Anthony and Dottie Costonis and Joe Ferrara, Past President of Winthrop Golf Club.

throp Golf Club with new signage to introduce the Club members, family, and friends to its new 2020 golf season.

The gift is inspired by

the personal experiences and exposures of the Costonis Family with the Winthrop Golf Club; with George Costonis serving as Caddy Master in the late 1940’s; Anthony, John and Arthur Costonis serving as caddies and members of the WHS Golf Team in the 1950’s later joined by Anthony’s son, Michael Costonis, who was an employee of the Pro Shop, a member of the Club and played on the WHS Golf Team in the mid-1980’s. Dr. Costonis later served as President of the Winthrop Golf Club in the 1990-91 period.

In a letter addressed to the Board of Governors of Winthrop Golf Club, Dr.

Costonis points to the great amenity that the Golf Club has been for his family, the citizens of the Town of Winthrop and the community at large. Also, he recognizes the tremendous job that former and current Boards of Governors have made to keep this “Field of Dreams” viable and active within the community.

While a modest gift, it is one of many that the Sylvia Costonis Family “Giveback Trust” has made to various educational organizations of Winthrop, including annual scholarship fund of

the Winthrop High School, Life Skills Program for special needs students, the WHS Drama Society, WHS Golf Team and the Viking Foundation. Other gifts have been made to town organizations including Winthrop Charities, St. John Evangelist, St. John Episcopal Church, Winthrop Elks, Richard Honan’s Winthrop Military gifting programs, Winthrop Special Olympics, Winthrop Art Association, Winthrop Fire Department for its annual fireworks program and the CASA Foundation.

Gifts have also been made to outside groups including Knights of Pythias (Kiddie Kamp), St Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Hope for the Warriors, and the Italian Home for Children.

In view of its continuing commitment to “Give Back” to the Town of Winthrop, The Trust is pleased to consider requests from other agencies serving the Winthrop community by contacting Dr. Costonis at acostonis1@gmail.com

Police Lieutenant seeks retirement extension

By Laura Plummer

On Tuesday, May 19, Lt. Nancy Dalrymple of the Winthrop Police Department (WPD) appeared at the meeting of the Town Council to request that her impending mandatory retirement be extended until 2023.

The current mandate requires police officers and firefighters to retire at age 65, but an extension would allow the lieutenant to retire at age 68.

The longest-serving member of the WPD, Lt. Dalrymple read from a prepared statement in which she illustrated her forty-year career with the department. She said that her expertise was warranted at a time when qualified replacements were down due to new demands imposed by the coronavirus pandemic.

“Chronological age is but a number,” she said. “I am ready, willing and able to serve as a full-time officer until 2023.”

Lt. Dalrymple stated that her request was not unlike the one granted to Winthrop Fire Chief Paul Flanagan. She also cited the fact that judges and town council members were allowed to serve well into their seventies, and that clerk magistrates were allowed to serve for life.

Councilwoman Barbara Flockhart commented

that the retirement age was established when life expectancy was lower, and suggested that it “should be changed.” Town Manager Austin Faison replied that retirement age was determined by state and not local governments.

Lt. Dalrymple said she is “not looking to affect a change in legislation” and that the exemption would only apply to her position.

During the public comment period of the meeting, Winthrop Police Sgt. Sarko Gergerian urged the council to deny the lieutenant’s request, saying it was based on “inaccurate and illogical” comparisons.

Sgt. Gergerian said that and that police officers cannot be compared to firefighters or workers in unrelated industries, and that there were in fact plenty of individuals qualified to take over vacated positions.

“There are people ready to move up in rank, individuals who have trained, practiced and studied for years to score well on tests,” he said. “They have goals that they’re trying to accomplish as they work to develop a career.”

Sgt. Gergerian emphasized the toll the exemption would take on the morale of the department.

“If this [extension] is allowed, it will cause an explosion at our department and it will harm individuals,” he said. “If you want

to change the law, take it up with the state.”

Sgt. Gergerian suggested that the department already has a program in place allowing officers to continue working details post-retirement, when they are given the status of special police officer. The position is limited to fewer than twenty hours per week with a salary not exceeding \$35,000 per year.

“That is the way a lieutenant would do it,” he said, “to not harm the people they are trying to mentor.”

However, Lt. Dalrymple is not seeking this arrangement, preferring to stay on full-time with the department.

Individuals of the baby boomer generation failing to retire on time has caused significant strain on younger generations that are eager to enter the workforce or climb the ranks within their industries.

Council President Phil Boncore shared that he had received three letters from community members opposing the retirement age extension, but he did not read these letters aloud. The Transcript made numerous requests to obtain these letters, but none were furnished by the deadline for this publication.

Council was unprepared to vote on the matter on May 19 due to a clerical error and moved the item to its June 2 meeting.

Planning Dept. // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The Tufts team identified potential obstacles for a newly hired town planner, especially if he or she is from out of town. It emphasized that a planner should get to know residents and to patronize small businesses in an effort to learn the community’s values and earn its trust.

The mission of the Winthrop Planning and Economic Management Department, as it would be called, would be to serve the town “by providing technical and professional support to the community as it determines and pursues its short- and long-term goals for community preservation, economic growth, and environmental protection.”

In order to determine the budget for the department, the researchers studied 16 municipal budgets and consulted online resources. They found that towns similar in size to Winthrop

spent between \$165,000 and \$170,000 annually to fund the department. Department heads are paid approximately \$80,000 per year, and a town planner is paid approximately \$61,000.

When asked if it was necessary to have more than one planner, Higgins said “the more the better, so you can spread the work out.” He recommended one full-time planner and one part-time planner at a minimum.

Pepin highlighted the importance of hiring individuals with experience with both the Massachusetts and federal grant-writing processes, especially as the community reels from the economic fallout of COVID-19.

Councilors thanked the students for their hard work in assembling the presentation.

“I’m looking forward to acting on your recommendations,” said Councilor

Tracy Honan.

“I think that adding a planner would bring much benefit to the town,” said Councilor Barbara Flockhart.

“We’re looking forward to finally having a planner in town to move us forward and do some things we’ve long wanted to have done,” said Councilor Rich Ferri-no. “We’ll be looking for a planner soon so spruce up your résumé.”

One caller, Karen Chavis, said she was unsure how a planning department would be funded given the current budget restrictions.

“These people at Tufts did a wonderful job,” she said, “but I caution the council to think about other things before we [consider] a planner.”

Town Manager Austin Faison said that his recent budget presentation already accounted for the planning department by dissolving existing positions.

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considerations for emergency managers based on current challenges;

- Outlines how FEMA plans to adapt response and recovery operations;
- Creates a shared understanding of expectations between FEMA and emergency managers; and,
- Includes guidance, checklists and resources to support emergency managers response and recovery planning.

Although some aspects of FEMA’s program deliv-

ery are different this year, others remain the same. FEMA does not anticipate major changes in program eligibility, timeliness of grant awards, or level of assistance provided under the Individual and Households Program.

While the guide focuses on FEMA’s program delivery during the 2020 hurricane season, most planning considerations can be applied to any disaster operation during the COVID-19 pandemic, including no-no-

tice incidents.

FEMA will continue to operate under the framework of locally executed, state managed, and federal supported incident response. By creating a shared understanding of expectations among FEMA and state, local, tribal and territorial partners prior to hurricane season, the nation will be better positioned to achieve operational outcomes in disaster response and recovery efforts.

Police // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

ing social gatherings.

2307: A Pauline St. resident reported that three youths had urinated on his MV. The officers who responded were unable to locate the offending parties.

2320: An officer responded to a report of a group of four persons talking loudly

on Loring Rd. The officer spoke to the group.

2335: A person flagged down an officer to report that he was the victim of an attempt armed robbery with a knife. The officers searched the area and spoke to possible witnesses, but were unable to locate a suspect.

MONDAY, MAY 18

0713: A Beal St. resident reported that his MV, which was parked in his driveway but unlocked, had been broken into. About \$5.00 in spare change was taken.

Fr. Tom // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

“People with cancer have been healed. People with other things have been healed as we pray with them,” said the Rev. DiLorenzo. “I’m going to miss that and the people are going to miss that, too.”

The Rev. DiLorenzo said he learned about his new position at St. John the Baptist three weeks ago. Because the church has suspended all Masses due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Rev. DiLorenzo didn’t have the immediate opportunity to make the announcement in person to the parish.

“I hope to say goodbye during a service at the church,” said the Rev. DiLorenzo. “But my farewell address is: All that God did, praise him.”

Growing up in East Boston

The Rev. DiLorenzo began his ministry at Holy Rosary in Winthrop in 1995. He has resided on

Shirley Avenue, just two doors from the church.

He previously held the top spiritual leadership position at St. Adelaide’s Church in Peabody for eight years and prior to that, he served at Sacred Heart Church in North Quincy for eight years.

He grew up in East Boston and attended East Boston High School, Class of 1964.

“Those were good years growing up in East Boston,” said DiLorenzo

Early on he chose his path to the priesthood and realized his goal after excelling in his theological studies. He attended Salem State University and St. John Seminary, Brighton.

“I knew I was going to be a priest but I didn’t know I would be serving in Winthrop one day,” he said.

Reflecting on his tenure at Holy Rosary, he said he takes pride in the strength and vitality of the church’s congregation.

“With the Lord’s leadership through me, Holy Rosary has remained strong in Winthrop,” said the Rev. DiLorenzo. “The congregation has been very supportive.”

Host of a national radio program for 34 years

The Rev. Tom DiLorenzo has hosted “In Season and Out of Season,” a national radio program for 34 years. Each day he preaches to thousands of listeners on Boston stations WROL, WEZE, and on stations throughout the country.

“I will be continuing my radio program that is on Monday through Friday in 30-minute and 15-minute broadcasts twice a day,” he said proudly.

Though the Rev. DiLorenzo won’t be officiating Masses in Winthrop, Holy Rosary parishioners will be able to listen to his inspiring thoughts each day on his popular radio program.

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OUR Opinions

AMERICANS WILL SURVIVE WITHOUT BACON DOUBLE-CHEESEBURGERS

The decision of the federal government to invoke the Defense Production Act to order meat-processing plants to reopen raises a number of issues about the use of the act for this purpose.

First and foremost, the order ignores the reality that meat-processing plants continue to be hot-spots for the spread of the coronavirus, placing the safety and lives of workers, their families, and their communities at high risk for contracting and spreading the disease. Despite the best efforts of meat processors over the past two months to improve worker safety, the coronavirus continues to explode among workers in this industry. The invocation of the Defense Production Act does nothing to address this issue.

Second, we certainly sympathize with the livestock farmers who have been forced to euthanize their animals, placing these farmers on the edge of bankruptcy. But their economic losses are easily-calculable and should be recompensed by the federal government.

By contrast, what has been more disturbing in our view has been the destruction of fruits and vegetables by farmers who normally supply the restaurant business. Why hasn't the federal government come up with a plan to purchase those foods and distribute them to the millions of needy Americans who are lining up, literally for miles, for distributions from food banks?

Third however, there is an even more basic question: Why has meat production been deemed an essential industry?

We raise this question for a simple reason: The American diet, which relies more heavily on meat than any other nation in the world, has been a major contributor to the death toll in our country for persons under the age of 60 who have contracted the coronavirus.

According to researchers, a person's body mass index -- whether someone is overweight -- is a crucial factor in the ability of an individual to fight the disease. In addition, individuals who consume a lot of animal protein are more likely to suffer from the pre-existing conditions of heart disease, diabetes, cancer, and kidney failure that place them at high risk for a fatal outcome if they should contract the coronavirus.

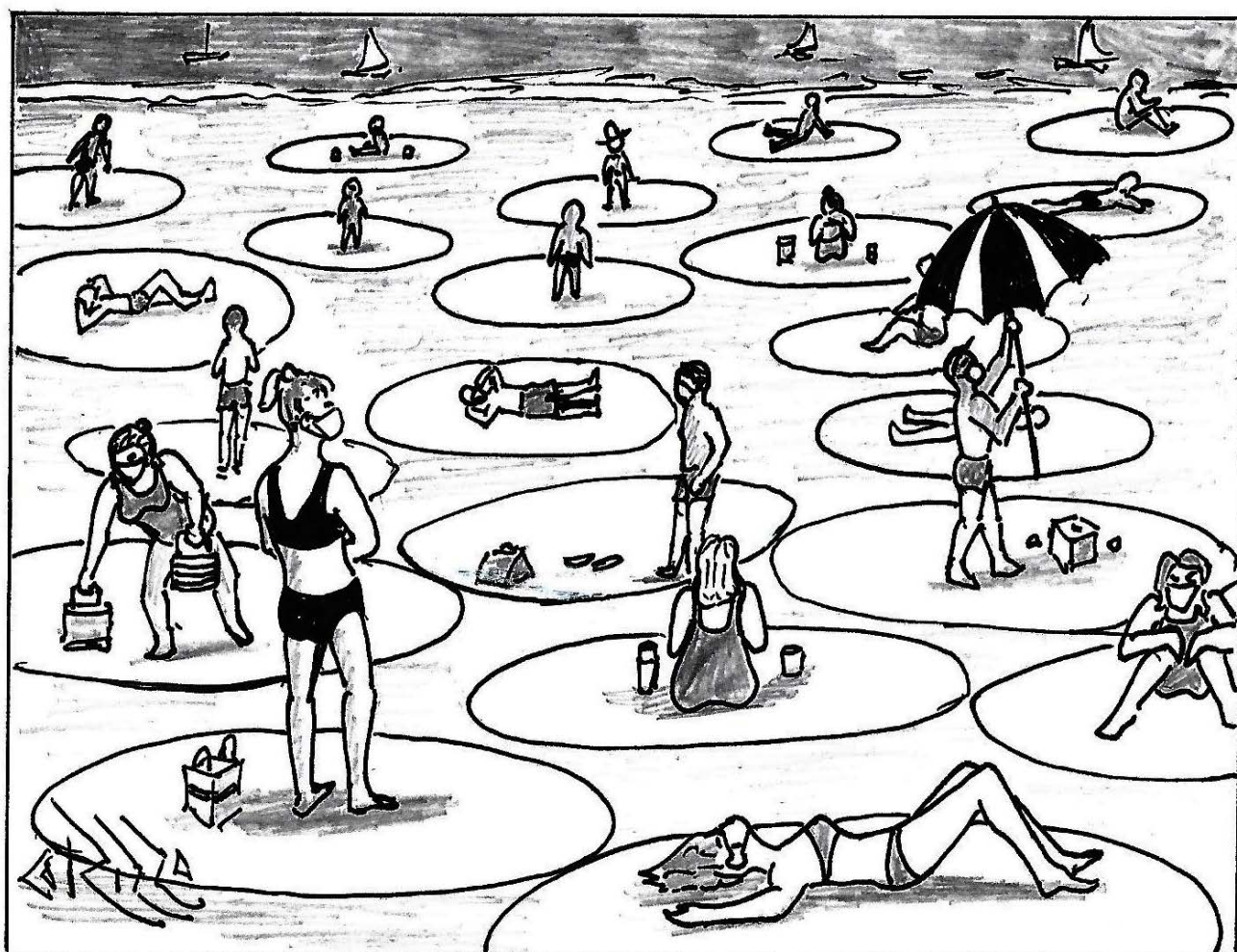
Americans --- who annually consume an astonishing average of 222 pounds of meat per person -- can obtain their protein in many other ways, whether from fish and shellfish or the new food products (such as the Impossible Burger and Beyond Meat) that actually are good for our health.

Finally, we would add that less meat production benefits our environment, thereby reducing air pollution, which is another plus for our nation's overall health. We're sure many of our readers will be surprised to learn that the production of meat and dairy, particularly from cows, contributes enormously to climate change, with livestock accounting for almost 15 percent of the world's greenhouse gas emissions each year -- roughly the same amount as all of the cars, trucks, airplanes, and ships in the world combined.

In conclusion, the federal government needs to take immediate action to ensure that farmers' fruit and vegetable products do not go to waste at a time when many Americans are in financial distress and in need of food. On the other hand, meat-processing plants should be allowed to reopen only when those facilities are safe for workers.

In the meantime, if the coronavirus changes the typical American's eating habits -- from less bacon, hot dogs, etc., to more fruits, vegetables, and whole grains -- that's a good thing, both for the present and future health of our nation.

Forum



WHEN YOU'RE AT THE BEACH, BE SURE YOU'RE OUT OF REACH

LETTER to the Editor

THANK YOU TO COLLEAGUES

Dear Editor,

My name is Stephen C. Hines and I am a local real estate agent here in Town. I wanted to take a moment to express my undying gratitude for my colleagues in Winthrop. What many folks don't realize is that real estate agents work day in and day out to make our beautiful seaside community into a place that families have wanted to live in for generation after generation. I wouldn't be half the man I am today without the help of my amazing colleagues. Mary Ann Cash, Cathie Currin, Ginny Brown, Elizabeth Ferrara, LeighAnn Eruzi-one, Seth Williams, Susan DeFelice, Atiyeh Cassidy, Chrissy D'Ambrosio, Sheryl Howard, Nicole Bettano, and John Young... it is a blessing to wake up each morning knowing that I get to work with you, learn from you, and make the dream of homeownership come alive with you. I genuinely look forward to

working many more years by your side.

Stephen C. Hines

NO MENTHOL, KNOW WHY

Dear Editor,

I want to remind people that starting June 1st, 2020, flavored tobacco, including men-thol cigarettes like Kools and Newport, will no longer be sold in Massachusetts. Last Fall, the Fight All Flavors campaign and many supporting partners worked to build grassroots understanding of and support for a proposed flavored tobacco restriction with an explicit focus on building youth leadership and calling out the tobacco and nicotine industry's targeting of menthol in communities of color.

The tobacco and vaping industries have targeted youth, LGBTQ populations and communities of color with their deadly products, causing many health consequences for these populations specifically. Flavors, like mint and menthol, are

a leading reason that young people start vaping and using tobacco.

The law, which goes into effect on June 1, 2020, means that:

- Menthol cigarettes and all other flavored tobacco products like flavored cigars, flavored chewing tobacco, and flavored e-cigarettes and nicotine vaping products will no longer be widely available in Massachusetts.

- E-cigarettes and nicotine vaping products will increase in price.

I'm excited to see that No Menthol. Know Why. is an extension of that work; they're working with community-based organizations, youth advocates, public health and health care partners, local health departments, churches, regional Tobacco-Free Community Partnership programs, and more to reach out to and support the communities most impacted by the new law. They want to build awareness about the law and provide information about the resources

available to help people quit smoking.

You can help spread the word in your community. Visit NoMentholKnowWhy.org to learn more, to share your menthol story and to find tools and resource to share.

For information about how the law will be enforced visit mass.gov/NewTobaccoLaw.

Help for those who want to quit vaping, smoking or using other tobacco products is available for FREE at 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) and KeepTryingMA.org.

Contact Edgar Duran Elmudesi at the Metro Boston Tobacco-Free Community Partnership, eduran@hria.org or 617-451-0049 x549 to learn more about the law, how you can support people in quitting and to find out how you can partner with us.

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10 years ago
May 20, 2010

Harbormaster Charles Famolare said this week that the Winthrop public landing will be closed next week as the on-going improvements to the landing continue.

The Town of Winthrop's financial picture is moving in the right direction, according to the town's independent auditing firm, Roselli Clark and Associates, who appeared before the Town Council Tuesday night to discuss the audit of town finances for the last Fiscal Year, 2009. At the end of 2008, Winthrop was one of only five communities (out of 351 cities and towns) in the state that had a negative balance (\$400,000) of free cash. Winthrop's lack of reserve funds and other weaknesses in the town's financial system resulted in the town being placed on the state watch list by the Department of Revenue.

The state also imposed a deadline of September 30 for the town to complete its financial statements or risk not having its tax rate certified. However, the recent audit revealed that the town had a little bit of free cash as of June 30, 2009, which marked the end of FY 2009.

Iron Man 2, Sex and the City 2, and Robin Hood are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
May 18, 2000

The Sun-Transcript has obtained town records that reveal that the town has over \$1 million in cash in bank accounts controlled by the Office of Community Development. The discovery of these funds comes on the heels of a story in the Sun-Transcript last week questioning where the town has placed the \$1.1 million in mitigation funds that have been received from the MWRA.

The WHS Drama Soci-

ety's production of You're A Good Man Charlie Brown will be held this week.

The MDC has announced that it will experiment with a change to one-way traffic on Shore Drive this summer.

The Bay View Nursing Home on Sturgis St. has announced that it will be closing its doors within the next 90 days.

The School Committee has given WHS Principal Jim Noiles a three-year contract.

More than 240 persons were on hand for the Rotary Club's annual Chinese Auction and Supper this past weekend.

Mission Impossible 2, Big Momma's House, and Shanghai Noon are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago
May 23, 1990

Three inmates who escaped from Deer I. went

on a rampage along Shore Drive, smashing car windows and slashing tires. It is believed that the inmates were hoping to create a diversion for local police while they attempted to steal a car to make good their escape. However, the trio finally were apprehended by Winthrop police officers Brian Perrin and Larry Hughes, who found them hiding among the rocks at the Grovers Ave. end of Shore Drive.

State budget problems caused by the recession have created confusion among the state's cities and towns as they plan their budgets for the coming fiscal year. Winthrop Town Meeting has been adjourned from April 23 to June 4 in hopes that the state budget situation is resolved by that time.

Robocop, Total Recall, and Pretty Woman are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

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Girl Scout troop earns petal for courage

By Kate Anslinger

For children, the meaning of Memorial Day can be challenging to interpret. For the young girls in Daisy Troop 70227, the reason behind the holiday become clearer, thanks to 30-minute lesson conducted by Vietnam Veteran, Richard Honan.

Leading up to the Zoom chat last Sunday evening, the troop had been learning about the importance of being courageous and strong on a mission to earn a petal for their daisy garden. As part of the lesson, the girls studied the story of Tula the Tulip, a flower who learns

to stand up for what she believes in, even though she is scared. By being courageous, Tula makes positive changes in her group of flowers, and speaks up on behalf of a flower who is being picked on.

“It’s important that we learning to be courageous and strong and stand up for what we believe in our daily lives,” said Troop Leader, Julia Wallerice, at the start of the meeting.

Expanding on Tula’s experience, Honan gave a brief overview of his time in the military. He shared photos of children that he met in Vietnam, a pet monkey he tended to, and a black and white photo of

him in uniform working as a truck driver. In addition to detailing the many jobs involved in the military, Honan shared his thoughts on the holiday.

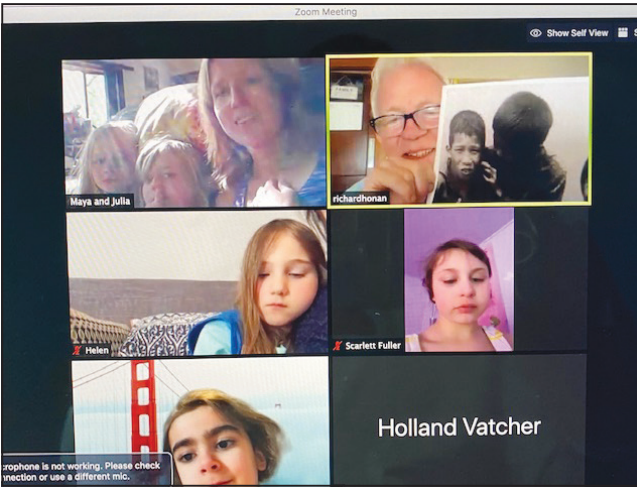
“I feel very honored to join this meeting and help you get this next petal. When we remember all those men and women who defended this country and gave their lives, we have to remember that it’s not just a weekend off. This is a very solemn, almost holy time. It’s about those who defended this country to make it safe for you and your family.”

Honan also made sure to share the progress that women have made in the

military and the many roles service members have.

“Unlike when I was in, today we have many women. Women serve alongside the men, and they serve all around the world. When you are in the military you learn how to get along with people, we help others in emergencies like floods and earthquakes, and we help foreign countries. Sometimes it’s hard to be courageous and to stand up and do what’s right because there are a lot of people doing bad things these days. It’s up to you girls to be brave and thoughtful. And teach others to be brave and thoughtful.”

Several of the Daisies



Vietnam Veteran, Richard Honan, holds up a photo of children he met in Vietnam 51 years ago. He taught these children how to sing “Row Row Your Boat.”

shared brief stories about uncles and grandfathers who were in war or deployed to far away locations.

“My mom’s brother is in

the army too,” said Scarlett Fuller. “He’s always far away and I can’t just go there. Sometimes it’s too far. If he comes home, I can give him a big hug.”

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and give them information about the student. The goal is to ensure that each and every senior receives a little extra applause by way of a card or gift. Community

members will be vetted by organizers to ensure they are legitimately interested in providing some extra care for their adoptee. Following the adoption pro-

cess, organizers will follow up with the students, families, and nominators to make sure they gave and received love.

So far, the program has

proven to be successful, as 255 adopters came forward, adopting out the 143 seniors.

“The response from the community has been amaz-

ing,” said Jennifer Powell, School Committee Member and parent volunteer. “We weren’t sure what to expect but everyone is pull-

ing together to celebrate our seniors. We can’t make up for what they can’t have, but we can make this time special in a different way.”

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40 years ago
May 21, 1980

Local bus service may be curtailed and fares raised by the MBTA, which says the moves are necessary in order to maintain its subsidy for the Rapid Transit Bus Co.

Town officials are making final preparations for Operation Sail when the Tall Ships will visit Boston Harbor this summer.

Traditional Memorial Day ceremonies in the town will get underway Sunday and proceed into Monday.

Newly-elected Selectman John Van Dalinda, a recently-retired Winthrop Police lieutenant, has called for a system of appointing acting sergeants and lieutenants as a way of improving morale in the Police Dept.

Steve Martin stars in The Jerk at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago
May 21, 1970

Long-time WHS Principal Ralph Duplin has announced that he will retire effective June 30. Duplin has been a teacher with the schools for 35 years and has served as WHS Principal since 1959. Duplin is a graduate of Georgetown University, where he was an outstanding football player, and received his Masters from Boston Univ.

Rev. Daniel Johnson has accepted the call to become the new minister at the Union Congregational Church.

State Rep. Ralph Siriani has filed an order with House Speaker David Bartley calling for the appointment of a fact-finding commission to go to Vietnam and Cambodia to look into the American war effort which has no end in sight.

Internationally-known band leader Stan Kenton will perform at the Cottage Park Y.C. on May 31. Tickets are \$6.00.

Clint Eastwood stars in The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly at the Suffolk Downs Drive In.

50 years ago
May 29, 1960

A large gathering of Winthrop parents, school officials, and students attended a meeting to look into the wee-hours customs of WHS students on prom night. It is hoped that a plan will be developed to curb the all-night meanderings of students after their high school prom.

The Winthrop Fire Dept. has stressed that, in light of the exceptional past winter, all residents participate in the town-wide clean-up of accumulated trash and oth-

er combustible items this week.

The St. John’s Missilettes have extended an invitation to 30 other CYO drum and bugle units in the area to participate in a competition on May 29 at Miller Field.

Preston Chase, the longtime principal of the Shirley St. School, was honored at a testimonial dinner at the Hotel Edison in Lynn.

Jennifer Jones and William Holden star in Love is a Many Splendored Thing at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago
May 18, 1950

Two former members of the Board of Selectmen, Frank Whitman, 77, the retired owner of the former Whitman Lumber Co., and Joseph Hodgkins, 69, a retired vice-president of a valve manufacturing firm, attended a recent meeting of the selectmen and both agreed that the business of running the town was considerably less expensive and easier when they served on the board 22 years ago.

Representatives from the town’s four Protestant churches have voted to form a joint Youth Fellowship.

The selectmen voted against a request for a permit for a Sunday ice cream license by Fred Bristol after opponents, consisting of local proprietors and druggists, claimed that mobile ice cream vendors will endanger their businesses.

Clifton Webb stars in Cheaper by the Dozen at the Winthrop and State Theaters.

80 years ago
May 16, 1940

Petitions being circulated by anonymous sponsors are asking that a Special Town Meeting be called to consider whether the town should purchase or construct a municipal lighting plant.

The first annual Communion Breakfast of the Winthrop Woman’s Club will be held Sunday morning in St. John the Evangelist Hall immediately after the 9:30 mass at which the members will receive Communion.

Henry Fonda and Jane Darwell star in The Grapes of Wrath at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

100 years ago
May 22, 1920

Residents are complaining that the ash collectors are not doing their job in a timely manner, with residents often leaving their ash barrels out on the sidewalks for four days before they are picked up.

The Suburban Gas and Electric Co. is citing the nationwide shortage of coal and oil as the reason for the recent increase in rates.

Five gallons of alcohol were seized at the Revere Beach Drug Store Thursday afternoon and two men were arrested after they allegedly made a sale of 1/2 pint of alcohol to an undercover agent. The operation was carried out under the direction of Inspector McCarthy, the area’s Prohibition Enforcement Officer, at the direction of Revere Police Chief Dyer.

Rev. Raph Harper, the rector at St. John’s Episcopal Church, railed against “ruthless landlords” who are raising rents and evicting families at his sermon this past Sunday.

110 years ago
May 21, 1910

Five men reportedly contributed 50 cents each to a pool for a chance to guess the distance from Graves Light to Winthrop Beach. None of the men guessed that it was more than four miles and all were astounded when a local fisherman told them it was nine miles. Graves can be seen plainly along the Mass. coast from a distance of 30 miles.

The new town water tower atop Cottage Hill will be a landmark for ships coming into Boston Harbor.

Many say that the height of ugliness has been reached with the construction of brick business blocks throughout the town.

There was quite a bit of mischief on Snake Island on Saturday night. Police took to the water with the aid of a power boat upon a report of a woman drowning off the island. Upon arriving, the police discovered that the woman had been rescued and had been brought into one of the residents’ houses on the island. However, while on the island the police came across three young men who were under the influence of liquor and arrested all three of them. All were brought into court on Monday morning and were fined \$10 each.

120 years ago
May 10, 1900

Winthrop has been honored with the announcement of the appointment by Gov. Crane of local resident Fred H. Seavey as the new Sheriff for Suffolk County to fill the unexpired term of the late Sheriff O’Brien.

Seavey, a native of the West End of Boston, has been a deputy sheriff for many years and a Winthrop resident for the past few years, where he lives with his

DO YOU REMEMBER?



Shown above from left to right, Patricia Bruen Tacelli, scholarship recipient Andrew Merola, Carol Merola, Steve Merola, and Mary Lou Osborne at the Winthrop Catholic Woman’s Club Scholarship banquet in 2001.

Shown to the right, Margaret Buchan (right), receiving the 2001 Catholic Woman’s Club Woman of the Year Award from Mary Lou Osborne, Club President.

mother at 48 Winthrop St.

Winthrop residents opposed to the action taken last February by the selectmen granting a license to the Revere and Winthrop Street Railway Co. have filed a petition with the State Railroad Commission to prevent the granting of a franchise to that company.

130 years ago
May 23, 1890

Beacon Villa has been

leased by Mr. Bristol, its current occupant, for the ensuing three years. Beautiful interior decorations and furnishings have been added, and together with its well-kept grounds, make it one of the most imposing residences in Winthrop. Electric lights have been introduced into both the house and the stable.

The Great Head Y.C.

held its first meeting of the season in its hall at Great Head on Tuesday evening. The membership committee announced the election of 10 new members. The total number of members is 261, with the number of yachts enrolled in the club as follows: seven steam yachts and launchers, eight schooner yachts, three cutter yachts, 24 sloop yachts, and 29 cat-rigged yachts.

Local girl looking to buy a multi-family to live and stay in, NOT to flip to condos.

Hi Everyone! My name is Kelli O'Hara and I want to live in Winthrop. I was raised in Everett and Melrose and have worked in the media for the past 15 years. I love Winthrop, it's a close knit community right by the water where people look out for one another. I wish my ancestors settled here!

I have bid on multis here before but get outbid by developers looking to turn your town into condos...I don't



want that to happen. I want to buy property here to invest, stay and raise my family here. I'm getting my contractor license so I'm not afraid of hard work.

I'd love some help, the only way I'm going to get a home is if you're willing to sell to me. No prank calls please and I'm not a developer!

**Kelli
781-307-7153**

SENIOR CLASS PARADE IS A MOMENT TO REMEMBER

By Kate Anslinger

Last Friday, graduating seniors were honored in a parade put on by teachers, staff, residents and town officials. A train of vehicles decorated in blue and gold cruised along the route that started at Deer Island and made its way through every neighborhood in town. Parade participants held up signs and took the time to make sure that the seniors received the acknowledgment they deserve, during the three-hour event.

“The senior parade on Friday was one of the greatest moments in my high school career,” said senior class secretary, Olivia Driscoll. “It showcased the amazing community and high school that I had the privilege of being a part of, and I will continue to be a Viking for life! Thank you

to all the staff, including Principal Crombie and Superintendent Howard for making this possible.”

Seniors weren’t the only ones who were on the receiving end of the parade’s goodness, and staff members were thrilled to see the students that they have missed for the past two months, since the start of the COVID-19 quarantine.

“Last weekend’s senior class parade allowed me to also get to see many of my 1,998 students as they lined the streets to wish our seniors well,” said School Superintendent Lisa Howard. “Winthrop is such an awesome community to work and live in. We truly have a special place here. Seeing all the families and kids (even though they were not in our schools) was so helpful, we miss them all and can’t wait to get back what we know and love.”



Head of Science Department, Alyssa Daigneault, waves to students along the route



Graduating seniors: Devon Barry, Patrick Haskell, Jillian Johnson, and Olivia Driscoll (Courtesy of Olivia Driscoll)



Senior, Alana Grillo, greets parade participants as they pass by (Courtesy of Brando Martinez).



A group on Point Shirley, cheer the seniors on with signs (Courtesy of Ronald Mesa).



A crowd stands in front of graduating senior, Jack Sicurella's house, on Somerset Ave.



A group gets excited as the parade passes by.



Graduating senior, Fiona MacPhail, is all smiles during the parade, alongside mom, Daniela Foley (Courtesy of Ronald Mesa)

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construction on Somerset Ave. starting at Woodside Ave. and working in the direction of Cottage Park Rd., and approximately 100 linear feet on Bartlett Rd. starting at Woodside Ave. and working toward Adams St. is planned as night construction to re-

duce the impact to traffic. Work hours are currently scheduled for 8 PM to 4 AM, Sunday night through Thursday night. Work is not planned for Friday nights or Saturday nights. It is anticipated this work will take approximately 3 weeks to complete and the

work is scheduled to end the morning of Friday, June 19th. Temporary parking restrictions will be posted, traffic will be detoured around the work zone and residents can use the temporary parking lot at French Sq. for overnight parking during this period. Normal

work hours (7 AM to 3:30 PM) will resume on Friday June 12th. Traffic will only be able to access French Sq. from Putnam St. via Jefferson St. and exit French Sq. by Hagman Rd. between 8 PM and 4 AM when night construction is performed.

Residents and businesses with temporary water service connections (blue hoses) are requested not to move these hoses or shut off the outside faucet the hoses are connected to. The hoses provide your property with water service during construction. If the outside faucet is closed, it will interrupt your water service. If the hose is moved it can create a trip hazard where

the temporary water service crosses the sidewalk. Please do not move these hoses to perform yard work. If you have landscaping services at your property, please inform your landscaper not to move these hoses or shut off the outside faucet. Running over these hoses with a lawn mower cut the hoses and interrupt water service until the hose can be replaced. If you see a trip hazard, please contact Frank Fruci (P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc.) at (617) 592-3784 immediately to report the hazard.

Occasionally, residents and businesses may experience discolored tap water because of construction

activities. Construction may disrupt sediment in water pipes and cause it to become suspended in the water. Discolored water is not a health threat and is the result of low levels of naturally occurring iron in water. If you are experiencing water discoloration, flush your water from a faucet that does not have a screen (like the bathtub or outside spigot) until you get clear water. If your water is still discolored after several minutes of flushing, you may need to wait a few hours for the sediment to settle and the water in the main to clear.



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IT ALL STARTS WITH BOBBY Hubert headlines sensational senior class

By Cary Shuman

From all reports, something big is happening in the Winthrop High School football program.

Head coach Jon Cadigan has a deep and talented 22-member incoming senior class and 60 players on board for the 2020 season.

And Bobby Hubert is one of those seniors who has built quite a resume in his three years as a starting player for the varsity.

His sophomore season was the breakout year as Hubert earned All-NEC and Item All-Star awards. The starting quarterback, he scored 99 points and rushed for just under 1,000 yards.

Last season was even more productive for Hubert as he rushed for 1,069 yards and scored 10 touchdowns. He moved to fullback at midseason when Cadigan needed him at that position. For the second year in a row, he was All-NEC and an Item All-Star.

Cadigan will again give Hubert the green light at the helm of the Vikings' offense.

"We're going to try to get the football in his hands, whether he's playing quarterback or fullback," said

Cadigan. "He's one of our fastest guys."

Cadigan said Hubert's 70-yard touchdown run on Thanksgiving said it all about his breakaway abilities. "He got behind the secondary and pulled away from Revere's fastest player. Bobby has legit speed. He's also a very tough kid and he's very explosive. People see it when he breaks off a big run but when he tackles people, he's very forceful and that's something the coaches look for."

High expectations for the 2020 season

Coach Cadigan, Bobby Hubert and anyone who has watched Winthrop football the past two years knows that the expectations are sky high.

"We're hoping for a really successful season," said Hubert candidly.

There will be plenty of varsity experience on the roster. Like Hubert, slotback Brian Conceicao, two-time, All-Conference tight end and lineman Tyler Rockefeller, and running back and safety Austin Daigneault are returning three-year starters. That group was known as the Su-



Winthrop High's two-time All-NEC football player Bobby Hubert eludes a tackle during a game last season.

per Sophs two seasons ago. "Any time you have that many guys with a substantial amount of experience, you should be pretty good," said Cadigan. "And Bobby is certainly one of our better guys."

Cadigan feels the Vikings' tough non-league schedule that includes a season-opening trip to Stoneham, a Super Bowl winner and North finalist the past two years, will prepare the team well for the playoffs.

"Stoneham is very good so we'll find out right off the bat where we stand in our division," said Cadigan. "We know we can hang with the teams in our division. We can beat the teams in our division, it's just a

matter of getting there," said Cadigan.

A strong college football prospect

As one would expect, the 5-foot-8-inch, 186-pound Hubert is generating correspondences from college football programs.

Tufts, Curry, and Bentley are in the picture right now and in all three cases Hubert would be in the environment of past WHS football greatness and Super Bowl championships. Tony Fucillo is an assistant coach at Tufts, his brother, Richard Fucillo, is an assistant coach at Curry while their cousin, Vinnie Eruzone, is the Curry director of athletics. At Bentley, Bob DeFelice is the director of

athletics.

This season Hubert will get to work closely with 2006 Super Bowl champion quarterback and defensive back James Fucillo, who will be the defensive coordinator for the Vikings.

"With the year that I expect Bobby to have, I think there are going to be a lot more colleges looking at him," said Cadigan.

And let's not forget it was Cadigan who started this century as key contrib-



Bobby Hubert accepts an award at the WHS football banquet.

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The Winthrop Community Food Pantry is here to help

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WHS SPORTS Roundup

WHS spring athletes will be continuing their education after high school

With the coronavirus pandemic forcing the closure of schools across the state for the remainder of the 2020 school year, the Winthrop High spring athletic season also was canceled, taking away from the members of the senior class the opportunity to compete for the last time in a Viking uniform.

In our ongoing effort to provide some degree of recognition to these young men and women despite the lost season, we are pleased to publish this list of the post-graduation destinations of the spring athletes from the Class of 2020.

The list is quite impressive and brings to mind the words of General Douglas MacArthur, who was the Superintendent at West Point early in his military career:

"On the fields of friendly strife are sown the seeds that on other days, on other fields will bear the fruits of victory."

We have no doubt that the valuable lessons of determination and teamwork that these senior athletes learned on the playing fields for Winthrop High will serve them well in whatever future endeavors they may pursue.

We are grateful to WHS Athletic Director Matt Serino for compiling this list.

John Aliberti, Lacrosse, Dean College
Regan Allen, Baseball, Undecided

Devon Barry, Lacrosse, University of Delaware (Undecided)

Hannah Capone, Tennis, Fordham University (Computer Science)

Elizabeth Collins, Sailing, Northeastern (Engineering)

Sage D'Amelio, Tennis, UMass Amherst (Marketing)

Bunker Hill C.C. (Computer Science)

Soneida Dahlquist-Martinez, Track, Fisher College
Kevin Dorr, Tennis, Syracuse University (Supply Chain Management)

Olivia Driscoll, Tennis, Clemson University (Psychology/Speech & Language Pathology)

Noah Evangelista, Track, Massachusetts Maritime Academy (Emergency Management)

Julie Forster, Tennis, Salem State University (Early Childhood Education)

Sara Fucillo, Tennis, Simmons University (Mental Health Psychology)

Ty Garcia, Baseball, Undecided

Alexandra Gibbons, Track, Rutgers University (Biology)

Mark Goudge, Baseball, UMass Boston (Sports Management)

Samir Hadria, Lacrosse, Undecided

Patrick Haskell, Track, University of Miami (Biology)

Stephen Hinchion, Track, Wentworth Institute of Technology (Interior Design)

William Hubert, Track, Framingham State University (Environmental Science)

Jillian Johnson, Tennis, UMass Amherst (Social and Behavioral Science)

Jillian Lerner, Track, Emmanuel College (Counseling and Health Psychology)

Fiona MacPhail, Track, New York University (Drama/Musical Theatre)

Joseph Mahoney, Lacrosse, University of Wisconsin (Undecided)

Ella McCarey, Track, Hofstra University (Biomedical Engineering)

Ashley McGonagle, Softball, Salem State University (Social Work)

Jouliette Millar, Lacrosse, Undecided
Michael Morano, Lacrosse, UMass Boston

(Business)

Clare Nargi, Track, Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Biology and Biotechnology)

Andrei Opincaru, Track, Framingham State University (Criminology)

Julian Osorio-Giraldo, Lacrosse, URI (Health Sciences)

Ryan Parker, Lacrosse, Quinnipiac University (Physician Assistant)

MaryKate Pote, Track,

North Shore Community College (Animal Care Specialist)

Christopher Rodriguez, Lacrosse, UMass Amherst (Marketing)

Jack Scirella, Tennis, University of New England

Isabel Skomro, Track, Harvard University (Government)

Pat Teixeira, Track, Anna Maria (Fire Science)

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MEMORIAL DAY 2020, HONORING THOSE WHO SACRIFICED

By Kate Anslinger

Even in the midst of a pandemic, Winthrop veterans and town officials

made sure that those who sacrificed, were honored. In a ceremony that was much smaller than past events, several speakers addressed



Scott Beuoy and Wyatt, Reese and Gillian Teixeira.



Eddie Centofant.



Sgt. Bill Furey, singing the National Anthem.



Town Council President Phil Boncore, Major Suzanne Carson, and Senator Joe Boncore.



Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Carson and Major Suzanne Carson with their children Stella and Roman.



Members of the American Legion Post 146.

a small, socially-distanced crowd, overlooking the Winthrop cemetery.

Sgt. Bill Furey opened up the ceremony with the National Anthem, followed by the Pledge of the Allegiance by Frankie, Sebastian, and Carol Costantino. As always, Tina Marie Talvi

sang America the Beautiful, her songbird voice felt and heard throughout the cemetery.

“I’ve personally witnessed resilience in the men and women I’ve served beside,” said Principal Speaker, Major Suzanne Carson. “We feel sorrow and grat-

itude for those who lost lives.”

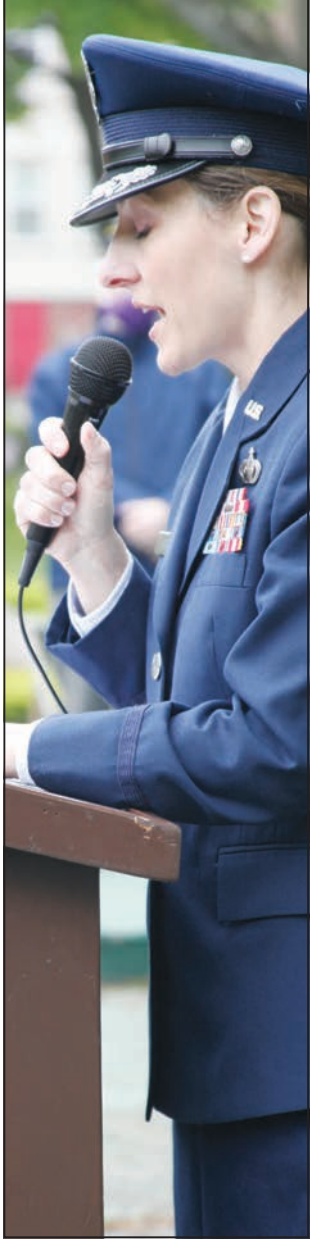
Carson has served in the Air National Guard for 20 years and was deployed to Iraq in 2007.

As to be expected, the world’s current situation was addressed in several speeches.

“We have learned to pivot and adjust through this new reality,” said Speaker of the House, Bob DeLeo. “This year, Memorial Day is particularly poignant, as we’ve seen the veteran community hit hard by COVID-19.”



Principal Speaker, Major Suzanne Carson and Town Veteran Agent and event organizer, Rose Mazzuchelli.



Principal Speaker, Major Suzanne Carson.



Keith Manning, playing the bugle during taps.



The Costantino family: Crystal, Sebastian, Frankie, Carol, Noel.

DA Rollins honors and remembers heroes of Soldiers’ Home in Chelsea
Virtual Memorial salutes those who served us all and died in the time of COVID-19

Staff report

Suffolk District Attorney Rachael Rollins proudly announced a virtual memorial for the soldiers, sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen who bravely served our nation and were residents of the Soldiers’ Home in Chelsea and died within the past two months, most of them succumbing to COVID-19. The site will go live on Friday, May 22, 2020.

“On this very different Memorial Day weekend, my Office is partaking in a campaign in which we will honor veterans who have a special connection to Suffolk County,” said DA Rachael Rollins. “They called the Soldiers’ Home in Chelsea home. And they served

in at least two wars: they survived an armed conflict only to die during a global pandemic.

“We owe no higher debt than to those who protected our freedoms in war and in peace. In these unprecedented times, when a disproportionate number of our elders are stricken by the pandemic, we must honor them and in particular those who served our nation. I come from a long line of veterans, and I felt the urgent need to remember these heroes.”

A link to photographs and biographical sketches of the heroes will be placed on the office website and will be organized chronologically by time of service. Images of the heroes will also be posted on social media channels including

Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

The display will honor more than 30 individuals initially. There are eight from World War II, eight from the Korean Conflict, 15 from the Vietnam War, and two who served in both the Korea and Vietnam eras.

“My office has been closely monitoring the Soldiers’ Home and the circumstances surrounding each death since the State of Emergency was declared,” Rollins said. “When I first requested the review there were three COVID-19 related deaths in Chelsea. As of today, there are 38 deaths. We have been in contact with many of the surviving family members during our review and sincerely offer them our heartfelt condo-

lences for their loss. Some wanted to grieve in private and requested we not include their loved ones in this memorial. We will, of course, honor their wishes.

“I want to thank our Massachusetts State Police unit, whose members worked on this matter, reached out to families, and gathered information critical to the memorials.”

Friends and family will have intimate memories of the heroes that transcend one weekend a year.

“Today, we honor and remember their sacrifice,” said DA Rollins. “Tomorrow, and every day thereafter, we must strive to live a life worthy of that sacrifice. This is how we will honor their memory. It is the very least that they deserve.”

OBITUARIES

Ursula Queenan

Of Winthrop

Ursula M. Queenan of Winthrop passed away suddenly on May 22. She was 65 years old.

Born in Boston, she was the cherished daughter of the late Thomas L. and Ursula M. (Tape) Queenan, the dear sister of Barbara E. Faulkner of Bourne, Thomas L. Queenan Jr. of Haver-

hill and Claudia Tyrakowski of Winthrop.

Funeral Services will be private. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. To sign her guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Marie Grace Evans

Lifetime Winthrop resident

Longtime legal secretary Marie Grace Evans passed away on Wednesday, May 21 after a long courageous and heroic battle where she carried herself with grace, dignity and strength.

A lifetime resident of Winthrop, she worked for over 30 years as a legal secretary for major law firms in Boston. She loved music, dancing and travelling and of course the Patriots and Red Sox.

She was the beloved daughter of the late Frank and Mary DeBonis. She leaves behind two sisters, Joanne Bedard and her husband, Roger of Norfolk and Carol Breed of Woburn. She was also the sister of the late Joseph DeBonis.

She is survived by her former husband, James R. Evans to whom she was married for 25 years. She also leaves behind her daughter, Lisa Federico and her husband, Anthony of Georgetown and her son, Jim Evans and his wife, Jill of Hudson. She was affectionately known as Purple Nana to her grandchildren, Ashley Cerbone (Federico) and her husband, Michael, Anthony



Federico, Jimmy Evans (and his girlfriend, Ashley Healy), Jessica Evans (and her fiancé, Carmen Rich), Grant Evans, Carter Evans and the late Julia Evans. She was also a loving and proud aunt to many nieces and nephews and their spouses.

A private memorial service will be planned with her family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Marie Evans using this website link. <http://www.jimmyfund.org/gift>.

To sign the online guestbook go to www.caggiano-funeralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop.

Paul Ford, Sr.

Retired Winthrop Fire Chief

Paul L. Ford, Sr., a lifelong resident of Winthrop, passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston on May 18. He was 84 years old.

Born in Winthrop, the beloved son of the late Flora (Dunbar) and Gerald R. Ford., he retired as the Fire Chief for the Town of Winthrop in 1996.

He was the devoted husband of the late Eileen (Coilty) and the loving father of Paul L. Ford, Jr., James J. Ford and the late Deborah Brown and is also survived by five grandchildren.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Tuesday, May 26. The Rev.



Chris O'Connor celebrated the mass and offered prayers at the interment in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery.

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

John Keleher

Former Winthrop resident, storyteller who was immediately fast friends with anyone he met



John E. "Jack" Keleher of Lakeville, formerly of Winthrop and Quincy,

died peacefully at home on May 24.

Jack grew up on Winthrop Beach and graduated from Winthrop High School. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps during Vietnam after which he returned to Massachusetts, settling in Quincy. Jack worked as a machine mechanic and candy worker, eventually retiring from Tootsie Roll Industries after 35+ years of service.

Jack had a lifelong passion for investing, which he enjoyed sharing with others, starting a family investment club and helping other people learn to invest through his work with the Greater Boston Chapter of the NAIC. Also an avid sports fan, Jack closely followed the Red Sox, Bruins and Patriots but his favorite sport was horse racing, especially if he could convince family and friends to accompany him to the track.

He was a charming storyteller who was immediately fast friends with anyone he met. Those who knew him will miss his humor and kindness and remember his strong love for his family.

The beloved husband of the late Margaret A. "Peg" Keleher, he was the loving father of Lauren E. Leydon and her fiancé, David



Swaney of Lakeville, Paul F. Keleher and his wife, Chantal of Scituate, Kathleen R. Keleher and her wife, Sarah Struble of Roslindale and the late John F. Keleher, Jr.; cherished brother of Cornelia Wasell of Georgia and the late Elizabeth O'Doherty, Mary Griffin and Jean Rodriguez; loving grandfather of Erin Leydon of Lakeville, William Keleher of Scituate and Rory Keleher of Roslindale. Jack is also survived by his many nieces and nephews.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Jack may be made to Home Base, 125 Nashua Street, Ste. 540, Boston, MA 02114, supporting veterans, service members and military families.

Normally, the funeral is an opportunity for the community to gather in support of one another. Although we cannot gather together with Jack's family at this time, friends may still offer their support by visiting www.Keohane.com and sharing a special memory or message.

Town provides update on COVID-19 situation

The Town has received notification from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) of two additional residents affected by COVID-19, bringing the number of total cases confirmed to 227; 176 recovered, 24 deceased and 27 in isolation as of Tuesday, May 26.

The Winthrop Community Food Bank

The Food Bank operates Tuesday - Thursday and can accept donations on those days from 11am-1pm. Food is distributed by delivery only. If you are in need, call 617-539-5848 or email WinthropFoodBank@town.winthrop.ma.us. Please provide your name, address, phone number and the number of adults and children in your household.

Emergency Operations Center

The Town of Winthrop

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is streamlining the COVID-19 response effort to ensure the continued delivery of services to residents.

The EOC can be reached at 617-539-5848, Tuesday through Thursday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or by emailing COVID19info@town.winthrop.ma.us.

For residents that may be self-quarantined and require outside assistance of meal delivery, please contact the EOC at 617-539-5848 or COVID19info@town.winthrop.ma.us. All information will be confidential.

The COVID-19 Tip Hotline is available on the Winthrop Public Safety website at <https://winthrop-publicsafety.com/covid-19-tip-hotline/> for those self-reporting or for a concerned member of the community.

Bond bill // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

realizes the importance of our information technology infrastructure," House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D-Winthrop) said. "These investments will strengthen the resilience of our state and help provide more equitable access to key services for our residents. I thank Chairs Michlewitz, Gregoire Cabral, Representative Vincent and my colleagues in the House for their work on this important bill."

"The IT Bond bill contains numerous and necessary upgrades to services that our constituents rely on each and every day and today," said Representative Aaron Michlewitz (D-Boston), Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). "By passing this legislation, the House is taking an important step in helping our Commonwealth provide those services in the world of COVID-19."

"This legislation began over a year ago as a vehicle to assist the Commonwealth with its IT infrastructure needs," said Representative Danielle Gregoire, (D-Marlboro), House Chair of the Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. "Since that time, our state has been working to overcome the worst pandemic in modern time, and we have learned first-hand just how essential updated and properly functioning IT infrastructure can be to the productivity of an economy. I am proud to have worked with the Speaker, Chairman Michle-

witz, Chairman Cabral and my colleagues in the House to bring this ever critical legislation forward to assist our municipalities, residents and business partners during this time."

"This General Government Information Technology bond bill creates a number of meaningful opportunities for the state to invest in its capital infrastructure," said Representative Antonio F. D. Cabral (D-New Bedford), Chair of the House Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. "The authorizations for IT improvements across state agencies will improve our collective ability to respond residents' needs, particularly in times of crisis. Critical government services need to be provided in a user-friendly way and these investments will help us achieve greater accessibility."

The plan includes \$650 million in IT needs, including \$40 million in education grants to public schools to enhance remote learning environments and services. It also:

The capital plan also includes the following:

- \$30 million in municipal grants for proper safety equipment for first responders;
- \$100 million for capital projects at Health and Human Services facilities to better handle providing amenities throughout the pandemic;
- \$41 million for food infrastructure and security needs to the most vulnerable populations;
- \$10 million for software/hardware upgrades at community health centers;
- \$5 million for SNAP Gap development.
- Other highlights include grants to cities and towns for a number of needs, including expanded access to broadband, library construction, ADA compliance, and other generic capital needs our municipalities might have.

The bill will now go to the Senate.

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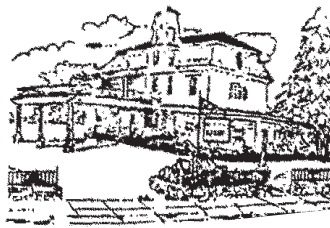
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Annual Eastie Pride Day summer festival officially canceled for 2020

By John Lynds

Earlier this month, Mayor Martin Walsh decided to cancel all city-permitted parades and festivals taking place outdoors through Labor Day. The move was aimed at curbing the gathering of large crowds and keep up social distancing throughout the summer months amid the COVID-19 pandemic. The announcement forced the Eastie Pride Day committee to make the tough decision to pull the plug on the late August fes-

tival that draws thousands to Piers Park for the day-long family friendly celebration. This is the first time the event has been canceled in its 32-year history. "It is with great sadness that we announce the cancellation of Eastie Pride Day 2020," said the Committee in a statement Friday. "This decision was made in compliance with the City of Boston's recent order regarding public events. Eastie Pride Day is a summer tradition for many families. For over 30 years we have celebrat-

ed Eastie's diverse culture, rich history, and community pride. During these times of uncertainty, we hope you continue to foster that Eastie pride we all share, uplift one another, and support our beloved community. We wish you good health, and encourage all to continue to follow public health guidelines. We look forward to celebrating with you next year." Eastie Pride Day was founded in 1988 by former Boston City Councilor Sal LaMattina as a summer block party and community

celebration to bring Eastie residents closer together. So, on a hot summer night in 1988 at East Boston Memorial Stadium the first Eastie Pride Day was held. However, LaMattina admits he thought it would only be a one-time event. "When we planned the first Eastie Pride Day we thought that would be it," said LaMattina. "Have everyone come down, show off their Eastie Pride and it would be over." But the success of the very first East Pride Day was all LaMattina and

longtime organizers like Larry and Carol Smith and the late Anthony Albano needed to keep it going. So for more than 30 years LaMattina, was the key organizer, and now a younger generation of community leaders like his daughter Liana LaMattina and Rep. Adrian Madaro, have been keeping the event going, an event that he holds very dear to his heart. Although LaMattina is disappointed in this year's cancellation, he is happy the Committee is doing their part to help control the

spread of COVID-19. "We've had years with rain and thunderstorms. Years where we had to move the festival inside. There were years that we had to cut Eastie Pride Day short due to severe weather. But, we always had Eastie Pride Day," he said. "With that said we can't be too careful in these crazy times and must do our part as a community to ensure everyone stays safe and healthy until we can find an end to this pandemic."

WHS SPORTS Through the Years

10 years ago
May 19, 2010
WHS track and field star Jake "Skywalker" Connors concluded an undefeated season in the high jump, taking first place at Saugus with a leap of 6'-4" in the final dual meet of the year on Monday. Jake almost made it a season of being undefeated in two events, but he settled for a second-place finish in the triple jump with a landing of 39'-3". He had won the triple jump in all six of the previ-

ous dual meets this season. Jenny Fucillo added yet another mention of her name in the WHS record books when she set a school record in the javelin with a toss of 69 feet in Monday's meet with Saugus. The record spear throw came on the heels of yet another double victory by the senior hurdler-supreme, as she captured the 400 intermediate hurdles in a time of 67 seconds and the 100 high hurdles in 16.7 seconds. The Winthrop High boys

tennis team has been on a roll of late, winning four of its last five matches, and with yesterday's 3-2 triumph over Gloucester, the Vikings now have nine wins on the season, which assures them of a berth in the post-season state tournament. The Winthrop High softball team defeated both of its opponents this past week to improve to 11-5 on the season and qualify for the post-season state tournament. The Lady Vikings edged Lynn English and Gloucester. The team leaders for Winthrop at the season's three-quarter pole are as follows: Haley Benson has a .455 avg. with 25 hits, five doubles, two triples, and 16 RBI. Liana Ferullo sports a .452 average with 19 hits, two doubles, a triple, and five RBI. Abby Belcher is ripping the ball at a .448 clip, with 26 hits, seven doubles, two triples, two homers, and 21 RBI. The Winthrop High baseball team racked up two impressive wins this past week and in the process qualified for the state tournament. The Vikings defeated Gloucester, a team that was ranked 13th in Eastern Mass. and in first place in the NEC South Division with a 12-3 overall record. Junior righthander Justin Rowe earned the victory on the mound, with Joe Boudrow, Tyler Pettee, and Nick McCarthy providing the offense. Two days earlier in a non-league encounter with Marion on the local

diamond, Anthony Hatzivas tossed his fourth complete game of the season en route to a 7-3 triumph. Joe D'Amore had two hits, an RBI, and a run scored and Rob Swanson had two hits, two RBI, and scored a run to pace the Viking offensive attack.

30 years ago
May 12, 1990
The WHS baseball team remains winless after a 17-1 drubbing at the hands of Danvers. Despite a fine pitching effort by Lisa Magnasco, the WHS softball team dropped a 3-1 decision to Lynn English. The boys' track team improved to 4-0 on the season with a 68-59 victory over Beverly. Steve Luongo was a double-winner in the shot-put and discus. Mark Piccirillo also was a double-winner, capturing the high jump and triple jump. He also took a second place in the hurdles, behind teammate Bill Perella. The WHS girls track team improved to 3-1 with a 77-50 win over Beverly. Karen Zedalis won the shot-put, Shannon Rand took the long jump, Jeanne Hurley captured the high jump, and Sherri Towlson won the triple jump.

after rampaging for 24 runs and 20 hits in pair of victories over Newburyport, 11-1, and Gloucester, 9-8. John Costigan picked up the win over the Porters, with Bill Melanson, the Vikings' ninth hitter, delivering a three-run homer. Steve Marino led the way against Gloucester with two homers and five RBI. Randy Herdt broke the WHS record set by his brother Peter just two years earlier with a discus toss of 155'-1", fully two feet further than his brother's previous mark. Herdt also won the shot-put. Other winners for Winthrop in the meet with Amesbury were Dick DeGregorio in the long jump, John Murphy in the mile, and Ed Cardoza in the two-mile. Joe Wyson won all three of his matches this week for the WHS tennis team, including a victory over an opponent who is ranked sixth in Eastern Mass.

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¾ cup melted butter

4 cups confectioners' sugar

2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese

1 (8 ounce) can crushed pine-

apple, drained

3 medium bananas, quartered

1 (12 ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed

8 maraschino cherries, halved

¼ cup chocolate syrup

½ cup pecan halves

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Blend the melted butter or margarine with the graham crackers and press into the bottom of one 9x12 inch pan.

STEP 2: Blend the confectioner's sugar and the cream cheese together until smooth. Spread over the graham cracker crumb layer. Layer the crushed pineapple and the bananas over the cream cheese layer. Then spread the whipped top-ping over the top. Decorate with maraschino cherry halves. Drizzle choco-late syrup over the top and sprinkle with pecans. Chill for at least 4 hours then serve.

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Legislature passes bill to provide relief and improve access to unemployment benefits

House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, Senator Joseph A. Boncore and Representative RoseLee Vincent joined their colleagues in the Massachusetts Legislature to pass a bill that will provide additional Unemployment Insurance (UI) relief to low-income families, non-profit institutions and employers. The legislation now moves on to the governor.

An Act Providing Additional Support to Those Affected by the Novel Coronavirus Through the Unemployment Insurance System builds on UI legislation already signed into law waiving the one-week waiting period to receive benefits.

“From the outset of this public health pandemic, our focus has been on easing the burdens felt by working families, and this thoughtfully crafted bipartisan legislation exemplifies that commitment,” stated Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). “With this legislation, we are taking steps to ensure Massachusetts workers and employers can maximize the benefits available to them through state and federal actions. I am thankful to my Senate colleagues as well as Speaker DeLeo and his members for their work in moving this legislation one step closer to becoming law.”

“This bill protects employers, including non-profits, and workers as we deal with the economic crisis in the wake of COVID-19,” said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D-Winthrop). “I thank Chair Michlewitz, Chair Ferrante, Vice Chair Hay, Senate President Spilka, and my colleagues in the House and Senate for their work on this important UI Bill.”

“With the passage of this bill, the Senate is building on its commitment to support the workers and business owners of the Commonwealth who are struggling with the financial impacts of COVID-19,” said Senator Michael J. Rodrigues (D-Westport), Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means. “I applaud my colleagues in the Senate and the House for continuing to work collaboratively to provide relief to the state’s most vulnerable citizens during this challenging time.”

“Throughout this pandemic our unemployment system has been put under tremendous stress as employers and employees try to navigate the system,” said Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). “By passing this legislation we will help both businesses and workers alike have a more streamlined relationship with the unemployment system.”

The legislation builds off the legislature’s ongoing efforts to address the COVID-19 public health crisis and its impact on workers and follows the passage of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief

and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), which significantly increased UI benefits and expands eligibility during the coronavirus pandemic.”

“This bill takes all the right steps to protect workers, employers, and non-profit institutions,” said Senator Joe Boncore (D-Winthrop). “We know that public health crises have a disproportionate impact on low-income families. Through this legislation, we can ensure continued access and availability of critical safety net resources to those most acutely experiencing financial hardship during this pandemic. I am proud to represent such a resilient district, and I know these expanded unemployment benefits will go a long way in supporting our community’s recovery.”

"I am proud that during this difficult public health crisis, the Legislature remains fully committed to ensuring that working families and small businesses are helped in any way we can," said Representative RoseLee Vincent (D-Revere). "I thank Speaker DeLeo for bringing this bill forward, and I was happy to be supportive as we seek to strengthen our state's unemployment benefits system."

“Our Commonwealth is confronting both a health crisis and an economic crisis. Due to no fault of their own, more than 1 million Massachusetts residents have now filed for unemployment. Our communities face layoffs on a scale that has no modern precedent, with potentially devastating long-term consequences if policymakers fail to act swiftly," said Senator Eric Lesser, Co-chair of the Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies (D-Longmeadow). "It is urgent that families receive their benefits in a timely matter, that the benefit period is extended and properly compensates families with dependents, and that small business owners also get relief from fines and penalties that are unjustly applied. This legislation will help offer such relief, which is why it passed both the Massachusetts Senate and House with bipartisan support. On behalf of the more than one million families and hundreds of small businesses facing urgent need, I urge Governor Baker to sign this legislation immediately.”

"Clearly, Covid-19 has presented many challenges to the Commonwealth. Chief among them are protecting residents from a potential life threatening virus, financial ruin and hunger. In Massachusetts and across the country, we have seen unparalleled levels of unemployment," said Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante, Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies (D-Gloucester). “As our residents try to navigate an enormously difficult health care and economic crisis, this unemployment

legislation allows the Commonwealth to work more effectively with the business and non-profit communities by streamlining unemployment regulations and mitigating costs while simultaneously tending to the needs of residents, who may require additional time to return to work."

“It is so important that we continue to support the people who have had their incomes interrupted by the efforts necessary to contain the spread of COVID-19,” said Senator Patricia Jehlen, Co-chair of the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development (D-Somerville). “I am glad we are able to take this step to expand unemployment to help more people, and their families, longer and with extended benefits.”

“This bill provides critical support to businesses, non-profits, and municipalities facing an unprecedented crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. Further, this bill contains a necessary change to the unemployment system to help low-income families struggling to make ends meet by raising the cap on dependency benefits,” said Representative Stephan Hay, Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development (D-Fitchburg). “I am proud of the work done by this legislature to respond to the needs of the Commonwealth during an extremely difficult time.”

“Unemployment benefits are a critical lifeline in an economic storm and the pandemic has brought into sharp focus the importance of having a sound unemployment insurance system that responds effectively to people depending on it,” said Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). "The measures contained in this bill will go a long way to strengthening our system and helping individuals and families when they need it most.”

“The economic fallout from the COVID-19 global pandemic has been devastating, with over one million Massachusetts residents filing for unem-

ployment and businesses struggling to survive. This bill takes additional steps to assist residents and employers impacted by the pandemic,” said House Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R-North Reading). “It allows for a four-week extension in benefits if new unemployment claims filed in any week exceed 100,000, and lays the groundwork for lifting the dependency cap. It also protects employers from being penalized and hit with rate increases if they are forced to lay off workers due to the pandemic. This bill will help families and businesses as we continue to navigate through this unprecedented public health crisis.”

The components of the bill are as follows:

Protection for Employers. Employers who participate in UI pay contributions based on their layoff experience. Like other forms of insurance, employers that are more likely to have workers use unemployment compensation are asked to pay more in the system. The system does not anticipate a situation where employers across a number of sectors have been forced

to significantly reduce their workforces due to situations outside of their control. This bill prevents layoffs related to coronavirus from negatively impacting employer’s future UI contributions.

Extending Unemployment Benefit Period. The number of weeks of unemployment compensation available in Massachusetts is tied to unemployment rates around the state. This trigger did not anticipate a situation, however, in which unemployment grows rapidly in a very short period of time. This bill ensures that the 30-week benefit period is triggered by a significant uptick in weekly unemployment claims.

Lifting the Cap on Dependency Allotment. This bill eliminates the 50% cap for the dependency allotment providing additional benefits to low-income families. This increase will be in addition to the \$600 per week benefit add-on provided for in the CARES Act for all workers eligible for state or federal benefits. This provision is effective for 18 months after the end of COVID-19 emergency and the end of enhanced federal benefits.

Currently, UI recipients are entitled to an additional \$25 per week for each child in the family, capped at 50% of a recipient’s base allotment. The result is that workers with particularly low allotments, such as low wage workers, can easily be capped out of receiving these additional amounts.

Non-Profit Contribution Grace Period. Presently, many non-profits self-insure for unemployment claims. This means that when layoffs in the sector occur, non-profits pay the cost of those benefits dollar for dollar at the next billing period. This bill provides a 120-day grace period for non-profits to make these contributions. This delay will allow the state to review additional changes that are warranted to mitigate the impact on non-profits. The CARES Act provides 50% reimbursement for self-insured benefit payments during the Coronavirus crisis.

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State implements Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)

The state announced May 21 that Massachusetts residents who are eligible for the federal CARES Act and qualify for having exhausted their regular unemployment compensation may now receive the new Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC).

The launch of this program marks the third and final benefit available for the Commonwealth through the CARES Act.

PEUC provides up to 13 additional weeks of benefits to an individual who has exhausted all rights to any regular unemployment compensation and who meets other eligibility requirements of the CARES Act. PEUC will automatically begin for individuals who have been receiving regular standard unemployment benefits on an active

claim and those benefits are exhausted, and those individuals do not have to take any further action.

If an individual's standard unemployment claim has expired, they must file a new standard claim. If the individual is monetarily eligible on the new standard claim, regardless of the benefit rate amount, they will receive benefits from that new claim. Otherwise, the individual will be eligible for PEUC on the prior claim and it will be automatically implemented.

Individuals who exhausted their standard benefits but were receiving benefits through Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) must apply to claim weekly benefits. Residents should apply through the standard unemployment benefits portal available here.

Those receiving PEUC

will also receive \$600 weekly through the week ending July 25, 2020, provided by the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) program established by the CARES Act.

The CARES Act signed into law on March 27, 2020, established the PEUC, PUA and FPUC public benefit programs that expanded unemployment eligibility, temporarily increases weekly benefits for all claimants and allows additional categories of people to claim unemployment benefits. This is the largest expansion of assistance for the Commonwealth's workforce since the Great Depression.

More information about Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation can be found at mass.gov/peuc.

Gov. Baker, WGBH and special guests to celebrate Class of 2020 with a virtual commencement ceremony

In partnership with WGBH, Gov. Charlie Baker will deliver a commencement address to the Class of 2020 as part of a celebration for graduating seniors from 668 public and private schools across the Commonwealth, to be aired in a special broadcast at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9.

Massachusetts Commencement 2020 will feature congratulatory remarks from Jason and Devin McCourty of the New England Patriots, members of the Red Sox and the Boston Celtics, and a number of celebrities with Massachusetts ties, including singer Rachel Platten, actor Steve Carell and more. In a special premiere performance, members of

the legendary Boston Pops Orchestra, with Keith Lockhart conducting, will provide the traditional graduation march 'Pomp and Circumstance' for the ceremony. Students from around the Commonwealth will give valedictorian-type speeches to their classmates.

WGBH will broadcast the program, Massachusetts Commencement 2020, across the Commonwealth, on WGBH 2 in Greater Boston, and on its partner station WGBY/New England Public Media in western Massachusetts. Both stations will stream the program on their website and social media platforms. WGBH also will make the program available to other

television stations in Massachusetts, including community access channels.

"Graduation ceremonies are important milestones in a young person's life that deserve to be celebrated," said Governor Charlie Baker. "While we cannot gather in the traditional way, we want to recognize, celebrate and salute Massachusetts' Class of 2020 for their accomplishments and their resiliency during these difficult times. We are very thankful to WGBH for working with us to help us do that."

The student remarks for the program were prepared in collaboration with 826 Boston, a nonprofit youth writing and publishing organization.

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utor to the Fucillo dynasty as an outstanding player on a 7-4 team in 2000. The string of Fucillo-led winning seasons was capped by the Super Bowl victory at Stonehill College in 2006.

Chamber of Commerce Youth Leadership Award

Hubert was the recipient of the Junior Leadership Award, a prestigious honor to say the least, at the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner. Classmate Jenna Dorr was the other Youth Leadership Award recipient.

“I had to give a speech - it was a little nerve wracking,” recalled Bobby. “I thanked my family and my coaches and my teachers [including Lorraine Polo, his second-grade teacher who was in attendance] for getting me to that point.”

He said one of his favorite teachers was Mr. [Jason] Durkee, his seventh-grade geography teacher. Another is head coach Jon Cadigan, who teaches physical education at Winthrop High.

Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, Supt. of Schools Lisa Howard, Sen. Joe Boncore, and Town Council Phil Boncore were among the dignitaries in attendance at the awards dinner. Bobby’s parents, Daniel and Cathy Hubert, his aunts Amy Gallagher, Ellen Baxter, and Judy Teixeira, and his uncle, Jimmy Gallagher, were all on hand for what was a proud night for the entire Hubert family.

Cadigan said he was happy to see Cadigan receive such an important town-wide award.

“I congratulated Bobby on winning that major award,” said Cadigan. “Everybody sees him on Friday night and they say he’s a good football player and that’s obviously true, but he’s a great kid around town and in the classroom. He’s a guy that can do it all. He’s well-rounded. He comes from a great family. His parents are very supportive.”

A three-sport

scholar-athlete

A graduate of Winthrop Little League, Hubert was set to play his varsity baseball this spring, but the season was canceled. He also competed in indoor track, displaying his considerable speed in the 55-meter dash and on the 4 X 400 relay team. He qualified in the sprints for State Meet. He also competed in the shot-put event.

Representing Winthrop Youth Football

Bobby Hubert is a product of Peter Caggiano’s Winthrop Youth Football program, beginning his participation in the third grade. As a running back and line-backer, Hubert helped lead the seventh-and-eight grade teams to back-to-back Super Bowls in the Cape Ann Youth Football League.

He had the opportunity to play football with his brother, Billy Hubert, a starting noseguard for the WHS Vikings, who will be continuing his career



ALL IN THE FAMILY: Bobby Hubert is pictured with graduating seniors, his brother, Billy Hubert, and his cousin, Patrick Teixeira, and the family at the 2019 Senior Night ceremonies at Miller Field.

at Framingham State. His cousin and WHS teammate, Pat Teixeira, will be continuing his career at Anna Maria College.

Bobby is now preparing for his final season of wearing a Winthrop uniform. There have been comparisons made between Hubert and former Viking great Chris Berenger who went on to become a standout at UNH. That’s select company.

Hubert is not looking past anyone on the Vikings’ 2020 schedule, but there is a game on Thanksgiving

that he and the other seniors badly want to win.

“That’s a main goal of ours,” said Hubert.

With Bobby Hubert and the rest of the sensational senior class, every goal seems attainable.

Winthrop Foundation is accepting emergency grants

Russ Sanford, chair of the Winthrop Foundation, said the Foundation has received applications for emergency grant requests that are being processed by the trustees.

Sanford added that there will be an announcement about the Foundation’s official launching next week. “The Trustees are excited about beginning the process for regular grants,” said Sanford.

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Because we believe that the best way to “save the harbor” is to create new environmental stewards by “sharing the harbor” with the public, for more than 30 years Save the Harbor/Save the Bay has embraced Mazzone’s metric as one true measure of our success. We are certainly proud that in 2019 our free Youth Environmental Education programs served more than 35,000 primarily low-income kids and families, and our free beach programs brought more than one million people to the region’s public beaches.

However, this year we are confronting the most serious public health crises to affect our nation since the influenza epidemic of 1918.

Under these circumstances, Mazzone’s metrics - and large public beach events and programs - are simply not appropriate.

Governor Baker and Mayor Walsh have wisely cancelled large public gatherings until at least Labor Day. Many of our youth program partners have suspended their public programs to protect their staff and the public’s health. Though our program planning and policy work continues by teleconference and Zoom, our office on the Fish Pier is closed, for now.

Instead of bringing thousands of kids and their families on free harbor tours and tens of thousands of people to free concerts and beach festivals from Nahant to Nantasket this summer, we are planning for a virtual summer on Boston Harbor.

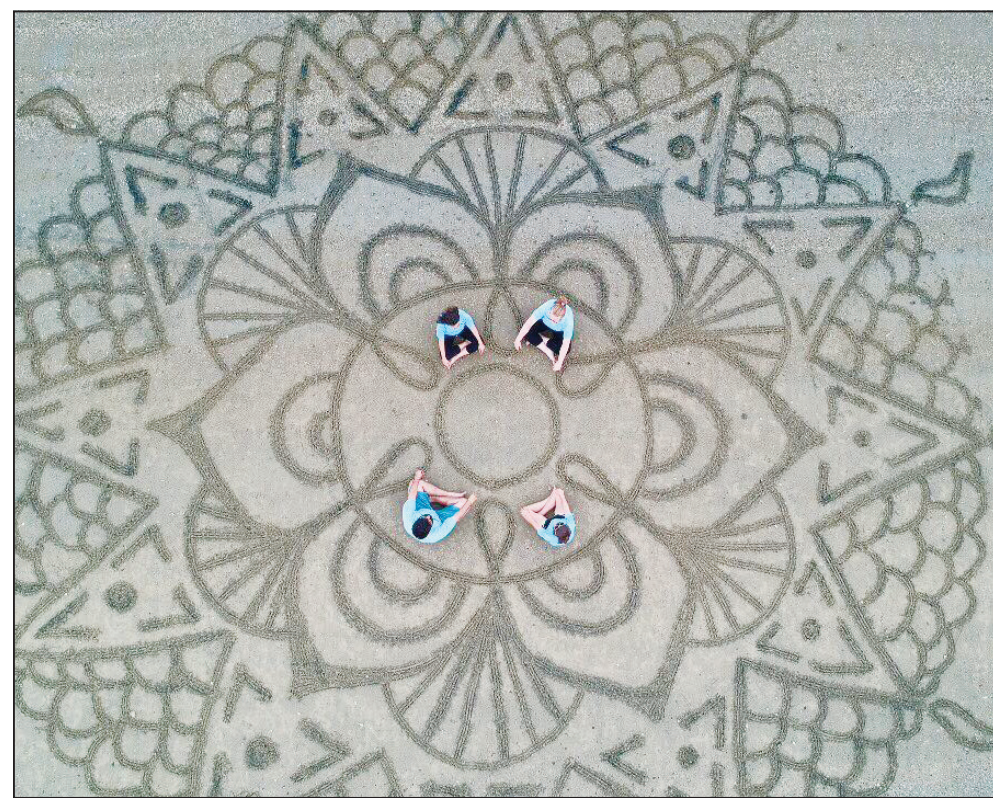
Today we are working closely (albeit remotely) with our legislative and community partners at the Metropolitan Beaches Commission, in the Baker/Polito Administration, and the City of Boston to encourage social distancing

and discourage gatherings on the beaches we have worked so hard to restore, protect and share. Working together, we intend to draw a clear line in the sand to reduce the social spread of the coronavirus and keep our beaches safe and open.

All of us at Save the Harbor/Save the Bay love the beach. We also understand the importance of access to healthy blue and green open spaces like public beaches and parks to the region’s residents, especially now with opportunities for recreation limited as the weather warms and cabin fever sets in.

We appreciate the thoughtful and measured approach that the Baker/Polito Administration and the Department of Conservation has taken to permit public access to these urban natural resources during this unprecedented public health crisis.

We also know that parking restrictions, social distancing requirements and face masks will not work unless we all follow the rules and abide by the guidance. We have all seen



Art in the sand by acclaimed beach artist Andres Amador at Carson Beach.

what happened when large crowds hit the beaches in Florida and California, in some cases forcing officials to close their beaches again. We should not make these mistakes here in the Bay State.

For the past five years Save the Harbor/Save the Bay has brought acclaimed beach artist Andres Amador to Boston to work with scores of volunteers to draw huge mandalas in the sand on the region’s public beaches. His work lasts for just

a few hours, before being washed away by the tide.

This year we won’t be drawing mandalas on the beach together. Instead, we need you to help us draw a line in the sand to turn the tide on the COVID-19 pandemic and keep our beaches safe and open. Wear a face mask to protect yourself and others. Don’t gather on the beach with people who are not part of your household. Proper social distancing requires a 12-foot diameter circle between you and

other beachgoers.

When this crisis has passed, each of us will ask ourselves “What did I do personally to flatten the curve and reduce the spread of the virus?” If you love your beach and care about your community, follow the guidelines, and use good judgement and common sense. Together we can draw a line in the sand to reduce the social spread of the coronavirus, keep our communities safe and our beaches open.

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