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WAA OFFERS ARTISTS FORUM FOR THEIR WORK

The Winthrop Art Association (WAA) is offering artists an opportunity to show, display and sell their works as part of our Summer Art on Facebook series. This Series is open to WAA members only. So not a member, please join or renew your membership now. The Membership application form is attached and should be returned to our PO Box listed on the form.

The Series includes:

Summer Art on Facebook (& Other sites) is a video of your art and will be posted on the WAA facebook page. Members of the WAA will come to video your art, either in your yard, a public park or other outdoor location. We ask that you limit the presentation to 10-15 minutes. Art presented may include paintings, pottery, crafts, jewelry and other art medium and should be presented in a location that offers lighting to highlight your works.

Summer Artists Demonstration: WAA will be offering Artists Demos during the time of the covid-19

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Shown above, this Winthrop family beat the heat with a boat ride on the harbor. Shown right: when you don't want to carry food to the beach, delivery is a new norm. See more photos Page 14.



Despite challenges, vote by mail is safe alternative

By Maxim Tamarov

Last week, many voters in Winthrop received forms to fill out to receive mail-in ballots.

The envelopes, pre-stamped and bearing the name of the Secretary of the Commonwealth William Francis Galvin, were sent out to every registered voter in Massachusetts in light of a new bill signed into law on July 6 by Gov. Charlie Baker. The law allows all voters in the state

to vote by mail with no reason needed.

The changes are meant to avoid long lines at polling booths, where social distancing is difficult and where poll workers, who are often aged 60 or older, are in danger of contracting the coronavirus. Despite challenges, officials say, the system is worth it for the health of all involved.

"The safest way to vote this year is to vote by mail," said Rachael Cobb, associate professor of govern-

ment at Suffolk University. "As many people as possible should take advantage of this."

Cobb, who serves on the board of MassVOTE and the Boston Election Advisory Committee, specializes in U.S. elections, election administration, and political participation. She has faith, she said, in the state's ability to overcome the difficulties of administering a mail-in ballot election.

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Win2030 Advisory Committee reviews community feedback

By Laura Plummer

On Wednesday, July 15, the advisory committee meeting for the Win2030 Actionable Visioning process met for the first time. The meeting was held remotely via Zoom.

There were about 20 people in attendance, including committee members, employees of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), Council President Phil Boncore, School Supt. Lisa Howard and several residents.

The purpose of the meeting was to highlight the goals of the visioning process, define the committee's role, review all community

input so far and discuss next steps.

Purpose of Visioning Process

The visioning process is meant to provide community feedback, highlight connections, measure and summarize goals, recommend actionable steps, inform a master planning process, and publish a report of all findings.

Advisory Committee Role and Outreach

The advisory committee is tasked with promoting awareness of Win2030 Visioning, providing ongoing

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APPRECIATION

Remembering Ernest Deeb

A true American hero

By Cary Shuman

Ernest "Ernie" Deeb was a young man of 19 when he enlisted in the United States Army in 1942.

Mr. Deeb, the son of Lebanese immigrants Shaheen and Zaheer Deeb, served in the Army's 150th Combat Engineer Battalion, who did its



Ernest Deeb

training and was dispatched out of Fort Devens. Mr. Deeb was the last surviving member of the Battalion who fought through six major European campaigns, including the Invasion of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge.

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Amid COVID spike, Council urges parents, graduates 'no parties'

By Laura Plummer

The Winthrop Town Council met remotely on Tuesday, July 21, where it discussed, among other things, the recent spike in COVID-19 cases in town.

COVID Update

Public Health Director Meredith Hurley reported that, as of Tuesday evening, the town had seen 289 confirmed COVID cases, with 237 recovered, 28 in isola-

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Ryan Parker
Class President



Elizabeth Collins
Valedictorian



Trinity Rist
Salutatorian



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Christopher Rodriguez
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Class Videographer

Class of 2020 Miller Field graduation set for tonight at 6 p.m.

By Kate Anslinger

The class of 2020 will be awarded their diplomas in a socially distant ceremony on Miller Field, tonight, July 23rd at 6:00pm. Significant restrictions will only allow for a limited amount of guests to attend, and the

event is open to graduates and invited guests only.

Students and staff are anticipating an event that will be the first of its kind. Class Secretary, Olivia Driscoll shared her appreciation for the staff at WHS.

"During the last few months the class of 2020

has been let down a great amount, however; even though we lost so much, the staff at WHS has come up with so many unique ideas to make us feel as special as any other ordinary class. I'm very grateful to be able to have a traditional graduation and I cannot thank

the WHS staff and the community enough for coming together during these crazy times. I am very much looking forward to seeing my classmates since kindergarten and be together again. I will remember this for the rest of my life."

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Winthrop Police Department responded on the listed dates:

MONDAY, JULY 6

1008: A motor vehicle (MV) was towed from the area of 12 Jefferson St. for not having a parking permit.

1038: A caller reported that her MV had been struck and damaged by a hit-and-run operator while hers was parked on Summit Ave.

1039: Officers assisted the Fire Dept. with opening the doors of a MV in which a two year-old child had been locked. The operator of the MV said she had given the child the keys to play with.

1058: A resident came into the station to report that motor vehicles regularly speed on Pleasant St. between Somerset and Woodside Aves.

1127: A caller requested that officers monitor speeding motor vehicles on Waldemar Ave.

1143: An officer stopped a MV at Pleasant St. and Vine Ave. for the civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) of speeding and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1435: A MV struck a street sign in the 200 block of Washington Ave. The DPW was notified and the operator, who was from New Jersey, remained on the scene.

1609: A caller reported that his MV had been keyed while parked near the tennis courts at Governor's Park.

1648: An officer stopped

a MV with a plate that was hanging off at Wadsworth Ave. and Winthrop St. and gave a verbal warning to the operator regarding the CMVI of defective equipment.

1839: An officer stopped a scooter for a helmet violation on Shore Drive. The owner of the scooter, who also did not have the proper paperwork for the scooter, agreed to leave it on private property until he obtained the paperwork.

2045: A caller reported being attacked by a dog on Almont St. the night before. The officer will file a report.

TUESDAY, JULY 7

0827: An officer had the owner of a MV that was obstructing traffic in the 200 block of Main St. move the MV.

1122: An Upland Rd. resident reported that a person had left a note stating, "Local racist" on her Trump 2020 sign. The officer will file a report.

1243: A caller reported that his boat had been broken into and items stolen from it overnight at a local marina. The officer will file a report.

1316: A caller reported a past assault that happened on June 16. The officer met with the caller and will file a report.

1709: An officer had the owner of a work van that was parked on the sidewalk on Coral Ave. move his vehicle.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

0633: A trespass tow of a MV at the Executive Apartments was reported.

0851: An officer restored

the peace between two parties who were arguing in the street in the 200 block of Main St.

1011: Officers assisted at a fire in a business in the Centre. The fire had its origins in an AC unit.

1031: A resident came into the station to report that his wife's headstone in the cemetery on Bowdoin St. had been damaged by fireworks over the Fourth of July.

1158: An officer had the owner of a MV parked illegally (facing the wrong direction at a No Parking sign) on Otis St. move the MV to a legal spot.

1347: A resident who has a harassment prevention order pursuant to c. 258E against another person reported that he was run off the road while on his bicycle by that person. The officer will file a report.

1358: A caller reported that her MV had been struck by a hit-and-run operator on Woodside Ave.

1433: An officer directed a group of about 10 youths between the ages of 10-12 years-old to stop playing in the street on Johnson Ave. where they were interfering with traffic.

1541: An officer responded to a call from a Golden Drive resident who reported that a neighbor was harassing her about smoking in the building because the smoke was coming into her apartment. The officer spoke to the neighbor and directed her to contact the property manager.

2254: Officers arrested William R. Curtis, 52, of 5 Wave Way Ave., on five outstanding warrants, including a fugitive from justice warrant.

2345: An officer provided assistance to the operator of a disabled MV on Main

St. until AAA arrived.

THURSDAY, JULY 9

0356: Officers responded to a report of a disturbance involving a male and a female at the 7/11 on Revere St. The female appeared to be highly-intoxicated and did not request any assistance.

1227: An officer assisted the parties at a minor motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Pauline and Pleasant Sts. with the exchange of papers.

1650: A resident came into the station to report that an aunt had been the victim of a money scam. The officer will file a report.

2018: An officer responded to a MVA at Grovers and Highland Aves. Both vehicles were towed. The officer will file a report.

FRIDAY, JULY 10

0644: A Madison Ave. resident reported that his unlocked MV had been broken into overnight and a few dollars were taken.

0955: A resident came into the station to report that his MV and others on his street had been broken into overnight.

1039: An officer responded to a MVA at Winthrop and Pleasant Sts. and will file a report.

1152: A resident found a small white dog on Hutchinson St. and brought it to a pet groomer who recognized the dog and called the owner.

1613: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance involving a male and a female party at a convenience store on Shirley St. and restored the peace.

1728: A resident came into the station to report that she was receiving harassing texts from an ex-client. The on-call judge was contacted

and issued an harassment prevention order pursuant to c. 258E.

2157: A group of loud party-goers in the 300 block of Winthrop St. agreed to take it inside for the night.

2308: An officer dispersed a group of youths playing music loudly at the tennis courts at Gov. Drive.

SATURDAY, JULY 11

0801: An officer responded to a report of a male and a female party yelling in their residence on Shirley St. The officer spoke to both parties and restored the peace.

0821: A Court Rd. resident reported that his MV had been broken into overnight and several items were taken. The officer will file a report.

0945: A caller reported that his son's car had been broken into overnight and rummaged through. Nothing was taken.

1145: Almont St. residents reported that their dog had been bitten by a dog residing on Crescent St. The callers already had spoken to the Animal Control Officer about the incident.

1206: An officer issued two parking tickets to vehicles that had been parked for more than an hour on Ocean Ave. at Shore Drive.

1409: An officer stopped a MV on Washington Ave. for the CMVI of speeding and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

SUNDAY, JULY 12

0944: A caller reported receiving texts regarding a lawn mower he had sold to another person. The person sending the texts wanted her money back because the lawn mower doesn't work. The caller was informed that this is a civil

matter.

0947: An officer spoke to the construction manager of a project on Bartlett Rd. The manager was informed of the town by-law and agreed to cease work for the day.

1045: An officer responded to a MVA at Park and Washington Aves. The officer issued a citation to the operator of one of the vehicles for the criminal charge of unlicensed operation of a MV. The officer will file a report.

1057: An officer responded to a MVA on Cross St. involving a motorcycle. There were no injuries and the officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1358: An officer issued a parking ticket for "No Parking Here to Corner" to a MV that was parked at the corner of Ocean Ave. and Shore Drive.

1511: An officer stopped a MV on Beach Rd. for the CMVI of failure to stop at a crosswalk and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1611: The residents at a Taylor St. address agreed to lower the volume of their music at a graduation party they were having.

1917: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV that was obstructing the flow of traffic at Crystal Cove Ave. and Cottage Park Rd.

2045: A youth reported that he had lent his bicycle to two other youths at Massa Playground, but that they had not returned his bicycle. An officer tracked down the alleged offending party, who returned the bicycle.

2209: A MV being operated by a person with a learner's permit struck a parked MV at Lincoln St. and Brookfield Rd. The officer will file a report.

Winthrop police arrest man on drug charges

Staff report

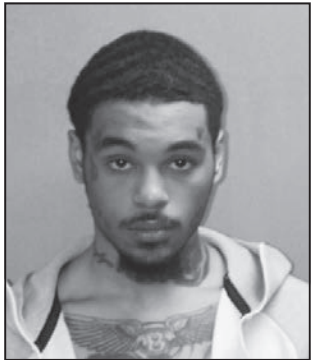
Zeferino Kincade, age 22, of Winthrop, was charged by the Winthrop Police on Friday with Distributing a Class C Drug and Possession to Distribute a Class C Drug. (Courtesy Photo Winthrop Police Department)

Chief Terence M. Delehanty reports that the Winthrop Police Department arrested a local man on drug charges on Friday.

Zeferino Kincade, age 22, of Winthrop was arrested and charged with:

- Distributing a Class C Drug (Xanax)
- Possession to Distribute a Class C Drug (Xanax)

On Friday, July 17 at 9:30 a.m., a Winthrop Police Detective, conducting an investigation into possible illegal drug activity, performed a motor vehicle stop of a White BMW



Zeferino Kincade.

with a South Carolina registration in the area of 200 Governors Drive. After an on-scene investigation, Kincade was arrested, and police located and seized approximately \$15,000 worth of Xanax, about 3,000 pills, and approximately \$4,000 in cash.

Kincade was taken to the Winthrop Police Department, where he was booked and held pending arraignment at East Boston District Court.

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council to MAPC and the town, and representing visioning ideas to decision makers. Outreach will be based on the town's budget and will include email, website, press, social media and WCAT.

Summary of Community Input

On May 30, MAPC, the Town of Winthrop and the Win2030 steering committee presented a live, interactive Zoom meeting. Around fifty people participated in that meeting. Subsequently, residents were invited to respond to an online survey between May 30 and July 13. The survey was advertised on Facebook and 378 people responded (only three said they did not live or work in town). Both the live event and the online survey asked respondents to rank their goals in eight key areas. The following

	Short-term	Long-term
Housing	Mixed-use residential strategy	
Jobs & Economic Development	Transformative redevelopment	Encourage commercial property redevelopment
Transportation	Partially subsidized MBTA passes	Enhanced ferry service
Open Space & Rec	Coastal re-sanding & erosion	More walking paths
Facilities & Energy	Proactive promotion of renewable energy options	
Climate & Resilience	Infrastructure-based flood-risk reduction	
Operational Service Delivery	Increased ferry service/Faster review periods for new products	Energy costs reduction
Schools & Education	Competitive teacher pay	

chart shows the top goal in each category.

Discussion of Next Steps

A second public event will be held in late August or early September to gather more input. The meeting will be similar to the first

and will include a panel discussion, a facilitated question and answer session, and internal polling.

Following that meeting, residents will be given the opportunity to participate in another online survey for a period of two to three weeks. Some members of the advisory committee

suggested changes to the questions, such as making them less prescriptive and more open-ended, providing less background information, and checking for factual accuracy.

Visit mapc.ma/winthrop2030 for more information.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

pass the time with new recipes!

EASY ROASTED VEGETABLES

INGREDIENTS:

5 cups cauliflower florets

5 cups broccoli florets

1 pound fresh asparagus, trimmed and halved

4 medium carrots, cut into matchsticks

1 medium red bell pepper, cut into matchsticks

1 medium red onion, sliced and

separated into rings

½ cup olive oil

3 tablespoons lemon juice

3 cloves garlic, minced

1 tablespoon dried rosemary, crushed

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

STEP 2: Combine cauliflower, broccoli, asparagus, carrots, bell pepper, and onion in a large bowl.

STEP 3: Whisk olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, rosemary, salt, and pepper together in a small bowl until blended. Drizzle over vegetables and toss to coat. Transfer to 2 rimmed baking sheets.

STEP 4: Roast in the preheated oven, tossing occasionally, until tender, 20 to 25 minutes.

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pandemic. The Demos will be presented on Facebook, WCAT and other sites. If you have not offered a demo in the past two years, and would like to demonstrate an artist technique that would be suitable for a video presentation, please contact Dawn to discuss your ideas. We welcome your input and look forward to your creativity. Demo Artists receive a stipend for your presentation.

Plein Aire Art in the Park (location to be announced): WAA Member Artists are invited to join us in a Pleine Aire Art presentation on Saturday, August 29 from 2-6 p.m. Please bring your artist pallet, canvas, chair, supplies and enjoy 'creating art' in the beautiful outdoors. Contact Dawn if you would like to participate. Final details will follow.

Street Art Opportunity: We are seeking artists to help Paint the Square (French Square) parking spaces to brighten up the dz (destruction zone). This effort, spearheaded by Frank Constantino, will happen later this summer. All art supplies will be provided. Art should be simple and artistic with the theme 'Summer Glow'. . . All artists are welcome. Final details with dates, time, type of art to be displayed, will be sent out shortly.

To sign up for the Winthrop Art Association Summer Art Opportunities, or to set up a time for an Art Presentation or Demo, please contact Dawn at 617.846.2644.

MBTA TO RESUME

FARE COLLECTION

The MBTA has resumed fare collection on buses, on trolleys at street-level stops on the Green Line and Mattapan Line, and on the Commuter Rail beginning Monday, July 20.

Customers are encouraged to pay with a pre-loaded CharlieCard or CharlieTicket on buses and trolleys. Customers may also pay with cash. Commuter Rail customers are encouraged to use the mTicket app for payment or purchase the new Five-day Flex Pass on the mTicket app. The Five-day Flex Pass is a bundled fare good for any five days of travel within a thirty-day period. Fairmont Line customers also have the option to pay fares with CharlieCards at Zone 1A stations.

On MBTA buses, to

avoid overcrowding, operators have the discretion to bypass a stop. If a customer with a disability is able to be identified while waiting at a stop to be bypassed, the bus operator alerts the Control Center, will notify that individual that the stop is being passed due to crowding, and will alert the customer to the approximate time of the next available bus that can accommodate them.

Customers should continue to make efforts to distance and are reminded that face coverings are required while onboard vehicles and within the MBTA system.

For more information, please visit mbta.com/coronavirus, mass.gov/COVID19, or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram@theMBTA.

Sister Jane spreads her wings after 25-years here

By Kate Anslinger

After serving as the Pastoral Associate at St. John’s Catholic Church for 25 years, Sister Jane Iannaccone, a Sister of Providence, is headed to Indiana, to continue sharing her gifts and ministries at St. Mary of the Woods. Since 1995, Sister Jane has been offering her blessings across the community and those who have been on the receiving end of her gifts are taking the time to reflect on all she has given.

“Sister Jane’s departure is a personal loss for me,” said resident Karen Flaherty, dedicated parishioner of St. John’s. “I think it’s sad to be losing the presence of a religious female role model for the girls in the community. This is a major loss for Winthrop.”

During her time as a Pastoral Associate, Sister Jane has been involved with several ministries, including bereavement, confirmation, sacramental preparation, committals at the cemetery, the annulment process, and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA). As part of those ministries she has conducted prayer services at the Arbors Assisted Living, given the children’s reflection during the family mass, and has been called upon to visit patients and family members in hospitals.

Her move from St. John’s is the result of being furloughed on March 1 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the unsteady future of potential jobs at the Archdiocese of Boston. When asked what she will miss the most about Winthrop, her answer is “the people.”

“I’ve journeyed through the happiest moments as well as the most difficult moments. I’ve watched children grow up and seen them get married and have children of their own, witnessing the cycle of life. It is the people I will miss most.”

The majority of her years at St. John’s were spent working alongside Father Bourke, who she credits as being a collaborative colleague.

“Father Bourke truly saw the gifts I had and he encouraged me to use them.”

Prior to her time at St. John’s, Sister Jane taught kindergarten and first grade, where she discovered her natural ability to engage with children.

“The way she engages with kids during the children’s masses is incredible, she gets the best out of the

kids,” said parent and parishioner, Mary Spinale. “Everyone loves her. She has this way of relating to the children.”

Karen Flaherty recalls Sister Jane’s involvement with the annual spring confirmation retreat.

“The kids always loved hearing her own personal story because she was able to laugh at herself and she could relate to any age group. She’s approachable.”

When resident, Kathy Hubert’s family started having children, Sister Jane had just started at St. John’s. Since then, she has been through all seven of their baptisms, communions, and confirmations. Hubert’s sons have memories of joining Sister Jane on the altar during the 10 a.m. family mass, and they went on to assist her with



Sister Jane Iannaccone, as Sister of Providence, will share her gifts with St. Mary of the Woods in Indiana, after serving as the St. John’s Pastoral Associate for 25 years.

the younger children when they had gotten older.

“She is amazing, humble and kind,” said Hubert,

who witnessed Sister Jane’s God-given gift come into her life when she was struggling. “A few years ago I had a very bad infection that required hospitalization and amputation. At the lowest point in my life, Sister Jane came to me, prayed with me and lifted my soul. I will miss her whole heartedly but I know she will use her gifts to lift others in need. It is her calling. I will miss her but she will always be a part of my heart and in the hearts of my family.”

On August 9, a parade will be held in honor of Sister Jane and all she has contributed to Saint John’s and the many residents in Winthrop. The parade will pass by St. John’s where Sister Jane will be standing. Interested participants will meet at the high school at 1:00 pm.

Vote-by-mail //

The usual issues that are common before every election, she said, are going to be “bigger and scarier” this year because of the novelty of the situation. For one thing, there is not much time between when the ballot applications were sent out and the elections them-

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selves. For another, the increase in mail-in ballots means more people will need to be trained on scanners -- and there might be an issue of having enough high-speed scanners.

“It’s certainly not easy,” Cobb said. “If someone came to me and said, ‘Hey,

would you like to change the entire policy of how we administer elections five weeks before a major presidential election?’ I’d say, ‘Are you crazy?’”

Applications will be an important metric for election boards in order to know how many mail-in ballots to expect and how

many voters to expect in person. Nearly 10,000 people turned out for the last presidential election in Winthrop.

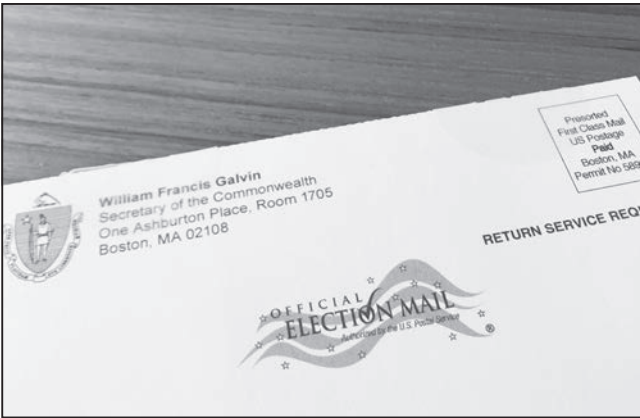
Town Clerk Carla Vitale said that details such as which polling stations will be open and who will staff them are still being worked out.

But the expanded mail-in ballot operation will likely mean a longer wait for election results regardless of the amount of staff and stations.

It will be vital, according to Cobb, for residents to be patient with the process and not to interpret lagging results as something sinister. If the election is super-close, she explained, it might take as much as a few days for the results to be tabulated.

“Many of us are content with voting early and not knowing the results until election day,” Cobb said, “so we should all view the election as an early voting day.”

There also is no reason to fear for the integrity of the mail-in ballot process. Vitale said she was offended by the insinuation that the election might be less safe because of it. Cobb explained voter fraud is “very rare,” won’t swing an election, and is not a concern. There are many states,



A copy of the official mail-in ballot that will be used for the 2020 primary election in November.

she went on, such as California, that have relied heavily on mail-in ballots for a long time and there are protections built into the system that make voter fraud discernible.

What is a concern, Cobb said, is that the mail-in ballot applications may be confusing for some voters. First-time voters especially, she said, may be confused about what to write where and what boxes to check.

With so little time between the applications and the elections, what would normally be an easy, spoiled-ballot procedure will require resending applications to request new ballots. Not getting ballots in on time may result in disqualified ballots, as was a problem in California earlier this year.

Despite the logistical challenges that such an election poses though, Vi-

tale said Winthrop is “certainly equipped, ready, and able” to provide safe elections in September and November. Vitale emphasized her 14 years of experience as Town Clerk and her confidence in her staff.

“We’re well-poised to handle everything,” she added.

Register to vote online, by mail, or in person at Winthrop Town Hall. You can check your registration status by visiting the secretary of state’s website. Applications for the state primary ballot must be delivered by Aug. 26 and for the state election ballot by Oct. 28.

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tion and 24 deceased. She showed a graph with some alarming trends. While cases dropped in Winthrop between April and June, a significant spike was seen in the first weeks of July.

She said the dramatic shift could be due to “quarantine fatigue”, as individuals get tired of being indoors; and Phase 3 reopening in Massachusetts, which started on July 6 and allows for fewer restrictions. Council President Phil Boncore also blamed massive beach crowds with no social distancing or mask-wearing.

Director Hurley’s chart (seem right) also showed youth under 20 accounted for 50 percent of all cases in July, compared to just five to ten percent of all cases in other months. She pointed to a false sense of security when Winthrop had no new cases for a period of time.

Police Chief Terence Delehanty said he is working with the health department to develop signage to educate the public about safety guidelines. He emphasized parents and adults need to help with the enforcement of safety protocols among children and teens.

“We hope they’ll continue to reinforce our messages,” he said. “Children shouldn’t be sharing vapes, or finger food.”

An outdoor graduation is planned for the high school for July 23, but officials urged graduates and parents to skip out on parties this year.

“Have a celebration at home with family, but let’s not have a congregation of youngsters going from house to house,” said the council president. “We don’t want another spike in youth cases because of parties.”

Town Manager Austin Faison reiterated the importance of social distancing and mask usage and said Town Hall, which is the biggest employer in town, is exploring a plan to reopen in September.

“This is not going back to normal any time soon,” he said, citing the recent spike in cases. “I want to get people back to work, but until we can make people safe, we will provide services remotely.”

The Town purchased electrostatic cleaning appa-

Month	# of New Cases	Percent Youth Under 20
March 16 to March 31	27	5-10%
April	138	5-10%
May	61	5-10%
June	15	5-10%
First two weeks of July	48	50%

ratuses and installed plexiglass in almost every office, but it still needs sanitizing stations and desks will need to be arranged six feet apart. One challenge is figuring out how to work in shared spaces given the airborne nature of the virus.

“We are following what science is telling us,” said Faison, adding he has worked more hours during the pandemic than at any time in his career.

The state is currently in Phase 3 of reopening, which allows for indoor seating. The Inspectional Services Department conducted a safety check of all restaurants and found them to be in compliance with state and local guidelines. Gov. Charlie Baker has said he will not consider moving to Phase 4 until there is a vaccine.

Library

Town Manager Faison announced that the library is offering curbside pickup and dropoff of physical materials, while also expanding its digital collection. Library Assistant Katrina Donovan called to say the library could help with quarantine fatigue by offering remote programs for residents.

“We would really like to help,” she said. “We would like the chance to serve the community.”

Human Rights Commission

The Town Council passed the motion establishing a Winthrop Human Rights Commission. The commission will consist of nine members appointed by council and will serve for a term of at most three years. Council appointed six commissioners during the meeting and is currently seeking three more.

Winthrop Schools

The School Committee met on July 9 to discuss reopening plans. Currently, the district is working on plans for three differ-

ent scenarios: fully remote learning, in-person learning, and a combination of the two. They are hoping to be prepared whatever the situation may be.

A safe, socially-distanced graduation ceremony is set for July 23, but Council urged graduates and parents that there should be no parties outside of immediate family gatherings.

General Updates

There are current member openings on the following Town Committees: Planning Board, Airport Hazards, Commission on Disability, Scholarship.

The Town issued 159 warnings in ten days on Point Shirley as part of its parking pilot program there. The warnings are a preliminary measure to educate the local community. Warnings will be issued for at least one more week prior to fines being implemented.

DPW Director Steve Calla declared that the CBD project is well underway, though about one and a half months behind schedule due to inflow of water at high tide on Woodside Ave. There is a possibility the project timeline will be extended into the winter.

Town Manager Faison reported that the new water sewer rate would be \$23.65, which is a 75 cent increase. The next time the town is due for a discussion on the rate will be June 2021.

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) was disbanded and its members moved to the Transportation Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC). Council will make appointments to the committee in the future.

Citations

Four individuals received citations from the Council: Joe Clark - Board of License, David Stasio - and Vincent Zappulla - Winthrop Planning Board, and Michael Rinaldi - Conservation Committee.

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CHANGE MILITARY BASE NAMES IMMEDIATELY

If you're like us, then it truly has been a revelation in these past few weeks to learn that U.S. military installations throughout the South were named in "honor" of Confederate heroes in the Civil War.

Whenever we would hear the name, "Ft. Benning, Georgia," for example, we never gave it a second thought. However, it turns out that Henry Benning was a general in the Civil War who led a number of campaigns against the North.

In short, he sought to destroy the United States -- so how does a guy like that get a U.S. military base named after him?

Well, the short answer is that Benning was an avowed racist who wanted to destroy the Union so that the South could maintain slavery.

Here's what he said at the Secession Convention in Virginia in February, 1861: "If things are allowed to go on as they are, it is certain that slavery is to be abolished. By the time the North shall have attained the power, the black race will be in a large majority, and then we will have black governors, black legislatures, black juries, black everything. Is it to be supposed that the white race will stand for that?"

It was not a coincidence that almost all of the military bases in the South are named after Confederate war heroes who, like Benning, also were notable for the roles they played in advocating for slavery before the Civil War and for white supremacy after the Civil War, including one general who was a founder of the Ku Klux Klan.

Almost all of these military installations came into existence during WWI and WWII when the U.S. was mobilizing millions of Americans from all around the country. The naming of the bases for Confederate war heroes was a concession to southern political leaders, who wanted to send the message that although the South had lost the Civil War, their belief in white supremacy nonetheless had prevailed.

And why did the military and Northern political leaders placidly go along with such a disgraceful tactic? The short answer is that racism was (and is) endemic in our country from North to South and East to West. During both WWI and WWII, the entire U.S. military was segregated, something that did not change until 1948 when President Harry S. Truman desegregated our armed forces.

These military base names are not merely a vestige of slavery, they also represent the entire history of our country's racist past.

The sooner they go, the better.

A DEPRESSING THOUGHT – SUMMER IS HALF OVER

The summer of our discontent -- the summer that hasn't been -- is just about half over. June has come and gone and we are just past the midway point of July, which means that there are only seven weekends left until Labor Day.

The arrival of summer has been a blessing for just about all of us during this pandemic. We can go outside and enjoy the fresh air (which, by the way, has been the cleanest it has been in decades in our area thanks to the reductions of emissions from automobile, jet aircraft, and cruise ship traffic).

Although our gyms have been closed, we can run, walk, bicycle, and swim for exercise. Our children can go outside and be children. And for those who simply like to relax, the beaches and our boats have been a welcome respite from our months of lockdown.

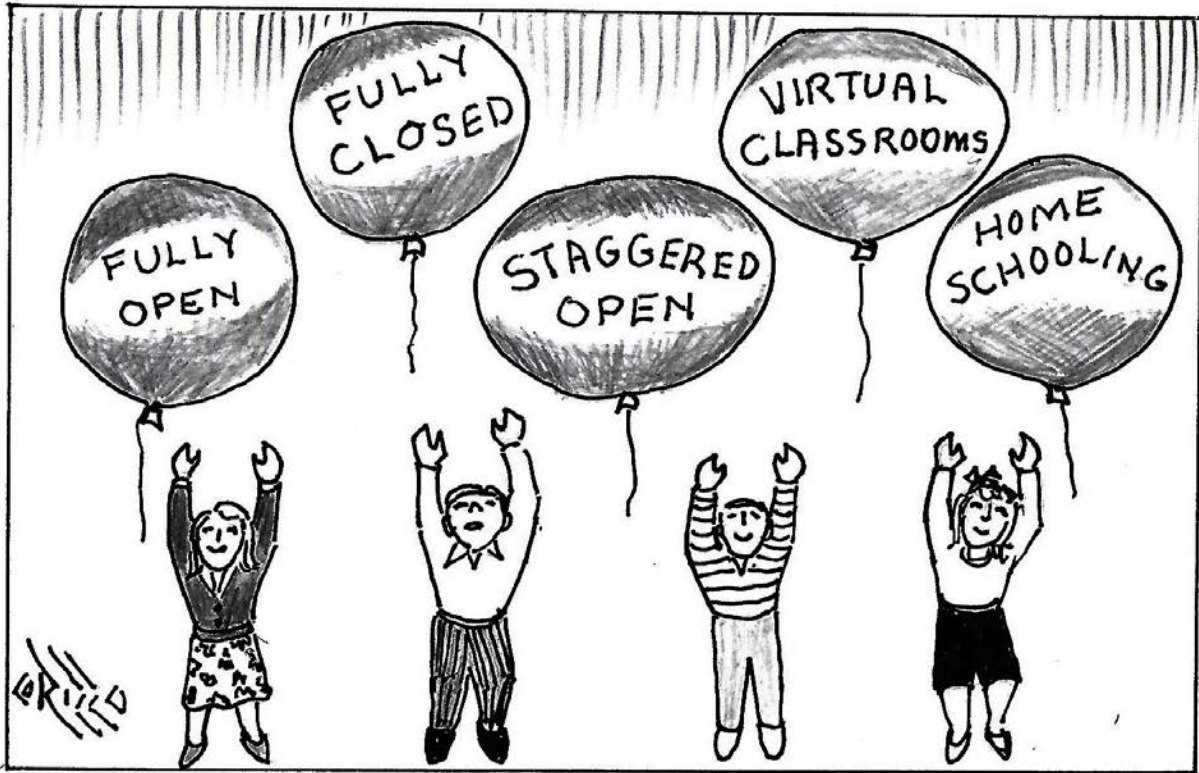
But if we look beyond these next seven weeks, the future does not seem to be very pleasant.

The lockdowns and quarantines that first began in mid-March were ameliorated by the imminent arrival of spring weather. But as the weather soon begins to turn colder and stormier after Labor Day, and the days grow shorter, our outdoor activities will be limited.

The phased reopenings this summer have been difficult enough, but as the weather turns for the worse, we fear that so too, will our mental and physical health worsen. The winter of 2020-21 promises to be the most challenging of our lifetimes on many levels.

So as we enter the second half of the summer season, let's make the most of the weeks we have left -- always with masks and social distancing -- to create memories for ourselves and our children that will bolster us for the difficult days to come.

Forum



SCHOOL CHOICES ARE STILL UP IN THE AIR

LETTERS to the Editor

PLEASE WEAR A MASK

Dear Editor:

As a person on the frontlines who sees the deaths from COVID 19, masks are imperative and they WORK to prevent spread. They work. Evidence-based medicine proves it. But, I suspect a No-Masker is suspect of this truth. After all, they listen to a president who doesn't listen to science, believes that truth is a relative thing, and ignores the competent medical advisory community. His "gut instinct" is wrong and his misguided stance is killing people, and you No-Maskers are at the greatest risk.

To the No-maskers. This is not a hoax.

Have an ounce of humanity and in the very least care about your neighbor's health. If I can wear a mask 9-12 hours on my shift for the good of myself and for the humans surrounding me, then you should be able to tolerate wearing one for a few minutes while in a store. After all, you likely tolerated a mask as a child when you walked around happily for hours during Halloween.

Trust me, the argument that there is a true medical condition that makes a mask contraindicated or truly unable to be worn is weak. For example, I see dying COVID patients wearing them when they are in true respiratory distress. Certainly, there may be exceptions where one may truly be unable to be worn reliably. However, I am sick of seeing video after video of some ranting idiot refusing to wear a mask...yelling...often throwing a tantrum as if it is a welcomed freedom to place others at risk. Yes you have a right to not protect yourself by not wearing a mask, but it is unAmerican not to try to protect and preserve your fellow American's health around you.

Believe me, Mr. and Mrs. No-Masker... the flimsy facemask covering your face for a few minutes in the store is NOTHING when compared to the alternatives that await you if you continue your misguided ways. Trust me, you will breathe easier through this mask than the alternative which is a hard cold piece of plastic with a ventilator attached that will stay in place for likely weeks or longer. Do you really want this method to be your last method of breathing in this Pandemic?? Save yourself from this TRULY uncomfortable miserable experience, but more importantly save your fellow neighbor and human being from that experience.

How broken are we as a society where we are

having this ridiculous argument? Over a simple mask...it's literally like a bandaid for the face.

I hear my Grampa's voice in my head right now after one time I skinned my knee. I was being a brat and whining about the fact that I skinned my knee and that I needed a bandaid. He applied the bandaid, gave it a little tap with his hand, and firmly said, "now walk it off." Which I did...

No-Maskers. Walk it off.

Show an ounce of humility and humanity. Wear a mask. Respect your neighbor. Preserve our beautiful community of Winthrop. Please.

Michael C. Murphy, MD

ASK BILLS TO BE BROUGHT TO HOUSE FLOOR

Dear Editor;

As a Mother Out Front member, there are two bills we need the very most for Speaker DeLeo to bring to the floor for a vote as urgently needed, both to address our climate crisis and for the sake of losing a lot of money. First - H. 3983: An Act to Create a 2050 Roadmap to a Clean and Thriving Commonwealth, by Rep. Joan Meschino. The bill is a comprehensive plan that provides a very critical update to the 1990 GWSA bill (Global Warming Solutions Act) by lowering the emissions target to net zero by 2050 and setting intermediate targets of 50% by 2030 and 75% by 2040. Also Carbon Pricing will be included; authorized by the Governor through fee and rebate.

Reporting for effectiveness of reducing GHG emissions (greenhouse gases) will be robust and more frequent than previously as it quantitatively assesses the effectiveness of regulations and programs along the way. And there is a requirement that the Governor take into account the impact on environmental justice and low income communities.

The second bill I'll speak of is H4440, Fossil Fuel divestment. Fossil fuel investments made the Rockefeller family rich, but according to a May 9, 2020 Washington Post article, five years ago, members of the Rockefeller family divested from those fossil fuel stocks. The \$1.1 billion Rockefeller Brothers Fund, now largely free of oil and gas, has outperformed funds with fossil fuels. Massachusetts retirement funds should be allowed to make similar wise divestments. We urge Speaker DeLeo to schedule a vote on H4440, which will give them that option.

While wealthy investors continue to shed fossil

fuel stocks, public retirees in Massachusetts remain invested in these stocks. In 2017, when the Somerville Retirement Board made the right decision to get out of fossil fuels, the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) determined that the fund could not divest without legislation and Somerville had to reinvest in fossil fuels. If Somerville had remained divested, they would have earned 5% more on their portfolio! PERAC, the regulatory body in MA that oversees 104 city and county pensions, currently prohibits fossil fuel divestment, meaning Somerville had to stay in underperforming funds.

It is time for Massachusetts pension funds to divest from fossil fuels. Massachusetts needs this, not only because transitioning away from fossil fuels is critical to assure a healthy planet, but because divestment is in the financial interest of public service retirees.

We ask Speaker DeLeo to bring a vote on bills H 3983 the 2050 House Bill and H4440, the fossil fuel divestment bill. We urgently need legislation to set us on course for bold policy changes we MUST have RIGHT NOW to set our environment on course for a healthy, livable future and to free pension fund managers to divest from fossil fuels, in the best interest of municipal employees and the environment.

Carol Walker

ON OPENING THE LIBRARY

Dear Editor,

As a concerned group of Winthrop residents, we publicly call on Town Manager Austin Faison to release a structured, benchmarked, and dated plan for officially reopening the town library for pickup and hold services and other library functions. Secondly, we call on him to rehire the library's furloughed staff to do this work. While there are myriad issues at play, five facts remain:

1. Town residents were informed that the library could not reopen due to safety concerns. However, every library in the surrounding area has reopened for curbside services. The contention that plexiglass is required for reopening (as the Town Manager told the Library Trustees) is quite

simply not true.

2. The library director and assistant director (the only members of the staff who have been retained) are, in fact, serving a select group of patrons for such services. Exchanges with the library have happened via the comments section on Facebook. However, there is no obvious statement on the library's website, or on their Facebook page, to indicate that these services exist. For these services to be available to only a limited number of residents who are "in the know" promotes a culture of divisiveness and inequity.

3. Obviously two people cannot serve the entire town's library requests, which is why the staff needs to be hired back.

4. The furloughed staff have devised a benchmarked, dated plan explaining how they could offer safe and equitable pick up and hold services to patrons and return to working inside the building in teams in socially distanced areas.

5. There is ample work the staff can do in and for the library even if the building itself remains closed to the public. These tasks include: receiving and stocking inventory; updating materials and databases; archiving historical materials for the attached Winthrop public museum; and planning and executing virtual events and services such as story times for children, lectures, and discussion groups, as many other town libraries are already doing.

We urge our Town Manager to adopt the library staff's proposed plan, rehire the staff, and make this announcement by August 1, 2020. If no action is taken, we will be contacting greater Boston media outlets to shine light on this reprehensible situation.

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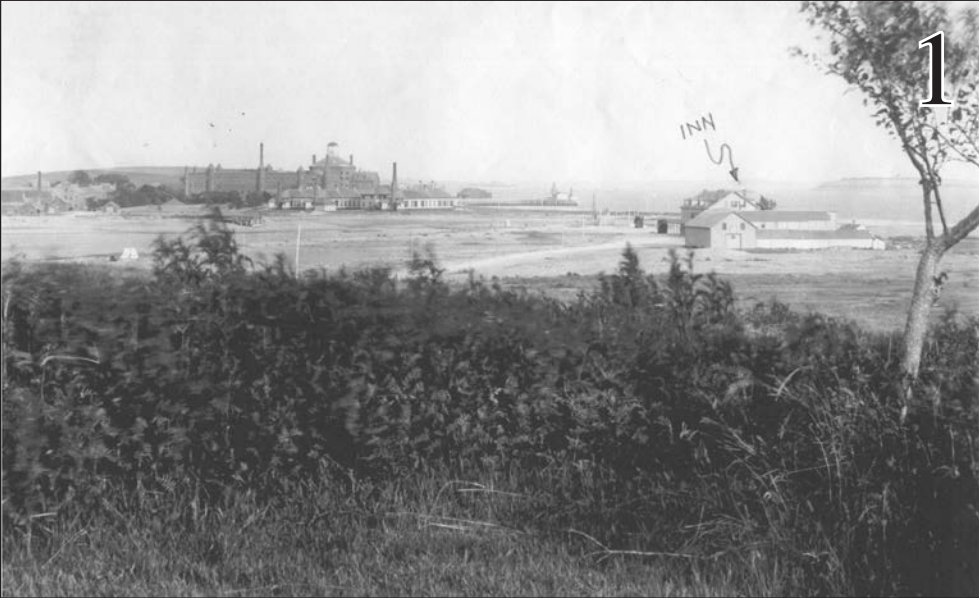
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

ART 928 – TAFT INN — PART TWO — NOTABLE EVENTS



In last week’s Then & Now Column, the establishment of the original Taft Inn building in 1840 and the many changes experienced on that site as the various restaurant, hotel and club businesses came and went, until the final building was razed in 1952, were reviewed. Today some of the noteworthy functions and events that took place there will be discussed.

- On August 9, 1850, a special banquet was held with a menu titled “Dinner for 45 Gentlemen” that listed some 65 entrees including 34 game bird, 26 fish/seafood and 5 meat dishes along with hummingbirds served in walnut shells. All these items were readily available in the basement locker where they were kept refrigerated with blocks of ice cut during the winter months from local ponds and then packed in straw.

- On May 25, 1851, a fire which started in the Tap Room totally destroyed the hotel facility. The only thing saved was some whiskey which was consumed by those on lookers standing by to watch the fire. The first picture in last week’s article was drawn by a newspaperman as he witnessed the blaze. The building was reported as being restored to its former appearance.

- In 1868, a large dinner was held here for a Boston Medical Committee that was considering the Highlands as the site to build an Insane Asylum. The plan was rejected because it was felt the inmates would be in a remote and lonely area too far from Boston. It is interesting to note that the institution was subsequently built further north

in Danvers.

- On September 8, 1869, during the usual dinner meal, a severe storm blew down the kitchen chimney depositing debris around Mr. Taft, who always served as the chief chef. Covered with ashes, he announced that “The Plover, a bird being cooked, was not hurt” and continued with preparing the meals. This was the same storm that reportedly split the famous circa 1640 Gibbons Elm then standing at the lower end of Winthrop Street. It was pulled back, bolted together and continued to survive until 1912 when, with great fanfare, it was taken down.

- On April 24, 1879, Orray Taft Junior married Lydia B. Edwards at the hotel. This was considered to be one of the most festive affairs held there.

- In 1883, the Atlantic Club held a dinner meeting at the Taft Inn where such members as Lowell, Emerson, Hawthorn, Holmes, Poe and Longfellow were in attendance.

- On August 17, 1883, during a five hour banquet held from 2:00 to 7:00PM, Mr. Taft offered \$1000 to

anyone who could name a North American bird that he could not produce from his larder immediately. There were no takers.

- In 1889, with his first son George having died 5 years earlier and his second son Orray Junior just passing away on February 12, Mr. Taft closed the Inn and sold it to a group who then converted the building into the Point Shirley Club. Thus ended almost 40 years of Hotel operation by Mr. Orray Taft. Picture 1 shows the overall hotel layout, with Deer Island in the background, as it appeared in 1889 just after electricity was introduced to Winthrop in 1887.

- In 1906, a second fire destroyed the building and it was replaced by a stucco sided building, as depicted in picture 2, which was located further North next to Maryland Ave. as shown on the 1914 map in Picture three.

- Picture four is a copy of an early Taft Inn Wine List kindly donated to the Deane Winthrop House by Mr. William Griffiths of Undine Avenue.

4		TAFT'S FISH & GAME HOUSE. POINT SHIRLEY. WINE LIST.	
CHAMPAGNE.		MADEIRA.	
Perrier Joint, Special.....	\$4.00	Wreck, vintage 1815.....	\$8.00
Mumm's Extra Dry.....	3.50	India, vintage 1825.....	6.00
Chateau (Yellow Label).....	4.00	Burkhead, selected for Daniel Webster	
Wine.....	3.00	By Burkhead, of Baltimore.....	5.00
L. Roederer, Dry Schaefer.....	3.00	Alexandria, selected for Daniel Webster	
Imperial.....	3.50	by L. P. Davis, Esq.....	5.00
Corte Blanco.....	3.50	Hamilton, vintage 1815.....	5.00
Pommery Sec.....	3.50	Reserve, vintage 1828.....	5.00
Giesler & Co., Extra Dry.....	3.50	Montero, O. P.....	3.50
HOCK.		SHERRY.	
Schloss Johannisberger.....	6.00	Harmony, S-star, Gold.....	4.50
Geisheimer Rothenberg, 1846.....	5.00	Paia, P. S., very superior.....	4.00
Staten's.....	3.50	Brown, B. S.....	3.00
Lichtrammleh.....	2.50	Amontillado, A. S.....	3.00
Sparkling Hock, Moscatender.....	3.50	Club.....	2.00
Blind.....	2.00	Prince Albert.....	4.00
Radehelmer, pinot.....	1.25	Duff Gordon, Pale.....	3.00
Leider's Hockheimer.....	2.00	Cabinet, Pale.....	3.00
Sparkling Howell.....	3.00	Peter Domecq.....	3.00
California Hock dry.....	1.25	Triarte, Y. P. S.....	3.00
		Vino de Pasto.....	3.00
		President.....	5.00
CHARENT.		PORT.	
Chateau Durofort Margaux, 1847.....	6.00	O'd London, in wood 15 years.....	3.00
Grand Vin Chateau Lafite, 1862.....	6.00	Old Port, bott'd in Oporto, by Hunt & Co.....	4.00
1864.....	6.00	Old White Port, very fine.....	3.50
Chateau Mouton.....	2.00	SHUTERNE.	
La Rose.....	2.50	Chateau Yquem.....	3.00
Pinot Canot.....	3.50	Leider Blanco.....	3.00



THE MORE Things Change ...

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

10 years ago July 14, 2010

For the second time in two weeks, the Town Council and School Committee will hold a joint meeting to elect a new member to the Winthrop School Committee. The committee picked Mark Rotondo to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Gus Martucci and on Tuesday, the committee will select the successor to chairwoman Pat Milano, who also decided to step down from the committee.

The eyes of Winthrop and the state are on Beacon Hill as the Senate and House try to reach a compromise on the casino bill and try to have it reach Governor Deval Patrick’s desk before the end of the legislative session on July 31.

Town Clerk Carla Vitale said she will recommend to the Town Council that the number of poll locations be reduced from three to two for town elections. Currently, there are three polling places in the town: Winthrop High School, Winthrop Middle School, and 9 Golden Drive. “I haven’t decided what the two locations will be. That’s what my budget was set for and I’m going to stay within my budget. It’s a money-saving decision,” said Vitale.

Cats and Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore, The Last Air Bender, and Despicable Me are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago July 13, 2000

Thousands of local residents lined the Winthrop shoreline Tuesday to view the parade of Tall Ships in what was billed as the largest event of its kind ever in America. The MWRA decided at the last minute to open Deer Island to spectators. The Cottage Park Y.C. played a part in the spectacle, hosting 10 vessels, ranging in size from 37 to 88 feet, during the week.

School Supt. Joan Connolly has announced that she will be leaving Winthrop to take the same post in the Malden school district. Connolly cited the lack of funding for Winthrop’s schools as the reason why she had begun looking for a new job. “Finances speak to values,” said Connolly, who went on to note Winthrop’s lack of commitment to its school system.

New Town Accountant Arthur Gallagher had his first day on the job Monday and then met with the selectmen and Town Treasurer/Collector Daniel Keyes. Selectwoman Marie Turner told Gallagher, “We want this town operating as straight as an arrow.”

Pokemon 2000, What Lies Beneath, and The Nutty Professor II: The Klumps are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago July 18, 1990

Recent actions by the selectmen have called into question whether they have violated the Open Meeting Law. The selectmen voted recently 2-1 to inform Building Inspector Dave Hayden that he was being reappointed only to a conditional 90 day appointment. However, only the signatures of selectmen Richard Bangs and Richard DiMento appear on the appointment. Moreover, there was no public vote or discussion on the matter and

Selectman Robert Noonan has called into question the propriety of his colleagues’ action.

Building Inspector David Hayden and the Planning Board are working on a solution to the problem of so called illegal apartments in the town.

The town is undertaking a soundproofing of homes on Pt. Shirley using MWRA mitigation funds.

Ghost, Jungle Book, and Die Hard 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago July 9, 1980

Police Union Pres. Frank DeFronzo has warned that unless the \$2370 that is owed to Winthrop officers for overtime in the last 17 days of the last fiscal year is paid, “There definitely will be a job action,” by Winthrop patrolmen.

Long-time Board of Assessors member George Pulsifer said it could be at least a month and possibly longer before the fiscal 1981 tax rate is set. With the long awaited release of the state cherry sheets last week showing Winthrop with a net decrease of \$213,590 in local aid from the state, Winthrop’s tax rate will increase by at least \$1.00, said Pulsifer. He further said that federal revenue sharing funds to the town also are expected to decline.

“All roads lead to Winthrop” for the annual Viking Sale Days being held this week from July 9-12 at which local merchants will feature huge sales.

Dustin Hoffmann and Meryl Streep star in Kramer v. Kramer at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago July 16, 1970

The opening of the Walden St. Extension this weekend has brought to an end a controversy that had been ongoing for the past two decades. The School Department and Parks Department brought numerous articles before Town Meeting seeking to annex the property and discontinue it as a public way, but the Chamber of Commerce and selectmen long have been in favor of constructing it as a roadway.

Many residents have stepped forth as possible candidates to replace William DiMento, who resigned from the School Committee last week. A joint meeting of the selectmen and School Committee will be held to elect DiMento’s successor, with Helen Sweet, the runner-up in last year’s election, thought to be the leading contender.

A Marine Reserve battalion commanded by Lt. Col. Ralph Bagley, a Winthrop attorney, has been named the Outstanding Battalion of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

The Winthrop School Committee has voted in favor of a motion by School Committeeman John Cavanaugh not to redistrict pupils from the E.B. Newton School to other elementary schools in town.

Lifelong resident Conal Foley has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State Rep. against Democratic incumbent Ralph Sirianni.

Robert J. Healey of Bates Ave. has been named the Business Manager of the Winthrop School De-

partment.

Dom Marino pitched a no-hitter and Jim Nestor clubbed a grand slam to lead the Indians over the Yankees in Pony League action last week.

Winthrop residents are mourning the death of William Van Dalinda, who passed away this week at the age of 97. Van Dalinda was a mail carrier in town for many years, retiring in 1937, and started with the Postal Service when Teddy Roosevelt was President.

The annual Viking Sale Days event will be held July 15 through 18, with bargains awaiting local shoppers at Winthrop stores.

Norman LaHar was the winner of the grand prize, a new Cadillac, at the Temple Tifereth Israel’s raffle fundraiser.

George C. Scott stars in Patton at the Revere Drive In Theatre.

60 years ago July 14, 1960

Prospects for an elderly housing project on Circle Ave. were considerably dimmed when a score of abutting residents to the proposed project turned out at a public hearing before the Board of Appeals to oppose the request by the Winthrop Housing Authority for a variance needed for the project to go forward.

The present dry spell, aggravated by the high humidity of recent days, led town water officials today to urge residents to use common sense in the consumption of water until there is a substantial rainfall.

The School Building Committee will propose to a Special Town Meeting in September a sweeping overhaul and reorganization of the town’s schools. The four-point plan with an estimated total cost of \$2,362,450, calls for the construction of a modern, four-year high school capable of handling 1143 students; abandonment of the decrepit, wood-construction Center School; construction of either a 16-room new elementary school or an addition of similar size to the E.B. Newton junior high school; and the addition of a six room wing onto the Shirley St. School.

Boat thieves were active this week, stealing a seven-foot kayak belonging to Bernard Carver and breaking into the boat of Henry Rock.

Viking Sale Days will begin July 18 and extend through July 23. Among the bargains in local stores are men’s rain and shine coats for \$9.99 at Michael’s; skirts at the Bell Shops for \$2.59; a 1957 Mercury Monterey at Fred E. Miles Rambler for \$1295; and garden hoses at Shirley Hardware for \$1.98.

Massachusetts’ own U.S. Senator John F. Kennedy, who summered in Winthrop as a young boy with his family, won the Democratic nomination for President by acclamation at the Democratic National Convention this past week in Los Angeles. Kennedy won the nomination on the first ballot.

Donald W. Clayman announces the opening of his office in Winthrop at 10 Grovers Ave. where he will treat patients in Chiropody, Podiatry, and Foot Orthopedics.

Doris Day and David Niven star in Please Don’t Eat the Daisies at the Winthrop Theatre.

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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Ann Lipsett

Member of the Order of Eastern Star and Union Congregational Church

Elizabeth Ann (Betty) Lipsett passed away in Salem on July 16. She was 90 years old.

A lifelong resident of Winthrop, she worked for Winthrop Hospital, Winthrop Savings Bank and Temple Tifereth Israel. She enjoyed being a member of The Order of Eastern Star, and The Union Congregational Church. She enjoyed being with family, animals, Scrabble, HGTV, the Hallmark Channel, fall foliage, broccoli and Happy Meals.

Born in Roxbury on June 28, 1930, the beloved daughter of the late William and Helen Williams, she was the wife of the late Hazen W. and the sister of Eugene, Helen and Priscilla. Betty was the proud mother of Helen, William and Barbara and the aunt of Ann, Eugen, Gordon, Samuel, Lynn, Susan, William, and Priscilla. She is survived by eight grandchildren: Kerry, Ronald, Shaun, Rebecca, Jessica, Justin, Peter and



Nicholas.

A private service was held on Wednesday, July 22. Because of the current covid situation, internment will be held at a future date in the family burial plot in New Hampshire.

It is desired that in lieu of flowers, donations in her memory be sent to the Northeast Animal Shelter in Salem, MA at www.neas.org.

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

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

Edwin Anderson

Retired Boston Herald credit manager, retired National Guard Sergeant Major and past Exalted Ruler of Winthrop Elks



Edwin F. Anderson of Waldemar Ave., Winthrop passed away at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston on July 21. He was 88 years old.

Born in Roslindale the beloved son of the late Helen (Foster) and Edwin N. Anderson, Ed graduated from East Boston High School in 1949. In 1951, he started working for the Boston Record American, which later became the Boston Herald in 1971. He retired in 1999 after 47 years as credit manager. Ed joined the Massachusetts National Guard and served 43 years, retiring on September 7, 1991 as a Sergeant Major. He was a member of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks for 54 years and served as the Exalted Ruler in 1978 - 1979. He was also a member of the American Legion in Florida for over three years.

He was the beloved husband of Catherine (Liotine) for 66 years, devoted father



of Susan Anderson-Noonan and her husband, David of Amherst, Richard Anderson and his wife, Annette of Winthrop, Paul Anderson of Halifax and the late Edwin J. Anderson; dear brother of the late Eleanor Havey, Audrey Gordon, Robert Anderson and Warren Anderson and cherished grandfather of Simone, Marc, Eric, John, Oliva, Sarah and Dylan.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the visitation from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop today, Thursday, July 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. The funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Friday, July 24 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with the interment in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans at www.nechv.org.

For directions or to sign the online guestbook go to www.caggianofuneralhome.com.

Marie Carmella Zambello

Dedicated mother who brought much joy to all

Marie Carmella (Strangie) Zambello, 92, passed away peacefully July 15 due to natural causes.

Marie was a member of Winthrop's Sons of Italy Lodge in her early years. She loved music and dancing. Family and friends were her passion and delight and all who knew her loved her dearly. Marie enjoyed hosting dinners and holiday parties. Instructing her grandchildren how to cook Italian food made her very happy and she would stop at nothing to teach them "Nana's" way.

Above all else, Marie was a dedicated mother. She treasured her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and embraced every moment with them as their Nana. Marie brought so much joy to all and will be missed greatly.

She was born September 8, 1925 in East Boston to Gennaro and Carmella Strangie. She married her longtime friend and love, Joseph Frank Zambello (Butch), in October of 1947 and he preceded her in death in 2019.

She was the loving mother of Frank Zambello



lo and his wife, Deborah, Sandra Palladino and her husband, Rocco, Joseph Zambello, Jr. and his wife, Lois and Paula Serafino and her husband, Michael; dear sister of the late Augustino Strangie, Pasquale Strangie, Frank Strangie, Gennaro Strangie, Jennie Luti and Rose LoConte. She is also survived by 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Her Funeral was conducted from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Saturday, July 18 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church. Services concluded with the interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

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

Frederick Tape

Attorney and member of Cottage Park Yacht Club



Frederick H. Tape of Winthrop, born September 1, 1935, died July 18, 2020.

Fred was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1953-56.

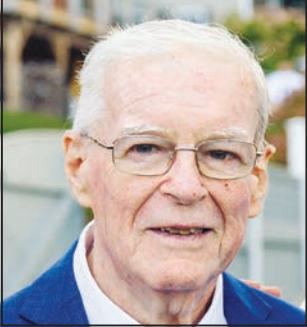
He was lawyer for Price Waterhouse prior to opening his own law firm and was an agent for several NHL players. Fred was also a member of the Cottage Park Yacht Club in Winthrop.

He was the beloved husband of the late Doris G. (Clark) Tape, cherished father of the late Frederick Tape of

Maine, Doreen Tape DiFabio and her husband, Joseph DiFabio of Moultonborough, New Hampshire and Michael Tape of Florida; cherished grandfather of Joseph DiFabio and his wife, Erica and Andrew DiFabio, Katlin Tape and Jessica Tape and loving great-grandfather of Jackson and

Benjamin O'Brien and Annalise Perry. He was predeceased by his parents, Frederick and

Margaret Tape and was the dear brother of the late Ursula Queenan, Margaret



Fellows and Eleanor

Heinrich and adored uncle of Judith Colacchio of Marlboro, brother-in-law of Patricia Sullivan of Winthrop and companion of Claire Colvario.

Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St. Winthrop, in accordance with current Massachusetts public health guidelines, today, Thursday, July 23, from 9 to 11 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. John the Evangelist Church-Winthrop at 11:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will follow in

Winthrop Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to St. John the Evangelist Church c/o Commitment to Parish Life Program 320 Winthrop St.

Winthrop, MA. 02152. For guestbook and directions, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Joseph Ross Interbartolo

Founder, Broker, and President of the award winning real estate company Century 21

Birchwood Realty of Cape Coral / Ft. Myers, FL.



Joseph Ross Interbartolo, 81, formerly of East Boston, Ft. Myers and Cape Coral, Florida, passed away on Sunday, July 12.

Born in East Boston, on Feb. 20, 1939, he was the devoted husband of 60 years of Camille (Scarpa) Interbartolo and the beloved son of the late Joseph Interbartolo and Rose (Gordon). He was predeceased by his son, Joseph Ross, Jr. and the cherished father of Francine (Interbartolo) McCartin and her husband, Patrick McCartin, Nadine (Interbartolo) Harriott and her husband, Jarrod Harriott and Michael Interbartolo, all of Cape Coral, FL, the dear brother of Rose (Interbartolo) Aldo and her husband, Donald Aldo of Malden and the late Richard Interbartolo of East Boston and was also loved by his brother in law Frank Scarpa, Jr. and his wife, Jeannie (Belcher) Scarpa of Winthrop. He was the cherished grandfather of Joshua and Kaleb Harriott and Celina and Nicholas Interbartolo of Cape Coral, FL. and by many nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Joseph attended East Boston High School and graduated in 1957.

Shortly afterwards, he attended Bryant and Stratton College for two years and Bentley College for two years, then graduated in 1961 with a Bachelor's Degree in Bookkeeping & Accounting.

Straight out of college, Joseph enlisted in the United States Air Force 101st Airborne Division. He served on active duty in 1961 during the Berlin Crisis in France under Major General Charles W. Sweeney. He returned to the United States and served for eight years until 1969.

After leaving the Air Force, Joseph began his love for real estate. It was from 1969-1970 that Joseph worked on getting his Massachusetts Real Estate License. After he acquired his license, he began working for Winn Real Estate. In 1972, he moved to Connecticut and began working for General Development as Broker for four states: Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

After working with General Development for four years, Joseph and his family moved to Cape Coral, Florida in 1976. It is here in the heart of Southwest Florida where he continued his love for real estate and started his legacy of what became known today as Century 21 Birchwood Realty. Before opening Century 21 Birchwood Realty, he worked on getting his Florida Real Estate License. After acquiring his license, he opened Birchwood Realty in 1977. In June 1980, he expanded into a franchise with Century 21, becoming Century 21 Birchwood Realty, Inc.

Joseph was an active member of First Assembly of God Cornerstone Church for over 30 years and was one of the founding mem-

bers of the church. At First Assembly Cornerstone, Joseph was heavily involved in Men's Ministry, Kid's Club, Evangelism, and Bible Study.

Joseph's talents and hobbies were many. First and foremost, Joseph's faith came first. Joseph loved God and he loved to read the Bible. Joseph also enjoyed praise and worship music.

When it came to serving, Joseph had a big heart. Joseph was on the Teen Challenge Board of Directors for four years and was heavily involved with the Teen Challenge Men's Ministry for over 25 years.

Joseph was an avid golfer, pool player, and bocce player. He loved to golf and play pool with his grandsons, his sister, and his brother in law. He also loved to play ping-pong one on one with his brother in law, Don Aldo. Joseph loved to sing, watch TV and go to the movies. Joseph loved to vacation and travel to Sevier County, Tennessee.

Joseph always enjoyed a great meal (especially from Massachusetts). He loved family traditions such as Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Eve, Father's Day, the 4th of July and Labor Day.

He was always there to support his grandchildren at their sporting events. He was very proud of each and every one of them.

Joseph was the Founder, Broker, and President of the award winning real estate company Century 21 Birchwood Realty of Cape Coral / Ft. Myers, FL. for over 40 years. "Joe" was always there to listen and provide guidance to many of his agents and brokers inspiring many to open their own business in the real estate field. Known as "Joe" or "Jr. Bartolo" to his many friends from East Boston, Joe was a diehard Red Sox fan who was rewarded with their recent World Series titles. Being from New England, he also followed and cheered for the New England Patriots.

Joe was the nephew of the late World Champion Boxer, Sal Bartolo and the son in law of the late World Champion Wrestler, Frank Scarpa, Sr. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

There will be an open house celebration of Joe's life at Century 21 Birchwood Realty, 4040 Del Prado Blvd., on July 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. Services will be private for family at the First Assembly Cornerstone in Ft. Myers.

Please send remembrances to Fullermetz.com. Please send offerings in memory of Joseph to First Assembly Cornerstone Men's Ministry and the Wounded Warriors Project.

For more information or to send an online condolence, please go to www.ruggieromh.com The Ruggiero Family Memorial Home of East Boston is assisting the Interbartolo Family with local arrangements.

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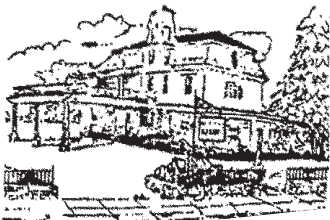
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James MacDonald Lifelong Winthrop resident

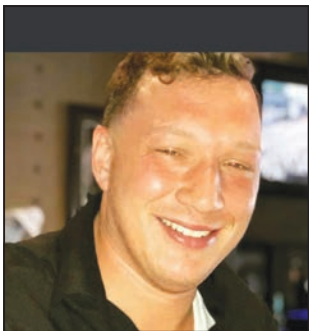
James A. MacDonald of Winthrop, passed away suddenly on Sunday, July 19.

James was born in Boston on May 19, 1989 with his twin brother, John. He was a life-long Winthrop resident and attended the Dalrymple School, Winthrop Middle School and Winthrop High School where he made many friends. He was a fast friend to all who knew him and had a smile that could light up the room. He worked as a waiter and bartender for many years, most recently at JW’s Restaurant in Winthrop.

James struggled with substance use disorder over the last couple years. He joined the recovery community where he made many friends. Sadly, James lost his battle with addiction.

He will be missed by all who knew him. May he rest in peace.

The beloved son of John A. and Madeline “Dolly” (Shand) MacDonald, he was the devoted father of



Giovanna Hurtado, dear brother of John MacDonald and Frank Forsyth and the late Gina Forsyth, cherished grandson of the late John and Virginia (Fitzpatrick) MacDonald and Lester and May (MacLeod) Shand. He is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Family and friends will honor James’ life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Orient Heights) East Boston, on Friday, July 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. James will be interred privately at Winthrop Cemetery, Winthrop. For more information or to leave an online condolence please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

John Wyatt

Retired Boston firefighter



John A. Wyatt of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on July 10.

John was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict and a proud retired firefighter for the City of Boston.

The beloved husband of Rose (Sorrentino), he was the loving father of James Thain and his wife, Maureen of Stoneham, David Thain and his wife, Lina of Saugus, Lisa Capogreco and her husband, Pasquale of East Boston and Sandra Gamble and her husband, Scott of Winthrop; dear

brother of the late Joseph, Barbara and George and is also survived by nine loving grandchildren: Dianne, Jonathan, Rosemarie, Sara, Domenic, Jake, Grace, Sophia and Sarah as well as three loving great grandchildren, Natale, Alexa and Maria.

At the family’s request, floral contributions are respectfully omitted. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. John the Evangelist Church, Winthrop on Tuesday and all services were held in accordance with Phase-3 of the Commonwealth of Mass. For more information or to leave an online condolence, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

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Ernest Deeb with his friends and fellow soldiers during his enlistment.

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They served under General George S. Patton and received the Presidential Unit Citation from President Harry Truman.

Mr. Deeb, the patriarch of an outstanding Winthrop family and the proud parent, with his wife, Rose, of four sons - Ernie, Billy, Bobby, and Sammy - died on July 5, 2020. He was 97.

The United States Military sent three Honor Guards to the memorial observance to present the flag and honor Mr. Deeb’s service to his country.

Mr. Deeb also served with distinction in the Boston Fire Department for 31 years. He was a genuine hero there as well, saving a three-year-old girl from a burning building in Charlestown. Fifty years later in an emotional reunion, that child – now an adult woman and a mother – thanked Mr. Deeb for his incredible actions that saved her life

“The woman said to my father, ‘I owe my life to you,’” recalled Ernie Deeb.

Ernie Deeb said his father did not reflect often on the man outstanding achievements in his military service and in his ca-

reer as a Boston firefighter and inspector.

“He didn’t talk too much about his individual heroism, but did speak about his ‘Army buddies,’” said Ernie. “His outfit used to meet every year for a reunion at the old Statler Hilton.

“In the late 1980s, my father said to me, ‘I haven’t seen my Army buddies in over 20 years and I’d really love to see them. They were meeting in Falmouth and I said, ‘if you want to go, I’ll take you.’

“For the next 15 years, they met in May and I took him to his Army reunion and I met so many of his fellow soldiers and their wives and even some of their children who were my age – they were amazing people,” said Ernie Deeb. “They were all heroes in my eyes. Going to those reunions was probably one of the greatest things I ever did. One year they made me an honorary member of the Batalion and it caught me by surprise.”

The City of Boston honored Mr. Deeb with the dedication of “Deeb Corner” in the South End where his parents had settled and Mr. Deeb had grown up and



Ernest “Ernie” Deeb stands adjacent to the “Deeb Corner” sign at the corner of Shawmut Avenue and Hanson Street in the South End of Boston in 2007.

raised his family before their move to Winthrop in 1984.

The Boston City Council also paid tribute to Mr. Deeb by proclaiming June 6 – the anniversary of D-Day – as “Ernest Deeb Day” in the city of Boston.

Mr. Deeb never sought

recognition in Winthrop for his heroic service to his country. He lived humbly here for decades. He and the family were visible at local events, notably the Winthrop High football team’s Father’s Day Pancake Breakfast. The Deeb’s would gather at a large table and support the event with the quiet dignity and class for which they are revered in town.

Mr. Deeb instilled in his children and grandchildren the principles of hard work, honesty, integrity, graciousness, and being kind to others.

Family and friends have reached out to the family to express their condolences following Mr. Deeb’s passing.

Winthrop has a lost a true American hero.



Ernest Deeb (center) shown here at a reunion with soldiers he had served with.



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Sean Driscoll features teams in Parks and Rec summer program

Staff report

We continue Winthrop Parks and Recreation Sean Driscoll's feature on teams in the Summer Parks Program.

And campers, make sure you congratulate Mr. Driscoll, whose daughter, Olivia, a three-sport scholar-athlete, is graduating from Winthrop High

School and heading to Clemson University. Olivia will be joining her older sister, Cailyn, at the famous school in South Carolina whose quarterback, Trevor Lawrence, is the favorite for the Heisman Trophy.

And be sure to congratulate, Cindy Driscoll, too, and the great and (extremely proud) grandmother, Rita Driscoll, who we remember

well from her years at Winthrop Town Hall.

MEET THE BLUE PANDAS

The Pandas range in age from seven to 10-years-old. Their favorite camp instructors on the Parks and Rec staff are Bella Sernavsky, Kelly Swanson, and Allison Earl.

The Pandas' favorite

things to do at the camp are tennis, arts and crafts, and exploring the beach.

Their favorite things about living in Winthrop are the beach, the parks, and the public library.

And finally, their favorite foods are pizza and ice cream.

MEET THE PURPLE PANTHERS

We like the Purple be-

cause it reminds us of Winthrop Viking Purple (and Gold) and the upcoming Winthrop High sports season and our football team that's going to very exciting to watch this fall.

The Panthers' favorite things to do at camp are playing in the park and playing tennis.

Their favorite members of the camp staff are Julian

Osorio and Michael Harris.

Their favorite things about the Town of Winthrop are the ocean, that the parks and playgrounds are fun, and the size of the town itself. "We love that Winthrop is a small, fun town," say the Purple Panthers.

Their favorite foods are steak and cheese and sushi.



THE BLUE PANDAS: Kelly Swanson, Brianna Connolly, Molly Titemore, Lincoln Banfield, Allison Earl, Sophia Sciaraffa, Stella Sciaraffa, Ava McKenna, Sophie Crocker, and Georgia Marx.



THE PURPLE PANTHERS: Michael Harris, Dominic Ruggieri, Joseph Marx, Chris Crocker, Wassim Karcouche, Nico Ruggieri, Zain Emmons, and Julian Osorio.

High school fall sports season pushed back to Sept. 14

By Cary Shuman

Winthrop High head football coach Jon Cadigan agrees with the MIAA's decision to push back the start of the fall sports season to Sept. 14 due to the coronavirus.

"I think the first couple of weeks of school are going to be a little but difficult

getting back into the whole routine and figuring out everything, so it will give us time to settle in before we start to get after it in practice," said Cadigan.

Winthrop would likely open its season against Saugus, meaning the first two games against Stoneham and Danvers could be canceled.

"We would play our 5-6 league games and hopefully the MIAA okays the post-season," said Cadigan. "New York and New Jersey have the post-season in their plans."

The Winthrop High players recently participated in four days of workouts at Miller Field.

"We worked on some

conditioning stuff, offense and defense installations, explaining different alignments," said Cadigan. "The good news is that we have an older team, so it's easier to pick it up after three or four seasons in the program."

With an extremely talented senior class, Winthrop is expected to be a contender

for the league championship. It is unknown at this time what the regulations on seating capacities will be at Miller Field and other venues in the conference.

Some Winthrop fans are comparing the makeup and senior leadership of this year's contingent to the 2006 Super Bowl team led by Hall of Fame head coach Tony Fucillo. The quar-

terback of the undefeated Vikings was Mr. Fucillo's son, James Fucillo, an assistant coach of this year's team.

Needless to say, the excitement will be returning to Miller Field this fall.

Winthrop's other boys and girls fall sports teams will also commence practice on Sept. 14.

Walsh, GNAC Presidents cancel fall sports season

By Cary Shuman

Great North Atlantic Conference (GNAC) Commissioner Joe Walsh of Winthrop was involved in making a difficult decision this week affecting 3,000 college athletes and 13 schools.

After conferring with the GNAC Presidents' Council, Walsh, whose offices are headquartered in Winthrop, announced that the GNAC has postponed the fall sports season due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"There will be no fall competition in the GNAC," said Walsh.

The commissioner did say that GNAC member Saint Joseph of Maine may field fall sports teams, but Saint Joseph would only play against schools in Maine.

"They're not going to cross out of state to play,

and no schools are coming in because if you come into Maine, you have to quarantine for 14 days," said Walsh.

The GNAC did approve a waiver to allow all fall sports teams to compete in the spring season. GNAC men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball, women's tennis, men's golf, and field hockey teams will be able to move their seasons to the spring if they wish to do so.

Only two GNAC member schools, Anna Maria College and Dean College, play football, but their leagues have canceled their football seasons.

Walsh added that all NCAA Division 3 national championships have been postponed as well. Walsh is also a member of the NCAA Management Council.

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WINTHROP STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

RESIDENT NAMED TO DEAN’S LIST AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Daniel S. Reis, a resident of Winthrop, has recently been named to the Dean’s List at Boston University for the Spring semester.

Each school and college at Boston University has their own criterion for the Dean’s List, but students generally must attain a 3.5 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale), or be in the top 30 percent of their class, as well as a full course load as a full time student.

HONAN RECOGNIZED FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Worcester Academy proudly announces its Honor Roll and Headmaster’s List for Semester 2 of the 2019-2020 School Year. The honors represent the achievements that each Worcester Academy student has earned through academic excellence, challenge, and personal growth. Among the students is: Mary Honan of Winthrop, 11, First Honors.

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school takes pride in its diverse local and international community, and situates its curriculum within a global, multicultural context that helps students develop the independence, confidence, and world-readiness they need to succeed in college and beyond.

DREVOS ON HONOR ROLL AT ST. JOSEPH PREP

Nicholas Drevos, ’21, was named to the Headmaster’s Circle — All A’s — at Saint Joseph Prep in Boston, as well as named to the honor roll for the fourth quarter.



Sarah Casaletto

CASALETTO RECEIVES MULTIPLE AWARDS

Sarah Casaletto, a 2020 graduate of Winthrop High School was the recipient of this year’s Academic Award from the Rotary Club of Belle Isle Foundation.

Sarah was also awarded an academic scholarship from the Spada Law Group of Chelsea.

Sarah also received an award for her perfect attendance for four years at Winthrop High School.

Sarah is the daughter of Gus and Kristine Casaletto of East Boston.

LOCAL RESIDENTS GRADUATE FROM UMASS LOWELL

Local residents were among the graduates honored by UMass Lowell’s 2020 Commencement on Friday, May 29.

The university held a virtual Commencement ceremony on Friday, May 29 for the more than 4,400 members of the Class of 2020, which represents 45 states and 108 nations, and included 1,624 individuals who graduated with honors.

The ceremony was presided over by UMass Lowell Chancellor Jacquie Moloney, who is a two-time UMass Lowell graduate. The Commencement address was delivered by Massachusetts Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito and the student address was by criminal justice major Rachel Record of Pepperell, who was also one of six recipients of the Trustee’s Key for maintaining a perfect 4.0 GPA for her entire UMass Lowell career, as well as a Chancellor’s Medal for Outstanding Academic Achievement.

The main ceremony was followed by online events by each of the university’s schools and colleges during which all graduates’ names were read.

Local residents among UMass Lowell’s Class of 2020 are:

* J. Kellie Peters who received an Associate of Science degree in information technology.

* Stephanie Ferrere who received a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration.

* Carissa Ann Ricupero who received a Bachelor of Science degree in information technology.

* Adriana Perrigo who received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree.

* Jonathan Phillip Grifiths who received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree.

* Caitlin Margaret Janielis who received a Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree in plastics engineering.

* Alexander Xavier Anzuoni who received a Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree in mechanical engineering.

* Elizabeth Regina Arena who received a Bach-

elor of Science degree in criminal justice.

* Joseph Austin Ferrino who received a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice.

STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN’S LIST AT UMASS AMHERST

Below is a list of local students who were named to the dean’s list at the University of Massachusetts Amherst for the spring 2020 semester.

In order to qualify, an undergraduate student must receive a 3.5 grade-point average or better on a four-point scale.

The following students on Dean’s List are as fol-

lows:
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Sean Matthew Arria
Ava Joan Bertino
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Matthew Joseph Feeley
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

BRIGHTENING UP THE DOWNTOWN

CHELSEA - Most people think of chalk as being a key ingredient of math problem reviews or homework assignments at school, but Chelsea's Melissa Gallego has seen chalk as a way this summer to beautify the downtown with colorful – albeit temporary – art.

Chelsea Prospers has unveiled Chalk Art Saturdays through the months of June and July, each with a unique theme and a local artist to do their handiwork in decorating a secret location that is unveiled later. Some have been on the side of the TD Bank, another was on the stairs to City Hall, and Gallego got to show her handiwork in the center of Bellingham Square by the clock.

Gallego is the 15-year-old daughter of Chelsea's, Juan Gallego, a builder in the community who has spent a great deal of time helping with the City's downtown planning efforts.

While he's a builder, his daughter Melissa is on the creative side.

Melissa attends Malden Catholic School for Girls, and has lived her whole life in Chelsea.

"I have drawn and painted my whole life with inspiration from my father," she said. "I find painting relaxing, but drawing with pencil is my favorite way of making art."

In late June, she created a colorful chalk enhancement near the clock in Bellingham Square – the theme being 'Embracing New Rituals.'

Another Chelsea artist who has contributed is Max Pro, who was born and raised in Chelsea, but left to pursue his dreams. However, he said he always knew he belonged in Chelsea and has returned.

His family migrated to Chelsea from Cuba many years ago, and he said he spends most of his time with his wife, daughters and siblings.

His creativity began when he was exposed to comic books – that combined with a curiosity about the theory of time travel. Those things mixed together launched his creative side when he was younger. Now, he owns a clothing design business called All Planets that also represents suicide awareness and mental health wellness.

He said he loves being involved in the community and wished he had more time in the day to be active.

"I always remain thankful for everyone's support, kind words and good energy," he said. "Without it, I wouldn't be anywhere near where I am today."

KNIGHTS STILL ACTIVE

CHELSEA - While the Knights of Columbus in Chelsea might have vacated their building in Chelsea Square, members this week said they have not folded

and continue to actively meet and help the church community in Chelsea.

Member Frank Pagnato – a Chelsea native and long-time Knight – said the organization is still active, despite much discussion lately about the Christopher Columbus Statue and the Chelsea Knights being defunct.

It's not so, said Pagnato. "The Knights of Columbus has not folded," he said. "Unfortunately there was an issue with taxes and we found out we owed a lot of taxes we didn't know about. We ended up finding out though that the City had overcharged us \$80,000 and got that money back from the City. However, because of that, we ended up selling our building across the street from the statue. That said, we still meet one time a month at the Chelsea Yacht Club. We're still very active giving money to the churches in the community."

The organization started in Chelsea in 1898 and was founded to help the Catholic church community in the city. Pagnato said just recently Our Lady of Grace was being threatened with closure if they didn't rebuild a critical retaining wall. The Knights were able to provide \$110,000 to replace the wall and keep the church open.

The statue of Christopher Columbus has come under fire recently in Chelsea Square – across the street from where the Knights building used to be. Several City Councilors asked that the statue be removed and a tribute to the indigenous people that once populated Chelsea be erected in that location. That request has been sent to a Committee on Conference for further discussion.

The statue in Chelsea was put up not to honor Columbus, but to designate the Knights of Columbus location. It was funded by more than a half-dozen organizations in the City in the 1930s, and out of a response, the Knights said, to defend those without a voice in those times. The Knights were founded in America to help people without a voice who were being persecuted in the early 1900s, many of them being Italian immigrants or Roman Catholics suspected of espionage, treason or anarchist beliefs.

Statues of Columbus were put up all over America to denote the presence of a club in that town. The one in Chelsea was put up after significant fund-raising to denote the Knights location across the street.

Still today, Pagnato said they may no longer have a building, but they certainly have a presence – unlike what many have recently said in the statue debate.

"The Knights of Columbus is still active and still very much alive in Chelsea," he said. "We don't have a building now, so we're not as visible as we were, but we're still active

CHELSEA COPSICLE TRUCK: TO PROTECT AND SERVE ICE CREAM



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One little girl waits her turn for the Copsicle Truck to get a frozen treat on a hot day last week. Here, Officer Rich Bellomo, Sgt. John Nofle, Officer Joanne O'Brien, Sharon Fosbury, Officer Sammy Mojica, Councilor Naomi Zabot, Officer Ari Rodriguez and Officer Maria Barbosa hand out ice cream last week to the neighborhood on a hot day.

and our meetings are held every month – like they have been for more than 130 years in Chelsea."

DeMARIA MARRIES COUPLE ON CAPE

EVERETT - It was supposed to be a weekend getaway for Mayor Carlo DeMaria and his family on Cape Cod – a break from the long haul of COVID-19 – but a day on the beach turned the mayor into a reverend.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria reported last week the incredible story of his weekend getaway where while on the beach in Cape Cod on Saturday, he was able to help two strangers, who are surgeons from Cape Cod Hospital, to get married when their minister couldn't make it.

Dr. Matt Kalliath and Dr. Naomi Wiens were about to be married on Saturday in a sunset wedding on the beach in West Yarmouth. As the time came to start the ceremony, panic set in when they couldn't find the minister. Soon, they found that the minister wasn't coming due to a last-minute emergency.

Now, with the sun setting, their wedding was in crisis mode.

Wiens set out for the beach, and while in her wedding gown, began searching for anyone who might be able to marry them. Wiens's mother also set out trying to find some stroke of luck.

She found the luck in DeMaria.

After explaining the situation to the mayor, they asked if he would step in and marry the couple so that the show could go on. DeMaria told her he would love to help, but he didn't have the authority as mayor to marry anyone.

All was not lost, though, as DeMaria said he would call Gov. Charlie Baker and find out if there was any way he could get temporary authority as Justice of the Peace.

As luck would have it, Gov. Baker answered and told DeMaria he could grant him special authori-

ty for the day to marry the couple. So, Gov. Baker did grant the permission and the bride, groom and the mayor headed over to the altar for the wedding.

The wedding took place as planned, and Baker even called the couple afterwards to congratulate them.

It was an unbelievable turn of events, and one that DeMaria said was an incredible experience – though absolutely unexpected.

On Tuesday afternoon, Kalliath and Wiens held a special luncheon in Mashpee to thank the mayor, and present him with a special gift.

It was a welcome turn of events, because the couple had already been forced to cancel their big wedding plans due to COVID-19. Instead, they had planned to have the smaller, sunset wedding on the beach. When that began to fall apart, they were distraught.

Now, all is well, and the happy couple tied the knot – with the help of Mayor DeMaria – and Kalliath is preparing to join Cape Cod Hospital.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION TO WORK ON POLICY BOOK

EVERETT - Supt. Priya Tahiliani has met with several students who were upset over public inappropriate Tweets allegedly posted by an Everett High teacher in June following the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis and the protests and vigils that followed across the country – including in Everett and Boston.

Those Tweets were detailed in a story in the Independent last month, and Tahiliani told students recently the district condemns the Tweets, is working on discipline for the incident, but most importantly, is working on clear policies that will allow termination of an employee that isn't conforming to the value statements of the district.

The situation with the teacher was not covered under any such policy, and

his speech was protected through his Constitutional rights and an unclear social media policy that Tahiliani said is being reformed.

"I share your frustration as you constructively and thoughtfully react to tragic national events as well as this specific incident here in Everett," she wrote. "The social media comments made by one of our teachers were insensitive, hostile, and failed to comprehend the driving forces behind the protests that were held in the wake of the murder of George Floyd.

"While we condemned these posts and are still in the process of imposing progressive consequences, I am aware that we have not implemented the particular consequence you seek," she continued. "In our attempts to build a district we are all proud of, we cannot bypass or ignore the protections that are afforded to all individuals, be they as citizens of our country or, in this case, as a member of the school community."

She said what can be done is "institute long term sustainable changes" that address the systemic and institutional racism that plague the nation and the school district. She said the district is working on long-term changes to put in place clear policies that ensure those working for Everett Public Schools with follow the core values of the district both professionally and privately.

"While we all retain our first amendment right, now is the time to make both the statement and the policies that, in the future, ensure that our district reserves the right to terminate those who demonstrate views that are grossly unaligned with the values we know to be right and just," she said. "I am neither frustrated nor intimidated by having these difficult dialogues."

Supt. Tahiliani thanked the students for bringing the Tweets to the attention of the public, and pushing the public schools in Everett to have conversations about the subject.

"I am proud that the district is finally discussing these subjects publicly,"

she said, noting that the district has been implementing a three-phased Elevating Equity for Everett plan. "I firmly believe that you, our young leaders, are the strong voice we need in advocating for change to denounce institutional racism. As a school district, I thank each and every one of you for being a positive change agent in this work. This conversation is just beginning, and this work is only at its initial stages. We have a long way to go, but I feel confident we will get there."

DATA SHOWS PPP SAVED JOBS

EAST BOSTON - Data released by the U.S. Department of the Treasury showed that the federal Paycheck Protection Program, or "PPP", was able to save thousands of jobs in East Boston during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The data was released by the Treasury's Small Business Administration (SBA) and showed that 46 small businesses in Eastie benefited from the program by receiving more than \$150,000 in loans.

These 46 businesses were able to save 1,943 local jobs during the COVID-19 pandemic when many businesses were forced to scale back significantly or close all together.

The data also showed 377 Eastie businesses that received SBA loans less than \$150,000 were able to save 1,497 local jobs.

"Small businesses are the driving force of American economic stability, and are essential to America's economic rebound from the pandemic," said the SBA in a statement.

Places like Zumix, Angela's Cafe, East Boston Central Catholic, and Little Folks Community Day Care Center all received PPP loans from the SBA. Some like Zumix, Central Catholic and Little Folks were forced to close in March due to the pandemic and others like Angela's

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU20P1026EA Estate of: Jeanne M. Camacho Date of Death: 03/18/2020 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Janet Mcgee of Winthrop, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Janet Mcgee of Winthrop, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/18/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised	LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF WINTHROP LEGAL NOTICE # 008-2020 You are invited to a Zoom webinar. When: Jul 30, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Topic: Winthrop Board of Appeals Meeting Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82390074281 Or iPhone one-tap: US: +13126266799, 82390074281# or +16465588656, 82390074281# Or Telephone: Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location): US: +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 558 8656 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 9128 or +1 253 215 8782 Webinar ID: 823 9007 4281 International numbers available: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kemTUX6CAN Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing Thursday, July 30, 2020 on Zoom.com at or after 7:00 p.m.	upon the application of Steve & Jeanne Holgersen, 88 Locust St., Winthrop, MA 02152 The applicant seeks a permit to construct a 169.3 (x3) + - sq. ft. three (3) story addition to an existing single family structure at the above referenced address. According to the proposed building plan, the addition will have 2 ft. overhang on the left side of the structure. The permit was denied in accordance to the Town of Winthrop Zoning By-Laws Chapter 17.16 Dimensional Regulations due to the following reason. 1. Noncompliance of proposed structure with respect to minimum side yard setback of 10 feet	(section 17.16.020 J. 1.) Dimensional Regulations. Copies of the aforementioned application and plans are on file and available for inspection at the Town of Winthrop's website calendar with the agenda. Darren Baird, Chairman Joanne M. DeMato, Clerk Winthrop Board of Appeals July 16, 2020 July 23, 2020 W	Winthrop Town By-Laws, a public hearing will be held on August 12, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM on the Request for Determination of Applicability from Michael Cimmino to construct a single family dwelling PROJECT LOCATION: 30 Billows Avenue, Winthrop, MA. NOTE: A copy may be obtained from the Conservation Office via email (dcquist@town.winthrop.ma.us) or calling 617-846-1742 x1034 At said hearing all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. WINTHROP CONSERVATION COMMISSION 7/23/20
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Center Business District infrastructure improvements and project updates

The following is a list of work completed and work expected to be done imminently in the Center Business District.

- Work completed (7/13/20 to 7/17/20):**
1. Continued construction of the new sewer main on Woodside Ave., between Bartlett Rd. and Pleasant St.

2. Constructed the new water main on Somerset Ave., between Woodside Ave. and Cottage Park Rd.

3. Continued construction of water main improvements on Pauline St., between Woodside Ave. and Putnam St.

4. Installed temporary trench pavement over all trenches on Woodside Ave., Somerset Ave., and Pauline

- St.
- Anticipated Schedule July 20 to July 24, 2020**
- Complete construction of the new sewer main on Woodside Ave., between Adams St. and Pleasant St.

Begin construction of the new sewer main on Adams St., between Woodside Ave. and Bartlett Rd.

Continue construction of water main improvements on Pauline St., between Woodside Ave. and Walden St.

Install temporary trench pavement for trenches excavated on Woodside Ave., Adams St., and Pauline St.

- Anticipated Schedule July 27 to July 31, 2020**
- Continue construction

- of the new sewer main on Bartlett Rd., between French Sq. and Adams St.
- Begin construction of the new storm drain. Work will begin in Larsen Skating Rink parking lot, and up Pauline St., between Woodside Ave. and Walden St.
- Install temporary trench pavement for trenches excavated on Bartlett Rd., Larsen Rink parking lot, and Pauline St.

- NOTICES:**
- 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.

- struction. 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. Additionally, residents and businesses may also experience warm tap water due to

- the sun heating the temporary water mains. Similarly, please flush your water for several minutes until it has cooled.
- Contact Information for the project is as follows:**
- ENGINEER – Woodard & Curran; Arthur Leventis, P.E.; Project Manager; (978) 482-7836 Joseph Lacasse; Resident Engineer; (978) 775-3044

CONTRACTOR – P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc.; Marco Gioioso, Project Manager; (617) 364-5800; Frank Fruci, Site Supervisor; (617) 207-3253; Gianna Gioioso, Assistant Project Manager; (617) 364-5800

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Winthrop beaches get lower marks for 2019 on annual water quality report card

By John Lynds

With summer in full swing and beachgoers enjoying sun, surf and sand, while social distancing Save the Harbor/Save the Bay released its annual report on the water quality at Winthrop Beach.

According to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Annual Beach Water Report Card, Winthrop Beach's water quality slipped dramatically in the summer of 2019 and posted its lowest grade in the past six years.

Winthrop Beach scored a 78 percent last summer after posting a perfect 100 percent in 2018. In 2017 Winthrop Beach scored a 94 percent; a 100 percent in 2016; a 100 percent in 2015; and a 94 percent in 2014.

Last year's score brought down Winthrop Beach's six year average to 94 percent.

The drop in some scores at beaches like Winthrop Beach was not surprising. Though places like Lynn, Swampscott and Boston continue to track down and correct old combined out-

fall sewer connections and broken pipes, it is a slow go and there are no easy fixes.

Old combined outfall hookups mix stormwater and sewage together after a big storm and pump it out into the harbor.

Berman has long said that there are two ways to fix an urban beach problem. One way is to sever every pipe that goes into the beach like the city did in South Boston years ago but that is very expensive.

The other way to ensure cleaner water is for residents to look at their own water and sewer hook ups and make sure they are not old hook ups that lead out into storm water drains.

Both Lynn and Swampscott have planned improvements to their sewer and stormwater systems, which Berman said he expects will result in significant improvement in water quality on Kings Beach when they are completed.

However, things are a lot better than they were 25 years ago when the Deer Island treatment facility was in disarray and a broken

outflow just off the harbor beaches was pumping 200 million gallons of raw sewage back into the water after heavy storms.

"Changes in the intensity and frequency of summer storms often explain the variations we see on our beaches from year to year," said Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Bruce Berman. "These seasonal variations are why Save the Harbor/Save the Bay is reluctant to draw conclusions from a single year's sampling results, preferring to rely on the multi-year average we have included in this report."

In 2019, weekly water quality testing at Boston's regional beaches began on May 23 and concluded on September 1.

"These scores reflect the percent of samples that complied with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's single sample limit for bacteria which is the most straightforward way of evaluating beach water quality and potential impacts on human health," said Berman.

Winthrop was not alone

Beach	2014-2019 Average	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Pleasure Bay	100%	100%	100%	100%	98%	100%	100%
M Street	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Nantasket	99%	97%	100%	98%	100%	100%	98%
City Point	99%	100%	97%	94%	100%	100%	100%
Carson	98%	100%	93%	100%	100%	97%	100%
Nahant	98%	93%	100%	100%	97%	98%	100%
Revere	96%	87%	98%	98%	98%	92%	100%
Winthrop	94%	78%	100%	94%	100%	100%	94%
Constitution	93%	90%	94%	95%	96%	89%	96%
Savin Hill	92%	79%	100%	94%	100%	94%	87%
Wollaston	91%	87%	93%	92%	93%	86%	94%
Short	90%	88%	100%	80%	88%	84%	100%
Malibu	90%	83%	91%	91%	97%	87%	93%
King's	82%	79%	75%	92%	83%	76%	88%
Tenean	80%	67%	78%	81%	92%	71%	95%
All Beaches	93%	88%	94%	94%	96%	91%	96%

The annual water quality report card shows the cleanliness of beaches in the Metropolitan area. Winthrop beaches have a 5-year average of 94% — but is down 22% for the year 2019.

in 2019 and the overall water quality safety rating for Boston Harbor's regional beaches owned by the Commonwealth and managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation was 88 percent, a decline from the previous year's score of 94 percent.

"2019 was one of the wettest years on record for Massachusetts, part of the wettest 12-month stretch in the state's 124 years of record keeping," said Berman. "Some summer storms dropped a month's worth of rain in just a few hours. It was a summer of extremes, with July also being the hottest one on record, making beach access-

sibility even more critical to the region's residents."

Berman added that 2019 marked a change in beach posting protocol by the Department of Public Health, which resulted in 39 additional days when area beaches were incorrectly flagged as unsafe for swimming, including over the 4th of July weekend.

"While we recognize the importance of protecting public health, the current system is severely flawed and needs to be improved," said Berman. "One critical weakness of our beach posting and flagging program, where bacteria testing triggers advisories, is that postings are always

a day late because beach managers must wait 24 to 36 hours after a sample is collected to obtain test results. Beach water quality may have already changed significantly during this period, and the prior day's test does not necessarily reflect current conditions."

Berman said Save the Harbor/Save the Bay had hoped to resolve this situation before the start of the 2020 beach season, the COVID-19 pandemic has forced public agencies, advocates and other stakeholders to direct their attention and resources to other pressing public health concerns.

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Cafe were forced to cease dine-in service until late June.

The SBA said they released the data as a key aspect of the SBA's Values Transparency program.

"SBA is maintaining a balance between providing transparency to American taxpayers and protecting

small businesses' confidential business information, such as payroll, and personally identifiable information," continued SBA's statement. "SBA is committed to ensuring that any release of PPP loan data does not harm small businesses or their employees."

LOCAL SUMMER CAMPS ARE IN FULL SWING

EAST BOSTON - Adjusting summer camp programs to comply with state regulation during the state's phased COVID-19 reopening hasn't been easy, but East Boston's four premier youth camp program providers are adapting well.


"Summer camp is in full swing at the East Boston Y at our Ashley Street location," said East Boston YMCA Executive Director Joe Gaeta. "We have taken all the necessary safety precautions laid out by the Department of Public Health in order to ensure a safe and fun summer for all our chil-

dren and staff."

Gaeta said the Y is currently at capacity with 60 children and has been practicing the proper amount of social distancing and cleaning techniques daily.

"Each day the youth take part in awesome STEAM activities, physical activities, teamwork activities, and educational activi-

ties—including virtual field trips," said Gaeta. "This year we are intentional about working as much education into fun as possible to help with the "Covid Slide." Each activity is a ton of fun for kids without knowing they are learning core educational building blocks at the same time."



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Safety Rules for Use of Municipal Beaches
(applies to Yirrell Beach, Pico Beach, Donovan's Beach and Halford's Beach)



Face Coverings and Masks
All beach visitors shall comply with *COVID-19 Order 31: Order Requiring Face Coverings in Public Places Where Social Distancing is Not Possible*. The order requires any person over the age of 2, whether indoors or outdoors, to **wear a face covering or mask when they cannot maintain 6 feet of distance between themselves and others**, unless they have a medical condition preventing them from doing so (see further guidance here: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency>). Masks are not required to be worn while swimming.


Group Size
No groups larger than 10 are allowed to gather. (<https://www.mass.gov/doc/march-31-2020-assembly-guidance/download>)

Safety Rules

- Beach visitors are required to maintain **social distancing of at least 6 feet or more** at all times and visitors should maintain at least 12 ft minimum distance between towel/beach blanket areas.
- Organized ball games are not allowed.
- A minimum distance of 6 feet shall be maintained between lifeguards and between the public and lifeguard stands unless in the case of an emergency.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- If you are feeling sick, stay home!

Trash Disposal
While lidless no-touch trash disposal receptacles at beaches may be available at the discretion of the Town of Winthrop, visitors should adhere to a "carry in, carry out" policy and take waste with them whenever possible.



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6 Feet Social Distance

COVID-19 Face Covering Decision Guide

Are you leaving home?

Face covering is required to be worn when you cannot maintain six feet of social distance to another person who does not live in your household. A person who cannot wear a face covering for medical reasons is not required to provide documentation. [Face covering requirement for public, Order 31](#)

Are you outdoors less than 6 feet away from someone who doesn't live with you?

Face covering is required to be worn. [Face covering requirement for public, Order 31](#)

Are you an employee or customer of grocery, pharmacy, retail, or shared transit, even if you will be more than 6 feet away from others?

Face covering is required to be worn. A business may deny service to a person who refuses to wear a mask for nonmedical reasons. [Face covering requirement for public, Order 31](#)

Are you at any indoor business or organization, less than 6 feet away from someone who doesn't live with you?

Face covering is required to be worn. [Massachusetts Workplace Safety Standards, Order 33](#)

Minimize the use of confined spaces, elevators, control rooms, and vehicles, by more than one individual at a time.

All workers in such spaces at that same time are required to wear face coverings. [Massachusetts Workplace Safety Standards, Order 33](#)

Are you alone in an elevator, inside an indoor shared common area, or other indoor enclosed area?

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Questions? Email: safepublicworkplacemailbox@mass.gov or visit: [mass.gov/dols](https://www.mass.gov/dols)

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Human Rights Campaign endorses Sen. Ed Markey for re-election

Staff Report

The Human Rights Campaign (HRC), the nation’s largest lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ+) civil rights organization, recently endorsed Ed Markey for re-election to the United States Senate.

“I am honored to receive the endorsement of the Human Rights Campaign,” said Senator Markey. “Now more than ever, when hard-won protections for LGBTQ+ people are under attack, we must be

bold and steadfast in our fight for fairness and equality. Starting with the Equality Act, we must work to ensure that all members of our LGBTQ+ community are treated with humanity, dignity, and equality under the law. The road to equality is too often long, but our resolve will not be defeated. I am proud to stand for equality alongside the inspiring, dedicated, and tireless team at the Human Rights Campaign, because LGBTQ+ rights are human rights.”

Senator Ed Markey is

a longtime champion for LGBTQ+ rights, leading the way for marriage equality as one of only 67 members of the House of Representatives to vote against the Defense of Marriage Act in 1996. Senator Markey has been an outspoken advocate for LGBTQ+ service members, opposing “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell,” voting in favor of successful legislation to repeal the ban on openly gay service members, and denouncing President Trump’s transgender military ban.

“Despite support from

70% of the American public, Mitch McConnell has stood in the way of progress for LGBTQ people and refused to even allow a vote on the Equality Act,” said Alphonso David, president of the Human Rights Campaign. “Today’s endorsements mark the next step of HRC’s efforts to elect a pro-equality U.S. Senate and end McConnell’s tenure as majority leader.”

Ed Markey is an original cosponsor of the Equality Act, which would extend civil rights protections to LGBTQ+ people. In 2018, he introduced the Gay and Trans Panic Defense Prohi-

bition Act which would ban gay- and trans- panic defenses in federal courts. In 2019, Senator Markey introduced the GLOBE Act, which establishes a framework for the United States to promote LGBTQ+ rights around the globe.

In the 2018 midterm elections, HRC helped register more than 32,000 voters and recruited more than 4,200 volunteers, who worked over 8,500 shifts and clocked more than 30,000 volunteer hours. In the critical final four days of the campaign, HRC staff and volunteers in get-out-the-vote efforts

alone knocked on more than 80,000 doors, and held 36,400 conversations with voters at their doors and by phone on behalf of our endorsed candidates.

HRC’s unprecedented grassroots mobilization worked to recruit volunteers, mobilize constituents, register voters and grow the organization’s grassroots army in an all-out effort to pull the emergency brake on the hateful anti-LGBTQ agenda of the Trump-Pence administration and elect a Congress that would hold them accountable.

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Kayaking is a very popular mode of boating around the area.



Bruce and Lois MacKay enjoy a little shade at Winthrop's public park.



Along the ferry dock it was getting busy as guests arrive for a day of boating



A peaceful ride on the Zodiac.



The Byrnes family spent the morning on Winthrop Beach.



The Valkyrie ferry leaves the dock for a cruise in the Boston Harbor



Coming in from a pleasure cruise Saturday morning before the sun gets too hot.



Mickey and Steven Lindinder fishing off the dock, catch a skate fish for their efforts.



Shown to the left: a view of Winthrop's water tower from the Winthrop Elks parking lot Saturday morning.

Winthrop Senior Center News

Website: town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging | Email: COAReception@town.winthrop.ma.us

The Senior Center remains closed at this time. While lunch is not being served, Meals on Wheels continues to operate. Residents who are in need and are not currently on the list

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