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### NEWS Brief

#### MASS. TOMATO CONTEST TO BE HELD AUG. 24

The 36th Massachusetts Tomato Contest will be held in the Kitchen at the Boston Public Market in downtown Boston on Tuesday, Aug. 24.

Tomatoes will be judged by a panel of experts on flavor, firmness/slicing quality, exterior color and shape. Always a lively and fun event, the day is designed to increase awareness of locally grown produce.

Farmers can bring tomatoes to the market between 8:45 and 10:45 a.m. on Aug. 24 or drop their entries off with a registration form to one of the regional drop-off locations on Monday, Aug. 23. Drop off locations include sites in Great Barrington, South Deerfield, Worcester, Dighton and West Newbury. These tomatoes will be brought in to Boston on Tuesday.

Be sure to include a registration form with all entries.

The 36th Tomato Contest is sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture.

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## Workshop teaches constructive communication

Byline: Laura Plummer

On July 27 and 29,

members of the community participated in a free virtual workshop. Let's Talk

Winthrop: Conversations for a United Community aimed to help attendees

improve their confidence and competence when it comes to communicating

across differences.

The event marked the one-month anniversary of the deadly shooting that claimed the lives of two Winthrop residents on June 26. It was billed as a way to strengthen the community, heal from trauma and move the town forward.

"We must learn how to talk with each other," read a flier for the event, "to really hear our neighbors and to understand one another."

Around 55 members of the public registered for the event. Attendees included Council Pres. Phil Boncore, and Councilors Rob DeMarco and Stephen Ruggiero.

"I'm very pleased this is taking place," said Fr. Walter Connelly of St. John's Episcopal Parish. "The community depends on relationship and we need to be able to relate to one another with compassion and dignity."

Dr. Brian Blancke, an expert in conflict resolution, asked attendees to state their goals for the workshop. Answers varied from "learn how to talk constructively with someone who disagrees with me" and "be able to listen to others without feeling defensive" to "be more effective at facilitating group discussions" and "be more comfortable in difficult conversations."

Over the course of two evenings, participants were taught how to recognize unproductive conversation patterns and replace them with new ones. They practiced listening skills,

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### WINTHROP AND STATE POLICE AT INGLESIDE PARK



PHOTOS BY KANE DIMASSO-SCOTT

Members of the Winthrop Police Department and State Police with the Winthrop Police Explorers in front of a State Police helicopter that landed in Ingleside Park on Monday, Aug. 2. The helicopter was part of an event the Winthrop Police put on for their Explorers in the summer camp, but ended up being a fun afternoon for many residents of the Town who came down to see what was going on. See more photos on Page 8.



State Police helicopter pilot goes over the various pieces of equipment on the chopper and answers questions from the Explorers.



A State Police branded Mustang was on display and available for the children to hop in and snap a picture in the driving seat.

### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

#### Center Business District officials posts two-week look ahead

Staff report

The following is a summary of the work completed last week and the work P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc. (contractor) has scheduled for the next two weeks in the Center Business Dis-

trict(CBD). Please note, the anticipated schedule may vary due to unforeseen site conditions, weather conditions, or other factors out of the contractor's control.

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#### Andrew Biggio's book signing draws over 1,000 people

By John Lynds

On Sunday over 1,000 people packed into the American Heritage Museum in Hudson for a chance to get a signed copy of Winthrop US Marine Veteran and author Andrew Biggio's new book, "The Rifle."

Biggio shared the stage with over 60 World War II Veterans, many of whom tell their stories in Biggio's book, for the book signing and meet and greet.

Among the veterans with Biggio was Winthrop resident Rob Oliver. Biggio, Oliver and the other



Winthrop U.S. Marine Veteran and author Andrew Biggio signs copies of his new book, The Rifle, on Sunday at the American Heritage Museum in Hudson.

veterans helped Biggio sign books for attendees.

Biggio, a US Marine

that served in Iraq and

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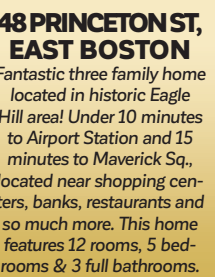
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## WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

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

### MONDAY, JULY 19

0856: A resident who reported that he had trapped a skunk in a squirrel trap was advised that it is illegal to trap an animal and that an offense carries a \$300 fine. The resident was advised to call Mass. Wildlife, which will charge a fee to come out to release the animal.

1220: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of a fraud. The officer filed a report.

1331: A resident reported a credit card fraud. The victim already had reported the incident to her bank.

1438: A tow company reported making a trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) from Governor's Park.

1624: The Fire Dept. assisted a person who called to report that she was locked out of her apartment.

2012: A passenger on a Paul Revere bus called to report that another passenger was arguing with the bus driver about wearing a mask. The officers were unable to locate the person causing the disturbance.

2123: An officer dispersed a group of 6-7 persons from Halford Beach on Nahant Ave.

2212: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Revere St. for

a civil moving violation and issued a citation to the operator.

### TUESDAY, JULY 20

0757: An officer ordered a tow for a motor vehicle with an expired registration that was parked in the construction zone on Revere St.

1107: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave the operator a verbal warning.

1123: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave the operator a verbal warning.

1910: An officer directed the owner of a vehicle parked on Sargent St. to move his vehicle.

2246: An officer dispersed two persons from Hannaford Park, which is closed after dark.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

0014: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Cross and Almont Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave the operator a verbal warning.

0035: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil moving violation and issued a citation to the operator. The officer also filed a report.

0842: A Sargent St. resident reported that his vehicle had been damaged while parked by a hit-and-run driver. There was damage to the driver's side front panel. There may be video footage from a house on the street. An officer will follow-up.

1456: An officer directed the owner of a vehicle parked at the bus stop at Washington Ave. and Shirley St. to move the vehicle.

1628: An officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers at a motor vehicle accident on Revere St. There were no injuries. The officer filed a report.

1923: A resident called to report that a person was operating a loud dirt bike up and down Trident Ave. The officer was unable to locate the vehicle.

2014: A resident reported that his daughter's motor vehicle had been struck by a hit-and-run operator on Revere St. near Upland Ave. An officer will follow up and try to get footage from cameras at the intersection.

2254: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley St. and Bayview Ave. for a civil moving violation and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2312: An officer dispersed a vehicle playing music loudly on Coral Ave.

### THURSDAY, JULY 22

0114: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Revere St. for a civil moving violation and give a verbal warning to the operator.

0625: An officer issued a citation for the violation of the town by-law forbidding work before 7:00 a.m. to the grounds crew at the golf club, which once again was performing work prior to 7:00 a.m.

0932: An officer directed the owner of a vehicle parked on the sidewalk on Grovers Ave. to move the vehicle.

1206: An officer ordered a tow for a vehicle blocking a driveway on Winthrop St. The officer filed a report.

1342: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shore Drive and Sea Foam Ave. for a civil moving violation and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1659: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Main St. near the Belle Isle Bridge. The airbags were deployed and both operators were transported to MGH. One of the vehicles was towed and the other was parked in the parking area of a nearby business. The officer filed a report.

1705: Officers responded to a report of a male party exposing himself at a business on Shirley St. and leaving the scene. Officers were unable to locate the person and filed a report.

1812: An officer responded to a two-car accident at the light on Main St. The airbags were not deployed, but the male operator of one of the vehicles, who appeared to be impaired, was transported to MGH, preventing the officers from administering a field sobriety test. His vehicle was towed and an officer issued a citation to him for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and for civil moving violations.

2106: An officer assisted the Fire Dept. at the scene of a boat with three persons aboard taking on water in the 700 block of Shirley St. The harbor-master was notified.

2307: An officer issued parking tickets to vehicles

on Quincy and Highland Aves.

### FRIDAY, JULY 23

0136: An officer issued parking tickets to three vehicles on Cross St.

0147: An officer directed persons at a loud party on Marshall St. to wrap it up for the night.

1106: A tow company reported the trespass tow of two motor vehicles from 49 Main St.

1432: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1525: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Main and Walden Sts. for a civil moving violation and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2113: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle parked in the No Parking zone at Girdlestone Rd. and Pleasant St. to move the vehicle.

2324: An officer contacted the operator of a vehicle parked at Walden St. to turn off the vehicle's alarm.

### SATURDAY, JULY 24

0009: An officer ordered a tow for a disabled motor vehicle on Pleasant St.

1042: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Hermon and Main Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave the operator a verbal warning.

1303: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in the No Parking zone at Pleasant St. and Tilestone Rd.

1421: An officer responded to a report of a German Shepherd that was loose on Banks St. and acting aggressively toward children in the

area. The dog's owner stated that the dog had escaped from a fenced-in yard. The matter was referred to the Animal Control Officer.

1423: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Townsend St. and Tafts Ave. for a civil moving violation and gave the operator a verbal warning.

2014: An officer directed persons playing music loudly at a birthday party on Main St. to lower the volume.

2137: An officer directed a band playing live music on Waldemar Ave. to wrap it up for the night.

2250: An officer responded to a report of loud noise at a Nevada St. residence and restored the peace.

### SUNDAY, JULY 25

0245: An officer responded to a report of loud music at a Forrest St. residence and restored the peace.

0312: An officer issued parking tickets to two vehicles without parking permits on Sea Foam Ave. 1020: The Animal Control Officer reported that the owners of the dog that had been loose the previous day said they will be putting up a new fence to prevent future escapes.

2149: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pauline St. and Woodside Ave. for a civil moving violation and gave the operator a verbal warning.

2205: An officer stopped a motor vehicle being operated by a person without a valid license on Main St. A licensed operator came by to take control of the vehicle.

## Local DCR events and activities scheduled for August

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation will be holding the following events for August 2021 Programs at Belle Isle Marsh Reservation

All programs are free and open to the public. Bring water, use sunscreen, dress in comfortable light-colored clothing, and wear sturdy closed toe shoes. Insect repellent is recommended. An adult must accompany children. Inclement weather

er cancels outdoor programs. Reasonable accommodations upon advance request. For more information call 781-656-1485 or visit: Website <https://www.mass.gov/locations/belle-isle-marsh-reservation> or Email Matthew Nash at [Matthew.Nash@mass.gov](mailto:Matthew.Nash@mass.gov)

### An Oasis for Birds at Belle Isle Marsh Reservation & Vicinity

Saturday, August 7 & 21 7:30–8:30 a.m.

Meets every 1st &

3rd Saturday of the Month throughout the year except on State Holidays. Both beginner and advance birders will enjoy discovering & learning about the fascinating birds of Belle Isle Marsh and vicinity. Belle Isle Marsh is a restored wildlife habitat that attracts a yearly count of 265 species of birds. Insect repellent is strongly recommended. Be prepared to travel by car or bicycle for up to 8 miles round trip to Winthrop beach, a known birding hotspot, and expect to be on your feet and walking for about a half mile. Appropriate for adults and teens but all ages are welcome. CO-sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh. Meet in the parking lot, at 1399 Bennington Street, East Boston, MA

programs. Reasonable accommodations upon advance request. For more information call 781-656-1485 or Email Matthew Nash at [Matthew.Nash@mass.gov](mailto:Matthew.Nash@mass.gov)

### August 2021 Events at Short Beach

All programs are free and open to the public. Bring water, use sunscreen, dress in comfortable clothing, and wear sturdy closed toe shoes that you don't mind getting wet. An adult must accompany children. Inclement weather cancels outdoor

programs. Reasonable accommodations upon advance request. For more information call 781-656-1485 or Email Matthew Nash at [Matthew.Nash@mass.gov](mailto:Matthew.Nash@mass.gov)

### Tidepool Discovery at Short Beach

Wednesday August 18 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Discover and learn about the fascinating plants and animals of the tidepool and why we should care for both these fragile creatures and the tidepool that represents their home. Nets will be provided for brief capture and release of the tidepool creatures. Be prepared for slippery rocks and for getting your feet wet. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle

Marsh. Meet beachside on the sidewalk at 1199 Winthrop Ave, Revere, MA on the border between the City of Revere and Town of Winthrop.

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, oversees 450,000 acres of parks and forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, dams, and parkways. Led by Commissioner Jim Montgomery, the agency's mission is to protect, promote, and enhance our commonwealth of natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn more about DCR, our facilities, and our programs, please visit [www.mass.gov/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/dcr)

## Town releases list of candidates running for office so far

The following candidates have pulled nominations papers for the Nov. 2 town election:

**Council President:**  
Phil Boncore, Jim Lettere

**Councilor-at-Large**  
Robert DeMarco

**Precinct #1**

**Precinct #3**  
Hannah Belcher

**Precinct #5**

**Library Trustee**  
Alyssa True, Gillian Teixeira, Marie Matarazzo

**Housing Authority**  
Peter Gill, Kathleen Cappuccio

**School Committee**  
Layne Petrie, Julie Barry, Suzanne Leonard



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WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

SHRIMP AND ASPARAGUS

INGREDIENTS:

1 pound medium shrimp - peeled and deveined

1 pound fresh asparagus

1 (16 ounce) package of pasta

4 cloves garlic, minced

½ cup extra virgin olive oil

1 cup butter

1 tablespoon lemon juice

1 pound fresh mushrooms, thinly sliced

½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1:

In a small saucepan, boil or steam asparagus in enough water to cover until tender; chop and set aside.

STEP 2:

Bring a large pot of salted water to full boil, place the pasta in the pot and return to a rolling boil; cook until al dente. Drain well.

STEP 3:

In a large saucepan, saute garlic in the olive oil over medium-low heat until the garlic is golden brown.

STEP 4:

Place butter and lemon juice in the saucepan. Heat until the butter has melted. Place the shrimp in the saucepan and cook until the shrimp turns pink. Place the mushrooms and asparagus into the saucepan, cook until mushrooms are tender.

STEP 5:

Toss the shrimp and vegetable mixture with the pasta and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Salt and pepper to taste. Serve immediately.

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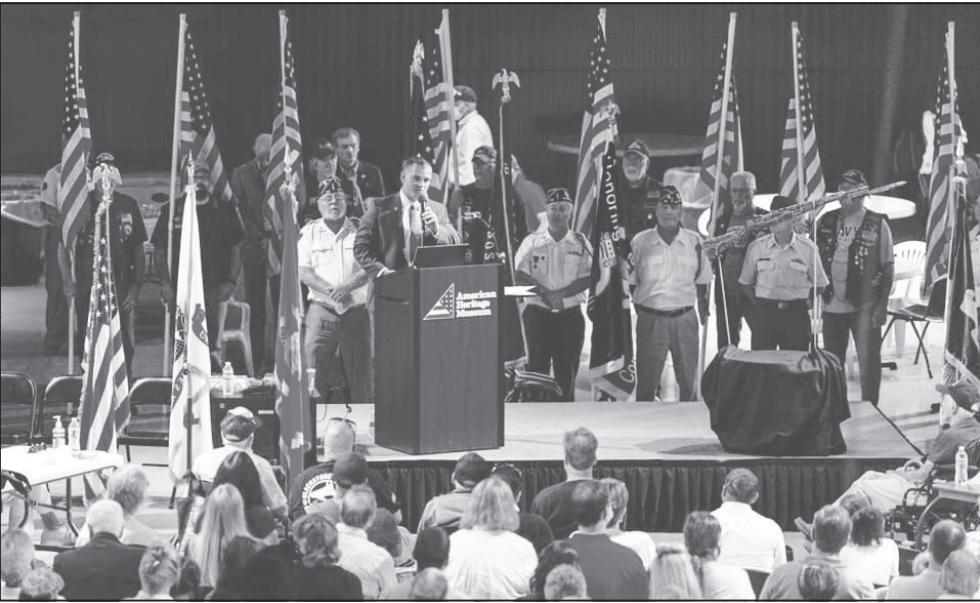
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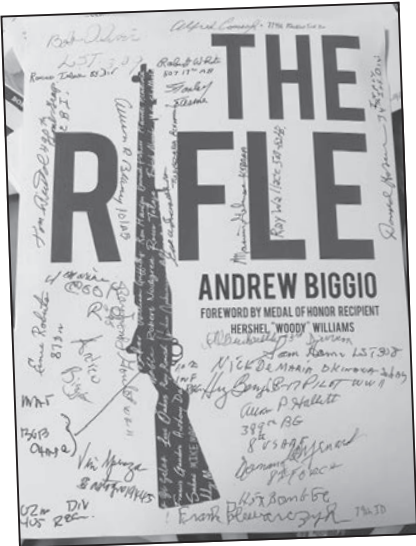




Winthrop US Marine Veteran and author Andrew Biggio addresses the over 1,000 people in attendance at Sunday's book signing and meet and greet.

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Afghanistan, founded the Boston Wounded Vet that would roar through the area every year to raise money for wounded vets.



A copy of The Rifle signed by Winthrop US Marine Veteran and author Andrew Biggio and some of the World War II Veterans featured in the book. Many of the 60 plus Veterans at Sunday's event appear in The Rifle.

Biggio began a quest five years ago to get as many World War II veterans on the record from across the US and from every branch of the military and tell their story.

The result was “The Rifle: Combat Stories from America’s Last WWII Veterans, Told Through an M1 Garand”, which was released on Amazon last week and quickly became the #1 best selling United States Military Veterans Histo-

ry book on the website.

Biggio got the idea from the book while trying to find out more about his great uncle’s death in Italy in WWII. This research set Biggio down a path of visiting Veterans in their home across the country, opening them up to share their combat stories, some of which they have been unable to do for decades. Biggio documented their stories, eventually got in touch with someone from his great uncle Andrew’s company, and had nearly 100 heroes sign a M1 Garand rifle along the way.

“Over 1,000 people showed up for my first book signing. I dreamed of this since I was a kid,” said an emotional Biggio after the event.

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Construction Updates and Schedule:

Work completed this week (July 26 to 30):

- Continued installation of streetlight pole bases on Woodside Avenue, between Pleasant Street and French Square; on Bartlett Road, between French Square and Adams Street; on Jefferson Street, between French Square and Hagman Road; and on Hagman Road.

- Continued resetting existing granite curb and installing new concrete sidewalks/driveways on Somerset Avenue.

Two-week Anticipated Schedule (August 2 to 13)

August 2 to August 6: Scheduled Work:

- Continue installation of streetlight pole bases throughout Center Business District.
- Continue resetting existing granite curb and installing new concrete sidewalks/driveways on Somerset Avenue.

Traffic management (Monday-Friday, 7 AM to 4 PM):

- The CBD can be accessed from Cottage Park Road, Woodside Avenue, and Jefferson Street during construction hours (7 AM to 4 PM). Hagman Road, Jefferson Street, and Bartlett Road will be open during construction



Resetting of existing granite curb on Somerset Avenue.

hours (7 AM to 4 PM) to exit the CBD.

- Somerset Avenue will be closed at Pleasant Street. Cottage Park Road will remain open for access to the CBD.
- For streetlight pole base work, streets within the immediate work area will be posted no parking 48 hours in advance of work. Localized road shutdowns will be coordinated with the Owner as required. Access and egress into French Square will be maintained throughout scheduled work.

August 9 to August 13 Scheduled Work:

- Begin installation of electric conduit on Somerset Avenue, between Cottage Park Road and Woodside Avenue; and on Woodside Avenue, between Pauline Street and French Square.

- Continue resetting granite curb and installing new concrete sidewalks/driveways on Somerset Avenue.

Traffic Management (M-F, 7 AM to 4 PM):

- The CBD can be accessed from Cottage Park Road, Woodside Avenue, and Jefferson Street during construction hours (7 AM to 4 PM). Hagman Road, Jefferson Street and Bartlett Road will be open during construction hours (7 AM to 4 PM) to exit the CBD.
- Somerset Avenue will be closed at Pleasant Street.
- For electric conduit work, streets within the immediate work area will be posted no parking 48 hours in advance of work. Localized road shutdowns will be coordinated with the Owner as required. Access and egress into French Square will be maintained throughout scheduled work.



Installation of concrete sidewalk on Somerset Avenue.

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al Resources, New England Vegetable and Berry Growers Association and Mass Farmers Markets in cooperation with the Boston Public Market.

For more information, contact David Webber, David.Webber@mass.gov.

AFT MASS. MASK WEARING IN K-6 SCHOOLS THIS FALL

In response to new guidance from the state

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) that contravenes CDC recommendations by suggesting that only unvaccinated students, educators, and staff members in Massachusetts schools should wear masks indoors this fall, the 23,000-member AFT Massachusetts released the following statement from AFT Massachusetts President Beth Kontos:

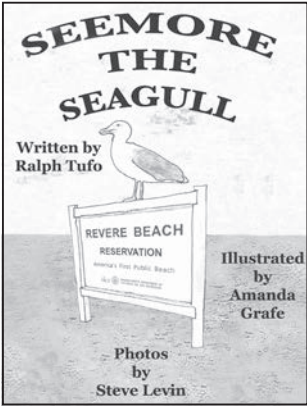
“The state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education needs

to listen to health experts, including the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics, and require - not just recommend - universal mask wearing in K-6 schools this fall. If DESE continues to reject public health guidance and fails to act, local school committees need to step up and require universal mask wearing to keep us all safe and to maximize the likelihood of schools staying open this school year.

“We all want a safe and productive return to school in September, and with the surge of the incredibly contagious Delta variant and vaccine disinformation threatening the progress we’ve made against COVID, we need to use all the public health tools we have to stop the spread and keep schools open for in-person learning. Until we can get all school-aged kids vaccinated, basic public health precautions like masking are the bare minimum needed to keep our students and their vulnerable family members safe.”

SEEMORE THE SEAGULL BOOK SIGNING

Ralph Tufo’s children’s book, Seemore the Seagull, is now available on amazon.com, barnesandnoble.com, and leaningrockpress.com. Type in “Seemore the Seagull” in the search box. It will also be available at Squeezbox Stompers’ gigs www.squeezboxstompers.



Seemore The Seagull by Ralph Tufo.

com. The book signing will be held outdoors at the Winthrop Cul-tural Center, 45 Pauline St., Winthrop, MA on 8/15 from 2-3:30PM.

The rain location will be in-doors. Meet Ralph, the illustrator, and the publisher at the children’s event. There will be reduced book prices, art displays, a sea chantey sing, a children’s drawing/coloring table, and light re-freshments. In Winthrop, the book is available at Simon’s Winthrop Bookstore, Robin’s Nest, and the Book Depot.

MOSQUITO SPRAYING TO BE CONDUCTED THURSDAY, AUG. 5

Point Shirley, Pico Beach, and Short Beach

Areas in Winthrop

Due to the extreme activity of the salt marsh mosquitoes along the salt marshes (due to heat and rain), the Winthrop Board of Health is ordering a one-time Mosquito adulticide spraying for these localized areas to give residents some relief.

The target areas include Point Shirley, Pico Beach, and Short Beach Areas in Winthrop.

Spraying will take place between 8:15 PM and 9:30 PM

If any questions, please contact the Health Department at 617-846-4344.

D’AMBROSIO HOLDS CAMPAIGN EVENT



State Rep. Jeff Turco recently attended a campaign event for Revere School Committee member Anthony D'Ambrosio. With uncertainty surrounding the future of State Sen. Joseph Boncore's seat in the Senate, pending a job offer from MassBio, Anthony D'Ambrosio has announced that should Boncore leave the Senate for MassBio, he would run for the position.

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thoughtful questioning and constructive speech. They were challenged to expand their confidence and willingness to engage with others whose viewpoints are different from their own.

Participants were divided into smaller breakout groups to practice new concepts. The idea behind the exercises was to learn how to engage with oth-

ers in a way that promotes community connection and healing.

Let’s Talk Winthrop was organized by One Winthrop; the Winthrop Commission for Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Relations; For Kids Only Afterschool; and the Winthrop Police Department. It was funded by a grant from the Winthrop Cultural Council and fa-

cilitated by Essential Partners, a nonprofit that helps people to connect despite differences in value, belief and identity.

“The workshop was a valuable opportunity for residents to dig into skills that will enable us to have effective discussions around polarizing issues,” stated Julia Wallerice of One Winthrop, “and to practice those skills in a safe space.”

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ENJOY THE REVERE BEACH SAND SCULPTING FESTIVAL

This weekend marks the return of the 16th annual Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival, featuring master sand sculptors who have come from all over the globe to compete in one of the largest sand sculpting festivals in the world.

The festival will be held on Friday from 10 a.m.-10 pm., Saturday from 10 a.m.-10 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. A grand fireworks display will be held Saturday evening at 9:00 p.m.

In 2019, the event drew an estimated one million attendees, drawn not only by the wonderful sculptures, but also by food trucks, food vendors, exhibitors, and much more, so it is advisable that attendees from out of town plan on taking the T to Revere Beach station.

This year’s festival also will be a celebration of the 125th anniversary of Revere Beach, America’s first public beach.

All in all, the 2021 Sand Sculpting Festival promises to be a memorable event for all members of the family.

NOT ALL PARENTS KNOW WHAT’S BEST FOR THEIR KIDS

The executive order signed last week by Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida banning local school boards from requiring students to wear masks in schools in that state rates as one of the most reprehensible actions of any public official since the pandemic began.

Thanks to DeSantis’s lack of leadership and nutty pronouncements throughout the course of the pandemic, Florida now rates as one of the biggest hotspots for the coronavirus in the world, accounting alone for almost 20% of the daily infections in the U.S. and recently breaking its own one-day record for infections.

Predictably, the state’s healthcare system is being swamped by COVID-19 patients, who are dying at a rate that is 10 times greater than New York City’s.

DeSantis’s order fails to recognize two basic facts:

First, although the rate of serious illness among children who catch COVID remains low, more than 19,000 children have been hospitalized with coronavirus in 24 states and New York City as of July 22, according to a database from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Children’s Hospital Association.

That is a large number and it surely will spike when children return to school indoors.

Second, DeSantis’s order fails to acknowledge that while masks afford some protection to the mask-wearer, the primary benefit accrues to everyone else who is around the mask-wearer, whose aerosols are contained within the mask, rather than being spread around a room unimpeded where they linger to be inhaled by another person.

Maskless students needlessly risk infecting their teachers, classmates, and staff members, as well as the family members and everyone else who comes into contact with anyone who is at those schools.

In short, the reopening of schools without adherence to the COVID-19 precautions that we’re all familiar with will become a superspreader event in every community in Florida, even among the vaccinated, thanks to the highly-contagious Delta variant.

However, it is the basic false premise of DeSantis’s executive order -- that parents know what is best for their children’s health -- that is the most harmful aspect of his reasoning.

Typical parents are not the best caregivers for their children’s health for the simple reason that they are not medical experts, especially when it comes to COVID-19.

While we will concede that most parents love their children, it also is undeniable that parents who are not following the guidelines set forth by the CDC and the American Society of Pediatricians (which are recommending mask-wearing in schools) are sacrificing their children’s health on the altar of their political views.

Gov. Ron DeSantis shamelessly is kow-towing to a vocal minority that has placed their perceived political aspirations over ending the pandemic -- and the end result will be thousands of more infections and deaths, including among the children of Florida.

LETTER to the Editor

**TO SAVE OUR FERRY, WE MUST HAVE VISION**

**Dear Editor,**

Last week’s Transcript article seemed to relate that the Town Ferry was a uniquely financially unsustainable operation. While the numbers presented may be accurate, comments from Town officials were more discouraging. Have we as a Town lost our determination and vision? We hope not. To ensure fair and balanced reporting it is important to view the ferry in context.

First- EVERY form of mass transportation (including airlines and airports) suffered horrific financial losses because of decreased ridership due to the pandemic. The ferry is no different and in fact performed proportionally better than many other larger transportation providers. At the same time, EVERY form of transportation- including roads, bridges and highways- receive heavy taxpayer subsidies and are not expected to be profitable. Just like our utilities, transportation is a public good.

Second – The US government under both Presidents Biden and Trump provided hundreds of BILLIONS of dollars to transit, Amtrak, airlines and Logan to keep these systems from falling apart. Our ferry was originally provided via a federal grant and should be eligible for continuing support,

similar to the eligibility of the MBTA’s ferry system. The T writ large received almost \$2 billion dollars in aid. Have we asked the T for some of those dollars and proactively requested that our Congressional delegation make sure we receive our fair share?

Third- the Commonwealth is sitting on \$5 BILLION of Covid impact aid from the federal government. The intent of these dollars is to assist systems in need and supplement and expand upon previously provided subsidies. We should be actively meeting with our state representative and senator to ask for a financial solution for the ferry from these monies. State subsidies and grants should not be avoided- they are critical for our town roads and infrastructure, so why not for the ferry?

Fourth and finally, it is very hard operationally and financially to operate a single ferry boat, not to mention by a single municipality like Winthrop. The network effect in mass transit is an enormous benefit that our ferry does not currently offer. Hingham citizens do not have to pay (except for the ticket price of a ride) anything extra to the MBTA for the ferry service they receive AND they can some days choose to use their fare card to hop on the commuter rail or on the nearby Red line. Why is such a wealthy town afforded these luxuries

while Winthrop is not? Have we petitioned the Governor, our representative and senator about folding our ferry into the T? This would be the single greatest action Winthrop officials could – and should - take to make the ferry sustainable for the long term. And each time state officials come looking for photo ops, money and votes, they should be told to do that.

We appreciate the need to carefully manage the Town budget. To abandon the ferry, though, without taking advantage of the enormous opportunities right in front of us to make it sustainable would not be responsible or defensible.

It is worth noting that in three of the last four fiscal years (2018-2019-2020-2021), despite the enormous operational difficulty and the minimal marketing effort by the town, the ferry team has managed to remain cash neutral or even cash positive by competently leveraging state grants, managing costs and promoting ridership (See table 1). According to the FY 2021 and FY2022 budget documentation available on the Town of Winthrop’s website, no money from the general fund was used during this period, and yet the benefits to the community have been great. This demonstrates that the Ferry, in a non-pandemic year, can be a cash neutral enterprise that creates economic value for the town

and employment, reduces congestion and pollution on our roads, and enhances our quality of life and the town’s prestige. This is, by all accounts, an exceptional success for a public transport enterprise that ought to be celebrated.

The ferry continues to be Winthrop’s best kept secret, due in no small part to limited marketing. If the town increased its marketing efforts beyond the periodic Facebook post, to Winthrop, Quincy and Boston, we could attract new customers.

The bottom line is that our ferry is an enormous asset in normal times, and normality is slowly returning. Traffic congestion on our roads has surpassed pre-covid volumes. Once Suffolk Downs is built out and the airport comes back Winthrop will be even more drastically burdened. There are many ways to solve the ferry problem. Failing to do so would be an enormously shortsighted failure on the part of the Town. It’s up to our interim town manager and the Council to develop a plan and execute it. We respectfully request that they do just that.

**SAVE OUR FERRY**

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**Sarah Jane Fourness**

**Julia Wallerice**

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**Bob Carroll**

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Summary of Revenue and Expenses for the Winthrop Ferry Operations, 2017-2022. As reported in the FY 2021 and FY 2022 Budget reports published on the Town of Winthrop’s website

GUEST OP-ED

**Life Learning, Commitment and Hard Work**

failing is that it doesn’t have to be final. Some things are final but not everything. Just because your first marriage failed doesn’t mean your second marriage will fail. Hopefully you learned from your first marriage and you won’t make the same mistakes the second time around.

You may have a business failure. This happens to a lot of people. This doesn’t mean your business efforts will fail in the future. Hopefully you learned from your first efforts and can avoid the same mistakes again in your next endeavor.

Possibly you tried a lifestyle that did not work out for you. Maybe you abused alcohol or even

drugs or pursued a negative lifestyle that greatly diminished your life to the point where your life seemed hopeless. This doesn’t mean you have to stay this way. With a dedicated decision and often help from others you can turn your life around and do better.

We can learn from mistakes. They are educational and usually expensive. They set us back in life. They aren’t fun and can be tormenting.

Remember, you can’t

live in the past. Don’t totally forget what past failure did to you because you don’t want to repeat your mistakes. However, the past is over. Live your life forward.

As you go forward there are easier ways to learn. Study the lives of others. Research what they did and read. People all around us are either succeeding, failing or at least stable. Study others whose lives intrigue or impress

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By Dr. Glenn Mollette

We are always learning. Life is filled with education. We learn all the time.

Every day we receive new information about health, the planet, communication, medicines, the universe and more. Life is a process of learning and developing.

Education is more than grades one through twelve, college, and beyond. There are many aspects to every job we do that we never learned in school. We learn from parents if we will listen. We learn from coworkers. We learn from our failures. We learn how not to do something because we tried it once and it failed. The good thing about

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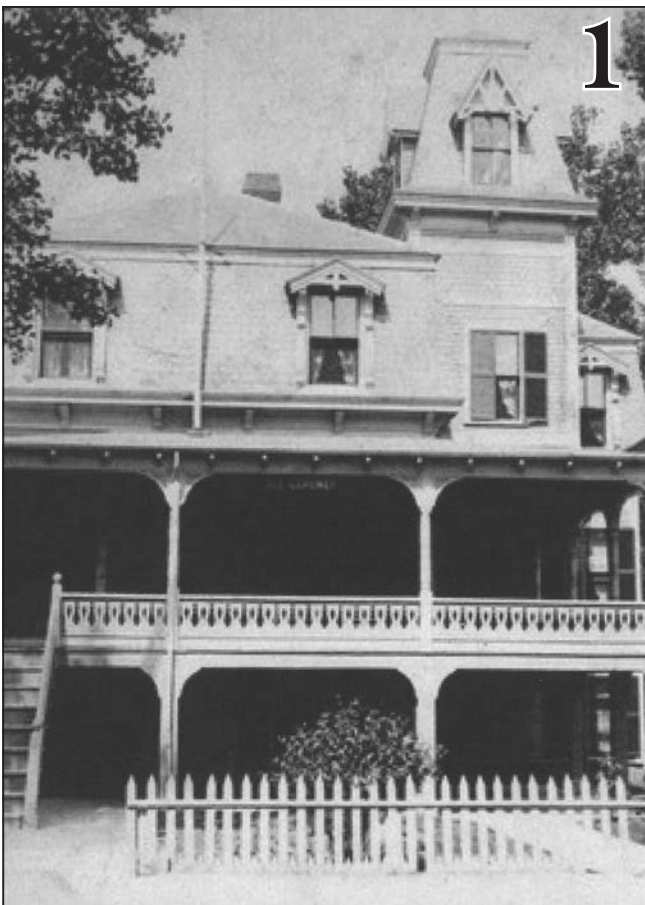
# WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

## ARTICLE 975 — TWO RESORT ROOMING HOUSES

In 1875, Doctor Samuel Ingalls purchased forty three acres of land originally owned by the Wheeler estate between Shirley Street and what is now known as Winthrop Shore Drive. On this prime ocean front property he established the Ocean Spray resort community which included eight streets, all with names related to the sea - Neptune, Mermaid, Coral, Trident, Sea Foam, Waveway, Pearl and Dolphin Avenues. Each street was 30 feet wide with a 20 foot frontage from the street to the homes down each side thus ensuring a 70 foot corridor for the sea breezes to pass through and circulate among the cottages he had built. All cottages built there had a “T” shaped floor plan with porches on three sides. Although most of these buildings have been modified to varying degrees, one can still drive down these streets and easily identify many homes that reflect the original unique design. Each of these properties had a clause in their deed prohibiting any alcoholic beverage from being consumed or brought onto the premises. This writer checked the current validity of this requirement with our previous Town Council, Joseph Harvey, who stated that while such a clause still appears on some deeds even today, it is no longer enforceable. Along Winthrop Shore Drive, then called Crest Avenue, a few of the houses were converted into Inns or Rooming Houses. Also, along Shirley Street at the rear of Ocean Spray, several smaller Inns were established and two of these are featured in today’s article. The first, located at 169 Shirley Street, was called The Coronet House which can be seen in the first picture as it appeared in 1900. The second picture depicts the same building as it appears today in 2012. Note how the original appearance of the porch railing and windows has been carefully preserved. The second such rooming house, as seen in the third picture, was known as the Hazelhurst which opened about 1900 with a dining room that accommodated 100 patrons. It was located at 11 Neptune Avenue, on



the corner of Shirley Street, almost across the street from the previously named Coronet House. Picture four depicts this building as it appears today. Note that the roof line at the front of the building remains the same with the small triangular overhang which can still be seen on the right of the building. Many such Inns and Rooming Houses existed in Winthrop from the 1880 to 1930 period of time. To date we have identified

some 55 buildings which operated under 80 different names depending upon who the current owner was. We have written Then and Now articles on a number of them and as further information is obtained will continue to provide additional articles on them. If anyone knows of other such resort facilities that have existed in Winthrop, it would be appreciated if you would please advise us accordingly.



### 10 years ago August 4, 2011

The Department of Public Works has completed the installation of 26 new bike racks throughout the town. James McKenna, Winthrop Town Manager, said that the racks serve a variety of purposes, “Not only are we trying to get people to ride their bikes more, but the racks make a real visual impression and bring an additional aesthetic value to the Town’s public spaces.” Funding for the bright blue bike racks was secured through the Metropolitan Area Planning Council’s Regional Bike Parking program. “With these new racks in place, the town’s overall capacity for bike parking has been more than doubled, with over two hundred spaces now available,” said Peter Lombardi, the Grants Administrator for Winthrop. Mary Lou Osborne, chairperson of the Winthrop School Committee, will not be seeking re-election to the committee in the town election in November. Osborne has been a member of the committee for the past seven years. She will serve out the remainder of her four-year term and leave the committee on December 31, 2011. Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part II; Rise of the Planet of the Apes; and The Change Up are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago August 9, 2001

The Conservation Commission has informed the U.S. Post Office that it must address coastal zoning matters before it can use the former Mirak Chevrolet site near the Belle Isle bridge for a planned Winthrop/East Boston Carrier Annex. The eighth annual Oceanside Big Band Jazz Festival is set for this weekend at Hanaford Park. With rocky Winthrop Beach unattractive for beach-goers, many local residents have been using Donovan’s Beach and other town beaches this summer. Planet of the Apes, America’s Sweethearts, and Jurassic Park III are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago August 7, 1991

The selectmen have taken the U.S. Postal Service to task for the ongoing delays with the process of constructing the new police station in the former Post Office building. The selectmen sent a letter to the Postmaster General, alleging that local postal authorities are engaging in a pattern of lying, diversionary tactics, and bureaucratic blackmail and

# 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

sabotage in delaying the move of the Post Office to its new location in the Centre, and thereby delaying work to convert the Post Office building into a new police station.

Board of Health Director W. Paul Frazier has ordered Donovan’s Beach and the Winthrop Yacht Club closed for bathing because of high levels of fecal coliform bacteria.

The Board of Health and selectmen unanimously voted to name former State Rep. and Board of Health Director Ralph Sirianni as a member of the Board of Health to replace Ann Dalrymple, who recently retired from that post.

The MWRA broke ground this week for the \$700 million sewage treatment plant on Deer Island, the centerpiece of the MWRA’s cleanup of Boston Harbor.

Double Impact, The Doctor, and Delirious are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago August 12, 1981

A Special Town Meeting will be held in October to determine the use of the additional local aid from the state that appeared on the cherry sheets received by the town last week. However, the nearly \$1 million in extra local aid does not make up for the \$1.5 million in lost property tax and excise tax revenues because of Prop. 2 and 1/2.

Flags at Winthrop Community Hospital are flying at half staff this week to mark the passing of beloved long-time employee Jim Ahearn. Ahearn was born in Country Waterford, Ireland, in 1883. He was an engineer who worked for the hospital for 53 years in the maintenance department, which he headed for many years. He died suddenly on the job last Thursday.

### 50 years ago August 11, 1971

Police Chief David Rice and a team of State Troopers last week closed down a large-scale book-making operation that was being conducted out of a Revere St. apartment. Police arrested Bernard Marmonte, 52, of 382 Revere St. Police found six phone lines and a shotgun, as well as office equipment and high-powered radios that could pick up broadcasts from the local race tracks. A large German Shepherd greeted the officers when they tried to enter the premises.

Kathy Miles, 12, and her crewmate, sister Jennifer, won their first race in the TwiLight series at the Cottage Park Y.C. in the B Division. Skipper Jackie McMath and crew Anne

Sullivan won the A race.

A novel by former Winthrop resident Sylvia Plath soon will be published in the United States. The Bell Jar previously was published in England earlier this year. Plath, who took her own life in 1963, lived on Pt. Shirley as a young girl where her grandparents had a home. Her poetry and other writings have become popular with college-age women since her death.

Air Force Master Sgt. Joseph H. Grattan has been awarded the Airman’s Medal for saving the life of a fellow airman from a flame-engulfed bulldozer at Phu Cat Airbase, Vietnam.

Edward Rowe Snow, a Winthrop native and former Winthrop junior high teacher who now is living in Marshfield and who is a well-known historian of Boston Harbor’s islands, gave a talk to the 500 persons present at the dedication by the MDC of Georges Island as an historic shrine and public recreation area.

Mrs. Ab Deroo and Mrs. Kathryn Deleva were co-chairs of the recent Winthrop Community Hospital League supper and auction that was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Henry Burke, 1090 Shirley St.

Lobster rolls are \$1.00 at the Surf Side Restaurant on the Point.

Clint Eastwood stars in The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly at the Winthrop Cinema.

### 60 years ago August 10, 1961

Town Counsel Peter Princi is expected to be named to the \$10,000 post of Collector of the Port of Boston by Pres. John F. Kennedy. The 45 year-old Princi is a former selectman who has practiced law here since 1940.

WHS head football coach Ed MacFarland has named Jim Evans, fullback of the 1954 WHS team, and Jack MacDonald, a standout end on the 1955 team, as assistant football coaches.

Former State Rep. Francis Irwin, speaking before a newly-formed citizens group, lashed out at the Winthrop Redevelopment Authority, stating that the authority failed to inform Beach area residents of its urban renewal plans and asserting that the authority could take any section of Winthrop in the name of urban renewal and evict its residents for the benefit of a few developers to build high-rise apartments.

Cantinflas stars in Pepe at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 70 years ago August 9, 1951

The selectmen took

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you. Study their careers, work ethic, their values and how they make them work to achieve the life they are living. You can learn a lot by observing and studying others. You can also learn from the failures of others. What were some of their obvious mistakes?

Volunteering or taking an entry level job with someone you would like to emulate is a great way to learn their success prin-

ciples.

There are cases where nothing seems to make sense. Life is not always fair. We all have different interests, physical abilities, backgrounds and lifelong developed skills. Take all these into consideration and bring them together to work for you.

Success always has new twists, turns and innovative ways. However, they are not accomplished

without some form of life learning, commitment and hard work.

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# WINTHROP, STATE POLICE KICK OFF EXPLORERS SUMMER PROGRAM WITH INGLESIDE PARK DISPLAY

Photos by Kane DiMasso-Scott

On Monday, Aug. 2 members from the Winthrop Police Department and the Mass. State Police gathered in Ingleside Park as part of the Winthrop Police Department Explorers Summer program for an educational event for the program participants. Troopers gave a live demonstration of how they use police dogs in

the K-9 unit, as well as had different areas set up for both Explorers and the public in attendance to see some of their gadgets, learn about what they are used for, and more. The event concluded with a State Police helicopter landing in Ingleside Park, giving the Explorers and residents the opportunity to get an up close view of the chopper.



A young resident checks out the view from the Mass. State Police Mustang.



Jackson and Nicky check out the inside of an armored truck with Trooper Joe Hennessy .



Although the event was planned as part of the WPD Explorer program, dozens of residents took advantage of the nice weather and came out to watch the display.



Mass. State Police Sgt. Erik Ramsland leads an informative question and answer section with the Explorers before bringing out the K-9 units.



Bomb squad K-9 Pippin loves kisses! Explosive Ordnance Disposal Trooper Irish and his K-9 companion were very popular at the event. Shown above, Maeve Paulson is working up the courage to pet Pippin, while her mom, Kim encourages her.



Trooper Ramsland brings 8-year-old K9 Bolt out to show the Explorers how they use the dogs in their job. Bolt is trained in control and narcotics.



Residents get up close and personal with some MSP tactical gear. Shown above, MSP trooper Irish explains how one of the remote control robots operates.



Dozer and his handler demonstrate how the K9s are trained to do their job and incapacitate the bad guys.



This young resident checks out the inside of a State Police SUV Cruiser which is painted pink for Breast Cancer Awareness.



After touching down at Ingleside Park, the MSP pilots take some time to go over the vehicle with the Explorers.



Once given the all clear from the Troopers on site, Winthrop residents got the chance to get up close and personal with the chopper. Parkgoers (in the foreground) were still able to make use of Ingleside Park during the event as only half of it was barricaded off by Police







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# THE DIAMOND IS FOREVER

## Winthrop's John Magee is still swinging away

By Cary Shuman

John Magee started playing baseball in the Winthrop Little League more than 35 years ago.

"I was on the 'C' Twins coached by Peggy Bailey," recalled Magee. "I was on the 'B' Division Tigers and the 'A' Division Indians and my coaches were Chuck Webb and Larry Cellucci."

Magee played freshman baseball at Winthrop High for Coach Mike Sullivan and junior varsity and varsity baseball for Coaches Jimmy Gillis and Vinnie Eruzione.

Magee, 44, is still enjoying the game he loved as a kid. He is currently competing for the Boston Dodgers in the Boston Men's Baseball League (BMBL), which is the largest adult baseball league in New England. Magee just made his seventh appearance in the BMBL Master's Division All-Star Game at Brandeis University.

### A running back for WHS Super Bowl team

The son of John "Skitty" McGee and Colleen Magee, John Magee was a part of an exciting era in Winthrop sports. He was an All-Star player in Winthrop Little League and remembers competing against the unparalleled 'A' Division Dodgers team coached by David Tallent Sr. and Billy Morelli Sr.

"They were unbelievable," said Magee. "That trio of David Tallent, Mike Mason, and Billy Morelli was phenomenal. I dreaded playing them because I played the outfield and it was like, 'here we go'."

Magee played in Winthrop Youth Hockey and later at Winthrop High School. In football, he was a back-up running back to



John Magee, who is playing for the Boston Dodgers in the Boston Men's Baseball League, is pictured Monday night at Breed Field in Lynn before a Masters Division game against the South Shore Giants.

All-Scholastic Anthony Palmer on Viking Super Bowl teams.

"Being his back-up and watching Anthony, I don't think I would be the player I am today – he just had that 'it' factor," said Magee. "Sometimes I work on sports with his son [Anthony Palmer Jr.] at Ingleside Park, and he has the exact batting stance and swing as his father. He has the 'it' factor, too, and he's a very good kid. He's going to be something."

Magee praised his former football coach, Tony Fucillo, an inductee in the Mass. State High School Coaches Hall of Fame.

"I love Tony Fucillo," said Magee. "What he's done for the town and for kids, giving them the structure and the discipline – you don't get a better coach than that. Growing up in Winthrop, some of the coaches that took me under their wing and made me the athlete I am today – I must thank James Adamson, Joe Mason, Colin Cash, and Jimmy Gillis. They had faith in me at a very young age

and saw something in me. They told me, 'you've got speed, you can hit, now let's work with you'."

### A return to baseball

After high school sports, Magee became a competitive bodybuilder.

"I probably put on 30 pounds of muscle and competed in bodybuilding events," said Magee. "But then all these years went by, and I wanted to get back into baseball. I eventually found the Boston Men's Baseball League."

Magee took over a starting position for the Boston Dodgers after driving in six runs in his first game, and he hasn't looked back. He is now playing in two

divisions (28-Over and Masters 38-Over) for the Dodgers.

Magee, who bats and throws left-handed, is thriving as the designated hitter for the Dodgers. He is batting close to .400 lifetime and has hit several home runs in his career.

"I still love the game," said the 5-foot-7-inch Magee. "I tore my shoulder this off-season, but I won't miss a game. Until they carry me off the field, I'm not going anywhere."

Interestingly, Magee wears No. 22 on the back of his Dodgers jersey.

"I wear No. 22 because when I was younger, I was very small and my mother had told me about this

guy, Doug Flutie, who plays for Boston College and he's tough as nails," said Magee. "I started watching him at BC and I've worn 22 ever since. I bumped into Doug Flutie at a national baseball tournament in Florida and I said to him, 'I wear this number because of you.' He's a really nice guy who does a lot for autism char-

ities."

Winthrop baseball fans don't have to travel far to see John Magee and the Dodgers, who play their home games in Winthrop and Lynn.

John Magee, No. 22 in Dodger Blue, will be one of the players smiling broadly as he takes the field, competing for the love of the game.



Winthrop's John Magee wears No. 22 on his Boston Dodgers jersey as a tribute to Boston College's Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback, Doug Flutie.

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WHS BOYS TENNIS BANQUET

Courtesy photos

The Winthrop High School boys tennis team celebrated a successful season at its awards banquet.

Coach Marie Finn thanked the players for their dedication and commitment in a season that was greatly altered by the pandemic. Finn also singled out the seniors for their contributions to the program over the past four years. Individual awards were presented at the banquet.

Finn has been an outstanding leader of the program for several years, with her teams always exceeding expectations in the highly competitive Northeastern Conference. Not only have her teams won consistently with class and sportsmanship, but Coach Finn creates a positive environment where her players appreciate tennis and go on to enjoy playing the sport for a lifetime.



In the back row, left to right- James Sicarella, Declan Donovan, Liam Turner, Michael Soares, Bobby Diaz, Augie Cherico and Joe Romano. Second row, from the top left to right- Ari Hain, Shane Fitzpatrick, JD Parker, Ty Calinda, Ryan Kfoury, Evan Smotrich, Evan Bernstein and Coach Finn. Bottom row left to right- Jack Osburn, Andrew Stangle, and Assistant Coach Kyle Gagin.



Ryan Kfoury received the Most Improved award.



JD Parker received the Most improved award.



Boby Diaz was the recipient of the Viking award.



Augie Cherico received the Coaches award.



Shown to the left, James Sicarella was the recipient of the Most Valuable Player award.

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CLEANUP AT YIRRELL BEACH

Courtesy photos

On Aug. 1 a group of Winthrop residents met up and organized a cleanup at Yirrell Beach. Cleaning materials were supplied to those in attendance, and all got to enjoy some nice Saturday weather oceanside while doing something positive for the community.



Kenzie Williams makes her way along the beach picking up trash..



Shown left to right, Anthony D'ambrosio, unknown (but trying to find out), Hannah Belcher, Shannon Poulos with her daughter, Jennifer Dimento, Judy Savignano, Jeff Turco, Scott Mahoney-Wright and Fred Wright. These are just a few of the people involved with the clean up.



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Participants make their way along the coast looking for loose trash.

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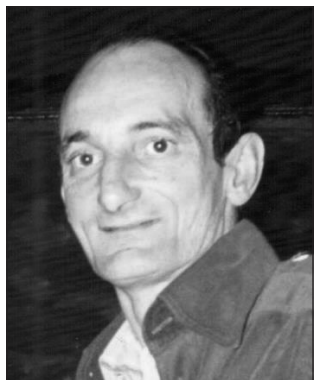
Alfred Scorzella, Jr.

Bethlehem Steel retiree

 Alfred F. Scorzella, Jr. of Winthrop and Springhill, Florida passed away at the Chelsea Soldier's Home on August 1. He was 77 years old.

Born in Winthrop, the beloved son of the late Mary Rose (Gonzalez) and Alfred F. Scorzella, Sr., he was a graduate of Winthrop High School and went on to work with his father at Winthrop Engineering. He then joined the United States Navy serving during the Vietnam War. He served two tours before being honorably discharged in 1967. After his discharge, he worked for New England Traffic Signal then went on to work as a pipefitter at Bethlehem Steel.

He was the loving father of Marc Scorzella and his wife, Michelle of Winthrop, the dear brother of Rosemary Butler and her late husband, Ted of Peabody and Richard Scorzella and his wife, Nancy of Waltham; cherished



grandfather of Alessandra, Victoria, Grace and Olivia and is also survived by several loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend his funeral from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, 147 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, August 5 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 interment in the Belle Isle section of Winthrop Cemetery.

For directions or to sign the online guestbook, go to [www.caggianofuneralhome.com](http://www.caggianofuneralhome.com).

Eleanor Kathleen Swierk

She breathed can-do optimism and a sunny practicality into every endeavor

Eleanor (Ellie) Kathleen (Blades) Swierk, 84, of Bluffton, South Carolina, died on Tuesday, July 27 at Coastal Carolina Hospital in Hardeeville, South Carolina, after a courageous three-year battle with Merkel cell carcinoma. Her husband of 31 years, Edward J. Swierk, was at her side.

She graduated from Revere High School in 1954; received her Bachelor of Science in Education from Boston State College in 1976, where she graduated summa cum laude with a Scholar of the College award; and earned a Master of Arts degree in Counseling Psychology at Boston College in 1980.

Ellie belonged to NOSSCR (National Association of Social Security Claimants' Representatives) and NADE (National Association of Disability Examiners), for which she served as Boston chapter president in the 1980's.

Ellie single-handedly raised six children in her beloved hometown of Winthrop, deftly negotiating household responsibilities, coursework that came with college enrollment in 1972, and work as a teacher at Castle Square Daycare Center in Boston, a work-study secretary at Boston



State's Physical Education Department, a camp counselor at Camp Columbus/Columbia in Boxford, and two summer appointments as a U.S. Customs inspector at Logan Airport.

Returning to school for a degree in the early 1970s, at age 36, Ellie reveled in the exhilaration of being a college student at the crest of the women's liberation movement, darting from class to class on the former Boston State campus in the Boston Fens, so excited about what her best friend, Linda Roberts and she were embarking upon, truly blossoming!

Upon graduation from college, she became a reading specialist in Winthrop Public Schools, a social worker at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home, and a manager at the Mass. Rehabilitation Commission's Disability Determination Services division, where she met her second hus-

band, Ed, whom she married in 1989.

Ellie and Ed took their Social Security disability expertise to Hilton Head Island (land of pralines, sweetgrass baskets and Frogmore stew!) that same year, formed "Swierk Associates," an SSDI claimant consulting practice, and have lived there ever since, weaving a beautiful 30-year tapestry and helping hundreds upon hundreds of unfortunate souls facing serious illness find support and relief.

Although she transplanted herself to the beautiful South Carolina sea islands, Ellie maintained her fervent love of New England. She adored its beaches, Cape Cod breezes, Swan Boats, Harvard Square, the "Glass Flowers" of Harvard's Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Boston Red Sox and Jordan Marsh Muffins!

She delighted her children in their youth with road trips to Horseneck Beach and Lincoln Park amusements in Southeastern, Mass., camping and climbing Mount Monadnock, movies, theatre and so much more! She loved her three grandchildren, and she was so excited at the prospect of a great-grandchild, her first, a boy, due on Christmas Day 2021!

She and Ed -- her husband, friend and colleague of 40 years -- traveled extensively to numerous Social Security disability conferences and sporting events throughout the United States, making scores of personal and professional friends along the way.

She read voraciously, savoring mysteries, thrillers, historical fiction and good old-fashioned beach reads. She also introduced her children to beloved Southern authors Dorothea Benton Frank, Mary Kay Andrews and of course, Pat Conroy, igniting a deep appreciation of South Carolina Lowcountry magic.

The rare and aggressive Merkel cell cancer, coupled with a 20-year struggle with the auto-immune disease polymyositis, didn't stop Ellie from being in the world as actively as ever. She breathed can-do optimism and a sunny practicality into every endeavor. With walker and wheel-

chair in her final years, she embraced friends, family and a grand array of activities until her very last breath in this world.

Indeed, in what would turn out to be the final year of her life, birthdays and holidays with family surrounding and enfolding her at home, created cinematic memories she knew would breathe forever.

Christmas 2020 at Ellie's, many dozens of her beloved collectible "carolers" figurines silently serenading us, her home decorated to her exquisite standards, and the bright light in her eyes a beacon of hope and love, will absolutely stay in our hearts forever.

Besides her loving husband, Edward J. Swierk, of Bluffton, SC, Eleanor leaves her four cherished children: her son, Mark T. Pimentel of Bedford, NH; her son, William M. Pimentel and his partner, Michael J. O'Rourke, of Winthrop, her daughter, Virginia M. Flockton and her husband, Ronald T. Flockton, of

Carver, and her daughter, Barbara E. Pimentel and her fiancé, John A. Teixeira, of Winthrop. She also leaves precious grandchildren: Lauren A. Robillard and her husband, Daniel R. Robillard Jr., of Portsmouth, RI, Daniel J. Flockton of Carver and Hannah A. Pimentel of New Hampton, NH and her dear sister, Frances M. Donovan of Fairlawn, OH and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends, especially Dr. Marilyn Schimenti, Phyllis Beane and Elaine "Honey" Dillon. She was predeceased by her parents: Frank W. Blades and Helen F. (Gross) Blades; her son, John E. Pimentel; her daughter, Joanne K. (Pimentel) Garlock; her sister Virginia M. (Blades) Simonalle and her first husband, Leon L. Pimentel.

A visitation and service for relatives and friends in South Carolina was held on Wednesday, August 4 at Sauls Funeral Home in Bluffton, South Carolina [www.saulsfh.com/](http://www.saulsfh.com/)

Her funeral will be held at the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Saturday, August 14 at 8:30 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Michael the Archangel Parish (formerly St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church), Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in the Cross Street section of Winthrop Cemetery. For guestbook, visit [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com)

In lieu of flowers, donations in Eleanor's name can be made to Merkel cell carcinoma research at the University of Washington Foundation, Box 359505, Seattle, WA 98195. Gifts can be made online at <https://merkelcell.org/join-the-fight/donate/> or by check payable to "UW Foundation / MCC Research"

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Eugene Keenan

Retired Mass. State Trooper

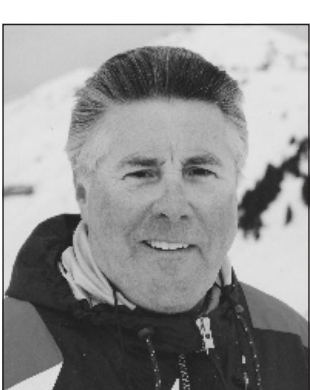
 Eugene E. Keenan, 88, of Byfield, formerly of Winthrop, passed away on July 30.

The beloved husband of Margery A. (Driver) Keenan, he was born in East Boston, the cherished son of the late Edward A. Sr. and Mary J. (Vargus) Keenan.

Eugene was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during the Korean War from 1954 to 1956.

He was a member of the 101st Airborne Division known as the "Screaming Eagles." Prior to his retirement, he was employed as a MDC Police Officer and after the merger with the Massachusetts State Police in 1996, he retired as a Massachusetts State Trooper. He was a life member of the Woburn Sportsman's Association and also served as a Eucharistic Minister at Immaculate Conception Church in Newburyport.

He was the devoted father of Lauren Eremian of Florida, Linda Nowlan and her husband, Gerard of Boxford, Kathleen Guckert and her husband, Bruce of Billerica, Margery Beckwith, Eugene Keenan Jr. and his wife,



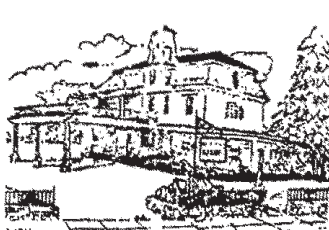
Elaine and Patrick Keenan and his wife, Kathleen, all of Winthrop. He was the adored grandfather of 13 grandchildren and the great-grandfather of seven great-grandchildren and the dear brother of the late Edward A. Keenan Jr. and his late wife, Louise.

His funeral will be from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, August 5 at 10:30 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 be in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section.)

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Assn. 300 5th Ave. Ste. 6, Waltham, MA 02451. For guestbook, please visit: [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

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Robert Ierardi

Retired teacher and former member of the  
Town of Winthrop Advisory Board

Robert R. “Bob” Ierardi, 86, of Naples, FL., Gilford, NH. and formerly of Winthrop, passed away on May 18. He was 86 years old.

The beloved husband of the late Anne (Folsom) Ierardi, he was born in Winthrop, the cherished son of the late Luciano and Anna (Marukelli) Ierardi.

Prior to his retirement, Bob was employed as a teacher in the Winthrop and Danvers Public School Systems. He was involved with the Boy Scouts of America, past co-chair of The Caregiver Network of Laconia, NH., Past President of the Deauville Lake Club Association of Naples, FL., and a former member of the Town of Winthrop Advisory Board.

Robert was the devoted father of Robert Ryan and his partner, Patrick Cudmore of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, Thomas Ierardi and his wife, Gloria of Skaneateles, NY and Douglas Ierardi and his wife, Monique of Beaverton, OR. He was the adored grandfather of Allison, Matthew and Joseph Ierardi, Maria and Alex Ierardi and Jason Gale. Bob is also survived by



his dear and close friend, Judith Murphy of Auburn, MA., and by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

His funeral will be held from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Saturday, August 7 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Michael the Archangel Parish (formerly St. John the Evangelist Church)-Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery.

Visiting hours will be held in the funeral home on Friday, August 6 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name can be made to the Alzheimer’s Assn. 309 Waverly Oaks Rd. Waltham, MA. 02452. To sign Robert’s guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.



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Winthrop Senior Center News

35 Harvard Street, Winthrop, MA 02152      Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9am-3p.m. / Friday: 9am-1p.m.  
Website: town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging      Email: COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us      Phone: 617-846-8538

**Thursday, August 5**  
9:30-10:30am: Exercise  
10am-2pm: Computer Usage  
11am: Boxed Lunch (eat in, or take out)  
12:15-2:30pm: Bingo

**Friday, August 6**  
10-11am: Line Dancing  
10am-12pm: Computer Usage  
11am: Boxed Lunch (eat in or take out)

**Monday, August 9**  
10am-2pm: Computer Usage  
11am: Boxed Lunch (eat in, or take out)  
12:30pm: Art Class with Dawn

**Tuesday, August 10**  
9:30-10:30am: Exercise  
10am-2pm: Computer Usage  
11am: Boxed Lunch (eat in, or take out)  
1:30-2:30pm: Chorus

**Wednesday, August 11**  
9:30am: Caregiver Support Group  
10am-2pm: Computer Usage  
11am: Boxed Lunch (eat in, or take out)  
1:15-2:45pm: Italian Class

All participants are required to have an updated Emergency Contact Form on file with the office before participating in any activities. Emergency Contact Forms are available at the front desk, and on our website.

We are unable to offer any snacks or drinks at this time. Participants should bring their own bottled water, coffee, or tea. Shared food is not al-

lowed, please bring individual snacks only.

**Boxed Lunches** will be available for pick up Monday – Friday at 11am. Lunches may be eaten at the Senior Center or taken to-go. Lunch reservations can be made at the front desk, or by calling us at 617-846-8538 by 11am the day before (for Monday lunch, reservations must be made by 11am on Friday).

**Meals on Wheels also continues to operate.** To sign up, contact Mystic Valley Elder Services at 781-324-7705.

**Van Transportation.** The Senior Van will run Tuesday – Thursday between 9am and 3pm (return trips must be completed by 3pm). Reservations must be made at least 2 weekdays in advance of your trip. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Medical rides will be prioritized. A full list of our destinations and pricing is available on our website and at the Senior Center.

Join us on Wednesday, August 25th at 12:00 pm for our annual Senior Center SUMMER BBQ, sponsored by the Winthrop Police & Fire Departments. Food will be distributed to-go. Pick-up location: Winthrop High School rear parking lot/loading dock next to the baseball field. To register, email: COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us or call the Senior Center at 617-846-8538 by Wednesday, August 18. Please provide your name, phone number and number of meals you are picking up. If you, or someone you know is homebound, let us know their address and we can

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**The Caregiver Support Group** will resume in-person meetings in August. Being a caregiver can be fulfilling, exhausting and everything in between. Gain comfort and support from others who are doing the same work. Open to all caregivers, this group meets on the second Wednesday and fourth Monday of each month. To join, please contact Jessica Phelan, Caregiver Support Coordinator at 781-388-2319. The group will meet in-person at the Senior Center on Wednesday, August 11 at 9:30am and Monday, August 23 at 10am.

**Blood Pressures:** Nurses from the Medical Reserve Corps will be at the Senior Center from 11am to 12pm every Monday, beginning August 23. No appointment needed.

**Exercise for Arthritis** will resume on Tuesday, September 7 at 11am. The class is held on the first Tuesday of each month and is sponsored by the Neighborhood PACE program.

**Yoga with Kathleen** will resume on Wednesday, September 1 at 9:30am. Class costs \$5 and is held weekly.

**Mystic Valley Elder Services Offering Transportation Services to COVID Vaccine Sites for Adults 60 Years and Older.** There are three eligibility guidelines to get approved for your two roundtrips: you must be 60 years of age or older; do not have other means to get to a vaccination site; or do not have access to the vaccine in the building complex where you live. For more information,

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**Senior Phone Buddy Program.** Senior Center volunteers are available to make friendly phone calls to homebound seniors. If you, or someone you know would like to receive a call, please contact the Senior Center at 617-846-8538, or email COARception@town.winthrop.ma.us.

**Exercise with Ernie Sarro:** WCAT will present Exercise with Ernie Sarro Monday – Friday at 10:30am on Channel 3.

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Upcoming Trips

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**September 21, 2021** – Carole King Tribute at Danversport Yacht Club. Price: \$96 (includes transportation) or \$72 (drive on your own). Meal choices: Stuffed Chicken Breast or Baked Schrod

**November 9, 2021** – Richard Barker Comedy Hypnosis Show at Lantanas (in Randolph). Price: \$96 (includes transportation). Meal Choices: Chicken Breast with Ham and Cheese or Vegetable Lasagna.

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steps Monday night to speed up the counting of ballots at the annual town election by saying that jobs for counting of ballots will go to those who are best qualified to do so, rather than to those who simply need a job.

Two local women, Mrs. Pauline Cook and Mrs. Evelyn Buchanan, were drawn by the selectmen for jury duty Monday night, thus becoming the first local women to serve on a jury pursuant to the new law that requires women to serve equally with men.

Mr. and Mrs. Almon E. Whittemore, residents here for 50 years, will observe their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday night at their home. Mr. Whittemore has been a prominent businessman here for more than half a

century and presently is the treasurer and a director of the Winthrop Co-Operative Bank, a position he has held since the bank’s founding in 1907. He is the only living charter member of the Cottage Park Y.C.

The Winthrop Police Department has been assigned the new phone numbers of Ocean 3-1212 and OC3-1213. For more than 30 years residents have reached the police with the phone numbers 0292 and 0293. The new numbers will conform to police department numbers throughout the state.

A group of Brookfield Rd. residents have called upon the selectmen to address the problem of rats in the drainage ditch running along the road. The selectmen have urged all residents at the behest of the Garden Club to refrain from throwing trash and garbage from their cars onto the town’s streets.

Abbott and Costello star in Coming Round the Mountain at the Revere Drive In. Farley Granger stars in Strangers on a Train at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

**80 years ago August 7, 1941**  
A total of an additional 93 Winthrop young men who have reached the age of 21 since last October have registered for the draft under the provisions of the Selective Service Act. There presently are 355 Winthrop men in the armed services, of whom 280 are volunteers. Winthrop was well-represented at the annual Soap

Box Derby Classic held at Suffolk Downs under the auspices of the Boston Traveler and the Chevrolet dealers of Metropolitan Boston. Winthrop contestants were sponsored by Gordon Fullerton Chevrolet.

Funeral services were held Tuesday in Wethersfield, Conn., for Benjamin Lee Whorf, a Winthrop native and son of Sara and the late Harry Whorf. He was the brother of John Whorf, nationally-known watercolorist who resides in the art colony of Provincetown, and renowned actor Richard Whorf. Benjamin Whorf was a nationally-recognized authority on ancient Mayan and Aztec civilizations.

Mrs. Arthur Cassidy will act as hostess for the dance to be held Friday evening at Ft. Banks. All young ladies should bring their green invitation cards and enter the military reservation by the upper gate on Revere St.

Joan Crawford and Melynn Douglas star in A Woman’s Face at the Winthrop Theatre.

**90 years ago August 8, 1931**  
The issuance by Building Inspector Timothy Mahaney of five building permits for new homes and nine for substantial garages is a good sign for our local economy amidst so much uncertainty in the financial world. Local contractor Frank J. McQueeney is installing new cement sidewalks on Washington Ave. Spencer Tracy stars in Six Cylinder Love at the Winthrop and State theaters.

**100 years ago August 6, 1921**  
The big Country Fair being sponsored by the Elks, the only event of its kind being held in Suffolk County, is expected to attract thousands of visitors to our town. The Elks are requesting that all residents fly the flag from their homes so that outsiders will see the patriotism of our citizenry. The Elks hope that the funds to be raised by the fair will be sufficient to burn the mortgage on their clubhouse.

Pt. Shirley was thrown into sadness when word was received of the drowning of five year old Walter G. Reed, whose family is summering at 66 Undine Ave. The youngster reportedly was stricken ill while swimming and drowned. The police arrived with the lungmotor, but were unable to revive him.

**110 years ago August 12, 1911**  
The state tax upon cities and towns will amount to \$5.5 million, of which \$16,830 will be Winthrop’s share. By contrast, Chelsea will have to pay the state \$36,315 and Revere \$22,330.

The assessors have announced a new tax rate of \$19.20, an increase of \$1.00 and the highest since the Civil War. Although the number of dwellings in town has increased by 62 to 2311 and the assessed value of property has increased by \$1,014,000 to \$14,209,000, these increases were only half the rate of last year. But thanks to the appropriations voted by Town Meeting, the tax rate went up substantially.

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## WINTHROP STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

### SULLIVAN GRADUATES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN WITH CUM LAUDE HONORS.

Braeden C. Sullivan of Winthrop has received a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Biology from the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of New Haven.

### WINTHROP STUDENTS NAMED TO HONOR ROLL AT BC HIGH

The following Winthrop students have been named to the Third and/or Fourth Quarter Honor Roll at Boston College High School:

Shep Alstrom '24 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4

Honors  
John Anderson '21 - Quarter 3 Honors  
Aidan Cash '21 - Quarter 3 Honors  
Jackson D'Ambrosio '24 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 High Honors  
John Giorgio '22 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 High Honors  
Hunter Kennedy '22 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 High Honors  
Hayes Kennedy '24 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 High Honors  
Sean Montgomery '22 - Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 High Honors  
Benjamin Nguyen '24 - Quarter 3 Honors  
Cedric Wysocki '24 - Quarter 3 Honors and Quarter 4 High Honors

Seniors graduated in May and were not named to the Quarter 4 Honor Roll.

For High Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least a 3.80 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.6 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher.

For Honors a Sophomore, Junior, and Senior must have at least a 3.20 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.165 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher.

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,500 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more information please visit bchigh.edu.

# Officials urge public to inspect Boxwood Shrubs for tree moths

Staff report

The Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) is alerting Massachusetts residents that it has received notification from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) that a number of nurseries within the Commonwealth received Canadian boxwood plants potentially infested with box tree moths.

Box tree moths are an invasive pest that feed on the leaves of boxwood shrubs and can cause complete defoliation, eventually killing the plant. While state and federal inspectors have not found any signs of box tree moths at the nurseries, state officials warn that some of the plants may have been sold before inspections began, or were purchased out of state and planted in Massachusetts. MDAR and APHIS urge anyone in Massachusetts who may have purchased boxwood shrubs this spring to check the plants for signs of the moth.

"MDAR is working with its federal partners at the USDA to prevent the box tree moth from spreading and establishing itself in Massachusetts," said MDAR Commissioner John Lebeaux. "We ask Massachusetts residents that purchased boxwood shrubs this spring to take a close look at the plants to aid in our efforts to prevent this invasive species from expanding into the state and causing severe damage to Massachusetts' popular boxwood shrubs."

If a boxwood plant was purchased this past spring, state officials request that residents inspect it for signs of the moth, and report any findings to <https://massnr.org/pests/report.aspx> or by calling 617-626-1779. When inspecting your boxwood shrubs, look for all of the life stages of this pest: eggs, caterpillars, pupae, and adults. Eggs are typically laid in gelatinous masses on the underside of boxwood leaves, but may also be laid singly. Caterpillars can grow up to 1.5 inches long, and are yellowish green with a black head, and long black stripes and spots that reach from the head to the end of the body. The caterpillars create pockets of webbing within the boxwood shrubs to wall themselves

off from predators. When they are ready to morph into adult moths, they form small green pupae. Adults typically have white wings with a dark brown border, but can sometimes be all brown with just a small white streak on each wing.

Box tree moths (*Cydal-*

*ima perspectalis*) are native to Asia and are now a pest in both Europe and Canada. They can produce several generations between June and October, which makes urgent action essential to prevent this pest from establishing itself in Massachusetts.



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An Adult box tree moth (wingspan is 1.5 to 1.75 inches).

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE



#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Winthrop Town By-Laws, that the Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on August 11, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom on the Notice of Intent from Jon and Shannon Poulos, 131 Terrace Avenue, Winthrop, MA to rebuild a retaining wall, regrade land to prevent water from draining towards house, build an inground pool, lay foundation for future garage, located in the buffer zone of Coastal Beaches. PROJECT LOCATION: 131 Terrace Avenue, Winthrop, MA Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84436014686?pwd=UUVJN0pyVORXZ2cyM-WMvM2JiZmlrQT09> Meeting ID: 844 3601 4686 Passcode: 872691 One tap mobile +13126266799, 84436014686# US (Chicago) +16465588656, 84436014686# US (New York) Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) NOTE: A copy of application may be obtained from the Conservation Office via email ([rkelly@town.winthrop.ma.us](mailto:rkelly@town.winthrop.ma.us)) or calling 617-846-1852 x1013 At said hearing all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. WINTHROP CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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### LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF AUGUST 17, 2021  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 in

the Harvey Hearing and Via Zoom at on or after 7:00PM that the Town Council transfer \$147,000 from Capital Stabilization to General Fund for Sidewalks and Police Car That the Town Council vote to modify the General Fund Budget to close the FY21 Year  
Denise Quist  
Council Clerk

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### LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF AUGUST 17, 2021

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 2.9 (c) of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 in the Harvey Hearing and Via Zoom at on or after 7:00PM ORDERED: That the Town appropriates the sum of NINE MILLION NINE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND FIVE DOLLARS (\$9,940,005) to pay costs of the Ingleside Park drainage project, including costs of upgrading undersized and aging storm drain infrastructure and constructing approximately 4,000 linear feet of 18-inch through 60-inch diameter drain pipe, an underground detention system to store storm water runoff during rising tides, a new pump station and force main, restoration of site amenities impacted by the proposed improvements and upgrades to an existing outfall and tide gate to meet current design standards and forecasted sea level rise, and all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Manager, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §(1) and/or M.G.L. c.29C, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Manager, is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the "Trust") established pursuant to M.G.L. c.29C of the General Laws and in connection therewith the Treasurer is authorized to enter into a loan agreement with the

Trust and the Town Manager is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.  
Denise Quist  
Council Clerk

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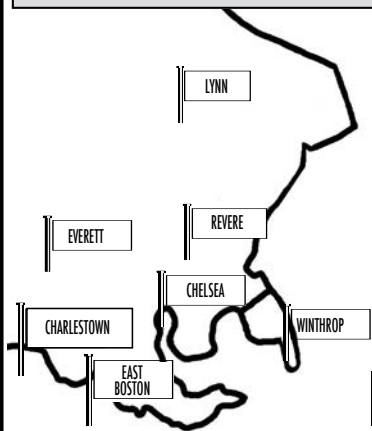
### LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING PUBLIC HEARING-TOWN COUNCIL 8-17-21

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Winthrop Town Charter Section 8-4 S(b) that the Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at on or after 7:00 PM in the Harvey Hearing Room and Via Zoom in response to a Group Petition to (1) Temporarily request to suspend the removal of any public shade tree not posing a clear and imminent danger to safety, and (2)Require any other tree removal deemed potential hazard and subject to possible removal be addressed at a public hearing in conjunction with MGL Chapter 87 (emergency tree removal hearing). Further to this emergency tree removal hearing, any citizen objection to removal of said shade tree be subject to review by an independent arborist with written recommendation of same to be made publicly available prior to any action.

Both of these temporary measures will expire upon the adoption and implementation of a Winthrop Tree Ordinance. All materials may be reviewed in the Town Clerks Office, Room 5  
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Dept. of Public Health releases updated face-covering advisory

Staff Report

The Department of Public Health (DPH) released updated guidance regarding the use of face coverings and cloth masks by individuals who are fully vaccinated for COVID-19. This week, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released updated guidance that continues to state that individuals who are fully vaccinated may, as a general matter, resume many of the activities that they engaged in prior to the pandemic without wearing a mask or staying six feet apart, except where otherwise required by federal, state, or local laws, rules or regulations. In response to the recent spread of the Delta variant, however, the CDC’s updated guidance does recommend that even fully vaccinated persons wear masks or face coverings when indoors if other risk factors are present. In light of the information provided by the CDC, and in order to maximize protection of vulnerable individuals from the Delta variant, the Department of Public Health released updated guidance today that recommends that a fully vaccinated person wear a mask or face covering when indoors (and not in your own home) if you have a weakened immune system, or if you are at increased risk for severe disease because of your age or an underlying medical condition, or if someone in your household has a weakened immune system, is at increased risk for severe disease, or is unvaccinated. All people in Massachusetts (regardless of vaccination status) are required to continue wearing face coverings in certain settings, including transportation and health care facilities. Please see [www.mass.gov/maskrules](https://www.mass.gov/maskrules) for a complete list of venues where face coverings remain mandatory as of May 29, 2021.

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