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2022 PARKING PERMIT IS ONLINE

Applications for 2022 Resident Parking Permits are now being accepted. Motorists are reminded that a valid resident parking permit or visitor placard is required to park on all town streets and lots between 1:00 AM and 5:00 AM every day.

Due to fulfillment delays caused by a supply chain issue at the printer, 2021 permits will remain valid through January 18, 2022 to allow 30 days of fulfillment prior to enforcement. Mailing of 2022 resident permits and visitor placards began on December 15, 2021 and continues at this time. Please remember, if you pay for your order by e-check, the order will not be mailed until that check clears.

There is a \$5.00 fee for a parking permit and a fee of \$10.00 for a visitor's placard whether you apply online or by mail. These fees are waived for senior citizens, or residents with a valid handicapped parking placard or plate issued by the RMV. Permit applications are fulfilled by mail.

In-Person applications are no longer accepted except under special circumstances by appointment. All applications are only

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SANTA IN WINTHROP

Above, the Winthrop Fire Department drives Santa all around the town. Santa waved to all who attended.

Right, the Sullivan Family at Quincy Ave. waves to Santa's procession. See Page 12 for more photos.



Preserving the Past

Hubbard takes historian's role to incredible heights

By Cary Shuman

George David Hubbard II did not grow up in Winthrop. But once he arrived and fell in love with the town, he never left.

Unless you count the time he returned briefly to Cincinnati, Ohio, for the

very good reason actor Robin Williams says in Good Will Hunting: "I gotta see about a girl," — and he then married Claire Koch in Cincinnati and they returned to Winthrop.

Dave Hubbard and Claire Hubbard spent their honeymoon in Niagara

Falls and they have lived in Winthrop ever since.

Dave Hubbard has been a town historian for multiple decades, but it wasn't until a few years ago that the Winthrop Town Council officially proclaimed him "The Town Historian."

It's an honorable title he doesn't take lightly and quite frankly, it's hard to match his commitment to bringing Winthrop town history to light.

Hubbard has written three books about Winthrop's history, Mapping Winthrop, The Postcard Book of Winthrop, and Winthrop Then and Now: Student Activity NGR (Narrow Gauge Railroad) Book.

And on these very pages of the Winthrop Sun-Transcript, Hubbard has graced

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WE LOVE OUR TOWN: Dave Hubbard and Claire Hubbard are pictured outside their Winthrop home which overlooks Halford Beach and the Atlantic Ocean.

School Committee recognizes Perrin for 12 years of service

By Laura Plummer

On Dec. 20, School Committee Chair Brian Perrin received a special citation for his service on the board over the past 12 years.

Perrin, who is a practicing attorney, chose not to seek re-election for another term and will instead be focusing on his law office, Perrin & Perrin. He called his tenure on the School Committee both challenging and rewarding.

Perrin thanked Supt. Lisa Howard and her staff "for all they do every day to make the Winthrop School System the best it can be."

"Their hard work and efforts are truly noticed and appreciated," he said. "Regardless of the challenges that arose throughout my tenure, they met them head on and overcame them."

Perrin also congratulated the newly elected School Committee members.

"It's time for fresh perspectives to solve problems and create innovative solutions," he told the Gazette.

Perrin's colleagues on the School Committee only had positive things to say about his service.

"His dedication was apparent as he led the School Committee through a difficult time," said Vice Chair Jen Powell. "His focus was always on trying to make decisions in the best interest of students."

"I learned a lot under

[Brian's] leadership," said Julie Barry. "I'm proud of our accomplishments for the children of this district."

"It has been my great honor to serve with Brian and I am fortunate to have him as my close friend," Gus Martucci said. "Many students have benefited from his service to the School Department."

"Brian was able to maintain a sense of calm through this tumultuous year," said Suzanne Swope. "He brought his expertise as a lawyer and knowledge of the community as a long-time resident."

Town Councillor Rob DeMarco also weighed in.

"[Brian] deserves a lot of credit for dealing with frustrated and angry parents during COVID, which must have been unbelievably difficult," he said. "He has more than earned a break."

In addition to his tenure on the School Committee, Perrin served on numerous boards for over three decades: Town Meeting, Parks & Recreation, the Zoning Board of Appeals, Handicapped Affairs and the Retirement Board. He also served as a Selectman and a Winthrop Police Lieutenant.

"I was lucky to have served with some of the brightest and hardworking people I have ever known over the past 33 years," Perrin said. "I appreciate the many years I have been allowed to serve the people of Winthrop."



Brian Perrin receives a plaque from School Committeeman Gus Martucci. Looking on are from left Patty Hames Executive Secretary, School Committee members, Julie Barry, Martucci, Perrin, Suzanne Swope, Lisa Howard, Superintendent and Phil Boncore, Council President.

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2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

Staff Report

The old expression, “The more things change, the more they remain the same,” certainly seemed to sum up the year 2021 in Winthrop. The news at the beginning of the year was that COVID was devastating the Winthrop community with deaths and hospitalizations.

Though by the end of 2021 many residents were fully vaccinated, the new Omicron variant, which arose in late November, once again sent COVID-19 cases soaring in the town even among the fully-vaccinated.

Here are some of the other stories that made the headlines in the city in 2021:

SCHOOLS

After almost a year of remote learning, life returned to normal in early spring, as more students were able to go to school, and by the time the school year opened in September, in-class learning was back, though all school children and public school staff were required to wear a face mask.

Sports for Winthrop athletes returned to somewhat near-normal in the spring, with all of the WHS athletic programs competing in an abbreviated schedule.

The 2021 fall sports season saw the Viking teams compete in a full schedule against their Northeastern Conference opponents. The WHS boys soccer team enjoyed its most-successful season in history and the Viking football team came within a whisker of reaching the Super Bowl, falling to the eventual state champion, Rockland, in a close decision, 37-34.

In addition, Winthrop fans were happy to see the return of the Winthrop-Revere football game on Thanksgiving Day after a two-year absence.

However, as the 2022 winter season got underway, the appearance of the Omicron variant of the virus is threatening to play havoc with athletic participation.

The big highlight for the Winthrop schools in 2021

was the return of a normal high school graduation ceremony, with 146 Winthrop High grads receiving their diplomas at Miller Field in June with their family members in attendance.

POLITICS

The local political landscape changed dramatically with the bombshell announcement by State Rep. Robert DeLeo, who was Speaker of the House and had represented Winthrop for 30 years, that he was retiring to accept a teaching position at Northeastern.

The open seat had four candidates seeking the Democratic nomination in February. Jeffrey Turco went on to win the Democratic primary in March and a month later handily defeated Independent candidate Richard Fucillo, Jr. and Republican candidate Paul Caruccio in the March 30 election.

Then in September, State Senator Joseph Boncore announced that he would be giving up his seat. Two candidates vied for the position, Revere School Committeeman Anthony D’Ambrosio and Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards, with Edwards handily winning the Democratic nomination, which is tantamount to winning the final election in January.

Winthrop municipal elections also dominated the news in 2021.

Town Council President Philip Boncore lost to Councilor Jim Letterie, who will lead the town starting in January. Letterie represented Precinct 2 on the Town Council for the past 16 years.

A YEAR OF LOSS

In January, Winthrop residents saw the passings of long-time retired Winthrop police officer Robert McFarland and Richard Dimes, who had served Winthrop residents in elective and appointive positions for more than 50 years.

In August, popular business owner Tina Hinojosa was killed in a car accident at the intersection of Haggman Road and Pauline St. The other driver, an East Boston man in his 80s,

sustained injuries and was charged with motor vehicle homicide and OUI.

Hinojosa worked as an accountant for Roof Repairs Corp. in Winthrop and was owner and founder of SoulDrink, as well as the former co-owner of The Yoga Lounge in Winthrop.

HATE CRIME

Winthrop residents were shocked on a quiet Saturday in June by a heinous hate crime that claimed the lives of two members of our community. Nathan Allen, a 28 year-old Wareham native who had lived in Winthrop for two years, went on a rampage after stealing and crashing a truck on Shirley St., shooting and killing two Black residents, retired State Trooper David Green, a lifelong and well-known Winthrop resident, and Ramona Cooper, a retired Air Force Sergeant. Allen himself was shot and killed by a Winthrop police sergeant who responded to the scene.

OTHER NEWS

Fire Chief Paul Flanagan announced his retirement from the Winthrop Fire Department after more than 40 years in service to the Town.

Winthrop Town Council heard that the local ferry service was losing almost \$1,000 a day as of July 29. The ferry started its 2021 service in April.

The Field House at Miller Field was officially named the Tony Fucillo Field House at ceremonies in October. The longtime Winthrop football coach expressed his thanks for the honor.

Also, longtime Winthrop High Coach Pat MaGee had the new track at Miller Field named after her. Both coaches had a profound and positive influence on thousands of Winthrop High athletes.

Although we can expect to continue to grapple with the fallout from the ever-changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, we also will find a community that is moving forward as it prepares to meet the challenges of the third decade of the 21st century.

LETTERIE ELECTED COUNCIL PRESIDENT



Town Council President-elect, Jim Letterie, is surrounded by well-wishers Dawn and Jake Letterie, Phil and Denice Todisco, Todd Sacco and Suzanne Chiudina.

WINTHROP BUSINESS OWNER TINA HINOJOSA KILLED BY DRUNK DRIVER



Friends and family alike have set up a memorial shrine in memory Tina Hinojosa adjacent to the site of the accident.

146 GRADUATE FROM WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL



From left, Sofia Vitale, Matthew Skobeleff, Lily Skomro, Evan Smotrich, Jami Snow, valedictorian, and Jack Soares.

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WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

THAI CHICKEN TENDERS INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tablespoons sesame oil
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken sliced into strips
- 2 teaspoons minced ginger
- ½ cup hoisin sauce
- ½ cup Creamy Peanut Butter
- 1 teaspoon McCormick(r) cayenne pepper
- ½ cup scallions, chopped

STEP 1

Heat oil in large skillet and cook chicken until it is no longer pink, about 2-3 minutes. Reduce heat to low and add ginger, Hoisin sauce, Peter Pan peanut butter and McCormick cayenne pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, until sauce is bubbly and warm, 1-2 minutes. Remove from heat and sprinkle with scallions. Serve immediately.

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OUR Opinions

YES, LET’S RING OUT
THE OLD AND
RING IN THE NEW

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

But after reading the poem in its entirety, we are printing the whole thing, because it sums up -- better than we ever could express -- our feelings about 2021 and our hopes for 2022.

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

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

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

We wish all of our readers a Happy and Healthy New Year. Here’s hoping that 2022 brings health and happiness to all of us.

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Forum

GUEST OP-ED

Our Most Difficult Decision for 2022

Dr. Glenn Mollette

2022 will be over almost quicker than you can say Happy New Year! Just look how fast 2021 sped by us all. Time rarely feels as if it’s standing still unless we are waiting on something to happen. Time only drags when we need something to happen like a cure for a disease, a job to open or a relative to come home. When time drags, we make the mistake of wishing it away. We only have a little bit of time. We all have the same in a day, a week or a year. Every year that we live we are extended the same number of days and minutes. We do all kinds of things with time. We waste time, kill time, try to make up time, lose track of time or don’t pay attention to time. Regardless of how we treat time it’s only doing one thing moving swiftly through the hourglass one grain or second at a time. I’m thankful for time with my wife and each family member. I’m grateful for this moment to sit here and type a few words out on my keyboard. I suppose one of my problems is how do I fit all I want to do into my time? I guess I enjoy doing too much. If I only enjoyed doing one or two things then my time spent might be a little easier. Each day and moment I would simply devote my full attention to one particular aspect of life. Actually, that might not be a bad idea. Could I devote 24 hours a day to my family? I could, but they really don’t want me in their hair 24/7. I could devote 24 hours a day to prayer and reading the Bible or reading other good books. But then, I don’t want to be an isolated religious person who never enjoys this incredible world or people. I could devote 24 hours a day to my educational work and do a lot of the work that others do. However, institutions are stronger and better when the work is spread around to others. I could spend more time simply writing books or pursuing other hobbies I enjoy. Somehow, we have to determine what is best. I heard about this farmer who hired a man to sort potatoes. The man’s job was to put the bad potatoes in one pile, the good potatoes in another pile and the best potatoes in another pile. The man agreed to the job. At the end of the day the farmer came to see how his new employee was doing and he had not done anything. He was simply standing looking back and forth at two potatoes. The farmer bewildered asked “Why haven’t you done what I asked you to do?” The hired man responded “I just can’t decide between the good and the best potatoes.” Our dilemma in 2022 may not be in deciding between good and bad but between good and best. There are a lot of good things we can do with our time in 2022. Using our time to do the best things may be our most difficult decision. Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

Boncore on COVID: ‘We are in dire straits’

By Laura Plummer

hugging.” “Drive down these numbers, get your boosters,” added Town Manager Terence Delehanty. “Try to be careful and do the right thing,” urged Bill Schmidt, Chair of the Winthrop Board of Health. Testing sites were scaled back when it appeared the pandemic was waning. Test kits are sold out in most retail locations. However, Winthrop received over 5,000 free tests to distribute to needy families. It is working on delivering those tests to food pantries, daycares and houses of worship. The town’s volunteer-run vaccine clinics will not resume until the New Year. However, residents can receive vaccines at various out-of-town locations, such as the Chelsea Senior Center. General Updates Outgoing Council Pres. Boncore, Councilor Peter Christopher, and Councilor Richard Ferrino all received citations for their service to the Winthrop Town Council. The men received praise and thanks from their colleagues and community members, and posed for photographs. The Council voted unanimously to name Winthrop’s new dog park after community advocate Michael McDuffee, who passed away in 2019. There will be a dedication and a groundbreaking in the spring once the ground thaws. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee Member John Morgan urged residents to clear and salt their walkways once the snow comes to make them safer for all pedestrians and not just the handicapped. The Town has collected almost \$700,000 in trash fees since the fee went into effect. It is monitoring its waste tonnage, and reports 50 tons (100,000 pounds) less waste than the previous year. Town Manager Delehanty is pushing for the regionalization of the Winthrop Ferry, and hopes to develop a solution before the next season commences. Midyear budget reviews are underway, and so far all town departments appear to be operating in the black. Important Dates The next meeting of the Winthrop Town Council will be on Wednesday, January 5, and not Tuesday January 4. There will be a swearing-in ceremony for all elected officials on Jan. 5 at 6pm at the Senior Center. A special election for State Senator will be held on Jan. 11. A District-Wide election for the Northeast Vocational School will be held on Jan. 25. Precincts 1, 2 and 5 will vote at the Winthrop Gymnasium on Pauline Street. Precincts 3 and 6 will vote at the Senior Center, and Precinct 4 will vote on Golden Drive. Check the Town’s website for holiday hours.

Holiday fire prevention tips issued following blaze

State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey issued a reminder to use extension cords, power strips, and electrical devices safely after two people were injured in an early morning fire that badly damaged a Nahant residence. Working smoke alarms were present in the home and activated. “This would have been a worse tragedy if not for the quick action by Nahant Firefighters and Nahant Police to locate and remove two residents,” said Nahant Fire Chief Antrim. “Power strips and extension cords offer convenience, but they aren’t intended for constant use. Powering many devices at once can overload and overheat them, causing an electrical fire. Always use a cord that’s rated for the wattage of whatever you’re powering, and if you’re using an extension cord outdoors be sure it’s marked for outdoor use.” “Plugging one extension cord or power strip into another isn’t safe,” said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey. “Unplug devices that aren’t in use, and always plug heating and cooling appliances directly into a wall socket. Check the cords and discard them if the insulation is cracked, worn, or damaged. It’s much easier to replace an extension cord than all the things that can burn in a fire.” The exact cause of the fire remains under investigation by the Nahant Fire Department and the State Police Fire & Explosion Investigation Unit assigned to the State Fire Marshal’s office. Investigators determined that it began in the front left corner of the living room, where numerous power strips, extension cords, and electrical devices were observed. While this fire did not involve a Christmas tree, the flammability of trees in many homes during the holiday season presents an additional hazard at this time of year. Watering the tree daily and disposing of it early can reduce that hazard. Similarly, candles cause more fires in the winter holiday season than at any other time of year: always keep a one-foot “circle of safety” free of anything that can burn around candles, and always extinguish them before leaving a room. For more holiday fire safety tips, visit the Department of Fire Services website.

After 35 years of service, Daniel O’Leary, chief executive officer of Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES), is retiring at the end of December. Dan’s leadership championed the importance of elder care within MVES’ communities and staff. More than 200 people recently came to wish Dan well on his retirement at Anthony’s of Malden and welcome Lisa Gurgone, who will become MVES’ new CEO in January. Pictured, Lisa Gurgone will be joining MVES as CEO in January as Daniel O’Leary steps down as CEO after 35 years.

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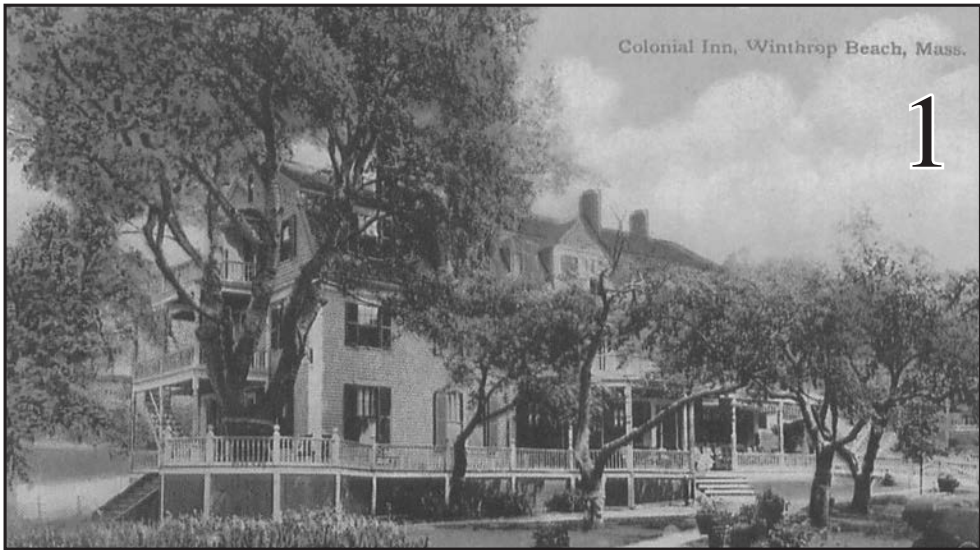
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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

ARTICLE 811 - EARLY POSTCARDS OF WINTHROP



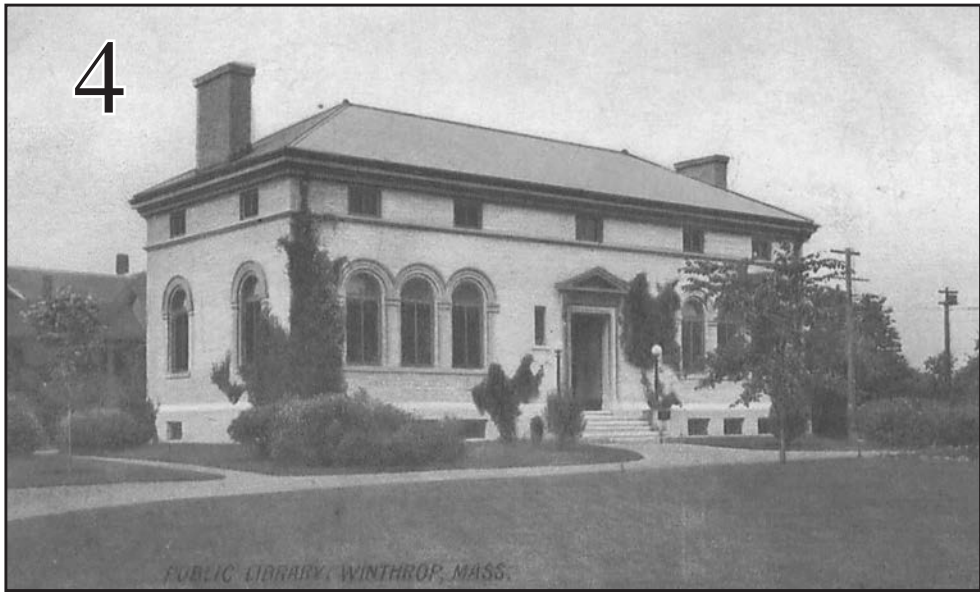
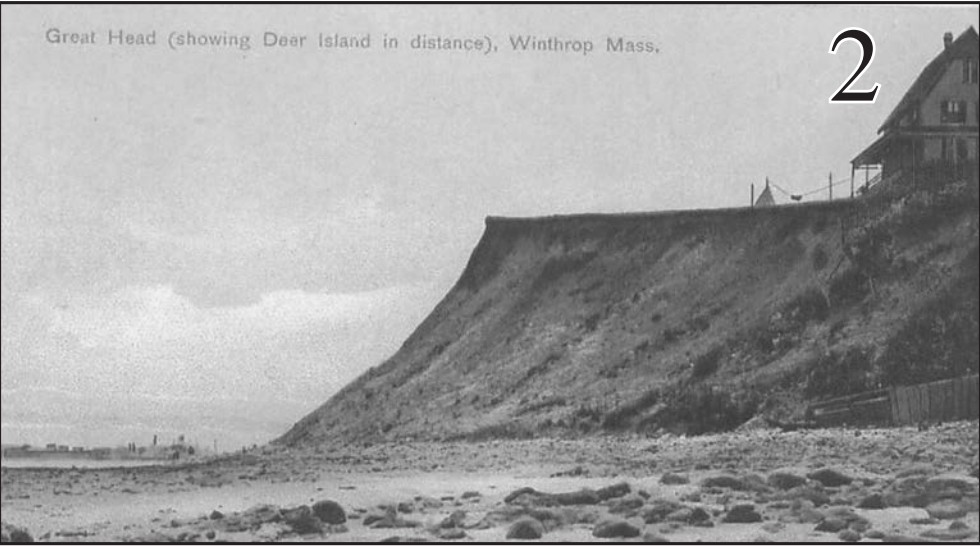
During the past 16 years, 811 “Then & Now” articles have appeared in the Winthrop Transcript in which some 1,500 photographs depicting Winthrop as it was in the past and as it appears today have been published. Many of the early pictures were taken from glass plates made in the 1865 to 1900 time period. However, another source of such early views is available in the form of picture postcards printed during the same time period. Deltiology is the formal name in the United States for postcard collecting and currently ranks third as the largest collectable hobby in the world surpassed only by coin and stamp collecting. Four examples of such early postcards are printed below and provide a visual insight into the photographer’s ability to capture various aspects of Winthrop life during this period. Picture #1 is of the Colonial Inn at 600 Shirley St. as it appeared about 1907. Note the lovely trees and gardens in front of it. Built about 1895, the rear section incorporated the

1846 home of John Tewksbury. During the 1940 to 1970 period it was called the Governor Winthrop Hotel and today it is known as the Inn at Crystal Cove. Picture #2 was taken looking South from what is now Shore Drive toward Cottage Hill, about 1900, prior to the 1910 construction of the Water Tower. Picture #3, also taken about 1900, depicts a summer afternoon along the Boulevard at Winthrop beach. If one studies this picture, it is amazing to note the number of the buildings shown that are still there. Picture #4 shows the Public Library shortly after it was constructed in 1898. The Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association has established an Educational Committee that is designated to make available historical information about Winthrop for our residents, especially the school children, to enhance their appreciation for our hometown. In addition to these articles and several video shows that have been produced on WCAT, three books have been published,

as noted below, which are now available and can be obtained from The Winthrop Book Depot, The Winthrop Market Place, Century 21 Seacoast, Elliot Whittier Insurance, Simon’s Winthrop Bookstore or by contacting this writer.

1. A new “Winthrop Then & Now Historical Postcards of Winthrop” book with ~ 600 old postcards printed therein.
2. The “Winthrop Then & Now Historical Mapping” book with maps of our peninsula from 1624 to date.
3. A Student Activity Book on the NGRR Train that ran thru town from about 1890 to 1940.

To the two businesses, Paul W. Marks Company Inc. and Elliot Whittier Insurance Company, that have been kind enough to place advertisements on the back cover of books one and two, we again wish to extend our appreciation and sincere thanks for their kind generosity in support of the preservation of Winthrop’s history.



THE MORE Things Change ...

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

10 years ago December 29, 2011

Peter Gill will take the oath of office as the new president of the Winthrop Town Council at the swearing-in ceremony to be held on Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cummings School Cafetorium. Gill was elected in November, defeating incumbent President Jeffrey Turco, who served for two years as the leader of the nine-member Town Council. Thomas Reilly was the first president of the Council in the new form of government.

As a way to recognize those who work for the betterment of Winthrop, and to launch the year with their new leadership team, the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce will hold its 21st annual Kick-Off Dinner & Awards Night on Friday, January 27. The Hyatt Harborside at Logan Airport will once again host this event. The 2012 award recipients include many deserving honorees, including: Sheryl Queen of Twist & Shake will receive the 2012 Chamber Member of the Year award for her active participation in many events throughout the year; the Visual Achievement award will go to Elliot Whittier Insurance, which has made significant physical improvements in their location on Revere Street and has made a major commitment to help beautify the town; Roseann Maz-zuchelli will receive the Community Service award to recognize her involvement and dedication to Winthrop youth; receiving the Lifetime Achievement award will be Charlie and Debbie Tewksbury, owners of one of Winthrop’s oldest businesses, Tewksbury’s Greenhouses; and Hong Kong Dragon will receive the 2012 Business of the Year award -- the restaurant renovated and expanded this past year, making a major impact in town.

Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol, New Year’s Eve, and War Horse are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

Monsters Inc., and Ocean’s Eleven are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago December 31, 1991

Suffolk County Sheriff Robert Rufo officially decommissioned the Suffolk County House of Correction on Deer Island yesterday. The new Suffolk County jail will be located in the South Cove area of Boston. The jail on Deer Island was relocated to make way for the MWRA sewage treatment plant.

Warner Cable will increase the standard monthly rate for subscribers by \$1.65 to a new rate of \$21.57 effective January 1.

Opposition is mounting to Logan Airport’s Airport Modernization Plan, with Winthrop and area residents expressing their intent to file statements in opposition.

The Prince of Tides is playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago December 30, 1981

Selectman Robert E. Noonan, who also serves as a captain in the Army Reserve, has been awarded a Commendation Medal by the Secretary of the Army and Major General Jason Eisner for his exceptionally-meritorious service as a Legal Assistance Officer with the 94th ARCOM.

Retiring Auxiliary Police Chief Jack Arena was honored this week by the selectmen for his years of service.

The selectmen and Police Chief David Rice will discuss reinstituting the police call box system that was discontinued in 1977 because of the deterioration of the underground lines.

Police have arrested the alleged cigarette thief who is responsible for break-ins into many local businesses and the theft of hundreds of cartons of cigarettes.

Meryl Streep and Jeremy Irons star in The French Lieutenant’s Woman at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago December 29, 1971

Massport has announced it will hold hearings in Revere, Winthrop, and East Boston to listen to concerns of residents of those communities concerning jet noise from Logan Airport.

Police are probing the deaths of two men who were shot and killed when they broke into the apartment of Robert Carr at 132 Shore Drive. Carr himself was wounded in both legs and is under heavy guard in his room at the MGH. Sgt. Griffin and patrolman LaMonica responded to the scene at 3:00 a.m.

President Richard M. Nixon sent a congratulatory letter to Samuel Corwin upon his selection as the Man of the Year by the local B’nai B’rith. More than 400 persons were on hand for the awards banquet this Sunday. Corwin received the selection upon the occasion of his 95th birthday. Police Chief David Rice also was honored as a Man of the Year.

Shaft, with music by Isaac Hayes, is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago December 30, 1961

Mrs. Catherine C. Giromini has announced her candidacy for re-election to the School Committee.

Mrs. Evelyn Porter, secretary of the Citizens Committee for Fair Assessments, has announced that local realtor George Frat-taroli will be a candidate for the Board of Assessors in the upcoming town election.

The Lodge of Elks played host to over 100 underprivileged children at their annual Christmas party.

Edward J. King of Winthrop, Secretary/Treasurer of the Massachusetts Port Authority, has been named the campaign leader for Suffolk County for the Boston College fundraising effort.

Bob Hope and Lana Turner star in Bachelor in Paradise at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago December 30, 1951

Peter Princi, a selectman since 1949 and twice chairman of that board, has announced that he will not be a candidate for re-election in March, citing the pressure of his law practice. Princi’s rise to the top of the Board of Selectmen came after two unsuccessful tries for School Committee in 1947 and 1948.

Israel Sisson, founder and one of the first presidents of Temple Tifereth Israel, passed away this week at the age of 76 in Florida.

Andrew Benson has announced his candidacy for the Board of Selectmen.

Clark Gable and Ricardo Montalban star in Across the Wide Missouri at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago December 30, 1941

The Winthrop American Legion Post has asked all motorists to salvage their 1941 plates for reuse in 1942 which will save an estimated 800 tons of steel to aid the war effort.

The selectmen have named Francis Madden as Chairman of the newly created War Rationing Board. Tires and other commodities are expected to be on the rationing list.

Rosalind Russell and Don Ameche star in The Feminine Touch at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

90 years ago December 30, 1931

With its Christmas work successfully accomplished, Chairman Preston Churchill of the Winthrop Unemployment Committee said the committee is settling down for its winter activities. There are 287 Winthrop families registered as needing employment with that figure expected to rise after the holiday season.

It is hoped that the new Winthrop Community Hospital building on Lincoln St. will be ready for occupancy in February.

100 years ago December 30, 1921

Dorothy Campbell, 12 years old, was taken to the Metcalf Hospital for a laceration on her lip following a sledding collision with another youngster on Lincoln St.

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GIVE A CHILD A HOME FOR THE NEW YEAR

The Home for Little Wanderers is offering a re-

quired education program for people interested in becoming adoptive or foster parents in the new year. People interested in becoming foster or adoptive parents can apply to attend the free, 30-hour Massachusetts Approach to Partnerships in Parenting (MAPP) education program from 5:30-8:30 PM every Monday and Thursdays starting on January 10, 2022 and ending on February 10, 2022. In Massachusetts, there

are over 2,800 children in foster care with a goal of adoption and over 1,200 of these children have no identified adoption resource such as a relative or foster parent. “There is no better time to welcome a child in need of love and support into your home than the start of a new year,” said Lesli Suggs, LICSW, President and CEO of The Home for Little Wanderers. “Children need to know that they have a permanent adult in their

life to take care of them and to help them grow into well-rounded adults. Children who grow up without a permanent family and “age out” of the child welfare system are more likely to experience homelessness, substance abuse, and be involved in the criminal justice system. The love and support of a family can make all the difference.” According to the Chapin Hall University of Chicago Voices of Youth Count report, 56 percent of Suffolk

County’s homeless and unstably housed young people have been in the foster care and/or juvenile and criminal justice systems. The Home’s adoption and foster programs provide all the necessary training, licensing, matching, and supportive services for families to adopt or foster. The Home encourages adoptive and foster parents from all races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, socio-economic backgrounds and religions.

Adoptive or foster parents can be couples or single individuals. Children come from a variety of backgrounds and many have experienced multiple types of maltreatment such as neglect or abuse. To learn more about becoming an adoptive or foster parent, visit www.thehome.org/adoption or contact The Home at (617)-288-7450, adoptioninfo@thehome.org, or fostercareinfo@thehome.org.

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our readers’ presence with more than 1,000 “Winthrop Then And Now” articles.

Making the journey from Ohio to Winthrop

Dave Hubbard was born in New Haven, Connecticut, and lived there for less than a year. He relocated briefly to Buffalo, N.Y., and West Newton, Mass., through third grade. He moved to Canton, Ohio – a stone’s throw from the site of the National Football League Hall of Fame – and lived there through high school. “I graduated in 1951 from William McKinley High School. “The [25th] President, William McKinley, had lived across the street from where the school was built,” recalled Hubbard. He very much enjoyed history as a high school student, but his professional future would be in the field of electrical engineering. “I attended the University of Cincinnati and got my undergraduate degree in electrical engineering,” said Hubbard, who also holds a master’s degree from Northeastern University in electrical engineering. At the University of Cincinnati, Hubbard joined the Acacia Fraternity and was its social chairman and

president. Upon his graduation, Hubbard went to work at AVCO in Cincinnati. After a couple of months, he was asked to relocate to Winthrop where he became field engineer for AVCO’s electronic equipment that had been built for Logan Airport. That’s when he returned to Cincinnati for the purpose of proposing to his future wife, Claire, who had lived three doors away from Dave’s college fraternity house. “We got married in Cincinnati in 1958,” he said. “We’ve lived in Winthrop since that time. At first, we lived in a third-floor apartment on Belcher Street looking down on the back of the Winthrop Police Station. We had a baby (Sandra), so my wife, Claire, and I decided we better find some other place to live, because it looked like we were going to be here for a little while.” A real estate agent brought the young couple to a house on Nahant Avenue that had been built in 1905 as a wedding present for the owner, Elizabeth Halford. Dave and Claire Hubbard eventually purchased that home which overlooks

Halford Beach and Atlantic Ocean. “We moved in, and during the ensuing years, we had another five children, so we have a total of six children, who all grew up here and graduated from Winthrop High School,” said Hubbard proudly.

An affinity for Winthrop history

Soon after moving into their home on Nahant Avenue, Dave and Claire Hubbard joined the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association that owns the Deane Winthrop House. “That ignited and expanded my interest in the history of Winthrop,” said Hubbard, who began writing articles for the Transcript highlighting town history. He states emphatically that the Deane Winthrop House tops the list of important historical landmarks in the town. The house is located on Shirley Street and is named after Deane Winthrop, son of John Winthrop, who served as governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for 12 years. “The Deane Winthrop House is the oldest wood-frame house in the entire United States that has been continuously lived in,” said

Hubbard, noting that house tours are available. “It was built in 1637.”

He enjoys his work

If you’ve attended a Dave-Hubbard talk on town history, you know how much he enjoys what he does. He has made countless appearances as a guest speaker in elementary, middle school, and high school classrooms. “I like talking about history. I’ve had a good time doing it,” said Hubbard. Dave and Claire Hubbard have made a dedicated commitment to the Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association for many years. Dave has served as president and was treasurer for 19 years. He continues to serve on the board of directors.

Recording the changes through the years

Dave Hubbard has been present for virtually every single major happening in the town for the past 60 years. He remembers well such important additions to town life as the opening of the Lawrence Larsen Rink (at the Mike Eruzione Center). He vividly remembers the older schools in town that have since been replaced. “Interestingly, the site of the current police station was built as a post office



THE HUB OF HISTORY: Town Historian Dave Hubbard and Claire Hubbard are pictured inside their home where Dave compiles his popular weekly column for the Sun-Transcript.

and prior to that, it was the old town hall (which appears on the Town of Winthrop seal) and it had a first-floor schoolhouse on it,” said Hubbard. “I love the town,” he says with vigor. “I like the people, its proximity to the ocean, all the historical stuff that it’s in town. My wife

loves history, too, and she’s been there right with me every step of the way.” And there are still more stories about Winthrop he wants to share in person and in his writings each week in the Sun-Transcript. Long live the king chronicler of Winthrop.

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WINTHROP HIGH VIKINGS VS. SAUGUS

The Vikings fell 60-55 Monday night in a wild game that saw Winthrop battle back from an 4th period 11 point deficit and tie the game at 53-53 with two minutes left before Saugus went on a final run to seal the game.



BATTLE BENEATH THE BOARDS: Winthrop's Aiden Green (3) is in a battle for a rebound with Saugus forward Tre Sanders and others.



ROLLING AWAY: A loose ball heads out of bounds, chased by Winthrop's Zachary Bogusz and Saugus Ryan Mabee, during second half action of Winthrop's 60-55 loss at Saugus High School Monday, December 20.



UNDER THE BRIDGE: Zachary Bogusz finds some open space beneath the arm of a Saugus defender.



BLOCK PARTY: Winthrop's Luca Zanelli goes to the sky to disrupt a shot by Saugus forward Tryone Manderson.



TRIPLE ACTION: Winthrop's George Garulis (left) and Zachary Bogusz (right) surround Saugus's Jeury Barbosa as they all reach for a free ball.



EVERYONE WANTS IT: A loose ball eludes Winthrop's Luca Zanelli (14, left), Aiden Green (3, right) and Saugus Tyrone Manderson.



HANDS OFF: Winthrop's Mikey Chaves fends off a rebound attempt by Saugus Tyrone Manderson.

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

VIKINGS MEET PEABODY TODAY IN DAVID GREEN FINALE

The Winthrop High boys basketball team advanced to today's (Thursday) championship game of the first annual David Green Memorial Tournament with a 66-47 victory over Pioneer Charter School in the preliminary round of the tourney this past Tuesday.

The Vikings will take on Peabody, which defeated Revere in their preliminary contest, in the title game, with the opening tip-off set for 2:00. The Winthrop-Peabody match will be preceded by a battle between Revere and Pioneer Charter in the consolation game.

The Vikings were in control all the way in their encounter with Pioneer, opening up a 36-18 bulge at the half and never were threatened.

Luca Zanelli (24 points) and Chris Capuccio (22 points) led the way for the Vikings in the scoring department. Mikey Chaves also reached double figures with 13 points.

"Luca and Chris were immense for us early on," said WHS head coach Mike Triant. "Together with our other starters, Mikey Chaves, Aiden Green, and George Galuris (seven points), they did a great job of getting out on the break to get some easy buckets.

"We were a little too sloppy for my liking in the second half," Triant added. "We have a very good Pea-

body team as our opponent Thursday."

Winthrop now stands at 2-2 on the season, having come out on the short end of a 66-43 decision at Gloucester last Tuesday.

"We fell behind early, 12-2, but then cut the deficit to six at the half," said Triant. "However, we ran out of steam and energy in the second half. Gloucester seemed to do all the little things that win games better than we did. Hopefully, we will use it as a good teaching point and move on from it."

Zach Bogusz paced the Vikings with 15 points.

After today's contest, Triant and his crew will resume their Northeastern Conference schedule when they host Marblehead next Tuesday evening at 7:00.

WHS GIRLS HOCKEY REMAINS UNDEFEATED; IS RANKED #6 IN POLLS

The Winthrop High girls hockey team improved to 3-0 on the season with a hard-fought 2-1 victory over Northeastern Hockey League (NHL) rival Marblehead last Wednesday.

The win marked the second straight one-goal triumph for coach Anthony Martucci and his Lady Viking crew, who have allowed only two goals in their first three games.

Winthrop moved out to a 1-0 lead in the opening

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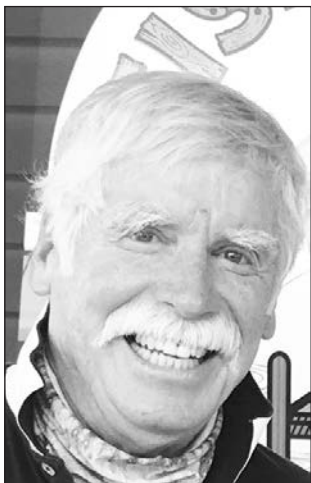
Metropolitan Meat Company Owner
and Proprietor

Michael K. Gahan of Winthrop passed away on December 26. He was 73 years old. Mike was the beloved husband of Elizabeth A. “Betsy” (Baker) Gahan. Mike was known as Metro Mike, Commodore, and Kitchen Boy. He was noted for his smoking jacket, cribbage board, bad sailing, ardent obit reading, love of spumoni ice cream and his passion for 007 movies.

Mike is survived by his siblings: Sheila Betasso, Maura Pfeiffer, Rev. Col. Timothy M. Gahan USMC (Ret.), Heidi Newell, Colleen McFall, Madonna Hogue and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his brothers, Patrick Gahan and Theodore Gahan.

Mike was the owner and proprietor of Metropolitan Meat Company. He served as the Centennial Commodore of the Cottage Park Yacht Club, was a member of Coral Reef Yacht Club and the Clover Club. His proudest achievement was his 55 years of volunteering as a Kitchen Boy for Camp Fatima Exceptional Citizens Week.

Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop today, Thursday, December



30 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Mike’s funeral will be held from the Funeral Home on Friday, December 31 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Michael the Archangel Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church) 320 Winthrop St. Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited.

Mike’s Mass can be watched via livestream by going to the parish website and clicking on the livestream link. Interment will follow in Oak Grove Cemetery-Medford.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: MGH Pancreatic Surgical Research Fund c/o Dr. Carlos Fernandez del Castillo, 55 Fruit St, Boston, Ma 02114 or to Friends of Fatima, 32 Fatima Rd. Gilman-ton Ironworks, NH 03837. For guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Mary Rita Harrington

Her family was her greatest joy

Mary Rita Harrington, the light of her family’s life, entered heaven on Christmas morning, December 25 (her mother’s birthday) at the age of 78. She shared her final days with the people she loved the most.

Born and raised in Somerville, she was the devoted daughter of the late Rita (McGowan) and Arthur J. Harrington. Mary spent her childhood surrounded by extended family. She moved to Winthrop when she was in high school. After graduating from Winthrop High, she went to work in the insurance industry, starting out at USF&G and finally retiring from Mass Fair Plan.

Mary loved being outdoors. She particularly loved the ocean. In her younger days she enjoyed swimming, boating, and waterskiing. As she grew older, she spent time kayaking and riding her bike.

Mary was a kind and generous woman who made a positive impact on the lives of many. She easily recognized both humans and animals in need and she had a passion for caring for them.

Her greatest joy was her family. Beloved by her sisters, Rita Quirk, Carol Adamson and Ann Crossman, all of Winthrop, who will carry with them the memory of her unselfish nature and loving spirit. Cherished by her nieces, Dawn Letterie (Jim), Tracy Carlsen (Chris), Robin Murphy (Mark), Kelly Adamson (Tommy), and Jill Buccini.



They will remember her as the “fun aunt” who was always there for them when they needed her.

Adored by her great nieces and nephews: Taylor, Shannon, Mark, Jake, Jenna, Ryan, and Heather. She was an active presence in their lives and they will treasure the memories they made together forever.

Mary was predeceased by her younger brother, Buddy.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the visitation from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, today, Thursday, December 30 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. followed by a service in the funeral home beginning at 11:30 a.m. Interment will be in Winthrop Cemetery.

As Mary was a lover of animals, especially cats, memorial donations in her honor are asked for the Northeast Animal Shelter at neas.org/together.

To sign Mary’s guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Lisa Magnasco

Proud owner of Linwood Grooming in
Linwood, NJ

Lisa M. Magnasco of Galloway, NJ., formerly of Winthrop, passed away unexpectedly on December 28. She was 50 years old.

Lisa loved animals and was the proud owner of Linwood Grooming in Linwood, NJ.

The beloved wife of George Bruce Homan, Sr., she was born in Malden, the cherished daughter of Geraldine (Ahern) and the late James A. “Jimmy Magg” Magnasco of Winthrop.

Lisa was the dear sister of Jeralyn P. Zuffante and her husband, Christopher, Deborah A. D’Andrea, Dena M. White and her husband, Matthew all of Winthrop, and James A. Magnasco Jr. and his wife, Susan of East Boston. She was the loving aunt of 11 nieces and nephews.

Lisa’s funeral will be held from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, on Tuesday, January 4, at 9



a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Michael the Archangel Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church) 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Burial will follow in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section).

Visiting hours will be held at the funeral home on Monday, January 3, from 4 to 8 p.m.

To sign Lisa’s guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com

WHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

10 years ago

December 29, 2011

The WHS boys basketball team improved to 4-0 with an exciting 56-55 win over Danvers at the WHS gym. The visitors held the lead throughout the contest until Viking Jeff Laguerre drained a three-pointer with 1:30 to play that boosted Winthrop ahead for the first time. Joe Levesque then sank a clutch free throw for a three-point Viking advantage that proved to be the deciding point. Quinton Dale was a force at both ends of the floor, pouring in a game-high 20 points and pulling down 16 rebounds for his fourth double-double in as many games. Joe D’Amore once again showed his second half magic a la his state championship performance, scoring all 12 of his points in the final 16 minutes.

The Winthrop High girls basketball team improved to 3-2 on the season with a 52-48 victory at Georgetown Tuesday evening. Ashelyne Babb, who sank two free throws to put the game on ice, led the Lady Vikings with 18 points. Freshman Kristen Suscamanis scored 14 points. Liana Ferullo added seven points, Theresa Jones hit for five, and Angie Favalaro and Taylor Duplin chipped in with four apiece.

The Winthrop High/Lynn English Lady Bulldog girls hockey team has run off a string of three impressive victories to improve to 3-1 on the season. Coach Anthony Martucci’s squad began its winning streak with a dominating 4-1 triumph over Masconomet, as Winthrop outshot Masco by a 70-18 margin. Eighth grade defenseman Julianna Kennedy, Amanda Cordes, Chelsey Bartlett, and Ariana Dembro all lit the lamp for the Lady Bulldogs. A few days later, Winthrop iced one of its archrivals, Marblehead, by a 5-2 margin. Hannah LoPresti scored two goals and linemate McKenzie Clarke scored a goal and earned two assists. Kennedy and Kara Donati also reached the back of the Marblehead net. Last Wednesday the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Medford and skated away with an 8-2 triumph. Senior captain Bartlett lit the red lamp four times, with fellow captain and linemate Clarke potting two goals and assisting on four others. Clarke now has 147 career points and is within striking range of the 150-point mark. Eighth-grader Emma Rudser scored her first varsity goal and Donati also struck for a goal. Seventh grade Winthrop netminder Gretchen Howard was solid in all three contests and made a key stop early in the Medford game on a point blank shot in front.

The Winthrop High boys hockey team posted a pair of dominant victories this past week, defeating Peabody and Walpole by identical 5-1 margins. Last Wednesday’s triumph over Northeastern Conference rival Peabody put the finishing touch on an evening of Viking hockey prowess, past and present, which began with the raising of the 2011 Northeastern Conference championship banner. Chris Page, assisted by Jimmy Barker, followed in short order by goals from Chris LeBlanc (from Dan Eruzione and Adam Lundberg) and Eruzione (from

LeBlanc and Drayton Chastain) made for a 3-1 Winthrop advantage at the second horn. LeBlanc then asserted himself in the final stanza, potting two goals to rack up a hat trick. In the opening round of the Mike Millbury Tournament in Walpole against the host Walpole High squad, Mitch Paulson scored twice in the opening period, assisted by Matt Todisco and Page respectively. Three more Winthrop lamplighters in the second stanza off the sticks of LeBlanc (from Chastain and Barker), Hershey Beard (from Pat Todisco), and Chastain (from LeBlanc and Eruzione) made it a 5-0 bulge. For Beard, his tally marked his first varsity lamplighter. Ray Feeley played the first two periods in net and Tom DiBenedetto played the final 15 minutes.

20 years ago

December 31, 2001

The WHS hockey team defeated Lynn English, 5-1, thanks to two goals from Robby DeLeo and solo tallies by Bob by Kneeland, Danny Wilson, and Alex Flannery. The Vikings then dropped their first contest of the season, 3-1, to Everett in a non-league battle.

30 years ago

December 30, 1991

The WHS girls basketball team, led by Liz Doherty and Lori Thomas, continued to dominate its opponents, crushing Lynn English, 63-29.

The WHS hockey team played a team from Canada and came away with a 5-3 triumph.

40 years ago

December 29, 1981

The WHS boys basketball team improved to 4-3 with a 79-56 win over Beverly. Mike Condakes scored 16 points and pulled down 24 rebounds.

WHS standout Mike Brenner broke the Methuen Invitational record in the shot-put with a toss of 57’-1/4” to take first place honors among a field of 20 of the elite shot-putters in the area.

50 years ago

December 30, 1971

Chris Costonis lit the red lamp three times within a span of 29 seconds to notch a sensational hat trick and pace the WHS hockey team to a dramatic 4-3 win over Lynn English.

Captain Nick Tsiotis and Co. earned a hard-fought 59-55 win over Malden Catholic. Wayne Jenkins led all scorers with 14 points with Tsiotis and Pat DeGregorio adding 12 apiece.

60 years ago

December 28, 1961

The WHS basketball team chalked up a 59-38 win over Newburyport as Capt. Frank Corbett and his team remained undefeated. John Warren paced the scoring with 14 points.

70 years ago

December 30, 1951

The WHS basketball team will inaugurate its quest for the 1952 Northeastern Conference title in the league opener against Swampscott. Coach Gordon Connor’s squad has won two of its three non-league games and appears to be as strong as any team in the NEC.

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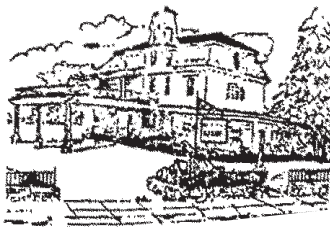
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COUNCIL FINISHES UP YEAR

CHELSEA - The City Council quickly took care of business during its last meeting of the year, approving funding for several community preservation projects as well as a cost of living raise for City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

The council unanimously approved a 3 percent cost of living raise for Ambrosino that backdates to July 1 of this year. He is due for another 3 percent cost of living raise effective July 1, 2022.

The raises come as a result of the recent City Manager evaluation process by the council.

A special subcommittee gave Ambrosino high marks for his job performance.

The city manager signed his most recent five-year contract with the city in 2019 at a salary of just under \$190,000 annually.

“In summary, the final rating by the committee was that the city manager did an incredible job managing city business and the covid response during one of the most stressful and difficult times in recent memory,” said Council President Roy Avellaneda. “The evaluation committee is aware that this is most likely the last two years that the city manager is working, and expects that the same professional effort shown previously will continue.”

The council also unanimously approved three community preservation expenditures recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

Those grant proposals from the Community Preservation Fund include \$25,000 for Temple Emmanuel for a historic building exterior conditions assessment, \$252,000 for the rehabilitation of the Mace Basketball Court, and \$400,000 for pre-development funding for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

In the 2016 general election, Chelsea voters voted to adopt the Community Preservation Act and impose a 1.5 percent surcharge on residential and commercial properties with exemptions for low- and moderate-income homeowners.

Temple Emmanuel is seeking support for an on-site assessment during which historic preservation consultants will examine, investigate, and analyze all areas of the building’s exterior envelope and document the existing conditions. The consultant will then recommend next steps for stabilization, rehabilitation, preservation, and maintenance of the historic building.

The basketball court rehabilitation project seeks to repair and bring back into use a court that has severely deteriorated over the past years so that it can once again be used as a neighborhood asset.

Chelsea’s Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board is seeking a \$400,000 grant to help fund the pre-development aspects of its recent investment in affordable housing development.

COMMITTEE DOES NOT CHANGE CONTRACT

EVERETT - Superintendent Priya Tahiliani made it very clear in her remarks at the School Committee meeting last week that she “has no intention of leaving this district.”

Tahiliani’s comments came before the committee took a vote on whether to extend her contract from February 28, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

She went on to say, “I am not looking for another job, I am proud of what I have

accomplished and becoming part of a larger education community. There is still much work to be done.”

Tahiliani took over the reins of the Everett school system in the midst of the pandemic.

As a result, many of the goals for the local schools that Tahiliani had outlined to the search committee were delayed as she focused on COVID-related issues, including remote learning for students.

At the last meeting of the School Committee on December 6, the issue of making changes to the superintendent’s current contract was objected to by the incoming new members of the School Committee who will take office on January 3.

They made clear in no uncertain terms their view that the present School Committee should leave the matter of extending Tahiliani’s contract to the new committee.

Although the committee approved some technical changes to the superintendent’s contract two weeks ago, they postponed taking action on the contract extension until their meeting on Monday night.

Several members of the School Committee expressed the view that because of COVID and the basic upending of the school learning process, Tahiliani essentially had lost a year and that the extension of the contract end date would give her the opportunity to try to meet the goals that she had proposed during her interview.

In addition, members pointed out that the end date in the original contract of February 28, 2024, could be disruptive to the entire school system since it would mean a possible departure in the middle of the school year.

Before the vote on extending the date, Ward 6 School Committee member Tom Abruzzese said, “I could not agree more with the superintendent. We have found the top candidate in the state and perhaps the country.”

“The extension would allow (Tahiliani’s) full vision to come to fruition,” said committee member Samantha Lambert.

School Committee member Dana Murray, commenting on the February 28 end date, said, “It’s not a good idea to have kids with an interim superintendent.”

However, School Committee member Millie Cardillo noted that in the contract, the end date could be extended to June 2024 and “would not leave students high and dry.”

The committee then voted on the motion to extend the contract and it failed on a 5-5 vote. A vote was then taken on reconsideration and it lost again, 5-5.

ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVE GRANTS

EAST BOSTON - To support the needs of our immigrant residents, Mayor Michelle Wu and the Mayor’s Office for Immigrant Advancement (MOIA) announced the awarding of \$8,000 in mini-grants each to three East Boston organizations that serve the neighborhood’s immigrant population.

The mini-grants to the Veronica Robles Cultural Center (VRCC), the East Boston Ecumenical Community Council (EBECC) and Neighbors United for a Better East Boston (NUBE) are funded through corporate sponsorships for We Are Boston, an annual reception that honors the contributions immigrants make to our City.

The three Eastie organizations will use the \$8,000

grant for operational support and capacity-building to serve immigrants impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds will be used for a wide range of services including basic needs assistance, mental health support, child and youth development, legal services, and digital equity.

“One third of Boston residents are immigrants,” said Mayor Wu. “The health and wellbeing of our immigrant communities is central to our City’s recovery and community. By making these investments now, we lay the foundation for generational change.”

The VRCC will use the funds to uplift the cultural identities of Latinx immigrant communities in East Boston.

EBECC will use its mini-grant for technology equipment, access, and training for immigrant youth and families for the Digital Inclusion Program.

Finally, NUBE will use the funds for wellness and health spaces facilitated by community leaders for low-income immigrants.

“We work very closely with immigrant-serving nonprofits, and they told us what their communities need right now,” said Director of the Mayor’s Office for Immigrant Advancement Yusufi Vali. “As we recover from this pandemic, we should seize the moment to identify disparities and close the gaps in innovative ways.”

Vali said these mini-grants are made possible through the generous contributions from We Are Boston 2020 sponsors including State Street Corporation, Arbella Insurance Foundation, Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare, and Eastern Bank Foundation.

The “We Are Boston 2022: From Dreams to Action” will be held on February 3, 2022. During the reception, the city will recognize community honorees and address how government, corporate, and nonprofit sectors can work together to support the fight for equity.

NICHOLSON ANNOUNCES TEAM

LYNN - Lynn Mayor-Elect Jared Nicholson has announced the first staff members that will be working in his office starting January 4, 2022.

“We are thrilled about the team that is coming together,” Nicholson said. “We have a lot of ideas about how to hit the ground running and this group starts to bring in the skills we will need to make sure that happens.”

Following his election, Nicholson immediately got to work putting together a Transition Committee consisting of 10 people to help him prepare for the role and find the right staff for his new administration. A subcommittee of Magnolia Contreras, Faustina Cuevas, Charlie Gaeta, and Drew Russo has helped Nicholson interview candidates and advise him on hiring decisions.

Contreras, co-chair of the Transition Committee, said, “We have been impressed by the field of candidates and the process that the Mayor-Elect has led to make these decisions.”

Jon Thibault will take on the role of Chief of Staff. Thibault is currently the Chief of Staff to State Senator Brendan P. Crighton and worked as Crighton’s Legislative Director before being appointed Chief in 2019. Born and raised in Lynn, Thibault attended Lynn English High School and went on to graduate from Boston University in 2009. Jon gained extensive knowledge of Lynn’s

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Members of the Martinez family receive their rapid test kits from Julie Thistle (left) and Antoinette Blanchard at Everett City Hall.

municipal government as the Assistant to LHAND Executive Director, Charlie Gaeta. With Nicholson, Thibault will be responsible with overseeing and administering the day-to-day operations within the Mayor’s Office and will serve as the liaison between the Mayor’s Office, city department heads, and local, state, and federal officials.

“I believe in Mayor Nicholson’s vision and goals for the city,” said Thibault. “I look forward to working with him, this team, and the departments in City Hall to deliver great results for the residents of Lynn.”

Jean Michael Fana, who managed Nicholson’s mayoral campaign, has been selected as the Outreach Director for the Mayor’s Office. Jean returned to Lynn last spring after serving as an Army JAG Corps Paralegal. He served as a Trial Defense Paralegal at Camp Humphreys, South Korea and later was assigned to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Jean graduated from Lynn Classical High School prior to joining the Army. Jean was Honorably Discharged at the rank of Sergeant. As the Outreach Director, Jean will be responsible for constituent services and com-

munity affairs on behalf of the office.

“Jared has given me a wonderful opportunity to continue to work directly for the people of Lynn,” said Fana. “Our goal is to make this administration active and responsive to the needs of the people and I’m excited to join the team in supporting that goal.”

Valerie Vong, who was the Nicholson campaign’s Digital Director, will also be joining Mayor Nicholson’s office as Communications Manager. Vong proudly represents her Asian-American roots—especially as the eldest daughter and granddaughter of Khmer refugees. She graduated at the top of her class from Lynn English High School in 2018 with National Honor Society recognition and was an awardee of the President’s Education Program. She is currently a fourth-year first-generation college student at Clark University, pursuing a double major in English and Environmental Science, with concentrations in public policy, environmental policy, and pre-law. At school, Valerie is the Publicist of Korean Culture Club, a member of Sigma Tau Delta, a mem-

ber of the Pre-Law Society, and on the e-board of Clark Sustainability Action. Outside of school, she currently interns for New American Leaders, YDMA, and MASSPIRG Students. Valerie will work to support the Mayor’s communication efforts and ensure that all residents have access to the office so that their voices can be heard.

“I had the privilege to work with Jared on the campaign trail,” said Vong. “And throughout the months I served as both an intern and the Digital Director, I was incredibly moved and inspired by his vision, tenacity, and our shared aim to uplift the city of Lynn through a more equitable approach. I look forward to continuing my work alongside Jared.”

Mayor-elect Nicholson is also pleased to announce that two integral members of the current administration will continue serving after he takes office in January.

Faustina Cuevas, the City’s first Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, assumed her position this past June and quickly es-

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The Senior Center will be closed

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The Senior Center will be closed

Tuesday, January 4

9:30am: Exercise
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11am: Grab and Go Lunch

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Medical Manicurist. Barbara Ullman, RN, a registered nurse and manicurist from Seen Your Feet will be at the Senior Center to do nail clipping on Thursday, January 6, 2022 from 9:30am to 2:30pm. Cost: \$20 (cash only). Appointment required. To schedule, please call the Senior Center.

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period thanks to a goal by freshman Talia Martucci, assisted by Emma and Julia Holmes.

The Lady Magicians tied the score before the period ended, but Emma H. made it 2-1 in the middle stanza with a power play goal, assisted by triplet sister Julia.

The Winthrop defense and goalie Summer Tallent preserved the victory with some stellar play in the final period. For Tallent, the win marked her 45th career victory in the Lady Viking net.

"It was a good game," said Martucci. "Marblehead is a good team with a very good first line. Their goalie was unreal. We outshot them 35-11 and we had the advantage in play from start to finish.

"Our defense was excellent," Martucci add-

ed. "Elle English, Abby Holmes, and Adrianna Rizzotto led the defensive corps, with Tegan Pereira, Avalina Coffey, and Izi Hain playing about as stout as could be."

Martucci and his crew were set to face their biggest challenge of the season last night (Wednesday) when they traveled to defending NHL champion Peabody, to whom Winthrop was a runner-up last year. The Lady Tanners are 3-0 in the NHL and are 3-1 overall, with their lone loss coming to fourth-ranked St. Mary's of Lynn.

Peabody is ranked #5 in Division 1 and Winthrop is ranked #6, according to the Hockey Night in Boston poll.

Winthrop will host NHL rival Medford next Wednesday at Larsen. The

opening face-off is set for 6:10.

WHS BOYS HOST MEDFORD TOMORROW

The Winthrop boys hockey team will be seeking its first win of the season when the Vikings host non-league rival Medford tomorrow (Friday) morning at 11:00 at Larsen Rink.

The Vikings have come out on the short end of its first two contests, dropping a 4-3 decision in overtime to Northeastern Conference rival Danvers and a 5-3 outcome to non-league foe Lynnfield.

The updated WHS schedule lists Winthrop's next game for this Monday evening, January 3, against Beverly at Larsen. The opening face-off is set for 5:30.

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established herself as a key member of the Mayor's staff. As DEI officer, Cuevas is responsible for implementing and overseeing initiatives to ensure greater diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout city government and the community at large. Cuevas is also co-chair of the Mayor-elect's Transition Committee tasked with advising the incoming administration.

Meaghen Hamill, Chief of Staff to Mayor Thomas McGee, will be staying on for a two-month period in the role of Senior Adviser to complete the transition between the McGee and Nicholson administrations. Hamill, a Boston University graduate, has worked with Mayor McGee since 2010 rising to the position of Chief of Staff in his Senate office and serving in that capacity during his four years as Mayor.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVE GRANTS

REVERE - Mayor Arrigo and representatives from both Amazon and United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley presented three grant awards to community-based organizations who continue to go above and beyond for Revere residents. The Raise Up Revere fund, which was established in April of 2020, is focused on meeting the immediate needs of Revere families and small businesses that have been most severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as longer-term strategies and innovative ideas that will continue to move Revere forward as a community. Recipients this year include HarborCOV, CAPIC, and the First Congregational Church Food Pantry.

"The three organizations chosen today continue to step up to the plate when our residents need them the most," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "We started the Raise Up Revere fund at the beginning of the pandemic to support community-driven organizations that work to give back to our residents. I'm proud of

how we've utilized these connections so far and am excited to see the fund continue to build capacity over the coming years."

In 2020, four nonprofits and organizations were awarded grants through the fund. This year, due to a generous \$35,000 donation from Amazon and supplemented funds through an anonymous donor, the fund is able to award each organization with a \$20,000 grant – totaling \$60,000 that will be reflected through community-based work. Existing partners who have received the award in the past include The Neighborhood Developers (TND), Union Capital Boston, Moroccan American Connections in Revere (MACIR), Women Encouraging Empowerment (WEE) Revere, and The First Congressional Church of Revere Food Pantry. The Raise Up Revere Fund also funded five \$10,000 "Shot at a Healthy Future" scholarships – awarded to fully-vaccinated residents to boost incentive around the vaccine.

"The Raise Up Revere Fund has been instrumental in helping our community weather the pandemic and its ensuing economic hardship," said Jerome Smith, Amazon's Sr. Manager of External Affairs. "As a company, we're thrilled to partner with them and ensure their funding can go even further in assisting our most vulnerable neighbors."

One recipient of the grant this year is HarborCOV, a non-profit organization that provides free safety and support services, along with housing and economic opportunities for those affected by domestic violence and abuse. Executive Director Kourou Pich plans to use the \$20,000 grant for emergency housing – one of the most visible and critical needs experienced by survivors of domestic violence.

"Partnerships like the Raise Up Revere fund are key to ensuring our communities emerge from this crisis stronger and more resilient than before," said Bob Giannino, President and Chief Executive Officer at United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merri-

mack Valley. "Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, we have seen the power of municipal, business and community leaders coming together to raise up the needs of their residents and catalyze the resources needed to address them. We're grateful to Mayor Arrigo for his continued partnership and to Amazon for the generosity they have demonstrated throughout our region."

The First Congregational Church Food Pantry is another 2021 recipient – the \$20,000 grant will be used to further efforts at the weekly Food Pantry by assisting in IT and computer relief. Throughout the course of the pandemic, the First Congregational Church Food Pantry operation grew exponentially. Now the Food Pantry is combined with the City of Revere "Food Hub" team and operates out of the Food Hub at 200 Winthrop Ave (the previous League for Special Needs building). The pantry continues to see a record number of families during their weekly food events.

CAPIC (Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc), is the third and final recipient of this year's award. Through the utilization of \$20,000 in Raise Up Revere funding, CAPIC will provide comprehensive emergency support services to at-risk Revere individuals and families who are in crisis mode; specifically, temporary emergency placements, such as hotel placements. CAPIC's Emergency Assistance Program will also provide support to individuals and families once they obtain permanent housing, such as gift cards to purchase food, furniture, and basic household items.

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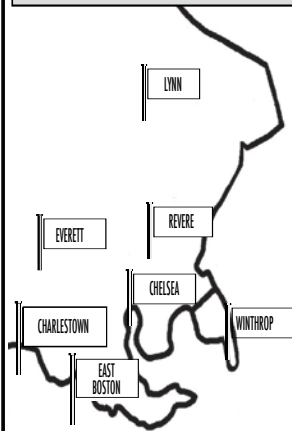
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John Mahan and Cameron O'Connor on Almont Street.



Joe and Miles Aiello.



Santa waves to his fans as he passes by.



The Fisher Family.



Suzie, Stella, Roman, and Jeff Carson on Highland Street.



Santa's Procession on Temple Ave.



Santa's Procession goes up Quincy Ave.



Natalia and Sanaa Souri on Shirley Street were excited to see Santa.



Beth and Mason Aiello.



Santa's Procession on Temple Ave.



Santa's procession makes its way on Shirley Street



Santa's Winthrop Tour takes him past the High School.



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