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NEWS Briefs

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE COUNCILORS

Precinct 2 Town Councilor John Munson will be hosting the first in a series of "Conversations With The Councilors" on Friday, April 8th from 4:00 to 5:30 pm at The Beacon Gallery, 196 Winthrop Street. Attendees should enter through the front door. Off-street parking is available in the parking lot to the left of the building.

The initial "Conversations" will be with Precinct 3 Town Councilor Hannah Belcher, Precinct 5 Town Councilor Joseph Aiello, and Councilor Munson. Councilor Belcher will speak on Massport's Sound Insulation Program, Councilor Aiello will discuss Capital Assets Management, and Councilor Munson will talk about the old Middle School Site Development.

Each Councilor will make a brief presentation on the respective topic, followed by a Question-and-Answer Session on that topic. An informal reception with light refreshments will follow.

Constituents of the councilors' precincts are cordially invited to attend this event, along with all Winthrop residents. It is an opportunity for citizens to learn the status of ongoing projects in Winthrop from the Councilors and to express their own opinions.

Future "Conversations With The Councilors" will be held on a quarterly basis.

UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN AGAIN STATEWIDE

Local unemployment

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The cast of "Everyman" during the show's opening number.

WHS Drama Society to perform at regionals

Story by Marianne Salza

Winthrop High School Drama Society will be performing a condensed, 40-minute version of "Everyman" during the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild High School Theater Festival 2022 Regional Round on Saturday, April 2, at North Reading High School.

"Everyman" was co-written by Dan Tracy, senior, and Zoe Long, junior, as an adaptation of a morality play that was originally composed by an anonymous source in the

1500s. The friends modernized "Everyman" from its Christian model to a more accessible narrative about the desire of material goods and lust.

"I loved the writing process. It was a fun experience to experiment with new kinds of writing," exclaimed Zoe, who also plays Kindred. "It's nice seeing your work put on stage with many talented people bringing it to a height that you never thought it could go to. Seeing it come alive was my favorite part."

Everyman, portrayed by Chris Raney, junior, represents the common man

working in a factory circa the Industrial Revolution. When Death appears to him and reveals that his life will end at sundown, Everyman journeys down a path of self-discovery.

"God is mad at humanity. When He created them, He wanted them to be for kindness, family, and love. He wants to teach humanity a lesson," explained Zoe, who is excited to bond and converse with participants at the festival.

"Everyman" has a cast

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Edwards kicks off reelection campaign

By John Lynds

"I swear I'm not a serial candidate," Senator Lydia Edwards joked Monday night at her campaign kickoff for the 3rd Suffolk State Senate seat.

Edwards, who won the special election for the vacant state senate seat back in January, needs to run for reelection during the state's primary and general elections this November.

Edwards's joke poked fun at the fact that she ran and won her reelection to the Boston City Council in November during Boston's municipal elections, then ran for senate in the winter



Sen. Lydia Edwards officially kicks off her reelection campaign Monday at Spinelli's in East Boston.

during a special election and is now running again to

keep her senate seat.

"Right now my district is the 1st Suffolk & Middlesex, which includes East Boston, Beacon Hill, the North End, Chinatown, parts of the South End, Winthrop, Revere and Cambridgeport," said Edwards. "However, this seat has been redistricted into the 3rd Suffolk and I am already up for reelection."

Edwards explained that the redistricted seat includes all the parts of the 1st Suffolk & Middlesex except for Cambridgeport. However, Edwards will pick up all of the Back Bay.

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School Committee approves budget

By Laura Plummer

The Winthrop School Committee met on Monday, March 28, where it approved the 2022-2023 school budget.

The current operating budget for the 2021-2022 school year is \$25,603,672.

The committee presented a level services budget for the 2022-2023 school year, which maintains current education standards.

The committee also presented needs-based budget, reflecting what the district requires to exceed current educational standards. The total needs-based budget was \$27,499,737. The nearly \$1M difference would allow the district to fill much-needed positions:

At Fort Banks, three grade-level teachers, a reading teacher, an ELL teacher, two education teachers, two classroom education interventionists and one custodian.

At the Cummings Schools, a specialist teacher, an adjustment counselor, a math interventionist and a band teacher.

At Winthrop Middle School, two grade-level teachers, an ELL teacher, a World Language teacher, a parttime band teacher, two classroom education interventionists, a parttime math coach and a parttime ELA/SS coach.

At Winthrop High School, an adjustment counselor, a Spanish teacher and a parttime band teacher.

And districtwide, a behavior analyst, an IT specialist, a nurse and an occupational therapist.

Funding for many of these positions has been requested over the past five years, which is why Supt. Lisa Howard is pushing for approval of the needs-based budget.

"Our students deserve an educational experience equal to surrounding communities," she said. "The needs-based budget is necessary to achieve the district's goals and benchmarks."

However, she said she understood that the School

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Jillian Dempsey, Boston Pride are Isobel Cup champions

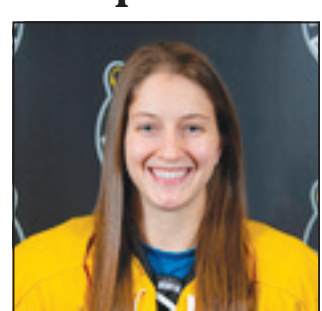
By Cary Shuman

Jillian Dempsey of Winthrop had a goal and an assist as the Boston Pride defeated the Connecticut Whale, 4-3, Monday night in Tampa, Fla., to repeat as Isobel Cup champions of the Premier Hockey Federation.

The championship game was televised live on ESPN2.

Dempsey, the Pride captain and former Harvard star, scored the Pride's first goal of the game in the first period, but the Whale answered with two goals to take a 2-1 lead into the third period.

The Pride responded with three goals in the



Jillian Dempsey.

third period to overtake the Whale. Evelina Raselli and Taylor Wenczkowski scored goals 18 seconds apart before Jenna Rheault scored an open-net goal on a 150-foot shot from the Pride's defensive zone.

Pride goaltender Katie Burt of Lynn, who played

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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, MARCH 14

1322: A resident came into the station to report a forgery of two checks from her account at a local bank. The officer filed a report.

1336: Off. Carter reported that he will be assisting a family with the installation of a child car seat.

1537: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Pleasant St. and Plummer Ave. for the civil moving infraction of an obstructed registration plate. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2022: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Winthrop St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2247: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Veterans Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2252: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights after dark. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2259: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2305: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of oper-

ating an unregistered MV. The officer issued a citation to the operator and the MV was towed.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

0433: An Uber driver called the station to report that an intoxicated passenger was refusing to leave the vehicle on Edward St. The officer placed the passenger, a 42 year-old Winthrop man, into protective custody.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

0437: An officer dispersed three vehicles playing music loudly from Hannaford Park.

0811: A caller reported that as she was walking her small dog in the area of Shore Drive, she saw a man walking his pit bull-mix, which was on a leash, approaching her. She picked up her dog, but the other dog lunged at her, biting her jacket and causing a bruise, though not breaking her skin. The matter was referred to the Animal Control Officer.

0940: A store clerk at the CVS reported that a male party attempted to steal some food items. The suspect is well-known to the store and to the police. The officer advised the CVS to issue a No Trespass notice to the person and the officer went to the suspect's residence.

1230: A resident reported that a hypodermic syringe was in the roadway on Pebble Ave. An officer retrieved the needle to bring it back to the station for proper disposal.

1243: A resident reported that she had received a phone call from someone who told her that she owed money on her E-Z Pass account. The resident reported that she did not give out

any information to the caller and wanted the scam to be noted.

2248: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in a handicapped spot on Somerset Ave.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

0115: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere and Bayou Sts. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. When the officer determined that the operator's license was suspended, he arrested Delindo F. Paiva, 43, of Revere, for the criminal offenses of operating an MV with a suspended license and operating an MV recklessly so as to endanger. He also was cited for the speeding civil infraction.

0637: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Pleasant St. and upon determining that the operator's license was suspended, the officer moved the vehicle to private property and gave a ride home to the operator. A family member was called to the station to retrieve the keys and take possession of the MV.

1640: A resident called the station to report that her husband had been a victim of identity fraud. The officer filed a report.

2333: An officer stopped a motor vehicle with an expired registration. The officer stood by while the owner renewed the registration on-line.

2347: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle (MV) parked on the wrong side of Bayview Ave., which would make it difficult for emergency vehicles to pass, to move his

MV.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

0134: An officer issued parking tickets to 11 vehicles without parking permits on Waldemar Ave.

0906: An officer ordered a tow for a motor vehicle (MV) with an expired registration on Nevada St.

0924: An officer issued a \$100.00 parking ticket to a motor vehicle (MV) parked too closely to a curb cut on Ocean Ave. and making it difficult for a dumpster truck to access the driveway.

1329: A caller reported that two hypodermic syringes were in the area of Locust Ave. and Revere St. An officer retrieved the two needles and brought them back to the station for proper disposal.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

1206: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Drive.

1220: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that was partially blocking a driveway on Beach Rd.

1246: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked on the sidewalk on Levy-Bramson Way and then seized the plates because the vehicle was uninsured. The vehicle was moved to private property.

1424: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on River Rd. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1606: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1631: A caller reported that a German Shepherd running loose on Main St. had pinned him against his house. However, the call-

er said he was not injured. The officer spoke to the dog's owner, who said he was unaware that his dog had been loose and that the dog is energetic and jumps on people. The matter will be referred to the Animal Control Officer.

1842: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Main and Linden Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1850: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Pauline St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1904: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere St. and Golden Drive for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1906: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1911: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Main St. and advised the operator that she cannot drive a car on an expired license.

1919: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Pauline St. for the civil moving infraction of a failure to yield. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

2305: An officer dispersed persons in two vehicles from Hannaford Park which is closed after dark.

2321: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Perkins and Shirley Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2331: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Irwin St. and Highland Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation.

The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

0140: An officer issued 14 parking tickets to vehicles without parking permits along Shirley St.

1319: An officer advised a father and his two children, who were riding ATVs on the grass around Lewis Lake, that it is not legal to ride those types of vehicles in this area.

1345: A caller reported that two hypodermic syringes were in the area of the cemetery on River Rd. An officer retrieved the two needles and brought them back to the station for proper disposal.

1408: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Cliff and Grovers Ave. and issued a citation to the operator, a 37 year-old Chelsea woman, for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV and for the civil infraction of operating an unregistered MV. The MV was towed.

1730: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Otis St. and Tafts Ave. for the civil moving infraction of excessive window tint. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1818: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Irwin St. and Highland Ave. for the civil moving infraction of defective equipment (inoperable tail lights). The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who said that it was a rental vehicle.

2022: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle (MV) parked facing the wrong direction on Woodside Ave. to park the MV properly.

2328: An officer ordered a tow for a motor vehicle with an expired registration that was parked in the public lot at Daw Playground.

MBTA Board approves fare and service changes, price reductions

Staff Report

The MBTA Board approved several fare changes that aim to improve equity by closing gaps in existing fare structures for Reduced Fare Riders, minimize pandemic-related revenue implications and budget uncertainties while increasing ridership where possible, and simplify fare tariff rules as the MBTA's Fare Transformation moves forward. These

fare changes go into effect on July 1, 2022, with the exception of the 5-Day Flex Pass being made permanent, which goes into effect immediately.

"We're grateful to the Board for approving these fare changes, which prepare us for technology updates to come through Fare Transformation, increase equity through improvements to Link-Passes, especially for our Reduced Fare Riders, and

make the 5-Day FlexPass permanent for Commuter Rail riders," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "These fare updates allow us to continue to meet the needs of riders while minimizing revenue implications in this time of continued uncertainty."

Permanent 5-Day FlexPass on mTicket for Commuter Rail:

First introduced as a pandemic fare pilot in

June 2020, the 5-Day FlexPass available on mTicket for the Commuter Rail is a bundled fare valid for any five days of travel within a 30-day period. Good for unlimited travel within a 24-hour period, these five passes are available for 10% off the cost of 10 one-way trips. An attractive option for riders whose travel patterns have changed due to hybrid work schedules and the availability

of remote-work options, the 5-Day FlexPass on mTicket is now permanent effective immediately.

Reducing Price of the 1-Day LinkPass:

Effective July 1, 2022, and in an effort to increase ridership by encouraging more riders to buy passes and increase equity for low-income and minority riders who often purchase this fare product, the cost of the 1-Day LinkPass will

Expanding Second Transfers:

Currently, the MBTA only allows one transfer between Bus and/or Subway with one recent addition – CharlieCard riders may transfer from Bus to Subway to Bus. To simplify

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News Briefs //

rates dropped in twenty-four labor market areas, in the state during the month of February, the Executive Office of Labor and

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Workforce Development reported.

Compared to February 2021, the rates were down in twenty-four labor market

areas.

Of the fifteen areas for which estimates are published, nine areas gained jobs, three areas had no changes, and three areas reported losses. The largest percentage increases occurred in the Springfield (+2.4%), Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton (+1.6%), and Boston-Cambridge-Newton (+1.0%) areas. Lynn-Saugus-Marblehead area reported the largest percentage loss (-0.7%).

From February 2021 to February 2022, all fifteen areas gained jobs with the largest percentage increases seen in Barnstable Town (+7.1%), Springfield (+6.0%), and Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford (+5.8%)

areas.

In order to compare the statewide rate to local unemployment rates, the Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates the statewide-unadjusted unemployment rate for February 2022 was 4.3 percent, down 0.7 percentage point over the month.

Last week, the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development reported the statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the month of February 2022 was 4.7 percent, down one-tenth of a percentage point from the January 2022 estimate of 4.8 percent.

The statewide seasonally adjusted jobs estimate

showed an increase of 14,600 jobs in February, and an over-the-year gain of 173,500 jobs.

The unadjusted unemployment rates and job estimates for the labor market areas reflect seasonal fluctuations and therefore may show different levels and trends than the statewide seasonally adjusted estimates.

The estimates for labor force, unemployment rates and jobs for Massachusetts are based on different statistical methodology specified by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

The preliminary March 2022 and the revised February 2022 unemployment rates, labor force data and jobs estimates for Massachusetts will be released on Friday, April 15, 2022; local unemployment statistics will be released on Tuesday, April 19, 2022. Detailed labor market information is available at www.mass.gov/lmi. See the 2022 Media Advisory for complete list of release dates.

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WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

SWEET BANANA BREAD

INGREDIENTS:

• 1¾ cups all-purpose flour

• 1¼ teaspoons baking powder

• ½ teaspoon baking soda

• ¾ teaspoon salt

• 1 (3 ounce) package non-instant vanilla pudding mix

• ¾ cup white sugar

• ½ cup shortening

• 2 eggs

• 2 tablespoons milk

• 1½ cups mashed ripe banana

• ½ cup chopped walnuts

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: In a small bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and vanilla pudding mix. In a large mixing bowl, beat sugar and shortening until light, scraping sides of the bowl often. Add the eggs one at a time, beating smooth after each addition. Mix in the milk.

STEP 2: Add flour mixture and mashed bananas alternately to creamed mixture, beating until smooth after each addition. Fold in nuts if desired. Pour batter into a lightly greased 8x4 inch loaf pan.

STEP 3: Bake in a cold, (non-preheated) oven set to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Bake for 50 minutes, then cover with foil to prevent burning and bake for additional 10 to 20 minutes or until toothpick inserted into the crown comes out clean. Leave in pan for 10 minutes, then remove from pan and cool.

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‘Old Ironsides’ to screen at Custom House Maritime Museum

Staff Report

Sea-faring epic recreates early years of USS Constitution, built to battle pirates; presented with live music at historic Newburyport venue

Relive the early days of the USS Constitution, when the ship was launched by a young nation to battle pirates off Africa’s Barbary Coast.

‘Old Ironsides’ (1926), an epic silent adventure film, will be screened with live music on Friday, April 29 at 6 p.m. at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 25 Water St., Newburyport, Mass.

Admission is \$15 per person. Live music for the sea-going tale will be provided by Jeff Rapsis, a New Hampshire-based silent film accompanist.

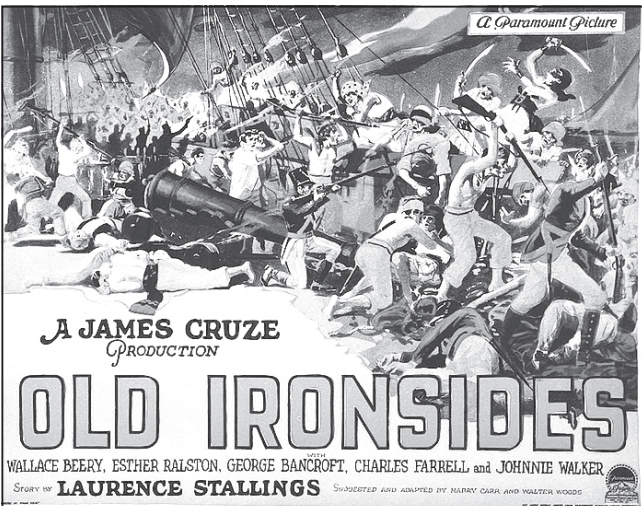
The film tells the story of the early days of the USS Constitution, today the world’s oldest commissioned naval vessel still afloat. Launched in 1797, she was one of six original frigates authorized by the Naval Act of 1794 and the third constructed.

Nicknamed ‘Old Ironsides,’ the vessel was originally scheduled to be broken up in 1830, the end of her normal service life. But the ship was saved that year by a poetic tribute published by Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The poem supplied the story for the movie ‘Old Ironsides’ nearly a century later.

Directed by James Cruze, ‘Old Ironsides’ is an action/adventure film that traces the story of the USS Constitution on an early rescue mission.

The crew member, a gunner, is shanghaied while ashore in Boston and forced to serve on another ship, the Esther, a commercial vessel



A vintage poster for ‘Old Ironsides’ (1926), an action/adventure movie about the early pirate-fighting years of the USS Constitution. The silent blockbuster will be shown with live music on Friday, April 29 at 2 p.m. at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 25 Water St., Newburyport, Mass. Admission is \$15 per person. Tickets will be available to museum members first; remaining tickets will go on sale starting Monday, April 25. For more information, call (978) 462-8681 or visit www.customhousemaritimemuseum.org.

bound for Italy.

Among those on board are a young boy running away from home, and the daughter of the ship’s owner.

After crossing the Atlantic, the Esther is attacked by pirates off the coast of Algiers in the south Mediterranean Sea, with the crew and passengers taken captive.

Will the USS Constitution arrive in time to save the ship’s daughter from being presented as a gift to a Sultan in Algiers?

The film, a big-budget extravaganza from Paramount Pictures, boasts an all-star silent era cast that includes Wallace Beery, George Bancroft, Charles Farrell, and Esther Ralston.

Among the crew members is Boris Karloff, famous later for his starring role in ‘Frankenstein’ (1931) and as the narrator of the animated version of the classic Dr. Seuss tale ‘How The Grinch Stole Christmas’ (1966).

‘Old Ironsides’ was filmed at sea off the coast of California’s Catalina Island, using a full-scale replica of the original ship. The movie was praised for its authenticity and commitment to historical accuracy. Only a handful of scenes used small-scale models, a rarity for the time.

In addition to its elab-

orate battle scenes, the film is notable for its high quotient of comedy. At the time, Hollywood was first starting to make motion pictures with stories that delivered all-around entertainment.

Cruze was among the directors becoming adept at integrating comedy, drama, romance, and action all into one spectacular audience-pleasing package.

In its original release, ‘Old Ironsides’ sank at the box office. Critics praised the film, but Jazz Age audiences failed to flock to the historic epic, which was released at the height of the Roaring ‘20s.

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For more about the music, visit www.jeffrapsis.com.

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as a sixth grader on the Winthrop High co-op team coached by Butch Martucci, was sensational throughout the playoffs, stopping 83 of 86 shots in three playoff victories.

Dempsey was named the player of the game and accepted the Isobel Cup Trophy from PHF Com-

missioner Tyler Tumminia during the presentation ceremony at center ice.

Like Mike Eruzione signaling to his USA hockey teammates to join him on the gold medal platform, Dempsey quickly carried the trophy over to her teammates who lifted the Isobel Cup triumphantly aloft to-

gether.

Dempsey is a teacher at the Cummings Elementary School.

Winthrop resident and former Northeastern star McKenna Brand was also a major contributor throughout the Pride’s championship season.

Eduardo Moreno Mendez named new Chief of Staff for Sen. Lydia Edwards

By John Lynds

Growing up in El Salvador Eduardo Moreno Mendez never imagined he’d one day be working in the offices of some high profile elected officials like U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren.

Mendez, who has lived in Eastie since coming to America at 16, has become a shining example of where determination can get you if you work hard and apply yourself to the task at hand.

It was announced this week that Mendez was appointed by Sen. Lydia Edwards to serve as her Chief of Staff.

“Eduardo is from El Salvador and is a long time East Boston resident,” said Edwards. “Eduardo represents the values and the hard work that many immigrants bring to our country and to our city.”

After arriving in the US, Mendez enrolled in East Boston High School and graduated in 2012.

After graduating EBHS Mendez attended Bunker Hill Community College for four years before transferring to UMass Boston where he received his degree in 2019.

While in college Mendez interned in Sen. Warren’s office and then for former State Sen. Joseph Boncore.

After he graduated college he served in the Secretary of Housing and Eco-



Sen. Lydia Edwards new Chief of Staff Eduardo Moreno Mendez.

nom Development Jay Ash’s office doing research on several issues that affect economic development in the Commonwealth before landing a job as a legislative aide for Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz.

Mendez said he got to know Edwards while interning for Sen. Boncore.

“I obviously knew who she was being my City Councilor,” said Mendez. “But my mentor at the time, Juan Jaramillo, formally introduced us while he was Boncore’s legislative director.”

So when Edwards was elected to replace Bonore, Mendez was on the very short list of candidates to serve as her Chief of Staff.

“This is a great opportunity, because I will get to serve my community as well as the opportunity to

be more impactful on the legislative agenda that Sen. Edwards is creating,” said Mendez. “It’s very exciting.”

Mendez said he’s also excited to get to work on housing justice, social justice, environmental justice issues in the district as well as working to help the immigrant community thrive.

“With Sen. Edwards being the Chair of Small Business and Community Development the office will have a bigger impact on small business owners and immigrant business owners impacted by the pandemic,” said Mendez. “Many owners are still desperate and need our help because they are the mom and pop businesses that have been in our communities for so many years.”

In the end, Mendez said he wants to use his role as Chief of Staff as an example of hard work and determination.

“I want to prove to all young people, whether they are from the US or are immigrants, that hard work, passion and dedication will get you far in life,” he said. “I want to just show people that if I can do it they can do it as well.”

Mendez recently became a U.S. Citizen and speaks four languages, English, Spanish, Italian, and French.

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fy complexities in the T’s transfer policy, the transfer process will be standardized to allow all combinations of second transfers involving Buses, Express Bus Routes, and/or Subway, including Bus-Bus-Subway, Subway-Bus-Bus, and Express Bus-Express Bus. This second transfer on Subway and Buses and transfers between Express Routes goes into effect on July 1, 2022.

Changes for Reduced Fare Riders:

Some riders are eligible for reduced fares, including people with disabilities and Medicare cardholders, people 65 and older, some middle and high school students, and people 18 – 25 with low income. Three

fare changes that aim to improve equity by closing gaps in existing fare structures for Reduced Fare Riders will go into effect on July 1, 2022:

- Introducing the 7-Day LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders:

Aiming to increase equity by increasing the benefits of purchasing fares in bulk for Reduced Fare Riders, a 7-Day LinkPass for Reduced Fare riders will be available for \$10, which breaks even after nine subway rides. This product is designed to meet the needs of individuals who might not have enough cash on-hand to afford a monthly pass, but who qualify for Reduced Fare programs.

- Introducing Monthly

Passes for Reduced Fare Riders on Commuter Rail, Ferry, and Express Bus:

In order to increase equity by closing gaps in the T’s offering of products for Reduced Fare Riders, monthly passes on Commuter Rail, Ferry, and Express Bus for Reduced Fare Riders will be made available. This update offers a full set of monthly passes for Reduced Fare Riders at approximately 50% of the full fare pass prices.

- Expanding Availability of the LinkPass for Reduced Fare Riders on Commuter Rail Zone 1A and Inner Harbor Ferry:

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WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association

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

ART 950 - WINTHROP'S "LONG GONE" MOVIE THEATERS



In February, Then and Now reviewed the six theaters that had existed in Winthrop since 1897. Of these only two buildings remain today and neither is currently a theater. This article contains pictures of the four theaters no longer with us. Early movies were sometimes shown in public halls and function rooms/ballrooms of the local beachside resort hotels, in other words, anyplace where a screen, projector and chairs could be set up with perhaps a piano for an enterprising musician to provide melodies to accompany the black and white movie shows. These gave way to Movie Houses built mainly with the intent of providing moving picture entertainment to the public. Initially such theaters usually had large theater type console organs which not only could provide appropriate music for the scene being displayed, but had a large range of sound effects to accentuate the action on the screen such as storms, gunshots, explosions, animal sounds, screeching tires etc. In 1927, the first film credited to be a “Talkie”, The Jazz Singer, was produced. Although it was 75% silent, it did occasionally burst into song and contained one monologue and one dialogue between two people. This film forever changed the movie industry. Winthrop has enjoyed six movie theaters over the years ranging from simple halls to grander theaters as noted below.

- Constitution Hall, later renamed the Pastime Theater, see picture one, was built circa 1897 on Shirley Street in what is now the public parking lot between Alia Ristorante and the Lewis Block at Delby’s Corner i.e. the intersection of Washington Avenue, Shirley and Sturgis

Streets. Initially used as a silent movie house, it later became a candlepin bowling alley with a dance hall on the second floor. In the 1930’s, it was Conti’s Fruit Market. Unfortunately, the building succumbed to the ravages of fire circa 1957/8.

- The Gem Theater, see picture two, which was constructed about 1910 at the corner of Pauline and Freemont Streets, lasted only a few years as a theater. During this period, the children were reported as referring to it as the “Germ” theater (reason unknown but one can imagine). The building became the Knights of Columbus Hall prior to 1914 and subsequently was taken over as the local Odd Fellows (I.O.O.F.) lodge. Today the MSA Mortgage Company is located on this site.

- The Empire Theater, see picture three, built circa 1909, was a red brick building on Shirley Street opposite the beginning of Mermaid Avenue in the Ocean Spray section of town. The building is shown on the 1914 atlas map of Winthrop. The Ocean Motor Ford dealership was later located on this site. We have been unable to locate anyone who remembers either the theater, or the building it was housed in, so it may have been on the scene only a short time.

- The Dream Theater, built about 1910/11 on Shirley Street across from the Beach Fire Station, was renamed the State Theater in 1915. This theater operated as a movie house until about 1960 when it was sold and converted into a pickle-canning factory. Subsequent tenants, in sequential order, have been the Massa Flooring Company, Hurley’s Boats and Motors, the ATS Alarm Systems firm and currently a General Contractor and the

Tiger Dojo Sbotokan Karate physical fitness center operate out of this building.

- The Centre Theater, located at the corner of Putnam St. and Jefferson Avenue, is sited over a stream that flows from the springs near Fremont and Buchanan Streets, under Putnam Place, Michaels Mall parking lot and Pauline Street into Ingleside Park where it makes its way to the harbor via the Brookfield trench. It is interesting to note that a channel was constructed under the theater to accommodate this stream. Since both this theater and the previously mentioned State Theater were owned by Charles Hatch, they showed the same double features alternately. Young men on bicycles or in cars swapped the feature films every couple of hours. One of these young men was Ernest C. Caggiano. The last owner of the Center Theater was William Kincade when it closed its doors forever in 1984. Bill always said that it was the dream of every person who had been in vaudeville, that’s where he met his wife Dorothy, to own his own theater. He and Dorothy would sometimes raise the screen, take us back in time, and put on a stage show for the public. The building was then converted into a bowling alley on the first floor and a second floor was added for Peter Gobel’s Gymnastics Academy. Kathy’s Place Youth Center now occupies the first floor to serve the young people of Winthrop.

- The Fort Banks Movie House, see picture four, was a hall located on the base for the military personnel to use. It is mentioned here because, on Saturday mornings during the Second World War, it was opened to the children of Winthrop to see free movies.



10 years ago March 30, 2012

The Town Council will hold its Spring Financial Forum tonight at the Cummings School. Town Council President Peter Gill said each department head will give a brief report to the Council about the department,“s financial and budgetary matters and the goals for the next fiscal year that begins on July 1. Residents will also be allowed to speak at the meeting with a five-minute time limit.

In what Winthrop Chief Financial Officer/Town Accountant Michael Bertino described as ,“really the beginning of the budget process,,“ Superintendent of Schools John Macero last Thursday night unveiled a \$16,373,553 level-serviced budget for the School Committee to consider for fiscal year 2013, which starts July 1. In total, the budget presented at the public meeting would reach \$17,223,244.99, when adding in revolving accounts for food service delivery and the athletics department budget, which are both revolving accounts, the funds from which can only be spent in their dedicated line items. The \$16,373,553 dollar budget is the amount that the School Department will be seeking from the Town Council, when budget appropriations are made later this spring and summer. It marks a \$730,819 increase in last year,“s Town appropriation for the schools, which Macero explained was largely due to known increases in certain line items and the loss of some funding streams that were utilized to balance the current year budget.

One of the most enjoyable events on the calendar each year for the youngest ones in the community, the Character Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt, will take place this Saturday at the Gorman/Fort Banks School on Kennedy Drive. Parks and Recreation Director Sean Driscoll and his staff have put together another fun-filled event with appearances by several of our favorites, notably, of course, the Easter Bunny himself (or herself).

The Viking Pride Foundation once again has answered the call for Winthrop athletes. The foundation has made a substantial donation for the purchase of uniforms for the boys and girls lacrosse teams that will be taking the field for their first season as a club sport, with the intention of making it a varsity sport next year.

Wrath of the Titans, The Pirates! Band of Misfits, and The Hunger Games are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago April 4, 2002

Communities in the Greater Boston area are being warned that they may have to conserve water in the months ahead thanks to the combination of an unusually snowless winter and forecasts for a dry spring and summer. Winthrop homeowners are being told that if they implement water conservation methods, the average water and sewer bills for a typical family could decrease from \$863 annually to \$604.

The long-promised waterfront park at the Deer Island MWRA treatment facility has been completed and will be open to the public this spring.

The Winthrop Trash and Recycling Committee announces that the Recycling Center at Ft. Banks will open for the season April 6.

E.T. The Extra Terrestrial: The 20th Anniversary, Blade II, and The Lord of

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.

the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago April 1, 1992

A large turnout is expected for the annual town election Monday, which features a selectman’s contest between incumbent Richard Bangs and challengers Paul Dawson and Henry Basch; a six-way race for the Town Treasurer post being vacated by Rosemary Sennott; and a three-way race among Joseph Clark, John Lyons, and Steve Inza for the two School Committee seats being vacated by Deborah D’Avolio and Phyllis Fluet.

Charges of conflicts of interest between the selectman candidates erupted this week. Incumbent Richard Bangs accused challenger Paul Dawson for having a conflict of interest in Dawson’s position as a member of the Board of Health, while Dawson said that Bangs’s conflicts stem from his positions as a member of the Winthrop Hospital Board of Trustees and as a member of the Board of the Advantage Savings Bank. Dawson said that Bangs spoke as a selectman on behalf of the hospital, which owes \$45,000 to the town for past due water bills, and then refused to insist that the Advantage Bank pay the town the fees for its many false alarms.

Winthrop Hospital has sent a letter to the town’s leading businesses and citizens asking for financial assistance to keep it afloat. The letter mentions the \$45,451 owed to the town for past due water bills among its debts.

School Committee members Alex Alexanian, Jack Canavan, and Donna Reilly voted in favor of extending the contract of School Supt. Joseph Laino. Members Phyllis Fluet and Deborah D’Avolio voted against renewing it.

My Cousin Vinny, White Men Can’t Jump, and Howard’s End are playing at area theatres.

40 years ago April 1, 1982

Town Clerk Joseph Clark is predicting a low turnout of 25 per cent for Monday’s annual town election in which Selectman Robert DeLeo is unopposed for re-election. A question on the ballot seeks approval from the voters for a Prop. 2 and 1/2 debt exclusion of \$153,414.

The Advisory Committee has approved a transfer from the Reserve Fund to computerize the town’s parking ticket system. Selectman Robert Noonan made the presentation to the committee in favor of the transfer.

State Rep. Alfred Sagese testified before a legislative committee in favor of a bill that would establish a Citizen Airport Advisory Committee.

Burt Lancaster and Susan Sarandon star in Atlantic City at the Kincade Theatre.

50 years ago March 29, 1972

Despite the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to act unfavorably on all salary increases, Town Meeting voted to approve all town employee pay-raises as advocated by the Personnel Committee. Selectman Dick Dimes spoke in favor of the salary increases, saying they are in line with raises in other cities and towns, which Personnel Board Chairman Dan Mullane said equal about 4.5 percent.

A pair of 20 year old

local youths have been arrested and charged with the break-in at Bandy’s Pharmacy last week. Detectives Floyd, McManus, and Kurland conducted the investigation.

Winthrop police were the first ones on the scene to assist corrections officials on Deer Island with the handling of a protest by 150 of the inmates at the jail.

The Winthrop Police Association will stage a musical revue, entitled The Streets of New York, to assist 12 year-old Tommy Flavin, who still is in a coma after being struck by a car last summer.

Paul Newman and Lee Marvin star in Pocket Money at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago March 29, 1962

Town Meeting has followed almost all of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee thus far, approving only \$2250 more than what the committee had recommended on the financial articles. However, Town Meeting members still have to take up articles 90, 91, and 92, which deal with the volatile issues of the Winthrop Redevelopment Authority and urban renewal. Allegations that certain businesses have been threatened with boycotts because of the businesses’ support of the articles, which seek to abolish the redevelopment board, have been made. The urban renewal plan would result in the eviction of 455 families from their homes in the Winthrop Beach and Shirley St. areas to make way for modern housing development.

The Rubbish Disposal Committee has recommended that the town’s trash be hauled and dumped out of town, with a proposed regional incinerator the best option for trash disposal in the future.

The Winthrop Lodge of Elks recently honored their Exalted Ruler, Walter Petersen.

Tuesday Weld stars in Bachelor Flat at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago March 27, 1952

A third session of Town Meeting is expected to address the remaining 16 articles on the 74-article warrant and also to reconsider its earlier decision rejecting a \$5000 appropriation for a study of a combined high school gymnasium and auditorium. A controversial article calling for an appropriation to construct more breakwaters off Shore Drive also must be addressed. At this past week’s Town Meeting session, members approved a five-day work week for police officers and approved funding for the hiring of three more officers in the department.

A legislative committee has given its approval to a bill calling for the construction of five regional trash incinerators to address the growing problem of trash disposal in the Boston area, including Winthrop, to be operated under the auspices of the MDC. The incinerators also would address the growing health problem of the open burning of trash.

The first of a series of membership teas of the Winthrop League of Women Voters delighted a group of almost 40 women who gathered in the home of Mrs. Nathan Rotfort, 47 Thornton Park, last Saturday.

Richard Widmark stars in Red Skies of Montana at the Winthrop Theatre.



Everyman, Chris Raney, surrounded by the ensemble.

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WHS Drama //

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and crew of 28 members, and will be performing first on stage at 9:30 A.M. at regionals. Fourteen winners from across the state will continue to the final round. Stage Manager Jolena Zaccaria is looking forward to feeling relaxed while viewing the following plays.

“My favorite part was the beginning process of rehearsals because little groups would work on movement pieces for scenes and perform them in front of the rest of the group,” said Jolena, senior. “It was interesting watching people create and give feedback.”

The Drama Society will be presenting a dress rehearsal on Thursday, March 31, at 7 P.M., for the community. Admission is free; donations are welcome.

“My favorite part was seeing the script evolve,” said Chris, who is eager to see the hard work that other schools have put into their plays. “It was cool developing Everyman as a character and breathe life into that. I’m proud.”



Miya Grein, as Worldly Goods



Everyman, Chris Raney, speaking with Fellowship, played by Dan Tracy

Edwards // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

“So Back was included and Cambridgeport was excluded during redistricting,” she explained.

Edwards, who was sworn into the senate in January, has kept her city council seat but will officially resign on April 30th.

“I’ll be your full time state senator at that time,” Edwards told guests. “It’s coming right around budget time. So what that means for us and my district is we’re looking at all sorts of ways to have an equitable recovery (from the pandemic) by looking at how we see the economy differently in each of the cities and towns.”

Edwards said this includes looking to make the Suffolk Downs project an economic center for small businesses in Eastie and Revere; creating a vibrant economic center in Revere; building more affordable housing in Boston and balancing economic development with creating strong communities; and making Winthrop’s economic business center vibrant and sustainable.

“I will also be looking at how we can make transportation better and more equitable with a Blue-Red Line connector or a better and more affordable ferry service,” said Edwards. “Hopefully, we’ll be able to really talk about what we can do creatively with American Recovery Act funds and create infrastructure for the public good.”

Edwards added that she will continue to be an advocate for environmental justice communities in the senate.

“We need to be making sure that when we think about how we build and plan for our state and cities and towns, we have a centralized definition that includes language justice, that includes racial justice, that includes health impacts,” she said. “Our future is going to be green, so we need to begin that partnership with the green future of labor. I’m excited that Eastie Farms is opening a new greenhouse in East Boston. The first thing I did was invite my friends



Mayor Michelle Wu, Sen. Lydia Edwards and Juan Carlos Ferrufino.

in labor because I want them to see this new green infrastructure. We invited the plumbers, who are wondering what their future is going to be. We invited the pipefitters union because we want to show them that a thermal greenhouse in East Boston is good permanent infrastructure built through union jobs. Our future is going to change and we need the skill sets to bring about that change.”

During the Zoom portion of Edwards’s kickoff she was joined by Assistant Speaker of the US House, Congresswoman Katherine Clark of Revere.

“I just wanted a chance to come by and talk about

ship, and uses equity as her headline. And that’s exactly what we need to tackle these huge issues in front of us whether it’s transportation, addressing climate change, making sure healthcare is accessible and housing is for all. Lydia is so passionate and informed and really uses that base for finding great partners, keeping her community involved and using her integrity and her incredible voice to move us forward. She’s really going to help us in the communities she serves, and in the Commonwealth as a whole, and will meet this time of historic challenge with historic progress.”

Clark added that her and Edwards are beginning to have some of their first events together as state senator and congresswoman.

“Lydia’s voice, whether it is out celebrating an investment in a new station to connect Revere to the Commuter Rail or the host of other projects that are coming that are about making sure that we are meeting this moment,” said Clark. “This is our moment to keep working, making sure that people are able to thrive and that every single person can see themselves in the economy and see a place for their family to grow and succeed.”

“That is what Livia does so naturally so I am just thrilled to be part of her delegation and thrilled to have her voice in the state senate for the communities that she serves.”



Sen. Lydia Edwards spent the evening talking with supporters and political colleagues.

Senator Edwards,” said Clark. “First of all, I just moved into her district so I am thrilled not only that she’s in the State Senate, but then she’s my state senator. Lydia is so effective and such the right person for this time. She looks at issues you find partner-

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PLAYING A ROLE TO PERFECTION

Letterie keys Middlebury's undefeated title season

By Cary Shuman

Did anyone in all of NCAA winter sports have a greater, more memorable season than Middlebury's Jenna Letterie?

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And Jenna Letterie is a Dean's List student at the highly prestigious college, showing that she excels on and off the ice.

Jenna's parents, Winthrop Town Council President James Letterie and Winthrop schoolteacher Dawn Letterie, were in Middlebury, Vermont for the title-clincher, just as they had been in attendance for all of Jenna's previous 26 games. Her brother, Jake Letterie, was also a proud supporter.

Middlebury College head coach Bill Mandigo, who is in his 34th year, said Jenna Letterie's first-period goal gave the Panthers' the early lift they wanted.

"She stole the puck on a faceoff, and she went in on basically a breakaway with the other team in hot pursuit, and she put it in the net," said Mandigo. "It was a great play."

The legendary coach said Letterie played exceptionally well throughout the 27-0-0 season, deservedly earning a spot on the All-NESCAC First Team.

"Jenna's a great penalty killer, she's on the power play, she's relentless in pursuit of the puck – I've never seen her lose a race to the puck," said Mandigo.



Middlebury College ice hockey star Jenna Letterie skates in for a one-one-one opportunity against the opposing goaltender that resulted in a goal during an NCAA playoff game.



Winthrop's Jenna Letterie and her parents, Jim Letterie and Dawn Letterie, share in the joy of holding Middlebury College's Division 3 women's ice hockey national championship trophy.

"She's so competitive, you wish you could bottle it."

"It's pretty amazing," said Letterie in reflecting on the season that saw Middlebury win 13 of their games by a one-goal margin.

Letterie started playing in Winthrop Youth Hockey

Jenna began skating in Winthrop Youth Hockey at the age of five.

"My father [who had played hockey for Winthrop High School] brought me to the rink," said Jenna. "I played five years on the boys' teams and in my last year, I played for the boys team and the first-ever girls hockey team. My father was the coach of the team, and we lost in the state championship game."

She continued her career in the powerful Assabet Valley girls' program, winning a national championship in the 14-under division.

Letterie played ice hockey, field hockey, and lacrosse at The Rivers School. She made her varsity ice hockey debut as a freshman as the team won the school's first NEPSAC championship. She earned All-New England Prep School honors in ice hockey and field hockey during her junior and senior seasons.

"I knew I wanted to play college hockey when I was in the sixth grade," said Letterie. "In my sophomore year at Rivers, I realized that a Division 3 program would be the best fit for me, and I committed to Middlebury the end of my junior year of high school."

The road to the national championship

Jenna Letterie played

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WHS GYMNASTICS TAKE STATE TITLE



Brandi DiCicco, Mary O'Donnell, and Megi Zogasi, the senior captains from this past season's successful Winthrop High gymnastics team, helped lead the Winthrop Gymnastics Academy to a state title at the recent competition for club teams in Fitchburg.

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

NEW COACH, NEW SEASON FOR WHS GIRLS LACROSSE

The Winthrop High girls lacrosse team will open its season next Thursday (April 7) when they will host Northeastern Conference rival Masconomet on the turf at Miller Field at 4:00.

The 2022 edition of the Lady Vikings will be led by a new head coach, Emma Marrs, and assistants Emily Saef (assistant varsity) and Abby Carlton (junior varsity).

"We are stoked to be a part of Winthrop High School athletics and are looking forward to coaching a committed group of athletes," said Marrs.

Marra greets four returning seniors, Mia Martucci, Brianna Marley, Emely Norena, and Miya Grein.

Other members of the varsity squad are: Giulia Bordonaro, Reese Brodin, Gabrielle Buonopane, Sarah Delehanty, Kira Diaz, Samantha DiMento, Rachel Flynn, Lily Giardino, Annika Holgersen, Abby Holmes, Julia Holmes, Emma Holmes, Talia Martucci, Mia Norris, Hannah Parker, Isabella Rice, Adriana Rizzotto (who will handle the goal-keeping duties), Marley Rodriguez, and Kailey Sullivan.

The team manager is Julia Surveils.

The Lady Vikings took part in a jamboree this past Sunday in which they played three, 30-minute games against Revere, Pentucket, and Georgetown.

"For the first time playing as a team together with only two team practices under our belt, we played very



Winthrop Gymnastics Academy Director Pete Gobiel displays the championship banner from the recent State Cup competition along with the five members of the team who won the title, Mary O'Donnell, Alayna Ronan, Megi Zogasi, Brandi DiCicco, and Sigrid Eldh Jahn.

well," said Marrs. "The scrimmages highlighted what worked well and also showed us where our holes are and what we can improve on."

"We have another scrimmage Wednesday (yesterday) at Malden Catholic, which we are really looking forward to," added Marrs.

The Winthrop girls' 2022 campaign will feature 18 contests. After the opener with Masco, Winthrop next will play at Marblehead on April 11.

WHS BASEBALL TEAM OPENS SEASON WEDNESDAY

The Winthrop High baseball team will open its 2022 season next Wednesday, April 6, when the Vikings host Boston Collegiate Charter School at Veterans Field. The opening pitch is set for 4:00.

"We have a great mix of seniors and underclassman

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WHS VIKING FOOTBALL AND CHEERING AWARD BANQUET

This past Sunday, March 27th the Winthrop Lodge of Elks generously hosted the 2021 Winthrop Viking Football & Cheer Program for their annual end of season banquet. Elks Exalted Ruler Jane Powell, along with a team of volunteers headed by Doreen Gillis spearheaded the event. Vi-

king Football Head Coach Jon Cadigan served as the day’s master of ceremonies which included awards and recognition of the players, cheerleaders and all the volunteers and local businesses and community groups that help make the season possible.



Edward MacFarland Scholar Athlete Award Evan Rockefeller and Coach Cadigan.



Northeast All Conference Players Ian Harris, Cam Martin, Chuck Dassau, Mikey Chaves and Pete Jurovich with Coach Cadigan.



Northeast Conference All Star Robert Noonan.



Annette Caggiano Memorial Award Winner Pete Jurovich and the Winthrop Youth Football Award Mikey Chaves with Coach D'Ambrosio.



The WHS Football team seniors.



Thomas D'Ambrosio Unsung Hero Memorial Scholarship Victor Marques and Chuck Dassau with Coach D'Ambrosio.



William Rutherford Thanksgiving Day MVP Mikey Chaves and Coach McCarthy.

— UPCOMING CHURCH SERVICES IN TOWN —

**First Church Of Winthrop United Methodist**

217 Winthrop St, Winthrop, Ma 02152

Ash Wednesday service - March 2nd at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Holy Communion service - each Sunday at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Good Friday -- April 15, 7 p.m., joint service w/ St. John's Episcopal

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service -- April 17, 5:50 a.m., joint service w/ St. John's Episcopal at Winthrop Beach at the green rails

Easter Sunday Holy Communion service -- April 17, 11 a.m.

**St. John's Episcopal Church**

222 Bowdoin St, Winthrop, Ma 02152

Psalms Sunday Liturgy - April 10 - 8 AM, 10 AM & 4:30 PM

Maundy Thursday - April 14, 7 p.m., joint service w/ United Methodist

Good Friday Liturgy - April 15 - 7 AM (shortened service)

Joint Stations of the Cross (at St John's) - April 15 - Noon

Great Vigil of Easter - April 16 - 5:30 PM

Easter Vigil Feast - April 16 - 7ish PM

Easter Day Mass - April 17 - 8 AM, 10 AM & 4:30 PM

**St. Michael the Archangel Parish**

320 Winthrop St, Winthrop, Ma 02152

Friday, April 8: "Living Stations" drama by teens at 7:00pm

Palm Sunday Vigil, April 9 - Masses at 4:00pm and 5:30pm

Palm Sunday, April 10 - Masses at 8am, 10am, 11am, and noon; "Living Stations" drama by teens at 7:00pm

Holy Thursday, April 14 - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 15 - Liturgy and Veneration of the Cross at 7:00pm

Holy Saturday, April 16 - Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 17 - Masses at 8:00am, 10:00am Family Mass*, followed by Easter Egg Hunt

11:00am Mass& 12 Noon Mass



Robert Remer Coach's Award Mikey Chaves & Coach Cadigan.



Paul Frazier Scout Players of the Year Donovan Cassidy and David Buckley with Coach Ferrara.



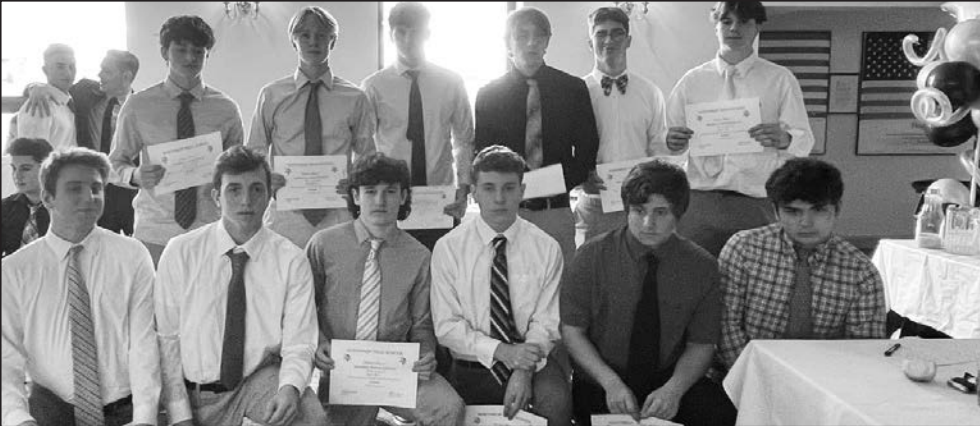
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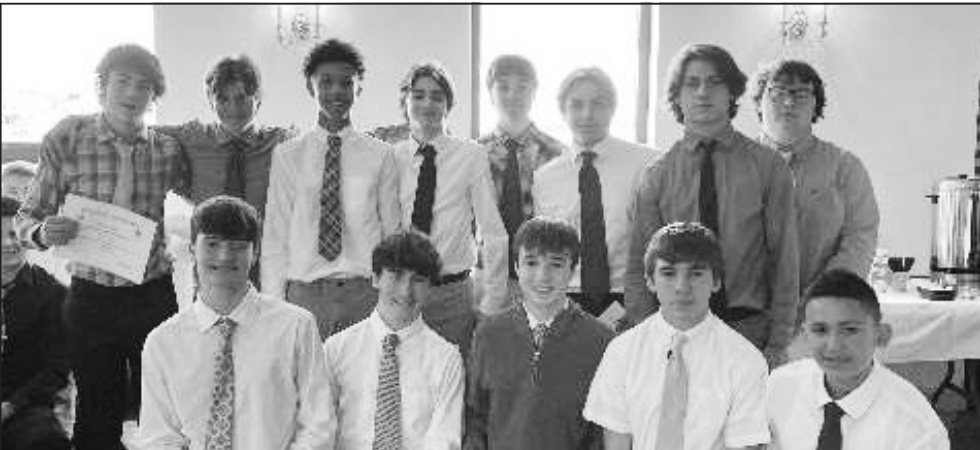
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WHS VIKING FOOTBALL AND CHEERING AWARD BANQUET



The WHS Football team sophomores.



The WHS Football team freshmen.



The WHS Football team juniors.



The Winthrop Football team waterboys.



The Cheer Team.



Dr. Robert Harney Defensive Player of the Year Ian Harris & Coach Cadigan.



Irving P Alexander Award Ian Harris & Pete Jurovich with Coach Cadigan.

Letterie // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

right wing on Middlebury’s first line with Katy Hargrave of Pocasset and Madie Leidt of Des Moines, Iowa. A 5-foot-6-inch junior, Letterie scored six goals and had 28 assists for the NESCAC’s highest-scoring line that produced more than 90 points.

Did Jenna think an undefeated season was possible back in November?

“We just took it one game

at a time,” said Jenna. “We knew we were a good team and other teams were going to be just as good. Near the end of the season, we said to each other, ‘we’re not going to lose now, we have to continue this.’”

Letterie said the weight of carrying an undefeated record into the playoffs was actually a motivating factor.

“I think there was added pressure, but I also think it motivated us because we

knew that if we went this far without losing, we could continue to win,” said Letterie.

A two-time winner of the Will McDonough Writing Contest back in middle school, Letterie is majoring in Economics and Psychology at Middlebury.

Being a college athlete requires a major commitment with long road trips to other New England colleges. “We lift weights

three times a week and we practice every day for two hours,” said Letterie.

**National championship rings**

Mandigo said the team banquet in May should be special. Jenna Letterie and her Middlebury teammates will receive watches from the NCAA, replicas of the NCAA championship trophy, and national championship rings.

“Since Day 1 of her freshman year, Jenna has had a positive impact on our program,” said Mandigo, who is a graduate of Wesleyan University. “She’s been a quiet leader whom the other players really respect.”

Letterie has tremendous respect for her coach, Bill Mandigo, who has the most wins (624) among all women’s college hockey coaches.

“He is a great recruiter and pushes us to be our best, and he comes to practice every day wanting to get better and for each of us to get better. He’s coached for 34 years and he really knows what he’s doing. I think we all trust him to make the right decisions and he led us to this amazing season.”

Letterie will return for her final season at Middlebury this winter.

Roundup // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

on the varsity this year,” said WHS head coach Mark DeGregorio.

The 2022 edition of the Vikings will be led by a quartet of captains, the senior trio of Joseph Ferullo, Cameron Martin, and Joseph Hayes and junior Colin Kinsella.

Other members of the varsity include seniors Anthony Indrisano, Chris Gibbons, and Juan Sanchez, who is making the transition from the football field to the baseball field.

Junior Zach Bogusz is a returnee from 2021, and two other juniors, Ryan Gagnon and Nicholas Marchese, will be joining the varsity squad.

Sophomores Pete Silverman and Jackson Andy, who played with the varsity as freshmen, are back for another season.

“We have a great group of young players, Evan Rockefeller (sophomore), Phil Boncore (freshman), William Hayes (sophomore), Jay Fotiades (freshman), and Matthew DeCarney (sophomore), who are joining the varsity this year,” noted DeGregorio.

The Vikings played their first scrimmage of the pre-season this past Saturday against Newburyport. “Newburyport is one of the best teams in the Cape Ann League,” said DeGregorio. “We competed at a very high level this Saturday in the scrimmage and I was very pleased with how competitive we were considering it was only our fourth time out on a field all year.

“We scored runs by being aggressive on the base paths and were led by some great pitching,” continued DeGregorio. “We had four no-hit innings by four separate pitchers, Joseph Ferullo, Jay Fotiades, Zack Bogusz, and Cameron Martin, to start the game. We also got some great pitching from Anthony Indrisano, Matthew DeCarney, and Phil Boncore. Those three collectively only let up one run.”

Offensively, the Vikings were led by Colin Kinsella, who went 2-for-3 with a double and swiped three stolen bases, and Joseph Ferullo, who was 3-for-3 on the day.

Winthrop also received solid defense from Jackson Andy at third and Joseph Hayes at shortstop.

“As the head coach this year, I am very excited about the direction in which this program is going,” said DeGregorio. “We had a huge turnout for tryouts on the first day of the season. The players have been taking pride in the practices and the changes that we have instilled this year as a coaching staff. I have surrounded myself with a great group of coaches who have been very involved in helping these young men get ready for this upcoming season. Coach Anthony Sorrentino has returned to the staff this year, but we have added new coaches Joseph Murphy, Neil Cacciola, Michael Vatalaro, Eric Mathieu, and Kurt Rodrigues.

“This group of coaches brings a lot of experience at various levels, and it has been a smooth beginning to the baseball year thus far, largely due to this group that I have surrounded myself with and to the young players who are eager to learn and improve on the baseball field,” DeGregorio added.

DeGregorio and his crew will play another scrimmage against Malden tomorrow (Friday) at Pine Banks.

After Wednesday’s season-opener, the Vikings will journey to Marblehead next Friday.

**WINTHROP GYMNASTICS ACADEMY TAKES FIRST AT RECENT STATE MEET**

A quintet of gymnasts from the Winthrop Gymnastics Academy (WGA) made the long journey to Fitchburg a worthwhile trip by coming home with the first place trophy at the recent state meet.

The Diamond team, consisting of this past season’s Winthrop High senior captains, Megi Zogasi, Brandi DiCicco, and Mary O’Donnell, along with next year’s captain, Alayna Ronan, and Sigrid Eldh Jahn, a teammate from Charlestown, represented the WGA, competing against 60 of the top gymnasts in Massachusetts.

Winthrop started on the vault with each gymnast sticking their vaults with no extra deductions.

The uneven bars was their next event. Mary O’Donnell, the top bar performer all season long, finished with a perfect routine, scoring 9.475 for second place in the meet.

“The balance beam always is a tough event, but all five gymnasts stayed on the beam, making this their best meet of the season,” said WGA director Pete Gobieli. “This was their night. They were in the zone on their toughest event.”

The floor exercise was the last event and, in a fitting tribute to her incredible year, Brandi DiCicco hit her routine, scoring a 9.5 and taking first place in the

competition.

For the first time at this particular level, the Winthrop Gymnastics Academy took home the first place team award.

In addition, Brandi DiCicco qualified for the regional team that competes in May.

**WHS BOYS LACROSSE LOOKING TO REBUILD PROGRAM**

Although the Winthrop High boys lacrosse team will not be fielding a varsity squad in 2022, long-time head coach Brian Donnelly is looking forward to the challenge of creating a new varsity program.

“We are going to run a club/JV team this year due to the original numbers and the amount of returning players,” said Donnelly. “We only have five returning players, all of whom were underclassmen.

“The upside of this is that it will give us the opportunity to work on a lot of skill work like stick skills, shooting, and defensive footwork. We are a very young team with a bunch of freshman and sophomores and one junior. We will be returning to a full varsity next year.”

Leading the team will be the captaincy duo of junior attack man Jack Hayes and sophomore midfielder Robert Rich.

“Both have done an awesome job rallying some new players, organizing the team, and getting them excited about the upcoming season,” said Donnelly.

“We have a new goalie in sophomore Hunter Fife, in whom we have massive confidence,” said Donnelly.

“We also have returning defender Donovan Cassidy, who will lead our defense.”

The Vikings enjoyed great success in a recent scrimmage with Lynn, defeating their former Northeastern Conference rival by a score of 11-1.

“We had an awesome performance in net by Hunter Fife and some great offensive performances by Robert Rich, Jack Hayes, and some new freshman getting in on the action,” noted Donnelly.

“We are really young and inexperienced overall and hope to use this year to gain skills, learn some systems, and get the team excited about competing,” Donnelly said. “Everyone has been coming with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn. Our captains and returners have been doing a great job of setting the tone

“Although I was disappointed in not having a full varsity squad after coaching for 10 years, I am really excited about the prospect of teaching so many young players and developing their skills,” Donnelly continued. “The squad we have is going to make huge moves in the future and I look forward to see them develop as players and as a team.”

Donnelly and his crew are scheduled to host Gloucester on the turf at Miller Field this Monday at 4:00 and then will trek to Danvers next Friday.

**STRONG TURNOUT FOR WHS SOFTBALL PROGRAM**

With six starters from his 2021 team having been lost graduation, long-time Winthrop High softball

coach Dave Duffey will be looking to fill the gaps from among the large number of 33 girls who turned out for the 2022 season.

The returning starters for the Lady Vikings are short-stop Summer Tallent, first baseman Sammy Harrison, and third baseman Lily Tallent.

Among the players whom Duffey will be counting upon to fill the gaps created by graduation are senior Ava Martello, who handled the pitching chores for the junior varsity last year; catcher Gabby Golden, who saw some varsity action last year; and senior Juliana Guzman, who was a back-up in 2021, in centerfield.

Also expected to play a large role in the Lady Vikings’ fortunes in 2022 are junior McKenzie Magardo, a pitcher who also plays at second and third; freshman infielder Amelia Spencer; freshman outfielder Izzy Cash; sophomore outfielder Gaby Currier; infielder Tina Fabiano; designated hitter Zoe Bakos; and infielder Emma Harrison.

Guffey will have a new member of his coaching staff for 2022, Steve Indrisano, who will coach the JV squad. Jayne Kulis and Ron Vitale will be the assistant varsity coaches.

“This year is all about improving everyday, a little bit at a time,” said Duffey.

The Lady Vikings will open their season this Monday when they will host Salem Academy Charter at the Little League field. The opening pitch is set for 4:00. They then will trek to Saugus on Wednesday and will return home to entertain Swampscott next Friday.



OBITUARIES

Wilma Short

February 10, 1938 ~ March 26, 2022

Wilma M. (Lantz) Short, 84, of Winthrop, formerly of Everett, passed away on March 26.

She was the beloved mother of David and his wife, Patty Short, Lynne (Short) and her husband, Ramon Alveres, Gary and his wife, Susan Short and Kevin and his wife, Sheila Short. She was the loving grandmother of 12, great grandmother of nine and great-great grandmother of three. Wilma is also survived by her sister, Audrey Berardino of Everett, Roy Lantz of Sun City, CA and nieces, nephews and good friends.

Visiting hours will be held at the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett today, Thursday, from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Complimentary valet parking Thursday at the Main Street entrance.

Funeral from the funeral home on Fri-day, April 1 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10:30 a.m. Interment in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Peabody. In lieu, of flowers, donations may be made to American Cancer Society, 3 Speen St., Suite 250, Framingham, MA 01701

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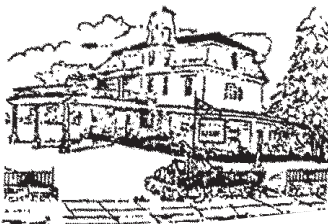
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Malden Catholic Chapel dedication

Story by Marianne Salza

Malden Catholic High School (MC) celebrated its new chapel with a dedication ceremony in honor of Brother Thomas Puccio, Director of Mission Integration, on March 19. Brother Puccio has ministered at MC for 36 years, and has been involved in all aspects of the school, from Assistant Headmaster of Academics, to 26 years as the principal.

“It was a lovely ceremony,” Brother Puccio said humbly. “It was very moving for me. It was a great gathering of friends and supporters of Malden Catholic.”

A soft spoken leader, Brother Puccio is devoted to the institution and his Xaverian brothers, and participates at the school in every capacity. He photographed the recent Rolling Rally for incoming students, and prepared cheese for refreshments before a new teachers’ meeting.

“Brother’s hand is on all aspects of the school community,” exalted Senior Director of Advancement Bob McCarthy, who performed opening and closing songs during the ceremony. “The level of dedication and commitment is unmatched. We are truly blessed by his presence every day.”

Father Paul Coughlin, pastor of St. Raphael Parish, Medford, presided over the dedication and blessed the sacred space. Malden Catholic has had small, temporary chapels for the past six years as the school had been renovating and expanding to accommodate a division for girls. Now Malden Catholic has 765 students and a chapel that sits 50.

“The chapel is in the main corridor of the building, which is terrific,” described Brother Puccio. “It gives the chapel great visibility.”

Brother Puccio currently teaches two theology classes and hopes to soon bring students into the chapel for prayer and reflection.

“The chapel is a space that’s open during the day for people to drop in if they’d like to have quiet moments,” said Brother Puccio. “The Theology

Department will make use of it during various liturgical seasons throughout the year. Classes can come in for the Sacrament of Penance and team blessings. It will be a comfortable space for many uses.”

Funds for the chapel were generously donated by Paul and Margaret Chisholm, major benefactors who support the school annually. Brother Puccio was serving as principal when the Chisholm’s sons attended Malden Catholic in the 1990s. They developed professional and personal relationships with Brother Puccio, and appreciated their children’s experience at the school.

“The dedication of Brother Puccio, and the benefits of a Catholic education create young men and women of character, leadership, and purpose. It’s not just academics; Catholic education is building the person,” McCarthy explained. “The Chisholms recognize and support that.”

During the ceremony, Margaret Chisholm shared her admiration and appreciation for Brother Puccio, who she believes demonstrates his Xaverian virtues with integrity every day.

“Brother Tom grounded his life in the belief that each person is unique, gifted, and loved by God. He has treated every student with endless patience and kindness, empathy and respect, and, at times, with firmness,” Chisholm reflected. “This beautiful chapel is peaceful and calming – a symbol for Brother Tom’s life of selfless service. It offers the MC community a serene place of welcome for all who seek guidance, solace, support, or encouragement.”



Jim Donovan, Board Chairman, Headmaster John K. Thornburg, Brother Thomas Puccio, and Margaret and Paul Chisholm during the Malden Catholic High School chapel ribbon cutting.

agement.”

Brother Puccio was born in Brooklyn, New York, and grew up in New Jersey, where he attended a Xaverian high school that began his interest in the consecrated community of laymen. Brother Puccio joined the Congregation of the Brothers of Saint Francis Xavier in 1968. When Brother Puccio is not teaching, he enjoys photography, playing guitar, and attending school athletic events.

“I try to model good behaviors,” said Brother Puccio, who has been a Xaverian brother for 53 years. “We speak of five values that are important to us as a school community: humility, simplicity, compassion, trust, and zeal. I try to live that lifestyle.”

Brother Puccio has taught English and chaired the English Department at St. John’s Preparatory School from 1972-1986. He was the recipient of the Boston Archdiocese’s Cheverus Medal for service to the church, and Malden Catholic’s Theodore James Ryken Award for commitment to gospel values. Brother Puccio



Brother Thomas Puccio standing beside the plaque outside the Malden Catholic chapel.

has been on the Board of Trustees at St. Joseph Regional High School, St. John’s Preparatory School, Xaverian Brothers High School, and Nazareth Regional High School.

“We are all grateful for Brother Tom and what he has done for the school in many different roles, every minute of the day,” expressed Dianne James, Chief Marketing Officer. “It [the ceremony] was a perfect celebration of him, his life, and his work. It is a venue for the school to enjoy a new, sacred space.”



Longtime Malden Catholic staff and administration and Board of Trustees, and friends and family of Brother Puccio and The Chisholm Family gathering for the March 19 Blessing and Dedication Ceremony.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

CHELSEA IS IN SOLID FINANCIAL SHAPE

CHELSEA - The city is still catching up on the auditing process for its finances, thanks to the pandemic, but the latest results still show Chelsea to be in solid financial shape.

Representatives from the independent auditing firm of Rosselli and Clark Associates appeared before the City Council’s finance subcommittee on Wednesday, March 16 to discuss the Fiscal Year 2020 audit and financial report.

City auditor Edward Dunn noted that the city is currently in the tail end of FY22, and that the audit is from FY 20. Tony Rosselli of Roselli and Clark said that because of information that has been delayed at the state level, many audits have been delayed, but that he expected the audits for Chelsea to get back on schedule fairly quickly.

Rosselli said there are many positive economic indicators for the city in the FY20 audit, including over \$40 million in reserve funds and a high bond rating. Rosselli also discussed what an independent audit

is, and what it can accomplish.

“The first thing the public is thinking when you are doing an audit is that you are going to look at everything and you are going to look at everything and you are going to find everything, that if someone took something for \$5, we’re going to know where it is,” said Rosselli. “That’s not really what an audit is. An audit is more of a process put out ... by the Government Accounting Office in Washington.”

During the process, the auditors may identify if there is anything unusual which could point to a misappropriation, but Rosselli said the auditors don’t go into the process with the express purpose of finding misappropriations.

“This audit is really intended to go out to all of your bond holders,” he said. In addition, copies also go out to the federal government to make sure the city is in compliance with federal grants and to the division of local affairs at the state level.

Rosselli said the audit showed a clean opinion, showing no major qualifications or areas of concern.

The economic trends for FY20 showed about \$43 million of reserve funds in the city coffers.

“The reserve funds peaked back in 2017 at about \$45 million, and it looks like it is making its way back there, which is a great place to be for the city,” said Rosselli.

The amount of money in reserve compared to the city’s expenses was at 27 percent, which is almost three times the state average. Rosselli said that number puts Chelsea in a good position for its bond rating.

In addition, for the year audited, the city’s expenses were \$5.5 million under budget, and its revenues exceeded expectations by \$6.2 million, creating a surplus of \$11.7 million.

“Your bond rating is a double A, which is a very good investment grade and one step below the triple A,” said Rosselli, allowing the city to get good interest rates when it bonds for capital projects.

The only thing keeping the city from the highest bond rating is its demographics, especially compared to wealthier communities such as Newton and Wellesley.

The audit also showed the city is in good shape funding its pension liability, which was 76.5 percent funded in the FY20 audit, compared to the state average of 65 percent.

The audit did show that there are almost 100 smaller accounts in the city which have not been used for at least a year or two that should be closed out. The total amount in those accounts is about \$600,000.

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino said the auditor’s office is in the process of going through those accounts so that the money can be earmarked for current programs or projects in the city.

TAHILIANI CALLS FOR DIPIERRO TO STEP DOWN

EVERETT - In an unusual action, Superintendent of Everett Public Schools Priya Tahiliani used her allotted time on the School Committee agenda on to call upon Ward 3 City Councilor Anthony DiPierro “to step down” from office following the recent



# Winthrop Senior Center News

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**Thursday March 31st**

9:30am: Exercise

11am: Grab and Go Lunch

12:15P-2:30P: Bingo

**Friday, April 1st**

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Monday, April 4th

11:00am: Blood Pres-sures

1:00am: Grab and Go Lunch

12:30pm: Art Class with Dawn

**Tuesday, April 5th**

9:30am: Exercise

10:00am: Spanish Class

11:00am: Exercise for Arthritis

11am: Grab and Go Lunch

1:30pm: Chorus

**Wednesday, April 6th**

9:30am: Yoga with Kath-leen

9:30am: Bereavement Support Group

11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch

11:00am: Zumba with Cindy

1:00pm: Legal Aide Question & Answer Group

1:15pm: Italian Class

**ATTENTION: TAX WORK-OFF PROGRAM ... .. EXTEN-SION!!!**

The deadline to apply

for the 2022 Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-off Pro-gram has been extended until 2:00pm on THURSDAY MARCH 31. Applications are available at the Senior Center and online at: www.town.winthrop.ma.us/coun-cil-aging

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-53 hours must be com-pleter by October 15th of the credited year

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-Money earned through the Tax Work-Off Program

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-Participants will receive a W-2 form for the amount of money earned through the program.

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

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2 weekdays in advance of your trip. A full list of our destinations and pricing is available on our website, at the Senior Center and in our newsletter.

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**Podiatry:** Barbara Ull-man, RN, a registered nurse and pedicurist from Seen Your Feet will be at the Se-nior Center on Thursday, April 7, 2022, from 9:30am to 1:30pm. Cost: \$20 (or \$25 to have toe and fin-gernails done). Cash only. Appointment required; to schedule, please call the

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Sign-Up at the Senior Center. More information (including trip flyers) is available at the Senior Center and on our website.

**May 19, 2022:** Comedy Hypnosis Show Featur-ing Richard Barker. Price: \$98. Makes checks payable to Friends of the WCOA. Meal: Cranberry Cornbread Stuffed Chicken (vegetar-ian meal option also avail-able).

**May 25, 2022 –** May 26, 2022: A Victorian Age Getaway. Travel via Am-trak’s Downeaster to Maine and spend the night at the Nonantum Resort in Ken-nebunkport. Trip includes

guided tours of Port-land and Kennebunkport, Maine and also Portsmouth, NH, evening entertainment at the resort and a vineyard tour with winetasting. For full tour information, pick up a flyer at the Senior Cen-ter (flyers are also available at www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging.

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Option Chubb travel pro-tection: \$33 per person (\$52 for single portside room)

A deposit of \$50 per per-son, plus insurance fee (if selected) is due upon regis-tration. Final payment due by April 8, 2022.

All travelers going on the Victorian Age Getaway are required to complete a trav-el form. Forms are avail-able on our website and at the Senior Center.

The Friends of the Win-throp Council on Aging are offering a CASH FOR GAS Raffle. First prize: \$300, second prize: \$200. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased at the Se-nior Center. Drawing will take place Monday April 4th, 2022.

## Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, DCR seek grant proposals for Better Beaches Program

Staff Report

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the Depart-ment of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) are now seeking Better Beaches Program grant propos-als from organizations in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull to sup-port free beach events and activities on the region’s public beaches this year.

In 2021, Save the Har-

bor’s Better Beaches Program invested nearly \$300,000 in the program, supporting 67 organiza-tions in nine waterfront communities from Nah-ant to Nantasket. In turn, those organizations ran 188 events, including festivals, movie nights, concerts, beach parties, fitness classes, sailing and kayaking sessions, speak-er series and summer pro-grams.

“Free events and pro-grams like these are par-

ticularly important for kids and families this year, as we put the pandemic behind us and return to the beach,” said newly elected State Senator Lydia Ed-wards. “Thanks to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay for making it happen.”

This year, the public is invited to participate in the process and help choose some of this year’s events. Cast your vote here or follow this link https://tinyurl.com/2022Beach-Ballot

The Better Beaches program puts resources in the hands of local beach lovers, supporting and em-powering them to execute events for their commu-nities. The impact is clear — in 2021, these events connected more than 1 million people to the wa-ter at 13 different beaches and waterfront parks.

This summer, Save the Harbor has chosen to cen-ter community voices by reserving \$25,000 of Bet-ter Beaches funds to be

distributed by participato-ry budgeting.

From December 2021 to February 2022, indi-viduals from local schools and community centers submitted their ideas for free events and programs to activate the region’s beaches in the warm-er months. You can cast your vote here or follow this link https://tinyurl.com/2022BeachBallot

Better Beaches funds will be intentionally awarded to organizations,

programs, individuals, and creatives who em-power, amplify and invest in community members of color, members of the Queer community, and people with disabilities. “Save the Harbor has re-committed ourselves to equity and anti-racism in our programs and on our beaches. We are excited to see the creative ways organizations and individ-uals will be activating our

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disclosure of racist memes that DiPierro had used on his Instagram account.

“I condemn the actions of Anthony DiPierro,” she said, adding, “I am offend-ed by the racist content.” Tahiliani reminded the committee that the school budget is approved by the City Council and won-dered whether the Everett Schools could be tainted in the scandal.

“We can do better and be better,” she added.

School Commit-tee-at-Large member Samantha Lambert said that the community is hurting and that they are here to represent the 7,000 students of the public schools.

Student Representative Dyna Louis said, “We are a diverse community and de-serve better.”

Committeeman Jason Marcus talked about his long relationship with DiP-ierro and his family and said, “I never saw any part of him like that,” adding, “We should help him rather than beat him down.”

In other matters, the committee voted to send to the Rules Committee a mo-tion to have Louis, the stu-dent representative, be able to add her motions to the School Committee’s agen-da, rather than just being an observer who is only able to comment at the meeting.

“This is a phenomenal idea and I fully support the motion,” committeeman Michael McLaughlin said.

This motion was first dis-

cussed late last year, but the matter was not taken up by the then-school committee and it faded away without a resolution.

The committee as a whole echoed the support for expanding the role of Student Representative.

“We must do this prop-erly,” School Committee Millie Cardello noted, though adding, “We must act quickly.”

### PIERS PARKS III RECEIVES MORE FUNDING

EAST BOSTON - The Piers Park Phase III project being spearheaded by the Trustees of Reservations (The Trustees) just received an influx of cash from the federal government.

The Trustees announced this week that U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren and U.S. Senator Edward J. Mar-key was able to secure \$2 million for the East Bos-ton waterfront park proj-ect through Congressional Directed Spending (CDS) federal funding. Senators Warren and Markey’s ef-forts were supported in the House by U.S. Congress-woman Ayanna Pressley.

The award was included in the bipartisan omnibus federal budget signed by President Joseph R. Biden on March 11, 2022.

“I’m proud to work with my colleagues to bring tens of millions to Massachu-setts to grow communi-

ty-based projects that serve our families, businesses, and cities and towns every day,” said Markey. “Bring-ing a world-class, climate resilient park to the envi-ronmental justice commu-nity of East Boston will strengthen our resiliency and our economy, while ensuring that locals can access public green space.”

After several community workshops and information gathered through an online survey, the Trustees and Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, Inc., released the newest design of Piers Park III at a Community Design Review meeting last month.

These new design el-ements gathered through public feedback courtesy of Eastie residents includes less open water in favor of larger and more accessible landscapes.

The new design main-tains unique and exception-al public access to the water with an additional access point to the uplands area of the park while preserving the site’s maritime history.

The new design also adds more areas for habitats and robust ecological zones within the park such as a tidal pool and salt marsh.

“The Massachusetts de-legation and I secured \$2 million in federal funds to design and construct the future Piers Park III in East Boston, which has long held a disproportionate burden of pollution and climate change,” said Warren.



Clark and Carmella Mousliason cut the ribbon on Carmella’s Market in 2012 as the late Jerry Del Prete (center) looked on. Del Prete, who ran the Italian food shop for over 30 years as Gloria’s Food Market, sold the business to the Moulaisons ten years ago. Clark and Carmella announced this week that family member, Nick Mousliason (back row, center) will take over Carmella’s in April.

“This park will serve as an example of a climate-resil-ient greenspace for our na-tion, and I look forward to seeing the park flourish as a hub of recreational activ-ity for the entire communi-ty.”

Three years ago, the Trustees of Reservations submitted the only bid to Massport’s call for a pri-vate/public partner to come forward and help fund the design and construction of Piers Park Phase III.

The dilapidated pier is adjacent to Massport’s award winning Piers Park and the future Piers Park Phase II project.

The Trustees of Reserva-tions operate 120 miles of protected coastline, which includes over 60 miles of trails, and a bunch of beach-

es and all sorts of other nat-ural habitats in the state.

Massport has been work-ing with the community and other stakeholders over the last two to three years to build out Piers Park Phase II. It was around this time the Trustees of Reserva-tions started having conver-sations with Massport about their waterfront initiative.

Since being designat-ed, the Trustees Boston Waterfront Initiative team has increased community outreach and engagement to gather feedback on the Piers Park III design and future programming oppor-tunities in the park.

“These federal resources will help initiate, strength-en, and expand communi-ty-based projects that serve our families and com-

munities every day,” said Pressley. “This world-class waterfront park, designed in close partnership with the environmental justice community of East Bos-ton—will provide a resil-ient outdoor green space for all to enjoy. I’m proud to have helped deliver these resources and look forward to seeing these critical proj-ects move forward.”

The \$2 million will con-tribute to the construction of the park – an estimat-ed \$35 to \$40M project that is being funded large-ly through philanthropic contributions The Trustees is raising from a mix of private individuals, foun-dations and corporations. To date, \$28.5M has been committed to build Piers Park III.



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beaches this summer!” said Save the Harbor’s Executive Director Chris Mancini.

Funds to support the program come from the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Baker/Polito Administration, and from the Harpoon Shamrock Splash, which was held on March 6, 2022 at Constitution Beach in East Boston. As a result, Save the Harbor will be able to invest nearly \$250,000 to support free beach events and programs. These programs will activate beaches in Lynn, Nahant, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull.

“The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is committed to ensuring that all Massachusetts residents who visit our properties have the opportunity to partake in recreational activities - something we know is paramount to everyone’s physical, mental, and emotional well-being,” said Acting DCR Commissioner Stephanie Cooper. “We are especially proud to again partner with Save the Harbor/Save on our Better Beaches Program and are looking forward to another great season of free beach programs from Nahant to Nantasket.”

“The Better Beaches Program events are as

diverse as the communities that host them,” said Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chair, Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn, “But one thing they all have in common is that they bring communities together to enjoy our region’s public beaches. Thank you to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and DCR for working together to strengthen our beachfront communities and waterfront neighborhoods.”

Save the Harbor’s success would not be possible without our program partners and event sponsors, including Arctic Chill and Harpoon Brewery, JetBlue, FMC Ice Sports,

P&G Gillette, National Grid, Coast Cannabis, the Daily Catch, Comcast, Mix 104.1, The Blue Sky Collaborative, Boston & Maine Webcams, BostonHarbor.com, The Boston Foundation, and The Richard Saltonstall Charitable Foundation.

In addition, Save the Harbor recognizes the Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn, and Representative Adrian Madaro of East Boston and the legislative and community members of the Commission as well as Senate President Karen Spilka and House Speaker Ron Mariano for their support for our beaches and

our communities. We also thank the Baker-Polito Administration, the Massachusetts Legislature, Save the Harbor’s partners at the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Boston Centers for Youth & Families, the YMCA of Greater Boston, and the hundreds of people who took part in the Shamrock Splash for their support.

Better Beaches Program grants range from \$1,500-\$5,000 with a typical grant of \$2,500, and in some cases Save the Harbor may consider larger grants. Information about the events and programs that were supported last year can be found in Save

the Harbor’s 2021 Impact Report, which is available at <https://www.savetheharbor.org/publications>

To apply for a grant or ask any questions about the Better Beaches Program, please contact Maya Smith at [smith@savetheharbor.org](mailto:smith@savetheharbor.org). Applications are due by April 22, 2022, after which Save the Harbor’s Better Beaches Grants Committee will review the proposals. They will present the checks at their annual Better Beaches Award Reception, which all grant recipients are expected to attend, on June 11, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Boston’s Fish Pier.



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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket Number 22 SM 000749 ORDER OF NOTICE To: Jason R. Maddalone and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Winthrop, numbered 139 Main Street, given by Jason R. Maddalone to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Sage Bank, dated October 16, 2015, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 55194, Page 264,

as modified by a certain modification agreement dated January 12, 2018, and recorded with said Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 59194, Page 163, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 2, 2022 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on March 21, 2022. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 20869 3/31/22 W

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
  
LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF WINTHROP BID FOR WATER AND SEWER ON-CALL REPAIR CONTRACT The TOWN of WINTHROP invites sealed bids from Contractors for the on-call repair of water and sewer infrastructure. The awarded contractor will be used by the Town's Water and Sewer divisions on an as needed basis to make emergency and non-emergency repairs throughout the Town of Winthrop. The Town of Winthrop, MA (Owner) will receive sealed Bids, until 11:00 a.m. local time on April 14, 2022 at the Town Hall, 1 Metcalf Square, Room 6, Winthrop, MA 02152, Attention: Monica Ford, Procurement Officer. Bids may be submitted by U.S. mail or courier or hand delivered at any time to the Town Hall. Please allow additional time for delivery by mail or courier services. Bid security in the amount of 5 percent of the Bid must accompany the Bid. The Project being bid is subject to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30, Section 39M and prevailing wage rates as issued by the Director of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, Department of Labor Standards under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27D inclusive, as amended, apply to this Project. A pre-Bid conference will not be held. Bidding Documents may be obtained electronically at no cost on or after March 30, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. by email to [mford@town.winthrop.ma.us](mailto:mford@town.winthrop.ma.us) The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities in or reject any or all bids as may be in the best interests of the Town of Winthrop. Bids from qualified MBE/WBE firms are encouraged. The Town of Winthrop is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Monica Ford, Procurement Officer 3/31/22 W

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LEGAL NOTICE Community Action Programs Intercity, Inc. (CAPIC) Request for Proposals for Weatherization PROGRAM Request for Bids Community Action Programs, Inter-City, Inc. (CAPIC) is seeking proposals from contractors to perform residential insulation, general heat waste, blower door testing and air sealing, as well as, electric and roofing measures for low-income residents of the following communities; Arlington, Belmont, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Lexington, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Revere, Somerville, Stoneham, Wakefield, Watertown, Waltham, Winchester, Winthrop and Woburn. Bid Packages may be picked up at the CAPIC office or will be sent upon request. Bids must be received at the CAPIC Office, 100 Everett Ave, Unit 14, Chelsea, MA 02150, no later than April 8, 2022. For further information, please contact Aicha Idhsaine at CAPIC at (617) 884-6130 ext. 1107. All Proposals are subject to price negotiation. CAPIC's Board of Directors reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals deemed best for the agency. The submission of proposal constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the request for proposals. Small and minority firms are encouraged to apply. The advertisement is subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the request for proposals. CAPIC, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer / Affirmative Action agency. 3/30/22, 3/31/22, 4/6/22, 4/7/22, 4/13/22, 4/14/22 R,C,W

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P0136EA Estate of: Janice M. Pistorino Date of Death: 10/04/2021 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Charles B. Scott of Winthrop, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Charles B. Scott of Winthrop, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/12/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 01, 2022 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 3/31/22 W

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GINA MAHONEY HOLDS BOOK-SIGNING AT COASTAL YOGA

Photos by Cary Shuman

Revere resident Gina Iapicca Mahoney, author of *My Flight To Freedom: The Uncut Truth*, hosted

a book-signing on March 19 at Coastal Yoga, Winthrop. Iapicca Mahoney autographed copies of her new book at the event.



Gina Iapicca Mahoney, author of *My Flight To Freedom*, with her husband, Bobby Mahoney, their daughter, Gianna Mahoney, and son, Robbie Mahoney.



Proud family, front row, from left, Kevin Mahoney, Gianna Mahoney, author Gina Iapicca Mahoney, and Robbie Mahoney. Back row, from left, Andrea Massa, Neil Massa, Lucinda Silguero, Lisa Wilson, and Jacky Wilson.

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**80 years ago**  
**April 2, 1942**  
The blackout test conducted by 50 communities in the Greater Boston area last Tuesday night found Winthrop to be ready and efficiently-covered. All units performed at 100 percent and no incidents of any importance marred the town's participation in this huge blackout test.

Winthrop's Transportation Committee has wasted little time in getting down to action relative to its goal of securing lower bus fares for local commuters.

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Meeting unanimously approved a \$2500 appropriation for the use of the committee to take legal action, if necessary, to obtain reduced fares from Rapid Transit Inc. by arbitration.

Congressman Thomas J. Lane has announced a \$75,000 federal appropriation to improve the facilities at Winthrop Community Hospital.

Bette Davis stars in *The Man Who Came to Dinner* at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

**90 years ago**  
**April 2, 1932**  
Winthrop Unemployment Committee Chairman Preston Churchill is asking all homeowners who may have work to be done around their property to call the committee at its office number, Ocean 2978, so that the committee can provide some work and find a few dollars for some of the 392 unemployed men and women in our town who have registered with the committee.

As of Wednesday of this week, there are 18 adult pa-

tients and seven newborn infants resting comfortably in the new Winthrop Community Hospital building on Ingalls Hill, which opened last month. The last patients from the old hospital building, formerly known as the Metcalf Hospital on Winthrop St., Mrs. Buckman and her twin babies, who were born March 14, were returned to their home. Patrick Rees, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rees, had the distinction of being the first baby born in the brand-new, \$200,000 facility.



Author Gina Iapicca Mahoney with friends from the Winthrop High School Class of 1988, from left, Gina Massa, Jeannie Polino, Tara Cassese, and Debbie Lanza.

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