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WFD RECEIVES STATE GRANT FOR FIRE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Chief Scott Wiley is pleased to announce that the Winthrop Fire Department (WFD) was awarded a grant to support its fire education programming in the community.

The Massachusetts Department of Fire Services awarded Winthrop Fire \$4,381 for its Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program and \$2,277 for the Senior S.A.F.E. Program.

The funding gives the department the opportunity to work directly with students in schools and seniors to educate them about fire safety and prevention. Each program is tailored to the common needs of each age group and includes general fire prevention reminders and safe practices in the home. Lessons feature many safety topics including steps to take if a fire alarm goes off.

The lessons taught in the school-based program are in line with the standards of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Health Curriculum Frameworks and the state Department of Fire Services Curriculum Frameworks.

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## Winthrop's Joyce recognized for commitment to safety and security

Special to the Transcript

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) has awarded Winthrop resident Michael Joyce with the Authority's "Logan Stars" award. The award honors non-Massport employees at Boston Logan International Airport who exemplify the highest level of customer service and/or perform acts of courage in their roles.

Joyce is a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Supervisory Transportation Security Officer (STSO) at Logan Airport. In September of 2021, Joyce and his colleague were informed that a young woman was being assaulted by a male counterpart near the checkpoint in Terminal E. When they arrived at the scene, no further contact occurred between the parties involved and Massachusetts State Police was notified. Joyce documented the names and contact information of witnesses and gathered physical evidence, which was then provided to the authorities. Joyce and his colleague explained the situation to the Massachusetts State Police and identified the two individuals involved in the altercation. The male individual was ultimately placed under arrest by authorities.

The "Logan Star" award recognizes contributions of non-Massport employees at Boston Logan in one or more categories:

- Providing exceptional customer service;
- Engaging in an act of bravery and/or heroism;
- Improving safety or security;
- Increasing operational efficiency or excellence in a way that benefits the Logan community; and
- Creating innovations or new work processes that benefit the Logan community as a whole.

Joyce received the award during the 17th Annual Massport S.A.F.E. and Logan Stars Ceremony held Tuesday, January 10. The ceremony, which highlights Massport's commitment to safety and security, recognized over 30 employees for their contributions to keeping

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## EMBRACE UNVEILED ON BOSTON COMMON



Local artist Samantha Giarratani (project manager at the Hank Willis Thomas team) shown with family members last Friday at the unveiling of The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. EMBRACE sculpture on Boston Common. Shown left to right Liz Chaboya, Susan Giarratani, Bob Giarratani, Will Briamonte, Sam Giarratani and Robert Giarratani.

## Town looking to fill position on Finance Committee

By Adam Swift

The town is seeking a new member for its Citizens Finance Committee after a long-time member has stepped down.

"Jan Twombly has been a member of that committee for over a decade and has provided so much to that committee, from her professionalism, her ability to listen to both sides of an issue and just come up with the right suggestion," said Town Council President James Letterie. "Her unique financial skill set has just been so admired by everyone on that committee, and I thank her for her time."

Letterie said Twombly's work schedule has made it next to impossible for her to continue on the finance committee, so she will be stepping down.

"She will be sorely missed, but we are looking for someone on the Citizens Finance Committee," said Letterie.

In other business, the council approved the reappointment of Paul Flanagan to the MWRA Board of Directors for the town for a term that runs through Feb. 15, 2027.

Town Manager Tony Marino is also looking for additional feedback from the Town Council on a new trash ordinance before the council takes a vote on it.

Council Vice President Stephen Ruggeiro said the new ordinance seeks to make sure there are rules in place that can be enforced by the town so that everyone in Winthrop is following the same set of rules for the disposal of trash.

The ordinance also establishes an enterprise fund so that the trash program is funded through the

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## Save the Harbor seeks applications from organizations for 2023 Better Beaches Grant Program

Special to the Transcript

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) are now seeking Better Beaches Program grant proposals from organizations to support free beach events and activities on the region's public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull this summer.

Last year, Save the Harbor awarded \$28,500 in Better Beaches grants to local organizations like Triangle, Inc., Northshore Juneteenth Association, Piers Park Sailing Center, A Trike Called Funk, Boston Circus Guild and others. This money was used to put on the Beats on the Beach Block Party, Diversity Matters Festival Beach:Ability accessible

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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, JAN. 2

0911: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that was parked facing the wrong way and over the curb on Beacon St.

1155: A report of a sewer back-up on Ocean Ave. was referred to the DPW.

Winthrop man charged with sexually assaulting one of three boys adopted from Columbia

A Winthrop man was charged today with sexually assaulting one of three boys he brought back from Columbia last summer after traveling to that country to adopt them, District Attorney Kevin Hayden announced.

Kiyoshi Yu, 52, was charged in East Boston BMC with one count of assault and battery on a child under 14. Judge John McDonald ordered Yu held on \$2,500 bail and directed him to surrender his passport, have no contact with the three boys and have no contact with children under 16. Yu will return to court March 7 for a pre-trial hearing.

Assistant District Attorney John Blazo said Yu traveled to Bogota, Columbia last summer to adopt the boys, aged eight, nine and 13. One of the boys told investigators that Yu repeatedly abused the boys in a Bogota hotel shortly after the adoption. The abuse continued when Yu returned with the boys to the United States.

The charge stems from an incident in Yu's apartment in Winthrop, where Yu forced one of the boys to stroke his penis.

In August, shortly after Yu arrived in the United States with the boys, Rhode Island police found the boys in a vehicle in a casino parking lot while Yu was in the casino. The boys also told investigators that Yu made them sleep on the floor, would not let them shower, and

TUESDAY, JAN. 3

0019: Officers responded to a call at a Somerset Ave. home regarding roommates who were involved in a dispute. The officer spoke to the parties and restored the peace.

1354: Officers stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Putnam St. and issued a citation to the operator for the criminal offenses of using an MV without authority and unlicensed operation of an MV.

1914: A person called the station to report that she had backed into another vehicle on Putnam St., but was unable to ex-

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change paperwork with the owner of the other vehicle.

2210: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4

0636: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Hermon Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation and operating an MV with an expired registration. The officer issued a citation to the operator and advised the operator to resolve the registration issue with the RMV.

0914: An officer retrieved a hypodermic syringe on the sidewalk in the 500 block of Shirley St. and brought it back to the station for proper disposal.

1003: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Summit Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1331: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Lincoln and Walden Sts. for the civil moving infraction of rolling through a stop sign. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1347: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Pleasant Sts. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1802: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Lincoln and Walden Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer issued a

citation to the operator.

1823: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pleasant St. and Brookfield Rd. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

THURSDAY, JAN. 5

0742: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. In addition, the vehicle's registration had expired at the end of December. The officer issued a citation to the operator and directed the operator to park the motor vehicle.

1252: A 26 year-old Winthrop resident came into the station to report that his motor vehicle (MV) was missing from Locust St. The owner was informed that his MV had been towed 11 days earlier because it was obstructing a driveway. When a check of the Warrant Management System revealed that the resident had three outstanding warrants, he was placed under arrest.

1346: An officer issued parking tickets to two vehicles that were parked in the handicapped parking area on Main St. at the high school.

1421: Officers responded to a motor vehicle (MV) accident at Ocean Ave. and Shore Drive. An officer issued a citation to one of the operators for the criminal offense of operating an MV after his right to operate had been suspended.

1451: An officer provided assistance to the operator of a disabled motor vehicle at Cross and Shirley Sts. until a tow truck arrived.

1545: An officer stopped a motor vehicle

on Veterans Rd. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, JAN. 6

1101: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Sagamore Ave. and Revere St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1111: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Hutchinson Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1154: Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle (MV) accident in the intersection of Pleasant and Pauline Sts. There were no injuries, but both vehicles were towed.

1318: A Douglas St. resident reported an assault & battery. The officer filed a report.

SATURDAY, JAN. 7

1105: The Animal Control Officer responded to a report of a dog barking in a backyard on Loring Rd. and spoke to the party.

1226: A caller reported that a dog without a collar was loose on Read St. The Animal Control Officer reunited the dog with its owner.

1542: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Washington and Willow Aves. and issued a citation to the operator for a criminal offense. A friend of the operator came to take possession of the MV.

SUNDAY, JAN. 8

0415: An officer issued parking tickets to two vehicles parked on the sidewalk on Park Ave.

1009: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

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1257: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1300: An officer directed a person playing music loudly in the 600 block of Shirley St. to turn it down.

1321: An officer returned to the scene of the prior call and once again directed the person to turn down his music.

1448: A person reported that a dog without tags was loose on Grovers Ave. The Animal Control Officer responded and attempted to contact the owner.

1511: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of a fraud. The officer filed a report.

1551: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

1915: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence on Pleasant St. and restored the peace. The officer filed a report.

1939: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle that was parked in the No Parking section of Bowdoin St.

2208: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between roommates at a Pleasant St. residence. The officer restored the peace and filed a report.

MONDAY, JAN. 9

0058: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center opens applications for nurse practitioner residency training program

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for its third cohort of residents to join its Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Residency Program. This residency program aims to expand the pool of primary care providers who are well-prepared and committed to serving underserved populations.

EBNHC was one of five

health care organizations in the Commonwealth selected to participate in the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program (DSRIP) Statewide Investments Family Nurse Practitioner Residency Training Program

in 2021. Since then, the program has shown to be invaluable in the training of new Family Nurse Practitioners.

The residency is a highly structured year of intense

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News Briefs //

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lum Planning Guidebook.

Twenty-seven years after the introduction of the S.A.F.E program within schools, the rate of annual child fire deaths has decreased by 78%, according to the state's Department of Fire Services, which administers the two programs.

AGENCIES ANNOUNCE NEW ROUND OF HIGH SCHOOL FINANCIAL EDUCATION FAIR FUNDING

The State Treasurer's Office of Economic Empowerment (OEE), in

partnership with the Massachusetts Division of Banks (DOB) and the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation (OCABR), announced additional funding for the 2022-2023 Financial Education Innovation Fund Grant. This grant opportunity provides financial assistance for Massachusetts high schools hosting financial education fairs during the 2022-2023 school year.

Known as Credit for Life fairs, these workshops offer fun and unique experiences for students to learn about personal finance topics before they graduate. Massachusetts public or charter high

schools and special education programs approved by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) are eligible to apply.

Schools that were already awarded a grant for the 2022-2023 school year are not eligible to receive additional funding.

Applications are open until Friday, February 17th. Schools can learn more and apply here.

This marks the 11th round of the grant since its inception in 2015 and the second round for the 2022-2023 school year. In December, the agencies awarded a total of \$115,400 to 39 schools

to create new or expand pre-existing financial education fairs, which will serve around 9,000 students according to the grantees' estimates.

Since 2015, over 40,000 Massachusetts students have attended Credit for Life Fairs. The Financial Education Innovation Fund Grant was established as an ongoing effort to strengthen access to financial literacy throughout Massachusetts. This financial education program is funded by the Division of Banks through a settlement over alleged unlawful lending practices.

WINTHROP MARKETPLACE

CHICKEN TENDERS IN LEMON-MUSHROOM CREAM SAUCE

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- salt and ground black pepper to taste
- 1 pound chicken tenders
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Lemon Dill Sauce:
  - 1 tablespoon butter
  - 1 cup sliced mushrooms

DIRECTIONS:

**STEP 1:** Mix together garlic powder, onion powder, paprika, salt, and pepper in a bowl. Sprinkle on both sides of chicken tenders.

**STEP 2:** Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add chicken tenders and sear until browned, about 3 minutes per side. Remove to a plate and loosely tent with foil.

**STEP 3:** Reduce heat to medium and melt butter in the skillet. Add mushrooms and onion and cook until mushrooms start to brown, about 4 minutes. Stir in garlic and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds.

**STEP 4:** Whisk together half-and-half, chicken broth, lemon juice, 2 tablespoons dill, and cornstarch in a medium bowl; add to the skillet. Stir until sauce is slightly thickened, about 3 minutes, and season with salt and pepper.

**STEP 5:** Reduce heat to low, add chicken and any accumulated juices to the pan. Simmer until chicken is no longer pink in the center and the juices run clear, 4 to 5 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read at least 165 degrees F (74 degrees C). Sprinkle the remaining 1 tablespoon dill on top of the chicken, and serve with lemon wedges.

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The winter season can be viewed in two ways. Meteorological winter is considered to be the three months of December, January, and February. Astronomical winter runs from December 22, the date of the winter solstice, to March 21, the date of the vernal or spring equinox. So, ever the optimists that we are, we'll take the former version of the winter season, which means that as of this week, we've crossed the midpoint of this winter. With the war in Ukraine disrupting world energy supplies, government policy-makers and energy experts across the globe analyzed the approaching winter season with trepidation. A harsh winter had the potential to leave Europe with severe energy shortages and America with sky-high prices for oil and natural gas, with some even predicting rolling blackouts in New England in the event of a cold winter because of a lack of energy supplies to power our electrical grid. However, the winter of 2022-23 has been exceptionally mild in the Northern Hemisphere, reducing world demand for energy. Here in New England, other than a brief cold snap at Christmas-time, we have been fortunate to have experienced a warmer-than-normal weather pattern that has extended from the beginning of November through all of January.

A colder-than-normal winter could have had a devastating impact on the pocketbooks of New Englanders. The inability to construct a natural gas pipeline from the Marcellus Shale in nearby Pennsylvania (which is estimated to have the second-largest natural gas reserves in the world), coupled with the outdated Jones Act (which essentially means that we cannot transport liquefied natural gas via ship from our own Gulf of Mexico), has left us vulnerable to the wild swings of the global energy market and an unnecessary reliance on dirtier-burning oil.

There has been a large, negative impact to the environment because of our shortsightedness in assuring access to our domestic natural gas supplies here in the U.S.: We have had to use so much oil to power our electric grid -- which normally relies on natural gas -- that we have negated many of the gains of recent years in reducing our carbon emissions. Coupled with the increase in the use of coal for electricity generation in Europe (which they have used to replace their natural gas shortfalls because of the cutoff of supply by the Russians), the climate has been made far dirtier this year.

The warm winter thus far has been a good news/bad news situation: Our energy supplies have been sufficient to keep us warm at manageable (though still-high) prices, but it has come at a great cost to the environment.

And beyond the immediate aspect of this winter, that we are having such a mild winter in the first place is just further evidence that climate change is here to stay.

THE HUSBAND ALWAYS IS THE PRIME SUSPECT

The disappearance of a Cohasset mother of three who has been missing since January 1, once again has highlighted the tragic, but undeniable, reality that a woman in the United States is more likely to be killed by an intimate partner than by a random stranger or anyone else in her life.

We realize that her husband, who presently is under arrest for misleading police in their investigation into her disappearance, is presumed innocent until proven guilty. However, we would note that the circumstantial evidence at this point that has been reported in the press points overwhelmingly to her cold-blooded murder by a man with a sociopathic personality.

(The husband is awaiting sentencing in federal district court on felony charges stemming from his theft of artwork from a college roommate's family and subsequent forging of that artwork that duped buyers. In addition, according to news reports, he also allegedly bilked his father out of a substantial sum of money and then, when his father cut him out of his will, took items from his father's estate.)

A woman is beaten every nine seconds in the U.S., totaling more than five million incidents of domestic violence among U.S. women aged 18 and older every year, resulting in nearly 1300 deaths and two million injuries, in communities both rich and poor.

To put it another way, more than three women are killed by their husbands/boyfriends (or ex-es) every single day in America.

This incident also has highlighted that domestic violence crosses all socioeconomic levels. It was another incident in 1978 in Cohasset, the small and extremely wealthy community on the South Shore, when a woman was shot by her husband, who in turn shot their three young children (all of whom survived) before turning the gun on himself, that led to the law that allows a victim of domestic violence to obtain a restraining order (commonly-known as a 209A order) to keep her abuser away from her.

This sad incident further highlights that women are most at risk to violence during separation from their intimate partner -- and that was the case for the Cohasset woman, who had bought a home in Washington, D.C., where she had taken a job and planned to move with her three boys, while the husband awaits a lengthy federal prison sentence for his financial crimes.

We will reiterate that the husband is presumed innocent until proven guilty in this matter.

However, regardless of how this sad and tragic incident plays out, it has shone the spotlight on the scourge of domestic violence -- now known as Intimate Partner Violence -- that still pervades our culture despite decades of awareness and changes in the law at the state and federal levels.

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Forum

LETTER to the Editor

ALL ABOUT HEAT PUMPS--WEBINAR FEBRUARY 1

Dear Editor, Heat pumps have been getting a lot of buzz—and a lot of questions. This free webinar, Wednesday February 1 from 7-8 pm, is your chance to learn. It's worth learning even if you think heat pumps don't apply to your housing situation.

The Downtown Chapter of Mothers Out Front, a non-profit mobilizing for a livable future, is presenting Loie Hayes of the Green Energy Consumers, a non-profit that harnesses consumer power to speed the transition to a low-carbon future.

Why Should I Care About Heat Pumps? They

are a necessary part of our future. We must move away from fossil fuels to mitigate climate change and meet our city and state goals for reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Buildings in Boston account for a whopping 70% of the City's emissions.

What Are Heat Pumps? Heat pumps can transfer heat into your home from air, water, or the ground outside your home. The webinar will focus on air-source heat pumps, which have a compressor unit outside connected to either a system of heating/cooling ducts or to one or more ductless air handlers or "heads".

Do They Really Work in New England? Yes! They work in low tem-

peratures—and provide cooling in summer as well!

Really-- a Heat Pump Could Replace My Air Conditioner? Absolutely. Some suggest they should be called "heat and cool pumps".

Aren't They Expensive? The webinar will note a variety of subsidies, credits, and tax incentives that help with the initial investment, as well as the savings over time.

Do they work in small apartments, or only in single family homes? Heat pumps can be effective in a great variety of settings, including a single room or office, a single-family home, or a multi-unit building. Configurations vary. Ductless

systems can work for a single room or apartment, with a "mini-split" fixture mounted on the floor or wall or ceiling. Buildings with a central duct system for a furnace or air conditioning can often use those duct systems.

How Do I Figure Out Whether Heat Pumps Make Sense for My Apartment or Building? The webinar is a great first step. It will address these and many other questions and invite you to ask your own.

To join the webinar, you can sign up at [https://www.mothersoutfront.org/events/boston\\_ma\\_20230201/](https://www.mothersoutfront.org/events/boston_ma_20230201/).

**Betsy Peterson, Mothers Out Front Downtown Boston**

GUEST OP-ED

Renting or buying, which is best for you?

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

A retired minister and his wife had never owned a house. They had spent all their married lives living in housing provided by churches. At age 65 they bought a house and financed it for 15 years. They had been frugal and had saved a good down payment. They paid for the house by age 80. The value of the house increased over the years and at age 83 they sold the house and received a very nice check. The money from the sale was enough to help them fund their next ten years in a nice assisted living apartment. While taking on a mortgage at 65 appeared crazy to some it afforded them financial security further down the road.

Many years ago, I bought a modest new house that cost \$151,000. I barely scraped together the nearly \$30,000 down payment. The house was financed for 15 years. I began the laborious journey of writing a monthly check to the bank. After about eight years, I needed money to pay medical bills and was able to borrow \$30,000 against my equity. It was nice that I had the equity because at that time I really needed the cash. Looking back, I would never do that again

because it made the actual cost of my house increase to \$181,000. For a couple of years, I had two payments to make to the bank. A couple of years later my wife passed. If I had needed to borrow \$10,000 against my house, I could have done so to pay for funeral expenses. Fortunately, we had both taken out small insurance policies that covered that cost. Eventually I refinanced and consolidated the mortgages. By the grace of God I still paid for the house in 15 years.

I don't like monthly payments or paying rent. For most of us, at some point in our lives there will be a monthly payment of some kind. I've lived in apartments on several occasions and even houses furnished to me by congregations I served. I didn't care for either one. I'm not saying I wouldn't do it again but my preference is to live in a place that is actually mine for as long as possible.

Renting a house or an apartment works for many at different stages of life. Buying a house is tough because it is a major financial commitment. You normally have to come up with 20% of the price to pay down as well as have the income to make the payments. That's not al-

ways easy.

New houses in a nearby neighborhood are presently selling for \$400,000. Most of them are modest three to four-bedroom houses. Having enough money to make the down payment and monthly payments is a lot for any person or family.

However, rent is expensive. Depending on where you live you may be paying \$800 to \$3,000 a month for a small apartment. You don't have maintenance or property taxes but you'll also never see that money again. A friend of mine sold her house at age 70 and moved into an apartment complex for people over age 55. She pays rent but she says the landlord treats her well and is timely with upkeep. A landlord who is very untimely with upkeep is very frustrating.

There are pros and cons to owning and renting. Choosing depends on your situation and personal preferences. A landlord can raise your rent and have rules pertaining to pets, painting, and more.

However, it may be just exactly what you need. Typically, you don't want to sink your money into property if you are going to move in three or four years. You might come out ahead if you buy a fixer upper and have the time and money to improve the property. You don't want to make a bad buy. Buying property that you can't resell is a bad idea, unless you love it and plan to live there a long time.

Keep in mind that a big chunk of most American's wealth is in the house they own. If you pay for it and maintain it you can normally sell it to someone and recoup a lot of your money. You might even make a nice profit.

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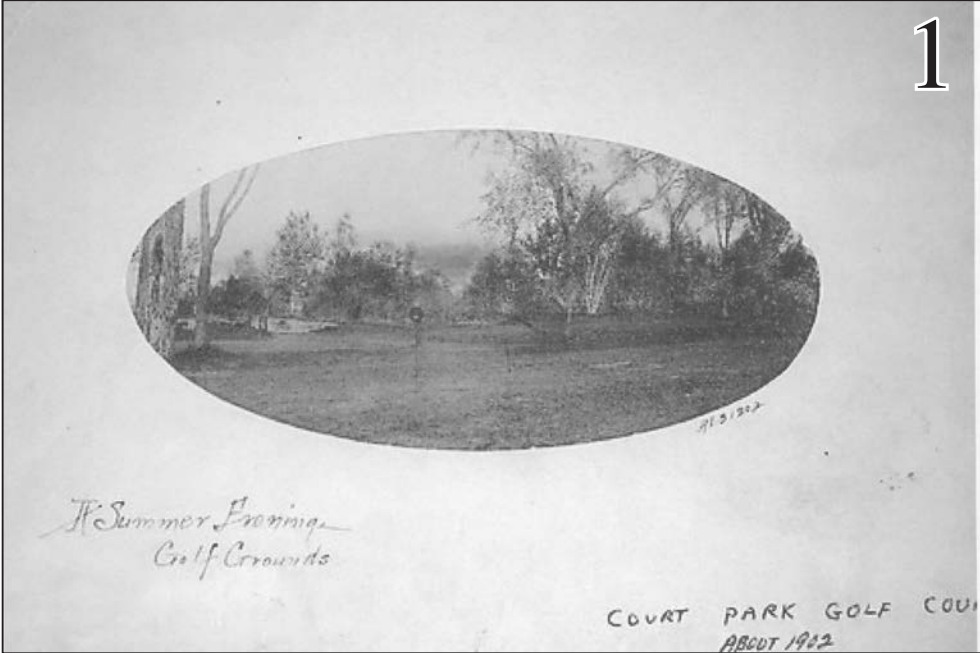
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# WINTHROP Then and Now

Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association  
By G. David Hubbard, Town Historian • Photos courtesy of Stephen F. Moran

## ART 986 - WINTHROP'S FIRST GOLF COURSE



With spring here and the golfing season ready to start, a number of Court Park residents have been asking about information on the golf course that was there and how the area became known as the maze. The initial development of Winthrop's Court Park section of town was in 1847 when two prominent men, Judge Edward G. Loring and the Honorable George E. Emerson together purchased the entire area and established their two estates. The Judge's home was located off Court Road on the high ground near where Elmer and Albert Avenues now exist and the Emerson home was located off Birch Road not far from where Loring Road is today. In the 1850's, Mr. Emerson imported and transplanted in the Court Park area about two thousand shade trees from England, Scotland and Norway. When Mr. Emerson died in 1881, his

estate was lived in by his daughter who had married Judge John Lowell, hence his name entered the roll of Court Park residents. After the death of Judge Loring in 1887, these two estates became horseback riding trails for a brief period and then the area was converted into Winthrop's first golf course which also only lasted a few years. This golf course is reported to have been the second golf course in the USA, the first having been built a few years earlier in Brookline. Our course was designed and laid out by a Mr. John Stavely who, according to the 1900 census, then lived at 20 Sargent Street. See picture one which depicts the cover of a small brochure published about this golf course. The planned development of this area is depicted on an 1891 map which envisioned the roads to be laid out directly on the existing fairways so as to minimize

any grading requirements for the land. This unusual street layout resulted in the nickname for the area as the "Maze", a name it bears even today. At that time the roads were unnamed but, by 1900, names were assigned and road construction was nearing completion. If one walked down Court Road in the mid 1890's, golfers in the rough along the newly laid out road would be visible as shown in the second picture. One could also see East Boston in the distance. Picture three shows golfers in the Emerson road area playing among the new roads. While there is some thought that the original golf course consisted of only three holes, it was in fact a nine hole course as seen in picture four where a caddy is holding the number "9" flag on the green behind the former home of Judge Loring which was then being used as the course's clubhouse.



## THE MORE Things Change

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

### 10 years ago January 17, 2013

After months of briefing the community on the three options for a new high school/middle school, the Winthrop School Building Assistance Committee will be having a joint meeting with the Winthrop School Committee to determine the preferred option tonight at the Cummings School Cafetorium at 6:30 p.m.

Jurors in the trial of John LaCoy heard opening statements and prosecution testimony on Wednesday. Lacoy, a resident of Winthrop, is charged with second-degree murder for the homicide of Casey Taylor, 36. Lacoy allegedly stabbed Taylor to death in August 2011 and deposited his remains beneath the porch of his Winthrop Street home. The remains were discovered in an advanced stage of decomposition after a neighbor reported a strange odor to city agencies; Taylor's identity was determined through the use of dental records.

Attorney Joseph A. Boncore is an emerging young leader in the town of Winthrop. After serving as chairman of the nine-person town's Rules and Ordinance Committee and leading a challenging and somewhat imposing two-and-half-year project of revising and updating Winthrop's bylaws, Boncore has assumed another key role, having been elected in December as chairman of the Winthrop Housing Authority (WHA) for 2013.

A Haunted House, Mama, and Gangster Squad are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago January 23, 2003

The near-record low temperatures that have gripped the region this past week have left the Winthrop shoreline resembling a frozen seascape, with huge chunks of ice along a frozen Winthrop Harbor.

A small group of anti-war demonstrators gathered on the Town Hall lawn Saturday to voice their support for the marches in Washington, D.C. by those opposed to the possibility of war with Iraq.

Firefighters battled a two alarm blaze in a home on Dolphin Avenue early Saturday morning that has left six persons homeless.

A large crowd of middle school parents attended an Open House at Winthrop High School.

The Hours, Chicago, and Adaptation are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago January 28, 1993

Town Accountant Frank Inzirillo reported this week that the MWRA has increased its assessment to the town by \$658,147, which translates into a 7.9 percent increase in water rates and a whopping 29.5 percent increase in sewer rates.

The School Committee has voted to eliminate the post of a full time assistant principal at Winthrop High School in favor of having two teachers, who still will teach, share the duties. Current WHS asst. principal Matt Boyle will be offered one of the two positions.

Ralph Martin, the new District Attorney for Suffolk County, spoke to the Rotary Club at its weekly luncheon.

Louis Rossetti, who has been a trustee at Winthrop Hospital since 1968, announced this week that he is stepping down from his post as President of Winthrop Hospital, which has filed for bankruptcy. Rossetti said that the hospital has weathered financial crises in the past and he expects it to emerge intact from its present bankruptcy status. The hospital presently is being managed by Quorum Health Management of Tennessee.

Rev. Timothy Ploch, Provincial of the Salesian Order, coldly told a group of students, parents, and alumni, whose pleas fell on deaf ears, that the decision to close Dom Savio High School at the end of this school year is final. However, alumni vowed to seek a solution to keep the school open.

Lorenzo's Oil, Aspen Extreme, and Hexes are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago January 26, 1983

State Rep. Alfred Sagese has requested the MDC to improve traffic safety conditions at the intersection of Shore Drive and Tewksbury St.

Thieves stole a stereo system from Anthony's Restaurant in the Centre during an early-morning break-in.

A jury in the Boston Municipal Court has found three local youths guilty of vandalizing the Temple Tifereth Israel. They will be sentenced January 31.

Ernest E. Hardy Jr. will be installed as the new President of the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce at the Sons of Italy Hall this week.

With the State Supreme Judicial Court's decision invalidating the appointments of former Gov. Edward J. King to the Massport Board of Directors, incoming Gov. Michael Dukakis once again is in charge of the agency. The reconstituted board's initial acts was to rehire former Executive Director David W. Davis, who will replace Louis Nickinello, who had taken Davis's place and had only served for a few weeks.

Peter O'Toole stars in My Favorite Year at the Kincade Theatre.

### 50 years ago January 24, 1973

James Fay, Chairman of the Massport Board of Directors, has switched his position and says he now opposes the construction of a \$34 million offshore facility in the Outer Boston Harbor that would handle offloading of oil from the new supertankers (which need deeper water than the Port of Boston) and transport the oil inland via a pipe.

Edward J. King, Massport's Executive Director, has announced the creation of a Community Affairs department at the agency.

Dyan Cannon stars in The Love Machine at the Winthrop Cinema.

### 60 years ago January 24, 1963

Unless the new Congress takes action to extend certain laws, Winthrop stands to lose

\$58,000 annually in school aid from the federal government under a program that reimburses communities for children of military personnel who live in the school district.

The selection of a king and queen will highlight the first annual Winthrop Carnival Dance to be held at the junior high school auditorium this weekend.

Town Meeting will be asked to resolve the town's dumping problem. The state has given the town only a short grace period before ordering the present town dump in the marsh area to be shut down. Alternatives for the town include construction of an incinerator, disposal by a private contractor, or a sanitary landfill.

The Color Guard of St. John the Evangelist's Missilemen Drum and Bugle Corps took home first place in a recent competition among 18 other schools.

Frank Sinatra, Laurence Harvey, and Janet Leigh star in The Manchurian and Doris Day and Rock Hudson star in Lover Come Back at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 70 years ago January 29, 1953

Ernest Bentley of Harborview Avenue has been elected the President of Winthrop Community Hospital for a third term.

Thieves stole \$5000 in cash and bonds from the strong box of a local woman during a brazen mid-day break into her home Wednesday.

Police are investigating the possibility of a hit and run accident as the cause of death of 81 year old Christopher Malloy of 465 Winthrop St. Before he passed away, Malloy told family members that he had been struck by a speeding car while crossing the street.

The Winthrop League of Women Voters has published an informative booklet about Winthrop town government.

Abbott and Costello Meet Captain Kidd is playing at the Winthrop Theatre.

### 80 years ago January 23, 1943

The Rapid Transit Bus Company has requested local officials to start school an hour later each day because the school-children are filling up the buses, making it difficult for defense workers to find room on the bus en route to their jobs at the plants in Lynn.

Monsignor Quinlan has been named the chairman of the new Winthrop Soldiers and Sailors Committee.

Bette Davis, Paul Henreid, and Claude Rains star in Now Voyager at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

### 90 years ago January 28, 1933

John Henry, Winthrop's popular promoter, is to be the master of ceremonies next Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. for a half hour variety program featuring local talent on radio station WHDH. John J. Murray, chairman of the selectmen, also will speak about a subject of interest to every Winthrop citizen before the entertainment begins.

The Winthrop Unemployment Committee



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## Better Beaches // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

beach day, the Maritime Festival, a Teen Beach Bash, bike rides, movie nights, wellness workshops, beach yoga, concerts, and more.

This year, Better Beaches state funding has increased. Save the Harbor we will be awarding more than \$300,000 in 2023 Better Beaches grants for even more events free to the public.

If you or your organization has a great idea for a free beach event or program, visit the following website: <https://www.savetheharbor.org/better-beaches>

"I'm just so delighted that the Better Beaches grant exists," said Magdalena Ayed, Founder and Executive Director of the Harborkeepers, a Better Beaches grantee. "This grant allows us to provide a platform to learn about what's happening on the ocean and how we as the Community can be advocates to improve it. It's a fantastic opportunity."

"Save the Harbor's grant program has done so much good for local businesses, individuals, and so many others. Beats on the Beach and the Block Party wouldn't be the same without their help," said Rilla Force, creator of and performer at the Beats on the Beach Block Party.

The Better Beaches program puts resources in the hands of local beach lovers, supporting and empowering them to execute events for their communities. The impact is clear — Save the Harbor has brought millions of community members to the region's beaches with over 1,000 free events since 2008.

Grant applicants can come from any community as long as their idea centers one of our region's public beaches. Better Beaches funds will be awarded to organizations, programs, individuals, and creatives who empower, amplify and invest in community members of color, people with disabilities, people who's first language is not English and members of the Queer community. The event must be free and open to the public, be ex-



Children dressed up for a showing of Moana on the beach in Winthrop last summer.

ecuted in Summer 2023, and comply with DCR's restrictions on what's allowed on the beaches.

A Trike Called Funk, a Better Beaches grantee, used their funds to perform at events on multiple beaches and host their own event series, Bike to the Beach and Boogie. "None of this would have been possible had it not been for the support of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the Better Beaches initiative," said A.a.ron Myers, Co-Founder of A Trike Called Funk. "We are happy to amplify Save the Harbor and celebrate what they're doing to bring people together and to appreciate, but also become stewards of, these beautiful blue and green spaces in and around Boston."

Information about the events and programs that were supported last year can be found in Save the Harbor's 2023 Impact Report, which is available at <https://www.savetheharbor.org/publications>.

You can apply for a Better Beaches grant at <https://www.savetheharbor.org/better-beaches>. You will be notified of the result of your application in April. If you have any questions about the Better Beaches Program, please contact Maya Smith at [smith@savetheharbor.org](mailto:smith@savetheharbor.org).

Funds to support the program come from the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Baker/Polito Administration, and from the Harpoon Shamrock Splash, which will take place on March 12th, 2023. To register for the Splash, visit <https://savetheharbor.securesweet.com/default.asp>.

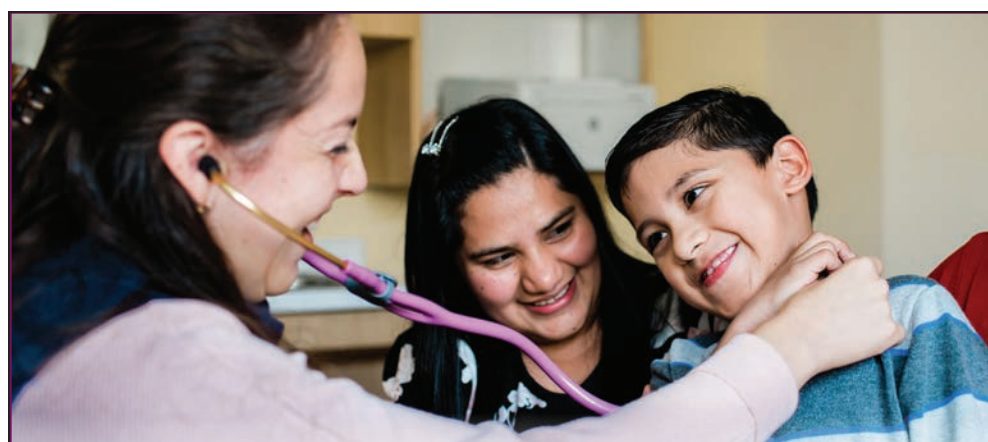
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In addition, Save the Harbor recognizes the Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn, and Representative Adrian Madaro of East Boston and the legislative and community members of the Commission as well as Senate President 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 take part in the Shamrock Splash for their support.



Hundreds of children and families flocked to the beach for a free movie night in Winthrop.



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## The Holmes Hundredth

Julia Holmes scores milestone point as Winthrop girls hockey team remains unbeaten

By Cary Shuman

Five years from now, the Holmes triplets, Emma, Julia, and Abby, will become eligible for the Winthrop High Athletic Hall of Fame. The three multi-sport performers will undoubtedly be first-ballot inductees.

But there are still more team and individual achievements to be attained for the talented daughters of Jay Holmes and Jennifer Holmes. And let's not leave out their daughter, Olivia Holmes,

and her stellar contributions to the Winthrop High girls hockey program.

One week after her sister, Emma, entered the 100-point club, Winthrop center and captain Julia Holmes became its newest member with the milestone-maker an assist as part of an 8-0 win over Gloucester Saturday at faraway Talbot Rink. Goaltender Riley Towse had 13 saves in her second shutout of the season.

Julia had set the stage with a hat-trick performance in a 7-1 win over Masconomet last Wednesday night. She needed two points in the Gloucester game and took care of the record-setting stuff in the first period.

After netting her own goal, Julia assisted on a goal by Adrianna Rizzotto to reach Century City.

"It feels really good to get this [100th point]. I've been waiting for this for a long time and I'm glad I got it my senior year,"

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## WINTHROP HIGH SENIOR SHABANI SWIMS AT LYNN ENGLISH

Ina Shabani is a WHS senior will be graduating this year as a WHS Viking, but she and several other WHS students are members of the Lynn English Swim Team.

This past week, they faced off against the RHS Patriots at the Garfield Middle School in Revere.



Captain Ina Shabani warms up before the meet against the RHS Patriots.



Senior Captain Ina Shabani with her coach, Brigid Houlihan.



The seniors were recognized by the RHS Patriot Swim Team prior to the start of the match. Miriam Crisman, Kylie Griffin and Ina Shabani.

## GIRLS HOCKEY EARNS ANOTHER WIN, REMAINS UNDEFEATED



PHOTO BY BOB MARRA

PICTURE TELLS THE STORY: Winthrop teammates Mia Norris (5), Amelia Spencer (9), Emma Holmes (7), and Abby Holmes (4) are all smiles and Acton-Boxborough's Elise Penney (10, background) leans in dismay after the Vikings took a 3-0 lead. See more photos on Page 8.

## WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

### AN EVEN-STEVEN WEEK FOR WHS BOYS HOCKEY; MASCO HERE SATURDAY IN BATTLE FOR FIRST PLACE

The Winthrop High boys hockey turned in an even-seven week with

a win, a tie, and a loss against a trio of opponents.

The victory came with a runaway 7-2 romp over Swampscott, which plays in the South Division of the Northeastern Conference (NEC), Saturday afternoon at Larsen Rink.

Two goals by Mike Hølgersen (with assists from assistant capt. Billy Hayes and from captain Petey Silverman and Hunter Fife) and a solo tally by Silverman (assisted by capt. Jack Hayes and Billy Hayes) gave the Vikings a 3-1 lead after one period.

Winthrop rattled the Big Blue cage with two more markers in the middle period, with Silverman (assisted by Jack Hayes and Phil Boncore) and senior assistant capt. Nate Evangelista (assist-

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WINTHROP GIRLS HOCKEY CRUISE TO VICTORY OVER ACTON-BOXBOROUGH

Photos by Bob Marra

Winthrop remained unbeaten (7-0) with a 5-1 victory over Acton-Boxborough Monday, January 9. The Lady Vikings erupted for four goals in the final period to run away with the win.



WENDING HER WAY: Freshman Avery Shea (37) makes her way through a pair of AB defenders



MORE SMILES: Winthrop's Talia Martucci (52), and a few smiling fans celebrate Martucci's goal.



NET BARRIER: Winthrop sophomore goaltender Riley Towse (33) thwarts a scoring attempt by AB's Myah Willis (3)



ALONG THE BOARDS: Captain Mia Norris (5) and Acton-Boxborough's Celia Willis (5) chase a puck along the boards.



ALMOST: Winthrop freshman Reese Ferrara (53) tries to tuck a shot into the net but AB goalie Claire Buikowski (30) blocks the post.



OPEN SHOT: Sophomore Izzy Cash (8) has control of the puck and a clear shot past AB goaltender Claire Bukowski (30) before scoring Winthrop's fourth goal.



CROSSED SWORDS: Winthrop Captain Abby Holmes (4) tangles with AB's Allison Corrieri (11) near center ice.



UP CLOSE: Freshman Mia Currier (44) lines up a point-blank shot on AB goalie Claire Buikowski (30)







OBITUARIES

Robert Gillis

Historical researcher, longtime concierge at Seal Harbor Condominiums and Life Member of Winthrop Elks

Robert F. “Bob” Gillis of Winthrop passed away suddenly on Tuesday, January 17. He was 59 years old. Born in Winthrop, he was the cherished son of the late Robert M. Gillis and Irene M. (Trainor) Di-Giovanni.

Bob loved researching history. He had researched and published articles detailing the history and development of the Town of Winthrop and the Winthrop Lodge of Elks. No matter the subject, whether it was family genealogy, a fraternal organization or anything with historical significance, Bob enjoyed researching the history and presenting the information. For many years, Bob was the concierge at the Seal Harbor Condominiums in Winthrop and a Life Member of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks #1078.

The devoted father of Victoria A. Gillis of Revere, he was the dear brother of Owen Gillis and Jimmy Gillis and his wife, Doreen of Winthrop, Ginny Gillis and her companion, Tom Soucy of Chelmsford, John Gillis and his wife, Mary, Kathy Gillis-Magee and her husband, Justin and Mary Gillis and her com-



panion, Bobby McCarthy, all of Winthrop and Kelly Gentzler and her husband, Scott of Revere. Bob is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Bob’s funeral service will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Monday, January 23 at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be private. Visiting hours will be held in the funeral home on Sunday, January 22 from 4 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made payable to the American Legion-Post 146, (memo for Military Care Support) C/O Richard Honan, 92 Johnson Ave., Winthrop, MA. 02152.

To sign Bob’s guestbook, please visit: [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com)

Mary Cash

Her dedication to family and extended family was the most important part of her long life

Mary A. (Tholen) Cash of Winthrop passed away on January 14. She was 100 years old.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late Walter J. Cash. Born in Everett, she was the cherished daughter of the late Herman and Mary (Desmond) Tholen.

Mary retired from the Suffolk Downs Race Track in East Boston as their switch board operator. She loved her job and all the friends she made there, working well into her 80’s.

Throughout her life, her dedication to her family and extended family was the most important part of her long life.

Mary was the devoted mother of Maureen Cash and her companion, Frank DePerrio of Winthrop and the late Dennis W. Cash. She was the adored grandmother of Jessie M. Cash and her partner, Michael Muse of Wilmington and



the dear sister of the late Irene and John Tholen.

Visiting hours were held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop, on Wednesday, January 18 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Michaels Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church)-Winthrop. Interment was in Winthrop Cemetery. Donations in her memory can be made to Rebecca’s Paws and Claws, PO Box 229, Remlap, AL. 35133.

For Mary’s guestbook, please visit: [www.mauricekirbyfh.com](http://www.mauricekirbyfh.com).

Mary Tassinari

State Street Bank Retiree and member of the Winthrop Senior Center

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, January 17 in the Vertuccio, Smith & Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere for Mary P. (Geraci) Tassinari who died on Monday, January 8 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston following a long illness. She was 85 years old. Interment followed in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Mary was a native of Revere. She was born on March 26, 1937 to the late Stephen and Torille (Demaso) Geraci. She was one of three children. Mary was educated in Revere Schools and was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1955. She married Joseph A. Tassinari, who died several years later.

Mary worked in the Credit Departments of Gilchrist Store in Boston and later at Walker & Scott of California, where she lived for several years. She returned to Boston



and began working at State Street Bank in Boston, a career that spanned for 25 years as a Credit Officer. During this time in Mary’s life, she was blessed to have her significant other, Caesar Puglisi, together they enjoyed traveling, being with one another and they enjoyed a long happy retirement together. She was a member of the Winthrop Senior Center.

The loving sister of the late Jennie Anderson and Phyllis Palermo, she was the cherished aunt of Tracy Berner and Stephen Anderson, both of Florida; the beloved companion of 32 years to Caesar Puglisi of Winthrop and his children, Joanne Puglisi of Florida, Mark Puglisi of Melrose and the late Samuel Puglisi.

To send online condolences, please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the care and direction of Vertuccio & Smith – Vazza’s “Beechwood Funeral Home.

WHS SPORTS Through the Years

10 years ago  
January 17, 2013

Winthrop High School’s greatest basketball player is still, in a word – great. Courtney Finn, the all-time leading scorer in WHS history, is a starting guard and a captain for the Bentley University women’s basketball team that is 14-0 and ranked second in Division 2 in the country. Finn had her typical well-rounded performance in Bentley’s 63-49 victory over Pace University Saturday in Waltham. The 5-foot-9-inch senior had a team-high 14 points, seven rebounds, three assists, and a steal.

The Winthrop High boys basketball team posted a victory that will be remembered for years to come with a 61-57 triumph over Revere Tuesday evening. Revere moved out to a 55-51 advantage with about two minutes to play. But that’s when sophomore Jake Chiudina stepped up and treated Viking fans of a certain age to a Larry Bird-like performance. Jake first drained a three pointer and then stole the ball from the Revere point guard and went in for a layup, turning the game around completely within a span of a few seconds and giving Winthrop a 56-55 lead that the Vikings never relinquished. Ervin DeJesus led all scorers with 17 points, followed by Jeff Laguerre with 13, and Josh Babb and Curtis Lockett with 10 apiece.

The Winthrop High girls basketball team bounced back from their first losses of the season last week to Peabody and Lynn English, a pair of rivals from the North (Large) Division of the Northeastern Conference, to slug out a down-to-the-wire 33-31 victory over Revere, another NEC Large foe.

Temmison Meggison paced Winthrop in scoring with 10 points and led the way off the glass, pulling down 14 rebounds. The trio of Michaela McCarthy, Holly Benson, and Amy Sena captured first place in their respective events last Thursday for the WHS girls indoor track team in their meet against Danvers that was held in the Marblehead facility. McCarthy leapt to victory in the high jump, clearing the bar at 4’-10". Michaela later in the meet took second place in the mile in a time of 6:38.8. Benson dashed to victory in the 600 meter event, clocking home in 1:57.3. Sena took first place honors in the 1000 meter run, crossing the line in 3:31.5.

The Winthrop Lady Bulldog hockey team dropped a 7-4 decision to Marblehead, an opponent with whom Winthrop has developed a bit of a rivalry in recent years. Kara Donati, Caroline McKinnon, Flora English, and Juianna Kennedy potted the Winthrop goals. Jordan Corbett-Frank outdashed all rivals to capture first place in the 55 meter sprint for the Winthrop High boys indoor track team in its meet with Danvers Thursday. Jordan raced to victory in a time of 7.1 seconds.

20 years ago  
January 20, 2003

Viking goalie Adam Sullivan was immense, turning aside 33 Saugus shots and playing like a stone wall when Winthrop was two-men down on two occasions, to lead the Vikings to a 2-1 win over Saugus. Winthrop, now

10-1, thus handed Saugus its first loss of the season. Saugus now stands at 7-1-1. Evan O’Brien and Mike Eruzione scored the goals for Winthrop.

The WHS boys indoor track team narrowly lost to Lynn Classical, 45-41, in a meet decided in the last event, the mile relay. Winners in their events for the Vikings were David Porreca in the mile, Steven Goldberg in the two mile, Dan Pevear in the hurdles, Joe Rails in the 300, Shea Walsh in the 600, and Nadjib Arachiche in the 1000.

The WHS girls basketball team has won three in a row after a 35-24 win over Beverly. Colleen Lally, coming off a 17 point-12 steal game against Saugus, led the Lady Vikings with nine points.

Heather Lund and Melissa Wiles placed 1-2 in the all around for the WHS gymnastics team in a 128.6-119.4 loss to Mascomet.

Matt Duplin and Brendan Murphy scored 19 points apiece, but it was not enough as the WHS boys basketball team dropped a 76-66 decision to Saugus.

30 years ago  
January 28, 1993

The 13-0 Winthrop High girls basketball team continued to plow through its Northeastern Conference opponents this week, demolishing Beverly 66-25 and making quick work of English, 66-37. The Lady Vikings are ranked number one in the state in Division 3 and are ranked number five overall in Eastern Mass. They have outscored their opponents by an average of 65-28 points per game.

James Faretra scored 20 points to lead the WHS boys hoop team to a 68-47 win over Beverly. Mike Mason hit for 25 points in a 71-62 loss to Lynn English.

The WHS hockey team defeated Bishop Fenwick 5-2 behind two goals by Neil Arbuthnot and 47 saves by goalie Anthony Palmer. In a 3-1 triumph over Salem, Jason Calla scored two goals for the Vikings.

The School Committee has named Vin Eruzione as the new head baseball coach at Winthrop High. He succeeds Barry Rosen who is departing to take the head coaching job at Merrimack College. Eruzione, a teacher at Thayer Academy in Braintree, has been the WHS assistant baseball coach for several years and also has been the offensive coordinator for the WHS football team for the past few years.

The WHS boys indoor track team earned a 46-40 win over Marblehead to improve to 3-4 on the season. Mark Wysocki was a double winner for the Vikings in the high jump with a leap of 6’-0" and the 600 in 1:28.5. Luis Bonilla won the 50 yard hurdles in 7.5; Danny Levine won the 50 dash in 6.0; Sean Butler won the two mile in 11:48; and sophomore Joe Kearns remained undefeated this season in the shot-put with a toss of 45-11.5.

40 years ago  
Jan. 26, 1983

WHS netminder Sean Howard was spectacular in goal, turning aside 37 Danvers shots, to pace the Viking hockey team to a 3-2 win over the Falcons. Winthrop now stands

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2<sup>nd</sup> Year Anniversary  
January 19, 2021

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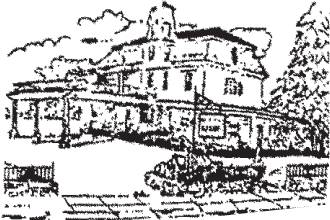
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EBNHC's President and CEO, Greg Wilmot (left) looks on as Vice President of Health Center Operations Jeffery Schuster speaks during a recent tour of facilities.

## EBNHC introducing the Office of the Patient Advocate

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Equity is one of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's (EBNHC) biggest focuses this year in all facets. With equity in mind and to improve patient service, the EBNHC is creating the Office of the Patient Advocate.

In a press release, Greg Wilmot, EBNHC's President and CEO, said the office will "provide patients, a significant number of whom are immigrants and non-English speakers, with an additional access point to address and resolve any concern that may arise."

Elida Acuña-Martínez, EBNHC's Senior Director of Interpreter Services, who will lead the office, described what its creation means for over 100,000 patients that the health center serves.

"By creating this office, we send a clear message to our patients and empower them to advocate for themselves and their families. Our team is here

to support them in doing just that," said Acuña-Martínez in the same press release.

The creation of this office will undoubtedly be massive in the health center's emphasis on equity in that it will serve patients that may face barriers in the healthcare realm. For example, according to statistics provided by EBNHC, 71% of its patients are below 200% of the federal poverty level, and 70% of patients are served best in a language that is not English.

Along with creating the Office of the Patient Advocate, the EBNHC has been hard at work in other areas to promote equity in its care.

The health center has created a diversified staff to better understand and serve its patients, with 50% of its 1,500 staff members being from its service area, 32% speaking Spanish, and 45% being Latinx.

EBNHC has also done

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## Winthrop Senior Center News

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*Additional information on our activities and programs can be found in our monthly newsletter, which is available at the Senior Center and on our website.*

### Thursday, January 12

9:30am: Exercise  
10:30am: Council on Aging Meeting  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
12:15pm: Bingo

### Friday, January 13

10:00am: Ceramics  
10:00am: Line Dancing  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

### Monday, January 16

The Senior Center will be closed

### Tuesday, January 17

9:30am: Exercise  
11:00am: Blood Pressures  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
1:30pm: Chorus

### Wednesday, January 18

9:30am-12pm: CAPIC Fuel Assistance  
9:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
10:00am: Bereavement Support Group  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
11:00am: Zumba with Cindy  
1:15pm: Italian Class

**Grab and Go Lunches** are available for pick up Monday – Friday between 11am and 1pm. To reserve a lunch, please

stop by the front desk or call the Senior Center at 617-846-8538 by 11am the day before (for Monday lunch, reservations must be made by 11am on Friday). Menus are available on our website and at the Senior Center. Please note, lunches cannot be held overnight, they must be picked up on the day it was requested.

**Senior Van.** The Senior Van runs Monday – Thursday from 9am-3pm. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, and can be made by calling the Senior Center. Medical rides will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

**CAPIC Fuel Assistance.** CAPIC will be at the Senior Center to assist in signing up for fuel assistance from 9:30am to 12pm on:

January 18, 2023  
February 15, 2023  
March 15, 2023  
April 19, 2023

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### Programming & Activities

*A full listing of the Senior Center's programs and activities is available in our newsletter and on our website.*

**Ballroom Dancing:** Beginning Tuesday, January 24 at 11:30am. Ballroom dance is a set of

partner dances, which are enjoyed both socially and competitively around the world. We will tackle Waltz, Swing and Rumba, plus Cha Cha, and Foxtrot. This class will be held on Tuesdays from 11:30am-12pm beginning January 24th.

**Blood Pressures:** First and third Tuesday of each month from 11am to 12pm. No appointment needed.

**Bowling:** Tuesdays at 10am at the Winthrop Elks.

**Coffee and Conversation.** Join us on the third Thursday of each month at 10:30am for an informal chat and some coffee and cookies too.

**Computers are available** for use Monday-Thursday from 10am-2pm and Fridays from 10am-12pm.

**Podiatry:** Barbara Ullman, RN, a registered nurse, and pedicurist from Seen Your Feet will be at the Senior Center on the first Thursday of each month. Cost: \$20 (or \$25 to have toe and fingernails done). Cash only. Appointment required; to schedule, please call the Senior Center.

**SHINE Counseling:** Our SHINE Counselor, Charlie Randall, is available to help you with any health insurance questions you have. Charlie will be at the Senior Center on the second Wednesday of the month from 12p-3pm. Appointments are required; to schedule, please stop by the Senior Center or call us at 617-846-8538.

**Technology Class:** Volunteers will be available from 10am-12pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month to help you with any tech support you need. Bring your laptops, smartphones, or tablets, along with your questions. To register, call the Senior Center.

### Upcoming Trips

*Flyers, with additional trip information, are available at the Senior Center.*

**Wednesday, March 8, 2023:** Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with Emmet Cahill

Cost: \$89 (drive on your own) or \$119 (with transportation)

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Meal choice: Corned Beef & Cabbage or Baked Schrod

**Sunday, April 30, 2023:** Lunch & Show at the Newport Playhouse

Cost: \$127

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

**Saturday, May 20, 2023:** Lobster Roll Cruise

Cost: \$114

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Meal choice: Lobster Roll, Roast Beef Rollup, Vegetarian Rollup, or Chicken Caesar Salad

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023:** The Texas Tenors

Cost: \$89 (drive on your own) or \$119 (with transportation)

Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Meal choice: Stuffed Breast of Chicken or Baked Scrod

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alone atop the NEC standings with an 8-0-2 record.

The WHS girls basketball team remained undefeated at 11-0 with a 66-28 triumph over Gloucester and a 44-25 win over Marblehead.

Junior Ken Sirianni set a WHS school indoor record in the mile with a time of 4:33.4 against Swampscott this week.

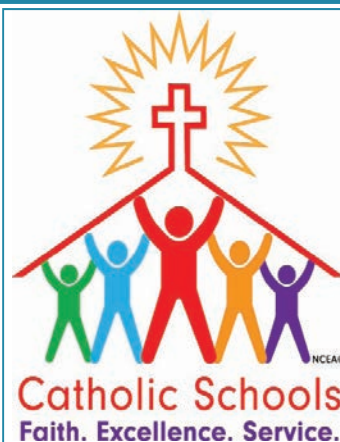
defeat Swampscott on its home court in the past 57 games. Winthrop has done it twice. Both teams share the NEC league lead with Danvers, which also is 6-1. Viking Chris Tsotis is battling with Danvers star Dana Skinner for league scoring honors.

**70 years ago Jan. 29, 1953**

The WHS basketball team improved to 5-0 in the NEC with a 52-42 win over Danvers. Winthrop's Joe Duplin led all scorers with 24 points. In a 50-48 non-league loss to Newburyport. Duplin scored 20 points and junior Dick McKenna added nine.

**50 years ago January 24, 1973**

The 6-1 WHS basketball team will host 6-1 Swampscott in an NEC showdown Friday night. Winthrop won their first battle at Swampscott earlier in the season. The Vikings are the only team to



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SEARCH UNDERWAY FOR CITY MANAGER

CHELSEA - Several city councilors have commented on the big shoes the next city manager will have to fill with Tom Ambrosino moving onto a new position in the state court system.

Monday night, the council began the process of actually filling those shoes. Ambrosino submitted an official resignation letter to the council, specifying his last date on the job as Friday, Jan. 13.

With that letter in hand, the council set up a subcommittee on conference meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 17 to consider the process for hiring a replacement for Ambrosino.

“What we have to do, our city manager has informed us that he is leaving, we have to begin the process of replacing him,” said Councilor-at-Large Brian Hatleberg. “That’s a complex undertaking.”

The subcommittee will also look at the process for the appointment of an interim city manager.

Monday night, the council agreed to discuss the terms and conditions for Deputy City Manager Ned Keefe to take over as the interim city manager at that Jan. 17 subcommittee meeting. Council President Leo Robinson said Keefe stated he will accept the interim position as the search process gets underway.

“We need to have an interim city manager because someone needs to fill the shoes when (the position) is vacated, so we need to discuss that and get everyone on the same page,” said Hatleberg.

City manager isn’t the only position the council will need to discuss filling at the Jan. 17 meeting. The council has yet to fill the position of clerk to the council.

Long-time clerk Paul Casino officially retired effective at the end of 2022, but he will be working with the council on a part-time basis as it searches for a replacement.

Monday night, the council unanimously agreed to hire Casino as a part-time consultant and clerk for the council. The position is temporary until a new clerk is hired, and is set at a rate of \$50 per hour with no benefits and not to exceed 20 hours per week.

MRWA RECEIVES GRANT

EVERETT - The Mystic River Watershed Association (MRWA) recently secured \$400,000 in federal funds to enhance urban forests in Greater Boston’s Mystic River Watershed.

This funding will help mitigate the dangers of climate-driven extreme heat in vulnerable environmental justice communities including Everett, Chelsea and East Boston. The program will support the implementation of local urban forestry plans (including the planting of 750 trees), while training youth, reentry citizens and others to perform the horticulture activities needed to establish and maintain urban trees.

The funding is part of nearly \$13 million in federal community project grants for nine resilience projects in the Mystic Watershed.

“This funding allows us to partner with communities to cool off some of the hottest neighborhoods in our watershed that currently have very few parks, trees, or other cooling,” said David Queeley, deputy director for projects at the Mystic River Watershed Association. “These same neighborhoods are where many low-income BIPOC residents live due to past redlining practices and crushingly high housing prices elsewhere. Helping vulnerable residents stay safe lowers hospitalization rates and medical costs. If we can help cool off the hottest streets, or even whole neighborhoods, why wouldn’t we?”

When President Biden signed the FY2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act into law on December 29, 2022, the \$1.7 trillion spending bill included nine grants for Resilient Mystic Collaborative (RMC) cities and towns totaling almost \$13 million.

These earmarks bring the total grant funding for RMC community projects to \$30.4 million since its founding in 2018.

For each of the last two federal budgets, Congresswomen Katherine Clark and Ayanna Pressley and Congressman Seth Moulton were able to secure multiple Community Project Funding for projects with demonstrated local support that fit within specific existing federal grant

programs. These grants included four for RMC communities in FY2022, and nine in FY2023.

“We couldn’t be more grateful to Congresswomen Katherine Clark and Ayanna Pressley and Congressman Seth Moulton and their staff for securing such robust funding for our communities,” said Patrick Herron, executive director of the Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA), which staffs the RMC. “These investments will make our cities and towns safer, more equitable, and more beautiful.”

Since its beginnings, the Resilient Mystic Collaborative has been focused on projects that make a difference for the people most affected by climate change, according to John Walkey, Director of Waterfront & Climate Justice Initiatives at local non-profit GreenRoots.

“It’s why GreenRoots is so excited to support and partner with the RMC and its members to help secure almost \$14 million in federal grants to fund these projects.”

Each of the municipalities that championed these climate resilient projects is a founding member of the Resilient Mystic Collaborative, a watershed-wide voluntary partnership focused on regional climate resilience. Convened by MyRWA in September 2018 and led by senior staff from 20 cities and towns and non-governmental partners, the RMC focuses on managing flooding and extreme heat on a regional scale and increasing the resilience of vulnerable residents and workers to extreme weather.

ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE SOUGHT

EAST BOSTON - During the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association’s (JPNA) monthly meeting on Jan. 9, representatives of The Tall Ship Boston went before residents to present their plan to obtain an annual entertainment license.

As it stands today, the Tall Ship has been operating under a series of one-day entertainment licenses, encompassing both its non-live and live entertainment. This means that the Tall Ship has to have programming signed off by the Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services, the Police Captain, and the Mayor’s Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing on a week-to-week basis.

HELPING CHELSEA RESIDENTS WITH RENTAL ASSISTANCE



The staff of La Colaborativa, The Neighborhood Developers (TND), and Metro Housing recently kicked off a new partnership (pictured above) that will assist more Chelsea residents apply for assistance to help with rent and utility arrears. In the last year, Metro Housing helped distribute \$15 million in assistance to Chelsea residents with the help of the two organizations, representing nine percent of the total distributed in Greater Boston. Metro Housing and TND have long partnered to assist residents of Chelsea and the expansion of the partnership with La Colaborativa will mean more households in Chelsea will be able to get the assistance they need to stay in their homes. Residents who need to apply for assistance can do so by stopping by the La Colaborativa office at 318 Broadway in Chelsea or calling 617-889-6080. Residents can also reach The Neighborhood Developers by calling their housing hotline at 617-712-3487, X703 for English and X709 for Spanish.

borhood Services, the Police Captain, and the Mayor’s Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing on a week-to-week basis.

Now, the Tall Ship is seeking to simplify that process via the annual entertainment license, which representatives emphasized is merely administrative and would not affect operations.

“We’re not looking to change anything that we do at this space; there are absolutely no operational changes proposed. This is simply an attempt to codify our existing entertainment programming,” said Attorney Lesley Delaney Hawkins.

“This is strictly to change the way our paper trail is for applying for licenses and is something that is going to streamline it and make it a little easier,” said Navy Yard Hospitality Group’s Charlie Larnar.

While obtaining one-day licenses when the Tall Ship experience began seemed to make sense according to Hawkins, now that there is certainty regarding the Tall Ship’s future in the area, representatives say there is some support to go for an annual license.

“Given the fact that we have now entered into a longer-term license agreement with Massport, the city as well as some of the elected officials and our neighbors have asked us to actually obtain an annual entertainment license,” said Hawkins.

Not only would a potential annual license allow the Tall Ship to forgo constant applications, but Hawkins also suggested that it would yield more predictability in terms of entertainment for staff, the city, and the neighborhood.

Although the Tall Ship’s proposal, which representatives explained, has nothing to do with operations in terms of programming, many residents used the public comment period to comment on the establishment’s operations.

Residents offered feedback about providing more parking, offering more family-friendly events, and more. Questions and feedback regarding the license itself were also addressed.

One resident was concerned that supporting an annual license would not give the neighborhood as much of a voice if issues with the Tall Ship occurred. However, Hawkins contends that is not the case.

“I would actually say its the opposite because it would be an annual license

that’s renewed each year ... but just like any other license – this goes back to the comment about contacting the licensing board and the police department – again, the license is a privilege,” said Hawkins.

“If there is a bad actor exercising it – and we really don’t believe we are a bad actor – the license can be suspended at any time.”

Additionally, Larnar was asked about the change in operating cost from a day license to an annual one. He explained that operating on an annual license costs less but only minimally.

Residents also voiced concerns about the Tall Ship’s commitment to not adding programming, but Larnar reinforced that commitment saying, “Yes, we don’t want anymore. The answer is you will not see an influx of events.”

Finally, some pondered what would happen to the Tall Ship if the annual license were not approved, and Larnar explained that it would pretty much be business as usual.

“Nothing will change. It [the Tall Ship] will still be operating, it would still have live events. When we do our events, we will be applying with a specific application for the one-day entertainment license for the dates,” said Larnar.

Monday’s meeting marks the first of two Tall Ship appearances at the JPNA, with the next scheduled in February to continue the licensure process for an eventual vote.

“We are continually looking forward to working with the neighborhood, making everybody happy; that’s our number one priority,” said Larnar.

KEEFE TAKES GAVEL AS CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

REVERE - Ward 4 City Councillor Patrick Keefe was the unanimous pick to serve as the council’s president for 2023 at last week’s meeting.

Keefe, who last headed the council in 2020, takes over for outgoing president Gerry Visconti. Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna was the unanimous selection for vice president for the new year.

Keefe struck a chord of finding common ground with his fellow councillors for the good of Revere.

“I want to thank outgoing Council President Visconti for doing an outstanding

job in this last year navigating the turbulence and helping to maintain and upkeep civility in this hallowed chamber,” said Keefe. “Far too often, people on TV and social media see what’s going on and think that’s the normal way to act disrespectful to each other and think that’s how they are going to get the job done, but that doesn’t work in real life. Life is about finding common ground and making sacrifices at times when decisions are not always black and white.”

Keefe said the council must be comfortable managing gray areas and be okay disagreeing respectfully.

“We represent our community with actions and our behaviors, and we owe it to the 65,000-plus residents of Revere to represent them with respect and proper decorum,” said the new president. “This is how we operate in the City Council, and that will be my number one duty to make sure we continue to do so.”

Keefe thanked his fellow councillors for having the faith and confidence in him to lead the council, and thanked his family for their support while he takes on public service.

“I’ve built my life, my family, and most of my living experiences around the city of Revere,” said Keefe. “My pride for what we have accomplished and the work we have to do is constant.”

Visconti also thanked the council, his family, and the voters for supporting him during his time in office, and especially during his last year as the council’s president.

He also had a special thanks for City Clerk Ashley Melnik.

“Madame Clerk, without you, this council does not operate,” said Visconti. “You’re probably one of, or the most important, person to all of us, and on behalf of the rest of the City Council, I want to extend my sincere gratitude for all of the work that you do for all of us, and especially the help you have given me this past year.”

McKenna also thanked her fellow councillors for their vote of confidence in selecting her as vice president.

“I would also like to thank you for your respect, always, for your love, always, and for your support and friendship through my seven years of being a councillor,” said McKenna. “I also want to thank my constituents for putting me on the council.”

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tremendous work with its Interpreter Services Department, offering interpretation in-person, over the phone, and via video. EBNHC statistics revealed that the health center pro-

vided over 205,000 interpretations to patients in its last fiscal year with these services – a figure comparable to Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). As a new year gets un-

derway, it is evident that with the creation of the Office of the Patient Advocate, the EBNHC is taking significant steps to provide the best and most equitable care to its pa-

tients. “I know that East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is not just a medical provider, but a trusted-community-based organization that provides

our neighbors with hope, care, and critical resources,” said Acuña-Martínez in the press release. “We want our community to know that there are people in every corner of

our organization who are here to advocate for them and help them achieve the best health care for themselves and their families,” said Wilmot in the press release.

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Winthrop Town By-Laws, that the Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on February 1, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom on the Notice of Intent from the Cottage Park Yacht Club, 76 Orlando Avenue, Winthrop, MA for a marina expansion plan and the establishment of a reconfiguration zone. PROJECT LOCATION: 76 Orlando Avenue, Winthrop, MA Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84655798433?pwd=eVVOeHNPSXhkdFFsS-kFYaVpxVUFhUT09> Meeting ID: 846 5579 8433 Passcode: 420279 Dial by your location +1 305 224 1968 US +1 309 205 3325 US NOTE: A copy of application may be obtained from the Conservation Office via email (rkelly@town.winthrop.ma.us) or calling 617-846-1852 x1013 At said hearing all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. WINTHROP CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1/19/23 W

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# Seventy-two Northeast Metro Tech High School students receive Adams Scholarship

Staff Report

Northeast Metro Tech High School Principal/Deputy-Director Carla Scuzzarella is pleased to announce that 72 seniors at the high school are among their peers statewide to receive the state's John and Abigail Adams Scholarship.

This scholarship is available to students whose MCAS performance puts them in the top 25 percent of their district. To be eligible, students must either score advanced on one exam and high proficient on the

other two, or advanced on the English, Math and Science exams.

"We routinely have a high number of our students qualify for the Adams Scholarship, and the Class of 2023 is no exception. This is a special group, who came back to school under very difficult circumstances in 2020-2021, and took the MCAS exams seriously in spring 2021," said Principal Scuzzarella. "We are extremely proud of our seniors and the example they have set for our younger students."

Recipients of the Ad-



Superintendent David DiBarri stands with students Daniel Healy, Kenneth Webber, and Emily Delgado from Winthrop, who won John and Abigail Adams Scholarships.

ams Scholarship are granted four years of free tuition at Massachusetts state colleges and universities.

Students who receive the Adams scholarship must complete their college program in four years or

less and maintain a cumulative 3.0 grade point average.

Northeast Metro Tech recently honored its scholarship recipients with a breakfast for students and their parents on Friday, December 2, 2022.

The following Northeast Metro Tech High School seniors from Revere have earned an Adams Scholarship:

Winthrop — Daniel Healy, Kenneth Webber, and Emily Delgado

The John and Abigail Adams Scholarship is a merit-based program that provides a credit toward

tuition for up to eight semesters of undergraduate education at a Massachusetts state college or university. For this scholarship, merit is based on student scores on the 10th grade Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) test. The purpose of the award is to reward and inspire student achievement; help attract more high-performing students to Massachusetts public higher education; and to provide families of college-bound students with financial assistance.

## FRESH & LOCAL

# Home Economics

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Home economics is commonly defined as “cooking and other aspects of household management, especially as taught at school.” From the early 1900s, this subject was promoted for females. In the 1960s, the women’s rights movement objected to the traditional stereotype that girls should be taught cooking and homemaking and boys woodworking and mechanical skills.

Today, in places where this subject is taught, it’s referred to as “family and consumer sciences” (FCS) and is open to all students. In a recent interview, Ben Mervis, author of “The British Cookbook,” related that his interest in food came from an assignment in his “home economics” class.

His exposure to household management resulted in a career path. It might provide the skills needed

to be a great single parent, partner, caregiver, or healthier human for a different person.

### Vital Life Skills

Feeding yourself and your family food that is healthy, nutritious, safe, and within your budget takes more education than you can obtain by watching a few TikTok videos or following food influencers on Instagram. Training in these vital life skills could result in better decisions about how we spend our food dollars, differentiate between good nutritional information and puffery, and minimize food waste. These topics are essential to our personal well-being, economy, and environment.

Going back to that definition of home economics, we like the idea of teaching anyone who wants to learn how to be the CEO and CFO of an organization called a household. In addition to classes held

in schools, community-based continuing education could make it possible for anyone suddenly responsible for feeding themselves and others to learn how to do it well. This might include young people on their own for the first time, seniors who need to adapt to cooking for one, or those who become single parents and need to feed a family.

### So Much To Learn

WBUR reported on the diminished availability of home economics classes and teachers. In that article, they quoted Carol Werhan, an FCS educator and member of the board of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. The article’s author, Tove Danovich wrote, “...cooking taught through FCS courses is more about having the confidence to experiment in the kitchen than becoming a trained chef. ‘People don’t need

This photo of a home economics class was taken circa 1900–1919 when it was thought that only women needed the skills to manage a home.

to have perfection — you have to know what are the failures that are OK.’ ‘Burnt edges can be cut off. Overcooked meat can still be served.’ Werhan said.”

### Valuable Lessons

Learning that you must practice a skill to master it and that failure along the way is to be expected is a valuable lesson. The WBUR article also talked about students seeing the relevance of what they

were doing and learning in FCS classes. At first, they may not realize they are using mathematics, chemistry, resource management, financial acumen, and organizational skills to follow a recipe or set up a menu. Still, before long, they see the connection.

Once, these skills were passed from generation to generation as they shared space in multi-generational households and large connected families. However, now we also hear of cases where the young are

teaching their older family members to make better choices for the family and the environment. Any knowledge we can provide through FCS education at school or in the community can help ensure we have a new generation of home-ec teachers, young and old.

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