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**NEWS Briefs**

DINE AT  
LA SIESTA AND  
HELP A GOOD  
CAUSE

On April 12 from 5 to 9 p.m., La Siesta on Woodside Ave. will donate a portion of the money spent on food at their restaurant to support St. Michael's Kids Drama Program.

In order to help fund the program, La Siesta is offering to donate 10% of all restaurant, bar, and takeout orders on Wednesday, April 12 from 5-9pm.

Members of the cast will also be at the restaurant selling raffle tickets for a four pack to see the Red Sox vs. Twins tickets Thursday, April 20 at 1:35pm.

St. Michael's Drama has grown since it was founded in 2021 and recently performed their second Kids Musical Revue entitled "The Light of The World." It was even bigger and better than the first production, "To Love Thee More Dearly" and featured singing, dancing, and skits by our parish youth.

The drama program is grateful for the support and to La Siesta for hosting this fundraiser for St. Michael's Drama: Kids Musical Revue.

MBTA LAUNCHES  
ONLINE SPEED  
RESTRICTIONS  
DASHBOARD

The MBTA launched a live, online Speed Restriction Dashboard that provides riders with up-to-date information on speed restrictions across the MBTA system. The

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BOSTON BRUINS ALUMNI GAME



Doing a great job at the concession stand at Sunday's Boston Bruins Alumni Game are, from left, Megan Petrola, with WYH U-12 hockey players, Audrina Petrola, Norah Zaffini, and Ella Giacalone.



Olympic gold medalist and captain of the 1980 U.S.A. hockey team Mike Eruzione greets a young fan before the game.



Mass. State Auditor Diana DiZoglio drops the ceremonial first puck for the faceoff between team captains Bob Beers and Kevin Chiles for the Boston Bruins Alumni Game March 25 in Winthrop. Also pictured are Sen. Sal DiDomenico, Revere Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky, Sen. Lydia Edwards, Revere City Council President Patrick Keefe, Rep. Jeff Turco, and Rick Middleton. See page 7 for more photos.

### School Committee approves contract

By Adam Swift

The School Committee approved a new three year-contract with the district's Educational Support Professionals (ESP) union at its Monday meeting.

The contract is retroactive to 2022 and runs through 2025.

The contract brings to an end long negotiations that saw outside mediators brought in to help settle the agreement.

On the salary side, the ESPs (sometimes referred to as paraprofessionals) will see a 2 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA) retroactive for the 2022-23 school year, along with a \$200 adjustment for each step on the salary scale. The ESPs will also see a 2 percent COLA increase and the \$200 step adjustment in each of the next two years of the contract.

The stipend for the ESP lead position in each dis-

trict school is set at \$1,400.

There will also be an increase in longevity pay for the ESPs, according to Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard.

"This has not been adjusted in many years for the ESPs," said Howard.

In year one of the agreement, each step on the longevity scale will see a \$100 increase, with a \$150 increase in year two and a

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### Town Manager breaks down capital planning at annual spring forum

By Adam Swift

Town officials held their annual spring forum last week, with Town Manager Tony Marino and new Finance Director Dylan Cook running through the capital plan and budgeting process for Fiscal Year 2024.

"One of the things we worked on and that the council really pushed me to do was to put together a five-year capital plan," said Marino. "We've had one in the past, but we wanted to do an all-encompassing capital plan."

Marino said the five-year plan breaks down the capital needs for the coming years, as well as the potential funding sources for the projects.

In addition, Marino said the town is working with a new vendor that is doing a facilities needs assessment of the school and town buildings that should be completed by the summer.

"Once we get that, we will be incorporating the list of work they are suggesting," said Marino. While the facilities needs assessment will look at potential projects 25 years out, Marino said they will also be making recommendations for projects that should be undertaken in the next five years.

"Along with that, we are looking at the infrastructure for the utilities department with the water," said Marino. "We are looking at all the water mains, grading them, making sure we know

which water mains need to be done, and then we will formulate a capital plan for that."

Marino discussed how the town administration is looking to increase the amount of free cash it certifies each year in order to pay for more capital projects.

"We certify \$1.2 million to \$1.6 million in free cash a year," he said. "My goal long term is to get that number up to around \$3 million a year to fund the capital plan."

Some of the capital items planned for funding in FY24 include some new crosswalks on Pleasant Street and on Revere Street.

"Many residents have asked for additional striping for crosswalks on Revere Street," said Marino. "Then we have some ADA compliant crosswalks that are going to go in at Winthrop, Pleasant, and Washington streets."

The capital plan also looks ahead to larger capital projects that may be coming down the line, Marino said.

"One, as we all know, that we are working on ... is the new fire station," said Marino. "That could cost upwards of approximately \$30 million to \$40 million."

In addition, Marino noted that Winthrop is a Green Community, which allows the town access to grants through the program.

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# Massachusetts Trial Court holds Women's History Month honors at Chelsea High

By Adam Swift

Noted author, lecturer, political activist, and feminist organizer Gloria Steinem, Zooming in from her Manhattan apartment, headlined Tuesday's Women History Month event held at the Saul Nechtem Gymnasium at Chelsea High School.

But each of this year's nine honorees, along with the women who presented them with their honors and the event's performers, spoke to the strength and unity of the achievement of women in Massachusetts and beyond.

The event was hosted by Boston25 News reporter and anchor Crystal Haynes, who was also one of the event's honorees along with Steinem and seven others. This was the third annual Women's History Month event held by the Massachusetts Trial Court.

Haines conducted a short interview with Steinem via Zoom after Stein-



Regional supervisor for Massachusetts Probation Service who also conceived this event 3 years ago Carmen Gomez (3rd from right) with her kids Christina and Christopher Torres, event host and Juvenile Court Chief Justice Amy Nechem with her daughters Robin Hutton and Kate Clayman and granddaughters Molly Hutton and Chelsea and Marissa Huggar with Chelsea City Council President Leo Robinson.

nem was presented with her honor by Juvenile Court Chief Justice Amy Nechtem and her grandchildren. The event was also a special occasion for

Nechtem, who is a Chelsea native and daughter of Saul Nechtem, whom the high school's gymnasium is named after.

During the interview,

Steinmen talked about her youth and the role books played in her education, as well as her hopes for the future of the feminist movement.

"I wasn't going to school very much because my father had a little summer dance place in southern Michigan, and in the winter time, we got in a home trailer and went back and forth to Florida and California," said Steinem. "So I really learned by reading books. I was in love with Louisa May Alcott, and I thought she was my best friend."

Haines asked Steinem if she was happy to see the advances made by women over the past decades, or if she was frustrated because progress has been too slow.

"Both of the above; you and I probably have both of those responses," Steinem said. "But I do believe we are beginning to see each other without adjectives as the unique individuals we truly are, and of course, we may share experiences because of gender, because of race, ethnicity, economic class,

Precious Perez performs her song "Melanin Queen"

but still, each of us is a unique miracle – somebody who could never happen before and can never happen again.”

Steinem also noted that people are starting to rectify history and understand that women were involved in more than just the battle for women's rights.

"I think much of the problem lies in the way the movements have been recorded and women have been left out, including in the Civil Rights movement," said Steinem. "I think Fannie Lou Hamer, to mention one person, is one person we don't talk about and should."

Hamer was a civil rights activist and co-founder of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party in 1964.

Steinem said the most important thing to make sure movements are recorded accurately in the future is by people talking to each other and telling their stories and by listening to the stories of others.

"If each of us talks as much as we listen, and listens as much as we talk, it's amazing what a difference that can make in individual encounters," she said.

Other honorees included District Court Chief Justice Stacy Fortes; Middlesex Superior Court Assistant Clerk Magistrate Amanda Rowan; Founder and Chief Executive Officer of ROCA, Inc. Molly Baldwin; Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, who

also accepted an award on behalf of Governor Maura Healey; Northeastern University Professor of Law Deborah Ramirez; and Executive Director of New Beginnings Re-entry Service Stacey Borden, M. Ed.

A special Honor Guard of women in law enforcement started the ceremony and Chelsea High School student Ivona Niyonkinzo sang the National Anthem.

The celebration also included music from the Chelsea High School band, Chelsea native Precious Perez, and a dance performance by Deborah Abel Dance Company of Boston.

"We may be the first two women to lead the corner office, but we hope we won't be the last," said Driscoll. "We are building a diverse body of people who are interested in making sure we are leaning into our values."

Driscoll said she believes the level of leadership from women in Massachusetts will help lead the state to a brighter future.

“We want to be a state where you start here, you stay here, everybody feels welcomed, and we are trying to lean in on that work,” said Driscoll.

While the ceremony honored women from throughout the state, there was special attention given to Chelsea as the host city.

“Women have long been instrumental in passing on our heritage in word and in print to communicate the lessons of those who have come before us,” said Chelsea Superintendent of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta in her welcoming remarks. “Women’s stories and the larger human story expand our understanding of and strengthen our connections with each other, and I’m grateful to be part of that story in this great city of Chelsea.”

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dashboard reports on location, speed limit, when a restriction was put in place, and the reason for the restriction on the Red, Orange, Blue, Mattapan, and Green lines. The dashboard also provides the percentage of track under restriction, distance by individual line or systemwide, and total number of restrictions and can be viewed at [mbta.com/speedrestrictions](http://mbta.com/speedrestrictions).

The dashboard is refreshed daily with data provided by the MBTA's enterprise asset management system and helps riders see where speed restrictions are located with maps they are accustomed to seeing. The speed restriction activity summary will help illustrate the ongoing work the MBTA is doing to clear restrictions within the system. Last month, the MBTA began to provide riders with speed restriction data by releasing a static dashboard that reported information from the previous month.

“Today’s dashboard provides daily updates on our data based on ac-

tivity from the previous day and was launched with the goal of providing transparent and timely information to our customers,” said Interim General Manager Jeff Gonneville. “The dashboard delivers information that is clear and will assist riders in better understanding why they are experiencing slower conditions while riding the T. As we continue to validate and address track deficiencies, we also expect that over time, this platform will demonstrate the progress we’re making to remove speed restrictions. We know these restrictions impact riders’ daily commutes and we will continue to be transparent about the ongoing, daily work to improve our transit system.”

Users of the dashboard will be able to see when speed restrictions were put in place starting from January 2023 and review a summary of changes over time. This dashboard will provide riders with the latest information available at the start of each day providing a new level of transparency.



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## OUR Opinions

### ANOTHER WEEK -- ANOTHER MASS SHOOTING IN AMERICA

The news this week of yet another mass shooting, this time in a private school in a wealthy neighborhood of Nashville, Tennessee, in which six persons (including three, nine year-old children) were killed, once again has highlighted the need for our federal government to ban assault-style weapons.

America stands alone in the world for this sort of self-inflicted carnage. In no other country can heavily-armed individuals wreak tragedy upon families and communities because of easy access to military-grade weaponry.

Australia, a country with a Wild West mentality similar to ours, banned assault-style weapons in 1996 after a mass shooting in a cafe in the city of Port Arthur in which 35 people were killed and another 13 were wounded. The tough new laws banned the sale and importation of all automatic and semi-automatic rifles and shotguns; required individuals to present a legitimate reason (and wait 28 days) to buy a firearm; and called for a massive, mandatory gun-buyback. Australia's government confiscated and destroyed nearly 700,000 firearms, reducing the number of gun-owning households by half.

The result? Since 1996, there has been one mass shooting in Australia.

New Zealand enacted similar laws in 2019 after a mass shooting in a mosque in Christchurch and since that time, there have been no mass shootings.

The U.S. banned the sale of assault-style weapons in 1994 as part of a wide-ranging anti-crime bill, but that provision of the legislation expired in 2004.

And that's where we stand today -- with mass shootings now a regular part of American life.

With politicians in both parties subservient to the small minority of vocal, one-issue voters, the chances of enactment of common-sense laws regulating the types of guns that can be sold in this country are just about zero, even though a majority of Americans support such laws.

Even more depressing is that laws in states such as Massachusetts that regulate gun ownership and possession soon may be struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court.

To paraphrase the last line of the Star Spangled Banner: America is the land of the free -- and the home of the dead.

### THE IRAQ WAR -- NEVER AGAIN

Last week marked the 20th anniversary of the American invasion of Iraq, a conflict that was broadcast into our living rooms on our TV sets in great detail thanks to the many reporters who were allowed to become "embedded" with U.S. troops as they made their way across the battlefields of Iraq.

Some commentators today refer to the War in Iraq as a mistake, but that implies a mere error in judgment. However, that assessment completely ignores the simple fact that the war was predicated on a deliberately-false narrative.

It now has become common knowledge that the war was based on nothing less than complete and total fabrications by the administration of President George W. Bush. When Secretary of State Colin Powell went before the United Nations to claim that Iraq was harboring terrorists from 9/11 and had weapons of mass destruction, those assertions -- as Powell himself later admitted -- were based on deliberately false intelligence.

Unfortunately, with few exceptions, the U.S. Congress fell hook, line, and sinker for this fabricated intelligence narrative -- and we plunged into a war that had no purpose and accomplished nothing to improve the security of either the United States or the world in general.

In fact, the war had just the opposite effect: The ensuing destabilization of the Middle East allowed terrorist organizations such as ISIS to thrive and spread around the world.

This is by means to deny the incredible bravery of the American men and women who served in that war. As soldiers always do, they did their duty, bringing great honor to themselves and their country. Even as our lying politicians were doing their worst, our men and women in uniform were doing their best on the battlefield.

But the bottom line is that millions of innocent Iraqis were caught up in the chaos of war, with nearly a million dead and many more millions displaced. American casualties in the war totaled 4,203 dead and tens of thousands maimed and wounded. In addition, the well-documented psychological scars of that war will endure both for the soldiers themselves and their families for the rest of their lives.

The war in Iraq was an enormous tragedy for all who were touched by it, with its after-effects still reverberating today.

Hopefully, we'll never again be led into a war by duplicitous politicians whose true motives to this day are known only to themselves.

# Forum

## Suffolk Downs to host annual Marathon Daffodil Dash

Looking for a family friendly way to kick off the Boston Marathon week-end? On Saturday, April 15, The HYM Investment Group LLC, "HYM," will host the second annual Marathon Daffodil Dash from 10am-1pm at The Track at Suffolk Downs. The Daffodil Dash is hosted in partnership with the Revere Parks and Recreation Department and the Marathon Daffodil Project.

The Marathon Daffodil Project began after the Boston Marathon bombings in 2013 with the yellow daffodil used as a symbol of strength and hope. In commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Boston Marathon Bombings, The Track at Suffolk Downs will be filled with the 'Marathon Daffodils' that line the streets of Boston leading up to the Boston Marathon finish line.

The Daffodil Dash will feature three 50-yard dash races for grades K-2, grades 3-5, and grades 6-8 followed by a mile run for grades K-8. Following the races, all participants and families are encouraged to



Area children enjoying last year's Daffodil Dash.

hang out in The Paddock and enjoy kids activities by ForKidsOnly, music, lawn games, face painting, flower crown making, and our local vendors BoardsByMo and Sweet Treats by Maria.

"As we approach the 10th anniversary of the Marathon Bombings, we are proud to host the 2nd Annual Daffodil Dash at

Suffolk Downs, an event that celebrates strength and hope across our City," said Thomas N. O'Brien, Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer of HYM. "The Track at Suffolk Downs welcomes neighbors from across the area to come together to have fun, enjoy the outdoors, and engage in simple acts of kindness."

Registration for the Daffodil Dash is free but required to participate in the race events. The Track at Suffolk Downs is located at 525 McClellan Highway, Boston MA 02128. Parking is free and available on-site. The Track is also accessible from the MBTA's Beachmont and Suffolk Downs Blue Line stations.

## 'Afternoon of Brass' concerts returning to Boston and Worcester

After several critically and commercially acclaimed shows since 2019, the team at Northbridge Brass Endeavors is proud to present the "Afternoon of Brass #2: Memorial Weekend Spectacular" concert series. The two patriotic-themed concerts are planned for Saturday, May 27 at the Old South Church in Boston and Sunday, May 28 at Mechanics Hall in Worcester. Concert goers can expect a spectacular and rousing flag-waving experience with unparalleled music at this family-friendly event.

Featuring Boston Symphony Orchestra and Pops brass players, the program includes some of the most demanding works ever written and arranged for brass including "Crown Imperial" (Walton), "Finlandia" (Sibelius), "Variations on America" (Ives), "Resurrection Symphony

Finale" (Mahler), "Irish Tune from County Derry" (Grainger), "Nimrod" (Elgar) and "Semper Fi" (Sousa). Also on the program are "Taps" and "Retreat" (Butterfield) specially arranged for the "The President's Own" United States Marine Band by former USMC arranger Thomas Knox.

And there is more than just brass. Mezzo-soprano Heather Gallagher sings the "Star Spangled Banner" and "America the Beautiful" with unique arrangements for solo voice and brass. In addition, Shakespearean scholar Robert Lublin, PhD. Professor of Theatre Arts, UMASS Boston, sets the mood with a special presentation prior to "Romeo and Juliet" (Sergei Prokofiev arranged for brass by Joseph Kreines). We will also be joined by WGBH/WCRB's Brian McCreath

as our emcee and Lawrence Isaacson as our Music Director.

For tickets to Worcester click here and for Boston click here. Discounted tickets are available to active-duty military and veterans, first responders, dependent family members, as well as EBT, WIC, and CC cardholders. Free tickets are available exclusively for Everett resident, whose Local Cultural Councils (LCCs) granted support\* to the event.

Everett residents can get their free or discounted ticket by entering the town-specific promo code (LCCEverett) when purchasing tickets online at [www.northbridgebrass.com/ab2/tickets](http://www.northbridgebrass.com/ab2/tickets). Ticket purchasers using the LCC discount must bring a photo ID (with matching town

address) to the venue entrance (otherwise the ticket is invalid). Quantities of discounted tickets are limited. Tickets go on sale March 17, 2023 at 12:00 AM. All attendees are required to have a ticket.

\*The Afternoon of Brass #2 is supported in part by grants from 19 (nineteen) Local Cultural Councils (LCCs), including Bolton, Boylston, Concord, Dudley, Everett, Grafton, Holliston, Lancaster, Lincoln, Medford, Millbury, North Reading, Northbridge, Paxton, Revere, Spencer, Sterling, Uxbridge, and Wilmington as well as state-level grants from the Mass Cultural Council (MCC). Our sponsors include UniBank and Whitinsville Family Dentistry.

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# Winthrop Police warns community about grandparent and bail scams

Chief Terence Delehanty and the Winthrop Police Department would like to warn the community about scams that target senior citizens, and would like to offer tips for community members to help protect themselves and their loved ones.

Grandparent scams and bail scams, as they are commonly called, target grandparents and family members with stories of a grandchild or relative being in urgent trouble, often that they are under arrest. The scams request urgent bail money be provided, and scammers often encourage would-be victims not to contact police or other family members.

The scammer requests bail payment in cash or gift cards, to be given to a person posing as a courier or bail bondsman who ar-

rives at the victim’s home. Or, the scammer requests money be transferred via a wire service.

Government agencies, including law enforcement, never contact the public demanding payment by wire transfer or by prepaid cards when individuals are being held on bail.

Two Winthrop residents recently were victims of this type of scam and both incidents are being actively investigated by Winthrop Police, with assistance from multiple law enforcement partners.

Winthrop Police remind residents that any arrest or detainment of relatives can be confirmed with the arresting police department or through the local district court clerk’s office.

The Winthrop Police Department would like to

share the following tips from the Federal Trade Commission regarding these types of scams:

- Resist the urge to act immediately, no matter how dramatic the story is.
- Verify the person’s identity by asking questions that a stranger couldn’t answer.
- Call a phone number for your family member or friend that you know to be genuine.
- Check the story out with someone else in your family or circle of friends, even if you’ve been told to keep it a secret.
- Don’t wire money – or send a check or money order by overnight delivery or courier.
- Report possible fraud at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://ftc.gov/complaint) or by calling 1-877-FTC-HELP.

# Arkansas man stopped with four guns, 230 rounds of ammo held on \$5,000 bail

An Arkansas man is being held on \$5,000 bail after state police stopped him for driving with an expired registration and found in his vehicle four loaded firearms and 230 rounds of ammunition, for which the man had no Massachusetts license, District Attorney Kevin Hayden announced.

Tayvian Chamberlain, 20, of Bentonville, was charged on Tuesday in Central BMC with four counts of carrying a firearm without a license, four counts of carrying a loaded firearm without a license, three counts of possessing a high-capacity magazine, one count of possessing a high-capacity feeding device, numerous counts of illegal ammunition possession and illegal firearm and ammunition storage, and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Judge Paul Treseler set bail at \$5,000 and ordered Chamberlain to sign a waiver of extradition if he leaves Massachusetts. Chamberlain will return to court May 17 for a probable cause hearing.

At about 12:15 a.m. on Sunday a Massachusetts State Police trooper pulled over a black Dodge Durango for an expired registration. The driver, Chamberlain, informed the trooper he had a firearm out of its holster and under his leg for “protection.” Chamberlain told the trooper he had other firearms within reaching distance. Chamberlain stated that Arkansas law does not require a license to carry firearms in a vehicle. He also stated that the firearms were not registered to him because in Arkansas if weapons are bought from a gun show they do not have to be registered.

After troopers removed Chamberlain from the vehicle they found a Canik 9mm pistol with 18 rounds in the magazine, a Glock 43 9mm pistol with six rounds in the magazine, A Glock 41 .45-caliber pistol with 13 rounds in the magazine, and an AR .223-caliber pistol with 70 rounds in a drum magazine. Troopers also found 126 loose rounds of ammunition in the car.

Also in the car were three dogs. Chamberlain said he was transporting the dogs but did not provide a name or address of the recipient. Boston Animal Control officers took

possession of the dogs.

Hayden, who earlier this week reiterated his call for unified national standards on gun purchases, pointed to Chamberlain’s arrest as a “fresh example” of the need for such an approach.

“While we have no evidence that this man intended to sell these weapons here, the scenario provides a fresh example of how lax gun laws in one state can impact states with stricter gun laws, like Massachusetts. As he told troopers, weapons purchased at a gun show in Arkansas don’t even have to be registered. It’s all too easy for a person to buy weapons at such a show, transport them to another state, and sell them on the street without fear or worry of them being traced back. This patchwork regulatory approach must change if we hope to have any chance of reducing the flow of illegal guns into our neighborhoods,” Hayden said.

Hayden’s office last year released data showing that most illegal guns seized in Suffolk County in 2021 came from Maine, New Hampshire, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Guns were also traced to Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Ohio. Of the 441 traceable guns seized in Boston that year, 271, or 61 percent, originated in those nine states; 67, or 15 percent, originated in other states, and 103, or 23 percent, originated in Massachusetts.

All charged individuals are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden’s office serves the commu-

nities of Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop, Mass. The office handles over 20,000 cases a year. More than 160 attorneys in the office practice in nine district and municipal courts, Suffolk Superior Court, the Massachusetts Appeals Court, the Supreme Judicial Court, and the Boston Juvenile Courts. The office employs some 300 people and offers a wide range of services and programs to serve anyone who comes in contact with the criminal justice system. This office is committed to educating the public about the services we provide, our commitment to crime prevention, and our dedication to keeping the residents of Suffolk County safe.

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## 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 March 28, 2013

Mike Feeney, the Director of the Air Quality Program for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) attended the last Winthrop School Committee meeting to present the MDPH findings from an air quality study conducted on air quality at Winthrop Middle School. A recent study found high levels of carbon dioxide at the school but Feeny reassured the committee it was not a public health emergency. Feeny said the high carbon dioxide levels, while much higher than the state standard in certain parts of the school, simply indicate poor air exchange in most areas of the building at the time of assessment.

Winthrop resident and transportation guru John Vitagliano, principal of Seagull Consulting, was appointed by Speaker Robert DeLeo this week to serve as a member on the newly created Special Public-Private Partnership Infrastructure Commission. Vitagliano will join six other members on the legislatively-mandated commission that will review and approve all public-private partnership transportation infrastructure requests.

The Winthrop Lodge of Elks held its installation of officers ceremony Saturday. The 2013-14 officers are Treasurer Thomas Memmolo, Loyal Knight Dan Swett, Leading Knight Frances Minichello, Exalted Ruler Pamela Milton, Esquire Brian Frazier, Lecturing Knight Lori Bergeron, Secretary Nancy Rananhan, Trustee Paul Frazier, Trustee Thomas Burke, Trustee Richard D’Agostino, Inner Guard Justin Nelson, Chaplain Mary Ellen Jacques, Trustee Keith Fudge, Tiler Brenda Kowalczuk, and Trustee Albert McCarthy.

Superintendent of Schools John Macero has received from the Winthrop High School Principal Selection Committee the names of the four finalists for the position: Eileen Belastock, assistant principal of King Philip Regional High School in Wrentham; Michael Hashem, supervisor/director of mathematics,

technology and engineering for the Saugus public schools; Timothy McCarron, math, science, and technology high school principal at Lawrence High School; and Edward Rozmiarek, headmaster at Lowell High School. Macero said he will make his choice for principal in mid-April. Current WHS Principal Gail Conlon has announced that she will be stepping down from the position at the end of the school year.

GI Joe: Retaliation and Tyler Perry’s Temptation are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago April 3, 2003

Winthrop has escaped the rising unemployment rate across the state and the nation. The most recent employment report shows that the unemployment rate across Massachusetts has risen to 7.2 percent, but is only 5.2 percent for Winthrop residents.

Winthrop Police Detectives Judy Racow and Robert Jaworski are being cited for outstanding police work in the capture of two men who were reported to be the armed robbers of a convenience store in Revere Tuesday afternoon. Racow and Jaworski were in the area of Crest Avenue when they saw a suspicious-looking motor vehicle that appeared to fit the description of the vehicle used in the Revere robbery. The officers observed the vehicle occupants go in and out of local stores and then approached them. When they noticed that one of the suspects had a gun, they placed them under arrest.

Wrestlemania came to Winthrop High Friday night and proved to be a huge success, with students engaging in team “wrestling” matches to the delight of the large crowd.

The WHS Drama Society earned two awards for its presentation of The Chronicles of Jane, Book 7, at the Boston Globe State Drama Festival recently. Sophomore Emily Cramer earned an individual acting award and the entire 26 member cast and crew won an ensemble award.

Dreamcatcher, Willard, and Cradle 2 the Grave

are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago April 8, 1993

Incumbent Selectman Robert Noonan handily won re-election to the Board of Selectmen in Monday’s town election, defeating challenger Jeffrey Esche by a vote of 1699-483. In the three-way School Committee race to choose successors to Donna Segreti Reilly and John Canavan, both of whom were not seeking re-election, Nancy O’Malley and Stephen Machcinski were the top vote getters. Steven Inza finished third. Incumbent Water Commissioner Tom McCarthy easily won re-election by a 4-1 plurality over challenger Henry Basch. Only 18.8 percent of voters turned out for the election, the lowest turnout for a town election since 1987’s turnout of 17 percent.

The Dom Savio Alumni Trustees have announced that the groundwork has been laid to keep the school open, though it will be under a new name. The Salesian Order announced in January that it will be closing Savio at the end of this school year.

Former WHS star baseball pitcher Larry Thomas has been assigned to the Nashville Sounds, the Triple A affiliate of the Chicago White Sox.

The Crying Game, Unforgiven, and Fire in the Sky are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago April 6, 1983

Challenger Ronald Vecchia toppled incumbent Selectman John Van Dalinda in Monday’s town election. In the School Committee race, another incumbent, Beverly Brody Barisano, was defeated by a 2-1 margin by newcomer Peter Burke. The other School Committee incumbent, Donald Clayman, retained his seat. G. David Hubbard topped a crowded six person field in the contest for Town Meeting Moderator to succeed John L. Murphy, who stepped down from the post after being named a Superior Court judge. Hubbard’s nearest rival was Jerome

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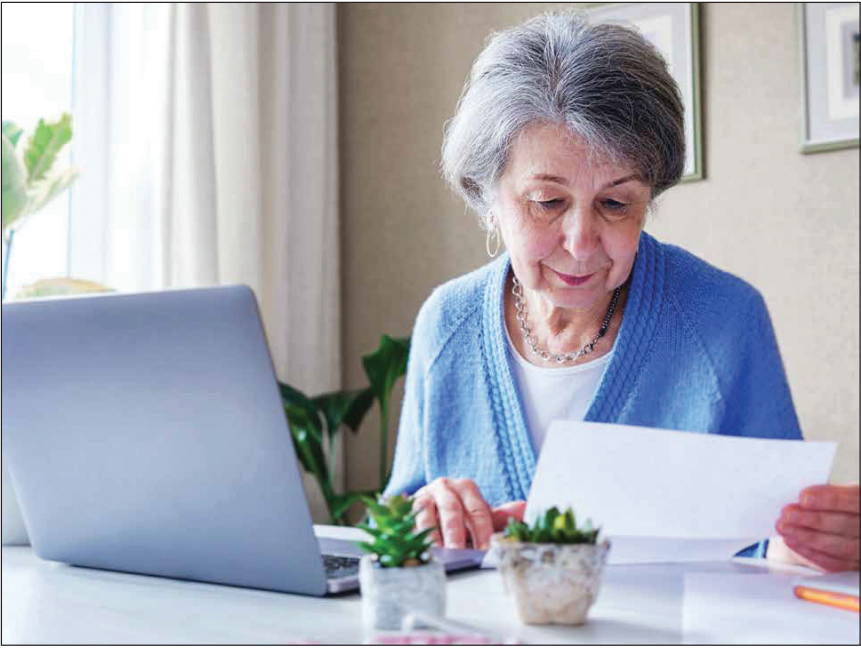
Creating a Budget

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Begin by setting up a budget calendar, then try to limit the amount of money you spend based on your actualized monthly income and savings. Look for the best deals, and trying to leverage as much as you can from available bene-fits. In the end, you'll find the financial security that so often evades so many seniors.

BUDGET CALENDAR

This straight-forward mon-ey-man-agement tool provides a visual aid when dealing with finances. Begin with an honest accounting of all savings and income, then write in when regular expenses come due on a month-by-month basis. Fixed expenses will include rent or mortgages, insurance premi-ums and any debt payments. Flexible bills include food, utili-ties and transportation expens-es. Those with progressive or chronic illnesses should



also build in an expense cushion for regular medical care. Leave some room for personal care, repairs and maintenance and entertainment costs, too. Now you're ready to more closely track expenses and income.

SETTING GOALS

Now that you have a better idea of how much you're spending per month, compare that with how much income and savings you have on hand. The idea is to stretch these funds through the entirety of your retirement — so you may need cut back. The ideal expenditure levels for every-one follow

the 70/30 rule, a budgeting formula that guides spending decisions by limiting them to 70% of total income. During your working life, that leaves 30% for savings. As a retiree, these savings simply remain in reserve for later use. When you find your expenses moving past 70% of what you've bud-geted, consider whether you actually need this item or activity — or if it's simply wanted. Is it time to down-size? If you can't immediately reach the 70/30 goal, make it a near-term goal.

INCOME BOOSTS

The average monthly Social Security benefit isn't enough to live on. Instead, it's more of a starting point. Seniors typically combine these funds with pro-ceeds from retirement accounts, pensions and savings to make ends meet. Others may continue working part time. But that's not the only way to boost your retirement income. There are also pro-grams, numbering in the thou-sands, that can help pay for food, utilities, medicine and other everyday expenses, if you qualify. Visit the National Council on Aging's BenefitsCheckUp site to learn more about these programs and your eligibility.

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# Sports



Two of Winthrop High's greatest all-time athletes, Mike Eruzione and his brother, Vinnie Eruzione, enjoy the Boston Bruins Alumni game Sunday at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center.



Former Winthrop Vikings and BU Terriers, Olympic hockey captain Mike Eruzione and former Boston Bruins player Dale Dunbar, are pictured at the Bruins Alumni Game Sunday in Winthrop.

## BOSTON BRUINS ALUMNI GAME

The Boston Strong All-Stars played the Boston Bruins Alumni Team in a benefit All-Star Game Sunday at the Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center.

Several Winthrop residents attended the game, including Winthrop High boys hockey coach Dale Dunbar, who played in the NHL for the Boston Bruins, Olympic hockey

gold medalist and captain Mike Eruzione, and Curry College director of athletics Vinnie Eruzione, who played three college sports during his career at Holy Cross.

Game organizer Kevin Chiles, captain of the Boston Strong All-Stars, presented a check for \$25,000 to the Boston Bruins Alumni for Boston Children's Hospital.



State Sen. Lydia Edwards, who represents Winthrop as part of the First Suffolk and Middlesex District in the Mass. State Senate, is joined by Revere City Council President Patrick Keefe, State Auditor Diana DiZoglio, and Revere City Councilor Ira Novoselsky for a pre-game photo.



Winthrop resident Ed Cash (right), who served in the George W. Bush Presidential Administration, welcomes Revere City Councilor Ira Novoselsky, Revere City Council President and mayoral candidate Patrick Keefe, and State Auditor Diana DiZoglio to the Town of Winthrop.

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## WHS BOYS LACROSSE RETURNS TO VARSITY STATUS, OPENS SEASON TODAY

The Winthrop High boys lacrosse program, which competed last year as a club team because of a lack of numbers of high school-age athletes, is returning for 2023 as a full-fledged varsity sport.

"We are excited to be back competing at a varsity level after going club last year due to numbers," said long-time head coach Brian Donnelly, whose team competed primarily against junior varsity teams in 2023.

"We have had a few up-perclassmen come back to the sport and have a huge crop of underclassmen who are ready to compete, allowing us to have full varsity and JV squads," Donnelly said. "We have all three of our captains returning with senior Jack Hayes leading our attack, junior Robert Rich leading our mid-fielders, and junior goalie Hunter Fife leading the defense.

"Our defense has an excellent combination of strength, agility, and experience with Donovan Cassidy and Dan Thomai, and we are really happy to round it off with senior Welvis Acosta. They are an awesome anchor that will allow our team to compete in all of our games, and with Hunter Fife in net, it really gives us a chance to compete and be successful even against our toughest opponents," continued Donnelly.

"We have a lot more depth this year at midfield with juniors Alex Daignault and Robert Rich, and sophomores Steven Lindinger and Michal Holgersen poised to real-

ly make some noise at the position," Donnelly added.

Donnelly will be assisted by assistant coach Rich Cifuni.

"Rich has done an amazing job over the years building up the youth program and working with the incoming freshmen, so the varsity squad will see a lot of action from the freshman class with Colin O'Leary, Ace Daignault, Seth Sacco, and Sean Dolan all positioned to make an impact at the varsity level," Donnelly added.

The Vikings have had a successful pre-season. Winthrop took part in a Jamboree in which they defeated Malden Catholic, 7-3, and Medford, 8-3.

"It was excellent to see all the players executing what we worked on in the first week," said Donnelly. "The growth potential for this team is through the roof and I am very excited to see how they continue to improve and meld together as a squad."

The Vikings are scheduled to open their season today (Thursday) when they host Salem on the turf at Miller Field at 4:30. They will entertain Weymouth next Friday (April 7) at 5:30.

## NEW COACH, NEW SEASON FOR WINTHROP HIGH SOFTBALL

The Winthrop High softball team, under the direction of new head coach Erin Vercruysse, will open its season this Monday when the Lady Vikings travel to O'Bryant High of Boston.

The 2023 edition of the Winthrop softball team will be led by senior captains Samantha Harrison and McKenzie Margardo.

The other members of

the squad are: Juliana Demers, Gabrielle Golden, Lily Tallent, Gia Bakos, Zoe Bakos, Gianna Indrisano, Carolina Gonzalez, Amelia Spencer, Isabella Cash, Hannah Barrett, Emma Harrison, Tina Fabiano, and Jenna Whitehead.

"We're looking forward to our season behind a strong group of seniors," said Vercruysse, a Winthrop resident who has extensive, life-long experience in softball from T-ball through college.

After Monday's season-opener, the Lady Vikings will host Swampscott next Wednesday (April 5) at the Little League Field at 4:30.

## WHS GIRLS LACROSSE OPENS SEASON

The Winthrop High girls lacrosse team will open its season today (Thursday) when coach Emma Marrs and her crew trek to Salem.

"We are really looking forward to the season," said Marrs. "We lost three starters, which will definitely have an impact, but we are ready to adjust and come out strong this season, playing as a unit."

The 2023 varsity team consists of Giuliana Bordonaro, Gabrielle Buonopane, Avalina Coffey, Kira Diaz, Samantha DiMento, Reese Ferrara, Annika Holgersen, Emma Holmes, Julia Holmes, Abigail Holmes, Talia Martucci, Mia Norris, Hannah Parker, Tegan Pereira, Elizabeth Quinn, Isabella Rice, Adrianna Rizzotto, Adrianna, and Kailey Sullivan.

After today's opener, the Lady Vikings will host Saugus next Thursday (April 6) on the turf at Miller Field at 4:30.

## SPRING SPORTS SEASON SWINGS INTO HIGH GEAR

The 2023 spring sports season swings into high gear this week for Winthrop High athletes.

The boys' lacrosse team opens its season today (Thursday), hosting Salem at 4:30 at Miller Field.

The girls lacrosse team, led by returning head coach Emma Marrs, also will open its season today at Salem. The Lady Vikings will entertain Saugus next Thursday at Miller at 4:30.

The WHS baseball team, under the direction of head coach Mark DeGregorio, will host Northeast Regional at Veterans Field this Monday, with the season-opening pitch set for 4:00. The Vikings will entertain Peabody next Thursday (April 6) at 4:00.

New softball head coach Erin Vercruysse takes her team to O'Bryant High on Monday and will host Swampscott next Wednesday (April 5) at the Little League Field at 4:30.

The WHS boys and girls outdoor track and field teams, led by Nik Beshere and Warren MacPhail respectively, will open their season this coming Wednesday (April 5) at Swampscott.

The WHS boys and girls tennis teams swing into action Tuesday vs. Watertown. Long-time boys head coach Marie Finn and her crew will host Watertown at the high school courts, while new girls head coach Jeff Beck and his squad will trek to Watertown. Coach Angela Hickey's sailing team is scheduled to open its season with a regatta at the Courageous Sailing Center in Charlestown.

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# EPA analysis shows 2021 increase of toxic chemical releases in Massachusetts

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its 2021 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) National Analysis, which shows that environmental releases of TRI chemicals from facilities covered by the program remained below pre-pandemic levels and releases in 2021 are 10% lower than 2012 releases, even with an 8% increase from 2020 to 2021. Additionally, in 2021, facilities managed 89% of their TRI chemical waste through preferred practices such as recycling, energy recovery and treatment, while reporting that they released 11% of their TRI chemical waste into the environment.

In Massachusetts, the reporting data show that overall releases of pollutants to the environment increased since the previous reporting year (2020). However, over the last 10 years, Massachusetts has reduced air emissions by 55% due to the closures of a coal fired power plant and aluminum can manufacturer

TRI tracks the management of certain toxic chemicals that may pose a threat to human health and the environment. U.S. facilities in different industry sectors must report annually how much of each chemical is released to the environment and/or managed through recycling, energy recovery and treatment. A “release” of a chemical means that it is emitted to the air, water or placed in some type of land disposal.

“TRI reporting is a key part of EPA’s efforts to provide greater access to vital environmental information to Americans about their neighborhoods,” said EPA New England Regional Administrator David W. Cash. “Making this information publicly available also incentivizes companies

to reduce pollution and gives communities tools to act locally – which is particularly important for underserved communities that have historically been disproportionately impacted by pollution.”

## Massachusetts: Released on and offsite

During 2021, the latest year for which data is available, 357 facilities reported approximately 3.9 million pounds were released onsite to the air, water and land (such as landfills), compared to 3.0 million pounds released in 2020 (an increase of 0.9 million pounds). Approximately 667,300 pounds were released to the air, and 2,800 pounds were released to surface water. The major pollutants released to the air were toluene at 27% and ammonia with 11% of all air releases in the state. The major pollutant released to the water although small was formaldehyde (at 30% of all releases to water). In the last ten years, total releases increased 8% from 3.6 million pounds in 2011 to 3.9 million pounds in 2021.

## Massachusetts: Total Production Related Waste

During 2021, 357 facilities reported approximately 50.4 million pounds of total production related waste was managed compared to 362 facilities and 43.9 million pounds managed in 2020 (an increase of 8.3 million pounds). Total production related waste includes chemicals released directly to the environment and wastes that are treated (such as in an incinerator or wastewater treatment system), recycled and waste that is landfilled.

## Massachusetts: Top Five Companies

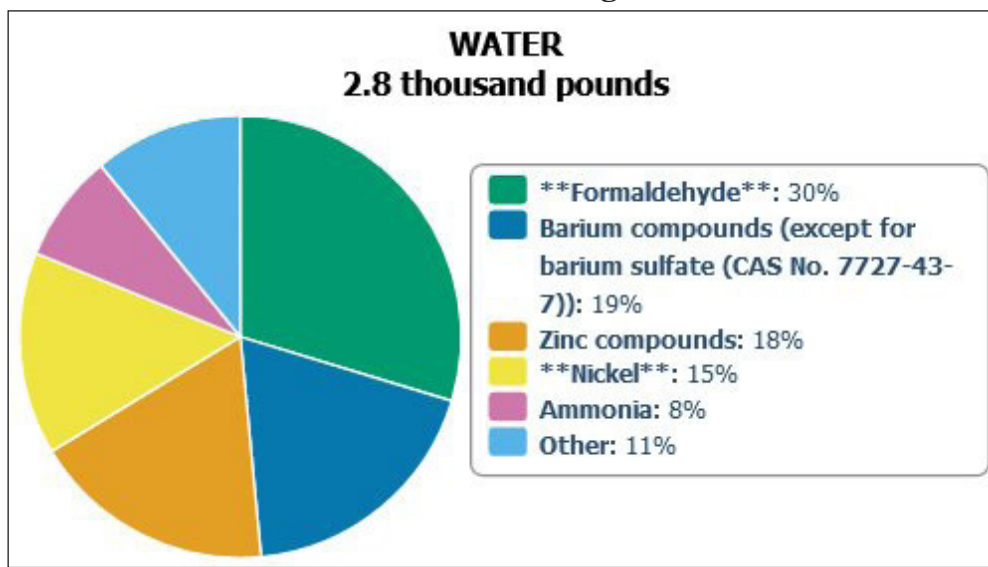
The companies in Mas-

sachusetts with the greatest releases included various industries including plastics, fabricated metals, manufacturing, and chemicals. These 5 facilities produced 44% of the releases in the state of Massachusetts in 2021.

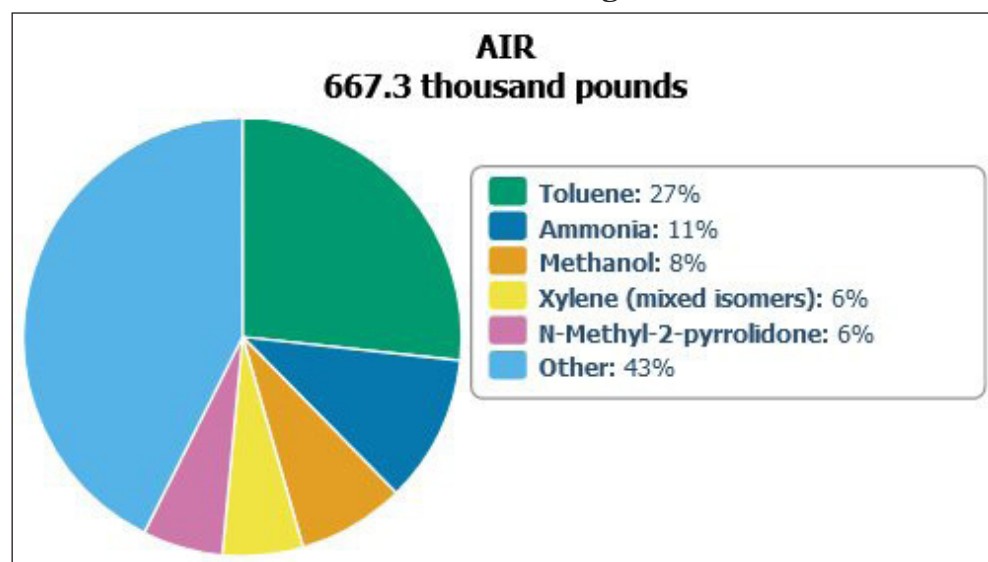
Each year, EPA makes publicly available TRI data reported by industries throughout the United States regarding chemical releases to air, water and land by power plants, manufacturers and other facilities which employ ten or more workers, and which exceed thresholds for chemicals. Reporting includes information on chemicals released at a company’s facility, as well as those transported to disposal facilities off site. TRI data do not reflect the relative toxicity of the chemicals emitted or potential exposure to people living in a community with reported releases.

Reporting under TRI does not indicate illegal discharges of pollutants to the environment. EPA works closely with states to provide regulatory oversight of facilities that generate pollution to the nation’s air, land, and water. Effective review and permitting programs work to ensure that the public and the environment are not subjected to unhealthy levels of pollution, even as agencies work to further reduce emissions of chemicals to the environment. Enforcement efforts by EPA and states ensure that facilities that violate their environmental permits are subject to penalties and corrective action. Yearly releases by individual facilities can vary due to factors such as power outages, production variability, lulls in the business cycle, etc., that do not reflect a facility’s pollution prevention program(s).

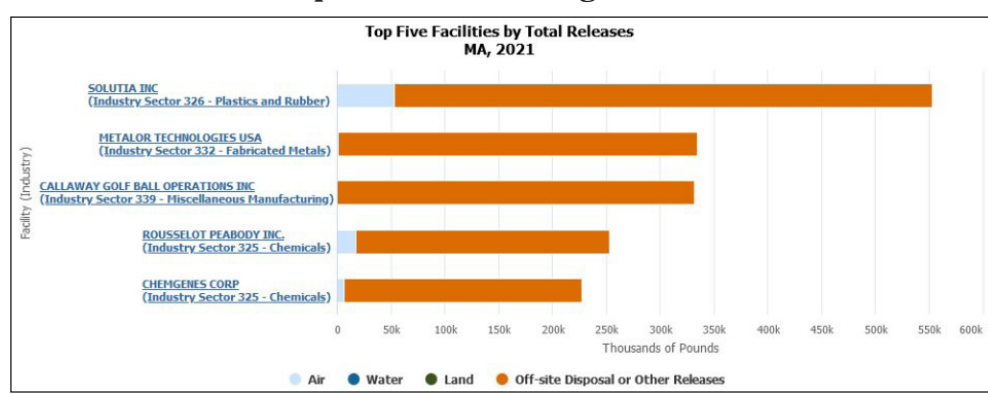
## The top five chemicals released to surface water in Massachusetts during 2021



## The top five chemicals released to the air in Massachusetts during 2021



## Companies with the largest releases



## Companies with the largest releases:

TRI data are submitted annually to EPA, states, and tribes by facilities in industry sectors such as manufacturing, metal mining, electric utilities, and commercial hazardous waste. Under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), facilities must report their toxic chemical releases for the prior year to EPA by July 1 of each year. The Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 also requires facilities to submit information on pollution prevention and other waste management activities related to TRI chemicals.

The 2021 Analysis features updated visualizations and analytical tools to make data more useful and accessible to communities, including

the option to view data by region and watershed. EPA has also updated demographic information in the “Where You Live” mapping tool and in the Chemical Profiles section. Readers can view facility locations with overlaid demographic data to identify potential exposure to TRI chemical releases in vulnerable communities. Community groups, policymakers, and other stakeholders can use this data, along with other environmental data, to better understand which communities may experience a disproportionate pollution burden and take action at the local level.

## PFAS Reporting

For the second time, the TRI National Analysis includes reporting on perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) following the 2020

National Defense Authorization Act. For Reporting Year 2021, 176 PFAS were reportable to TRI. Facilities reported managing 1.3 million pounds of these chemicals as waste. This is an increase from the 800,000 pounds in 2020 and is largely due to reporting on one PFAS, perfluorooctyl iodide, which EPA began requiring facilities to report in 2021. Most of the facilities that manage PFAS operate in the chemical manufacturing and hazardous waste management sectors. The hazardous waste management sector accounted for roughly 80% of the 108,334 pounds of PFAS released into the environment, primarily to regulated landfills.

Last December, EPA proposed a rule that would improve reporting on PFAS to TRI by eliminating an exemption that allows facilities to avoid reporting information on PFAS when those chemicals are used in small, or de minimis, concentrations. Because PFAS are used at low concentrations in many products, this rule would ensure covered industry sectors and federal facilities that make or use TRI-listed PFAS will no longer be able to rely on the de minimis exemption to avoid disclosing their PFAS releases and other waste management quantities for these chemicals.

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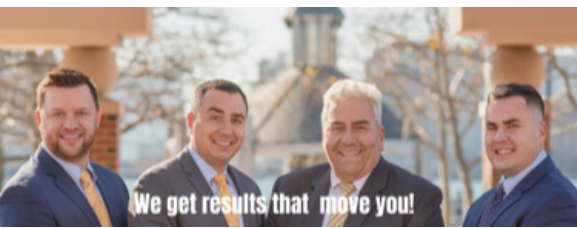
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## WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

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### MONDAY, MARCH 13

1909: An officer responded to a report of a rock thrown by youths through a living room window on Lincoln St. The officer observed video of the incident and filed a report.

2147: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle blocking a driveway on Trident Ave. to move the vehicle.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 14

1349: A person came to the station to report that the operator of another motor vehicle had agreed to pay for the minor damage caused by an accident between their two cars, but now isn't agreeing with the arrangement. The person was advised to contact her insurance company.

2034: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. at Elmwood Ct. for the civil moving infraction of a one-way violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

1234: An officer stopped a motor vehicle

on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who said he was lost.

1530: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main St. and Amelia Ave. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1910: A Coral Ave. resident reported that her indoor cat was lost.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 16

0127: An officer issued parking tickets to 10 vehicles in the area of Bayview and Grandview Aves.

0139: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle on Pauline St.

0740: A report of a dead raccoon on the sidewalk at Kennedy Rd. and Revere St. was referred to the DPW.

1148: Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident in the 300 block of Winthrop St. There were no personal injuries. The officer filed a report.

1235: An officer arrested a 33 year-old Winthrop man on Shirley St. on two outstanding warrants.

1622: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Kennedy Rd. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 17

0135: An officer issued parking tickets to 20 vehicles

on Court Rd.

0959: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1001: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1018: A report of a manhole cover in the middle of the roadway at Revere St. and Summit Ave. was referred to the DPW.

1304: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1337: A Plummer Ave. resident reported that her house cat had gotten out of the house during the night.

1402: An officer moved along five vehicles that were parked in the handicapped parking spots at the high school.

1423: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Locust St. for the civil moving infraction of a marked lanes violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1443: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who was hurrying to get her children from school.

1448: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1503: Officer Carter assisted a family with the installation of a child car seat.

1931: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Pleasant St. and Brookfield Rd. for the civil moving infraction of an equipment violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2110: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to use headlights after dark. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2219: An officer was flagged down by a motor vehicle operator on Beach Rd. who reported that eggs had been thrown at his car as he was driving.

2246: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infractions of unsafe operation, excessive window tint, and a passing violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 18

0123: An officer issued parking tickets to 12 vehicles on Bowdoin St.

0815: A resident called the station to report being scammed out of some money by a person who called and said he worked for Amazon. The officer filed a report.

1047: An officer re-

sponded to a two-car motor vehicle accident at Shirley and Payson Sts. There were no personal injuries and neither vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.

1419: A person came to the station to report that his driver's side mirror made contact with the driver's side mirror of another vehicle in Metcalfe Sq. However, the other operator did not stop to exchange papers.

1441: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Veterans Rd and Shirley St. for the civil moving infractions of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal and violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 19

0126: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident at the 7/11 on Revere St. involving a passenger vehicle and an MBTA bus. The passenger vehicle was towed and two persons from that vehicle were transported to the MGH. The MBTA police were called to the scene.

0339: A Bellevue Ave. resident reported that his motor vehicle had been stolen. A BOLO was sent to the departments of surrounding communities. The officer filed a report.

0720: Two residents reported that their motor vehicles were broken into overnight on Cottage Park Rd. The officer filed a report.

0812: The motor vehicle

that had been reported as stolen earlier in the morning was recovered on Hagman Rd. The vehicle was towed and the officer filed a report.

0923: An officer responded to a report of two persons engaged in a heated argument on Centre St. The officer restored the peace.

1021: A Johnson Ave. resident reported that his motor vehicle had been broken into overnight. Surfboard wax was reported missing. The officer filed a report.

1127: A Shirley St. resident came to the station to show video footage of a hit-and-run accident to his vehicle that occurred Thursday night. The officer filed a report.

1131: A Johnson Ave. reported that her two motor vehicles had been broken into overnight, though nothing was taken. The officer filed a report.

1149: A person came into the station to report a minor two-car accident that occurred at Highland and Crest Aves. The officer filed a report.

1729: An officer responded to a minor motor vehicle accident on Pleasant St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers and filed a report.

### MONDAY, MARCH 20

0150: An officer issued a parking ticket to a motor vehicle on Forrest St.

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Falbo, who was 314 votes behind Hubbard.

Two persons were rescued in dramatic fashion from the third floor of their burning home at 152 Pleasant Street at 1 a.m. Friday morning. Firefighter David McGah raced to the top of an aerial ladder and brought the two residents down to safety.

Holy Week before Easter proved to be anything but for local police. Almost every cell in the local jail was filled at one time or another with arrestees charged with crimes ranging from drunk driving to illegal possession of marijuana or alcohol.

Ghandi, Monty Python's Meaning of Life, and 48 Hours are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 50 years ago April 2, 1973

Town Meeting members voted to give all town employees a four percent pay raise with the exception of Police Chief David Rice. Members also turned down a request by Rice to add two additional officers to the department. Members rejected a request by the selectmen that the town purchase a three acre tract of land at the former Ft. Banks, instead approving a proposal for the Winthrop Housing Authority to purchase the property for construction of more than 100 units of elderly housing. Town Meeting voted to use the town's \$166,000 allotment of federal revenue sharing funds for general budget purposes, which will have the effect of reducing the tax rate slightly from \$68.00 to \$67.50.

A testimonial dinner for School Supt. Arthur Dalrymple, who is retiring after serving in the Winthrop School system for 35 years, is set for May 22

at Caruso's Diplomat in Saugus.

Diana Ross stars in Lady Sings the Blues at the Revere Drive In.

### 60 years ago April 4, 1963

After a contentious debate, Town Meeting voted to reject a proposal for the construction of a public landing on the southerly side of Washington Ave. State law requires that all municipalities with frontage on tidal lands must have a landing open to the public.

A doorbell ringing campaign tonight by 60-70 WHS students is expected to put the fund drive for a celebration banquet and trip to Washington, D.C., for the Class B Tech champion WHS basketball team over the top.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held this week for the construction of a new nursing school and residence at Winthrop Community Hospital.

Sgt. David Rice has topped the Civil Service exam for promotion to lieutenant. Patrolman William McLaughlin topped the exam for sergeant.

Winthrop will be invaded by more than 400 Girl Scouts from Eastern Mass. Friday afternoon for their annual conference. The affair will take place in Memorial Auditorium.

Tony Curtis stars in Taras Bulba at the Revere Drive In. Tab Hunter and Frankie Avalon star in Operation Bikini at the Revere Theatre.

### 70 years ago April 2, 1953

Town Meeting voted to postpone until the Special Town Meeting on April 9 the question of whether to build an addition onto the senior high school. Weary Town Meeting members voted on the last of 80 ar-

ticles on the warrant late last night and then voted to put off the question of the new high school addition, which promises to have a lot of debate. Among the articles voted upon by Town Meeting was the rejection of an article seeking \$1500 for Christmas lights, which means that local merchants will have to foot the bill entirely on their own. However, Town Meeting approved an article calling for the construction of a permanent World War II memorial in Winthrop Cemetery that will be dedicated on Memorial Day.

A court battle looms over the taking by the town of six parcels of land at Pico Beach for use as

a town beach area. The owners of the land want the town to pay twice as much, about 50 cents per square foot, than what the town has offered.

Tyrone Power and Cameron Mitchell star in Pony Soldier at the Revere Drive In. Lana Turner, Kirk Douglas, and Dick Powell star in The Bad and the Beautiful at the Revere Theatre.

### 80 years ago April 3, 1943

George Downie, Chairman of the Red Cross Fund Drive, said that Winthrop has reached only 50 percent of its quota. Downie reminded all residents that the Red Cross is the principal means by

## St. Michael the Archangel Parish

320 Winthrop St, Winthrop, Ma 02152  
Stations of the Cross: February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24 at 7:00pm  
Friday, March 31: "Living Stations" drama by teens at 7:00pm  
**"The Eucharist - Christ Truly Present"**  
7:00pm Upper Church March 20-23  
*Take some time for yourself this Lent by coming to hear great speakers and enjoy moving music.*

**Holy Week Schedule**  
Palm Sunday Vigil, April 1: Masses at 4:00pm and 5:30pm  
Palm Sunday, April 2: Masses at 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am & 12 Noon  
"Living Stations" at 7:00pm  
Holy Thursday, April 6: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm  
Good Friday, April 7: Liturgy and Veneration of the Cross at 7:00pm  
Holy Saturday, April 8: Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm  
Easter Sunday, April 9: Masses at 8:00am, 10:00am Family Mass\*, 11:00am & 12 Noon

*\*followed by Easter Egg Hunt*

## First Church Of Winthrop United Methodist

217 Winthrop St, Winthrop, Ma 02152  
Lenten Devotion - Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 PM at First Church in Burnside Room  
Soup and Fellowship 6:30 - 7:00 PM  
Devotion 7:00 - 8:00 PM  
March 14, March 21 and March 28:  
St Patrick's Day Dinner - Saturday, March 11 - Dinner, Fellowship, Live Music; 5:30 PM at First Church in the Fellowship Hall  
Palm Sunday - April 2  
Maundy Thursday - April 6 at 6:00 PM  
Service of Holy Communion at St. John's Episcopal Church  
Good Friday - April 7 - 7:00 PM

First Church Sanctuary will be open for prayer (reserve a time by contacting the Church office) Stations of the Cross booklets available to use at home or at the Church

April 9: Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service  
Winthrop Beach - 5:45 am  
All are welcome to this 25-minute outdoor service with joint leadership from Winthrop's Churches  
Meet at the north end of Winthrop Beach at Crest Ave., near the green rails; Breakfast at First Church following the Sunrise Service  
Easter Sunday at First Church - April 9th @ 11:00 am  
Service of Holy Communion  
Mother's Day Dinner - Saturday, May 6th @ 5:30PM at First Church in the Fellowship Hall - Dinner, Fellowship and silent auction

## St. John's Episcopal Church

222 Bowdoin St, Winthrop, Ma 02152  
Psalm Sunday Liturgy - April 2 - 8 AM, 10 AM & 4:30 PM  
Maundy Thursday - April 6, 7 p.m., joint service w/ St. John's  
Good Friday Liturgy - April 7 - 7 AM (shortened service)  
Joint Stations of the Cross (at St John's) - April 15 - Noon  
Great Vigil of Easter - April 8 - 5:30 PM  
Easter Vigil Feast - April 8 - 7ish PM (in the parish hall)  
Sunrise Service at Beach - April 9 - 6AM  
(Highland end at the green rails)  
Easter Day Mass - April 9 - 8 AM & 10 AM (NO 4:30 PM)





# Winthrop Senior Center News

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

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, March 30**  
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)  
12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

**Friday, March 31**  
8:30am-9:30am: Breakfast by Dennis  
10:00am-12:00pm: Ceramics  
10:00am-11:00am: Line Dancing (\$5)  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up

**Monday, April 3**  
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen (\$5)  
11:00am: Grab Lunch Pick Up  
11:30am-3:00pm: Game Day / Mahjong  
12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$6)

**Tuesday, April 4**  
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)  
11:00am-12:00pm: Blood Pressure  
11:00am-12:00pm: Exercise for Arthritis  
11:30am-12:30pm: Ballroom Dancing with Gerard  
12:00pm-12:30pm: Lunch-Dine In / Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
1:30pm-2:30pm: Creative Writing with Gerard with Gerard (\$5)  
1:30pm-2:30pm: Chorus

**Wednesday, April 5**  
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Kathleen  
10:00am-12:00pm: Bereavement and Caregiver

Support Group  
11:00am-12:00pm: Zumba with Cindy  
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up  
1:00pm-2:00pm: Legal Aide Group Q&A  
1:15pm-2:45pm: Italian Class

**Senior Lunch Program:** The Senior Center offers in-person dining on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12-12:30pm. Grab and Go Lunches are also 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.

**Senior Citizen Property Tax Abatement Program.** Applications for the 2023 Senior Citizen Property Tax Abatement Program are available at the Senior Center and on the COA's website. This program allows seniors, aged 60 and older, to volunteer their services in exchange for a reduction in their property tax bill. For more information, and full pro-

gram requirements, please visit [www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging](http://www.town.winthrop.ma.us/council-aging), or stop by the Senior Center. Applications must be returned to the Senior Center by noon on Friday, April 7, 2023.

**CAPIC Fuel Assistance.** CAPIC will be at the Senior Center to assist in signing up for fuel assistance from 9:30am to 12:00pm on April 19, 2023. Appointments are on a first come, first served basis. For more information on the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), go to: [www.capicinc.org](http://www.capicinc.org), or call 617-884-6130.

**Eats & Treats Café:** (cooking demo) On April 19 (2-3pm) we will be bringing back the Eats & Treats Café Cooking demonstration. This month's recipe will be a French yogurt cake. Space is limited, so sign up now!  
Cost: \$5 (sign up at the front desk)

**The Aging Eye:** Common Age Related Eye Diseases and Tips For Healthy Eyes. On May 8 (10:30-11:30am) Dr. Melda Gerow from the Winthrop Eye Center will be at the Senior Center to talk about symptoms of age related eye disease and preventative measures and treatment options.  
Sign up at the front desk.

**Mother's Day Pizza Party:** Join us at the Senior Center on Tuesday, May 16 for a Pizza Party with entertainment by David Bates.  
Cost: \$2 (sign up at the front desk)

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

**Ballroom Dancing:** 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-12:30pm.

**Blood Pressures:** First and third Tuesday of each month from 11:00am to 12:00pm. No appointment needed.

**Bowling:** Tuesdays at 10:00am 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 9:00am-3:00pm and Fridays from 9:00am-12:00pm.

**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.

**Seaside Tappers:** The Seaside Tappers meet on Wednesdays for Tap Class-

es from 10:00-11:00am, at the Methodist Church. For more information, contact Gail at: 617-763-7311.

**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 1pm-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.

Sunday, April 30, 2023: Lunch & Show at the Newport Playhouse (WAIT LIST ONLY)  
Provider: All Around New England  
Cost: \$127  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA

Saturday, May 20, 2023: Lobster Roll Cruise (WAIT LIST ONLY)  
Provider: All Around New England  
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 at Danversport Yacht Club  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
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

Thursday, August 10, 2023: Corvettes Do Wop Revue and traditional Maine Lobsterbake at Fosters Lobsterbake in York, Me.  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
Cost: \$119.00  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal Choice: Whole broiled 1 ¼ lb. or ½ BBQ Chicken

Thursday, September 7, 2023: Neil Diamond & Friends at the Castleton Banquet Hall, Windom N.H.  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
Cost: \$79.00 (drive on your own) or \$109.00 (with transportation)  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal choice: Apple Cranberry Stuffed Chicken or Vegetarian Lasagna

Sunday, December 31, 2023: An American Bandstand- New Year's Eve Day at the Danversport Yacht club  
Provider: Best of Times Travel  
Price: \$95.00 (drive on your own) or \$125.00 (with transportation)  
Make checks payable to: Friends of WCOA  
Meal choice: Stuffed Breast of Chicken or Baked Schrod

## Emily Sweeney discusses her book 'Gangland Boston' at West End Museum

Story & photos by Marianne Salza

Boston Globe reporter, Emily Sweeney, discussed her book, "Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime," on March 23, at The HUB50 Community Room, Boston. The Dorchester resident shared fraudulent and violent stories of local mobsters that prevailed in Boston during the West End Museum event.

"The mafia made its debut in the late 19th century Boston," began Sweeney. "It was difficult being a police officer around the turn of the century. Back then, nobody carried ID's. Criminals constantly used aliases. Boston Police didn't start using fingerprints to identify people until 1906."

Until then, officers relied on mug shots, and measurements such as the length of the left foot, middle finger, or forearm to identify suspects.

"One of the first gangs that rose to prominence in the late 19th century was the Swindling Beggars Gang," Sweeney noted. "The leader of this gang was Frisco Slim, from California. He would fake being injured and beg for money on the street. He would recruit young kids to wear bloody bandages and limp. Then they'd go back to the West End and split the proceeds. When the police did bust this gang, they found that kids were working for them like child slaves."

One of the earliest instances that Sweeney could locate in a digitized newspaper was from the Boston Sunday Post in 1895. The article specified the structure of the mafia and estimated that there were about 200 mafia members in the Boston area at the time. Many newspaper articles that Sweeney read from the turn of the century described people in mortal terror.

"My book, 'Gangland Boston,' has a lot of information about the Gustin Gang," mentioned Sweeney. "They were one of the first, prominent Irish mobs. They rose to power during Prohibition."

The leader of the Gustin Gang was 5-foot-5-inch-tall Stevie Wallace, of South Boston. Wallace, who was a member of the 1920 US Olympic boxing team, hugely impacted Boston's organized crime; and was protected by powerful government officials and law enforcement.

"In December 1931, these guys go to 317 Hanover Street – a Citizens Bank now – in the North End to have a sit down with leaders of the mafia. They did not leave alive. This was a major turning point in organized crime in the City of Boston," Sweeney emphasized. "The Italians established their power over the city."

In addition to smuggling and distributing alcohol during Prohibition, organized gambling was another illegal source



Emily Sweeney discussing her book, "Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime" during a March 23 West End Museum event.

of income for criminal groups.

"People gambled what little they had," said Sweeney. "Back then, you could place a bet with a bookie who was standing on a street corner, in shoe shine parlors, barber shops, and regular stores."

The most famous West Ender in the bookmaking business was Doc Sagan-sky, the son of Lithuanian immigrants. Growing up, Sagansky sold newspapers at the Massachusetts State House. He graduated from Tufts Dental School in 1918, and practiced dentistry in Scollay Square.

"Through betting and gambling, he built a fortune," said Sweeney, a descendant of a West End resident displaced during Urban Renewal. "He be-

came an owner of two Boston nightclubs, and operated a loan agency, which allowed him to finance other enterprises."

One illegal bookmaking establishment was Swartz's Key Shop, 364 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, where bets on horse and dog racing could be made. The popular shop was raided by the Internal Revenue Service in 1961.

"In addition to gambling, when people ran out of money, they turned to loan sharks, who were excessively violent against customers," Sweeney mentioned. "This was before credit cards. You could get a loan on the street."

Emily Sweeney is a board member of the New



Emily Sweeney, author of "Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime."

England First Amendment Coalition, and the New England Society of News Editors. Her book, "Dropkick Murphy: A Legendary Life," a biography about the professional wrestler and doctor during

the Great Depression, will be available through Amazon on May 23, 2023. Visit [www.Facebook.com/BostonOrganizedCrime](http://www.Facebook.com/BostonOrganizedCrime) to view images, videos, and newspaper articles about Boston's organized crime.



## Josephine Massa

She will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, sister and friend

Josephine M. Massa passed away peacefully on March 24 with her family by her side. She was 93 years old. She was affectionately known by her family and friends as “Jo.”

Jo was born in Somerville and raised in Winthrop with her love for the coast and her large Massa family. She spent much of her youth on Shore Drive in Winthrop with her seven siblings: Franny, Louie, Mike, John, Guy, Sal and Billy, her

loving father and mother (Ralph and Anna Massa) dedicated “Massa Playground” many years ago as a safe place for all of their children to play and for all Winthrop families to enjoy even today.

She was pre-deceased by her son, Jimmy and her ex-husband of 46 years, Bart Borriello. They raised three children: Patty Reed, Jimmy Borriello “Boris” and Mary George-Robson. Some of her happiest moments were spent with her five



grandchildren: Danielle Reed, Nicolle Reed, Noelle George, James Borriello and Bart Borriello and two great grandchildren, Isabelle Reed and Bentley Reed. She was their “Nona Jo”.

She has been a Bradenton, Florida resident for over 30 years now but Winthrop will always be her home.

The family will have a celebration of life at a later date. For on line condolences please visit <https://www.allvetsallfamiliesfh.com>.



In 1978, Massa Park was dedicated in Winthrop to the Massa Family. Members of the family at the dedication were shown from left Billy, Michael, Louie, Franny, Josephine, Guy, Sal, John

## Eleanor Brooks

Loving mother, wife and friend

We are sad to announce the passing of Eleanor L. Brooks on Monday, March 27 at the age of 89. “Elly” will join her beloved husband and best friend, Barry of almost 69 years.

Elly was born in Boston, daughter of Solomon and Annie Levine and was raised in Roxbury with her siblings, Daniel and Irene. She graduated from Jeremiah E. Burke H.S. in Dorchester. Elly lived in Chicago while her husband Barry was in dental school and later the Army Dental Corps. While in Chicago, she worked in a local dental office as an assistant and later alongside Barry at Brooks Dental.

In 1959, Elly and Barry moved to Winthrop to raise their family of six children. Elly was a long-time member of Temple Tifereth Israel of Winthrop and a devoted supporter of the Hadassah organization. Her favorite thing to do was to spend time with family, including ski trips to the New Hampshire house, summers at the Cape and countless gatherings for “dinner at the house.” Most importantly Elly was a loving mother, wife, and friend. She had a wonderful sense of humor, was always generous with her time and was a source of strength for family and friends.

She leaves the family she loved so much and meant the world to her: Richard Brooks and his wife, Amy of Canton, Lisa Giller and her husband, Steven of Peabody, Howard Brooks and his wife, Debra of Marble-



head, Karen Chinitz and her husband, Michael of Newton, Daniel Brooks and his wife, Karen of Charlotte N.C., and Adam Brooks of Charlotte N.C. She also leaves her 16 cherished grandchildren: Matthew Brooks, Alex Brooks, Lauren Anno and husband, Devin, Joshua Giller and partner, Tonia, David Brooks and husband, Thiago, Stephanie Brooks and fiancé, Juan, Leah Brooks and partner, Matt, Taylor Chinitz and partner, Matt, Daniella Chinitz and partner, Nick, Francesca Chinitz, Robert Brooks and fiancé, Jonathan Brooks, Harrison Brooks, Kaylie Brooks, Talia Brooks, Eliana

Brooks and two great grandchildren, Avery and Lyla Anno. Elly was pre-deceased by her sister, Irene and her brother, Daniel Levine.

A graveside service will be held at Sons of Abraham Cemetery, 776 Baker Street, West Roxbury on Friday, March 31 at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at [www.TaylorChinitzForLLS.com](http://www.TaylorChinitzForLLS.com)

# OBITUARIES

## Linda Marsh

Of Methuen, formerly of Winthrop

Linda E. Marsh of Methuen, formerly of Winthrop, passed away unexpectedly on March 4. She was 65 years old.

Born in Winthrop, she was the cherished daughter of the late Richard and Doris (Frasier) Marsh.

Prior to her retirement, Linda worked for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in accounting administration.

Linda was the dear sister of Susan Skobeleff and her husband, Stephen of Winthrop, Kenneth Marsh of California. and the late Karen (Marsh) Kearns and her surviving dear friend Raymond Towsley Jr. of Campton, NH. She was the loving aunt of Samantha and Matthew Skobeleff of Winthrop.

A graveside service will be held in the Winthrop



Cemetery, at the family lot, on Tuesday, April 4 at 10:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Funeral arrangements are from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop.

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

## Frances Spinazzola

Of New Hampshire, formerly of Winthrop

Frances A. (Ruggiero) Spinazzola of Pelham, New Hampshire, formerly of Winthrop, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 21 at 75 years of age.

The devoted mother of Lori Hartley and her husband, Anthony of Pelham, she was the loving daughter of the late John Ruggiero and his wife, Vincenzina “Vinnie” (Cannata), dear sister of Janet Macrina and the late Joseph Ruggiero and cherished grandmother of Brett Ashley Hartman. She is also survived by her loving aunt, nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor Frances's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Orient Heights) East Boston, on Friday, March 31 from



3 to 7 p.m. and again on Saturday morning at 8:30 before leaving in procession to St. John the Evangelist - St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Winthrop for a Funeral Mass celebrating Frances's life at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with Frances being laid to rest at Winthrop Cemetery, Belle Isle Section. May she rest in peace. To leave an online condolence, please visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com)

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## Carol Lee Pepi

Retired Professor, Department Chair of Human Services and Justice Studies at Cambridge College for over 25 years and founder of the first Juvenile Justice program in the country

Carol Lee (O'Hara) Pepi, 76, of Winthrop passed away on March 24 in her home, surrounded by family following a brief illness. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Funeral Mass on Saturday, April 1 at 11:30 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 320 Winthrop Street, Winthrop. Interment in Winthrop Belle Isle Cemetery and a lunch reception at The Lodge of Elks to immediately follow.

Carol was born on November 20, 1946 in Boston to her late parents, James E. O'Hara, Sr. and Dorothy M. (Breault) O'Hara. She was one of seven children raised and educated in East Boston and was a graduate of Fitton High School, Class of 1964.

Carol studied Pastoral Ministry at Emanuel College, then later earned a Master of Education degree in Counseling Psychology at Cambridge College. She also attended Union Institute & University for Doctoral Studies in Social Psychology.

Carol was a Professor and Department Chair of Human Services and Justice Studies at Cambridge College for over 25 years and founded the first Juvenile Justice program in the country. She would often say she had the privilege of teaching the most wonderful adult students anywhere.

Carol was a life-long human rights activist and peacemaker, traveling to colleges, schools and professional conferences throughout the United States, Australia, and Washington D.C. to speak on topics of juvenile justice, prison reform, restorative justice and the abolition of the death penalty.

The beloved wife of Gerald A. Pepi of Winthrop, she was the loving mother of Jennifer R. D. Pepi and her husband, the late Gregory Lewis of Winthrop, Rachel J. Williams and her husband, Walter A. of Brockton, Alicyn J. Thompson and



her husband, Christopher L. of Winthrop and the late Joshua W.J. Pepi; the cherished and proud grandmother of Zoe, Joey, Michaela, Toni-Rae, Chelsea, Tory, Tess and Layne and great grandmother of Masen; the dear sister of Leona M. Orlando and her husband, John of Revere, Patricia A. D'Addario and her fiancé, Joseph DiGenio of Newmarket, NH and the late Kevin P. O'Hara, Sr., Dorothy M. McGrath, Richard F. O'Hara and James E. O'Hara, Jr. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Appalachian Prison Book Project, P.O. Box 601, Morgantown, WV 26507 or by visiting [www.appalachianprisonbook-project.org](http://www.appalachianprisonbook-project.org) For online guest book, please visit [www.vertucciosmithvazza.com](http://www.vertucciosmithvazza.com). Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio, Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, Revere.

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# Healey-Driscoll administration appoints Phillip Eng as MBTA General Manager

Governor Maura T. Healey, Lieutenant Governor Kimberley Driscoll and Transportation Secretary Gina Fiandaca announced that, after a comprehensive search, they will be appointing Phillip Eng as the next General Manager of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA). Eng is an engineer with nearly 40 years of experience in transportation, including as President of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Long Island Rail Road and Interim President of New York City Transit.

"Phil Eng is the proven leader the MBTA needs to improve safety and reliability across the system and restore the public's trust," said Governor Healey. "He understands that a functioning transportation system is essential to a functioning economy, and he has a track record of taking the reins of struggling public transit systems and dramatically improving service. He also takes a collaborative approach to his work and maintains open lines of communication with customers, workers, businesses, local officials and communities."

"What impressed me the most about Phil Eng



Phillip Eng.

is that everything he does is driven by his commitment to customer service," said Lieutenant Governor Driscoll. "He understands that the success of our public transportation system relies on the trust of the public, and that transparency, communication and reliability are the keys to earning that trust. I'm confident that he is the right leader for this transformative moment for the MBTA."

"I am pleased to announce the appointment of Phil Eng to the position of MBTA General Manager. Phil has a record of achievement in delivering world class transportation services in New York State, managing billions of dollars in capital projects, and launching initiatives to improve the customer experience," said Secretary Fiandaca. "Most

importantly, Phil has excelled at finding solutions to challenging problems. It's clear he is focused on customer satisfaction, operational excellence, and championing a safe, reliable transportation system. He has wide ranging experience as an executive manager for mass transit, highways, ports, waterways and aviation facilities. We look forward to having Phil guide and support improvements and innovations at the MBTA."

"The MBTA is in crisis, and it's time for bold leadership at the top to turn the situation around while centering equity, climate resiliency, and increased frequency," said Caitlin Peale Sloan, Vice President of Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) Massachusetts. "Phillip is an excellent choice to lead the T at this critical time. The thousands of people who depend on the T to get around the region deserve a safe, reliable system, and CLF will be at the table with new leadership to make sure that happens."

"It's time for a new way of doing business at the MBTA. As an engineer, a transportation professional for 40 years, and a commuter myself, I'm laser focused on finding innovative solutions to complex

problems and approaching them with a sense of urgency that always puts the customer first," said Phillip Eng. "I'm also committed to supporting the hardworking employees who keep the MBTA running and ramping up hiring to ensure that we have the workforce in place to deliver the reliable service that riders deserve."

Eng worked his way through the ranks of the New York State Department of Transportation beginning in the '80s, ultimately serving as Executive Deputy Commissioner and Chief Engineer from 2013-2017. He then served as Chief Operating Officer of the MTA, where he oversaw successful efforts to improve performance and efficiency across all agencies, including the NYC Transit Authority, Metro-North Railroad, Long Island Rail Road and MTA Bridges and Tunnels. He led the procurement and awarding of a \$540 million contract to modernize the MTA's mobile ticketing system and improved the MTA's contracting methods to better ensure that projects would be completed on time, with reduced costs and with improved quality and durability.

Eng was then tapped to

serve as Interim President of NYC Transit, where he led a workforce of 50,000 employees and was integral to initiating and implementing the \$836 million Subway Action Plan to fix aging infrastructure and improve performance across the system.

From 2018-2022, Eng served as President of the MTA Long Island Rail Road, where he managed a system of 7,600 employees and a \$1.6 billion operating budget. He transformed the system from having the worst on time performance in decades to having the most consistent on time performance in the railroad's history. He oversaw the implementation of new technology that improved the accuracy of train arrival time estimates on platforms and led to the release of the new and improved LIRR Train-Time app, which provides the public with up-to-date service information. He also focused on improving relationships with customers, workers, labor, elected officials, local businesses and community leaders through consistent communication, including the launch of "Customer Conversation" forums and "Meet the Manager" station settings.

Since June, Eng has

served as Executive Vice President of the LiRo Group, where he advises public and private sector clients on engineering, transportation and infrastructure projects. He has worked with a number of public transportation clients across the Northeast, including the MBTA, on construction management and quality design, assurance and control inspections.

He lives in Smithtown, New York with his wife Carole and will be relocating to Massachusetts to begin his new role on April 10.

Interim General Manager Jeff Gonneville will remain with the MBTA and assist with the transition to new management.

"I'm deeply grateful to Jeff Gonneville for his 22 years of dedicated service to the MBTA and for rising to the challenge as Interim General Manager during this critical period. He has ushered in a new era of transparency and communication at the MBTA that I know that Phil Eng will continue to build on. We are pleased that Jeff will continue his service to Massachusetts," said Governor Healey.

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### NOWICKI TO HEAD HOUSING AUTHORITY

CHELSEA - The new Executive Director of the Chelsea Housing Authority is a familiar face in the city.

Last week, the Housing Authority Board selected Paul Nowicki to serve as Executive Director, replacing Al Ewing, who retired after serving as the director of the housing authority since 2011.

Nowicki has been with the housing authority since 2011, and was serving as its operations director. He was also a city councilor for 16 years, serving four terms as council president.

The Chelsea Housing Authority oversees 914 public housing units in Chelsea, along with Section 8 vouchers in Chelsea and several surrounding communities. Nowicki said there are about 1,500 residents in the city who live in housing authority units.

Nowicki said his desire to move up to the director's role comes from his passion for public service and the community.

"It's always been my passion being in this community, working in this community, from my days as a youth volunteer to the city council, and then when the opportunity came to join the housing authority, it was a completely different perspective on helping out and being a part of the community," he said. "The longer I worked there, the more I saw the potential for the positive impact not only for our residents, but for our neighborhoods, which means the city in general, and I just thought it would be a natural progression for me to go for it."

Coming from the council to the housing authority, Nowicki said there was a different approach about how to get things done. He pointed to the zoning changes in the late 90s that led to urban renewal as compared to the more nuts and bolts approach of

running an agency such as the Chelsea Housing Authority.

"I'm the one who always wanted to get things done as fast as possible, and Al's approach was very methodical and was not about getting it done fast, but about getting it done correctly," Nowicki said. "Al was the perfect person at the perfect time to take over the housing authority in 2011 and it allowed us to stabilize and grow, so there were a lot of good, valuable lessons."

As he takes over the director's role, Nowicki said there are some immediate issues that need to be addressed, including finding a new finance director, since former finance director Arnaldo Velazquez recently moved into the deputy director position, and finding a new operations director to fill Nowicki's old spot.

Longer term, the housing authority also has to look at the logistics of moving residents back into the revamped Innes Development when that project is ready for occupancy in the next 18 to 24 months, and then backfilling the open public housing units the Innes residents were occupying during construction.

Nowicki said the housing authority also needs to look at ways to secure nontraditional housing funding sources.

"We as a housing authority, whether it be our supportive services, or whether it be trying to purchase other property to refurbish and create more voucher availability, those are things that we are going to look at as a board and senior staff because we will have to work together as we move this housing authority forward," said Nowicki.

### DeMARIA NOTES SUPPORT FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

EVERETT - Mayor Carlo DeMaria said he ap-

preciates the unanimous votes cast by the School Committee and the City Council in support of a plan to build a new Everett High School.

DeMaria's remarks came after the City Council voted unanimously at its March 13 meeting to submit another Statement of Interest to the MSBA for state funding for a new high school facility in Everett.

"I have been advocating for the state to support my plan to alleviate overcrowding across our entire school district and to increase our capacity to offer a more robust career and technical education program to our students by building a new high school facility in Everett. I appreciate the support from my colleagues on the School Committee and the City Council shown by their votes to approve filing another Statement of Interest (SOI) with the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Authority (MSBA) to help fund this important initiative," said Mayor DeMaria. "I also took the opportunity last week in a meeting with Lieutenant Governor Driscoll to advocate for additional funding for the MSBA to approve more applications because of how important this project is to Everett students."

The School Committee had voted by a 10-0 margin to advance the proposal for a new high school before the Council discussed the issue.

Supt. of Schools Priya Tahiliani appeared at the Council meeting to talk about the Statement of Interest being submitted to the Mass. School Building Authority (MSBA)

Councilor-at-Large Stephanie Smith asked Tahiliani if the submission of the Statement of Interest was required in the process after last year's proposal was not approved.

"That's correct," replied Tahiliani. "What you see in front of you is almost exactly the same as the one submitted last year with

some updates in regard to enrollment at the schools and the renovations we made in order to increase school space."

Councilor Stephanie Martins asked about the timeline for the entire process.

"Last year, we submitted at around this time, and we found out that we were not accepted in December or January," said Tahiliani. "Altogether, the estimate is that [the process] takes about 8-10 years," said Tahiliani. "It is a pretty extensive process and actually I believe the City has gone through it in the past with other Statements of Interest - even in the last decade - so there are focus groups that are put together to determine what exactly the plan is going to be so you have a lot of community input."

In terms of Everett's bid for a new school being approved by the MSBA, Tahiliani told the Council that many gateway cities are overcrowded [in their schools], "and there's only so large of a pot of money, and unfortunately the feedback that we did receive is the money is not going as far because of inflation rates."

### COVID-19 REMAINS LOW IN SUFFOLK COUNTY

EAST BOSTON - The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), is encouraging residents to be mindful of the risk of COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses. While Suffolk County is still at low COVID-19 community risk level according to the CDC, gathering in large groups, particularly indoors, increases the risk of transmission.

"We are in a much better place than we were a year ago, but when you gather in large groups indoors there is always an increased risk of transmitting and acquiring respiratory infections, including COVID-19," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commis-

sioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "My advice to everybody is to stay home if you are sick and get boosted if you have not done so yet."

New COVID-19 cases have decreased 10% over past 7 days and by 34% over past 14 days. New COVID-19 related hospitalizations have stabilized over the past week (1% increase) but have decreased by 34% over the past two weeks. The latest data from Boston's wastewater surveillance program show a citywide average of 479 RNA copies/mL, representing a 46% decrease over the past 14 days. Nine of the 11 neighborhoods surveyed are below this average.

Residents should also make sure they are up to date on their COVID-19 vaccinations, and those interested in receiving the \$75 gift card incentive for a vaccine or booster should do as soon as possible. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is ending this incentive program after March 31, meaning BPHC will no longer give out the \$75 gift cards at its standing clinics.

BPHC also recommends residents at high risk for severe infection wear a mask indoors to increase their protection against respiratory viruses. Additionally, testing for COVID-19 prior to gathering and staying home if you are sick or if you test positive are recommended. Free rapid test kits are available at BPHC standing sites listed below.

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For more information on testing and vaccination sites around Boston, visit [boston.gov/covid19](https://boston.gov/covid19).

### LOOKING AT CLIMATE RESILIENCY PROJECT

REVERE - Congresswoman Katherine Clark received a warm welcome from Mayor Brian Arrigo, state and city officials, and Point of Pines residents for a visit that highlighted the Riverside Climate Resiliency Project.

Clark, the current Democratic Whip after serving as Assistant Speaker in the previous session of Congress, led the way in securing nearly \$2 million in funding that will directly tackle flooding in the Riverside neighborhood by constructing the vegetated berm along Mills Avenue and designing a brand-new neighborhood drainage system that will alleviate the flooding that is occurring on a regular basis.

The new resiliency project will complement Mayor Arrigo's bold and innovative vision for the area that will include Redgate's residential development on the G and J Towing Property and the construction of a community boating center on the Boatworks property among other public recreational and walking spaces that all residents will be able to enjoy.

Elle Baker, open space and environmental planner for the City of Revere, provided Congressman Clark and the group with a tour of the area prior to the press conference.

Mayor Arrigo, State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco,

"We are incredibly lucky to be joined today by the most influential Revere resident in history, the Democratic Whip of the United States House of Representatives, Katherine Clark," said Arrigo.



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“This is a special oppor-  
tunity for you to come and  
see the great work that is  
happening in Revere - and  
it allows us on the local  
level to thank you for your  
leadership in Washington,  
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At the outset of her re-  
marks, Rep. Clark thanked  
“my mayor, Brian Arrigo,  
and your staff for your  
partnership and your ex-  
pertise for making a real  
difference in Revere, this  
neighborhood, and in the  
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Clark described climate  
change as “the existential  
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tershed Association, and  
neighborhood leaders Lo-  
retta LaCentra and Lor-

raine Hurley also spoke at  
the event.

Giannino, who repre-  
sented the neighborhood  
as a councillor-at-large and  
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residents, “You’ll be able  
to walk down a boardwalk,  
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hood deserves better, we  
wouldn’t be standing here  
today.”

Turco, who now rep-  
resents all of Ward 5,  
thanked Clark for her ef-  
forts in securing the close  
to \$2 million in funding  
for the resiliency project.

“We are so blessed to  
have Congresswoman  
Clark as our congress-  
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# His Shift Not's Over

## Hockey MVP Petey Silverman focused on bringing a state title to Winthrop

By Cary Shuman

As the unanimous choice for Northeastern Conference hockey MVP this season, Winthrop High School junior Petey Silverman is already in an elite class among all-time Vikings.

Silverman's spectacular season – consisting of 29 goals and 27 assists, a five-goal outburst against Danvers at home, and other hat tricks – is already firmly in the record books.

But his individual accomplishments aside, the 5-foot-10, 150-pound superstar is focused on one big goal ahead: a state championship for the Winthrop High boys hockey team. It is a goal that has eluded the Vikings' powerful program since 1976 when Winthrop won the Division 1 state title.

Responding to speculation that he would be taking his talents to prep school in the fall, Silverman told the Transcript that he will be in a Viking uniform for the 2023-24 season.

"I will be back," said Silverman in addressing the big question. "Yes, I looked at schools, but I want to finish my four years of high



Pete Silverman watches as his point blank shot bounces off the blocker of Amesbury goalie Tyler Bartniski during a recent game.

school in Winthrop and playing for Coach Dunbar and Coach Norris. My goal is to put up a [state championship] banner. We've got some key guys coming back: Philip Boncore, Mikey Holgersen, Jay Fotiades, Luke Gthinji, Aidan Survilas – and our whole defensive corps is coming back, which is Billy Hayes, Hunter Fife, Colin O'Leary, Jackson Andy, and Thomas Babine. And I think some of the eighth graders can prove themselves and get ice time."

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Dunbar said that Silverman – who has 100 career points – has an opportunity to enter his name

among the all-time greats, a list that includes, but is not limited to Jackie Burke (Harvard), Mike Eruzione (BU, USA Olympic team), Vinnie Eruzione (Holy Cross), Chucky Sullivan (BU), John Tiano (RPI), Sal Tiano (Dartmouth), Joe Giaquinto (BC football), and Chris LeBlanc (Merrimack). Dunbar himself (BU, Vancouver Canucks, Boston Bruins) is certainly high on that list.

"He's right up there with

the best," said Dunbar. "You look at his stats, you look at what he's done. By the time, he's done here, if he stays healthy, he'll be the all-time leading goal scorer. He's already been an MVP, an All-Star twice. I assume if he has the same type of year next year, he can repeat both honors. So, Petey would be the most decorated player in Winthrop High history."

### A championship season and a playoff victory

Petey Silverman was a force from Game 1 to Game 22, scoring goals at a torrid clip and helping to lead the Vikings to a 16-3-1 record, an NEC title, and playoff victory over Belchertown. The Vikings were eliminated by Amesbury, 4-3, in overtime in the Round of 16.

Silverman said his linemates, Jack Hayes ("My buddy," said Petey), and Colin Banfield, were instrumental in the success of the Vikings' season.

A Viking captain, Silverman couldn't pinpoint his career scoring stats (It was actually Coach Dunbar who confirmed his 100th point) or elaborate on the magnitude of being

an All-Scholastic as junior. The Boston Globe and Boston Herald will soon be announcing their selections.

### An early start in Winthrop hockey

The son of Peter Silverman and Leanne (Pierce) Silverman (a former WHS girls basketball player and softball player for Coach Ron Spinney; her older sisters, Laurie and Linda, are also former Vikings), Petey learned to skate in the George Barker-Sean Donahue-led WYH program at Larsen Rink at the Mike Eruzione Center and played for the Winthrop Mites from ages 4 to 8.

Following his days in Winthrop Youth Hockey, he joined the Boston Shamrocks select team before moving over to the North Suburban Wings.

After the team was limited in its game participation due to COVID-19 in his freshman season, Silverman became an impact player in his sophomore year at Winthrop High, earning All-Conference recognition. His speed on the ice, knowledge of the game, and accuracy are his biggest assets.

"I got a little bit bigger

and stronger, and Coach Dunbar's camp really helped me going into the season," said Silverman, who stands 5-foot-10 and weighs 150 pounds. "Coach Dunbar and Coach Norris have been tremendous in terms of my development."

Petey said his parents have also paved the way.

"They're always there for me. They're always cheering for me and want me to do my best. I'm thankful for them." Petey's older sister Maddie, played one season at Winthrop High before enrolling at Tilton. She currently competes for the Stevenson University team in Maryland and is studying Chemistry.

Asked who is favorite hockey player is, Petey replied, "Patrice Bergeron, two-way forward. That's how I see myself, a two-way forward."

With hockey season over, Silverman has turned his attention to Winthrop varsity baseball, where he will be a shortstop for the Vikings this season.

But next winter, the Petey Silverman Show returns to Larsen Rink with a group determined to win it all in 2024.

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