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NEWS Brief

SPRING CRAFT FAIR AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH APRIL 13

St John's Episcopal Church will host their annual Spring Craft on Saturday, April 13, from 10am-2pm, at 222 Bowdoin Street in Winthrop. Jewelry, fiber arts, crafts, soaps, pottery, seaside treasures, origami cards, and gift baskets will be sold.

In addition, the fair will offer an assortment of homemade treats including soups, cookies, cakes, granola, and more. We will also offer our famous pre-order-only Lobster Lunches-To-Go!

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CELEBRATING EASTER AROUND THE TOWN



Children are off as the St. Michael the Archangel Parish's Easter Egg Hunt after the 10 a.m. family mass begins on Easter morning. See more photos on Page 8.



PHOTOS BY MARIANNE SALZA

The Easter Bunny arrived to Ingleside Park on the back of a pickup truck that was escorted by the Winthrop Police Department. The Town hosted a community Easter Egg Hunt at Ingleside Park on March 30. See more photos on Page 6.

Former police lieutenant arraigned on eight charges

By Transcript Staff

Former Winthrop Police Lt. James Feeley was arraigned in Suffolk Superior Court last week on one count of aggravated rape of a child and seven counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.

Clerk Magistrate Edward Curley retained Feeley's existing bail of \$200,000 with conditions of stay away-no contact with the victim and family; no unsupervised contact with children under 16; GPS prior to release with

exclusion zone; surrender of his passport; surrender all firearms; and he must stay in Massachusetts.

Feeley, 56, is scheduled to return to court June 5 for a pretrial conference.

"As this troubling case moves through the court process, we will provide the victim and the victim's family with all the support, guidance and assistance they need and deserve," said Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden. "Our prosecutors and victim witness advocates are acutely aware of the challenges victims and families face in such cases and are well-equipped to help from start to finish."

The indictment against Feeley alleges that on various dates between August 2022 and December 2023, the defendant sexually as-

saulted a child, who was between ten and eleven years-old at the time

of the assaults. These assaults occurred at the defendant's home where he resided with his wife and family in Winthrop.

According to the statement of the case as presented by Assistant District Attorney Audrey Mark, the child first disclosed the abuse to an adult on Christmas day last year. The defendant's wife learned of the abuse and confronted the defendant, at which time he did not deny the abuse, according to the indictment

After that, Feeley went to a cemetery; he was armed with a handgun and made statements which indicated that he was suicid-

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TWO FAMILIAR FACES AROUND THE TOWN HAVE RETIRED FIND OUT WHO ON PAGE 3

Town Council discusses climate resiliency issues

By Adam Swift

With another big storm predicted to hit the coast at the end of the week, several town councilors took a step back to look at longer-term climate measures for Winthrop at Tuesday night's meeting.

Some of the issues discussed included the possibility of hiring an assistant town manager who would also handle planning and grant opportunities for the town, as well as looking at ways to expedite funding for climate resiliency design and flood mitigation efforts. Councilors also discussed the possibility of establishing a climate resiliency committee.

"Our town planner has left in budget season, so it has been a little difficult managing the grants that (former planner Rachel Kelly) has done, but we are getting a job description for the town planner out on the streets," said Town Manager Tony Marino. "I hope to move that

eventually into an ATM (assistant town manager) role, but given the restrictions of the budget, that is not going to happen this year, so we will have a town planner."

Precinct 6 Councilor John DaRos discussed a number of the efforts and planning the town is currently undertaking to address climate and flooding concerns. He was also one of several councilors who suggested Marino take a closer look at tying the town planner position into an assistant town manager role.

"I think everybody can tell that we are doing the best we can to address the immediate needs to respond," said DaRos. "Still, a month ago, the town council meeting with the room full of people from areas where it floods all the time really stays with all of us, so we are committed to this action."

DaRos said several res-

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YOUTH ART SHOW



Greg, Teresa, Isla, 5, and Nathan Dankner, 3, pictured during the Youth Art Show held at The Clock Tower Gallery in the E.B. Newton School. See more photos on Page 12.

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WINTHROP POLICE BLOTTER

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

MONDAY, MARCH 18

1154: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in the middle of the street on Shirley St.
1505: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Maryland Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1546: A resident came into the station to report being the victim of identity theft. The officer filed a report.
1619: Officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Main St. The two occupants of one of the motor vehicles were transported to the MGH. Both vehicles were towed.
1738: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.
1757: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. When the officer discovered that the operator did not have a valid license, which is a criminal offense, the officer directed the operator to park the vehicle until a licensed operator could come by to take possession of the vehicle. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator for both offenses.

2100: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walden St. for the civil moving infraction of an equipment violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

0248: An officer issued parking tickets to six vehicles without resident parking stickers on Ocean Ave.
0856: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Cliff Ave. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1312: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Governors Park.
1402: A tow company reported the trespass tow of another motor vehicle from Governors Park.
1626: An officer responded to a report of a disabled motor vehicle in the middle of Pleasant St. The motor vehicle, which had a broken axle, was towed.
1748: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Cross St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer arrested the operator, Jorge L. Vizcaino, 23, of Boston, on an outstanding warrant and for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. He also was cited for the speeding infraction.
1915: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walden and Short Sts. for the civil moving infraction of unsafe operation of a motor vehicle. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1952: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on River Rd. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Almont Sts. for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights after dusk. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2128: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pauline St. for the civil moving infractions of speeding and an equipment violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2149: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law (texting while driving). The officer issued a citation to the operator.
2158: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of an equipment violation. When the officer discovered that the operator did not have a driver's license, which is a criminal offense, the officer issued a citation to the operator for both offenses. The officer stood by until the operator's wife came by to take possession of the vehicle.
2209: A officer responded to a report of loud music coming from a residence on Cutler St. The officer directed the occupants to turn off the music for the night.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

1519: Winthrop officers executed a search warrant on Saratoga St. in East Boston. The officers arrested two persons, Henry Alberto Zapata Lopez, 35,

of East Boston, and Fabian A. Perez, 47, of East Boston, for the criminal offense of trafficking in more than 100 grams, but less than 200 grams, of cocaine.
1719: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infractions of excessive window tint and a plate violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.
1926: A Sea View Ave. resident reported that his parked motor vehicle was struck by a hit-and-run operator. A neighbor had camera footage of the incident. The officer filed a report.
1949: A person came into the station to report that his motor vehicle was struck by a hit-and-run operator on Woodside Ave. The officer filed a report.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

1315: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. and arrested the operator, David J. Quiroz, 34, of East Boston, for the criminal offense of distributing a Class B. controlled narcotic substance. The officer filed a report.
1317: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Trident Ave. and arrested the operator, Nadeane E. Scalfani, 49, of 40 Trident Ave., for the criminal offense of illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance.
1643: Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident at Pleasant and Pauline Sts. There were no injuries. One vehicle was towed. An officer filed a report.
2115: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Linden Sts. for the civil moving infraction of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

0134: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle without a resident parking sticker on Forrest St.
0905: An officer stopped a motor vehicle

on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of making an improper turn. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
0913: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere and Hutchinson Sts. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
0928: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Golden Drive for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1041: An officer ordered a tow for a motor vehicle with an expired registration plate that was parked on Beacon St. The officer filed a report.
1228: An officer issued a parking ticket to a commercial vehicle on Beacon Circle.
1529: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle without a placard in a handicapped spot on Woodside Ave.
1559: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle on Circuit Rd.
1918: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2011: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Washington Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2024: An officer directed the owner of a motor vehicle blocking a driveway on Summit Ave. to move the vehicle.
2126: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

0212: An officer directed persons playing music loudly in an apartment on Coral Ave. to turn it off for the night.
0230: Officers responded to a report of a male party smashing a window of a motor vehicle on

Trident Ave. The officer spoke to a witness and to the suspect. The officer filed a report.
1118: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1301: An officer stopped a motor vehicle being operated by a junior operator who only had a learner's permit on Loring Rd. The officer stood by while the operator's mother came to take control of the vehicle.
2121: An officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers at a minor motor vehicle accident on Revere St. The officer filed a report.
2244: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

1737: An officer responded to a motor vehicle accident in front of the police station. There were no injuries and neither vehicle was towed. The officer filed a report.
1755: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Hermon St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1940: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

MONDAY, MARCH 25

0136: An officer issued parking tickets to six vehicles without resident parking stickers on Coral and Trident Aves.
0640: A Winthrop St. resident reported that his parked motor vehicle had been struck by a hit-and-run operator, causing damage to the driver's side mirror and scratching the driver's side of the vehicle. The officer filed a report.

How will MBTA 3A Law impact Winthrop?

Special to the Transcript

The Winthrop Republican Town Committee invite residents to join us for a crucial and informative community forum on "Understanding MBTA 3A" at the Winthrop Senior Center on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m. This event, sponsored by the Winthrop Transcript and the WRTC, aims to shed light on the significant implications of MBTA 3A for our town.
MBTA 3A Article is now law for Winthrop, and its ramifications will be profound. With a mandate for 890 new multi-family units, the law's "as of right" provision overrides local zoning laws, sparking controversy and concern within our community. It is essential that all

residents understand the impact of this legislation and have the opportunity to weigh its effects on our town.
We are honored to have Representative Jeff Turco and Council President Jim Letterie confirmed to speak at the event, providing insights into MBTA 3A and Winthrop's stance on compliance. While efforts are underway to secure Senator Lydia Edwards' participation, rest assured that we are committed to ensuring comprehensive community engagement on this issue. Senator Edwards office claims that the Senator will have a MBTA 3A meeting later in April. However, no date has been set for such a meeting.
The forum will include

presentations followed by a Q&A session, offering attendees the chance to voice their concerns and seek clarity on MBTA 3A. The event will be filmed by WCAT and made available for viewing on YouTube.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated elected officials for their commitment to fostering dialogue and transparency within our community.

For further details, please visit our Facebook page "Winthrop Republican Town Committee" or email us at WRTC@gmail.com. Your participation and engagement are vital as we navigate the impact of MBTA 3A on Winthrop's future.

Council remembers WWII veteran

By Adam Swift

The town council honored former police officer and World War II veteran Robert "Bob" Oliver with a moment of silence at the beginning of its Tuesday night meeting.
Oliver, 98, died on March 26, and was the last veteran in Winthrop who took part in D-Day in Normandy in 1944. He was also a Winthrop police officer for more than three decades.

"Bob was a World War II veteran serving in the Navy from 1942 to 1946," said Council President Jim Letterie. "He is the last survivor in Winthrop who

was at the Battle of Normandy, D-Day. Prior to his retirement, Bob was employed as a police officer for the town of Winthrop beginning in 1957 until his retirement in 1991, of which he served the town as firearms instructor, on the FBI Task Force, and a patrol officer."

Letterie said Oliver was a big piece of the Greatest Generation and will be missed by his family and friends and many in the community in which he served.

In other business, Letterie noted that April is Autism Awareness Month, and that many of the councilors were wearing

special T-shirts from the police department supporting autism awareness efforts.

"The Winthrop Police Department is selling T-shirts and patches with 100 percent of the funds going to the Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for autism awareness," said Letterie.

The T-shirts are \$20 and the patches are \$10 and available at the Winthrop Police Department.

As part of the fundraiser, the Fourth Annual Winthrop Fire and Police vs. Winthrop Allstars hockey game is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Winthrop rink.

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al. The defendant's brother called Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty and a Winthrop Police sergeant to meet Feeley at the cemetery. At that time, Feeley confessed to the chief and sergeant that he

had sexually assaulted the alleged victim, according to the indictment.

The defendant was arrested by the Massachusetts State Police on Dec. 26, 2023.

After receiving his

Miranda warnings, the defendant admitted in a recorded interview that he sexually assaulted the child on five or six occasions, according to the district attorney's office.

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James Pioppi graduates from Firefighting Academy

Special to the transcript

State Fire Marshal Jon M. Davine and Massachusetts Firefighting Academy leadership today announced the graduation of 34 firefighters from the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program, including Winthrop resident James Pioppi.

“Massachusetts firefighters are on the frontlines protecting their communities every day, and today’s graduates are needed now more than ever,” said State Fire Marshal Davine. “The hundreds of hours of foundational training they’ve received will provide them

with the physical, mental, and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely.”

“Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructors draw on decades of experience in the fire service to train new recruits,” said Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Director Eric Littmann. “Through consistent classroom instruction and practical exercises, today’s graduates have developed the tools they’ll need to work seamlessly with veteran firefighters in their home departments and in neighboring communities as mutual aid.”

The graduating fire-

fighters of Class #319 represent the fire departments of Acton, Concord, Dracut, Dudley, Everett, Falmouth, Franklin, Haverhill, Lexington, Middleborough, Needham, North Attleboro, Norwood, Reading, Salem, Saugus, Walpole, Westborough, Westford, and Winthrop.

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Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under non-fire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions. To graduate, students must demonstrate proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder

operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires. Upon successful completion of the Career Recruit Program, all students have met the national standards of NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, and are certified to the levels of Firefighter I/II and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations by the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.

Today’s Firefighters Do Much More than Fight Fires

Modern firefighters



James Pioppi (center) shown with Winthrop Fire Chief Scott Wiley, and State Rep. Jeffrey Turco.

train for and respond to all types of hazards and emergencies. They are the first ones called to respond to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide

to gas leaks to industrial chemical spills. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice, an office worker stuck in an elevator, or a motorist trapped in a crashed vehicle, and much more.

RETIRING POSTAL SERVICE EMPLOYEES DONNA BURKE AND ROSE LOPRESTI HONORED



CARY SHUMAN PHOTOS

State Rep. Jeff Turco presented congratulatory citations to retiring U.S. Postal Service employees Donna Burke and Rose Lopresti, who are both retiring after 41 years of service (shown right). Pictured above at the ceremony, U.S. Olympic hockey captain and gold medalist Mike Eruzione (center) joins Rep. Turco and Helen Todisco at the ceremony honoring the two retirees.



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Each takeout lobster lunch includes a generous lobster roll, triple-chocolate brownie & bag of chips, all for the low price of \$20. Lobster Lunches-to-Go must be ordered by Wednesday, April 10, by calling the church @ 617-846-2363 and leaving a message with quantity and contact information.



Attorney Allison S. Cartwright

CARTWRIGHT ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR CLERK OF THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT IN SUFFOLK COUNTY

Suffolk County Attorney Allison S. Cartwright announced she is running for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court in Suffolk County. Cartwright is looking to build on her thirty-plus years of legal representation and management in the Clerk position, which oversees critical functions within the court system including managing the court’s single justice caseload concerning bail reviews, appeals from state registration boards and agencies, and appeals from lower courts. Additionally, the Clerk handles all matters concerning the admission of attorneys to the Massachusetts bar, and attorney discipline.

“Fundamentally this job is about navigating justice and access to our state’s highest court,” said Allison Cartwright. “Ensuring the working class

and poor people have access to justice and be able to navigate the court system has been my life’s work. I have represented everyone from children to adults, immigrants, citizens, people in recovery – essentially everyone who has ever needed a second chance. Key to that second chance is a system that is fair, open, and equitable.”

Cartwright currently serves in the Committee for Public Counsel Services’s Public Defenders Division, where she oversees seventy-five public defenders, social workers, and investigators for Suffolk and Norfolk counties. She works daily to ensure that staff have the tools necessary to provide top notch defense, necessary services, and are able to protect fundamental constitutional and human rights.

In recognition of her zealous advocacy, commitment to justice, and formidable career, Attorney Cartwright has been appointed to a number of advisory boards, including Boston’s Police Reform Task Force, the Massachusetts Advisory Board on Probation, and the Governor’s Restorative

Justice Advisory Committee. Through her service on these boards, she has shaped criminal justice policies at the city and state level.

Cartwright today also announced that Maggie Van Scoy will spearhead her campaign as campaign manager. Van Scoy brings public service experience, having most recently served as Mayor Michelle Wu’s Office of Neighborhood Services liaison to Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Fenway-Kenmore, and Mission Hill, where she served as the administration’s primary point of contact for area residents and helped facilitate the delivery of core city services across the those neighborhoods.

“I am thrilled to join the Cartwright campaign and have the opportunity to elect someone with such an impressive background in law and public service to this critical position in our judicial system,” said Van Scoy. “To know Allison is to be in awe of her dedication to justice, fairness, and society’s most vulnerable.”

Rounding out the initial campaign team are Attorney Cartwright’s two campaign committee co-chairs: Attorney Keren Goldenberg and Massachusetts State Senator for the Third Suffolk district Lydia Edwards.

“I am so excited that Allison Cartwright is running for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County. As a courtroom lawyer, I know that the best clerks have litigation and man-

agement experience, and Allison has both,” said Attorney Goldenberg. “As Allison’s colleague and friend, I know that she is organized, respectful of others, and thoughtful. Lawyers, judges, litigants, court staff, and the public will benefit from having her in this position.”

“I can’t think of anyone more qualified or prepared for this job. I have met plenty of lawyers in my life, and am one myself,

but Cartwright’s experience and resume is beyond impressive. Not only does she manage attorneys she is educating the next generation of lawyers at Harvard Law School,” said Senator Edwards. “There is something about this position that calls not just for legal experience but for an impartial, apolitical record of dedication to helping people. That’s what Allison has. She has advocated in the courts,

silience issues. DaRos said he would like to see a further discussion at the council level about establishing a citizens’ advisory committee on climate.

“I would envision that this climate advisory committee would be comprised of members of our community with professional expertise and experience in planning and implementing effective climate action,” DaRos said.

Councilors Suzanne Swope and John Munson both expressed some support for establishing an assistant town manager position that would provide support for locating and managing grant opportunities.

Munson said he also liked the idea of a climate resiliency advisory committee, provided it was something that would help the town administration rather than putting more on its plate.

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idents from his precinct urged him to raise the flooding and climate issues to the town manager and the council.

“The costs are real, especially the financial toll it is taking from repairs and rising insurance rates, as well as the mental health tolls from the damage, stress, and anxiety these residents, as well as the DPW and public safety experience in addressing them.”

Climate change requires that the town has an action plan to protect the community, communicate what the plan is to the public, and execute and implement that plan, DaRos said.

During the recent 40th anniversary meeting of the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh, DaRos said he and several other councilors heard how climate change is rapidly impacting the marsh and the communities of Winthrop, Revere, and East Boston.

DaRos highlighted some of the work the town is currently undertaking to address climate resiliency, including survey and engineering work for the Tilestone, Girdlestone, and Pico Avenue neighborhoods and applied for a \$650,000 federal grant to complete the engineering work for those areas. He asked Marino if there was anything the town could do to fast track those federal dollars, but the town manager replied that the issue is still in committee at the federal level.

The town has received a state grant for a feasibility and possible design work for the Morton Street area that will most likely result in some sort of living levee to help keep water out of the area, DaRos said.

The councilor also noted that several local communities have climate resiliency plans as well as either committees or citizens’ advisory groups dedicated to climate re-

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OUR Opinions

WATCH THE ECLIPSE SAFELY

With our area in the path of the solar eclipse this coming Monday (and with clear skies forecast), we urge any of our readers who are intent on watching the event to be sure to wear proper eyewear and to ensure that their children do as well.

A person can cause permanent damage to their eyes -- and even go blind (a condition known as solar retinopathy) -- if they do not use proper eye protection, such as eclipse glasses or a special solar filter. Regular sunglasses don't offer any protection and viewing the eclipse through your I-phone camera offers no protection for you and will damage your phone. (Photography experts say just pointing your smartphone camera at the eclipse could cause catastrophic damage to the phone if you don't have proper equipment.)

Individuals also have to be certain that the eyewear they are using is certified. There are reports that knock-offs that are being sold on-line are not legitimate.

One eye doctor, who was quoted in the New York Times, offered this advice: Don't look at the eclipse at all, even with proper eyewear.

But for those who are intent on watching this event, please do so safely.

RUSSIA IS OUR REAL ENEMY

Sunday's special report on the CBS news show 60 Minutes revealed that Russia has been the culprit in the hundreds of cases of debilitating neurological injuries that have struck American intelligence and law enforcement operatives around the world in the past few years.

The phenomenon has been dubbed "Havana Syndrome" because the problems first became apparent among a cluster of employees at the U.S. Embassy in Havana, Cuba. However, as the 60 Minutes report showed, these attacks on U.S. personnel (and their families), all of whom have worked with the CIA, the FBI, the military, the State Department, and the White House -- almost all of whom were working on areas of national security related to Russia -- have been occurring all over the world and even in our own country.

The "weapon" being used by the Russians is thought to be directed energy or microwaves fired from hidden devices that inflict serious and permanent injury on those who are targeted.

The 60 Minutes report makes it clear that Vladimir Putin is a monster who is using any means necessary to undermine our national interests. Our political leaders, especially the Republicans in Congress, must recognize the threat he poses and do whatever it takes to thwart him.

BIRD FLU IS NOT JUST FOR THE BIRDS

The second confirmed case of the bird flu infecting a human in this country (a Texas dairy farm worker who worked among infected cows) raises a red flag about the possibility of another pandemic ripping across the world.

The current bird flu outbreak not only has killed millions of wild and domesticated birds world-wide, but it also has killed many mammals across the globe, including the well-publicized devastation of an elephant seal population in Argentina.

Although the bird flu is not as fatal in cows as seals, it has sickened cows in states across the country, an indication that cows are infecting each other as they move around farms from state-to-state. The virus has been detected in the unpasteurized milk of these cows. More ominously, the detection of the virus in the dairy worker suggests that the bird flu can jump from one mammal species to others -- including ourselves.

The bird flu -- also known as H5N1 -- wreaked havoc in many parts of the world, especially in Asia, in 2006. The U.S. largely was spared the ill-effects of the outbreak thanks to efforts by our national health authorities who worked in these foreign countries to contain its spread.

However, this new variant of H5N1 is being brought to this country by wild bird populations, which obviously is something we cannot control. If cows have been infected, it stands to reason that other animals, including our house pets, could become infected and spread the virus.

COVID-19 killed more than one million Americans. But as bad as the pandemic had been at its height, it was only killing about one percent of those who were infected, with substantially higher death rates among the elderly and those with prior-existing health conditions, including obesity.

However, the bird flu in humans is far deadlier, with death rates having been estimated at 50% during the 2006 pandemic in some countries. Even if the chances of a bird flu pandemic among humans are slim, the high mortality rate should be enough to raise the alarm bells among our public health officials.

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GUEST OP-ED

Enhancements and future directions for the MBTA ferry system

By Senator Lydia Edwards

As the new ferry season commences, we reflect on the remarkable progress made and anticipate the exciting developments ahead. Under the Healey Administration, unprecedented investments in water transportation have been realized, illustrating our commitment to enhancing this vital service.

A testament to our dedication is the appointment of David Perry as the inaugural Director of Commuter Ferry Services for the MBTA, marking a significant milestone as the first individual exclusively overseeing ferry operations. This move, among others, underscores our strategic efforts to bolster the ferry system's efficiency and accessibility.

Notably, this year's ferry service will commence earlier than usual, with operations for East Boston beginning on April 1st and Winthrop on April 29th, continuing through

to November 30th. This expansion of service is a direct response to the community's needs and is part of broader initiatives spearheaded by Senator Brendan Crighton and supported by myself, Representative Jeff Turco, Representative Adrian Madaro, Chair Aaron Michlewitz, and the Quincy and Lynn delegations.

Our achievements thus far are significant, yet our vision for water transportation extends much further. I was able to secure substantial funding for the Winthrop ferry service and led efforts to pool resources for comprehensive ferry system enhancements across the region. This includes a \$1 million fund for each year that the Sumner Tunnel is closed, equating to \$2 million, as well as \$28 million in bond funding.

These initiatives reflect our collective ambition for a more integrated, accessible waterfront transportation system extending

from Gloucester to Quincy.

In recent discussions with the MBTA, promising plans have emerged, including the potential for a fare-free Blue Line and subsidized ferry services during the upcoming tunnel closure. Additionally, the new Low Income Fare pilot program will extend to m passes, ensuring equitable access to transportation services.

However, our advocacy does not end here. We are committed to pursuing an integrated payment system, fare equity across communities, additional vessel procurement to enhance service frequency, and a strategic navigation plan linking Quincy to the Hull/Hingham line with essential stops in East Boston, Seaport, and Long Wharf.

As budget discussions approach, a critical focus remains on securing adequate funding for the ferry system, which currently lacks specific allocation in

the state budget. This oversight is being addressed with the administration, emphasizing the ferry's cost-effectiveness and environmental benefits. The projected funding requirement for the East Boston, Lynn, and Winthrop ferry services is estimated at \$5 million.

The start of the ferry season not only heralds a new chapter in our ongoing journey to refine and expand Massachusetts' water transportation infrastructure but also reinforces our commitment to creating a more connected, sustainable, and equitable transit system for all residents.

Please join me in welcoming David Perry 'aboard' as we navigate these promising waters together. Your continued support and advocacy are invaluable as we strive to achieve our collective vision for a robust and thriving ferry system.

LETTERS to the Editor

Women May Decide the Presidency

Dear Editor,

On his March 24 CNN program, Farid Zakaria noted that until sixty years ago women of America and elsewhere were second class citizens. The progression to first class citizenship in America centered around passage in 1920 of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution that granted women the right to vote. Not even the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments that granted equal rights to former slaves lifted women from their secondary disenfranchised status. But with this new right to be heard politically, men and women became equal politically and with supposedly equal rights under the law. Progression to gain equality under the law has been slow, but steady. It is not perfect, but improving. However, now there are those who would return women to their secondary status. Nowhere is this clearer than in nascent attempts to remove a woman's right to control her body. This is not just an issue of abortion rights, it is a declaration that women have second class status under the law, that women's rights are not equal to the rights of men.

This will not stand! Women make up 51% of the electorate. Many may not understand the loss, but most all feel it. We will reclaim our status by standing together against those who would diminish them. I predict that this overriding issue of women's rights will dominate our next election, regardless of the popularity, or

lack thereof, of the candidates.

And while we're at it, let's pass the Equal Rights Amendment that guarantees equality under the law regardless of sex.

Suzanne Swope

ON 3A ZONING

Dear Editor,

As a devoted member and Vice Chairperson of the Winthrop School Committee, I write to voice my strong opposition to the proposed mandate of 3A zoning laws by the state. While I recognize the importance of zoning regulations, it is imperative to consider their potential impact on our already strained school system, which is currently operating at maximum capacity and forced year after year to operate under a level services budget.

Winthrop's schools are facing pressing challenges: an increasing population with more diverse needs and a lack of funding to continue with level services year over year. With our current student population, our classrooms are filled to the brim, and our resources are stretched to their limits. The minimal adjustment to the Chapter 70 Foundation Funding Formula coupled with the continuation of unfunded mandates from the State and Mass Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the end of COVID-19 education grant funding, has put a unimaginable strain on the ability to fund education across the commonwealth but more importantly, small communities such as Winthrop. As a commu-

nity, we have worked tirelessly to provide a quality education to every child in Winthrop, but the reality is that our schools simply cannot accommodate even a small number of additional students and the cost associated with providing an equitable quality education.

While the 3A zoning laws may not immediately translate to imminent overdevelopment, the underlying threat is undeniable. The prospect of adding significant numbers of new families to our community without the ability to expand our educational infrastructure is wildly unrealistic and deeply concerning. There is no buildable space in Winthrop to construct additional schools to meet increased enrollment and without the space to build, regionalization of our schools at the Middle and High School level will become a necessary reality within a very short timeframe. This type of impact is in direct conflict with the vision and mission of the "Community of Winthrop".

It is not a matter of being resistant to growth or progress; rather, it is about being realistic about our capacity, and resources. As responsible stewards of education, we must prioritize the well-being, safety and educational needs of our current students. The imposition of additional zoning regulations without adequate consideration for the strain on our schools and the impact of safely navigating a community that is beyond densely populated with only 2 roads to enter

and exit the town, is egregious and will jeopardize the quality of education, the safety and the overall well-being of our students and community.

In addition to the financial strain, the growth of our population presents further challenges. While growth can be positive for a community, it must be managed responsibly to ensure that essential services, such as education, can keep pace. Without careful planning and consideration for the impact on our schools, unchecked growth could lead to irreversible damage to the quality of education in Winthrop.

I urge policymakers to take into account the unique circumstances of Winthrop and engage in meaningful dialogue with local stakeholders to develop solutions that balance growth with the preservation of our educational system. It is essential to ensure that any development plans are accompanied by provisions for the necessary expansion of our schools to accommodate the influx of new students.

In conclusion, I respectfully oppose the mandate of 3A zoning laws in Winthrop. Our schools are already operating beyond their capacity, and the threat of overdevelopment looms large. Let us work together to safeguard the integrity of our educational system and ensure that every child in Winthrop receives the quality education they deserve.

Sincerely,
Julie Barry
 Winthrop School
 Committee, Vice Chair

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GUEST OP-ED

“One Size Fits All” Zoning Under Section 3A of M.G.L. c. 40A is an Overreach by State

By Brian Perrin, Sr.

I think it is important that our citizens know the peril that accompanies the state legislature’s “one size fits all” local zoning overreach contained in Section 3A of M.G.L. c. 40A, the multi-family zoning as-of-right contained in the MBTA Communities Act, of which Winthrop is subject.

Make no mistake, this law is nothing more than a financial boon for absentee real estate developers and nothing else. Section 3A does NOT include any requirement for affordable housing in its state forced zoning bid, it only creates an area in Winthrop that allows for the building of 882 large-scale multi-family housing projects to be built and “allowed as of right”. Even if Winthrop’s Town Council votes to require a percentage of any new 3A multi-family buildings be designated affordable, they are statutorily capped to only 10%. Under 3A, the State prohibits communities from requiring more than 10% for affordable housing and therefore Winthrop’s hands are tied as the state deems any more than this to disincentivize developers who expect to make large profits from these projects. Nor does 3A have any requirement to be green, environmentally responsible, and/or resource-efficient throughout a 3A building’s life-cycle (3A in-fact prohibits more-green-than-usual building requirements, since this is also seen as cost-prohibitive to developers).

The concept of providing more and affordable housing and access to public transportation seems very worthwhile on its surface. However, that is

not what 3A does, please consider the following:

1. Historically, cities and towns, including Winthrop, have had the right to govern their own zoning laws and decisions. Among the many reasons why, these are purely local matters decided by local elected officials that live in and know their community and its limits. 3A takes local control of zoning away from the Town of Winthrop and eliminates our zoning requirements/decisions in a certain soon to be designated District in an effort to entice Developers to construct over 800 plus additional multi-family housing units here in Winthrop. In other words, Winthrop will have no control over its zoning and quality of life or future destiny in this regard under 3A!

2. Make no mistake, 3A will forever change the landscape of our town. Many say that we don’t have to build these 800 plus multi-family units and only need to create a district that allows multi-families to be built “as a matter of right”. If you allow 3A to stand, developers will invest, buy up local properties and build to the maximum amount allowable as to multi-families (Look at the many East Boston and Revere neighborhoods or the destruction thereof through ongoing over development).

3. Our Governor has made this 3A multi-family development a priority by enticing (subsidizing) developers to build, and her Housing Bond Bill includes the creation of “Accessory Dwelling Units” (ADUs) As-Of-Right: Permits ADUs equal to or less than 900 square feet to be built by-right in single family zoning dis-

tricts in all communities. Let’s imagine how this would work as absentee landlords begin converting basements and garages into apartments under 900 square feet and the many negative effects on neighborhoods!

4. Anyone who has ridden the MBTA knows in its current form it is woefully unreliable and overburdened, and adding more riders to an already overburdened system is ridiculous and a recipe for disaster. Further, ridership declined during and since the Covid pandemic. Recent reports indicate that commercial real estate in downtown Boston (i.e. the buildings our sometimes-riders would be traveling to for work via the MBTA), dropped off at world-record rates, and aren’t likely coming back. COVID changed the way we live and work, and any future housing initiatives must account for this shift.

5. Are the 10,000 - 18,000 units being built at the old Suffolk Downs location not sufficient for Revere, Winthrop and East Boston to accomplish the goal of affordability and access to public transportation in our area?

6. Current traffic makes it difficult to get in and out of town even before we add Suffolk Down’s 10,000 plus units and its added vehicular traffic or Winthrop’s potential of 800 plus multi-families under 3A’s forced zoning.

7. For decades we have suffered through Logan Airport’s air and noise pollution as well as the MWRA’s Deer Island Treatment Plant’s increased traffic burden on our quality of life and now again we are TOLD AND NOT ASKED to shoulder yet another major burden for Boston and beyond by

increasing our density.

8. Winthrop cannot sustain this level of unregulated growth due to insufficient infrastructure that comes with this additional forced development density. This overreaching law will have a negative effect on our town’s already limited and stretched budget by requiring resulting infrastructure and services upgrades (Water & Sewer infrastructure, School Classroom limits, DPW, Police & Fire) needed to accommodate this unrealistic development goal under 3A.

9. A full fiscal analysis of tax growth versus the cost of this proposed building growth on the town’s budget needs to take place as soon as possible and before any decision by the town is made as to 3A.

10. Is it not ironic to anyone that Winthrop does not have an MBTA train station and yet our neighbor Boston has multiple MBTA train stations and buses but is completely exempt from 3A’s forced development of multi-families? In fact, the train station that ties Winthrop to 3A is located in exempt East Boston!

Although 3A requires nothing for producing affordable housing whatsoever, under the long-standing current Chapter 40B, Real Estate Developers, have historically had the ability to bypass many of the same local zoning laws under Section 3A. So, proponents of 3A cannot blanketly blame area local zoning laws for restricting or hastening additional affordable housing units being constructed locally or statewide.

We need to recognize this law as a historic overreach by the state over our local control and self-gov-

ernance. Our local zoning laws are in place to protect our citizens and their property values and interests from what 3A will surely bring to our community and its regulation should remain governed by our local elected officials who know their own community and its limits.

I read a horrifying statement attributed to our elected senator as we navigate and question the legality of 3A just as the Town of Milton is currently doing; “The state has to crush Milton,” Senator Lydia Edwards declared in a telephone interview. Really, is this not America, are we not supposed to stand up against what we perceive as unjust and lawfully challenge what we believe are unconstitutional laws? This “Let them eat cake” attitude from our elected officials is offensive, at best. The Attorney General’s Office (AG) has also made this threat to “CRUSH” 3A opposition a reality through its successful bid to have the Massachusetts Supreme Court hear the Milton case insisting the case is exceptional and worthy of the SJC’s immediate attention. The argument that the Milton case is casting a cloud over the process and could embolden resistance to the law. The AG fears that not putting a quick stop to opposition to this unjust law will embolden and result in other cities and towns challenging the state to protect their property and rights to self-governance in areas that are strictly local in nature. Fortunately, and much to the dismay of the Attorney General, the Supreme Court has refused to expedite the open, and newly proposed questions of law around the Attorney

General’s authority in this area. Instead, the court has reached out to experts on these legal topics (experts which include Attorney Michael Walsh, who is leading a Constitutional challenge to 3A on behalf of Rockport citizens), and a months-down-the-road hearing before the full panel of Massachusetts Supreme Court judges).

This fight is purely about state overreach (taking away control from our local elected officials on local issues such as zoning), resistance to an unconstitutional law and flawed processes followed to develop the regulations disguised as un-enforceable guidelines and preventing a potential density level that will end our small-town life through unchecked real estate development of 800 plus multi-family buildings allowable as a matter of right! We should not have to fear being “CRUSHED” and intimidated by our own elected officials into surrendering our rights as citizens to lawfully challenge and oppose what we perceive as unjust laws. Section 3A of M.G.L. c. 40A is ripe for legal challenges (there will be more, beyond the three most publicized legal battles today) and is flawed in so many ways, there are lawful challenges being filed throughout the state and I implore my friends and neighbors to get informed and get involved. By not lawfully challenging this law and joining forces with the numerous other communities that are negatively affected we are surrendering our long-standing rights to govern our town to the ever-increasing overreaching powers of the state.

THE MORE Things Change ...

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10 years ago
April 2, 2014

Speaking first at a public forum with the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA), Speaker Robert A. DeLeo asked the MWRA to put its food waste pilot program on hold. DeLeo asked for a conciliatory handshake from MWRA Executive Director Frederick Laskey and the two shook hands, with Laskey stating that the pilot program would be postponed for an indefinite period of time.

Winthrop High grad Courtney Finn began the Elite Eight for Bentley University with a sensational 30-point-10 rebound performance and ended it with a 20-point gem as the Lady Falcons won the school’s first national championship, beating West Texas A & M, 73-65, in the title game Friday night in Erie, Pennsylvania. From the free throw line, Finn was as clutch as can be, swishing 30 of 33 shots in the tournament, including a perfect 12-for-12 from the line in the tense drama that was the championship game. Finn was named to the All-Tournament team, coming on the heels of two other major honors, national All-American for her season and Most Outstanding Player in the Regionals.

Appearing at a Town Council meeting Tues-

day night, Gary Luderitz, vice-president of operations and development for Mohegan Sun, delivered a presentation about Mohegan Sun’s proposed \$1 billion resort/casino to be located at Suffolk Downs. But while Revere residents have approved the project by a wide margin, it was clear that many in Winthrop – at least the majority of the speakers at the forum -- have concerns about the impact the casino will have on daily life in Winthrop.

20 years ago
April 8, 2004

The second Prop. 2 & 1/2 override question to be put before voters this year will be decided at a special election that will be held on the day of the annual town election, May 3. The question will contain an explanation for voters as to where the \$2.1 million being sought in the override will be divided among the town’s 24 departments.

The price of car insurance for urban residents could skyrocket over the next few years if plans for deregulation being advocated by some state officials take effect.

A wave of new buyers at the Governor’s Park condos has transformed the complex, where condos could be bought for a mere \$25,000 a decade ago when the owner-occupancy rate was just 18

percent and crime was rampant. Now, the owner-occupancy rate is 66 percent and units are selling for up to \$175,000.

30 years ago
April 14, 1994

The School Department is at an apparent crossroads in the wake of a recommendation by the Advisory Committee that the schools receive level-funding for the coming year, which is \$9,390,582, about 10 percent less than what the schools are seeking. School Supt. Joseph Laino said that 20 teachers will be facing layoffs if the school budget is level-funded.

Bernice “Bunny” Murray and Frances Dalton, two members of a five-member study committee created by Town Meeting to look into alleged irregularities at the Winthrop Golf Club, told the selectmen that the committee’s findings and recommendations have been ignored by the club.

40 years ago
April 18, 1984

Planning Bd. Chairman Robert Driscoll and Board of Health Chairman Paul Dawson have filed formal complaints with state environmental authorities concerning the action by City of Revere officials who broke into the pumping station at Sales Creek last month to turn on the

pumps to alleviate flooding during a storm. The state had placed use of the pumping station on hold until a full environmental evaluation of the effects

of the pumping station on Belle Isle Creek downstream can be completed.

The Metropolitan Credit Union held a celebration to mark the opening of its

new office in Michael’s Mall after leaving its previous location at 15 Pauline St.

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COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT AT INGLESIDE PARK

Photos by Marianne Salza

Children, with baskets slung on their arms, raced through Ingleside Park to greet the Easter Bunny who collected supplies for foster children and their families. Rockabye Beats, sponsored by Senator Lydia Edwards, performed live music for little ones exploring the Project Play pop-up play space in front of the gazebo. Some 1,000 attendees enjoyed face painting and crafts. Over 800 cones of cotton candy and more than 600 bags of popcorn were distributed to families. In the field were dispersed 10,000 eggs filled with candy donated by local businesses and members of the community.



Ellie, 7, and Renee Oleksy.

of a pickup truck. The March 30 festivities were presented by Harbor City Church and Harbor Foster Closet, who collected supplies for foster children and their families. Rockabye Beats, sponsored by Senator Lydia Edwards, performed live music for little ones exploring the Project Play pop-up play space in front of the gazebo. Some 1,000 attendees enjoyed face painting and crafts. Over 800 cones of cotton candy and more than 600 bags of popcorn were distributed to families. In the field were dispersed 10,000 eggs filled with candy donated by local businesses and members of the community.



Children rushing through Ingleside Park to collect some 10,000 Easter eggs.



Rolando and Rhea Nuñez, 19-month-old, and Jennifer Ramirez.



Zoe, 2, and her mother, Carlin.



Luca, Nick, and Ella Agri, with Amy and Lenny DeBartolo.



Shon Gordon, of Rockabye Beats.



Emma, James, and Maddie Stephens, Lena and Lilah Cross, Grace Marks, and Charlottee Cyr.



Zac and Cordelia Purinton, Quinn and Julia Howington, and Grace, Joseph, and Orla Tommey.



Volunteers of the Harbor City Church and Harbor Foster Closet's Second Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt in Ingleside Park on March 30.



Mya Brassard, 10, Cathalia, 9, and Jelona Mendoza, 8.



Meda and Arley Kraja, with Vanessa, Jola, and Era Thomai.



Maria, 5, and Angie Cruz, 5.

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Sports

WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

NEW FLAG FOOTBALL PROGRAM SET TO GET UNDERWAY AT WHS

Winthrop High School has formed a girls' flag football team and will be playing in the Massachusetts league run by the New England Patriots.

The inaugural year of the program will be led by head coach John Cross.

"The girls have been putting in lots of hard work practicing at night after all other daily activities," said Cross. "The team is progressing fast and getting better every time they step on the field. The seniors have been crucial in getting this initiative up and running and are doing a great job of leading by example."

"It's very exciting for us all, knowing that this could be the start of something very big here in Winthrop," Cross added. "Assisting me in coaching is fellow Winthrop resident Eddie Marsden. The two of us are fully committed to making girls' flag football a big part of Winthrop High School."

The team will play doubleheaders each week, the first being in Woburn this coming Tuesday (April 9) vs. teams from Needham and Cambridge.

The team's seniors, Shannon Abbott, Reese Brodin, Samantha DiMento, Kaylee Farrell, Hannah Parker, Malak Chahlaouy, and Grace Fleuriel, all have been named captains of the 2024 Lady Viking squad.

The other members of the team are: Tori Bates, Zoey Bogusz, Kate Brodin, Talia Martucci, Marianna Alvarez Restrepo, Tegan Pereira, Stella Osburn, Reese Ferrara, Marissa Macmulle, Avery Shea, Aitanna Bartelome, Annabelle Giardano, and Angela Coscia.

DIAMOND MEN SPLIT OPENING TWO CONTESTS

The Winthrop High baseball team split its season-opening contests this past week.

The Vikings began their 2024 campaign on a high note with an 8-6 victory at non-league rival Cardinal Spellman on Monday.

The Vikings started out fast, thanks to lead-off man extraordinaire Petey Silverman, who reached base with a single and then promptly stole second, from where he scored the first run of 2024 on a base hit by Phil Boncore, who had an exceptional game at the plate, going 3-for-3 with four RBI.

The quick marker set the tone for the game, giving Winthrop a 1-0 lead, and the Vikings never would fall behind.

Spellman was able to tie it up in the bottom of the first inning on a single to right field, but Winthrop came right back, scoring twice in the second inning on an RBI hit by Silver-

man and a steal of home by Spencer Parco.

"We have worked a lot on base running situations, especially at second and third base," said WHS head coach Mark DeGregorio. "We have talked about paying close attention to how the pitchers and catchers react with runners on base. We were able to point something out to the team after watching how Spellman was reacting with a runner on third base in the first inning and we were able to take advantage of it in the second with Spencer stealing home."

The teams continued their see-saw battle throughout the game, as Spellman continued to bounce back every time Winthrop grabbed the advantage.

Senior captain Matthew DeCarney took the mound to start the game and pitched well through the opening innings.

"Matthew did a good job of battling through the first few innings of the game despite not having his best stuff," said DeGregorio. "His fastball was live, but he had difficulty getting over his off-speed stuff, which led to Spellman being able to sit on his fastball."

DeGregorio turned the ball over to Jay Fotiades midway through the contest. "Jay has been someone whom we have trusted in any scenario since he was a freshman," said the coach. "He has actually had the most pitching appearances over the last two years. Jay did a good job of settling the game down and keeping the batters off-balance."

DeGregorio called upon Boncore to close the game in the bottom of the seventh with Winthrop up by two runs. "Phil was able to close the door for us and help us come out with the win," said DeGregorio.

"This was a nice, hard-fought win," DeGregorio continued. "We got some really good performances from Petey Silverman (three runs scored and two stolen bases), who was on base four times from the lead-off spot. We also got some good defense from our outfielders, Will Murphy, Mike Donahue, and Billy Hayes, and Matthew Reardon provided a nice spark for us offensively."

"It is also important to note the contributions from two new varsity players in Joseph Pumphret and Ryan Murphy," DeGregorio added. "As freshmen, it is not easy to come into a game that is close and perform. It is a lot of pressure and I thought they both handled it great."

The following night the Vikings trekked to Northeastern Conference rival Peabody and came up on the short end of a 12-6 decision that was closer than the final score might indicate.

Reardon started on the mound and gave the Vikings a solid effort.

"Matthew was really locked-in," said DeGregorio. "He really held a very good-hitting Peabody team in check through the first few innings. He finished with five strikeouts and only walked one batter."

"I thought our approach in the first two innings was spectacular," DeGregorio said of his squad. Winthrop once again started fast, scoring two runs in the top of the first. Silverman got on base to lead off and promptly stole two bases. Winthrop was able to capitalize on an error and scored both runs on a heads-up running play from Mike Donahue.

The Vikings tacked on three more runs in the second frame, with DeCarney, Hayes, and Fotiades all coming across the plate from balls being put in play.

"Unfortunately however, over the next few innings we sort of got away from our approach at the plate," said DeGregorio. "We began to look at more pitches and not be aggressive enough to put ourselves in good hitting situations, and Peabody eventually was able to take advantage of this."

"We knew that even when we were up 5-1 that Peabody was not going to just fold," said the coach. "They returned basically their entire team and we knew that they are one of the better-hitting teams we would be facing this year."

Peabody scored twice in the fourth to make it a 5-3 contest, but Evan Rockefeller got one back in the

fifth when he delivered an RBI double to make it 6-3.

However, that would prove to be the last run of the day for the Vikings. Peabody continued to hit the ball hard and put the ball in play.

"We turned to Tim Vargas in the fifth inning, who threw the ball very well," said DeGregorio. "But unfortunately, we had a few untimely errors that allowed Peabody to pull away."

"It was very frustrating because you look at the score and you might think that it wasn't a close game or that Peabody was up all game and we scored some late runs after Peabody took the foot off the gas," said DeGregorio. "That couldn't be further from the truth. We were up all game and outplayed them for five innings."

"After the game I expressed to the team that we have to find a way to play the full seven and close out," he added.

MALLIOS REFEREES NIT GAME



Vasili Mallios of Winthrop was a referee for the nationally televised Boston College-Providence College NIT First Round Tournament Game in Providence that was won by the Eagles. Mallios refereed several Division 1 college games this past season and the prestigious NIT assignment represents another step forward in his rising career as a college basketball official.

"We did it against Spellman, but Peabody is not a team that you can give any breathing room to. I will never be mad about the errors because errors

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SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH'S EASTER EGG HUNT

Photos by Marianne Salza

Confirmation student volunteers dispersed 500 eggs on the side lawn of the church, where the Easter Bunny greeted families.

Saint Michael the Archangel Parish held an Easter Egg Hunt on March 30 following Sunday mass.



Matteo, Grace, and Mary Turco, and Mila Cavaliere.



Star Richards and Michelle Benne, Confirmation Director/ Youth and Family Minister.



Joe and Christine Boncore with Philip and John, both 4, and Dante, 18-months-old.



Confirmation student volunteers, Joseph and William Navaro, Joseph Dalton, and Marissa MacMullen, with Michelle Benne, Confirmation Director/ Youth and Family Minister, and Father Chris O'Connor, Pastor.



Little ones running through the side lawn of Saint Michael the Archangel Parish in search of Easter eggs.



Penelope and Savanna LaMonica, Petula Petrucci, and Sarah Souza.



Megan and Mike Eruzione with Jax, 2, Rayley, 4, and Trey, 6.



Francesco and Carla Recupero with their children, Francesco, 6, Luca, 5, and Maximus, 1.



The Turco Family with the Easter Bunny.



Michael and Nora Petraglia with Viviana, 2, and Michael, 3.



Maggie, 5, Marc, 8, and Maya Chapdelaine, 9.



Hunter, Jack, and Rachel Nigro with the Easter Bunny.



Friends Tessa O'Toole and Mackenzie Evans.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

Winthrop Middle School has announced that the following students have achieved Honor Roll for the Second Term of the 2023-2024 School Year. They are as follows:

Honor Roll Grade 6

Bartolome Rodriguez, Miguel
Bonney, Lucas
Brightman, Zavier
Cabral, Alex
Carson, Stella
Coscia, Nicholas
Currier, Audra
Ferrara, Franco
Ferrara, Joseph
Ferullo, Edyn
Guevara, Jacelyn
Healy, Abigail
Hernandez, Aaron
Hoffman, Olivia
Hysaj, Brandon
Joyce, Orlaith
Lemus Roca, Cristian
Logan, Lilah
Mahoney, Cormac
Mazo Carmona, Evelyn
McClure, Nevaeh
McEvoy, Leo
Monterrosa, Adry
Mouhib, Yousra
Nee, Ryan
O'Brien, Bryce
Ospina Medina, Camilo
Pimenta, Livia
Ramirez Aguilar, Isabella
Reth, Sunday
Roberts, Lilianna
Roy, Niah
Santiago, Zoe
Silva, Ana Clara
Smith, Tyler
Trainor, Jadon
Velasco Abad, Valentina
Villa Cuartas, Emily
Vivolo, Richard
Yoyo, Samuel

Grade 7

Algburi, Faris
Anael, Emily
Banfield, Lyncoln
Barron, Michael
Beleacov, Alexander
Beuoy, Michael
Blushi, Amelia
Boivin, Skyla
Briggs, Nicholas
Cerasani, Gia
Connors, Liam
Correa, Alex
Dassau, Max
DelloRusso, Francesca

Dougherty, Gavin
Ferrara, Ella
Fiau, Lavinia
Giacalone, Devin
Gorman, Ella
Green, Olivia
Hanlon, Jonvienne
Hashani, Ador
Hashani, Dior
Hayes, Shaun
Ilie, Gabriella
Karcouche, Sidali
Karpenko, Nicholas
Kheiri, Bahija
Koemdzhev, Riya
Laudenslager, Cameron
Mason, Lucas
Montgomery, Mason
Moore, Avian
Moussaif, Hatim
Ochoa Gomez, Estefania
Petrola, Audrina
Reavey, Thomas
Reis, Davi
Rodriguez, Ashley
Rossi, Phillip
Schirripa, Isabella
Spinale, Joseph
Staff, Ethan
Titemore, Molly
Torres, Abby
Turner, Aoife
Turner, Audrey
Williams, Kenzie
Zaffini, Norah
Zaffini, Thomas
Zouheir, Anwar

Grade 8

Aguirre, Maria Jose
Aiello, Brady
Alvarez, Matias
Arango Taborda, Valery
Armitstead, Lily
Arsenault-Holloway, Clada
Atonane, Israa
Baird, Ella
Barron, Stephen
Benchikhi, Ali
Boncore, Lucy-Kate
Brightman, River
Bytyqi, Art
Calinda, Phoebe
Cataldo, Griffin
Cesari, Rafael
Clark, Kathryn
DeCarlo, Gianna
DeLaney, James
DeMarco, Hailey
DiPrisco, Carmen
Dutra, Ava
Gergerian, Michael
Hammond, Danica
Hassan, BDR
Holgersen, Emma
Ibarra Betancourt, David

Johnson, Kyle
Levin, Mark
Lounsbury, Braedon
McCary, Lyla
McCarthy, Colin
McGloin, Sean
Melchionda, Jason
Nimblett, Holly
Nogueira, Livia Sthefanny
Pellecchia, Dante
Petruccelli, Kayla
Qose, Nikolai
Romano, Zachary
Rosas Young, Mia
Salama, Reem
Selimi, Oqean
Souza, Sophia
Temple, Matthew
Theberge, Jacob
Todi, Ray
Torres, Aaron
Tracy, Sarah
Wein, Donovan
Werstak, Macy
Whitney, Lilah
Yoyo, Jacob

High Honors Grade 6

Anael, Evelyn
Bandar, Olivia
Bayersdorfer, Lilyann
Brennan, Kalli
Calla, Madelyn
Capasso, Alena
Cardona Ramirez, Simon
Cardoza, Katya
Cassidy, Declan
Chapman, Claire
Chouki, Malak
Choukri, Ryan
Colon, Maite
Connolly, Michaela
Curtis, Aili
Doherty, Cecelia
Emmanuele Petillo, Miabella
Estevam, Pedro
Ferrara, Lola
Graygor, Giuliana
Howington, Veronica
Jones, Haley
Kajo, Iris
Korreshi, Martina
Laquerre, Leah
Lawton, Samantha
Louali, Celine
MacKenzie, Ava
Muja, Ajla
Nour, Maya
O'Mara-Gomis, Michael
Rabago, Zarah
Reth, William
Sanca, Damian
Sciaraffa, Sophia
Smith, James

Tennen, Eli
Toomey, Aveen
Triant, Chase

Grade 7

Aitouahmane, Nezar
Aresty, Hazel
Biancardi, Gabriela
Boudrot, Violet
Bourkiche, Naima
Braga, Luca
Buchman, Ryan
Bustamante Soriano, Gabriela
Carroll, Audrey
Cohen, Alexander
Collins, Kesharine
Decareau, Thomas
DeVito, Derek
Ferrara, John
Grimaldi, Giuliana
Hanson, Aaliyah
Harkins, Emily
Hickey III, David
Lamiaux, Nicolas
Marra, Era
Mayiannis, Thalia
McHugh, Evan
McNeil, Daniel
Noonan, Michael
Oliver, Isabelle
Perez, Daniel
Piccinato, Larissa
Poulos, Jonathan
Previte, Emma
Raneri, Clare
Rockefeller, Allen
Sena, Raine
Silva, James
Survilas, Ella
Tabares Martinez, Samantha
Teixeira, Reese
Trafton, Evelyn
Waqas, Haseeb

Grade 8

Cobb, Jason
DePrimeo, Sofia
Fontes, Emma
Fontes, Isabel
Fuentes, Kamila
Gajica, Helena
Githinji, Abby
Hung, Kaitlyn
Iaouf, Mohamed
Konopaska, Max
Lahlali, Daniel
Lawton, Eli
Louali, Lydia
McHugh, Clark
Montalban, Alexandra
Oosten, Hayden
Rey, Lucas
Tallent, Kelsey
Tufa, Mia
Viera, Audrea

Winthrop Senior Center News

35 Harvard Street, Winthrop, MA 02152

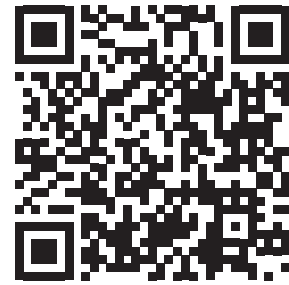
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A full list of the activities, programs, trips, and services offered at the Senior Center can be found in the newsletter, which is available at the Senior Center and on our website.



Visit the Senior Center Online for more information

Senior Lunch Program: The Senior Center offers in-person dining on 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 that they were requested for.

Senior Van. The Senior Van runs Monday - Thursday from 8:45am-3pm. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, and can be made by calling the Senior Center at least two weekdays prior to the desired date. Rides to medical appointments will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

Applications for the 2024 Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program are now available at the DeLeo Senior Center (35 Harvard Street) and online. Applications must be returned to the Senior Center by 12:00 pm on Friday, April 5, 2024. The Senior Citizen Tax Work-Off Program allows Winthrop homeowners, aged 60 and older, to volunteer their services in exchange for a reduction in their property tax bill. Participants may earn a maximum reduction of \$750 per fiscal year based on a rate per hour of service that cannot exceed the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' minimum wage. If you have any questions, please contact the Senior Center.

Monday, April 1

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
10:00 am - 11:00 am: Yoga with Trish
11:00am- Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30 am - 2:30 pm: Game Day / Mahjong

Tuesday, April 2

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:00am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
11:00 am - 12:00 pm: Blood Pressures
11:00am-12:00pm: Exercise for Arthritis
11:00 am - 12:00 pm: Family Caregiver Resource Talk
11:00am: Grab & Go Lunch Pick-Up
12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$5)

Wednesday, April 3

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)
10:00am-12:00pm: Bereavement & Caregiver Support Group
10:30 am - 11:30 am: Zumba with Cindy (\$5)
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30-12:30pm: Tai Chi / Qi Gong with Cindy (\$5)
12:30 - p.m - 2:30 p.m.: Charlie Card Workshop
1:00pm-2:00pm: Legal Aid Group Q&A

Thursday, April 4

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:am-#:00pm: Medical Pedicures
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
12:00pm-12:30pm: Dine In/Grab and Go Lunch Pick Up
12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

Friday, April 5

9:00 am - 12:00 pm: Computer Usage
10:00 am - 11:00 pm: Line Dancing (\$5)
11:00am- Grab and Grab Lunch Pick-Up
11:30 -12:30pm: Creative Writing Workshop

LEGAL NOTICES

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TOWN OF WINTHROP
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2024-54
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES
The TOWN of WINTHROP invites sealed bids from Contractors for Grounds Maintenance Services. Bids will be received until: 2:00 PM on April 25, 2024 at the Procurement Office, Town Hall Room #12B, 1 Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA 02152. Immediately following the deadline for bids all qualified bids received

within the time specified will be publicly opened and read aloud. Specification Documents will be available for pickup at the Winthrop Town Hall, 1 Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA on Thursday, April 4, 2024. There will be no charge for contract documents. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid deposit in an amount that is not less than five percent (5%) of the value of the bid, including all added alternates. All bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L.

Chapter 30b. Invitation for Bid. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor to ensure they have received any and all addenda prior to the bid opening. The TOWN of WINTHROP reserves the right to waive any informalities in any or all bids, or to reject any or all bids, if it be in the public interest to do so.
TOWN OF WINTHROP
Dylan Cook, MCPPO, MPA
Procurement Officer
/CFO

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son-opener at Lynnfield on Tuesday by a score of 13-4, are scheduled to play at Saugus today (Thursday) and then will host Swampscott on Monday under the lights at Miller Field at 5:00. They will trek to Beverly next Thursday.

WHS SOFTBALL TEAM TO HOST H-W FRIDAY

The Winthrop High softball team will host non-league opponent Hamilton-Wenham tomorrow (Friday) at the Little

League Field. The Lady Vikings dropped their season-opener with Salem on Monday and were scheduled to play at Swampscott yesterday (Wednesday). "We lost to Salem following some tough pitch-

ing struggles," said WHS head coach Erin Verduyze. "Freshman Deanna Nee had a few great catches and throws in centerfield and had three singles at the plate. Captain Carolina Gonzalez had our lone RBI."

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Marie Gauthier

Devoted Catholic



Marie P. Gauthier of Winthrop, formerly of the North End, passed away peacefully at home with her daughter by her side on March 27, 2024. She was 84 years old. Born in the North End of Boston, she was the beloved daughter of the late Antoinette (Staffieri) and Michael Benincasa.

Marie was a devoted Catholic. She worked for years as the Secretary/Office Admin/Manager for St. Leonard's Church until she moved to Winthrop. Her love and devotion to/for her parish was shown in raising funds to support the church through raffles, bazaars and as a member of the Annual Reunion Committee and St. Anthony Festival. Whether it be gathering donations, writing letters or even frying steak and sausages, Marie was always available to support the church.

Marie moved to Winthrop with her family over

28 years ago and started to work for the Trial Court until her retirement at the age of 72.

She was the devoted wife of the late Leonard G. Gauthier and the loving mother of Patti Gauthier of Winthrop, dear sister of the late Theresa Benincasa and she is also survived by several loving nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted from the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Leonard's Church in the North End of Boston. Services concluded with the interment in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Memorial donations may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org.

To sign the online guestbook, go to www.caggianofuneralhome.com.

Robert "Bob" Oliver

Retired Winthrop Police Officer

Robert G. "Bob" Oliver of Winthrop passed away on March 26th. He was 98 years old.

Bob was the beloved husband of the late Margaret A. "Peggy" (MacDonald) Oliver. Born in Lawrence, he was the cherished son of the late Mary (LaChance) and Joseph Oliver.

Bob was a World War II veteran, serving in the United States Navy from 1942-1946.

Prior to his retirement, Bob was employed as a Police Officer for the Town of Winthrop for many years.

Bob was the devoted father of Kelly Flagg and her late husband, Stephen of Bradford, Robert Oliver and his wife, Lynn of Thornton, NH, John Oliver and his wife, Debbie of Winthrop and Kim Oliver of Los Angeles, CA. He was the cherished grandfather of Danielle, Michelle, Ashley, Jaime, John, James and Robert and loving great-grandfather of Brayden, Aria, Camryn, Mason, Sadie, Max and Danny. Bob was



predeceased by his six brothers and sisters and is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

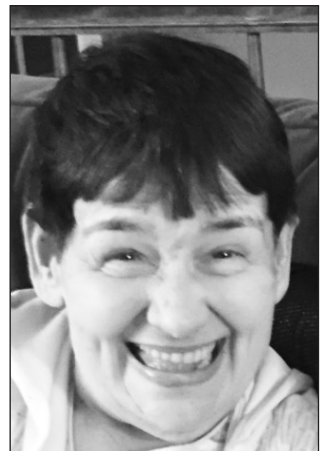
Bob's funeral Mass was held on Tuesday, April 2nd in St. John the Evangelist Church (St. Michaels Parish), 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop and interment was in Winthrop Cemetery (Belle Isle Section).

Donations in Bob's memory may be made to Honor Flight New England, 193 Londonderry Turnpike, Unit 4, Hooksett, NH. 03106, or go to www.honorflightnewengland.org.

Funeral arrangements were from the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop. To sign Bob's guestbook, please visit: www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Maureen Hutchinson

She was the essence of innocence, purity and love



Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours on Monday, April 8th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere for Maureen Hutchinson who died on Monday, April 1st at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston following a long illness and hard-fought battle with colon cancer. Maureen passed away just one day before her 76th birthday. A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Interment will immediately follow in Winthrop Cemetery (Cross ST.) Winthrop.

Maureen was the essence of innocence, purity, and love. She was born on April 2, 1948 in Winthrop to her late parents Merrill C. Hutchinson and Mary (Flaherty) Hutchinson. Maureen fell victim to a diagnosis of meningitis as a young toddler but survived. Her life took a turn but made her the wonderful loving human being she bestowed on her family, friends, housemates and anyone who encountered her.

She was raised in Winthrop with her six brothers and sisters, who she loved and treasured. Maureen lived with her parents in Winthrop until 1993. After her mother passed away, Maureen has been living in the care of May Institute in Revere. Maureen loved the staff at May Institute and also had the attention of her family, especially her older sister, Margie. Maureen loved staying with her sister on weekends and going out for lunch. She enjoyed car rides and seeing her nieces and nephews. Maureen always had her rosary beads close to her and forever said the rosary praying for everyone she loved. Maureen's most favorite joy was doing her crossword puzzle books.

She joins her parents and some of her siblings in heaven, where they are eternally reunited. She will be forever remembered for her big bright smile, soft whispering voice, usually telling you, that she loved you.

She was the loving sis-

ter of Marilyn T. Cayon of Winthrop and her late husband, Arthur, Merrill C. Hutchinson and his wife, Andrea of Middleton, Margaret E. Johns of Revere and her late husband, William, Mark Hutchinson and his wife, Linda of Hollis, NH and the late Marianne Mahoney and her late husband, Paul and Michael Hutchinson. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to The May Institute, 794 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151.

To send online condolences, please visit 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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Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU24POS36EA
Estate of: Domenic J. Berardi, Jr.
Date of Death 04/02/1992
To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Debra L. Casey of Malden, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Debra L. Casey of Malden, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Pe-

tion from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/06/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 25, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Richard R. Coscia a/k/a Ralph R. Coscia and Carol A. Coscia to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., its successors and assigns, dated April 8, 2004 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 58972, Page 159 of which mortgage U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust is the present holder by Assignment

from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. its successors and assigns to HSBC Bank USA, N.A. dated February 24, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 49139, Page 254, and Assignment from HSBC Bank USA, National Association to MCLP Asset Company, Inc. dated September 1, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 68532, Page 182, and Assignment from MCLP Asset Company, Inc. dated September 13, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 68532, Page 185, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 47 Washington Avenue, Winthrop, MA 02152 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on April 23, 2024, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: Land referred to in this commitment is described

as all that certain property situated in the County of SUFFOLK and state of MA and being described in a deed dated Sep-20-1982, and recorded Sep-30-1982, among the land records of the County and state set forth above, and referenced as follows: Book 10079 and Page 220. The land in Winthrop, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, with all the buildings thereon, shown on a plan by Whitman and Breck, dated October 1882, recorded with Suffolk Deeds in Book 1584, Page 592, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of the premises and at the Southeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Goodwin and formerly of Hannah B. Belcher, at the beach and running; Northerly on said land of Goodwin, one hundred fifty-five (155) feet to Washington Avenue; thence turning at a right angle and running Easterly on Washington Avenue, eighty (80) feet; thence turning at a right angle and running Southerly on land now or formerly of Hildreth, one hundred fifty-one and 42/100 (151.42) feet. to the beach; thence turning and running Westerly by said beach, eighty

(80) feet to the point of beginning. Recording Date: Sep-30-1982. Execution date: Sep-20-1982 For mortgagor's title see deeds recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10079, Page 220 and in Book 45094, Page 315 and in Book 50217, Page 137. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession. Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU23P2514EA
Estate of: Anthony J. Pastore
Also known as: Anthony John Pastore
Date of Death 09/06/2023
To all interested persons: A Petition for S/A - Sale of Real Estate has been filed by Ira H. Grolman of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Ira H. Grolman, Esq. of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 26, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate
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The local Board of Health, in conjunction with state officials, has been removing foods with the additive EDB from local store shelves.

Vandals were busy over the weekend, smashing windows in four cars.

the new chairman of the committee.

Building #19, featuring surplus and salvage goods, has opened a store on Veterans Rd. across from the golf course.

Disney's Robin Hood is playing at the Kincaid Theatre.

50 years ago April 15, 1974

Dick Dimes, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, congratulated the local Girl Scouts for their successful work in the Keep America Beautiful campaign.

Winthrop has joined with the cities of Chelsea and Revere to form a consortium that will take part in the federal jobs training program known as CETA, the Comprehensive Employment Training Act of 1973.

WINARC has set the date of April 27 for its annual Fun(d) Night.

Richard Tacelli has donated a bumper pool table to the Winthrop Youth Center.

Town Meeting this week overwhelmingly approved two articles that will preserve Winthrop's wetlands from development.

Winthrop's Northeast Regional High School Committeeman James Wallace has been elected

60 years ago April 16, 1964

Town officials met with officials from the Army Corps of Engineers to discuss the feasibility of reopening Shirley Gut as a means of alleviating the pollution problem in Boston Harbor. Similar studies were conducted in 1934, 1937, and 1939, but all came to no avail. A public hearing on the matter will be held June 2.

Voters will go to the polls Tuesday to decide whether to build a new Winthrop High School.

A testimonial dinner is being planned for Rev. Joseph W. Sullivan, who recently departed as pastor of Holy Rosary parish. Fr. Sullivan came to Holy Rosary in 1960 and is only the second pastor to have served at the parish in its brief history.

The selectmen have voiced their opposition to plans submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers by Fred Smith for the construction of bulkheads, riprap, and pilings at Crystal Cove abutting town property.

Police have solved the mystery of thefts of cash from the collection box at St. John's Episcopal Church with the arrest of a 20 year old Boston man who had served as an assistant collector.

Elvis Presley stars in Kissin' Cousins at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago April 15, 1954

Ralph Marley has been elevated to the post of Chief of the Civil Defense Auxiliary Fire Dept., succeeding Walter Rowe, who recently resigned.

Chamber of Commerce Pres. Robert Chersonson has announced that all Winthrop stores will be closed Monday in observance of Patriots Day.

Tickets are going fast for the \$5.00 per ticket dinner to be held by the Winthrop Democratic Town Committee at the Odd Fellows Hall on Pauline St.

Winthrop Police Sgt. Paul Abely, the town's Safety Officer, informed children of bicycle safety tips in this week's Transcript.

Local residents Henry Burke and Mrs. James Pelrine have formed a fundraising group to benefit

the new educational TV channel, Channel 2 in Boston.

It is estimated that more than seven million homes along the Eastern Seaboard still are heated with anthracite coal.

80 years ago April 15, 1944

The tentative plans for the new town municipal building now are on display at the Board of Assessors. This post-war project has been the topic of discussion by a number of interested citizens and the postwar committee.

Richard S. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor of Somerset Ave., has received a presidential citation for his efforts as a member of the crew of a U.S. Navy submarine that has been credited with sinking 31,000 tons of Japanese shipping. Prior to seeing action in the Pacific, Taylor, a 2nd class petty officer, had served in the Atlantic and had taken part in the invasion of Casablanca.

None Shall Escape, a movie that predicts that the Nazi leadership will be tried as war criminals, is playing at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

90 years ago April 14, 1934

Emergency Relief Ad-

ministration projects are underway throughout the town, employing many of our jobless citizens. The projects include construction of the underground sewage pumping station near the Pleasant Park railroad stop and a drainage project for Ingleside Park.

The 49th semi-annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was concluded at the Union Congregational Church this weekend.

The Rev. Mark E. Madden is the new pastor at St. John the Evangelist Church.

The Winthrop Improvement and Historical Association has announced a

gardening contest open to all residents under the age of 21.

100 years ago April 17, 1924

Despite a long session Monday evening, the Special Town Meeting took no action on the article to acquire land for the construction of increased school accommodations. The majority report of the committee working on this issue recommends razing the old high school building 30 years old, and building a new junior high school at Hermon and Pauline Sts.

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YOUTH ART SHOW AT THE CLOCK TOWER GALLERY

Photos by Marianne Salza

A "Youth Art Show" opening reception was held at The Clock Tower Gallery, in the E.B. Newton Cultural Center on March 30. The creations of over 100 Winthrop children representing early childhood education through high school were on display in celebration of Youth Art Month. Mediums included acrylic, finger, and gouache paintings, collages, cardboard

relief sculptures, as well as paper mâché figures. It is the first "Youth Art Show" since before the pandemic in 2019. "This is a big event for us. It's exciting because it's been a long dry spell without having a public venue exhibition," said Connor Moore, Winthrop Public Schools art teacher. "One of the pieces in the middle school display is going to be turned into a mural at the middle school."



Aimee, Graham, 4-years-old, Janelle, and Julien Falgout-Forbes with nana, Jackie Dalton.



Jessica Castillo Sanchez, Winthrop High School 10th grader, and her sister, Camilla.



Dawn Mahoney, President, Winthrop Art Association, with friend and member, Brenda Curry.



Armeen, Maria, Amalia, 3, and Isaiah Shaidani, 2-months-old, in front of the Children's Corner Preschool artwork inspired by "The Lion and the Mouse" Aesop fable.



Jordan and Cyrus Deeb, 5, and Dylan and Jack Taylor, 4, in front of their Lunar New Year dragon.



Joanne Hillman, Chair, Winthrop Cultural Council, with Winthrop Public Schools art teachers, Angela Salazar, Connie Moore, and Ryan Coleman.



Iryna and Zoey Silk standing in front of their daughter/sister, Sofia Silk's collage.

Shuttle Buses to replace Blue Line for critical track work latter half of April

Special to the Transcript
Following up on the previous announcement on March 15, the MBTA is today reminding riders that Blue Line service will be suspended between Maverick and Wonderland for three days from April 17-19 and between Airport and Wonderland for nine days from April 20-28. Evening Blue Line service will also be suspended between Bowdoin and Orient Heights each

day from April 9-11. As previously announced, this service change is in place to allow crews to perform critical work to upgrade infrastructure as part of the Track Improvement Program, which will improve reliability and provide a safer ride. Work crews will also maximize this service change by upgrading the overhead catenary wire system between Orient Heights and Wood Island stations.

As previously announced, Blue Line service will be suspended between Bowdoin and Orient Heights stations beginning at approximately 8 PM through the end of service each day from April 9-11. Free and accessible shuttle buses will make stops between Government Center and Orient Heights. Riders should note that shuttle buses will not stop at Bowdoin station. Riders can instead utilize shuttle buses at Government Center, which is about a quarter mile away (or about a four-minute walk). State and Aquarium stations will only be serviced by inbound shuttles to Government Center. Accessible vans will also be available to riders.

riders for their patience as we deliver this important work and for continuing to ride our system. More information is also available through in-station signage and public announcements. Transit Ambassadors and MBTA staff will be available on-site to offer information and assistance during these service changes. Riders are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts or to follow the MBTA on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA for up-to-date service information.

Information is available at mbta.com/alerts. Riders can also learn more at mbta.com/TrackProgram. The important work accomplished during this Blue Line service suspension means riders will experience a more reliable trip with fewer unplanned service disruptions related to older tracks, older infrastructure, signal issues, or power problems. Riders will also be provided with a safer ride as a result of this state of good repair work. The MBTA understands how these service changes affect riders' daily travels during this period, but we are committed to improving your travels long term with more reliable, timely, and safe service. We thank

For more information, please visit mbta.com/TrackProgram or connect with the T on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA and @MBTA_CR, Facebook /TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @thembta, or TikTok @thembta.



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