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RMV REMINDS RESIDENTS THEY OF MAY 2025 DEADLINE

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) is reminding residents that beginning May 7, 2025, anyone traveling by plane domestically or entering certain federal building areas will need a Registry-issued REAL ID-compliant driver's license or ID, or a valid passport. To help ensure compliance, a countdown clock is now live at Mass.Gov/RMV.

The Registry is encouraging everyone seeking a REAL ID compliant license or identification card to go online at Mass.Gov/ID to learn what doc-

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Council, Planning Board hears from public on 3A concerns

By Adam Swift

The town council and the planning board held a joint meeting Tuesday night to discuss the MBTA 3A zoning with new consultant RKG Associates.

The consultants laid out the work they will be doing over the coming months to develop options

for the town to comply with the state's MBTA 3A zoning. It will be up to the town council later this year to vote on whether it votes to submit a 3A plan to the state.

Prior to the meeting at the senior center, members of the Winthrop Says No to 3A group held a rally voicing their con-

cerns about the 3A zoning, which would require Winthrop to create zoning for 882 multi-family units as an MBTA adjacent community.

During the public comment period of Tuesday night's meeting, a number of the Says No to 3A members, sporting signs and t-shirts, spoke against

the zoning they said the state is forcing upon the town.

As the joint meeting kicked off, Council President Jim Letterie reminded everyone that there will be a number of special meetings and hearings as the consultant's continue their work with the 3A zoning.

"This is a big topic and there is a lot to discuss," said Letterie.

Planning Board Chair Chris Boyce said the role of his board is to focus on thoughtful planning and zoning for the town, and not to decide whether to vote yes or no on ap-

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Residents participated in a rally against the MBTA Communities Act (3A) before the meeting Tuesday night at the Robert A. DeLeo Senior Center. The group is shown holding signs reading, "Winthrop Says No To 3A."

CARY SHUMAN PHOTO

Friends of Winthrop Beach host 'Shark Talk with Doctor Gregory Skomal'

Story & Photos by Marianne Salza



Shown above, Joan Matsumoto and Maija Curtis, of The Winthrop Shiver, which cold plunges year round.

Shown to the right, Dominic DeGregorio coloring a basking shark with his mimi, Nancy DeGregorio. See more photos on Page 6.

Friends of Winthrop Beach presented "Shark Talk with Doctor Gregory Skomal" on May 9 at the Neil Shapiro Performing Arts Center at Winthrop High School with the hope of inspiring youth to further their education in marine biology, oceanography, and the protection of sharks.

Skomal is an underwater explorer, photographer, aquarist, and author who has been actively studying sharks since 1989. The shark expert discussed the advanced research tools used to track the move-

ments of the Western North Atlantic white shark population off the shores of Cape Cod: its prime habitat due to the aggregation of grey seals – their main prey.

"I've seen such an advancement in the technology that has allowed us to get insight into how these animals live," said Skomal, marine biologist, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries. "For many years, we thought of them as rare event species, a term used by scientists to talk about an animal we don't see a lot of. If you don't see a lot of it, fishermen don't encounter it

frequently, and you don't know much about the biology, ecology, behavior, or any aspect of that species. For hundreds of years, we have lagged behind in the Atlantic because we could not predictably find white sharks and study them."

Western North Atlantic white sharks -- which can grow up to 19-feet-long and live an excess of 70-years -- occur from the Gulf of Mexico to Canada, and have appeared as far north as Newfoundland; but the pioneer research into their basic biology was conducted in Cape

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WIHA dinner meeting highlights Winthrop's Tewksbury Greenhouses

Story by Marianne Salza

Ashley Tewksbury-Barisano, fifth-generation owner of Winthrop's Tewksbury Greenhouses, and her mother, Deborah Tewksbury, shared their unique family tradition during a Winthrop Improvement & Historical Association (WIHA) dinner meeting in the Deane Winthrop

House barn on May 7.

"It's one of the oldest greenhouses in New England," exclaimed Deborah. "We have old kerosene lanterns for heat in the greenhouses. They're not used; but history is important. We even have a piece of the Nar-



PHOTOS BY MARIANNE SALZA
Deborah Tewksbury, former owner of Tewksbury Greenhouses.

row-Gauge track. We use that as a door stopper."

Deborah described the family heritage, starting with a photograph of their homestead, at 294 Bowdoin Street. A glass conser-

vatory accented the Victorian, English home along a dirt road lined with orange and lemon trees. Passersby would inquire if the Tewksbury Family could grow other fruits and veg-

etables, as well; and thus, the conservatory was replaced with two glass greenhouses, and Tewksbury Greenhouses was established in 1885.

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Deborah Tewksbury describing the Tewksbury Family history during a May 7 presentation at the Deane Winthrop House barn.

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

2156: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in the fire lane on Shirley St.
2259: 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.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

1140: An officer stopped a motor vehicle with Florida plates at Amelia Place and Marshall St. and arrested the operator, Daniel Torres, 31, of Chelsea, for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license (subsequent offense). He also was cited for the civil infraction of using an electronic device in violation of the hands-free law and having an open container of alcohol. The vehicle was towed.
1841: An officer directed the operators of two motor vehicles parked in the fire lane on Shirley St. to move their vehicles.
1950: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Revere St. and Summit Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a lights violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1957: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Grovers Ave.
2000: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of op-

erating without headlights after dusk. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2014: An officer directed the operator of a motor vehicle parked in the fire lane on Shirley St. to move the vehicle.
2119: An officer responded to a report of a disturbance between an Uber driver and a passenger. The officer restored the peace.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

1146: An officer responded to disturbance between two motorists involving a parking spot on Putnam St. The officer restored the peace.
1253: A Lincoln St. resident came into the station to report a hit-and-run accident. The officer filed a report.
1422: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Payson St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1929: An officer directed the operator of a motor vehicle parked in the fire lane on Shirley St. to move the vehicle.
1955: A resident called the station to report that he had been scammed out of \$1500 by a person pretending to be an Apple employee. The officer filed a report.
2018: An officer issued parking tickets to three vehicles in the fire lane on Shirley St.
2212: An officer re-

sponded to a report of a hit-and-run accident on Woodside Ave. The office filed a report.

THURSDAY, MAY 2

0221: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle in the No Parking zone on Hutchinson St.
0751: A Summit Ave. resident reported that her son's vehicle had been egged overnight.
1028: A resident came into the station to turn in a pair of Apple airpods that she had found on the sidewalk on Putnam St. The officer filed a report.
1157: 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.
1225: An officer directed the operator of a motor vehicle parked in the fire lane on Shirley St. to move the vehicle.
1252: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Revere St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding (38 in a 25 m.p.h. zone). The officer issued a citation to the operator.
1258: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for a civil moving infraction. The officer issued a citation to the operator.
1331: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Woodside Ave. and Pauline St. for the civil moving infraction of making an improper turn. The offi-

cer issued a citation to the operator.
1414: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Crest Ave. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
1447: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

0940: An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident on Main St. between a Honda Civic and a Chevy Silverado. There were no injuries. The Civic was towed. The officer filed a report.
1011: The Animal Control Officer followed up on a barking dog complaint at a Hermon St. residence. The officer spoke to the dog's owner about the issue and the owner agreed to take steps to resolve the problem.
1928: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction of making an illegal turn. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2006: A resident called the station to report being the victim of a fraud over the phone. The officer filed a report.
2045: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main St. and Pleasant Park Rd. for the civil mov-

ing infraction of a red light violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2258: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shore Drive at Hawthorn Ave. for the civil moving infraction of speeding (30 in a 15 m.p.h. zone). The officer issued a citation to the operator.
2308: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of operating without headlights after dark. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.
2349: Officers responded to a report of an erratic motor vehicle operator on Main St. The officers placed the operator, a 34 year-old Brighton man, into protective custody.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

0744: A report of a dead raccoon in the street on Revere St. was referred to the DPW.
0918: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator for that offense, as well as for the additional civil infraction of not wearing a seatbelt.
0952: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Franklin St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

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Mosquito spraying requests to open soon

By Transcript Staff

With the weather warming up this week, people might begin to see some mosquitoes buzzing about. The board of health recently released information about mosquito mitigation efforts for residents through the Northeast Massachusetts Mosqui-

to Control and Wetlands Management District. The mosquito control organization is currently taking residential larviciding requests through its website at www.nemass-mosquito.org. Larviciding is not adult-iciding, also known as spraying, but the testing and possible treatment of

standing water that may be breeding mosquitoes. The adult-iciding spraying season will begin on June 6, with residents able to make requests through the Northeast Massachusetts Mosquito Control website beginning on Sunday, June 2. The adult-iciding requests are accepted Sun-

days through Wednesdays at noon for service the same week. Adult-iciding is performed after sunset on Thursday evenings, although this may change to Wednesday evenings if the weather on Thursday looks unfavorable. Residents must enter a service request every

week they would like to have adult-iciding service. Adult-iciding is the application of an insecticide to reduce adult flying mosquito populations, according to the Northeast Massachusetts Mosquito Control website. The treatment is done by the means of a white pick-up truck, with an Ultra-Low

Volume (ULV) aerosol generator mounted in the bed. Pesticide applicators are equipped with an array of technical data that aids them in their application, which includes GIS mapping and a current list of the 'Pesticide Exceptions' registered with the state.

3A Zoning // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

proving 3A zoning for the town, "Our goal is to make a recommendation to the town council," Boyce said. The discussion on the planning board's end is to take the input from the consultant on how and where the town should zone for 3A, not whether the town should zone for it, he said. Eric Halvorsen of RKG Consultants said his company's role is to provide its expertise so it can make recommendations to the planning board about how it wants to mitigate the impact of MBTA 3A as much as possible. RKG has worked as a consultant in a number of communities on 3A zoning, Halvorsen said. "The one thing that I think is interesting, despite what you might hear about MBTA 3A ... is that 3A has a lot of flexibility," he said. "Yes, there are some metrics that we have to hit - we have to have 12 acres of zoned land, we have to have at least one district of six acres, we have to hit this minimum unit capacity from a zoning perspective of 882 units, we have to hit the 15 dwelling units per acre density metric. There are certain things that we do have to do, but there is a ton of flexibility within the law and within the guidelines about how we can do it." For example, Halvorsen

said not every single district has to be in the same place and not every district has to be the same size or the same density. "You can have some districts that allow triple deckers, for example, and some districts that allow much more density," he said. "But when you blend them together, you get to the 15 units per acre, you get to the zoning capacity. We can do it in a way that is appropriate for your community, recognizing the access challenges you have out here, and recognizing the environmental concerns. "I think there are ways we can present the planning board and the town council with at least some workable solutions." At the end of the day, Halvorsen said the town may still decide to vote no on complying with 3A, but that the decision is not up to the consultant. "Our charge is to put forward that plan, and at least lay the facts on the ground and say this is how you could potentially get to a compliant solution," he said. Halvorsen said RKG likes to cast a wide net and give a number of zoning compliance options, which can then be pared down to reach the numbers that are close to what the state is requiring. "In the beginning, we are going to be casting a

wide net, working with the planning board, the town council, and the town manager's office to try to identify districts around town," Halvorsen said. "(We will) model those, see how they look, and then begin to pare those down to something that seems like a more workable solution." The consultant will then work to draft the zoning once those districts are determined, and see if there are changes that will need to be made to the town's zoning. "Maybe in some places, your zoning works perfectly and we don't have to make any changes," Halvorsen said. "In other places, maybe there are some changes that we have to make. We will try to minimize what those changes are as much as we can, and we will present that back to the planning board and the town council." Throughout the process over the next months, Halvorsen said the consultants will be holding workshops with the planning board, presenting at meetings with the town council, and holding public meetings for feedback. "I'm sure every community you go to, they all think they are unique," said Letterie. "Winthrop is no different; we feel we truly are unique in so many ways. We are very dense, we are very well built out, and we ask for

your indulgence, as I'm sure you are going to get a lot of questions." Town Manager Tony Marino said the town is still working with the state's Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities to provide them information on the town's rules and ordinances and zoning bylaws, as well as the work a previous consultant for the town did on 3A. Marino said officials in that office have been looking at and analyzing the zoning work over the past decade. "No numbers have been finalized and nothing has been done, RKG still needs to do all that work, but those are the types of conversations we are having," said Marino. Councilor-at-Large Max Tassinari asked Halvorsen how Winthrop's density, with about 20,000 residents in 1.6 square miles, would compare to other communities RKG has worked with. "Probably very high, I would have to measure it, but yes, I'm sure it is very high," said Halvorsen. Boyce asked that the next time the town meets with RKG, it provides some more information about communities it has worked with that have similar demographics, and the lessons it has learned from those communities. A number of the Winthrop Says No to 3A mem-

bers spoke out during the public comment portion at the end of Tuesday's joint meeting. Todd Sacco said it is too soon to know if 3A will have any impact on creating greater affordability for housing in the state. "Unfortunately, I don't think anyone has been listening to the No to 3A group when we have shared our research on this," said Sacco. "This has been being done in California for years, and it is not working. I would encourage you all to research Patrick Condon, 25 years of experience in sustainable urban design, he is a master of urban design, a former professor at the University of British Columbia, and he is ringing the bell that this density building does not work, and causes much more harm than good." Sacco also asked why the town has to zone for 3A when there is a possibility that it is already meeting the multi-family unit guideline for 882 units under its current zoning. "If the goal of 3A is to create more housing and to make housing more affordable - which it won't - why do we need the state overlay?" Sacco asked. Former Council President Peter Gill urged the current council to say no to 3A immediately. "Continue the process of figuring this whole

thing out, and if at the end of the process, you like it, and the town likes it, then change your vote to yes," said Gill. "But I think, right now, the state needs to know that they have overstepped, and they need to know that we will not put up with this. We have done all these zoning changes over the past few years, and they are there already." Several residents noted that there should be a greater emphasis by the town and the state on providing affordable housing, which they said 3A would not do. "We have to look at this as a constitutional right," said Vasili Mallios. "We as a community know what is best for our community. We have heard that we need affordable housing. "Well, guess what, we have a planning board here that can do that job for us." Mallios said the town should put grant money towards a study to see what affordable housing measures it needs. Mallios asked if 3A was about creating affordability, or if it was just a way developers could come in and build. "I can drive up and down Route 16, Route 1, Revere Beach, you are seeing luxury apartments going up left and right, and there is a little affordability to some of these properties," he said.

Police // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

1038: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Pleasant St. for the civil moving infraction of a red light violation. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1052: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of violating the hands-free law. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1126: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of speeding. The officer issued a citation to the operator.

1142: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on River Rd. for the civil moving infraction of making an improper U-turn. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1807: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Main and Paine Sts. for the civil moving infraction of a lane violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1832: Officers responded to a report of youths on a dirt bike tearing up the field at the high school. The officers located the youths, who are juveniles

known to the officers, and towed the dirt bike. An officer spoke to the parents, who agreed to have the police hold the dirt bike. The officer filed a report.

1904: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Main St. for the civil moving infraction of an obstructed registration plate. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator, who will remove the plate covers.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

0103: An officer issued parking tickets to three vehicles without resident

parking stickers on Quincy Ave.

0136: An officer issued parking tickets to four vehicles without resident parking stickers on Hutchinson Ave.

0822: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle.

0933: An officer issued a parking ticket to a vehicle parked in the "15 Minutes Only" parking zone on Revere St.

0939: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Tafts Ave. at Mugford St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The of-

ficer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0947: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Tafts Ave. at Wyman St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0953: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Tafts Ave. at Mugford St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1051: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Washington Ave. and Shirley St. for the civil moving

infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1107: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Washington Ave. and Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1225: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Veterans Rd. and Shirley St. for the civil moving infraction of a stop sign violation. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

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"The Tewksbury's go back to the 1600s," recounted Deborah. "We have papers and family history. There were 27 kids in a one-room schoolhouse; and 20 of them were Tewksbury's."

Deborah displayed other family images, such as a picture of Ashley's great-grandfather, Charles Tewksbury, in the potting

shed. In another photograph, Ashley's grandfather, Richard "Tick" Tewksbury – who served in both world wars – is leaning against a flower delivery truck.

For 30 years, Deborah and her husband, Charlie, owned and operated Tewksbury Greenhouses while both worked for the airlines and were raising

three children. The Tewksbury Family had considered selling the property in 2011; but maintaining their family legacy took precedence.

"As a teenager, I had no interest in working in the greenhouse; but that was all about to change," said Ashley, whose duties as a youth included watering plants, and managing the cash register.

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce presented Charlie and Deborah with the 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of operating the longest-run business in Winthrop. At the ceremony, they officially handed over Tewksbury Greenhouses (and a shovel) to Ashley and her husband, Rick.

"I was moving back from West Palm Beach, Florida, and I didn't have a plan. I needed to step forward and try. I didn't know much more than a geranium; but it was great," remembered Ashley. "I was used to working in the restaurant industry. Not every day was pleasant; but it is in the greenhouse."

Incorporating her creative background in the arts was how Ashley helped Tewksbury Greenhouses flourish further. She especially enjoys arranging the suspended planters, pumpkins, corn stalks, and celosia plants of the autumn season.

"What I like most about the fall is the different containers that I plant. A lot of people come in for gift ideas that are unique," explained Ashley. "We love antiquing and repurposing different things."

Two years ago, Tewksbury Greenhouses began offering tea parties in the greenhouse on the first Sunday in October. Ashley plans a menu, and her executive chef husband prepares the finger sandwiches, pastries, and scones. In the future, Ashley hopes to offer two tea parties on consecutive weekends.

Being given artistic freedom to customize window boxes and planters for patrons' homes is what Ashley loves.

"I enjoy talking to everybody about their visions," said Ashley. "We take a lot of pride and care in our customer service, and knowledge about our plants."

When the Covid-19 pandemic caused businesses to close two weeks into Tewksbury Greenhouses' spring season, Ashley had considered purchasing a truck and driving around town to sell plants. She was relieved three weeks later, when greenhouses were added to the list of essentials.

"We were able to open. I kept the volume of people down and six feet away in the narrow paths in the greenhouses by hav-



Deborah Tewksbury, former owner of Tewksbury Greenhouses, with Michael Herbert, WIHA President, and Ashley Tewksbury-Barisano, Owner, Tewksbury Greenhouses.



A Tewksbury Family photograph beside the greenhouse.

ing booking appointments every 30 minutes, and having the greenhouses to yourself. People loved that," recalled Ashley, who also organized curbside deliveries. "It was a very successful year. Everybody was home and many people started gardening."

Today the two greenhouses are filled with 800 hanging baskets, and thousands of plants, herbs, and vegetables grown from seedlings. No harsh chemicals or pesticides are used, and the family welcomes butterflies, bees, and dragonflies.

Deborah assists in tending to the greenhouses every spring – a loving gesture that Ashley appreciates; especially considering that the family hand-waters all their plants, which can take two to three hours per greenhouse (and be done twice a day during the summer).

When Ashley's father announces that he will be visiting the greenhouses, Ashley jests to the plants that they must stand straight to pass her father's inspection.

Ashley and Rick's (almost) 8-year-old son, Brayden, is also a valued apprentice.

"My son is a big help-

er. I call him the mayor because he's very friendly and is a great door greeter," boasted Ashley. "He will hand you a tray to fill and even bring your things to the car for you. He's

very sweet."

Visit the Tewksbury Greenhouses, located at 294 Bowdoin Street, Winthrop, Monday - Saturday, 10am-6pm.



Marguerite "Peggy" Tewksbury.



Charles Tewksbury, Ashley Tewksbury-Barisano's great grandfather, in the potting shed.



Shown above and below, Tewksbury Family photographs from inside the greenhouses.



Richard "Tik" Tewksbury, Ashley's grandfather, leaning against a flower deliver truck.

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OUR Opinions

20 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

EQUALITY IN MASSACHUSETTS

It was 20 years ago this week (on May 17, 2004, to be exact), that the first marriage licenses were issued by cities and towns across Massachusetts for same-sex couples.

The marriage licenses were precipitated by the decision by the state's Supreme Judicial Court in November in the Goodridge case, which declared that same sex couples were entitled to the same legal protections and rights as heterosexual couples.

It's hard to imagine, with 20/20 hindsight, that marriage equality ever was an issue. There is not -- and never has been -- a justification for not allowing two adults to marry the person of their choosing in order to enjoy the legal status and privileges that marriage conveys.

But back in 2004, in the immediate aftermath of the Goodridge decision, there were many members of our state legislature, both Democrats and Republicans, who were talking of holding a Constitutional Convention in order to amend the state constitution to allow same-sex couples to have only so-called civil unions, not full marriage.

Massachusetts was an outlier in 2004 and fortunately the effort to call for a Constitutional Convention failed. Soon thereafter, other states allowed same-sex marriages and then in 2015, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in a 5-4 decision in the Obergefell v Hodges cases that all states must issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

However, public opinion was way ahead of the courts. Modern Family, the hit TV comedy show that started in 2007, included a gay couple among its characters. Today, polls consistently show that more than 70 percent of Americans across all party lines support same-sex marriage.

To be sure, there still is much to be done to assure equal protection of all rights for our fellow Americans of the LGTBQIA+ community. But it is worth noting the events of 20 years ago to acknowledge the momentous changes that have taken place in the course of one generation.

PLASTIC, PLASTIC EVERYWHERE

In the classic 1967 movie, the Graduate, Dustin Hoffman's character, Benjamin Braddock, a recent college graduate, is taken aside by a family friend at his graduation party, who says to him, "Ben, I just have one word of advice for you. Are you listening? 'Plastics'. There's a great future in plastics. Think about it. Will you think about it?"

"Yes sir," Benjamin replies meekly.

In 1967, plastics were nowhere near as ubiquitous as they are in 2024. But the advice given to Benjamin was prescient -- today, plastics, which are petroleum-based, are used for just about everything in our daily lives.

The problem is, plastics also are in everything, including our bodies. According to scientists, microplastics are flowing through every one of our organs and tissues, and the same is true for just about every animal on earth.

In addition, very little of the plastic that we generate is recyclable. We may think of ourselves as being virtuous when we dutifully recycle all of our plastic items every week, but a recent survey revealed that only about six percent of plastic items are recycled and that much of what is labeled as "recyclable" really is not recyclable at all. Those hard-plastic containers that hold our laundry detergent, for example, can be recycled only at a very few facilities across the country, which means that almost all of them end up in landfills, where they eventually disintegrate and make their way into the food chain and our water -- and into our bodies.

Almost 60 years after the Graduate, we are drowning -- literally -- in a sea of plastics, and with the demand for plastics ever-increasing, the problem is only going to get worse. It is estimated that by 2050, the demand for plastics will triple and the amount of plastic in the world's oceans actually will outweigh the fish.

Yes, as foretold in 1967, the future was indeed, "Plastics."

But that future -- today's present -- turned out to be a grim one.

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LETTER to the Editor

A GREAT HONOR

Dear Editor:

It was such a pleasure to see John Domenico honored and recognized for all he has done for

the Town of Winthrop over the years. As a student-athlete and class officer, I enjoyed so many opportunities to interact with him during my senior year at WHS. Always the

gentleman, someone who showed respect for others in a kind manner - not an easy job for a Principal, a Coach, and a Teacher. His morning announcements had such a familiar sound,

telling us all that the school day was underway. Congratulations J.D. Well earned!

Lou Gaglini (WHS Class of 1977)



THE MORE Things Change ...

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

10 years ago May 14, 2014

The Winthrop School Department has finalized the new Winthrop Public Schools grade configurations for the 2014-2015 school year while construction on a new Middle/High School commences. Superintendent of Schools John Mancero said the final plan will locate grades PK through 3rd at the Gorman Fort Banks School, grades 4 through 7 will be located at the Arthur T. Cummings School, and grades 8 through 12 will be at the current Middle School on Pauline St.

Well-known Winthrop resident Michael Vatalaro, who served seven years as an aide to House Speaker Robert DeLeo, is now a community relations representative with Massport and was on hand at the recent Town Council meeting where he and his colleagues informed the council about the work on a new safety runway area at Logan Airport.

Town Council President Peter Gill was on hand as the first trucks unloaded the sand that will help renourish Winthrop Beach and provide much-needed shoreline protection and mitigation of flood conditions during severe weather.

Edge of Tomorrow and Maleficent are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago May 20, 2004

The selectmen met with department heads to try to figure out how to deal with a budget deficit that still will approach \$200,000, even after the state's recently-passed budget that increases local aid for the town by \$600,000.

The budget deficit facing the School Department is expected to result in the layoffs of 17 teachers, according to School Supt. Thomas Giancristiano.

The Winthrop High Drama Society will present The Wiz this weekend at Fortunato Hall.

Mean Girls, Van Helsing, and Troy are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago May 26, 1994

Graduation exercises for the 126 members of the WHS Class of 1994 are set for Sunday at Miller Field. Neary Reth is the Valedictorian and Dan Godfrey is the Salutatorian.

Board of Selectmen Executive Secretary Virginia Wilder said that the town and the MWRA have agreed upon a date of June 4 for a diver to go into the town water tower to inspect it. The inspection will take place on a Saturday because the water flow is less than on a weekday, especially with work on the MWRA treatment plant not being as busy.

Tomorrow is the deadline for prospective buyers to submit bids for the purchase of the Winthrop Hospital, which has been in bankruptcy for the past two years.

School Supt. Joseph Laino and the School Committee have begun the work necessary to undertake the task of preparing layoff notices for teachers in order to close the \$939,000 school budget deficit.

The traditional Memorial Day parade and ceremonies are set for Monday. Local resident and WWII veteran Myer Brill will be the guest speaker.

Beverly Hills Cop III and Maverick are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago May 30, 1984

Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn and the selectmen will meet to discuss Flynn's decision to remove Deer Island Jail Commissioner James Roberts and replace him with a candidate who served 10 months in jail in New York for armed robbery.

Town officials are expressing their delight with the ranking of Winthrop by Family Circle magazine as one of the 10 safest communities in the country.

Suzanne Coca, a Winthrop High senior, has been chosen by WBZ-TV 4 as one of the Best of the Class of 1984.

Police Academy, Moscow on the Hudson, and Making the Grade are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

50 years ago May 29, 1974

More than 95 percent of the nearly \$1 million in airline tickets and bank checks that were stolen recently from Ceemore Tours Co., 130 Shirley St., were recovered by authorities in an abandoned house in Tewksbury.

Sue Ellen Shepard was chosen as the Queen of the Winthrop High Junior Prom held last week at the Ramada Inn.

J. Henry Marr has joined the office of W. Henry Burke as an associate realtor.

Mrs. Claire Hubbard, on behalf of the Winthrop Republican Women's Club, donated a Japanese cherry tree to the high school this week.

Woody Allen and Diane Keaton star in Sleeper at the Kincaid Theatre.

60 years ago May 28, 1964

The selectmen have received a petition signed by more than 100 residents of the Bowdoin-Ocean View street neighborhood demanding that the town place signs and paint street markings at the blind intersection after recent motor vehicle accidents involv-

ing pedestrian toddlers.

Chamber of Commerce Chairman William Kincaid met with the selectmen to discuss plans for the completion of the Walden St. access road into the Centre.

Winthrop firefighters were among those from surrounding communities who responded to assist with the recent, huge blaze in South Boston, which was one of the largest residential fires in the history of the City of Boston.

A federal government report reveals that 1782 local residents are receiving Social Security benefits.

Michael Princi has been elected the new President and Joanne Massa the new vice-president of the St. John the Evangelist CYO.

W. Henry Burke has announced his candidacy for the State Representative seat being vacated by Fred Baumeister, who is not seeking re-election after serving in the seat for 10 years.

Peter Sellers and George C. Scott star in Dr. Strangelove at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago May 27, 1954

The dedication of a street and playground to three Winthrop men who made the supreme sacrifice will highlight the annual Memorial Day exercises. Levy-Bramson Way, now known as Short St., off Shirley St., will be dedicated to Raymond Levy and Irving Bramson, both of whom gave their lives in WWII. Norman Daw playground will be dedicated near Lewis Lake. State Senator John M. Collins of Jamaica Plain will be the Memorial

Day guest speaker.

A citizens group has questioned whether the firm hired for \$19,000 to conduct a study of the town's drainage and sewage system is reputable. The selectmen, who chose the firm from among several bidders, have staunchly defended their choice.

The Rev. Harry P. Fogler has been appointed to succeed the Rev. Laurence W.C. Emig as pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Plans are set for Winthrop Night at the Boston Pops in Symphony Hall this evening. An all-request evening of music under the direction of famed Pops conductor Arthur Fiedler has been planned.

A large group of friends gave local resident and businessman Myer Brill a hearty bachelor's dinner prior to the occasion of his forthcoming wedding.

Bob Hope and Joan Fontaine star in Casanova's Big Night at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago May 27, 1944

Annual Memorial Day exercises are set to start at 8:15 Tuesday morning. The parade will start at Metcalf Square. All of the town's memorials will be decorated.

Mrs. Raymond Kiley is the new President of the Winthrop Catholic Woman's Club.

Another group of young men are the latest inductees to answer the call to the colors. They departed from Town Hall earlier this week.

Paulette Goddard and Fred MacMurray star in Standing Room Only at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

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uments are needed for a required in-person appointment.

“The countdown is on for REAL ID federal enforcement and the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, and its partner AAA Northeast, have successfully been issuing REAL ID credentials and are prepared for interested residents prior to the May 2025 deadline,” said Registrar of Motor Vehicles Colleen Ogilvie. “We want Massachusetts residents to know they can upgrade to the REAL ID driver’s license or identification card during their normal renewal process for the same cost as a renewal. For the customers who wish to do this, we highly recommend you schedule your appointment at least three weeks before your birthday so that you can receive your credential in the mail ahead of your expiration.”

The RMV has posted helpful information on REAL ID requirements that customers can use to prepare for their in-person visits, including convenient document checklists to help pre-stage REAL ID applications, at Mass.Gov/ID. Documents required for this transaction include two proofs of Massachusetts residency, proof of a full Social Security Number (SSN), and proof of lawful presence. Customers who have had a name change since the issuance of a birth certificate, passport or other document, will need to show the reason for the name change by presenting documentation like a marriage certificate, divorce decree or court document. These

RESIDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS FROM OSDIA



MELA (Mass Education & Law Awards) recipients from Winthrop thank the Mass Order Sons & Daughters of Italy in America (OSDIA) for their Education and Law Enforcement citations. Pictured L to R: OSDIA Mass Social Justice Commissioner Atty. Jeffrey Turco, son Joseph, and Education Award Recipient Mary Turco join Winthrop Mixed Lodge No. 2057 OSDIA Lodge Orator Donna Segreti Reilly, Law Enforcement Award recipient Winthrop Police Officer Robert J. Jaworski, and son Alex Jaworski at the MELA luncheon on May 5th. Missing from picture Chief John Goodwin and Winthrop Mixed Lodge No. 2057 President Agnes Nobile.

required documents must be original or certified versions. The RMV recommends customers gather these documents well in advance of appointments to ensure they have the information required by federal law.

Currently, Massachusetts is at 54 percent REAL ID adoption with almost 3 million credentials being REAL ID-compliant. Customers are eligible to renew up to one year in advance of the expiration date printed on their license or ID, and up to two years after the expiration date.

Prior to May 7, 2025, customers will not need a federally compliant REAL ID for the purposes of boarding domestic flights or entering certain federal buildings.

The fee for renewing a non-commercial standard or REAL ID driver’s li-

cence is \$50. The fee for renewing a Mass ID is \$25. The fee for upgrading to a standard or REAL ID card is \$25. Customers with a less than five-year stay in the U.S. pay a pro-rated fee.

Appointments can be scheduled by RMV customers by visiting the RMV’s Online Service Center at Mass.Gov/RMV or if you are a AAA member at <https://northeast.aaa.com/automotive/registry-services/massachusetts.html>.

For additional information and details on these and other RMV service offerings, please visit www.mass.gov/rmv.

FUNDRAISER BRINGS ‘DIAL M FOR MURDER’ TO THE STAGE

Thrills and chills, all for a great cause! Mystic Valley Elder Services

(MVES) will host a performance of “Dial M for Murder” Thursday, May 16, at Greater Boston Stage Company, 395 Main St., Stoneham. The show is MVES’ annual Spring for Independence fundraiser, benefitting older adults and people with disabilities in our community.

In “Dial M for Murder,” Tony believes his wife Margot is having an affair, and he wants revenge. He plans out the perfect murder. Or is it? The audience follows twists and turns as the suspense builds – will Tony succeed in his attempt and will he be caught?

“Dial M for Murder” may be best known as the 1954 Hitchcock film, but it started out as a successful stage play. Clever and fast-paced, the current show puts a modern spin on the original.

MVES invites theatergoers to a pre-show reception at 6 p.m. with complimentary cocktails and hors d’oeuvres. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$80 each at www.mves.org/dial-m-for-murder. For more about the show, please contact MVES’ Development Department at 781-388-4802 or development@mves.org

Founded in 1975, MVES provides resources and care to older adults and people with disabilities. Services include Meals on Wheels, transportation, in-home assistance, health insurance counseling, caregiver supports, and more. The nonprofit serves Chelsea, Everett, Revere, Winthrop, and seven other communities north of Boston. For more information, call 781-324-7705 or visit www.mves.org.

Winthrop Senior Center News

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Phone: 617-846-8538

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.



Monday, May 20
9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
10:00am-11:30am: Representative Turco Office Hours
10:00am-11:00am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)
11:00: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30am-2:30pm: Game Day/Mahjong

Tuesday, May 21
9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Exercise Class (\$1)
11:00am-12:00pm: Blood Pressures
11:00am: Grab & Go Lunch Pick-Up
12:30pm-2:30pm: Art Class with Dawn (\$5)

Wednesday, May 22
9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
9:30am-10:30am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)
10:30am-11:30am: Zumba with Cindy (\$5)
11:00am: Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30-12:30pm: Tai Chi / Qi Gong with Cindy (\$5)
1:15pm-2:45pm: Italian Class

Thursday, May 23
9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage
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, May 24
9:00am-12:00pm: Computer Usage
10:00am-11:00pm: Line Dancing (\$5)
11:00am- Grab and Go Lunch Pick-Up
11:30-12:30pm: Creative Writing Workshop

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.

ESSENTIALLY WELL BODYWORK HOLDS NETWORKING EVENT AT MAST



Amy Christensen, owner of Essentially Well Bodywork of Winthrop, recently held a networking event at Mast in Boston. Marco Caputo graciously donated the space, and he is the owner and Chef. The following women helped to put together the event: Aliza Anderson, The Running Yogi, Kala Malionek, Everlasting Look, Alyssa Marino, AlyRose Aesthetics, Skyla Buonopane, Essentially Well Bodywork Marketing Specialist, and Amy Christensen, Owner Essentially Well Bodywork. We also used Lynda Norton, of Bomb Mom Desserts and Justin Robitaille for photography. It was a night to create a safe and fun environment for all of us to meet, network and grow as women.

WELCOME TO WINTHROP, MATTHEW PARKER



Tiffany Kirby and Mark Shannon welcome their third child, Matthew Parker Shannon born Wednesday April 10, 2024 at 12:52pm weighing 6lbs 9.5oz- pictured with his proud siblings Mark and McKinley Shannon.

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90 years ago May 26 1934

More than 110 men are being employed for the construction of William A. Miller Field adjacent to the Winthrop Golf Club. The project is under the direction of the federal ERA. Two acres are involved with the development, with the ground being raised by three feet with sand, clay, and loam. When completed, it should be one of the best athletic fields in Eastern Mass.

A section of Shore Drive has been blocked off to motorists until repairs can be done in the wake of the damage caused by the recent storm. State Rep. Daniel J. Honan will be the guest speaker at Memorial Day exercises set for May 30. Our local legislator will

make his address in Metcalf Square.

Favorable action by the legislature is all but assured for the addition of more breakwaters along Shore Drive.

Irving P. Alexander, a young man with a wife and two children, has been named the new manager of the Winthrop and State Theatres.

Katharine Hepburn stars in Spitfire at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

100 years ago May 31, 1924

More than 90 waving emblems of freedom were placed at the graves of former comrades in battle by members of the various veterans posts in preparation for this week's Memorial Day exercises that will be highlighted by a parade,

followed by ceremonies in the town cemetery.

The three women's societies of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, the Ladies Social Union, the Women's Home Missionary Society, and the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, have realized the fruits of their cooperative efforts this year with joint meetings and luncheons.

110 years ago May 30, 1914

The Civil and Spanish War veterans will conduct Memorial Day exercises starting at 8:45. Commander George Russell of the Spanish War vets is to be commended for the admirable job his post has accomplished in tracing the unmarked graves of veterans in our cemetery and securing funds from

Congress for headstones.

Of the 22 communities that comprise Greater Boston, Revere has shown the greatest percentage increase in population in the past four years, with Winthrop a close second. Revere went from 18,219 to 22,522 people, while Winthrop's population grew from 10,132 to 11,866. Boston itself increased in population from 620,585 to 733,802.

Winthrop residents now are required to separate paper from other rubbish and to place it into bundles.

Town officials also are trying to devise regulations addressing the length of women's bathing suits.

120 years ago May 28, 1904

Each year, the num-

ber of men taking part in Memorial Day exercises grows notably less, and as they march in ranks, striving to keep step to tap to the drum, their halting gait and bent forms tell more plainly than can be placed into words of the hardships and privations endured in their country's service and of the years elapsed since then, when in full youth and vigor, the drumbeat first called them from school, farm, and ship to march to the defense of the nation's honor in the Civil War. The exercises this year on May 30 will start with a parade at 8:30 in the morning that will form at Town Hall. A crowd of 50,000 jammed Revere Beach the past weekend. Five years ago, a crowd of 500 before June 17 would have been

considered large.

130 years ago May 26, 1894

F.J. Moses, moderator at the recent cantankerous Town Meeting, responds to his critics that he conducted the meeting according to the utmost parliamentary standards and with the most exact and indiscriminating justice to every gentleman who took part.

The War Veterans will assemble at their hall on Pauline St. at 8:00 in the morning for the commencement of Memorial Day exercises. After the procession to the cemetery, the graves of the deceased will be fittingly decorated. A banquet and reception will follow in Town Hall.

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Cod by Doctor Frank Carey, of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in the 1970s-early 1980s. Then, white sharks were overly exploited by recreational and commercial fishing; and the seal population was decimated nearly to extinction.

In 1979, while witnessing a white shark feeding on a whale carcass, Carey inserted an acoustic tag to record the animal's behavior. The three-and-a-half-day glimpse into the biology of the white shark was the first of its kind.

"A short track by today's standards; but in those days, it was riveting and a landmark paper on a global scale," exclaimed Skomal. "What I thought was really cool about this is he was also able to tell where the shark was on the water's continental shelf."

Those studies had remained the only research scientists knew about the behavior of white sharks until Skomal and his associates began their work in 2009.

Skomal believes that as a result of the U.S. government's 1997 designation of the white shark as a prohibited species, its population has been rebounding. Additionally, since the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 afforded marine mammals the highest level of protection, seals have begun to recolonize.

"We're not seeing more white sharks because of climate change; we're seeing more white sharks because of seals," Skomal clarified. "White sharks are one of the only species that can affectively attack and kill pinnipeds, a term for seals and sea lions. Where there are breeding colonies and big haul-outs, white sharks will go to those areas at different times of the year, when environmental conditions are ideal to target and feed. Seals are a rich source of energy."

In 2004, Skomal sensed that white sharks were

predictably returning to Cape Cod when a 13-foot-long female spent two weeks in an estuary in the Elizabeth Islands, south of Woods Hole. He inserted a sophisticated satellite tag upon meeting her. Over the course of a half-a-dozen years, Skomal has witnessed the reappearance of more white sharks.

"In the time those two species were gone, Cape Cod evolved from an agricultural community to a more tourist-based economy. Water activities – from surfing, kayaking, paddleboarding, and scuba diving – became very popular," described Skomal. "When you re-establish a top predator feeding on its natural prey, which sometimes looks like people, you get potential for negative interactions between sharks and people."

Up until a series of fatal events, Skomal's studies concentrated on the sharks' large-scale movements using satellite and acoustic technology. He began focusing on collecting information that could enhance public safety and help swimmers, beach management, and lifeguards become more aware of the presence of sharks.

"There is a lot of anxiety on Cape Cod because of these animals," Skomal acknowledged. "We assume when sharks bite humans, they're making a mistake. If it was intentional, they would consume the person; and they very rarely – if ever – consume the person. It's good news in that they are not targeting people. They're targeting what they perceive as their natural prey, which is seals. If we know when they're trying to feed, where they're trying to feed, and how they feed on seals, then we can perhaps advise the public. This is an ambitious project. The ultimate goal is to advance public safety."

Skomal explained the tools he uses to understand the sharks' patterns:

acoustic telemetry, broad and fine-scale arrays, wide receivers, satellite technology, and behavior tags.

"This is the latest and greatest technology, as far as I'm concerned. They're camera systems that we're mounting on fish," expressed Skomal. "Drone technology has really taken off, as well. Observing the animals from the air is another, too. I want to know what they do every minute to minute; second to second."

Instead of chumming to draw the sharks in to capture and tag, Skomal and his team travel to the sharks directly. Once pilot, Wayne Davis, spots a shark from the air, he notifies Skomal. From the bow pulpit of a boat, Skomal uses a long tagging pole to insert a small, intermuscular dart into the base of a free-swimming shark's dorsal fin. The tag is tethered to an acoustic transmitter, which emits a high-frequency of 69 kilohertz. When a fixed receiver detects a shark over a range of 500 yards, it logs the time, date, and shark identification. These acoustic tags last some 10 years.

"What I'm not trying to do is handle, catch, and hook the shark, or do anything that's going to change its behavior," explained Skomal, who showed footage of a white shark tagging sequence. "We set up an array of acoustic receivers all around Massachusetts to get a sense of where the sharks spend their time."

The same method is used to attach satellite tags, which record temperature, depth, and light levels every 10 seconds. They can be programmed for up to a year and will float to the water's surface.

"The data we've collected from our tags has blown up into over a million data points from our sharks that show these animals are not only coastal; but also have an oceanic



Mike Shaughnessy, Brendan Heath, and Sam Muto, of the Massachusetts State Police Marine Unit, who described their scuba gear and explained the underwater recovery unit, with Greg Skomal, shark biologist for the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, and Charlie Kubik and Liam Woodward.



Deputy Tom Maguire and Deputy Ken Stokes, of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, with Nash, 5, and Beau Bradshaw, 2.



Paul Leary, Harvey Leibovitz, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Pat Leary, and Stephen Machcinski, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

phased," Skomal emphasized. "When they go into the Atlantic, they dive into depths of 3,000 feet every day; and there is no scientist who can tell you why."

Although sharks emerge throughout the coast of Massachusetts, Skomal and his team tag sharks primarily along the outer Cape. They typically haul receivers into the water at the end of May, and will remove them in January or February.

Based on collected figures, scientists can examine the frequency of predatory events, when they are occurring over the course of a day or night, and recreate the three-dimensional movements of the shark.

"Their presence is really driven by water temperature. Once we drop below 50 degrees, they're moving out of here," said Skomal, who has catalogued over 700 individual sharks in Massachusetts.

"I work closely with almost every harbormaster in Massachusetts to try to get a receiver in their waters," revealed Skomal. "My agency has receivers off Boston, Salem, and Cape Ann; and works with harbormasters from Hingham to Plymouth, and around Cape Cod."

Skomal noted the peak



Dennis DeCarney, Kevin Janielis, and Donny Lancelotte, of Winthrop's Office of the Harbormaster, describing water safety and their rescue equipment.

months of August, September, and October, when there are an abundance of seals and temperatures are optimal. Tagging data reveals that the highest number of white sharks congregate on the outer Cape from Provincetown to Monomoy, and on the eastern side of Cape Cod Bay, where they capture their prey.

"You would think that because I'm on the water 30-40 times a year off Cape Cod that I'd see this every day; but over the course of 15 years, I've only seen it about 30 times," Skomal pointed out. "When we get one of those rare observations of a shark suc-

cessfully feeding on a seal, we'll try to videotape the shark consuming the seal, and get information on the depth, temperature, size of the shark, the nature of the seal, which species of seal, and the size of the seal."


White sharks are ambush predators that spend a considerable amount of time lingering between deep sand bars. They can accelerate up to 15-miles-an-hour while in pursuit of seals.

"Know what your beaches look like low and high tide," advised Skomal. "Know the sand-bar system, and deep troughs, and use that information to inform the public."




Guests gathering at the Neil Shapiro Performing Arts Center at Winthrop High School for the Friends of Winthrop Beach "Shark Talk with Doctor Gregory Skomal" on May 9.

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WHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

NICK CAPPUCCIO SETS NEW WHS MARK IN 100 DASH

It is a sports truism that records are made to be broken, and that's what happened on the track at Miller Field at Friday's tri-meet among Winthrop, Saugus, and Excel Academy when Viking junior Nicholas Cappuccio wrote himself into the Winthrop High record books in the 100 meter dash with a clocking of 10.6 seconds, eclipsing the mark of 10.88 set by the legendary Steve Staffier -- who was the New England champion (and, like Cappuccio, also a star running back on the gridiron) -- that had stood for 40 years.

Cappuccio's record-setting feat in the 100 (Nick also won the 200 dash in a time of 22.2 and took second in the discus) was the chief individual highlight for the Vikings, who defeated both Saugus (85-50) and Excel (84-45).

Other notable performances for the Vikings came from Thomas D'Amico, who topped the field in the triple jump with a final landing of 35'-2", followed closely by teammate Liam Natareno, who came in second in the triple with his leap of 34'-4"; double-winner George Galuris, who had the best discus toss of the day with a spin of 107'-7" and beat all comers (by more than 35 feet!) in the javelin with a throw of 142'-8"; Gabriel Perez (5:30.3) and Natareno (5:37.0), who went 1-2 vs. the field in the 1-mile; Lorenzo Prevosti (11:56.3) and Thomas D'Amico (11:56.9), who likewise finished 1-2 in the 2-mile; and Aaron Armitstead, who scored points vs. both Excel and Saugus in the high jump, long jump, 400 hurdles, and 110 hurdles.

TWO STRAIGHT FOR BOYS LACROSSE, RANKED 16TH IN D-4

The Winthrop High boys lacrosse team got back on the winning track with a pair of victories this past week over Northeastern South Division rivals Gloucester and Salem.

Coach Brian Donnelly's Vikings now stand at 8-5 on the season and are ranked 16th in the state in Division 4 in the MIAA's power ratings. If the Vikings can maintain that status, they will be assured of a home game in the Round of 32 in the post-season state tourney.

"After a string of tough games, we got the response we wanted from our players with a pair or definitive wins," said Donnelly.

In this past Thursday's contest at Gloucester, the Vikings defeated the Fisherman, 16-11, paced by what Donnelly termed "another pair of dominant performances by Ace Daignault and Seth Sacco.

Ace had five goals on the day and was just a menace around the crease. Seth continued to prove an issue for opposing defensemen as well, putting in six goals and three assists. They have an excellent two-man game that continues to develop despite usually drawing our opponent's best two defensemen on the field."

O'Leary also had a goal and two assists.

"Colin has moved from a long pole middle to getting more looks as a short-stick middle," said Donnelly. "It was also great to see sophomore Thomas Babine step up as a faceoff guy and get us some solid wins."

The Vikings followed up that win with a 16-6 victory over Salem this past Monday at Miller Field.

"It was a great team win," said Donnelly. "We were able to give a lot of our varsity players some excellent time. It was good to see some goals coming from Steven Lindinger, who always works super hard as a defensive mid-

die both in practice and in games, as well as getting some of our other guys some solid time.

"Overall, our defense has been doing well clearing the ball with all three close defensemen, Donovan Cassidy, Daniel Thomai, and Sean Dolan, improving their stick skills and footwork," continued Donnelly. "They are a solid core who work hard to improve. Freshman Paul Ferrara has been a huge help coming on the wing as well and has taken a much bigger role as the season has progressed. We have a lot of guys stepping up both on the field and in more leadership roles which is great.

"Down the line it will be important to have players like goalie Hunter Fife continue to be an anchor for us in net and Michael Holgerson continue to give us the confidence and experience in big games," Donnelly added. "We have a string of tough games coming up with Marblehead and D-4 Hamilton Wenham slated for this week, so we just want to continue to compete and string together four full quarters of solid Viking lacrosse as we head into our last two weeks of games."

Donnelly and his crew have five games left in the regular season. They took on Marblehead yesterday (Wednesday) and will host Hamilton-Wenham tomorrow (Friday) at Miller Field at 4:30. They will entertain Lynnfield on Monday under the lights at Miller at 6:00 and then will travel to Salem on Tuesday before returning home next Thursday to entertain Beverly at 5:00 in the season finale.

GIRLS TRACK RUNS TO FIFTH STRAIGHT

The Winthrop High girls outdoor track and field team made it five victories in a row with wins over Saugus (76-60) and Excel Academy (107-17) in a tri-meet held last Friday at Miller Field.

Top performers for the Lady Vikings included Ariana Cappuccio, who outsprung the field in the 100 dash in 13.0 seconds; Reese Brodin, who topped the field in the javelin with a throw of 81'-7"; Shannon Abbott, who was the best in the 100 hurdles with a clocking of 18.4; the duo of Hailey DeMarco (3:01) and Danika Ripley (3:06.5) who went 1-2 in the 800; and the tandem of April Ferguson (6:48.2) and Ella Giacalone (7:11.5) who did likewise in the 1-mile.

Sophomore Colin

WHS GIRLS LACROSSE RANKS 24TH IN D-4; 100 POINTS FOR PARKER

The Winthrop High girls lacrosse team has been on a roll of late, winning three straight contests, improving to 6-10 on the season, and moving up in the MIAA Division 4 power rankings to #24, which would qualify coach Anthony Hatzisavas's squad for the post-season state tourney.

This past Monday, the Lady Vikings cruised past Salem, 15-5, which was highlighted by senior captain Hannah Parker notching her 100th career point.

"Hannah has been a tremendous player for this program during her four years and is even more impactful off the field," said Hatzisavas. "She is a three-sport captain and also class president. I can't talk enough about the great things Hannah has done for this school, so this is just another thing to add to the list."

Fellow senior captain Sam Dimento has also been a huge asset on the field for the Vikings.

"Sam plays the game of lacrosse the right way and is always in the right spot and makes the right play every time," said Hatzisavas.

The coach also lauded the play of senior captain Giulia Bordanaro. "Giulia has been an anchor for us on the defensive end," Hatzisavas said. "Our defense has improved every game and Giulia is a huge part of that."

The coach also had words of praise for other members of the team.

"Junior Talia Martucci has been a huge factor for us on the offensive end," he said. "She is a great goal-scorer and also has been doing a great job finding her open teammates. Adrianna Rizzotto

WHS VIKINGS VARSITY GIRL'S TENNIS SENIORS HONORED AT ANNUAL CEREMONY



The Lady Viking Tennis Seniors, Mira Ivanis, Nadia Aldweib, Caitlin Fobert, Alesia Collaku, Daniela Estrada, and Emily Barrera.

has been great in net for us and is becoming one of the best goalies in the conference. It's very nice being able to rely on her to make some huge saves for us."

Hatzisavas and his crew will be looking for a strong finish down the stretch run of their season. They took on Marblehead yesterday (Wednesday) and will travel to Bishop Fenwick today (Thursday). They will host Somerville on Monday and will wrap up the regular season when they entertain Salem on Tuesday.

TWO MORE WINS FOR FLAG FOOTBALL TEAM, NOW 9-1

The Winthrop High flag football team improved its record to 9-1 on the season with a pair of victories this past week over Peabody and Pentucket on the latter's home field in West Newbury.

The Lady Vikings defeated Peabody, 34-12, and Pentucket, 34-18.

"We had a huge defensive performance from Kate Brodin," said WHS head coach John Cross. "The defensive unit led by coach Eddie Marsden was great in bending, but not breaking, shutting down both of our opponents in the second half of each game. Offensively, we had big games from Reese Brodin and Kaylee Farrell

at wide receiver. Hannah Parker was great in the center position, securing many first downs.

Cross and his squad, who are in second place in their conference, are scheduled to take on Peabody and Salem this evening (Thursday) at Russell Field in Cambridge and Chelsea and Needham next Thursday in Chelsea.

WHS BASEBALL LOOKING TO QUALIFY FOR TOURNEY

The Winthrop High baseball team earned a pair of tight victories in the past two weeks which bodes well for the Vikings as they enter the stretch run of their season in hopes of qualifying for a state tourney berth.

Coach Mark DeGregorio's squad stands at 5-10 (with five games to play) and is ranked 34th in Division 4 in the MIAA power ratings. A team needs to achieve either a .500 record or finish in the top 32 in the power rankings in order to reach the post-season.

"We feel like we are starting to play some of our best ball at the right time," said DeGregorio midway through a stretch of four challenging contests in which the Vikings won two games and dropped two, one by one-run and the other in extra

innings.

Last Friday, Winthrop hosted non-league rival Wakefield, which currently sits at the number five seed in Division 3.

"We started Matthew DeCarney on the mound," said Degregorio. "He pitched really well. His fastball had a lot of life to it and he was getting his slider over for strikes, which has been the key to Matthew having good outings this year."

The teams were scoreless through the first two innings, but Wakefield broke through for three runs in the third. However, the Vikings responded with three markers of their own in the bottom of the inning.

Evan Rockefeller led off by beating out an infield single. Will Murphy and Joe Pumphret then laid down two perfect bunts that the Wakefield defense was unable to field because of the placement. With the bases loaded, Winthrop scored runs on a fielder's choice and a sacrifice by Phil Boncore.

Winthrop moved out to a 5-3 lead thanks to some nice hitting by Billy Hayes, Petey Silverman, and Will Murphy. DeGregorio then turned the ball over to Jay Fotiades after DeCarney's pitch began to rise. Jay pitched well over the final few innings,

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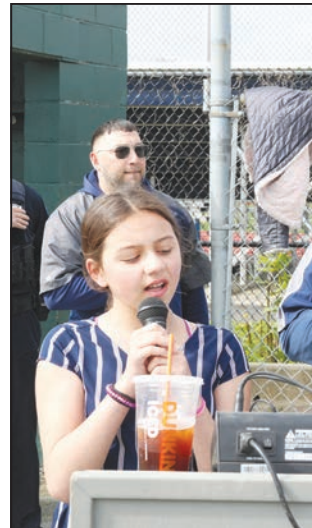
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Catchers Declan Cassidy, Chase Triant, and Cam Lounsdury, with Winthrop Town Manager Tony Marino, Mike Vatalaro, Representative Jeff Turco, Senator Lydia Edwards, and President Matt Emanuelson.



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Members of the Winthrop softball league.

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but Wakefield was able to tie the game in the top of the seventh after a few misplays and then was ultimately able to come out on top in extras in the ninth inning.

"It was a hard-fought game and a tough loss because Wakefield is an excellent team and it would have been a great win for us," said DeGregorio. "However, I think it showed that we can compete with solid, play-off-bound teams."

"We were fortunate enough to be able to play the very next day against Sharon, so we didn't have time to think about the extra-inning loss for too long," added DeGregorio.

Matthew Reardon earned the starting nod on the mound and did not disappoint. "Last year Matthew lost a 2-1 pitching duel to Sharon and this

year he was determined to not let history repeat itself," said DeGregorio. "Another big change for us in this game was Spencer Parco getting his first start at catcher. Spencer has been our third baseman for most of last year and this year. He really did a great job behind the plate, blocking the ball and holding his own. It was great to see as a coach how he was willing to play a position that he hasn't played in years. He is a very good athlete so we had a feeling he would be able to get the job done and that is exactly what he did."

Sharon was able to score a few runs in the first inning on some hits and a misplayed ball in the field, "but the coaches looked at Matthew after the top of the first and saw the intensity. He was not happy about the top of the first

and he then went out and was absolutely masterful. He shut down Sharon for the remainder of the game," DeGregorio said. "He was dominant. It was the hardest we have ever seen him throw. It was actually funny, because at one point in the game, you could hear some of the fans making comments about how hard he was throwing."

Reardon tossed his second complete game of the year, yielding just two earned runs, walking one, and fanning eight enemy batters.

Winthrop tied the game in the bottom of the first, loading the bases early and producing runs on some base hits and a running play that the Vikings have practiced for a while to try and get a cheap run.

"With two outs and the bases loaded, we desper-

ately wanted to get the tying run in before the third out," said DeGregorio. "We put a play on where our runner at second takes such a big lead we are hoping the pitcher will try and pick him off. That is exactly what he did. As soon as the pitcher spun, the runner at second stopped to get in a run-down, while the runner at third took off for home. It was executed perfectly to tie the game."

"This game against Sharon was one of the most fun games I have coached in my last three years in the program," DeGregorio added. "We executed that running play, we called three bunts for a hit and got all three down perfectly, and we called multiple pick-off plays and got two huge pick-offs in key situations. All in all, the game was one the few games that as a coach you have

a very hard time finding mistakes or something that needs to be fixed in the next practice."

Pete Silverman, Joe Pumphret, Mike Donahue, and Spencer Parco were the hitting stars for the Vikings.

"It was a great game and the coaches were very pleased with the team's effort over those two games," said DeGregorio.

The Vikings next hosted Beverly this past Friday. "Beverly is always a good team and we were facing their #1 pitcher, who has basically won every game he has pitched this season," said DeMarco. "We knew it was going to be a tough game for us, especially as it has been a while since Winthrop beat Beverly in baseball."

Senior captain DeCarney earned the start against Beverly. "Matthew

has been throwing the ball really well as of late," noted DeGregorio. The decision proved to be the right one, as Matthew went the distance and pitched a complete game in only 80 pitches.

"We talked to him before the game about attacking hitters and throwing strikes" DeGregorio said. "We did not want them to have any free passes and he did not disappoint, as he only walked two batters, compared to five strikeouts."

Beverly grabbed an early lead with a run in the third inning on two base hits. Winthrop was able to limit the damage with a great play from Silverman in center field to cut down a runner on a force play to third base. That would prove to be the only run

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OBITUARIES

Robert "Chubba" Carter Sr.

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Beachmont Yacht Club

Robert M. "Chubba" Carter Sr. of Revere, formerly of Winthrop, passed away on May 9, 2024. He was 81 years old.

Robert was the beloved husband of Janice M. Cantelli. Born in Winthrop, he was the cherished son of the late Mildred (Duggan) and Charles L. Carter Sr.

Prior to his retirement, Robert worked as a tow truck driver for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. He served in the Massachusetts Army National Guard from 1963-1966. Robert was a life member of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks #1078 and the Beachmont Yacht Club in Revere.

He was the devoted father of Robert Carter Jr. and his wife, Jill of Winthrop and Wayne Carter and his wife, Lisa of Saugus; the devoted grandfather of Kaitlyn and twins, Michael and Danielle Carter and Jessica and



Victoria Carter; the dear brother of John Carter and his late wife, Margaret of Palm Bay, FL, Nancy Cohen and her husband, Kenneth of Salem, NH, Fred Carter and his wife, Christine of Salem, NH and the late Charles "Chubba" Carter Jr. Robert is also survived by several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Visiting hours will be held in the Maurice W. Kirby Funeral Home, 210 Winthrop St., Winthrop on Friday, May 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. A funeral service will be held in the funeral home beginning at 7:30 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN. 38105 or to Care Dimensions 75 Sylvan St. Ste. B-102, Danvers, MA. 01923. To sign Robert's guestbook, please visit our website at www.mauricekirbyfh.com.

Harvey Arnold Maibor

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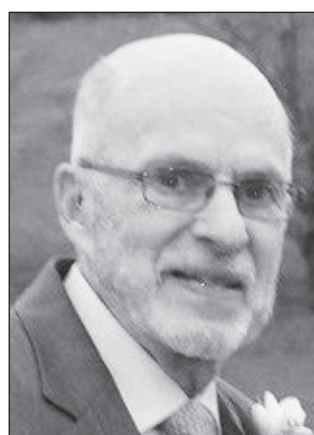
Harvey Arnold Maibor, 84, of Brooksby Village in Peabody, passed away on May 13th, surrounded by family, after a brave battle with Alzheimer's.

The devoted husband to Ruth for nearly 62 years, he was the beloved father to Carolyn Maibor, Scott Maibor and his wife, Lisa Chakalos Maibor and dotting Papa to Jennie, Nathan, Claudia, Charlotte, and Michael, Harvey will be remembered by all who knew him for his sense of humor, his warmth and his love of people.

Born in Boston on October 20, 1939 to Freida and Julius Maibor, Harvey was raised primarily in Chelsea, moving to Winthrop with his family as a High School student. He earned degrees in electrical engineering at both Wentworth Institute of Technology and Northeastern University, where he later returned to pursue his MBA.

Working at both Nasa and HUD, Harvey was fascinated by all things technical. But the most important thing he earned while studying at Northeastern, was the love of his life, Ruth. They built a wonderful life together, raising their family, owning several businesses, contributing actively through volunteer work to their town and synagogue, boating around Boston Harbor and New England, and travelling the country and the world. Post retirement, they enjoyed being snowbirds in Delray Beach, Florida and taking Life Long Learning classes at the local university.

Harvey's curiosity was infectious and continued throughout his life, en-



compassing everything from taking classes and studying new technologies, to teaching himself how to play the organ, cut watermelons into elaborate fruit bowls, or refurbish an antique dollhouse.

Despite the enormously frustrating loss of his speech in recent months, he managed to find ways to communicate his love of and joy in others, giving bear hugs and smiles to friends and family -- and sometimes sticking his tongue out or making funny faces and waving and blowing kisses from his window to staff and caregivers as they left the building for the day. His whole being exuded warmth, even when he couldn't express it verbally. He will be deeply missed.

A chapel funeral service for Harvey was held on Wednesday, May 15 at Stanetsky -Hymanson Memorial Chapel, 10 Vinnin Street, Salem, MA 01970. Interment followed at Temple B'nai Israel of Beachmont Cemetery, 232 Fuller Street, Everett, 02149.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in his memory to the Alzheimer's Association, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute or Care Dimensions.

Eleanor Smalley

Retired teacher who will be remembered for her caretaking nature, warmth and great sense of humor

Eleanor L. (Tallent) Smalley, 88, of Bridgewater, passed away on May 2 surrounded by her family. Eleanor was raised in Winthrop, where she was known as "Ellie." She raised her family in Brockton and has been a resident of Bridgewater for the past 32 years.

Eleanor graduated from Salem State University and achieved her master's degree in education from Cambridge College. While raising six kids, she had a remarkable lifelong career as an elementary school teacher and was at the Brookfield School in Brockton for more than 30 years. She often talked about how rewarding a job it was. In her "free" time, she enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles, her grandchildren, and she was an avid sports fan.

Over the years, Eleanor could often be found with one of the many extracurricular activities of her children and grandchildren as she was their biggest fan and constant source of love and support. She will be remembered for her caretaking nature, warmth and her great sense of humor.

She was the beloved wife of 65 years to Robert S. "Bob" Smalley who passed away last year; the devoted mother of the late Robert Smalley, Jr. and his wife, Lynne of Whitman, Catherine Robinson and her late husband, Thomas of Raynham, Thomas Smalley and his wife, Angela of East Bridgewater, Mary Hagen and her husband, Michael of Bridgewater, James Smalley of Michigan and Julie Capirchio and her husband, Marco of Ontario, Canada. She was the loved Nana of Eric Spring, Brian Spring, Carly Freitas, Scott Pring-



le, Adam Robinson, Robert Pringle, Leah Pringle, Kimberly Evans, Kaitlyn James, Michael Hagen, Thomas Hagen, Joseph Hagen, James Smalley, Jr., Olivia Capirchio and Alex Capirchio, and Nana Ellie to 21 great-grandchildren. Eleanor was the daughter of the late James and Catherine Tallent. She was the loving sister of the late James W. Tallent, Jr. and the late Herbert Tallent, and was pre-deceased by her sisters-in-law: Barbara Tallent, Constance Tallent and Sheila Tallent and her brother-in-law William Smalley. She was the dear sister-in-law to Patricia Clark and her husband, Joseph of Winthrop and Phyllis Smalley of Framingham. She leaves behind many cherished nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Funeral arrangements were by Chapman Funerals and Cremations, 98 Bedford Street, Bridgewater. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, May 8th, at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Bridgewater and burial followed at Pine Hill Cemetery, West Bridgewater. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Eleanor may be made to the Jimmy Fund or to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. See www.ChapmanFuneral.com for online condolences.

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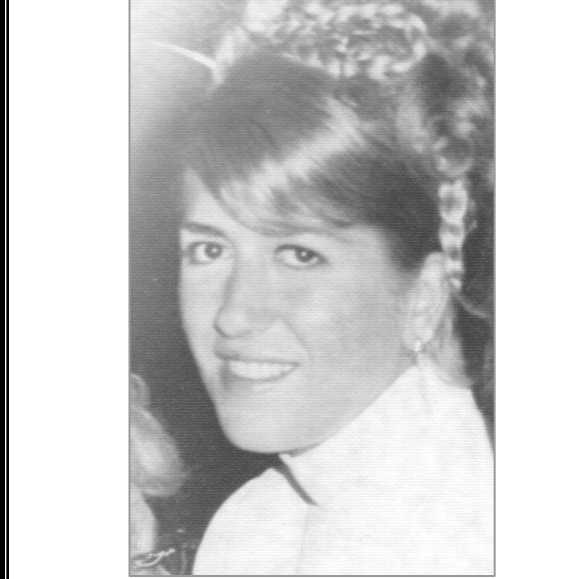
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In every beat of my heart, I feel your presence even though you're physically gone. Today, on your death anniversary, I honor the love and memories we shared.

Loved and Missed,
Your Husband Frank

In Loving Memory

On, April 21, 2024, we lost our beloved son, brother, nephew, cousin, buddy, and friend, Todd Gavin Sullivan.



Our family would like to thank you for kindness, for sharing your stories, for waiting in a long line, for being there to comfort and support us, and most of all your presence and your kindness. It is with friends, neighbors and family like you that have helped, and continue to help us, get through this difficult time.

Todd loved being a resident of Winthrop and enjoyed spending hours down Winthrop Center visiting with his local friends. He was a member of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks #1078 and proprietor of his catering business, Miami Catering.

Todd was known as the ultimate grill master and he made the best chowder in town. He loved his family, his furry friend, Tallulah, the Miami Dolphins, summertime cookouts, and he loved making people laugh. He took pride in his job as Property Manager at Club 389 and he found so much joy in serving people and made it look so easy.

Todd was a kind and generous soul, with a heart of gold, and he loved helping people. He would have been blown away by the attendance and the outpouring of love to honor his life. May Todd's legacy of generosity live on in all our hearts forever.

Thank you for your heartfelt condolences and for being there for us. We are so grateful.
With love, The Sullivan Family.

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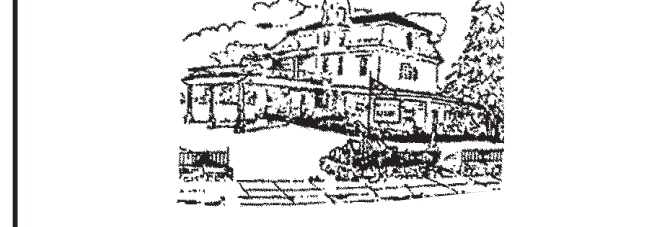
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OBITUARIES

Carolyn Lyons

Her life was a beacon of light and love to all who were fortunate enough to know her



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Carolyn Lyons, a beloved member of the Winthrop community. Carolyn departed this world on May 12, 2024, leaving behind a legacy of compassion and care that will forever be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Born and raised in Winthrop, Carolyn was a proud alumna of Winthrop High School, where she cultivated lifelong friendships and a love for her hometown. Following her passion for helping others, she pursued a nursing degree at Endicott College, from which she graduated with distinction.

Throughout her career, Carolyn dedicated herself to serving the elderly residents of Winthrop through her work at various nursing homes in the town. Her gentle touch, kind words, and unwavering commitment to providing comfort and care to those in need touched the lives of countless individuals and families.

Carolyn's passing leaves a void in the hearts of many, but her legacy of love, kindness, and selflessness will continue to inspire and uplift us all. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, colleagues, and the community she so faithfully served.

She was the loving mother of Peter L. Lyons and his wife, Anne Ma-

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that Beverly would score, as DeCarney didn't allow another base hit for the remainder of the game.

Winthrop drew even in the bottom of the fourth on a base hit by Parco (who has been really hot at the plate as of late), who then proceeded to steal two bases to get to third. After a walk drawn by Billy Hayes, the Vikings put on a first-and-third play that they have worked on over the past few years. Hayes walked off first to draw the pitcher's attention, with the pitcher having to choose between letting the runner go or trying to get Hayes in a run-down. The Beverly hurler chose the latter option and as soon as he threw the ball, Parco took off from third and scored the game-tying run.

"We were unsuccessful for the most part generating anything offensively against their ace, so we thought it would be a good opportunity to try and put pressure on Beverly," noted DeGregorio.

The score remained at 1-1 going into the bottom of the seventh. Parco led off with a walk after a great at-bat. Winthrop then decided to sacrifice Parco to second base to try and get him into scoring position. Billy Hayes laid down a great bunt that Beverly was unable to field, so he reached first as well.

Now with runners at first and second, Michael Donahue tried to bunt to get Parco to third with one out. Beverly put on a wheel play to try and cut down the lead runner at third, but they were unsuccessful and Winthrop had the bases loaded.

"At that time we decided to try and get the game-winning run across on a safety squeeze, since we only had one hit going into the bottom of the seventh and we had just bunted successfully two times in a row," said DeGregorio. "It turned out to be the right call. Phil Boncore bunted the ball down the first base line and Parco was able to come home with the game-winning run.

"It was a great team win," said DeGregorio. "We got some great defense throughout the game. We turned a double play and we made two diving plays. It was a great team effort against a very good pitcher and a notoriously very good Beverly team."

The very next day the Vikings traveled to Swampscott for a makeup on the Wednesday rainout. Winthrop turned to Reardon, who has been great on the mound this year.

Swampscott was able to score and take a 1-0 lead in the first inning on two errors, but after the shaky start, the Vikings were able to settle in, tying the game up with two outs in the top of the third after freshman Joseph Pumphret was able to get on base, steal second, and come home on an RBI single by Silverman.

Unfortunately, that would prove to be the extent of the Winthrop offense on the day, as the Vikings managed just four base hits from Boncore, Silverman, Hayes, and Parco. Swampscott meanwhile, was able to push across the go-ahead, and eventual winning, run in the fourth and could have had more, but Hayes made a diving catch in right field to save two runs

"Matthew Reardon did a great job of battling throughout the game," observed DeGregorio. "He pitched another complete game in only 78 pitches. He did a great job of keeping Swampscott at bay, and it was just another game to add to an impressive season for him.

"We have five games left on the schedule with three NEC games and then we finish with two non-conference games," DeGregorio added. "We will need to be competitive and try to win a few of those games in order to get into the playoffs this year."

The Vikings were scheduled to play at Saugus yesterday (Wednesday) and will host Salem tomorrow afternoon (Friday), Marblehead on Monday, Amesbury next Wednesday, and Manchester-Essex next Friday.

WALK-OFF WIN FOR WHS SOFTBALL ON SENIOR SATURDAY

The Winthrop High softball team celebrated Senior Day in appropriate fashion with a walk-off, 8-7 victory over Northeastern Conference rival Swampscott Saturday morning at the Little League field. Even more appropriately, it was senior captain Carolina Gonzalez, who was honored before the game along with fellow senior Gianna Indrisano for their contributions to the Lady Viking softball program, who delivered the game-winning RBI with the walk-off base hit.

Makayla Herdt pitched all seven innings for Winthrop, striking out six Lady Big Blue batters and helping herself at the plate with a triple, a single, and an RBI. Fran Indrisano had two RBIs and Deanna Nee had two singles with an RBI as the designated player. Izzy Cash had a single and a double and threw out another runner at the plate to catcher Fran Indrisano.

"It was truly an amazing game to coach and watch, with strong hitting, fielding, and overall intensity," said WHS head coach Erin Vercruysse.

The dramatic triumph was the second win for the Lady Vikings in the past week. Last Monday, Winthrop defeated Excel Academy at home, winning in five innings, 18-6. Hannah Barrett pitched a complete game, striking

out 10 and only allowing four hits. Izzy Cash and Makayla Herdt tallied home runs for the Lady Vikings, Makayla's being a walk-off that invoked the mercy rule in the bottom of the fifth. Fran Indrisano had a triple that turned into a roundtrip-per following an error by Excel's third baseman. Overall, the Lady Vikings accumulated 15 hits on the night with every girl on the roster seeing playing time in the field.

"As coaches, we were very proud of the entire team's performance," said Vercruysse. "They showed up to play and made it happen."

Although the Lady Vikings dropped contests to Danvers and Salem during the past week, Vercruysse was upbeat about her team's effort.

"We went to Danvers and played a great game," said Vercruysse. "Although they mercied us in five innings, with a score of 18-1, the girls played tough and kept their heads in the game."

Highlights for Winthrop came from capt. Amelia Spencer, who went 2-for-2 with a single and a double, scoring the only run; Carolina Gonzalez, who had the RBI; and Izzy Cash,

who had a spectacular night in center field with two putouts and throwing out a Danvers runner at home plate.

"Izzy's arm has been stellar and her ability to track the ball in the outfield has led to some big outs for us," noted Vercruysse. Jenna Whitehead tallied three putouts at second base and Makayla Herdt pitched all five innings with intensity.

This past Friday the Lady Vikings trekked to Salem's Mack Park, coming up short, 16-4, in five innings. "The team really showed up behind a strong pitching performance from Makayla Herdt," said Vercruysse. Deanna Nee had two singles and a double for two RBIs and also threw a runner out at the plate from left field.

"The team showed much improvement from our first game of the season against Salem, earning recognition from the Salem asst. coach," noted Vercruysse.

Winthrop will host NEC foe Saugus this Sunday at 11:00 in a make-up game and then will entertain Gloucester Monday afternoon and Lynn Classical Thursday afternoon.

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Anna "Edna" Luongo

Of East Boston



Anna "Edna" (D'Apice) Luongo of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on Monday, May 13 at 95 years of age.

The beloved wife of the late Gerard "Jerry" Luongo, she was the devoted mother of Gail Marotta and her husband, Richie of Reading, Donna Rich and her husband, Steven of East Boston and Denise Baglio and her husband, Jackie of East Boston; dear sister of the late Margaret Rossi, Louise Clabo, Helen Ruggiero, Julia Festa, Carmen D'Apice, Rose Mastone, Carmella Stanchi, Jennie D'Apice, and Mikey Sulprizio; cherished grandmother of Brian and his wife, Michelle, Lauren, Jordan, and Stephen Gerard and his loving companion, Tanya and adored great-grandmother of Sadie James Rich and Tessa Joy Rich. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends

will honor Anna's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, East Boston on Sunday, May 19th from 2 to 6 p.m. and again on Monday morning at 8 a.m. before leaving in procession to Sacred Heart Parish, Brooks Street, East Boston, for a Funeral Mass celebrating her life at 9:30 a.m. Services will conclude with Anna being laid to rest with her beloved husband, Gerard, at Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody. May they rest in peace.

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LEGAL NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU23P1505EA Estate of: Sally Ann Nimblett Also Known as: Sally A. Nimblett

Date of Death: 02/02/2023
To all interested persons: A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Robert J. Nimblett of Winthrop, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Robert J. Nimblett of Winthrop, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/21/2024. 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: May 10, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 05/16/24 W

LEGAL NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Division 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU24P0930EA Estate of: Elizabeth Curtis Date of Death: 03/01/2024 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Angela Curtis of Peabody, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other

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WHS Top 10% Awards Breakfast held

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

Winthrop High School (WHS) held its "Top 10% Awards Ceremony" on May 2 at the Cottage Park Yacht Club. The breakfast recognized the persistent and inquisitive students who have obtained a spot in the top 10% of their class because of their tenacious commitment to education.

"With consistent focus and unabated determination, these academically talented individuals have earned the respect and admiration of their peers, classroom teachers, and administrators," said Principal Matt Crombie. "Their quest for academic excellence does not come without immense stress and significant sacrifices. Everyone has witnessed their late night and early morning study sessions, their missed practices, and canceled social engagements as they remain

steadfast in prioritizing their academic progress and personal growth." Pictured are seniors who received "Outstanding Academic Excellence" awards on behalf of the President's Education Awards Program. Principal Crombie acknowledged the seniors for their contributions to the school, describing them as academic leaders who have motivated underclassmen to strive for excellence.

"The seniors have added significant impact in Winthrop High School over the past four years, and they will be attending some of the nation's top colleges and universities in the fall," announced Principal Crombie.

The top 10-percent by grade are as follows:

9th grade

- Stefanie Sernavsky
- Alexandra Ross
- Michael D'Ambrosio
- Isabella Pereira
- Grace McCurdy

- Sophia Sarnaglia
- Regan Ripley
- Ella Spagnoli
- Olivia Scorzella
- Grace Scorzella
- Emma Calla
- Charlotte Zarba
- Tate Montgomery
- Safiatou Barry
- Michael Tracy
- Dario Cerasani

10th grade

- Avalina Coffey
- Katheryn Alvarez Parada
- Bailey Ferguson
- Nicolas Correa
- Annabelle Giardino
- Bertram Kline
- Matthew Wall
- Sean Dolen
- Steven Calla
- Colin O'Leary
- Aminata Barry
- Chelsea Long
- Jillian Buonopane
- Becky Gao
- Jenna Hincman
- Zoe Rey
- Giada Gergerian

11th grade

- Caterina Fabiano



Michael Bertino, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Carolina Gonzalez, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.

- Samuel Winters
- Izi Hain
- Gabrielle Buonopane
- Lylah Cassidy
- Jake Ross
- Julia Hurley
- Sophia d'Entremont
- Hannah Gorman
- Lily Jarbeau
- Anila Gjinovci

- Amir Mamoud
- Marwa Mimouni
- Jonah Clark
- Daniella Solorzano
- Owen Nargi
- Kaelyn Foley

12th grade

- Michael Bertino
- Carolina Gonzalez
- Lily Giardino

- Eve Winters
- Reese Brodin
- Nadia Aldweib
- Evan Rockefeller
- Rachel Flynn
- Kailey Sullivan
- Mira Ivanis
- Henry Kalemi
- Edwin Santamaria Aguilar
- John Tracy
- Samantha DiMento



Lily Giardino, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Eve Winters, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Reese Brodin, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Nadia Aldweib, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Mira Ivanis, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Evan Rockefeller, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Rachel Flynn, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Kailey Sullivan, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Henry Kalemi, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Edwin Santamaria Aguilar, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



John Tracy, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.



Samantha DiMento, recipient of an "Outstanding Academic Excellence" award.

2023-2024 JUNIOR BOOK AWARDS

The recipients of the Junior Book Awards are as follows:

- MASSIMINO**
- SAINT MICHAEL'S BOOK AWARD**
- Daniella Solorzano & Jonah Clark
- Lu Lu in the Sky by Loung Ung

A Short History of Boston written by Dr. Robert Allison

- SAINT ANSELM BOOK AWARD**
- Amir Mahmoud
- Half Truths: What's Right (and What's Wrong) with the Cliches You and I live by Montague Brown

- COLUMBIA BOOK AWARD**
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