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Council approves funding for water meter replacement project

By Adam Swift

At its regular meeting last week, the town council approved bonding \$1.1 million for the second year of a five-year water meter and water valve capital project.

The project will be paid for through a general obligation bond.

The motion was approved following the council's finance subcommittee recommending approval of the appropriation, and a public hearing at the council meeting.

"(Public Works) Director

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Shown above, Winthrop residents gathering at Town Hall to honor the November 11 Veterans Day Program. Shown below, members of the American Legion Post 146 Honor Guard. See more



Council to consider tax classification at next meeting

By Adam Swift

The town council referred the Fiscal Year 2026 tax classification to the finance committee at its regular meeting last night.

The committee is expected to make a recommendation on the tax classification to the council at its next meeting on Tuesday, Nov.

"This is something that happens every year, it is where we are going to discuss whether we go with the one (classification) rate, which is what we have done for the past decades," said Council President Jim Let-

The council has the option to vote on either a single tax rate, where personal property and commercial and industrial properties

are taxed at the same rate, or a split tax rate, where there is a heavier property tax burden shifted onto the commercial and industrial properties.

Letterie said the finance committee will provide data to the council on whether the town should consider going to the two class rate or remain with a single rate.

"Usually, in the past, it has come out that because we have such a small percentage of business in town, we have less than 8 percent of a commercial base, which means that you are going to put a huge burden on businesses at a minimal savings," said Letterie. "Usually, it is going to cost the average business owner another four or five hundred

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Clerk's office earns praise for election efforts

A number of council-Town Clerk Denise Quist and the town's election

council meeting.

workers for their efforts clerk's office and all the Hewitt for an open at-large challenging, but it worked during the Nov. 4 municipal poll workers yesterday, they council seat. "The amount out so amazingly well; the election at last week's town did an amazing job," said of time they spend in (those) feedback was great from Kurt Millar, who won a rooms, at the middle school

"I just want to thank the race against Celeste Ribiero down here, it was a little bit

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Winthrop Public Library and Museum unveils mural honoring late veteran and former Trustee Donald Sullivan

Special to the Journal

The Winthrop Public Library & Museum has installed a new mural honoring Donald Sullivan, a deceased veteran and former Library Trustee. The artwork was funded by Donald's brother, Paul Sullivan, who passed away before its completion. In September 2023, Paul approached the library with

the idea of commemorating his brother's contributions to the community.

Former Trustee Ron Bergman shared: "I had the pleasure of serving on the Board with Don Sullivan for several years. He was a dedicated, hard-working trustee who approached everything with intelligence and humor. His keen insight was always a positive for all involved. Knowing Don, I'm sure he took that approach to family, friends, and work. He is missed."

The mural aims to be positive and uplifting while referencing Winthrop's military history, including the now-closed Fort Banks.

Veterans Service Officer Phil Ronan noted: "Donald fought at one of the bloodiest battles in Vietnam, Hamburger Hill. He was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Cross of Gallantry from the Republic of South Vietnam, among

APTAIN DONALD SULLIVAN ND HIS SERVICE IN VIETNAM WITH THE

other medals and honors. When he returned home, he worked with young veterans suffering from PTSD."

The mural was painted off-site by Joshua Winer,

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Winthrop Clear team recognized by IACP for leadership in community policing

Staff Report

Winthrop Police Department and the Town of Winthrop recently announced that the Winthrop Community and Law Enforcement Assisted Recovery (CLEAR) team has been recognized by the International Association of Police Chiefs (IACP) as one of the best Community Policing programs in the entire world.

Winthrop Police and the Winthrop CLEAR Team were recognized at the IACP's 2025 annual conference last month with the IACP/Walmart Leadership in Community Policing Award, one of several international awards presented by the IACP.

Winthrop Police and Winthrop CLEAR stood out among hundreds of award applicants from around the world as they were recognized for the Police and Public Health partnership that has helped thousands of Winthrop residents battling Substance Use Disorder, resource scarcity, and more.

Winthrop CLEAR, formed in 2014, is a collaboration among the Winthrop Department of Public Health and Clinical Services, Winthrop Police, and Winthrop Fire. CLEAR uses police data to find and help people struggling with substance use, mental health, and domestic violence challenges.

Winthrop CLEAR has

helped thousands of Winthrop residents since its formation and continues to be a state and national leader in providing accessible, wraparound services to residents in need. Oftentimes the assistance provided by CLEAR helps police avoid making arrests or involuntarily committing people to emergency rooms.

CLEAR helps residents who face challenges with substance abuse, mental health, resource scarcity, domestic violence, and veterans affairs.

The award was presented at the IACP's annual conference in Denver to Winthrop CLEAR co-founders Lt. Sarko Gergerian and Director of Public Health & Clinical Services Meredith Hurley.

"With a \$2 million health department budget and a 13-member team, Winthrop Police Department's model is a beacon of innovation, proving that law enforcement can lead systemic change through empathy, collaboration, and community-centered care," the IACP wrote regarding the

"It's a great honor to have our partnership with (the) Department of Public Health recognized by our peers on an international stage," said Police Chief John Goodwin. "We are thankful for the leadership of Director Hurley and Lt.



Winthrop Police Lt. Sarko Gergerian, second from left, accepts the 2025 IACP/Walmart Leadership in Community Policing Award at the IACP's annual conference in Denver last month. Winthrop Police were recognized on an international stage for the Winthrop CLEAR program, which partners police, firefighters and the Department of Public Health to assist residents who face challenges with substance abuse, mental health, resource scarcity, domestic violence, and veterans affairs.

Gergerian, and the hard work put in by the men and women from the Department of Public Health and the Winthrop Police Department. CLEAR, along with the dozens of non-enforcement related programs that the Winthrop Police Department run annually, are designed to win and maintain the confidence of the people

"The members of the Winthrop Police Department and the Department of Public Health commit themselves to these programs not just to build confidence with the community, but more importantly, because they truly care about the people they serve. I am honored to work alongside them."

Gergarian CLEAR is a bridge between policing, public health, and

"We use police data to proactively help keep people from ending up in coffins or cages. Today, that bridge is being built across the nation," he said. "If your heart is called to join, we'll help you lay the first stone — just reach out."

"The CLEAR model was built on the belief that every person deserves to be met with dignity, compassion, and opportunity for recovery - not punishment," said Director Hurley. "This recognition by the IACP underscores what our community has known for years: when public health and public safety come together, we can create meaningful, lasting change that saves lives and strengthens trust. I'm incredibly proud of our team and grateful for the leadership and partnership that make this work possible."

Town Manager Tony Marino said he is eternally grateful and proud of the CLEAR Team and the fantastic work that they do every day.

"It is no surprise that they continue to receive National recognition as Health Departments and Police Departments from across the country continue to ask for training so they can model our program," said Marino.

To learn more about Winthrop CLEAR, visit: https:// winthropclear.com/.

FY26 Tax // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 Northeast Vocational High

a year to save the average homeowner ... \$10 to \$15 a year. But we will get those numbers, there will be a presentation before us at the next meeting."

In other business, Letterie said Rob O'Dwyer, the town's representative to the

School, will also be before the town council at its next meeting for an update on the vocational school's new high school project and the expected increase in Winthrop students who will be eligible to attend the school.

O'Dwyer was initially scheduled to attend last week's council meeting, but Letterie noted that he had prior business involving the vocational school and had to reschedule.

Donations being accepted for family displaced by fire

cepted at several locations for essentials such as cloth- the past several months. In around town to help mem- ing, toiletries, or other basic June, fire destroyed a home bers of the Delehanty family who lost their home in Saturday, Nov. 1.

At last week's town council meeting, Precinct 6 Councilor John DaRos read a community call to action that former Winthrop Police Lt. Mary Crisafi recently posted on social media.

"A longtime Winthrop family, the Delehantys, suffered a devastating loss when a fire destroyed their home on November 1," the post read. "They nearly lost

everything. While insurance will eventually help, fire on Shirley Street is the Donations are being ac- there is an immediate need second in his precinct in items."

A gift card collection a fire on Shirley Street on to assist the family is underway, and cards can be dropped off at the senior center or the Winthrop Meat Market.

> For anyone who has questions or would like to arrange a pickup, they can contact Crisafi at (617) 799-

> "Lets come together, as Winthrop always does, to help the family in their time of need," Crisafi's post con-

DaRos noted that the on Trident Avenue.

According to Winthrop Fire officials, the Nov. 1 fire on Shirley Street displaced 10 people, although no injuries were reported. The inspectional services department declared the building was uninhabitable.

According to Fire Chief Stephen Calandra, crews and mutual aid partners did a great job bringing the fire under control quickly given the tight quarters, preventing a much worse outcome.

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people that I talked to."

All voters, except for those in Precinct 4, voted regular polling location at the old middle school was closed due to the ongoing

fire station project. "I also want to thank Celeste for being a great opponent in this race," said Millar. "It was very clean and nice, and we didn't go back and forth at each other on anything, and I'm very appreciative of everything you do, and everyone else who ran, also."

Hewitt congratulated Millar for his victory, as well as all those who came out on top in last week's election.

"It is no small feat and it is not for the faint of the heart to throw your hat in the ring," she said. "I would very especially like to congratulate Hannah Belcher on her courageous and in-

credible, incredible campaign and initiative."

Belcher gave up her Pre-President Jim Letterie, but came up short on election day.

"If we do not challenge norms and the status quo, then none of us experience growth, none of us experience true victory," Hewitt said. "I appreciate you for leading the way and blazing the trail for young ladies and women and everyone."

Letterie thanked Quist and her staff for running a close to flawless election.

"It was in a new location, which was, I'm sure, not easy in many ways to have five precincts in one building," said Letterie. "It was great in a lot of ways, there were a lot of comments from people who had never been in the high school. Which is something that we should do more, we did it when it

was first opened and we had a great response then.

"It's a great building at the middle-high school cinct 3 council seat to chal- and people don't have the complex this year as the lenge incumbent Council chance to get in there and look around."

Letterie said moving the polls from the old middle school to the new middle/ high school location was not something that was done lightly. "We love the old middle

school gym and it works out well for a lot of us," said Letterie. also praised Letterie

everyone who ran in this year's election.

"Anybody that puts their name on a ballot should be congratulated by this town," said Letterie. "It takes an awful lot, especially in this day and age, to put your name on the ballot, you are a public figure now and you are treated like a public figure; good, bad, and indifferent."

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an award-winning artist specializing in murals, mosaics, mobiles, and public art. Installation was delayed about six months due to construction of a new walkway behind the library. Tragically, Paul Sullivan passed away during this period, though he was able to visit Winer's studio to see the finished piece.

The library extends deep gratitude to Mr. Winer for

his exceptional work and to Paul Sullivan for his generosity and devotion to his brother. Patrons are invited to enjoy this bright, uplifting tribute to Winthrop and its community.

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CITY PAWS

In one end and out the other

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you ever considered that there are positive benefits from picking up your dog's poop and cleaning your cat's litter-box? Think beyond a cleaner-smelling home, obeying the laws, and avoiding being considered a scofflaw by those who see you fail to pick up. Think back to your last vet visit and what you were able to tell the doctor about your animals' bowel movements.

Now consider the number of times you've taken your critter to the vet because you noticed something unusual coming from their digestive tract. That might be a different color, blood, or mucus in the stool, or a change in the timing and consistency while orange and yellow of the output.

What Color Will Tell You

Many reliable websites offer charts of dog and cat poop colors and their meanings. We recommend you bookmark the appropriate ones for your animals. According to the chart on the Chewy.com website, shades of brown are considered normal and will vary with

Just as in humans, red, black, or tarry-looking stools are a warning sign of bleeding from the digestive tract and require a vet visit.

Green may come from eating grass, but it can also alert you to exposure to rat poison or gallbladder issues,

can point to digestive, liver, or food intolerance. Purple is a sign of gastroenteritis or viral diarrhea. Grey shows up with pancreatic or bile issues or too much fat in the diet. Finally, white specks could mean the animal is getting too much calcium or malabsorbing it, or, more commonly, if the specks are moving, you have a problem with parasites.

Stress, anxiety, changes in routine or diet can affect digestive health, so keep these factors in mind as you note a change or communicate with your Veterinarian.

Social Benefits

Penny once told a lo-

cal dog-hater who spewed nonsense at anyone with a dog, "If most dog guardians didn't pick up, we'd be knee deep in dog poop." The people most upset by someone who doesn't pick up are most likely responsible dog lovers who always do their job. They know that the few people who don't pick up are fueling those who fight for laws that restrict places where dogs are welcome. What's more, since responsible guardians carry pickup bags, they often pick up stray poop when they see it.

Keeping your cat litter-box clean and following your building's rules on disposal of litter-box materials is also a social responsibility. One of the significant



Picking up after your dog and a quick check of the poop can alert you to digestive tract problems.

differences listed between dog and cat poop is that, due to diet and digestive system differences, cats have stronger-smelling bowel movements.

When someone neglects the cat box, that smell may seep into neighbors' homes and the hallways. You should not flush cat poop in the toilet. Any litter clinging to the poop can clog drains. What's more, the site Pet-Care explains that, "Cat feces may contain Toxoplasma gondii, a parasite that can survive sewage treatment and pose health risks to humans and wildlife.

Dealing with bodily fluids is one of the primary responsibilities you take on when you bring an animal into your family. All members of the family, except those with serious health restrictions, should be able to assist with the care of furry family members. "I'll have the fun, and you can do the cleanup is never fair." Share this article with the whole pack and have everyone report anomalies to the principal caregiver.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Email Penny@BostonZest. com with your suggestion.

Leaving in a blaze of glory

Winthrop soccer legend Phil Ronan retires as head coach

By Cary Shuman

Phil Ronan is leaving his boys soccer head coaching position at Winthrop High School at the top of his

Ronan coached at Winthrop High for seven seasons in two separate tenures (2001-03 and 2021-25). He was Northeastern Conference Coach of the Year in his first and last seasons and was Eastern Mass. Soccer Coaches Association Division 3 North Coach of the Year this past season.

Ronan was the first coach to lead the Vikings to a state tournament berth (in 2001) and a Northeastern Conference title (in 2025). The program has been in existence for 51 years.

All told, Ronan is wrapping up 29 years of involvement in the sport, including 10 years in the Bay State Games (winning three consecutive gold medals). He coached boys soccer for three seasons at Dom Savio High School and was a soccer referee for 25 years.

And the reason Ronan is leaving Winthrop soccer is being widely considered as a gallant one.

"The reason why I'm stepping aside is to focus on my duties as the veterans service officer for the town of Winthrop," said Ronan. "I feel in all honesty the veterans and the challenge they face today is more import-



Phil Ronan is retiring as the Winthrop High School boys soccer coach after leading the Vikings to their first-ever Northeastern Conference championship.

ant than me being out on the field with the kids."

Ronan played recreational soccer during his four years in the U.S. Army.

"I always loved the game, and I always followed it," said Ronan. "People asked me to get involved in Winthrop youth soccer many years ago."

A tradition of excellence

Phil Ronan coached four Winthrop players - Andrew Stefansiv, Patrick Gunn, Mateo Martinez, and current junior Noah Bayers-

dorfer - who were selected Eastern Mass. All-Stars. All four stars were selected as captains of the Vikings. Bayersdorfer will be playing in the Eastern Mass. All-Star Game Nov. 28, and Ronan will be one of the head coaches.

"Two of my players (Stefansiv and Gunn) were inducted into the Winthrop High Hall of Fame," added Ronan proudly.

Grateful for the opportunity

Ronan thanks former

Dom Savio athletic director Jim Doherty of Winthrop for his first head coaching position. He also expressed his gratitude to former Winthrop High athletic directors John Lyons and Matt Serino for appointing him to run the Vikings' program.

"And of course, our present athletic director, Mark DeGregorio, whom I think is doing an outstanding job," credited Ronan.

Ronan's final record as head coach this season was 10-5-4, the best winning percentage in the history of the WHS program. Winthrop lost to Marlborough, 4-3, in the first round of the MIAA Tournament.

"The kids played great this season and I'm a lucky guy," said Ronan. "I had two jobs that I absolutely loved - being the soccer coach and being a veterans'

Ronan, 67, graduated Winthrop High School in 1976. Following his graduation, he entered the U.S. Army and served four years.

On Tuesday, Ronan delivered the opening remarks at Winthrop's Veterans Day ceremony.

His veterans service office is located in the lower level of the E.B. Newton School building.

That's where you will find Winthrop's soccer legend providing valuable resources to the town's veter-

Water Meter // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Steve Calla was with us at the subcommittee meeting, and he told us that the \$1.1 million breaks out into \$300,000 to replace water meters, \$300,000 to exercise the valves, and another \$500,000 to replace the valves," said Precinct 6 Councilor John DaRos.

The project will help keep valves current and ensure accuracy for both the town and residents in terms of reading the water meters,

according to Calla.

DaRos noted that the funding is for the second year of the five-year plan, with three more years to go.

"This is part of a capital plan, this is not something that just came up," said Council President Jim Letterie.

Calla added that the fiveyear project is something that is very needed for the town.

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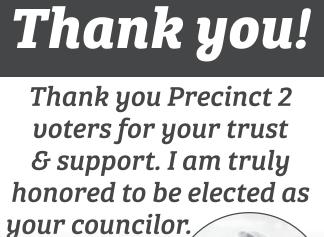
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OUR Opinions

THE STARK MESSAGE OF A HOUSE OF DYNAMITE

More than 40 years ago, a made-for-TV movie, The Day After, shocked Americans of all ages. We were among the 100 million of our fellow Americans in nearly 39 million households (about 62% of the viewing public that night) who watched the film when it first aired on Sunday evening, November 20, 1983, on ABC.

The movie graphically portrayed the hypothetical aftermath of a full-scale nuclear war between the U.S. and the former Soviet Union. Unlike so many post-nuclear war movies since then (which invariably depict sci-fi mutant zombies), The Day After was a straightforward, no-nonsense dramatization, as seen through the eyes of a family in Lawrence, Kansas (led by the great actor Jason Robards) of the devastating effects of an all-out nuclear exchange between the U.S., and the U.S.S.R.

The movie so traumatized Americans (and later the Soviet people, who were able watch it a couple of years later) that it is credited with jump-starting the nuclear disarmament talks between then-President Ronald Reagan and his Soviet counterpart, Mikhail Gorbachev, a few years later that resulted in the agreement between the two countries to reduce their nuclear arsenals.

However, the world's political landscape has done a proverbial 180-turn over the past 40 years: Russian dictator Vladimir Putin has invaded Ukraine and has threatened to use nuclear weapons if the U.S. and Europe try to thwart his goals, and both Russia and China are developing hypersonic missiles that could reach the U.S. within a few minutes.

In addition, rogue states such as No. Korea and Iran have embarked on nuclear weapons programs that threaten their immediate neighbors.

The new Netflix movie, A House of Dynamite, dramatizes how the U.S. government would react to the detection of a potentially nuclear-armed missile that is predicted to strike Chicago. The launch of the missile went undetected by American radar systems -- so no one knows which country, Russia, China, or No. Korea, fired it.

We won't give too much of the plot away, except to say that Idris Elba plays an American president who is much like Barack Obama. In other words, he appears to be smart, rational, and on top of things.

But when confronted with the imminent threat of a nuclear weapon striking Chicago within 19 minutes, even Elba's president (he is not given a name in the movie) is caught like a deer-in-the-headlights. He has not studied the nuclear "playbook" in advance, and he has advisors who are giving him contradictory opinions, much like JFK received during the Cuban missile crisis.

In our view, that's the whole point of a House of Dynamite: In a nuclear age where leaders have only minutes to make a decision -- "Do we bomb another country in retaliation? And if so, whom? Or do we wait to see if it was a mistake?" -- even a theoretically-intelligent president has no good choices and at best will be making decisions about possibly annihilating the world based on a hunch.

We are now more than 40 years removed from The Day After, but we are living in a world in which there are more nukes in the hands of authoritarian rulers who have no guardrails in their own countries. The only advisors they trust are themselves because they deliberately have installed lackeys in key positions who only tell them what they want to hear.

The message of a House of Dynamite is simply this: If our nation's leaders ever have to confront a nuclear crisis, we're doomed -- which means that we must take all means necessary to ensure that we never find ourselves in that situation.

THE SHUTDOWN MADE **NO SENSE**

As we are writing this earlier in the week, it would appear that the government shutdown is about to end after almost six weeks.

Enough Democratic senators joined with Republicans in the Senate to achieve the 60-vote threshold necessary to overcome a Democratic filibuster.

As we noted at the outset of the filibuster on October 1, we agree with the primary reason why the Democrats refused to go along with the GOP budget proposal: The GOP budget removes the subsidies for health insurance premiums that will make health insurance unaffordable for millions of low- and middle-income Americans, a back-door means of killing Obamacare.

Americans with private health insurance plans not affected by the GOP cuts should not feel smug. The loss of health insurance for millions of poor Americans will mean that emergency rooms in our nation's hospitals, which already are under stress, will become even more overwhelmed because uninsured Americans no longer will have doctors to provide their routine care, leaving hospital ERs as their primary (and only) source of healthcare.

And for senior citizens who think that Medicare provides a safety net for them, our prediction is that Medicare will be next on the GOP chopping block.

However, the Democratic-led government shutdown was not the answer. The disruptions to our economy, air travel, and, especially, SNAP benefits for 42 million food-insecure Americans -- who ultimately were nothing more than pawns for both sides -- far outweighed whatever political points the Democrats were hoping to score via the shutdown.

In our view, the only good thing to have come out of the government shutdown was that it highlighted the ineffective and geriatric leadership of the Democratic party, especially in the Senate, where it is obvious that the Old Guard -- there are more Senate Democrats than Republicans who are 70+ -- must make way for new voices.

Forum

GUEST OP-ED

Post Election Reflection

By Sen. Lydia Edwards

To all the candidates especially in Winthrop thank you.

It is never easy to run for office. It is, in fact, one of the scariest things a person can do. You put your name, your values, and your heart on the line for your community, and that takes courage.

By just running for office, you place yourself among a small percentage of the population. It's great when you win, and devastating when you lose. I know!

I lost my first race in 2016. And when I did, the sun rose the next day. My bills were still due, and my friends and family were still my friends and family. Life not only continued — it got better. The people I met on

doorsteps became lifelong friends. Some who didn't vote for me in 2016 voted for me in 2021. And even Joe Boncore, who beat me in that first race, is now a close friend. In fact, I consider almost all of my former opponents friends and supporters.

What I learned after that loss is that being an elected official is one way to serve your community, but it is not the only way. If service is in your heart, continue to make change, one act of kindness at a time. Continue to be present. How you choose to bounce back and show up says a lot about who you are.

Races come and go. You will win some and you will nity must move on together. Please don't fear your neighbors or think ill of them because they voted differently from you. As I said to one woman who apologetically said she wasn't going to support my candidate, "It's a vote, not a marriage proposal!" We laughed and talked about her state-level concerns, and I moved on to the next door. Every door I knocked on, to a person, was friendly, offered me water, and appreciated the personal touch.

There are no "slates" in real life - only neighbors. There are good people who love their town and have to stick together, even when they may disagree.

So let's stay focused: lose some. But the commu- Continue to fight against climate change. Continue to fight for diversity, for safer roads, great schools, less traffic, union jobs, and more trees. Let's continue to look after each other and support our food pantries.

We must move forward – together.

Because our community is worth it, and because we are strongest when we remember we are on the same side: Winthrop's.

Congratulations to: Jim Letterie Kurt Millar Kim Dimes Joe Romano Paul Reardon Pat Costigan Peter Gill

State Sen. Lydia Edwards represents the 1st Suffolk and Middlesex District.

LETTERS to the Editor

DUE PROCESS IS ON THE LINE

Dear Editor,

Immigrants are today's scapegoats—but the Constitution belongs to all of us.

Most Saturdays, I stand with a small group of mostly women on the bridge connecting Winthrop to Boston. We hold signs facing the traffic such as, "Save Due Process. Save DEMOCRA-CY." "STOP ICE." "Liberty and Justice for All.'

Some drivers honk in support. Others look away. A few show their anger. But we keep showing up.

My views and responses on local issues are at odds with many, but those of us holding signs share a conviction: the federal government's current approach to immigration undermines both the Constitution and our shared values. Standing on that bridge is our way of making our dissent visible, even though we may differ on what to do about it.

History's Warning In 1939, the ship St. Louis, carrying 937 Jewish refugees fleeing Nazi Germany, was denied entry by Cuba, Canada, and the United States. Forced back to Europe, many of its passengers later perished in the Holocaust.

That tragedy helped inspire the United Nationsand the United States-to enshrine the right to seek asylum in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It was a recognition that turning away the vulnerable is not only inhumane but dangerous to the moral fabric of a nation.

The Present Crisis

Yet in 2025, immigrants are too often portrayed as "illegal," "dangerous," or "criminal." If a person is found to be guilty of criminal activity they should be prosecuted accordingly. For immigrants this may mean deportation. In reality, most are pursuing asylum claims-a legal right under U.S. law.

Immigrants are accused of taking jobs from "real" Americans, though economists consistently show that immigrants strengthen our economy and create more jobs than they displace.

It is convenient for some to blame those who cannot defend themselves for the flaws in our legal, financial, and social systems. But it is unjust. Men, women, and children navigating a complex legal process who have committed no crimes-should not be jailed, harassed, or stripped of their rights. The Stakes for All of Us

Due process—including habeas corpus and the right to a fair trial—is not optional. It is the cornerstone of our Constitution. When we erode it for some, we weaken it for all.

Immigrants are simply the latest scapegoats for those who would chip away at our freedoms. Tomorrow, it could be another group. The danger is not just to them—it is to the rule of law itself.

Why I Keep Showing Up

I don't stand on the bridge because it's comfortable. I stand there because silence is complicity. The way in

which we express concerns are up to the individual. We are better than this. And we must prove it-not only with our voices and our signs, but with our votes. The Constitution belongs to all of us. And if we fail to defend it now, we may find it gone when we need it most.

> Suzanne Swope Ed.D. **Councilor, Precinct 4**

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Dear Editor.

Donations to the Winthrop Community Food Pantry were abundant. This Town has rallied in light of the governments shut down and the non-existence of Snap Benefits.

We would like to thank everybody that gave a donation to the Winthrop Community Food Pantry. It was very much appreciated. Because of you, we were able to feed hungry families that relied on Snap Benefits' and are no longer hungry! Thank you very much

Winthrop Food Pantry



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 **November 12, 2015**

The annual Town Report for FY 2015 has been released. Among the statistics revealed in the report were: The Building Dept. issued 506 building permits; 120 home-bound people in Winthrop received Meals on Wheels; the Fire Dept. responded to 3,009 calls for emergencies; 23 cases of Hepatitis C, 41 cases of influenza, three cases of active tuberculosis, and two cases of Lyme Disease

were reported to the Health Dept.: the library reported that there were over 60,000 visits, 68,000 items were checked out, and Dolores the Dinosaur was made at home in the Children's Room; 6,248 parking tickets were issued, bringing in over \$270,000 in revenue; the Police Department received 8,297 calls for service, made 192 arrests, and towed 305 vehicles; over 4,800 tons of trash were collected by the town's contractor; and there were 122

interments in the town cemetery. There are 840 employees in Winthrop, 310 for the town and 530 in the schools, and the School Department reported there were 2,009 students, of whom only 12 participated in the School Choice program.

Congresswoman Katherine Clark visited Winthrop last Saturday for the Senior Resource Fair at the Robert A. DeLeo Senior Center. Clark was warmly received at the event and was

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Kathleen Anne Mulkerron

Her wonderful Irish sense of humor and her iconic, infectious laugh will be dearly missed

Kathleen Anne (Carr) Mulkerron, 76, of Winthrop passed away on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

Born in Medford, Kathleen was the proud oldest daughter of John Keville Carr and Mary G. (Quill) Carr. She was the beloved wife of Paul Thomas Mulkerron with whom she shared 54 years of marriage.

Kathleen spent her early years in Somerville. Her family moved to Natick in 1956. Kathleen graduated from Walnut Hill School in Natick in 1967 and received an Associate's Degree at Briarcliff Manor in New York. She completed her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Following graduation, Kathleen worked for Federated Stores (Filenes), ultimately earning the position of Cosmetics Buyer.

Kathleen's family summered in Winthrop on Point Shirley from the time she was a small child. It was here in the summer of 1966 that she met Paul when they both attended summer school. It was love at first sight, and they were married in 1971. They settled in the Natick and Framingham area where they raised their two Children.

For many years, Kathleen was a real estate broker in the Metro-West area, working closely with her husband as a broker and state certified residential appraiser. Later in her career, Kathleen was a proud member of the Steelworkers Local 12003 Union where she worked as a Customer Service Representative at National Grid.

Kathleen had a wonderful Irish sense of humor, and her iconic, infectious laugh will be dearly missed at family gatherings. She had a kind demeanor and natural curiosity about people and their stories. She also had unparalleled story-telling ability, making her both a popular host and guest of parties. Kathleen had a beautiful, strong voice, and was famous for singing "Stand by your Man' at Sunday afternoon family gatherings at the family



homestead on Roundwood Road in Natick. Kathleen also found much pleasure in reading and often spent hours at local libraries. She loved being with her family, and was a fierce advocate and source of support for her parents, husband, children and grandchildren, as well as for her younger siblings. Kathleen always showed up for those she loved.

Kathleen and Paul returned to live in Winthrop eight years ago. They celebrated Kathleen's 75th birthday as well as their 54th wedding anniversary surrounded by family and friends at their home in Seal Harbor.

Kathleen is survived by her husband, Paul; her son, Mark Carr Mulkerron and his partner, Maira of Orange Country, CA.; her daughter, Tara Kathleen Mulkerron of Winthrop and her adored grandsons, Jackson Paul Mulkerron and Patrick Mulkerron. She also leaves her siblings, Michael Carr (Suzanne) of Natick; Kevin Carr (Charlotte) of Upton; Christopher Carr of Westborough and Bridget Carr of Framingham; her sisters-in-law, Mary Hagan of Winthrop and Anne Marie Mulkerron of Florida. In addition, Kathleen leaves many cherished friends, nieces and nephews and countless cousins in the Quill and Carr Clans. Kathleen was predeceased by her parents, her brother, Thomas Aquinas Carr in 2015, and her brother-in-law, John Mulkerron.

A funeral service was held in the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop on Wednesday, November 12, 2025.

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

OBITUARIES

Edward G. Page, Jr.

Long associated with family business Page Cabinet Shop in Revere

Family and friends respectfully invited to attend Visiting Hours on Sunday, November 16th from 2 to 6

p.m., in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere, for Edward G. Page, Jr., who passed peacefully in the loving presence of his family, at his daughter's home in Revere on Sunday, November 9th following a brief illness. He was 94 years old. A funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Monday, November 17th at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at 11 a.m., in St. Michael the Archangel Chapel, 91 Crest Avenue, Chelsea immediately followed by interment and military honors in Woodlawn Cemetery, Ev-

Eddie was born on July

9, 1931 in Chelsea. He was raised and educated in Revere. He was a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School, Class of 1949. Eddie then furthered his education and passion by attending Wentworth Academy in Boston (Now Wentworth Institute). Eddie studied Engineering and Cabinet Making. He then began his career along with his father at Page Cabinet Shop. Early on in Eddie's career he enlisted in the United States Navy where he served his country admirably faithfully during the Korean War. Eddie was honorably discharged and was always very proud of his service to his country. Eddie returned back home to Revere and continued working with his father at the cabinet shop. He later took over the whole business and provided many people throughout the City of Revere and beyond with his craftsmanship. He prided himself on the way he conducted his business and the work that he did.

After retiring from the family business, he then took a job with Home Depot, where they used his vast knowledge and sent him to many homes measuring for kitchen and bathroom remodels.

Eddie truly loved wintering in Florida and enjoyed



the sunshine. He loved taking regular walks along the beach. He was also well known for his other love in life, ballroom dancing. As a young man he would be found dancing at the Wonderland Ballroom and anywhere else the opportunity would present itself. He was a great fan of football, and he especially loved the New England Patriots. This gave him great joy. Eddie was a man who will be remembered as living his life by doing the things he loved the most and loving the people that mattered the most to him, especially his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The loving father of Edward G. Page, III and his wife, Theresa, Timothy J. Page and Jane F. Page, all of Revere, he was the cherished and proud grandfather of Fallon E. (DiPlatzi) Cadigan and her husband, Jonathan of Winthrop, Christian Eaves of Revere and Jillian Eaves of Tampa, Florida; the adored great grandfather of Ayla, Briac, and Briley. He is the former husband of the late Ernestine (Fallon) Page who was the mother of his three children. He was the dear brother of the late James F. Page, Sr. and Dorothy Hanlon. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, extended family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances in Eddie's name may be made to the Chelsea Soldier's Home, 91 Crest Avenue, Chelsea, MA 02150. To send online condolences, please visit www. vertucciosmithvazza.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, Revere.

Vincent Del Piano Jr.

Physicist, engineer, boat builder, vagabond under sail, art dealer and finally marine oil painter

Vincent "Vin" N. Del Piano Jr, 85, passed away on September 30, 2025, after a long illness, at Sandy River Center, Farmington, ME with his beloved wife at his

Physicist, engineer, boat builder, vagabond under sail, art dealer and finally marine oil painter, Mr. Del Piano had an eclectic and diverse life. He brought all of these to his art.

Born in Winthrop, he learned to sail and spent most of his adult life here. After graduating from UMass-Amherst, he participated in the American Space Program in the 60's as an Electro-Optical Systems Analyst and laser physicist. Another 10 years was consumed applying his skills as a boat builder and sailor. Following that he was owner and proprietor of an art framing gallery in suburban Boston. This latter experience led him back to his own roots as an Artist, which he had demonstrated as a child.

Vin painted his knowledge of clipper ships, schooners, lobster boats, and dories with particular skill depicting wind and waves. Many who spend their lives on the water have commented on how accurate his paintings are. He once said; "The essence of my paintings comes from memory. I'm a studio painter. When it comes to painting the interplay of wind, sea, sky and way a ship or boat "lives" in its environment you can't look it up... you have to have been there. Of course, if I intend to render a ship that sailed 150 years ago, I need to do some research to reproduce its detail, but it is the same ocean, the same wind, the same sky, the same wave under the stern, and the same spirit of the moment that I share with all mariners, modern or ancient."

Vin has gallery representation at the Arnould Gallery, Marblehead, MA and was represented at the former Art of the Sea Gallery in South Thomaston, ME. He was a member of the International Society of Marine Painters and the American Society of Marine Artists.



Vin moved to Vienna, ME with his wife in 2010. Taking to homesteading with the same energy and enthusiasm, he renovated their home and took particular interest in landscaping, creating his image of a painting with the natural elements. He continued to paint well into his 80's.

Vincent is survived by his spouse, Diane S. Snow; his sister, Patricia Stathopoulos and her husband, Anthony of Winthrop; his nieces, Andrea Stathopoulos of Peabody and Leah Lamb of Winthrop and his great niece, Alyssa Lamb of Win-

He was predeceased by his parents, Vincent "Nick" Del Piano, former Commodore of the Winthrop Yacht Club and his wife, Ethel, both lifelong residents of Winthrop, brother-in-law, Peter Snow of Wakefield; sisters-in-law, Kathleen Snow of Portland, OR, Christine Snow and her spouse, Thomas Feraco of Spruce Head, ME, Michele Snow of South Paris, ME, and Carol Snow and her spouse, Jim Lash, of Dufur,

A small Memory Gathering of family and friends occurred on October 5, 2025, where many of his paintings were on display.

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Town Council President Pe-Executive Director Nancy Williams,

cupola atop Winthrop Town Hall has been completed. Workers de-leaded the cupola and restored it to its original look.

Spotlight and The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago November 17, 2005

The newly-elected Winthrop Town Council, the first to be chosen under the new town charter, was sworn into office last Thursday and will hold its first meeting this coming Tues-

Marie Turner, the town's representative on the MWRA Board of Directors, informed the Special Town Meeting last week that the town and the MWRA renegotiated a term of the mitigation agreement which now will provide for the MWRA to reimburse the town for the entire purchase of a new fire truck, rather

welcomed to the town by than pay the town in install-Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, ments, which would have required action by Town ter Gill, and Senior Center Meeting to borrow funds for the purchase.

The final Town Meeting The project to restore the in the 153-year history of the town since its incorporation in 1852 was held this past week. The new town charter has eliminated Town Meeting as a body and given all decision-making authority to the newly-created Town Council. One of the last official acts of Town Meeting was approval of a \$500,000 bond that will allow the town to clean-up the town cemetery at Belle Isle. The cemetery was built on a former landfill of the old town dump, but a slope of the cemetery has been eroding, leaking trash and toxic waste into Belle Isle Marsh, which has resulted in an order from the state DEP to remedy the situation.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, Shopgirl, and The Legend of Zorro are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago November 22, 1995

Town Meeting voted 121-112 against authorizing the construction of a new elementary school that would replace the existing Dalrymple, E.B. Newton, and Willis school and house 1100 elementary students in one building. The School Building Committee, chaired by Arthur Cummings, had endorsed the \$21.5 million proposal. The committee said it will bring forward a new proposal for the April Town Meeting.

The annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service was held Sunday at the Temple Tifereth Israel.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Home for the Holidays event on the Friday after Thanksgiving, featuring a fireworks display and a tree-lighting ceremony in French Sq.

The selectmen said they are considering returning the job of street-sweeping to the town's DPW. The selectmen privatized the task in 1993 to save money, but the costs have been escalating and the service has been poor.

Golden Eye, Ace Ventura 2, Mighty Aphrodite, and Get Shorty are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago November 27, 1985

Townspeople are mourning the passing of long-time community leader Arthur J. Soper. Soper, who was 82, took part in a wide array of civic endeavors for more than 50 years that included affiliations with the Winthrop Community Hospital, local banks, and the Boy Scouts, among others.

Airport Hazards Committee Chairman Jerome Falbo told the Massport Board of Directors of the town's many issues and complaints with Logan Airport.

Godzilla, That Was Then, This Is Now, and Jagged Edge are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

50 years ago **November 26,1975**

A 24 year-old Winthrop man, identified as Steven Ballard, perished in an early-morning fire Wednesday in a three-unit apartment building at 1014 Shirley St.

Monty Python and the Holy Grail is playing at the Kincade Theatre.

JERAMY "JAKE" VASEL

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TOWN OF WINTHROP & AMERICAN LEGION POST 146 VETERANS DAY PROGRAM 2025

Photos by Marianne Salza

The Town of Winthrop & American Legion Post 146 presented a Veterans Day Program at Town Hall on November 11 to honor the men and women who have

served in the United States Day is more than a holiday. Armed Forces. It's a time of reflection, grat-

"Winthrop is the closeknit community that it is today because of the people who continue to serve," noted Town Council President James Letterie. "Veterans Day is more than a holiday. It's a time of reflection, gratitude and deep respect for those who stood in defense of our freedom. We owe them our lasting respect and ongoing support."



Winthrop High School Soccer team.



David Kennedy, USCG Ret., presenting the invocation, praying that God will watch over the veterans of this land.



Phil Ronan, Veterans Service Officer, with Robert Gagin, US Navy veteran.



Tina Marie Talvi singing the "National Anthem."



Town Council President James Letterie thanking veterans for their service, sacrifice, and commitment.



Senator Lydia Edwards, First Lt., Mass. Army National Guard, reminding the Commonwealth that there are still veterans fighting internal wars and in need of support.



Phil Ronan, Veterans Service Officer, and US Army veteran.



Stephen and Robert Gagin, US Navy veterans, with Guy Carbone, 1970-1972 Vietnam veteran, Deputy Police Chief Ferruccio Romeo, Officer Rob Carter, Bill Brown, Vietnam veteran, and Sergeant Daniel Stone.



Winthrop High School Vikings Football team.



Representative Jeff Turco presenting Gabriella Blamer and Carmen Bauer, both 11-years-old, with a citation on behalf of the House of Representatives in appreciation of their service to Winthrop veterans through their fundraising organization, Lemonade for Heroes.



Principal Speaker, Beau Schlichting, US Army (far left), and Senator Lydia Edwards, First Lieutenant, Massachusetts Army National Guard (center) with members of the Winthrop Town Council.



Meredith Hurley with Oliver, and Jane Rupp, with Chappie, of the Winthrop Public Health Department.



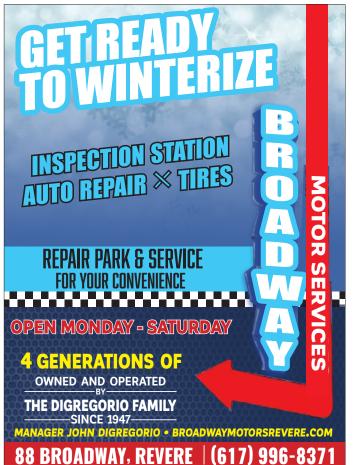
Vietnam veterans and American Legion Post 146 members, Bill Brown and Richard Gay, Post Commander, with Joe Pike.



Winthrop Fire Deputy Chief Paul Montgomery with his father, Tom Montomery, and family, Sam and Thea.



Richie Barry, USMC veteran, and AJ Tiger Nelson, Lebanese War veteran.







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Sports

WHS FOOTBALL

Vikings fall short to Stoneham, 30-20, in MIAA first-round playoff game

According to head coach Jon Cadigan, the Winthrop High School football team "offensively played well enough to win," but the Vikings' inability to contain Stoneham's rushing game was the difference.

The host Spartans, who rely almost exclusively on the run, exited their beautiful, well-lit football stadium with a 30-20 victory, ending the Vikings' playoff run in the first round of the Division 6 tournament.

The Spartans controlled the ball for 11 minutes on their first possession, marching 74 yards for a touchdown and an 8-0 lead.

Dolen returned the ensuing kickoff to the 37-yard line, and Sacco needed just one play to answer with a 37-yard run for a touchdown.

Stoneham was successful on a fake punt play to continue their second posses-

sion and increase their lead the penalty) gave Stoneham to 16-6. Sacco's second TD on a 15-yard run closed the gap to 16-12. Michael Ferrara recovered a perfectly place onside kick, but the Vikings were unable to capitalize.

Stoneham extended its lead to 24-12 with 1:09 left in the third quarter, converting its third consecutive twopoint conversion, outscoring Winthrop, 6-2, in that key category.

Sacco struck again (after it appeared he would be initially stopped) for a 44yard touchdown, closing the margin to 24-20 when Dolen rushed for the two-point conversion.

Winthrop appeared to have stopped Stoneham on downs when safety Michael D'Ambrosio broke up a pass on a fourth-down-and-9 play with 4:20 left in the game. But a roughing the pass penalty (Everyone in the press box had their sights on D'Ambrosio's gem and didn't see

a first down and led to an eventual 30-20 lead.

Sacco stars on offense Winthrop senior captain Seth Sacco was again immense, rushing for 128 yards on 12 carries with three touchdowns. Seth Dolen was very effective as the lead blocker for Sacco, denying the Stoneham cornerback and defensive end on the edge.

"I think Seth is the best running back on the field in every game we play," lauded Cadigan. "He was obviously tremendous on the offensive side of the ball. We felt very confident about our offensive matchups, and we did what we wanted to do. We blocked well and did a good job on the edge. Offensively, we played well enough to win. Defensively, we didn't."

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PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

A PILE IN THE TRENCHES: Shown above, five Winthrop defenders, including Desmond Cassidy (4), Nick Romano (8), and Seth Sacco (0), wrap up a Stoneham runner.

UPLIFTING MOMENT: Shown to the left, Chris Messina (77) hoists Seth Sacco in celebration of a Winthrop touchdown on the Vikings' first offensive play of the game.



UNSTOPPABLE: Seth Sacco breaks behind the block of Chris Beshere (55). Sacco scored three times in Winthrop's 30-20 loss at Stoneham Friday in the opening round of the MIAA Division 6 playoffs.



NOT SO FAST: Seth Sacco (0) reaches out to slow a run by Stoneham's Pedro Dasilveiria (4)



A FINGER WON'T DO IT: Sean Dolen (5) is about to slip free of a fingertip tackle attempt by Stoneham's Tony Dean (24) on the kickoff following Stoneham's first score. The Viking scored on the next play.



NEXT STOP: END ZONE: Seth Sacco breaks into the clear on the way to his first of three long touchdown runs on Winthrop's first offensive play of the night.

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WHS SPORTS THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago November 12, 2015

Winthrop High football team dropped a 56-34 decision to a 2-6 Amesbury squad on Saturday. The loss leaves the Vikings at 4-5. Jon Gonzales ran back a kickoff for an 84-yard touchdown and grabbed a 23 yard TD pass from Chris Zuffante. Jaidon Brown scored oin a 29-yard TD run. Justin Barker had 13 tackles for the Vikings. Amesbury scored 29 points in the final quarter to claim the win.

The Winthrop High volleyball team, which com-

piled a sterling 15-5 record in the regular season and earned a fifth seed in the Division 3 North Sectional of the MIAA girls volleyball state tournament, dropped an exciting and hard-fought 3-1 decision to fourth-seeded Notre Dame of Tyngsboro in a quarterfinal match Saturday evening. Nina Bartlette tied her own WHS record with 15 kills, while setter Lacey Scott provided 30 assists to her teammates. Bartlette, Scott, and Meg Dolan served four aces apiece. Defensively, Lady Viking Maddie Finga'a was immense, flying all over the court to record 31 digs, a school record. The Lady Vikings previously had earned a 3-0 shutout win in their first round tourney contest with 12th-seeded Essex Tech.

The Winthrop High girls soccer team came out on the short end of a 5-4 decision to Lowell Catholic last week in a first-round contest of the Division 4 North Sectional of the MIAA Girls Soccer Tournament. Julia Barachinni scored two goals, assisted by Heidy and Holly Benson. Holly Benson and Ftancesca Capone also scored for Winthrop.

The Winthrop High boys soccer team's season came to an end with a 6-2 loss at Lowell Catholic last week in a first-round contest of the Division 4 North Sectional of the MIAA Boys Soccer Tournament. The Vikings entered the tourney as the 13th and final seed of the D-4 North with a 4-13-1 regular season record. WHS seniors Jacopo Velesi and Mike Norris scored the goals for Winthrop.

20 years ago November 10, 2005

The Winthrop High football team tuned up for its showdown for an NEC title and Super Bowl berth this coming week with Danvers by blasting past Salem, 35-13, Saturday at Bertram Field. The winless Witches battled the Vikings to a 13-13 deadlock at the half, but the 8-1 Vikings took control after the intermission. Chris Dalrymple ran for touchdowns of two and 84 yards. Joe McDermott ran back a kickoff 88 yards for a touchdown. James Fucillo tossed a 21-yard TD pass to Matt Murray.

The WHS girls soccer team defeated Pope John 5-0 in an opening-round

contest in the state tourney, but then dropped a 2-1 decision to Weston. Vanessa Caruccio scored two goals for the Lady Vikings in the Pope John game. Julie Dowson, Alyssa Martel, and Maria Milano also scored for Winthrop. Martel scored in the Weston tilt.

The WHS boys soccer team dropped a 5-1 decision to St. Mary's of Lynn in a state tourney contest. The Vikings trailed just 2-1 after a goal by Carlos Mejia, but unsportsmanlike language by a Winthrop player

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Winthrop hockey team will head to Lake Placid to start the season

By Cary Shuman

When Winthrop High School hockey coach Dale Dunbar was a mega-hockey star at New Hampton Prep, he and his teammate and roommate, Ray Shero - the future general manager of the Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins - hitchhiked back to Winthrop, "because we wanted to be in town to watch Mike Eruzione and the 1980 Olympic team."

Eruzione would deliver the greatest sports moment of the 20th century when he scored the winning goal in the USA hockey's team unforgettable 4-3 upset of the reigning four-time Olympic champion Soviet Union. Two days later, Eruzione and Company claimed the goal medal over Finland, 4-2, in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Dunbar would later pay tribute to Eruzione by requesting to wear No. 21 during his own hockey career at Boston University before going on to play professionally in the Vancouver Canucks and Boston Bruins organizations.

And now Dunbar and his 2025-26 Vikings are set to rekindle all the glorious memories of Eruzione's Olympic triumph with a trip to Lake Placid where they'll play two regular season games on Dec. 11-12 against Marblehead High School.

"I said to Michael, 'before we hang it up, we should bring the kids up to Lake Placid and let them

see, not only 'The Miracle on Ice,' but Michael will be able to tell all of us - the players, the Winthrop and Marblehead parents, everybody - what it was like back then – it's going to be great experience," related Dunbar.

It will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience – similar to a sports fantasy camp - for the Winthrop and Marblehead programs as Eruzione himself is expected to lead a tour of the Lake Placid Olympic Museum which is located inside the Olympic Arena where the chants of "USA, USA," filled the facility and echo to this day.

For the games, thanks to Eruzione's connections, the Winthrop High team will use the Team USA locker room where Coach Herb Brooks gave the dramatic speech, stating, "Great moments are born from great opportunity," and "This moment is yours, so go out and take it.'

Eruzione and his wife, Donna Eruzione, attended a fundraiser for the team's trip Saturday night at the Winthrop Elks. It was a festive event with two bands, Locust and The Pointe (Shirley), entertaining the crowd.

"I think the trip to Lake Placid is going to be awesome," said Captain Mike. "There's going to be two conference games against Marblehead. I'm going to fly up, go to the game, and be on the bench with the team. And I think it's going to be a great experience for the kids. They all know the



Winthrop hockey moms, Lori Calla and Alyona Rossi, leading the front door sales of raffle tickets.



Michael Norris, with Steve Holgersen and Jeanne Holgersen, whose son, Michael Holgersen's electrifying hat-trick performance in the Garden helped Winthrop defeat Dedham, 3-0, and bring the town its first state hockey title in 49 seasons.



The leaders of the Winthrop High School hockey program, assistant coach Michael Norris, head coach Dale Dunbar, and assistant coach Mike Eruzione, standing adjacently to his U.S.A. Olympic hockey jersey No. 21, the featured item in the silent auction.



Team Norris, Locust band lead vocalist McKayla Norris (left) and guitarist Mike Norris (right), pictured with their parents, Cathy Norris and Winthrop High School assistant hockey coach

story of our hockey team in 1980, even the Marblehead kids know. So, it's a great opportunity for them to be part of something special. It will be a nice few days for everyone."

And for those old enough to remember, Al Michaels'

ione's golden Olympic in miracles? Yes!" - still

famous call of Mike Eruz- moment, "Do you believe brings chills across Win-

throp and the nation.



Head coach Dale Dunbar joins supporters of the Winthrop High School hockey program for a photo at the fundraiser.



Members of the 1976 Winthrop High School state championship team, Bob Masterson, Steven Goddard, Jackie Brugman, Joe Macdonald, and Mark Shannon, supporting the current Vikings team at the fundraiser.



Winthrop High hockey boosters (from left), Jessica Sabin, Courtney Staff, Amy Buchman, Mary Spinale, Heather Fife, Stacie McKenzie, Jilane Previte, Diana Romano, Jilian Bordonaro, Alyona Rossi, Lori Calla, and Marissa Ferrara.



The Mike Eruzione Olympic hockey jersey, on display at the silent auction table.



The Locust band, featuring Kevin Barrera on drums, Steve Holgersen on guitar, McKayla Norris as lead vocalist, and David Fisher on guitar.



The Pointe (Shirley) band, featuring Alex Anzuoni, J.C. McGonagle, Mike Norris, and Brandon McDonald.



Former Winthrop hockey star **Paul Eruzione and Shaunna** Lundberg.

THE WHS VIKING VARSITY BOYS SOCCER TEAM HONORS THEIR SENIORS AT MILLER FIELD



Senior Alessandro Bergamo with his teammates.



Senior Kerim Jurdu with his teammates.



Senior Amaury Cardona with Mauricio Cardona Lina Ramirez and Simon Cardona.



Senior Fabiano Alcala Rodrigues with Joel Rodrigues, Javier Alcala, Francisco Souza.



Senior Sami Nessassi with Salma Nessassi, Houriya Lokriti, and Aicha Afti.



Senior Noah Bayersdorfer with his parents Brad and Natalie, sister Lily and family.



 $The starting \ line-up \ for \ the \ WHS \ Vikings \ with \ members \ of \ the \ Winthrop \ Youth \ Soccer \ League.$



Supporting the WHS Varsity Boys Soccer Team are the members of the Winthrop Youth Soccer League at Miller Field for the final home game of the 2025 season



Senior Ian Camilo Belalcazar with Diana, Ceron, Cristian, and Thomas.

Football // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

Key sequences also affect outcome

There were some game-turning sequences that proved crucial in what was a one-score game with four minutes left.

Seth Sacco was stopped inches short on a key fourth-down-and-two play in the third quarter.

"It was 16-12 game and that was a chance to take the lead," said Cadigan.

Dom Spinale's onside kick was excellent, with Michael Ferrara recovering the football.

"We were kicking into the wind, and it's tough sometimes to read as a kick returner because you normally go back on the ball instead of going forward. Dom hit it perfectly and the football fell straight down, and our guys were there to recover it. Michael Ferrara did a great job. It's always good to see things that you practice come true on game day."

Winthrop had Stoneham's receivers well covered on the Spartans' pass play in the fourth quarter and Michael D'Ambrosio delivered a Ryan Hovermale moment (huge breakup of a pass versus Masconomet).

"We would have the ball on the 32-yard line with a chance to go down and win the game," said Cadigan.

Cadigan said Stoneham's success on three of its two-point conversion attempts was crucial. "If we convert our attempts, it's a 24-24 game in the fourth quarter," he said.

Stoneham coach Bob Almeida's comments

Coach Bob Almeida said his team has benefited all season from having an experienced group of offensive linemen.

"Our line showed up and did a great job like they always do," said Almeida. "The backs ran hard. We have four linemen who have been starters the last 2-3 years."

Almeida was aware of Winthrop's three talented backs, Seth Sacco, Sean Dolen, and Nick Romano.

"All three kids in the orange shoes, baby – they'll all very good," said Almeida. "[Numbers] 0 (Sacco), 8 (Romano) and 5 (Dolen). We also tried to not give up a big return on us, but

Winthrop got one. Winthrop obviously spends time on special teams, and that's a well-coached team. I knew they'd be up for this game because that's how they are. Last week, they beat a very good Gloucester team that's big and physical. I knew Winthrop would be a tough, but now we have a bear [Fairhaven]."

Romano, Dolen, D'Ambrosio

Share Black Shirt Defensive honors

Winthrop had a three-way tie for this week's Black Shirt award. Nick Romano earned the distinction for the fifth time this season with 10 tackles (9 solo). Sean Dolen secured a share for the second straight week with 12 tackles (8 solo, 1 TFL). Michael D'Ambrosio earned his first Black Shirt with 10 tackles, a pass breakup, and a forced fumble.

Other leading tacklers included Seth Sacco (15), Desmond Cassidy (14), and Nate Previte (12).

Year-to-Date Leaders
Through nine games,
Seth Sacco leads the team

with 100 tackles. Rounding

out the top five are Nick Romano (85), Sean Dolen (80), Desmond Cassidy (79), and Michael D'Ambrosio (58).

Revere's opponent backs out

There was an interesting situation in Revere this

t backs Monday of the cancellation.

Revere head coach Lou

Cicatelli said he was "not

Cicatelli said he was "not happy" with Belmont officials for canceling the game

week as Belmont (0-9) de-

cided to not play Revere

Friday, notifying the school

and leaving the Patriots without an opponent and more importantly creating an extended layoff before the annual Thanksgiving game against Winthrop.

Winthrop will play Wilmington Thursday.



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Winthrop Senior Center News

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

Monday, November 17

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage

9:00am-1:00pm: SHINE

Counseling 10:00am-11:30am: Representative Turco Office

Hours 11:30am-2:30pm: Game Day / Mahjong

Tuesday, November 18

11:am-12:00pm: Blood Pressures

2:00pm: 12:00pm-Thanksgiving Luncheon

puter Usage 9:15am-10:15am: Yoga with Trish (\$5)

Wednesday, Nov. 19

9:00am-3:00pm: Com-

10:00am-12:00pm: Bereavement & Caregiver Support Group

10:00am-12:00pm: Low Vision Support Group

10:00 a m - 2:00 p m: SHINE Counseling 10:30am-11:30am: Zum-

ba with Cindy (\$5) 11:45am-12:45pm: Chi / Qi Gong (\$5)

12:00pm-1:00pm: Mystic Valley Elder Services Office Hours

12:15pm-1:30pm: Italian

1:00pm-2:30pm: Charlie Card Workshop

Thursday, November 20 9:00am-3:00pm: Com-

puter Usage

9:30am-10:30pm: Exercise Class (\$1) 10:30am-11:30: Coffee & Conversation

10:30am-11:30am: Seaside Tappers

11:30am-12:30pm: Travel Committee Meeting 12:00pm: Dine-In Lunch

12:45pm-3:00pm: Bingo

Friday, November 21

9:00am-3:00pm: Computer Usage 9:00am-10:00am: Yoga

with Trish (\$5) 10:00am-11:00am: Line

Dancing (\$5)

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 and Fridays 8:45am-12:15pm. 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 de-

sired date. Rides to medical appointments will be prioritized. A list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter. Please note that Friday van rides will be limited to Winthrop, Revere and East Boston destinations only. Return trips must be completed by 12:15pm. Rides may be booked up to 2 weeks in advance but must be scheduled at least 2 weekdays in advance by calling the Senior Center at

617-846-8538. A full list of destinations/pricing is available in our newsletter and online at www.winthropma. gov/council-aging.

Computer Usage: The Senior Center has computers available for public use. Computers are generally available from 8:30am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday, and 8:30am-12:30pm on Fridays. Please note that hours may change due to our program/activity schedule. To confirm if computers are available, you can call the Senior Center.

Day and Overnight Trips. The Senior Center offers a variety of day trips, casino trips and overnight, and multi-day trips. Trip flyers are available on our website and at the Senior Center.

Sports Years // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

resulted in a red card from the ref, leaving the Vikings a man short for most of the second half.

30 years ago November 16, 1995

The Winthrop High football team saw its threegame winning streak come to an end with a 27-7 loss to first-place and Super Bowlbound Gloucester at Newell Field. The highlight for the Vikings was the running of halfback Paul Ferrara, who eclipsed the 1000-yard rushing mark for the season. The lone Winthrop touchdown came via a nice catch by Jason Calla on a pass from Michael Palmer. Tony Fucillo's squad is now 5-4 on the season with the season finale set for Thanksgiving Day with Revere.

WHS golfer George Mc-Grath has been named the Northeastern Conference's Golfer of the Year, the only Viking ever to gain that honor.

WHS soccer goalkeeper Stephen Hale has been named a Northeastern Conference all-star. Hale made 420 saves this past season, a rate that is three times that of the typical keeper.

40 years ago November 20, 1985

Fullback Steve Holgersen scored the lone touchdown for the WHS football team in a 16-8 loss to Lynn Classical Saturday. Classical scored the winning TD in the final minute. Tim Frager, Classical's star running

back, ran for 206 yards. Winthrop now is 4-4-1 for the season and will be looking ahead to the annual Turkey Day battle with Revere.

50 years ago **November 19, 1975**

The WHS football team won its third game in a row with a 14-6 triumph at Beverly. Beverly scored a meaningless touchdown with 1:51 left to play, snapping the Vikings' shutout streak of 120 minutes, 14 seconds of play without allowing a point. Paul Plakias scored both of Winthrop's touchdowns on runs of 14 and three yards.

60 years ago **November 17, 1965** The WHS football team dropped a 20-8 decision to Class A New Bedford Saturday in the rain and mud. A 17-yard pass from Bob McNeil to Kevin Shields on the final play of the game accounted for the Winthrop score.

70 years ago November 17, 1955

An 0-5 Winthrop High football team, which had not won a game in two years, shocked Class A Saugus Saturday by a score of 12-7. Capt. Jim Soper tossed a pair of TD passes, one a 50-yarder to Jackie MacDonald and the other an 11-yarder to Tommy Cole. Teddy Conley and Frank Lazzarino made key plays on defense to thwart a late Saugus scoring bid.

After the victory, the entire town became aware of the triumph thanks to an impromptu parade through the streets by the exuberant WHS team members and cheerleaders.

80 years ago November 15, 1945

A 97 yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Milton "Bomber" Neal was the sole highlight for the WHS football team in a 32-7 loss to Melrose Saturday. Winthrop now is 2-5 for the season.

100 years ago November 21, 1925

Winthrop defeated Marblehead, 7-0, Saturday afternoon at Ingleside Park. The lone touchdown came after a blocked punt. Sand-

The Applicant seeks a

permit to remove the

a 2nd story addition to

home. The permit was

the Town's By Laws.

The permit was denied

due to noncompliance of

proposed structure with

respect to minimum left

special permit is needed

and plans are on file and

side yard setback. A

for the expansion of

an existing single-family

denied in accordance with

existing roof and construct

ers went over for the touchdown and Racca scored the extra point.

100 years ago November 20, 1915

Wellesley defeated Winthrop by a decisive score of 24-0. Wellesley's tackle-around play proved a Chinese puzzle for the Winthrop boys, resulting in many big gains for Wellesley.

More than 400 basketball fans watched the speedy Winthrop White Bears defeat the Cambridge Red Sox, 48-25, at the Winthrop Casino court Tuesday evening. McCarthy and Snow shared the scoring honors for the home five.

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE



TREE REMOVAL PUBLIC HEARING The following tree is hereby considered for removal under Massachusetts General Laws relating to such action: 181 Winthrop Street The tree at this location is posted. A public hearing will be held on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH AT 6:00 PM, at the Public Facilities Building, 100 Kennedy Drive. In the event you have any objections and are unable to attend the hearing, a written notice should be filed with the DPW prior to the hearing. The Town of Winthrop does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age and handicapped status in employment of the provisions of services. Sincerely, Tom Derderian,

11/6/25, 11/13/25

tderderian@winthropma.

Tree Warden

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF **REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 30 Cora Street. Winthrop, MA 02152 By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Anthony J Lentini and Alice M Lentini to First Franklin A Division of Nat. City Bank of In, and now held by **DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL** TRUST COMPANY AS TRUST-EE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2005-FF4, ASSET-BACKED **CERTIFICATES, SERIES** 2005-FF4, said mortgage dated May 20, 2005 and recorded in the Suffolk **County Registry of Deeds** in Book 37146, Page 77, as affected by a Loan Modification dated May 20, 2016 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 56177, Page 161; said mortgage was assigned from First Franklin, a Division of National City Bank of Indiana to First Franklin Financial Corporation by assignment dated July 28, 2005 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 37780, Page 301; said mortgage was assigned from First Franklin Financial Corporation to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-FF4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FF4 by assignment dated

a Corrective Assignment from First Franklin **Financial Corporation to Deutsche Bank National** Trust Company as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders of the First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-FF4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FF4 by assignment dated April 12, 2023 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 68876, Page 185; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on December 2, 2025 at 12:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land with the buildings thereon situated in said Winthrop, bounded and described as follows: **EASTERLY: on Cora Street in** said Winthrop forty-four ad 50/100 (44.50) feet; SOUTHERLY: by land now or late of Mary L. Hull one hundred and nineteen and 77/100 (119.77) feet to land of Frederick W. Belcher: WESTERLY: by land of said Frederick W. Belcher fortsix (46) feet;

NORTHERLY: by Lots 32

and 34 on a plan of build-

ing lots in said Winthrop,

property now or formerly

of Belcher heirs, dated

September, 1875, made

and recorded with Suffolk

Registry of Deeds at the

Said premises being Lot

numbered 35 on said plan.

end of Book 1371.

by George Wadsworth

Page 138 The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated May 13, 2001 and recorded in the **Suffolk County Registry** of Deeds in Book 26316, Page 138. TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveved subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles. municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale. **Brock & Scott, PLLC** 23 Messenger Street 2nd Floor Plainville, MA 02762 Attorney for DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN

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WINTHROP **BOARD OF APPEALS** PUBLIC HEARING Thursday-November 20, 2025: Case 2025-019. Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Win-

throp Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, November 20, 2025, at or after 6:30 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the application of person requesting: Project Address: 990

Shirley Street, Winthrop, MA 02152 Applicant Name / Address: Love Unleashed/Danielle Logan- 14 Hale Street, Winthrop, MA 02152 The Applicant seeks a permit to convert a one-story structure to a doggy day care in a BA district where the use is not allowed so therefore a use variance is

needed.

The public is invited to

parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town

attend, and interested

Darren Baird, Chair Denise Quist, Town Clerk Winthrop Board of Appeals 11/6/25, 11/13/25



BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING Thursday-November 20, 2025:

Case 2025-017. Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts **General Laws and Chapter** 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday- November 20, 2025, at or after 6:30 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the application of person requesting: Project Address: 157 Grovers Avenue, Winthrop, MA 02152 Applicant Name/ Address:

James Calvin- 157 Grovers

Avenue, Winthrop, MA

02152

nonconforming use. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application

available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Darren Baird, Chair Denise Quist, Town Clerk Winthrop Board of Appeals 11/6/25, 11/13/25

02152 The Applicant proposes to demo and construct a mix use building and construct 4 units per the plan submitted. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office,

17 of the Code of the Town

of Winthrop that the Win-

throp Planning Board will

conduct a public hearing

on Monday- November 17,

2025, at or after 7:00 p.m.

held in the Harvey Hearing

Room upon the application

Project Address: 67 Wood-

side Avenue, Winthrop, MA

Applicant Name/ Address:

Tien Pham- 47 Woodside

Avenue, Winthrop, MA

of person requesting:

02152

Room 2A, Winthrop Town Darren Baird, Chair Denise Quist, Town Clerk Winthrop Board of Appeals 11/6/25, 11/13/25



LEGAL NOTICE

HEARING MONDAY-NOVEMBER 17, 2025. Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter

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PUBLIC

LEGAL NOTICE



APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING Thursday-November 20, 2025:

Case 2025-018. Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday- November 20, 2025, at or after 6:30 p.m. held in the Harvey Hearing Room upon the application of person requesting: Project Address: 44 Bowdoin Street, Winthrop, MA 02152 Applicant Name/ Address: **Eagle Restoration and** Construction/ George Sennott- 23 Seaview Avenue, Winthrop, MA 02152 The Applicant seeks a permit to remove the existing roof and construct a 3rd floor addition to an existing single-family home. The permit was denied

Town's By Laws for special permit for the expansion of nonconforming use and the structure exceeding 2.5 stories in the RA District. The public is invited to attend, and interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the application and plans are on file and available to review at the Town Hall Planning Office, Room 2A, Winthrop Town Darren Baird, Chair

in accordance with the

Denise Quist, Town Clerk Winthrop Board of Appeals 11/6/25, 11/13/25

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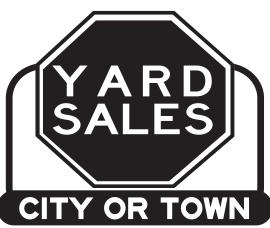


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WINTHROP MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

Winthrop Middle School has announced the list of students who made Honors and High Honors for the first quarter of the 2025-2026 school year. They are as follows:

Honors - Grade 6

Eli Aguirre Acevedo Alvarez Nico Ancillo Giovanni Barchard Abigail Bonney Leila Bracy Leo Callinan Suero Castro Jace Delaney Helen Drewnowski Jaxon Duff Fatihi El Petillo Emmanuele Alessandra Faretra Peyton Francis Dante Gamble John Garron Zapata Goez Maldonado Guerra Emran Hacherouf Ethan Herdt Morgan Hurley Alexandru Ilie Sofia Jarvie Yara Kherici Makayla Kraja Rosalie Leneski Laynie Logan Elyas M'Chichi Samiyah Mais Bryce O'Brien Valentina Pardinho Johnathan Paquette Dempsey Piris **Danielly Pinto** Ava Presutti Yeshua Quijada Henry Ramirez Abigail Reznik Alara Ripley Mia Rossi Zackary Rudi Dominic Ruggieri

Prudence Schad Teresa Schirripa Stella Sciaraffa Ethan Spencer Olissa Tallent Louie Taylor Callie Triant Ethan Viera Marianna Walker Anthony Williams Mariella Zizzo

Honors - Grade 7

Benedeto Agolli Ella Agri George Arsenault-Holloway Era Balla Matthew Bandar Matthew Barron Teresa Beuoy Aubrey Boivin Bochra Bouazza Jullia Caetano Stella Carson Emma Cimino Christian Collette Max Crisosto Maxwell Crocker David Duran Bianca Durocher Samantha Dutra Charles Essenheimer Pedro Estevam Franco Ferrara Joseph Ferrara Michael Frazier Amelia Freda Lemus Garcia Esteban Garoz Kaylin Gorman Giuliana Graygor Johnathan Greenwood Jacelyn Guevara Abigail Healy Oliveros Henao Daniella Hurley Cora Inconiglios Sophia Loik Logan Lounsbury Evelyn MacDonald Ava MacKenzie Builes Mazo

Helen Mcgloin Andrew Morano Brendan Murphy Quinn Nalen Palacio Ochoa Mohammed Oggadi Jacob Oliver Jayden Paul Chloe Paula Quinn Reddington Gabriella Romanos Ella Ryan Zoe Santiago Savannah Santiago James Smith Cameron Sorrentino **Jadon Trainor** Nathan Upton Reese Upton Alvarez Vivas

Honors - Grade 8

Olivia Bandar Lucas Bonney Zavier Brightman Madison Brody Daniela Capasso Katya Cardoza Cruz Castro Caroline Collins Michaela Connors Cardenas Correa Ryan Crombie Audra Currier Giuliana DeGregorio Mikayla Dixon Brandon Gaughan Ellen Gaynor Marina Gonzalez Sanchez Gonzalez Aaron Hernandez Brandon Hysaj Aja James Haley Jones Iris Kajo Leah Laquerre Samantha Lawton Roca Lemus Ryan MacKenzie Ciara Mahoney Fas Martin Xander McClelland

Teagan McEvoy Escobar Menendez Perez Mesa Adry Monterrosa Brandao Morais Rosales Perez David Petruccelli Aguilar Ramirez William Reth Pluas Roman Damian Sanca Suarez Sanchez Martinez Tabares Costa Teixeira Brayden Tinsley Jake Titemore Abad Velasco Cuartas Villa Richard Vivolo

High Honors - Grade 6

Elliot Alberto

Amy Alvarez

Aiden Bregu

Michael Callinan Nora Chapman Victoria Connolly Sophie Crocker Elaina D'Ambrosio Vivian D'Amico Devyn DeBartolo Ella DeMarco Michael DiMento Giovanni DiCicco Violet Dougherty Daniel Edwards Zachary Emanuelson Mackenzie Evans Colton Ferguson Evan Gilzean Ramiro Gonzalez Landon Gunn Ethan Grover Abigail Harkins Keegan Harkins Kierra Hincman Ayannah Karunarathne Brando Konchar Emma Kreste Liliana LaMarra Ella Lee Elise Linehan

Ayuso Llanes-Thays Owen Mansfield Ean Marra Lazo Mejia Samuel Murphy Maximiliano Murray Alia Musaku Katelyn Musaku Finnegan Newman Ana O'Mara-Gomis Villarreal Paredes Sophia Pettee Nicholas Previte Liana Reeves Alivia Rogowicz Avery Ross Niah Roy Sunday Reth Lilianna Roberts Sophia Sciaraffa Ana Silva Tyler Smith Gabriella Staff Eli Tennen Aveen Toomey Kellina Tran Sean Verdaguer Dennis Vivolo Lydia Zerega

High Honors - Grade 7

Yasmine Adonon Angelina Andasol Gabriella Aufiero Carmen Bauer Charlie Bauer Gabriella Blamer Colin Brodie Lorenzo Caraglia Scarlett Carroll Maya Chapdelaine Margaret D'Onofrio Veronica Delorey Sophia Fernandes Alessandra Grimaldi Paul Hagan Catherine Harty Livia Hohlenwerger Benjamin Houghton Rihab Jnibi Olivia Lamiaux Fiona Macdiarmid

Calderon Marin Rania Marku Jeronimo Munibe Maya Nour Dahna Pavlychko Evan Pena Allie Poulos Mattea Puopolo Madison Savage Joseph Shea Matthew Shustov Gavin Sorrentino Christian Streeter Joslin Tamayo Aine Turner Jaydalee Vega-Otero Tomas Verdaguer Mari Vokey

High Honors - Grade 8

Lilyann Bayersdorfer

Evelyn Anael

Ibtissam Bourkiche Autumn Bracy Kalli Brennan Madelyn Calla Alena Capasso Ramirez Cardona Declan Cassidy Claire Chapman Maite Colon Michaela Connolly Nicholas Coscia Lluc Dianez-Poquet Arianna Dillon Nizar Elkhabzi Lola Ferrara Maxx Furlong Eleanor Grover Veronica Howington Orlaith Joyce Martina Korreshi Lilah Logan Celine Louali Cormac Mahoney Carmona Mazo Nevaeh McClure Anna Melnyk Yousra Mouhib Michael O'Mara-Gomis Livia Pimenta Zarah Rabago

Massachusetts launches new campaign to support young adults in quitting vaping and nicotine

Special to the Journal

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH), in partnership with Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, has public new launched a health campaign to support young adults across Massachusetts to quit vaping and stop using other tobacco or nicotine products.

The campaign, called "This Ad Won't Make You Quit Vaping," aims to reach 18–24-year-olds who vape or use other nicotine products, including pouches, and connect them with free, trusted quitting support. According to the 2023 Massachusetts Behavioral Risk

Factor Surveillance System, 14 percent of young adults vape—and according to a national 2024 study from Truth Initiative, nearly half (48 percent) express a desire to quit. The campaign meets young people where they are, with honest and empathetic messaging that highlights the mental health benefits of quitting and introduces them to resources that are free and ready when they are, framing support as empowering.

The campaign is funded through the settlement the Attorney General's Office reached with Juul Labs, Inc. in 2023, holding the company accountable for its role in fueling the youth vaping

epidemic.

"This campaign is about righting the wrongs of Juul's predatory marketing," said Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell. "By investing settlement funds into prevention and cessation programs, we are giving young people the tools, resources, and support they need to break free from nicotine addiction and build healthier futures."

"The evidence is clear: people who get support are more likely to succeed in quitting nicotine," said Department of Public Health Commissioner Robbie Goldstein, MD, PhD. "This campaign makes those supports visible and accessi-

ble, and it does so in a way that reflects the voice of young adults themselves. By removing barriers and connecting young people to trusted, evidence-based care, we are helping to improve both their immediate well-being and their longterm health.'

Research shows that many young adults turn to nicotine to try to manage anxiety or stress, but nicotine can make those feelings worse. A recent study indicates vaping cessation is associated with improved quality of life and mental health among U.S. adults.*

The campaign's concepts were tested with English- and Spanish-speaking young adults who use nicotine products to ensure the benefits of quitting nicotine for your mental health were clear.

The call to action directs people to Text "Start" to 36072 or visit mass.gov/ QuitVaping (For Spanish: Llama al 1-855-DÉJE-LO-YA). Through the Massachusetts Quitline, young adults can connect with live, trained quit coaches by text or phone, create a personalized quit plan, and access free quit medications such

in both English and Spanish across platforms where young people spend their time—including Meta, Tik-Tok, YouTube, Google, connected TV (CTV), Twitch, streaming radio, and posters at colleges statewide. combining

as patches or gum—all at no

cost. The campaign will run

dence-based support with a digital-first campaign, Massachusetts is working to ensure that more young adults try to quit vaping - and succeed.

Malden Catholic honors veterans and their families in Monday morning ceremony

Special to the Journal

Malden Catholic commemorated Veterans Day on Nov. 10 with a heartfelt video presentation during homeroom, honoring family members of students, alumni, faculty and staff who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. Armed

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As part of the day's observance, seventh- and eighthgrade students had the distinct honor of witnessing Jared Belliveau '97, History Teacher and Cross-Country Coach, receive the Legion of Merit. The Legion of Merit is one of the highest

U.S. military decorations, awarded for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements.

Malden Catholic is proud to recognize and celebrate the dedication and sacrifice of all who have served our country.



WIHA'S AUTUMN FESTIVAL To support the Deane Winthrop House

Saturday, November 15, 1-5PM

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❖ 14 Crafters with amazing gift ideas

♦ Hot Cider and Pumpkin Muffins

Deane Winthrop Tombstone Tee-shirts

Games and activities for the Kids

Get your holiday photos taken with Santa inside the Deane Winthrop House

❖ WIHA's 2025 Ornament plus past year's you may have missed

❖ Table of WIHA antiques

❖ Holiday Music



Deane Winthrop House and Barn Winthrop Improvement & Historical Assn. 40 Shirley St.

Shown left to right, MC President, Mr. John K. Thornburg, Mr. Jared Belliveau '97 and MC Principal, Jeffrey P. Smith '95 P'24,