

Rain doesn't stop Norwood's second annual Juneteenth celebration



The forecast had rain, fog, clouds, a bit of thunder, and a lot of dancing for Norwood's second annual Juneteenth celebration. Performers like Mathematics, Mr. Kirkland and Trend N Motion all showed their stuff during the event, including a particularly faithful performance of Sam Cooke's 'A Change is Gonna Come' from Mr. Kirkland. The holiday, now nationally recognized, is a celebration of the last messenger to reach the last enslaved peoples in the United States after the Civil War.

PHOTOS BY DAN BUSLER, JONATHAN CARDONI AND THE NORWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Student Advisory Council wraps up inaugural year

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The School Committee recently recognized the work of the Student Advisory Committee (SAC), which completed its first year of service as the liaison between the committee and the student body.

SAC members included Keira O'Donnell, who served as the chair and School Committee liaison, John Cavanaugh, Kaylie Delamere, Sophia Touma, and Kevin Roach. O'Donnell presented a quarterly report at the June 7 School Committee meeting, accompanied by Delamere and Touma.

The report highlighted the inaugural year's accomplishments and addressed student concerns such as this year's change in school start times and overwhelming class size. Water fountains and bathrooms were frequently out of order at the Cleveland, O'Donnell said, and classrooms at the Balch and Prescott were uncomfortably hot for most of the year.

The SAC was conceived by former School Committee Chair Teresa Stewart, who was first elected in 2017. She had personal experience on how student voices can shape the direction of school policy as a student representative to the School Board in

SAC

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Ambulances are on the way

FY24 Capital Plan to be presented in August

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Capital Outlay Committee met on Tuesday, June 20, and discussed issues with transportation acquisition and the upcoming presentation of the Five Year Capital Plan, now set for the group's next meeting on Thursday, Aug. 3.

As far as getting those two new ambulances, Town

Meeting originally appropriated \$1.1 million for them back in November of 2022, and Assistant Town Manager Michael Rosen said they're likely finally on the way and well ahead of their expected arrival date.

Rosen said originally, since the ambulances were on back order, they were expected in 2026, but it now looks like the

Capital Outlay

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Town will be seeing them by the end of the next fiscal year, June 2024.

“That was the original projection when we had to wait in line for them, but we were able to secure two demo units that were already in the pipeline,” he said. “So we saved basically two-and-a-half years by going with floor models, as it were.”

In other transportation-related news, Capital Outlay and School Committee member Anne Marie Mazzola said the Norwood Public Schools has a tentative delivery date for the two new mini buses approved for \$212,000 (\$106,000 each).

“Later in the year,” she said. “But it was promising that there was actually movement, no pun intended, because it’s getting ugly.”

The committee agreed at the Aug. 3 meeting to present the five-year capital plan. Rosen said his office is working on capital projects

throughout this summer. One might not think a five-year capital plan changes too much, but different, urgent factors, can come up during the process that require attention.

“Our first step was to look at FY 23’s plan while considering FY24 coming up this year,” he said. “In FY23, we projected what year two of the plan was going to be in FY23 and just shifted everything over one year. We’re now looking at if the prices are accurate, are the projects ready to go, are they urgent, did any priorities change, and that’s what we get together and talk about on a weekly basis.”

Rosen said there are several new requirements in several departments upcoming, and while he intimated that relevant department heads will be going over what that means for the capital budget, he thought the committee should get a heads up on them.

Sometimes pivoting is necessary to deal with unusual or unforeseen circumstances. For example, the Norwood Airport has submitted a new schedule for its projects over the next five years, and the Norwood Police Department (NPD) found out tasers are going up in price industry-wide,” he said.

“Also, now firearms require different red dot opticals, and so that’s going to become a capital project that we didn’t know about until today. And so there are things that come up in these meetings that are important that we have to put in the plan that are required by state

or some urgency.”

Rosen said the most concrete areas of the plan are the first two years, since he feels reasonably confident the prices estimated will be close to what the Town actually ends up spending.

“Pretty much everything past the first two years is blurry; we don’t know what those years are going to look like,” he said. “Some people have been hesitant to put things in year five at this point because we don’t know what things are going to look like in Year 5.”

Sometimes placeholders are used to have a project in the budget with the likelihood that the budget numbers will be wrong. For example, they currently added a placeholder amount for a recently-announced renovation of the Norwood Town Hall, valued at \$20 million, but he emphasized this is a placeholder and the actual dollar amount is not yet known.

“That’s pure placeholder in Year 5 of the plan, and anything could happen between now and then,” he said. “But it’s been on the horizon for so long it’s finally coming into view and it got added to Year 5 of the plan and it’s the only thing I know of that’s on Year 5.”

The committee members agreed they will attempt to have all relevant department heads – police fire schools etc – at the meeting to answer any specific questions about their requests.

To stay up to date on the upcoming Aug. 3 meeting and see it’s time and location when officially scheduled, go to <https://tinyurl.com/5b8ycd99>

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The Coakley Middle School Drama Club put on quite a show last week at the Norwood High School Auditorium.

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“Seussical Jr.” dazzles audience

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

Norwood High School’s auditorium was bursting with energy, emotion, color and rhythm as the Coakley Middle School Drama Club presented its final performance of “Seussical Jr.” on Friday, June 16.

The hour-long, one-act play, based on the beloved works of children’s book author Dr. Seuss, explores topics that teenagers often face in a funny and sometimes poignant way, including bullying, being misunderstood, and trying to fit in versus accepting your uniqueness. Friendship, love and determination are central themes.

“Seussical Jr.” is based on the Broadway play “Seussical,” which was written by Stephen Flaherty and Lynn Ahrens, the duo who wrote “Ragtime” and “A Man of No Importance.” The plot mainly focuses on Horton the Elephant, played by seventh grader Graham Brown, and JoJo, portrayed by sixth grader Riley Creamer.

Ironically, the play was directed by Coakley alum Chris Little, who acted in “Seussical Jr.” in 2017 alongside Kelly McGowan, the show’s choreographer.

The story opens when Creamer, who also plays The Boy, discovers a red and white hat. At that point, she imagines the Cat in the Hat (John Warner), who emerges as the narrator. The Cat in the Hat guides The Boy through the



The performance combined elements from several classic Dr. Seuss stories with many fan favorite characters.

PHOTO BY MARY ELLEN GAMBON

Seussian lands of the Jungle of Nool and Circus McGurkus, inserting him in the plot as JoJo.

JoJo befriends Horton, who discovers a people called the Whos, who live in Whoville, on a speck of dust. From there, Horton faces several challenges. No one but Gertrude McFuzz (Angelina Giovangelo), a girl-bird with a one-feather tail, believes him.

As Horton is ridiculed for protecting the Whos. Gertrude McFuzz tries to attract his attention by asking The Cat in the Hat to transform her tail, which he does. Despite its beauty and length, Horton doesn’t notice, and it is too unwieldy for Gertrude to bear.

The plot thickens as Horton is asked by Mayzie La Bird (Thalia Sarno) to guard her egg while she goes on vacation, later abandoning it. Horton is torn between his duties, and he eventually faces trial for insan-

ity. In less than two years, Brown has gained valuable theater experience. Last year, he performed in Norwood High School’s production of “Grease” in an ensemble role. He most recently acted in the

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BY: Tony Mazzucco, General Manager

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Letters to the Editor

**NEIGHBORS ARE
TREATED LIKE
OUTSIDERS**

To the Editor:

Many of you are aware of the proposed subdivision at 76 Prospect Street opposite the Oldham School. This proposal has been in the works for at least a couple of years with Town management and elected officials aware of it before the neighbors. This land was/is owned by the Dempsey family and the 10-acre site is a former quarry. The developer intends to build 19 houses and a road through the property to exit onto Prospect Street. Note that all existing homes surrounding the site are down gradient of the entire proposed development site and inadequate water runoff control is one of our major concerns.

Having not been personally involved in a project like this, I have been astonished at the process. Several of us who live around the perimeter of the quarry have hired an attorney because of the opaqueness of the process of deciding the fate of this project. We have our own consultants as well.

Our consultants have pointed out the many design flaws, miscalculations and noncompliance with federal, state and local regulations in submissions and testimony by the developer. The Planning Board is elected from the general public, not a group of engineers, hydrologists, geologists and other professionals trained to assess such projects' viability and impacts on the community. The Town relies on Mark Ryan, who wears several hats, as Head of the DPW, Town Engineer and Airport Commission member. He has not been present at Planning Board meetings to answer neighbors' questions that are then directed instead to the developer.

"The Norwood Planning Board Subdivision Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land in Norwood, MA have been enacted for the purpose of protecting the safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants of Norwood..."

This means that the role of the Planning Board is to allow development only when it does not interfere with the safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants of Norwood, thereby protecting the existing residents from the adverse effects of new

developments.

With that regulation in mind, we have generally encountered disdain, disparagement and denial of our objections to the written and stated plans of the developer. At a recent Conservation Commission hearing, the developer's attorney had the audacity to ask one neighbor, three generations of whose family have lived adjacent to the site, 'what qualifications do you have to speak on this project? Are you an expert on engineering or blasting?' He knows who she is and his efforts to demean her detailed questions were totally disruptive of our group's fact-finding efforts, at best, and intentionally intimidating at worst. He doesn't live near the site and will suffer no adverse consequences, nor is he qualified to state what it is like living there before and after proposed demolition on the site and subsequent construction. Furthermore, the 1st Amendment to the Constitution allows comments or questions at a public meeting be allowed.

Francis Hopcroft, a Registered Civil and Sanitary Engineer in MA, offered to accompany the developer and Conservation Commission on a site visit and was denied due to "liability" reasons, a specious argument.

Why such a rush to develop every inch of property in Norwood? "We need the tax money!" say the politicians. People want more, money for schools, more services! How many more adults and children will live in 19 new houses demanding services?

With the whole rest of the old Polaroid property rezoned for medical research/business, there is no opportunity to utilize that space for community needs.

When 76 Prospect was proposed and the Town officials were made aware of it, was any thought given to a useful community project? Perhaps a site for the community multi-housing mandated under the new state transportation law, or a field of solar panels for the electric company to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and reduce our electric bills? How about a state-of-the-art Senior Center or combination Sr. Center and After School Center where the generations can connect? There are models like this all around the country and around the world that would benefit all who live in Norwood. Or how about a park for the neighborhood, one that would attract moms with babies, older kids and seniors to walk, sit and converse. There are many other ideas that we could come up with as a com-

munity.

Why is the process so antagonistic? Why are the neighbors treated like outsiders? Why can't the neighbors be treated with more respect in the process, have their technical questions answered by the Planning Board's consultants (not the Developer's) and not be treated like it is none of our business and the developer can do no wrong? Where is the Environmental Impact Statement required by federal, state and local regulations? We are all equal in this process and if we all treat each other as such, the process is much more likely to lead to a just outcome.

*Barbara Hopcroft
Norwood*

**DISAPPOINTED IN
RENAMING OPENNESS**

To the Editor:

(To Norwood School Committee)

It is with great disappointment that I send this correspondence to you regarding the proposed plan to change the name of the DR. PHILIP O. COAKLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL. I am very opposed to this name change and provide my opinion based on my own School Committee tenure from 2001-2008.

The act of naming a school building is an important one. The name should impart a sense of dignity, respect, and trust such that all citizens and students who enter the building feel they have arrived at a welcoming community space of learning. It has been barely one generation since the Norwood School Committee, of which I was a part at the time, renamed Norwood Junior High School after Dr. Coakley, the former Superintendent of Schools for nearly two decades. This renaming coincided with the development of an educational model geared for "the middle school student." It is difficult to hear that our committee's naming of the middle school is so easily and soon negated.

It has been fashionable of late to rename schools that might contain double meaning or have a possible negative historic connotation. However, that is certainly not the case in this situation. You have heard eloquent remarks already about Dr. Coakley from a relative of his family (niece), from Mark Joseph, with whom I served on the school committee, from former Principal George Usevich, and others. Not once, during the entire middle school process of designing and campaigning for

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This Application requests a Special Permit under Zoning Bylaw Sections 5.4 to construct a second floor addition to the preexisting nonconforming single family residence that exceeds a 25% increase in the habitable floor area.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be considered by the Board. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and make their views known to the Board.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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NHS award-winning, student-written play called “Ash to a Flame.”

“This is the first time I’ve been in a lead in a musical,” he said. “At first I really wasn’t interested in acting because I was shy, I guess. But my friends convinced me to do ‘Grease,’ and I slowly grew more comfortable from there.”

“Without an ensemble, it would just be a play,” Creamer pointed out, noting that each character plays a critical role in “Seussical Jr.”

This brings to mind one of “Seussical Jr.’s” most impactful lines: “A person’s a person, no matter how small.”

Creamer was inspired to try acting by her brother, William, who also had a role in “Grease” and other productions. She started out by being a narrator in the Fantasy Footsteps program at a local preschool, which has spurred her interest in voice acting. Later, she had a role in the CMS production of “The Snow Queen.” She is no stranger to performing onstage, as Creamer is also a dancer.

“JoJo is just a fun, bubbly kid,” she explained of her role. “And he just comes up with everything in his head. He’s so energetic that it’s almost hard to keep up with the character. It’s really cool that my character comes up with this entire world.”

In fact, JoJo gets reprimanded for his imagination in one of the play’s most famous songs called “How to Raise a Child.” His parents, Mr. Mayor and Mrs. Mayor, chastise him, wondering how “this thinking thing began.”

“You can perceive this show in a lot of different ways, either as an imagined world or as being real,” Brown explained. “No matter what, JoJo and Horton become friends despite everyone trying to bully them.”

“It’s a really powerful message that I really liked,” added Creamer. “No matter what people tell you, do what you want and believe what you believe in. Who cares what other people think? Be funny, be goofy, and don’t let others push you away from that.”

She added that the best part was that students did not audition for particular roles. Rather, they were chosen for parts based



Horton, played by student Graham Browne, listens intently for the Whos of Whoville.

PHOTO BY MARY ELLEN GAMBON

on the strength of their audition performance of their choosing, as well as their personalities.

“I really think the Norwood directors are very smart,” Brown added. “In most shows you audition. If you don’t get a part you want, you’re probably disappointed. But this way, you give it your all, not knowing what role you’re going to get. When the role fits you, it’s so much easier and so much more fun.”

Creamer added that she was honored by the opportunity to play a leading role, as she previously has done narration.

“You really have to push when you’re voice acting because it’s not like people can read your facial expressions,” she said.

Brown said the popularity of the theater programs in both schools has increased since “Grease,” as well as the theater culture, which is very tight-knit.

One of his most thrilling experiences has been competing as part of “Ash to a Flame” in the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) High School Theater Festival a few months ago.

“It’s great to be able to go out with your friends and achieve something together,” he said, “yet still be really independent and respectful and meet other people from different schools.”

The theater experience also has helped students develop deeper friendships after being separated for much of the pandemic.

“If I’m ever feeling down, I just sign up for a little play,” Creamer said. “I was having trouble earlier this year adjusting to the middle school. The play helped with that because I got to meet new people.”

She added that some students start out introverted and then realize that “they can become anything on the stage.”

Creamer’s favorite musical is “Hairspray” because of the music and the message. She hopes to have a role in that musical when she is older because the themes are a bit mature for middle school.

Neither actor has a professional role model, although Brown gave a shoutout to Khang Nguyen, a recent NHS graduate. Nguyen came to the premiere on Thursday, June 15 and gave Brown a rose.

“He’s one of the best actors I’ve ever met, and he’s also one of the nicest people,” Brown said. “I think everyone agrees on that.”

One key Brown passed on from Little is that audiences tend to downgrade performances.

“If it’s amazing, it will only be called great,” he explained. “And if it’s great, it will only be called good. It really introduces this mindset of doing one step more than you think you should be doing.”

“You sign up for a musical thinking you’ll be learning how to sing,” he continued. “But you end up learning so much more.”

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the override for the new middle school, was the possibility of renaming the school under any discussion. As a citizen who voted for the new middle school, I am disappointed with the lack of openness in this regard.

I understand there is energy and excitement about the future school and how it will serve for hopefully the next 50 years. I am excited as well; I had to sadly vote for the portable classrooms for the middle school. We said they would be temporary! Well, here we are twenty years later, some things should go – such as the portable class-

rooms, but not the school’s name. Yes, Dr. Coakley is part of Norwood’s educational past. But his life’s work and qualities as a leader are still an inspiration for any educator and student - now and in the future. Teach the students about Dr. Coakley (a WWII Navy veteran) and his educational work/tenure. It will make them feel proud to be in the school building and help them understand our Latin public school motto: Ad summa contendimus – we aspire to the highest.

Toni Eosco
TMM District 5

Library Trustees detail building needs

Still offering parking lot internet

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Morrill Memorial Library Board of Trustees met last week and discussed among other things the state of the library building itself.

Library Director Clayton Cheever said he's been working with Senior Facilities Staff Jim Croak and Linda Smith Pungitore to prepare the library for a study to figure out what needs to be done to keep the building in fighting trim. According to the fiscal year 2023 Capital Plan, the expected cost of the repairs is about \$600,000 and the study will be about \$80,000, though those are just estimates. Cheever said this originally started with a request for a paint job and expanded from there.

"There is an overarching building study that needs to be done," he said. "You know, we've done this before. You'll see peeling paint, and that there's parts of the building where there are obvious issues, and the more we looked at it the more it became clear that painting is going to be insufficient. We're going to need to do it every other year if we don't address the underlying problem, and that's just a waste of time and effort and money."

Cheever said there were funds allocated from Town Meeting to take a look at what needed to be painted in the building, but it was clear that the funds allocated were insufficient and that they should be looking at the root cause issues, and so he's asked the Town to put together a Request for Proposal so they could have a cost estimate of what that would look like. He said that's likely to happen at the start of the fiscal year in July.

"We're looking at the study being completed in fiscal year 2024 (FY24), and then the Capital Outlay Committee has discussed pushing the study to FY24 and then mediate anything found in the study pushed forward by a year," he said. "So that means we have to figure out what's wrong with the boiler, what's wrong with the flashing, the top points, identify all of these and do what we need to do to make sure this building will be a building that Norwood can continue to be proud of for the next several, several years."

Trustee member John Hall seemed skeptical that the overall study will do the job.

"Given the funding gap you mentioned, how confident are

you that the study approved will meet that high standard?" he asked Cheever.

"Now you're asking about confidence and that's a tricky question," Cheever replied. "I know we have a good track record of taking care of this building and treasuring what the library means to Norwood. I know we have strong support from Town Meeting – and this will come to Town Meeting for a vote for this study – I believe the Town and I've seen the numbers. I know we are fiscally in good shape, and so I believe the will is there, I believe the means are there, and so I would say I have a high level of confidence we will identify the issues that need to be addressed and we will address them."

Cheever added that Pungitore will be leaving to work at Town Hall soon, to be replaced by her son.

"Trying to think positive thoughts about Linda even though we'll miss her dearly," he said.

In other news, Cheever related a report from a resident who wanted to use the library's internet from their vehicle after hours.

"I said, 'Absolutely, we actually did something to boost our signal and we'd love to have it available, and we used to have signs throughout the pandemic encouraging people to use it out there,'" he said.

Cheever said the patron in question said the last time they tried it, a Norwood Police Department (NPD) officer came and told them to move along.

"I asked them to contact me in the future if they have any problems and feel free to use it," he said. "I then proceeded to communicate with (NPD Chief William) Brooks that I do appreciate them looking after everything and making sure nothing untoward happened in our parking lot, but please, it's great that people are using our internet, that's why we have it on and please don't harass anyone using it appropriately in the parking lot. He assured me that he would communicate that to his officers."

Cheever emphasized that everyone is invited to use the library's internet at any time.

"I do just want to make sure that the record is set that everyone is welcome to use the internet from the parking lot on the grounds when we are closed," he said. "Or open; the internet is on 24/7."

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Allentown, Pennsylvania as a senior at William Allen High School.

"It was an empowering experience that really shaped me," she said. "Having that opportunity to have my voice heard is one of the reasons I feel so strongly about protecting and elevating the voices of others."

Stewart learned at an annual Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) conference in November 2018 that school districts are required by state law to have a five-member SAC. School Committees are supposed to meet with their SAC at least once every other month while school is in session.

"Even before I knew this was required by law, student participation is something I really valued," she said. "I think hearing directly from students is essential. The number-one responsibility of a School Committee is student achievement. Hearing directly from students about their feedback on decisions we make, how they are experiencing initiatives in the district, and their concerns is essential for the SC to meet our goal."

"The role of a School Committee member is one of the most challenging ones I've held and has many requirements and nuances that many people aren't aware of," Stewart added. "It's always been important to me to learn as much as I can to ensure I am being effective in this important role I was elected by Norwood to hold."

Stewart stressed this state requirement to Superintendent David Thomson after the MASC 2018 conference. Thomson, NHS Principal Hugh Galligan, and fellow School Committee members embraced the idea of student partnership, she said, although there were some challenges in its implementation.

"Everyone wanted to do it, but we knew we needed to thoughtfully implement this," said Stewart. "Unfortunately, along the way, there have been huge priorities and significant challenges, such as advocating for the operational override, the pandemic and all that entailed for schools, the middle school project, and a comprehensive policy audit of all of the district's policies. So it took us some time to get this up and running."

In the spring of 2022, the School Committee, working with Galligan and former Director of Strategic Initiatives Dana Brown, decided that the vice presidents from each high school grade would serve as SAC members, in addition to the senior class president. Stewart thanked Galligan for overseeing the SAC.

Launching the SAC was critical in 2022 because it gave students a chance to address their concerns that arose during the pandemic, Stuart said. She noted that the district has markedly changed during this era, with the majority of students – 57.4 percent – classified as having high needs.

"Society is forever changed from the pandemic and what is happening in society as a whole is also happening in schools," she said. "There are so many needs of students today that are different, more frequent, and/or more intense than pre-2020."

The School Committee and SAC members benefited from mutual learning opportunities, Stewart explained. School Committee members explained their role in the budget process, implementing policy, working with the superintendent, and legislative advocacy. SAC members visited all the elementary schools and the Coakley Middle School to get feedback and met with the principals. Some concerns raised were about school start times and the need for more clubs and activities. More student engagement with SAC is a goal.

During her tenure, O'Donnell attended four School Committee meetings, according to Stewart. The full SAC presented to the School Committee in January. Stewart, along with fellow committee members Anne Marie Mazzola and Kate Sibbing-Dunn, also met with the SAC during March, May and June. Stewart and Sibbing-Dunn attended a June 15 virtual meeting with two incoming SAC members: Jonah Michalec and Yash Shah. The other SAC member for the 2023-24 school year are Touma and Delamere, its president.

In the June 7 School Committee presentation, O'Donnell highlighted elementary school reading initiatives, the fine arts festival, family dining nights at the Balch and Cleveland, and an anti-bullying assembly. On Family STEM Night, the schools partnered with the Trails Advisory Committee, the Sustainability Commission, and the NHS robotics team to promote intergenerational leadership.

The structure of the SAC may also be altered after the upcoming school year so that more students can participate, thanks to feedback received by the SAC.

"The students this year were wonderful to work with," Stewart said. "They came with ideas, questions, and feedback. It was easy to see why these students were elected by their peers, because they each have strong leadership skills. They took their roles very seriously."

"This was our first year of really getting the Student Ad-

visory Committee going," added Sibbing-Dunn during a virtual meeting with incoming SAC members on Thursday, June 15. "We learned a lot from your cohorts about process."

"I thought you would be going to a big table and coordinating events and making things happen," Shan shared at that meeting about his new role.

During the upcoming school year, the SAC will focus on student mental health and legislative advocacy. There are two current pieces of legislation which may have a great impact on students, Stewart explained.

Stewart shared her views as a private citizen on a state law passed on Nov. 8, 2022. Chapter 71 Section 37H3/4, which was embedded in the state's Mental Health Act: Addressing Barriers to Care, spelled out changes in the state's school suspension and expulsion policy. Methods for student engagement are to be implemented instead of discipline.

But no state funding was allocated for student support. The School Committee and Thomson expressed concerns about this being "an unfunded mandate" during School Committee meetings, according to Stewart.

"The challenge has been that it appears no one consulted with schools, superintendents, or school committees before this law was enacted to understand the ramifications this law would have on schools, and the needs that would need to be met," Stewart explained. "The expectation to meet all these needs shouldn't be just on a school system. Public schools are often expected to solve all of society's challenges. I don't think that is fair."

A Restorative In School Education (RISE) program was implemented at the Coakley and NHS in 2022 to allow a shift from discipline to reflective learning, but Stewart said they need more resources. A pilot program was started this school year at the Oldham that will be evaluated by elementary school principals, Thomson and Director of Strategic Initiatives and Logistics Charisse Taylor to engage its effectiveness.

Also, the Thrive Act would end the graduation requirement of passing the MCAS, the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System test. The School Committee and the Norwood Teachers Association sent a joint letter to state Senator Mike Rush and state Rep. John Rogers last month about the Thrive Act, which was filed in each house on Jan. 20 as HD 3162 and SD 2067, respectively.

Their letter favored "whole child comprehensive school improvement plans using proven strategies to address root causes of poor student performance."

First shovel for new Coakley

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

About 60 or so residents, officials, students and faculty gathered at the rear of the Coakley Middle School for the groundbreaking ceremony on the school's new building on Tuesday, June 13.

According to Norwood Public Schools Superintendent David Thomson, construction has already started on the project, which is slated to open in the fall of 2025.

The new school will replace the current Coakley, as the building has been found to be deficient on many levels, including but not limited to leaks, HVAC degradation, window issues, roof issues, technology and electrical issues. The new building will provide modern amenities for students and staff and will also help to ease the current crunch on space in the elementary schools by taking on the fifth grade and becoming a grades 5-8 middle school. The funding for this project is coming mostly from residents after voters opted to approve a debt service override in a ballot question to allocate funds and the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Board voted to reimburse the Town for about a third of the total cost.

Thomson said the project



Philip Coakley's niece, Helen Reagan, right, speaks with MSBA Director Jack McCarthy, left.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

was a huge group effort, and thanked the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Commission, the School Committee, the MSBA and most importantly, the voters who got the measure through.

"We began this journey by developing a plan for a 22nd century middle school here in Norwood," he said. "Architects from Ai3 took our educational plan and created drawings of an institution that will fulfill this vision. As we stand here today,

we celebrate the beginning of the physical construction of a building that will realize this educational vision."

MSBA Executive Director Jack McCarthy also spoke during the event. Readers may recognize Jack as he is also the host on Norwood Community Media's Norwood Digest. He said he was very happy to see the project come to this point.

"You know, Benjamin

Coakley

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“Out of the Archives: A Look Back at the Marshall Plan,” Tuesday, June 27, 2:00pm - “The Original Dropkick Murphy,” Tuesday, June 27, 7:00pm.

Registration is required for these virtual events. Find more details or sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

SENSORY – FRIENDLY MOVE COMING UP

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering an in-person sensory-friendly movie on the 4th Friday of the month for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program will be held on June 23rd, at 1 pm. Our June movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is Marvel Studios’s Black Panther: Wakanda Forever, rated PG 13.

The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community. We will be showing a movie in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment on the last Friday of the month for adults with developmental disabilities.

Registration is required. This event is recommended for attendees aged 18 and up. Please register at <https://www.norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/> or call 781 769 0200 Ext 2

MYTH BUSTING TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE HEALTH MISINFORMATION

As part of our Pride Month programming, the Morrill Memorial Library is honored to host Fenway Health physician Alexandra Arce, MD, for a presentation on misinformation about gender-affirming medical care on Monday, June 26 at

7:00pm in the Simoni Room of the Library.

Finding the facts about gender-affirming health care amidst swirling media and social commentary can be difficult. Join Fenway Health physician Alexandra Arce, MD, to sift through the noise surrounding trans and gender diverse care. Dr. Arce will bust common myths, discuss the impact of misinformation, and address how to find accurate information. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the program.

Registration is required for this in-person event. Sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

TRAVELING TO HAITI

On Thursday, July 13 at 7:00pm the Morrill Memorial Library’s 2023 Artist-in-Residence, Charlot Lucien, will present “Traveling to Haiti Through Haitian Arts: Genesis, Evolutions, Perspectives,” a lecture about the past and present forms of Haitian artwork, in the Simoni Room.

Haitian art emerged internationally in the 1940s and blossomed thereafter, thanks to some distant connections with WW II and its cultural aftermath in Europe. Best known first for its most popular genre, “native painting,” it has since blossomed to incorporate different techniques and styles, including pop art, impressionism, cubism, and environmental art, while incorporating new experiences (natural disasters, environment, migration), without losing its Haitian essence. This lecture will cover the genesis, evolution, and current perspectives on Haitian art and will feature some artworks on-site.

About the artist: Charlot Lucien is an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) scholar at the University of Massachusetts (Boston), where he presents lectures focusing on the historical connections between the US and Haiti as part of his Master’s Degree in International Relations. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local agency

which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. Registration is required. Please register for this in-person program at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or by calling the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

CALM YOUR MIND: MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP

Back by popular demand! The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to bring an in-person mindfulness workshop called Calm your mind by instructor Emily Egan Bright on Monday July 13, from 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm. Emily will explain the concept of meditation and mindfulness followed by some techniques and exercises that will engage the participants.

Emily holds a Bachelor of Psychology degree, and a Masters in Public Health. She has facilitated various group therapy sessions with an emphasis on psychoeducation, and positive psychology. She also has extensive experience in facilitating different types of mindfulness groups, learning from members/clients and from colleagues on helpful and enjoyable techniques. Emily works at Riverside Community Care, a local organization providing mental health services.

This program is free and open to anyone 18 or older. Registration is required. Please visit the Morrill Memorial Library events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

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Franklin once said that, ‘An investment in education pays the best interest,’ and we at the MSBA are proud to be your investing partners to the tune of approximately \$45 million,” he said. “This is a special day for me obviously, because I wasn’t at the MSBA when we opened the new high school. I was with the Inspector General’s Office and we played a role with the Model School program which allowed Norwood High to be built at such an inexpensive rate. It was truly amazing when you think about it. When we were building Norwood High, Newton North was built for just over \$200 million, and Norwood High was just over \$70 million. And two out of three members of the project team here were on that too, which is why I feel we’ll have such a great quality product.”

Slater gave McCarthy a send off as well, since he will be retiring later this month.

“Jack McCarthy is retiring at the end of the month, and I’ve known Jack for years, our kids have gone to school together, we went to the same high school though in different years, but Jack has always been great to the Town of Norwood,” Slater said, adding that McCarthy helped to bring the Norwood High School project into being. “Being there for the high school and the middle school, Jack has always been a friend to Norwood and I think not only we, but everyone else in the Commonwealth is going to miss his leadership and, more importantly, his common sense in government, which is something we don’t always see.”

For more information on the project and for a more detailed timeline, go to <https://newcmsproject.org>

For the Record

ANNUAL PATRIOTIC ROSARY

We are having our annual Patriotic Rosary on the Town Common on Monday, July 3rd at 1 pm. All are invited to join us as we pray for our police and firefighters, our military, past and present, our legislators, and every soul in each of our 50 states. We will sing all of our patriotic songs. It is a beautiful event honoring God and country. People should bring a chair to sit on. In case of rain, it will be held in St. Catherine of Siena Church.

NORWOOD READS FREDERICK DOUGLASS

The Old Parish Preservation Volunteers (OPPV) is sponsoring a public reading of Frederick Douglass’s July 5, 1852 speech, “What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?” The event will take place on July 4, at 2:00 pm in the Old Parish Cemetery in Norwood at the grave site of abolitionist and Unitarian minister Rev. Edwin Thompson. This event is free and open to the public.

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Norwood Record: June 22, 2023

HART



MARGARET "Peg" E. (Duggan) of Sagamore Beach, formerly of Norwood, passed away on June 17, 2023 at the age of 86. Beloved wife of Arthur J. Hart. Peg grew up in the Port Schuyler section of Watervliet NY. She was a Norwood town meeting member for over 20 years, a member of the Norwood Housing Authority and served 8 years as director of the Norwood Pop Warner football and was elected a Mother of the year. Peg was a member of St Timothy's building and bingo committees. She was always a hard worker with a beautiful smile and she easily made many friends. She loved working in her flower garden and also enjoyed landscaping her homes. Devoted mother of Theresa M. Memmo and her husband Gerry of Sagamore Beach, Stephen A. Hart of Wrentham and Millinocket lake, ME, Brian P. Hart of Needham Heights and the late Michael J. Hart. Sister of James Duggan and his wife Darlene, Sister Rita Duggan CSJ, Gerald Duggan and his wife Sandy, Mary Harback and her husband Ray, George Duggan and his wife Barbara and the late Caroline Fogarty, Edward Duggan and

Patricia Cotch. Cherished grandmother of Christopher, Daniel, Allison, Austin, Madison and Brooke. Great grandmother of Weston. Daughter of the late James and Anna (Kuon) Duggan. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. Burial will be private at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet 385 Watervliet Shaker Road Latham, New York 12110.

KELLEY

Dr. Priscilla C. (Morin) Kelley of Norwood, passed away on Monday October 14, 2022. Born in Berlin, NH she was the daughter of the late Roland and Delia Morin. Priscilla graduated from Berlin High School and earned both her undergraduate and Doctor of Podiatric Medicine from Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. She practiced in Berlin, NH until her marriage to Dr. Leroy J. Kelley Jr. At which point, the couple practiced together in Everett and Malden before the couple settled in Norwood with their two small sons. Priscilla and her husband practiced out of their home when the boys were small; she also served nursing homes and performed house calls in the area. Priscilla was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church for 60 years. She was an active member of the St. Catherine's Sedality, Norwood Woman's Club, and the Norwood Senior Center. She loved summers with family at Long Beach in Rockport, MA. She also enjoyed traveling, both in the United States and Europe. She loved gardening, which was evident by

Deaths

the beautiful flower beds in front of her home. Priscilla was predeceased by her husband Leroy J Kelley Jr. and brother Robert Morin. She leaves behind two sons - Dr. Leroy J. Kelley III (Deirdre Clancy-Kelley) of Norwood/Rockport, Kevin D. Kelley (Cynthia Clark Kelley) of Attleboro. Five Grand Children - Brian J. Kelley of St. Thomas VI, Erin Kelley (Jason) of California, and David Kelley of Pennsylvania. Meghan Ouellette (Joseph) of Attleboro and Michael J. Kelley (Whitney) of Florida. Seven Great Grand Children - Gregory, Owen, Remy, and twins Molly and Liam Kelley of Florida and Shane and Melody Ouellette of Attleboro. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 547 Washington Street, Norwood on Friday June 30, 2023 at 11:00 AM. Private Interment will be at Forest Hills Cemetery, Jamaica Plain. Arrangements were made with Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., Norwood.

MADDEN

Ann M. Age 83, of Norwood, MA, passed away on June 12, 2023. Born on May 20, 1940 to John Sullivan and Mary (Quinn) Sullivan. She was married to late Edmund T. Madden. Ann's career was Nursing, Operating Room then later to Labor and Delivery at Saint Elizabeth's. She loved knitting, reading, Patriotic songs, loved the 4th of July, and swimming in the pool. Ann is survived by her loving daughter Kara (Madden) Bourgeois; and her adored granddaughters Megan Bourgeois and

Erin Bourgeois; her siblings the late Mary (Sullivan) White, late John Sullivan, late Joe Sullivan, Paul Sullivan and Eileen (Sullivan) Tansey. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Timothy's Church, 650 Nichols St., Norwood, on Thursday morning, June 29th, at 10:30 a.m. Interment at St. Joseph's Cemetery, West Roxbury.

MCGRATH



Matthew Paul of Norwood passed away peacefully on June 5, 2023 at the age of 77 with his family and friends by his side. He was the beloved husband to Stephanie Sheehy and a loving father to his three children: the late Paul Matthew McGrath, Troy Michael McGrath and his wife Sherrie, daughter Erin Jean Burdick and her husband Brett. He was the cherished grandfather to Ryan Paul McGrath, Tyler and Hannah Burdick, and Madison and Nolan McGrath, and the beloved great-grandfather to Emersyn Rae McGrath. Matthew was the son of the late Matthew Richard and Margaret (McDonald) McGrath, and was predeceased by his five sisters:

Jackie, Peggy, Kitty, Ellen, and Donna. A proud Air Force Veteran, Matthew spent his entire career in the car dealership industry as an automotive finance manager. He leaves behind a lifetime of friends who will always see Matthew's Irish eyes smiling back at them whenever they see a four-leaf clover. There will be a Celebration of Life for Matthew on June 17, 2023, at Route 1 Grill house 817 Broadway Saugus, MA from 12 to 2 pm. Friends and family are welcome to join and share a drink, hug, and a good Matt McGrath story. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to LUNGSTRONG PO Box 281 Amesbury, MA 01913 or www.lungstrong.org/donate.

QUINN



James Patrick, of Franklin, passed away surrounded by his family on Wednesday, June 14 2023 at age 68. Born in Manhattan, NY, he was the son of the late James Vincent Quinn

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Ford Maverick Hybrid

This week, we have an entry level front drive, hard to find Ford Maverick 4-cylinder hybrid. It has no frills rubber flooring and water repellent seats for easy cleaning. There is a quiet tire tread pattern and steel wheels, and it did have a nice audio system and A/C. Starting in the low \$20's up into the \$30's, the Maverick is a pickup that can fill in as a second car or truck. The base front drive Hybrid is quite smooth and has plenty of power. It's big brother the Maverick, with options such as Tremor off-road package, all wheel drive, and 17-inch A/T tires, is powered by a 2.0 liter eco boost and 8-speed automatic. There are LED lights, an 8-inch touchscreen, remote start, push to start, keyless entry and a lot more. The Tremor did pull a 3,000 lb. boat. A set of outside mirror extensions would be a good option, especially when towing. Power is ample and the ride is firm, both are quiet on all roads. The Tremor is priced around \$34,000. The style and front grill design looks very stylish and modern. The one problem is the Maverick is in high demand and hard to come by. The Maverick is not a small truck—it reminds me of the old F150 size.

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Monday, June 12

1003 Initiated - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Bornwood Dr As a result N677 returns to the station with one female in custody S/M 51182.1, 1025 Hrs, E/M Arrest: Marsters, Erin D Address: 15 Bornwood Dr Norwood, Ma Age: 44 Charges: Warrant Arrest

1920 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Happy Nails Of Norwood - Washington St Caller requesting to speak with an officer regarding ongoing suspicious activity around her residence. N661 spoke with that party and advised her of her options. Party stated that she understood and was satisfied.

1944 Initiated - Drug Law Violation *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Nahatan St Arrest: Lara Amancio, Pedro Jose Address: Unknown Unknown, MA Age: 31 Charges: Drug, Distribute Class B Drug, Possess To Distrib Class B Unlicensed Operation Of MV

Tuesday, June 13

0835 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr School seeking a well being check on the kids that live at the residence since they have missed school for the past week. N674 spoke to a neighbor they did see the children last night they seemed fine and were playing with the neighborhood kids. School was notified. 0854 Radio - Investigative Follow up *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Highview St As a result N661 returns to the station with one male party under arrest. Arrest: Bonilla, Angelo Address: 91 Highview St Apt. #2 Norwood, Ma Age: 48 Charges: B&E Building Daytime For Felony Break Into Depository Larceny From Building

1044 Initiated - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Coakley Middle School - Washington St SRO requesting additional units for a student that is out of control. N668 reports that party is under control and the situation is resolved.

1530 Walk-In - Larceny *Re-

port Filed Location/Address: Chapel St Walk in reports packages taken and possible harassment.

1544 Radio - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location: Boston Medical Center Arrest: Loving, Robert Ray Address: 125 Armory St Apt. #401 Boston, Ma Age: 55 Charges: Warrant Arrest

1630 Phone - Assist Other Agency Services Rendered Location/Address: Highview St Follow up for DCF regarding a babysitting business. 1804 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Norwood Convenience - Washington St Group of juveniles stole a bottle of juice.

Wednesday, June 14

0845 Phone - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Nichols St + Shattuck Park Rd Person sleeping in a hammock. Officer states out of country travelers, advised of complaint, moved along.

0902 Phone - Susp Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Hennessy Field - Pleasant St Tent set up. Officers dragged tent out, DPW to dispose of.

0950 Other - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Howard St Providence PD reports warrant with extradition issued for Norwood resident. As a result, N667 placed one party under arrest. N661 transported him to the station. Providence PD notified. Warrant confirmed and located in NCIC. Arrest: Bethoney, Andrew Stephen Address: 12 Howard St Norwood, Ma Age: 31 Charges: Fugitive From Justice On Court Warrant

1101 Phone - Recovered MV *Report Filed Location/Address: Jefferson Blvd RISP reports MA PC W59477 has been located in a tow yard. Owner notified. Vehicle removed from NCIC. Supplemental narrative to 23-625-OF to be filed.

1701 Phone - Well Being Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Short St Caller in Danvers reports her 27 year old special needs daughter is currently on Short Street for unknown reasons. Officer reports she

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was mistakenly dropped off there by The Ride. Destination was a group home in Walpole. Staff from group home arrived to provide transportation.

1724 911 - Runaway Child Returned Home Location/Address: Norwest Dr Report 17 year old male who suffers from Autism made concerning statements and left residence on foot. BOLO to the cars. Party was located.

2343 Phone - Well Being Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Neponset St + Dean St Motorist reports possibly confused elderly party on foot. Officer provided a courtesy transport to White-wood Rd.

Thursday, June 15

0821 911 - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Hoyle St Caller reports neighbor is being loud. N669 spoke to that party she will keep it down.

1414 Walk-In - Stolen Lic Plate *Report Filed Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Walk in reports rear plate stolen off of his vehicle (MA PC 3PFA13). Plate entered into NCIC. Report to be filed. 1506 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Theft of money from wallet.

1525 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Spoken To Location/Address: College Town Auto - Morse St Caller reports juveniles on the roof of the building throwing rocks. MC7 reports no property damage, juveniles located and spoken to.

1657 911 - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Balch School - Washington St 9-1-1 open line, parties arguing in background. Officer reports several groups of juveniles separated and an adult on scene. One juvenile stole Air Pods from another juvenile.

1853 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Woods - Chestnut Hill Realty - Norwest Dr Report of a group of juveniles on roof of storage unit breaking glass. Officer reports no one on roof, no broken glass.

2213 Phone - Lost And Found Services Rendered Loca-

tion/Address: Irving St + Autumn St Unattended bicycle left in roadway. DPW responded and transported item to station.

2335 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Everett St + Washington St Person laying down in bus stop. Officer states party checked OK, waiting for bus.

Friday, June 16

2124 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: ROJO - Bos-Prov Hwy Business reports male party in and out of the bathroom all day. Officers spoke to him, suffering from an illness, checked OK

2331 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Cedar St Loud music. Advised.

2333 Phone - Loud Party Spoken To Location/Address: Anne Rd

Saturday, June 17

0034 Phone - Be On The Lookout Area Search Negative BOLO for B/M wearing black sweatshirt, gray sweat pants, with deadlocks. Failure to stop, operating stolen moped.

0715 911 - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Stonebridge Apts - Dean St Caller reports seeing a bear behind complex. N.A.C.O notified.

0817 Phone - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Alden Dr Caller reports he accidentally discharged his firearm.

1001 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Mobil Gas - Wash./RR Av - Washington St Caller reports someone took his soccer cleats he left outside the business to dry off.

1611 Walk-In - Lost And Found Services Rendered Location/Address: Douglas Ave + Winslow Ave Walk in turns in found phone.

1621 911 - Well Being Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Nahatan St Caller reports elderly male party dropped off by UBER and appears lost and disoriented. N665 responding. N665 requests NFD and they both later assist with taking male party home to Nahatan St.

2108 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Edgehill Rd Caller reports his sister is an unwanted party. N664, N665, and N663 responding. N664 reports sister was arguing with friend and both parties left prior to police arrival.

2212 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller reports loud music. N666 and N676 responding. N666 report music was possibly coming from

this residence but residents deny it. All is quiet upon departure.

Sunday, June 18

0110 911 - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Washington St + Central St Caller reports two people possibly arguing in the middle of the road. Officers spoke with both parties involved, all is well.

1158 Phone - Complaint Of MV Area Search Negative Location/Address: Walpole St + Winter St Caller reports a 3 wheeled motorcycle driving with no plates.

1704 Radio - Well Being Check Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Charlwell Nursing Home - Walpole St NFD requesting assistance with a combative patient who the employees want to go to the hospital. N664 and N667 responding. NFD transports to BI Needham.

1953 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Between Jacobson And The Bridge - Dean St Caller reports loud music. N669 and N663 responding. Parties were spoken to and agreed to turn the music down.

2014 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports that she was assaulted by a stranger while walking her dog. Another caller witnessed no assault and that parties were intoxicated and making things up. N667, N664 and N674 responded. N667 reports verbal argument between neighbors.

2028 911 - Mischief (Kids) Spoken To Location/Address: Shaw's Supermarket - Nahatan St Caller reports she was approached by a group of juveniles in a threatening manner. N663 and N669 responded. All parties spoken to. N663 reports no threats, no weapons.

2057 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Oakridge Landscape - Rock St Caller reports loud noises emanating from an ATV or motorcycle. N663 responding. N663 advised the party who was creating the noise.

2118 911 - Unwanted Party Spoken To Call Source: 911 Location/Address: - Chapel St Caller requesting a police response to assist in getting a male party, refusing to leave, out of her residence. All parties spoken to and advised.

2143 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Elks - Winslow Ave Employee reports juveniles gathering in lower parking lot and refusing to leave. N674 responding.

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Clow joined the Navy four years ago. Today, Clow serves as a surface warfare officer aboard USS Shiloh.

"I joined the Navy because I wanted to follow in my grandfather's footsteps who served in the Navy for 20 years," said Clow. "I've always heard amazing stories from my him."

Growing up in Walpole, Clow attended Boston College High School and graduated in 2015.

Today, Clow relies upon skills and values similar to those found in Walpole to succeed in the military.

"Growing up, I came from a tight-knit community," said Clow. "This has helped me enjoy working with other people and being there for my sailors."

Clow serves in Japan as part of the Forward Deployed Naval Forces. These naval forces operate with allies and partners to preserve a free and open Indo-Pacific region. Service members in this region are part of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, which has the largest



LTJG Harry Clow III

area of responsibility in the world. Clow and the sailors they serve with have many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during their military service.

"Since being in the Navy, I'm most proud of working aboard USS Fitzgerald," said Clow. We all worked as a team and accomplished the missions at hand."

Clow is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

"I would like to thank my ROTC unit, my family and grandfather for being a sounding board and always supporting me," added Clow.

Photo by Lt. Cmdr. Jake Joy, Navy Office of Community Outreach

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and Marion (O'Connor) Coppa. James attended school in New York. He served a four year term in the United States Navy as a hydraulic mechanic and directed aircraft on the deck of the USS CARL VINSON CVN 70 as a boatswain's mate (yellow shirt). Jimmy was part of the maiden voyage of the USS CARL VINSON CVN 70 in 1983 and she's still in service today, 40 years later. The original Top Gun movie filmed segments on board the USS CARL VINSON during James' tenure. After military life, Jimmy worked as a 2nd Class Fireman for the Frank I. Rounds Com-

pany. He loved the outdoors, especially going to Nantasket beach. He was a history buff and an avid Patriots and Nascar fan. Above all, Jimmy was a man who fiercely loved his family. James was the beloved husband of Paula C. (Antonellis) Quinn, married for 40 years. He was the devoted father of Andrew Quinn and his fiancée, Kerri Taggart of Franklin, Lauren and her husband, Joshua Lacouture of Brockton, Megan Quinn of Stoughton, and Kylee and her husband, Christopher Chase of Hopedale. He was the brother of the late Raymond, Dennis,

and Patrick Quinn. James was the proud grandfather of Anthony, Andrew Jr., Grace, Emma, Gabriella, Cody, Charlotte, Jaxson, Madison, Christopher, and Luca. He is also survived by a large extended family. A Graveside Service was held at Knollwood Memorial Park, 321 High Street, CANTON on Thursday June 22. Funeral arrangements were made with Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood 02062. Expressions of sympathy may be made in James' memory to a charity or organization of your choice.



Circle of Hope President Tim McDonough and Founder Lee Kennedy joined Principal Bryan Riley, Head Teacher Carol Thornton and Prescott Student Council members to provide the check.

COURTESY PHOTO

Prescott steps up for Circle!

The Prescott School Student Council held a fundraiser for the Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation this past week. Student Council members came up with the idea of asking teachers to volunteer to be "pied" and run a raffle to

collect money. This was a completely student-led effort that was supported by Prescott Teachers and Staff. The Prescott Student Council ended up raising over \$1,000 for the Circle of Hope through this effort. The fundraiser con-

cluded with raffle tickets being pulled and 11 volunteer teachers getting a face full of pie. A big thank you to the Prescott Staff members who participated and our Student Council for organizing this event!

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