



Health Department Director Sigalle Reiss gave an update to the schools regarding Norwood's status as a municipality that is "in the red" when it comes to new COVID-19 cases.

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## School Committee, Board of Health discuss Town moving into COVID-19 "red zone"

Mary Ellen Gambon  
Staff Reporter

The School Committee met on Wed., Oct. 21 and was joined at the beginning of the session by Sigalle Reiss, Director of the Health Department and members of the Board of Health (BOH) to discuss Norwood's moving into the "red zone," or the highest exposure rate to COVID-19.

Reiss explained that, at the previous School Committee meeting, the two boards agreed to come together if there was a rise in cases. Although the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) had not released its statistics on that day, as it typically does on Wednesdays, she said she was "confident" that Norwood would be in the red zone.

The state uses an average daily case count over a two-week period per 100,000 to determine the level of risk to COVID-19 exposure. The lowest zone rate is gray if there are only zero to four cases in a community, because the rate is too low to tabulate. Zero to four cases per 100,000 is green, while a yellow community has between four and eight per 100,000, where Norwood has been since August, except for one green period recently. A red community has eight or more cases per 100,000.

"For a size of Norwood's population of about 30,000, what that means is if in a two-

week period, you have five to 16 cases, you fall into that green category," Reiss said. Seventeen to 33 cases would equal a yellow zone, while 34 cases would push Norwood into the red zone.

She noted that a lot of towns have moved into the red, given the data she has seen. She also said she believed the DPH was looking for clusters of COVID-19 cases in specific institutions, such as colleges and prisons.

In Norwood, there were 37 confirmed COVID-19 cases between Oct. 4 and Oct. 17, according to a presentation Reiss showed.

"It's really community transmission," she said, "mostly household clusters." Another place where victims were exposed was through organized hockey. Although the Norwood Public Schools (NPS) is not running a hockey program now, there are area private hockey leagues that the state shut down because of the risk.

"I equate playing hockey with being in a refrigerator, which really preserves the virus," Reiss continued. "So you're breathing very heavy and you're in a refrigerated, dry environment, which is very good for transmission of the virus."

Most of the cases now are people between the ages of 20 and 60, with the intensity being less severe. However, there is more of a surge of people going to the hospital than in the

past. Reiss urged residents to "be vigilant" with preventive measures including mask wearing and social distancing to deter the virus.

"Just like in the schools," she said, "the rinks can be perfect in their social distancing and their policies. But if people don't follow them outside of the rink or outside of the institution, it can lead to transmission."

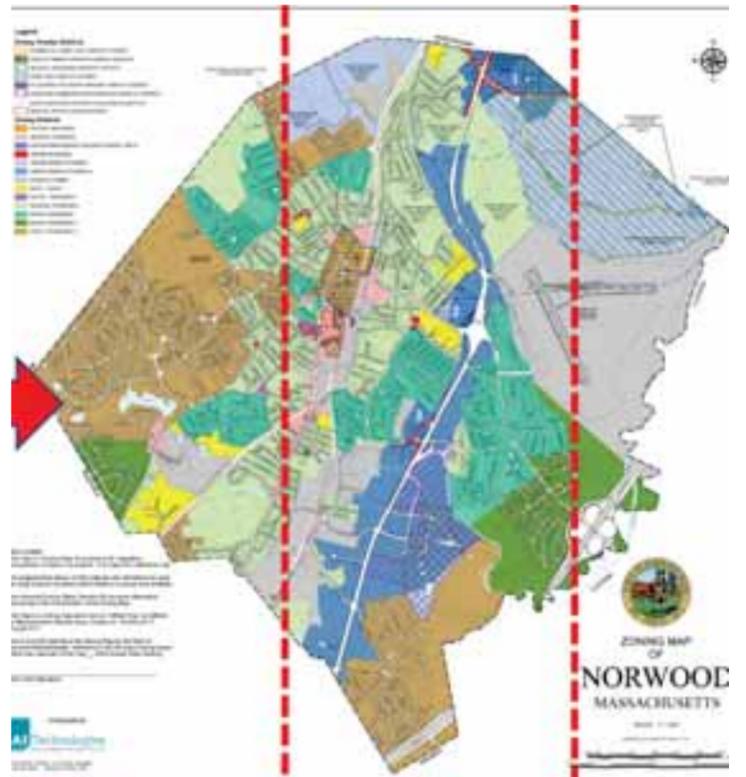
In the NPS, there have been four student cases and one staff person case during this time frame. There were three student cases at other schools: St. Catherine's, Xaverian Brothers High School and the Blue Hills Regional Technical School, respectively. One student has completed the isolation period.

"There was no in-school transmission," she stressed. "Any close contacts associated with these transmissions were due to activities outside of the schools."

BOH member Joan Jacobs said that there are two people in the Health Department who have been diligent in performing contact tracing.

School Committee Chair Teresa Stewart asked if Reiss expected Norwood to be in the red zone the next week, which she did. If the Town is in the red zone for three successive weeks, then the boards will reconvene to de-

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Selectmen and the Planning Board rehashed plans for the Route 1 rezoning.

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## Planning Board gives update on Route 1 Zoning

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met with the Planning Board, the Planning Department and Consultant Ted Brovitz to discuss the updated Route 1 Rezoning proposal to be voted on at the upcoming Fall Special Town Meeting.

Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said the biggest change since the two bodies met regarding the plan is to reduce the number of mixed-use zoning areas from five areas to three.

"So mixed-use development comes in a couple of different forms," Halkiotis said. "One form is where there is commercial development on the first floor of a building and residential up above. Another type is on any given piece of property, it has a mix of residential and commercial uses."

Halkiotis said the plan has eliminated the intersections of Route 1 and Sumner Street, Route 1 and North Street, the east side of Dean Street and Pleasant Street. He said they are recommending they allow the University Avenue intersection, Neponset Street at the corner of the rotary at Route 1, and the west side of Dean Street where there are two shopping centers (Staples, Workout World and Monkey Sports).

"We would consider both of

those opportunity areas for re-development, as they are not necessarily the highest and best use," he said. "The parking lot for Workout World and Monkey Sports is huge and will never have that many cars parking there."

Halkiotis said these areas seem to be the best situated for new development, and that by offering fewer areas than before, it will increase the chances of getting the required two-thirds vote for approval at Town Meeting on Nov. 12.

Halkiotis said the other big issue that the Planning Department and Board have been looking at is density, basically how many units per acre could be developed.

"Since we did the Downtown Mixed-Use Overlay District (MUOD), which allowed a maximum density of 36 units (per acre), unfortunately we've had no takers," he said. "We've been told, and I think almost all of us, have been told in different conversations over the last year, that we didn't put enough density in there to make it financially viable for a property owner to undertake a mixed-use project."

Halkiotis said they will probably have to revisit the issue for the MUOD at a later date to perhaps increase density in the Downtown as well, but

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# New Medical overlay (MSOD) reduced

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met on Oct. 19 and discussed the nine total zoning changes members will recommend to Town Meeting on Nov. 12, but specifically discussed recent recommended changes to the Medical Services Overlay District (MSOD), a new zoning overlay designed to help the hospital rebuild after the June 28 flood.

The overlay zoning is designed to help ease restrictions on the property in case the hospital needs to do a total or partial rebuild, as the buildings on the site now do not conform to the General Business District zoning in place now.

"It would prohibit them from rebuilding what they currently have today," said Town Planner Paul Halkiotis.

At a previous meeting, Selectmen had met with the Planning Board and some expressed their concern about the MSOD. Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue said she was not in favor of including areas outside the Norwood Hospital for the MSOD.

"When we're talking about a hospital overlay district, I never dreamed it would include anything other than hospital property," she said. "When we sold the old junior high school at 825 Washington St. (the Guild Medical Center) and it became a medical building, I was at Town Meeting, and was worried for the towns-

people that it would affect the hundreds of homes in the area. That part of Town is on one of the best areas of all the Town."

Abdallah-Donohue said she felt while the hospital is a good use of the land, she wasn't comfortable seeing medical services flowing outward into the outlying residential neighborhood.

"We have to protect that," she said, adding that if the hospital needs more land, its administration can ask the Town for it when it does.

Halkiotis said they didn't want to just include the hospital property. Someone could, if they were so inclined, claim it was an instance of spot zoning, which could put the Town in legal trouble. So at the Oct. 19 meeting, Halkiotis said they were including the gas station (Quick Mart on Broadway) as well as the U.S. Post Office, and that would negate any inkling of spot zoning.

Selectman David Hajjar floated the idea of adding on a parcel to the southeast of the hospital. It's a parking lot abutting the Norwood Central MBTA Commuter Rail Station, and, according to the Town's GIS Mapping website (<https://www.axisgis.com/norwoodma/>), it is owned by the hospital's parent company Steward.

"That was something we had recommended to be included. And if you look next door there's a 75 percent vacant parcel with two smaller buildings in the front, but I'll defer to the Board of Select-



The original proposal with the Guild Medical Center and southern lots included on the left, with the shrunken proposal of just the hospital, gas station and U.S. Post Office on the right.

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men on those boundaries," Halkiotis said. "We did recommend that it be a larger area, but I don't want to go against what the Selectmen had recommended at our meeting last week."

Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko agreed strongly with Abdallah-Donohue's sentiment to shrink the proposed overlay district, and Planning Board member Ernie Paciorkowski said that increasing it again could cause problems.

"Do you think adding those two lots in would garner the support of the Selectmen?" he asked.

Hajjar said a majority would, but not all of the Board would be in favor.

"I know Bill is trying to keep it confined and I am not trying to say you should include those two lots, I'm just open to including them, because I think it's right for development, since they're basically vacant, as opposed to

the Guild Building and the other buildings on East Hoyle that are already occupied," he said. "I don't think there's an urgency to make sure that nothing we don't want to get built gets built there."

Paciorkowski said he agreed and thought it would be the perfect spot to be added, but he and Hajjar said they were worried that Town Meeting members may not pass the overlay district at all because of it.

"I think that was the concern of Mr. Plasko coming off the 'Island,'" said Planning Board Chair Al Porro. "It's too large an area for Town Meeting members to consider at this time."

Hajjar said he could live with the overlay either way, but stressed that if the vacant lot was to be rezoned or included in an overlay district in the future, it should be done sooner rather than later.

"It's a large area ripe for development and I think having it included for medical

makes perfect sense," he said.

"I think there have been one or two people sniffing around those lots in the past," said Paciorkowski.

Halkiotis said he and his staff worked with consultant Ted Brovitz to draft the original proposal. He said he used a similar piece of height restriction for this proposal as he did when he helped the Town write the Mixed-Use Overlay District for the Downtown. The restriction states that within the first 20 feet of setback from the road, the height limit is 45 feet, but after that 20-foot setback the height restriction lifts to 80 feet. Brovitz said the idea is not to create a canyon-like setting where pedestrians on the street would only be allowed an hour of sunlight around noon.

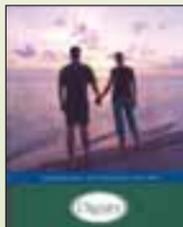
"At the sidewalk it's a smaller building, but the deeper you get into the property the higher the building can be," he said.

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# Selectmen vote to "postpone" Town Meeting

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday and voted to recommend to Town Meeting members that they vote to support a motion of dissolution for the majority of the upcoming Special Town Meeting on Nov. 12 because of concerns from the Town's recent red designation for COVID-19.

"We had a very good experience in June (at regular Town Meeting) and we worked very hard to get that meeting held in a way that was as reasonably safe as it could be," Town Meeting Moderator David Hern said. "Back in June I don't think we had the red, green or yellow categories, but we were fortunate."

While it is not technically a postponement, that will be the vote's effect if Town Meeting members decide to adopt it for the majority of the Town Meeting Articles. Hern said the idea is to give the Town time to adopt a virtual meeting software that would be equitable for Town Meeting Members to both learn and then use in a reasonable period of time.

However, Hern said TM would more than likely have to meet in person and go through the three financial articles that need to be completed by December 12. The Town actually scheduled two Town Meetings, one for the majority of the articles and a second for these three financial articles respectively. Hern said a quorum would still have to be met in person to vote to pass a motion of dissolution for the meeting involving the more time-consuming articles. After that, members could get on with the financial articles.

"We've got to get that done and do that in person," Hern said.

Hern said technically Town Meeting has to adopt a vote of dissolution before any rescheduling can be done, according to Town Meeting procedure. Once that is done, he suggested that the Town look into virtual meeting software.

"The way the statute reads under Section 8 is you can have a remote meeting if the moderator determines it's not possible to safely assemble Town Meeting Members and interested members of the public," Hern said. "It's got to be tested though... I will tell you based on what other moderators have done and reported, there's a lot of training involved."

"And we could be running into Christmas and the holidays, so we've been talking about holding the meeting in January," he said. "As things happen, the Massachusetts Moderators Association is hosting its annual meeting this Friday and one of the seminars is being led by the Moderator of Brookline about virtual Town Meetings."

Hern said he hopes to learn all he can about virtual meetings then. Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko said he agreed with the sentiment of the vote for dissolution/postponement, as the 20-plus articles for the majority of the meeting have the potential to keep residents in one room for possibly several meeting days at a time.

"The only way to accommodate those concerns is what Mr. Hern just said," he said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue asked if the zoning Norwood Hospital rezoning effort article should be included for the first in-person meeting with the three financial articles. Hern said the question is up for a vote of Town Meeting members.

"I suppose somebody might say, 'we really need to do this now so I propose we take this out of order and get it done,'" he said. "I'd want to think a little bit about it."

Plasko said he agreed that it would be legally and parliamentary allowable under the Town Meeting rules, but he said he felt it could open a can of worms.

"The question might be whether or not we want to propose that because you say the hospital is important, I say Route 1 is important, he says the landscaping is important and, before you know it, the meeting doesn't get dissolved," he said. "But it will be up to the body."

Selectman David Hajjar said he felt the Town should look into perhaps a hybrid option, so residents who want to show up can and those who want to participate remotely can do so. Hern said earlier that for the Nov. 12 date, a hybrid model wasn't feasible because it was unclear as to whether or not that would be legal, and if the meeting results were challenged and nullified, the Town would have to meet again and he didn't want to waste time and lose a meeting. But with a January meeting, there would be time to see if it could legally be done.

"I think there's a lot of sup-

port for that in the community," Hajjar said. "There's a very large group who want to do it remotely and you can accomplish both through the hybrid... I think a lot of us who have done the research have found various answers as to whether or not we can do a hybrid meeting."

The Board voted to recommend a vote of dissolution at Town Meeting.

The Board also voted to decrease the quorum required to hold the Town Meeting as per new state laws. Hern suggested that the Board vote to select a specific number and not a percentage of the total quorum to avoid any confusion. Hern said the Town is allowed to reduce its required quorum (in normal times about 127 Town Meeting members) to a minimum of 10 percent of the quorum. The Board agreed on 45 members as a quorum.

"We can't go below 10 percent of the normal quorum and 45 is well above that 10 percent," he said.

The Board voted unanimously to adopt this lower quorum requirement.

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—A.T.

### TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING on November 17, 2020 at 7:00PM** on the request of Joseph C. Jacobs, Jr. and Teresa M. Drummey (**Case #20-16**) with respect to property located on **488 Nahatan Street, in a S-Single Residence District**. The meeting will be conducted digitally using GoToMeeting. Participation may be accessed through a computer, tablet or smartphone <https://www.gotomeet.me/NorwoodZoningBoardofAppeal>. You can also dial in using your phone United States: +1 (312) 757-3121, Access Code: 669-717-541.

This Application requests a SPECIAL PERMIT under Sections 5.4 and 5.4.4 of the Zoning Bylaws to allow: Alteration of an existing single-family dwelling that does not conform to side yard setback requirements and is situated on a lot having less area, frontage, and lot width than required in the Single Residence District, to permit the construction of an addition to said dwelling, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may deem appropriate in the circumstances.

This Application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (IF REQUIRED) to allow the construction of an addition to an existing non-conforming (as to side yard setback) single family dwelling located on a non-conforming (as to area, frontage and lot width) lot, pursuant to Section 4.0 of the Zoning Bylaws.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed during normal working hours, Monday – Thursday, 8:00am – 4:00pm.

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—A.T.

### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

—A.T.

## Legals

### TOWN OF NORWOOD Application for Change of License Classification PUBLIC HEARING

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood by Daunia, Inc. dba Vico Ristorante Italiano, 89 Central Street, Norwood, Massachusetts, Vincenzo Loffredo, Manager of the license under Section 12, Chapter 138 and Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, for the Change of License Category from Sale of Wines and Malt Beverages, with Cordials/Liqueurs to Sale of All Alcoholic Beverages to be drunk on the premises of 89 Central Street.

Description of the premises is as follows: 2200 sq. ft. with one entrance and two exits, front door facing Central Street, and rear door.

Public hearing on this application will be held remotely on **Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 7:45 p.m.** Please see information below:

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### TOWN OF NORWOOD Application for All Alcoholic Beverages License PUBLIC HEARING

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood by Gyro and Kebab House, Corp., 1275 Boston Providence Turnpike, Valentina Akyol, Manager, under Section 12 of Chapter 138, and Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws for a License for the Sale of all Alcoholic Beverages to be drunk on the premises of 1275 Boston Providence Turnpike.

Description of the premises is as follows: One story building with dining room, kitchen, storage area, and bathrooms with two entrances and three exits. 2888 square foot area inside and 800 square foot area outside to the front and right of the restaurant.

Public hearing on this application will be held remotely on **Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.** Please see information below:

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### TOWN OF NORWOOD Application for General On-Premises All Alcoholic Beverages License PUBLIC HEARING

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood by Rehearsal Services, Inc., dba Magic Room, 83 Morse Street, Unit 5A, William E. Desmond, Jr., Manager under Section 12, Chapter 138, and Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws for a General On-Premises License for Sale of All Alcoholic Beverages License to be drunk on the premises of 83 Morse Street, Unit 5A.

Description of the premises is as follows: 2,750 square foot ground floor space consisting of two rooms, three restrooms, bar area, and storage spaces, one entrance and two exits.

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# Letters to the Editor

### I CARE ABOUT WHAT GOES ON AT AIRPORT

To the Editor:

In last week's opinion piece, you asked if anyone cared about what goes on at the Norwood Airport. As a resident in a nearby neighborhood for more than 30 years, I care. Unfortunately, as a resident, I feel I have little say in what goes on at the airport. The Norwood Airport Commission does whatever it wants, and residents are powerless to do anything about it. Members of the NAC are appointed not elected to their positions. When the US military turned the facility over to the town after World War II, the town was required to maintain it as a working municipal airport. I'm not aware of any mandate that the town increase traffic at the airport year over year.

Bert Forest  
Norwood

### TOWN'S INSISTENCE ON SELLING FORBES PROPERTY CONFUSING

To the Editor:

Evidently, the property off Upland Road (Route 1A) once owned by William Cameron Forbes, former Governor-General of the Philippines and US Ambassador to Japan, does not want to be sold, but kept for the Town of Norwood and its residents for conservation and historic purposes.

Initially bought by the Town to prevent another 40B apartment complex, it is hard to understand why the Town insists on selling the property so an out-of-town developer can make an obscene profit and put even more housing in this already dense town, this time for 175 apartment units and an office park there. (BTW, Dedham is the same size as Norwood at 10.6 square miles, but has 4,000 fewer residents.) Now that bid has been challenged, and not one, but two judges, sent it back to the town. Norwood has made many poor decisions over the years, even with advice from town counsel, and therefore, has lost several lawsuits.

Town Officials should withdraw from the bid process to sell Forbes for a number of reasons. The fact that 70% of the almost 700 respondents to the Forbes Hill Task Force's own survey want to keep the Forbes property for green space, not to be built upon, is one. The town needs more conservation not

less. Moreover, the plan to have four traffic lights on this short stretch of Upland Road (Route 1A) from the rotary at Prospect Street to Clapboardtree Street not only will mar the Forbes landscape, but also may cause frustration and increased traffic chaos.

Norwood businesses and residents should be able to handle the \$13 million purchase price to keep Forbes in its natural state. Actually, taxpayers have been paying for Forbes since the Town bought the property and put it out to bid a few years ago. Keeping it is part of the cost and benefit to living in Norwood. Taxpayers also should be able to handle projects that are coming up including additional conservation land and a new middle school by recognizing and implementing various revenue sources not currently in place.

The vision for Norwood should be a balance among economic development, conservation, and the protection and preservation of significant and historic buildings and places in what once was the Crown Jewel of the Commonwealth.

Judith Howard  
TMM - 3

### TOWN MEETING NEEDS A REMOTE OPTION

To the Editor:

As Norwood has just turned RED and certain sports are being temporarily shut down by the state; as parents are all worried about the impending doom of schools being closed for the winter; you should know there is an IN PERSON Town Meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 12th in the high school gym and 280 people have been invited.

Many Town Meeting members have strongly advocated for a virtual option for this meeting, either fully or partly, and the decision makers have rejected our request.

It is the opinion of many that holding this meeting in person at this time is hugely irresponsible, especially when virtual platforms like zoom are available with options to "raise your hand" and "vote."

I am asking our town leaders to do everything in their power to keep our schools open and keep our townspeople safe. Moving forward with an in-person meeting of this magnitude

could risk the educational wellbeing of our children, especially those in the special needs community. This meeting needs to have a remote option.

Town Meeting Moderator David Hern, Board of Selectmen, and Town Manager Tony Mazzucco, I am begging you to consider all that has changed this past week and do what is best for the people of our town. We need a remote option for Town Meeting.

Katie Button  
Town Meeting Member  
District 9

### IT'S ALL ABOUT THE VOTE

To the Editor:

I don't know that I've seen an election with more on the line than this one. I'm asking all of you: Have you made your voting plan yet? Will you vote early, which started October 17, and runs through 10/30? Please see the Norwood Town hall website or our Facebook page for dates and times early voting hours are open in Town Hall. Have you mailed your vote-by-mail application yet? You have until Saturday, October 24. If you've already mailed your ballot, make sure you use the barcode to track that it's been received. Will you vote in person on November 3? WEAR YOUR MASK!!! Be ready to wait in line, and know what's on the ballot. Vote411.org is an excellent resource that will let you know exactly who is on your ballot, including ballot questions 1 and 2. The League has no official position on Question 1: Right to Repair, but we are strongly in favor of a Yes on Question 2: Ranked Choice Voting. LWVMA was actively involved in signature gathering in both stages needed to get this question on the ballot, as well as helping to disseminate information about the question across the state. You may remember LWV Norwood had a forum on Ranked Choice Voting back in 2018.

Our sister Leagues took the lead on the Norfolk County races for Sheriff and the County Commissioners. We thank Sharon/Stoughton and Needham for their efforts there, and links are available on our Facebook page, as well as through Norwood Community Media.

The rest of our fall is quiet this year. No in-person events to promote, and no social gatherings on the horizon. For those of you who are Town Meeting members, Town Meeting is happening on November 12. Please look for details soon.

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Courtney Rau Rogers  
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Residents will have to have their own starting guns this year to kick off the 34th annual Norwood Turkey Trot, but at least said runners will be able to set their own start time.

FILE PHOTO

# Turkey Trot to be on-demand this year

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

Like many local favorite fundraisers in the age of COVID-19, the 34th annual Norwood Turkey Trot will be going virtual this year.

The race is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 15, through Sunday, Nov. 22, and according to Organizer Jim Henry from Winged Foot Running, runners can plot their own course for the race and run it when they want to within that time frame.

“That being said, there are no awards because we can’t certify the times,” he said. “We can’t have age group awards, overall awards, or any of that.”

Henry said they’re probably also going to get fewer

people sign up for the race, which is problematic because the Norwood High School Boosters Club Scholarship Foundation (the local charity the Trot raises funds for every year), like many local charities, hasn’t been able to fundraise during the pandemic as its members normally would.

“Normally we get 400 to 500 people and sometimes upwards of 600 pre-registered runners,” Henry said. “Right now, with about a month to go, we’re sitting on 150 runners who are registered. Normally we’d have 250 to 300 at this point.”

Henry said that he and the Boosters are still glad to see this amount of people coming

out to support them.

“Well, when it’s between virtual and nothing?” he said.

### Turkey Trot

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#### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

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## Turkey Trot *continued from page 5*

"If you do nothing you get nothing for the Boosters Scholarship Foundation."

Henry added that they've been able to cover the funds for the ever-popular long-sleeve Trot T-Shirts, which means any sales of which going forward go right to the Foundation. He said the reduction of overhead also helps.

"And now anything we get from runner registration fees is going straight to the Boosters Scholarship Foundation," he said.

However, Henry said they are having trouble recruiting sponsors for the race as many local businesses that regularly sponsor are hurting from the pandemic.

"Ninety-nine percent of our sponsors are small businesses," he said. "I don't have the exact number of sponsors now but we have raised at least some money through the local businesses to date. Again, it's better to get some money for the Boosters than to just get nothing, because that's what some races are doing right now, saying 'we're not going to get enough money so it's not worth it.'"

Henry said they tried the virtual model for the May 2020 Run for a Vet race, and had moderate success with about 75 people participating.

"We also did a 10-mile challenge with Charles River Running called the Run into Fall Challenge, and we had probably around 75 people there too and that was successful," he said. "It's tough, but we're just trying like everybody else. We're trying to get through Covid and with the parameters that are out there now, there's no in-person racing allowed. So we need something to keep our name out there and give the runner something to do."

Henry said many runners see these races as a way to socialize, build friendships and keep in touch with said friends.

"And that's been taken away," he said.

For the future of in-person racing, Henry said he was usually trying to organize for a New Year's race that Winged Foot Running organizes most years on the first day of the new year. He said however, that in trying to organize that, he feels in-person racing is not coming back anytime soon.

"That's just what I've heard from people in the industry and just through what the state and local governments have been forecasting," he said. "I personally just do not see in-person racing at least until halfway through 2021."

Henry said he'll be organizing the Run for a Vet 2021 for a virtual race again this upcoming May. For more information on this year's Turkey Trot, go to [runsignup.com/Race/MA/Norwood/TheNorwoodTurkeyTrot](https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/Norwood/TheNorwoodTurkeyTrot)

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## Covid Red Zone *continued from page 1*

cide if measures need to be taken to close a school or the schools for a period of time and go to remote learning. Likewise, there would be a three-week pivot back to hybrid learning if there is a closing period.

"Unless there is a large cluster, I don't see a need to change direction," Reiss said.

Superintendent Dr. David Thomson said he has been reporting the student cases to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) as required.

School Committee member Joan Giblin asked if there were "gradients of red" that would call for different measures with contact tracing.

Reiss said that now there is an additional public health nurse on staff, thanks to funding provided by General Manager Tony Mazzucco. During the spring peak, there were zero, and now there are two. There is also now a state contact tracing collaborative to help. Reiss said she wants to hold on to school-aged cases locally to track them.

Thomson addressed the school COVID-19 cases. For the last couple of cases, the families involved called the schools directly once they got their test results to start the process.

"We worked directly with the Health Department, our nurses, our administration to contact trace those cases and get to the nitty gritty of where those people were," he said. "Those close contacts are contacted by the Board of Health and told that they must quarantine."

He noted that there is a need to protect people's privacy, but the community will be notified which school the case is in after the contact tracing is done.

"The people who are at high risk will be told by the Board of Health," Thomson said. "We will take another step beyond that, and that comes from the principal, where we will tell families and high school-level students that they were in the same vicinity of that case. That does not mean that they are a close contact, but it does mean that they should be aware of that and cognizant of their own health and symptoms and things along that line."

The schools have been very strict about cleaning and social distancing protocols to reduce the chance of a cluster, he added.

"Because of the structure we've built, we have not had to close a classroom or a building because the cleaning had already happened," Thomson continued. "And that was done purposely so we would avoid disruption as much as possible."

Cooperation among the Health and School Departments, as well as the Town government, has led to the success in the schools, he said.

"We want kids connecting in our community," he said, stressing that, outside of family, people need to wear masks. "But we can't do it if we're in the red."

Thomson also talked about the deadline for switching instructional models from the hybrid model to the Remote Learning Academy. Schools will be sending out forms. The requests need to be either scanned and

emailed or dropped off to the home school. For middle and high school students, the request period is open from now until Nov. 4 for Term 2.

"At the middle school, it might require a change of teams," he said. "At the high school, depending on the room and the classes, it might mean you might have to change some of your teachers."

At the elementary level, the six-foot distance factor will determine the number of seats available. The switch date for these schools begins Nov. 6 and ends Nov. 20. The new placement begins Dec. 11. Seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, but there will be measures taken to prevent shifts to one particular school.

"If we do see a massive movement in any direction or another, we probably will have to reallocate staff," Thomson explained, "which is going to be disruptive for a lot of people. This is why there is a window to do this."

The Remote Learning Academy was originally based upon two surveys, but more people signed up than originally expected. Other people moved into Norwood, which has increased the numbers as well.

"We are lucky in Norwood that we have a lot of support from this town ... to really expand our schools," Thomson added regarding the creation of the Remote Learning Academy. "If you take a step back and look, we've only done this for a month. It's actually pretty amazing what the professionals in the Norwood Public Schools have done."

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The Commission is to hear a request for a Request for Determination of Applicability from Andrea Coates on behalf of MassDOT for the application of herbicides at spot locations under an approved vegetation management plan (V.M.P.). These locations include beneath guardrails, within crevices, on poison ivy, and within joints between and under jersey barriers.

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The Commission is to hear a request for a Notice of Intent from Luke Fabbri of Geological Field Services, Inc. on behalf of Joseph Federico of UAVE, LLC. The proposed work has already been completed and this filing is after-the-fact pursuant to an enforcement order from the Norwood Conservation Commission. The project entailed construction of stormwater management features and a retaining wall in the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland.

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# Route 1 Zoning *continued from page 1*

he said that's a conversation for next year.

"This year we don't want to make the same mistake again," he said. "Particularly when the Route 1 Corridor being a completely different area of Town and one that can accept more growth and development than the Downtown at a greater density and intensity. And so this is one of the reasons we were looking to increase the density there."

Halkiotis said he discussed the problem of increased density with two "substantial" property owners on the Route 1 corridor, asking for a number of units per acre they think would be feasible to start a project. He added that he made it clear to the developers that it has to be a reasonable number – not 100 units per acre – so that it could pass Town Meeting.

"That owner said 'Paul, why don't you look at it in a different way, and why don't you approach this differently than dwelling unit per acre,'" he said. "He described this approach that in planning terms, we'd say it was a form-based protocol."

Halkiotis said other regulations in the proposal include open space requirements (20 percent of the parcel), height requirements (60 feet) and setbacks would create a building envelope, or basically a three-dimensional space in which a building could be built.

"So, the owner suggested that the Town let them build how every many units they want to if they comply with all of these intensity and dimensional standards that you've already got in your bylaw?" Halkiotis said.

Halkiotis said he discussed the issue with the Town's consultant Ted Brovitz, who said many other towns do zoning this way, and in fact he was working on a proposal in Lexington in a similar vein.

Matt Lane said he feels allowing no density limit in and of itself could be troubling for Town Meeting Members, and

he asked for an estimate as to what the maximum number could be with the regulations mentioned above.

"I think when this is presented to Town Meeting that's what they're going to fixate on, that density number and just being able to justify it," he said.

Halkiotis said one of the property owners he talked to would have to have 175 units on three acres to make it work for him (about 58 units per acre).

"He's also recommending we allow more height, 70 or 75 feet," he said. "The other developer I met with said 80 feet. But we are near the Airport, and all of this would be dependent on what the FAA would approve in terms of the exact location. But no surprise to us the developers are asking for more height."

Selectman David Hajjar said he would be okay with the lack of a density requirement only if the parking restrictions were immutable, as the parking restrictions would limit the number of units for a particular building. However he said he is worried because currently under the plan parking limits are changeable.

"That's more or less how our framework would work on Route 1," Brovitz said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue said she is worried that developers would then come before the Zoning Board of Appeals and ask for height variances to put in way more units than Town Meeting mem-

bers might envision when and if they vote for no density requirement.

"I think we have to have some confidence in our Board of Appeals that they would make the right decision and use discretion in the variances that they grant for things like height," said Halkiotis.

Selectman Thomas Maloney asked why Vanderbilt Avenue was not included in the Mixed-Use districts on Route 1. Halkiotis said it's a light industrial park, with two sections: one is a more upscale area with a grassed median to make it look like a parkway and the other is more dedicated to industrial, with the smokestack of the meatball factory there sometimes emitting smells that in the past have been problematic for neighbors.

"Largely because of its industrial park feeling now, I didn't think it was a great place to allow for housing, but having said that, you're not the first one who's asked me that question," he said. "We're certainly open to Selectmen making recommendations for adding or subtracting areas."

Maloney said the area is begging for renovation and because it is somewhat cut off, it could be its own community with residential and commercial.

"It might just be a matter of allowing developers to repurpose the land for housing, since you can have a mini-neighborhood or community" he said.



The new zoning would allow some areas for mixed-use development like this, and would require stepped height limits like this based on how close the developments are to the street.

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Monday, October 19

- 1344 Phone - Animal Complaint Area Search Negative Location/Address: Pleasant St + Nahatan St Small dog in the area Brown & about 10 pounds.
- 1422 911 - B & E Residence \*Report Filed Location/Address: Dean St Caller reports a B&E in progress. Party was GOA. MSP makes arrest in Boston, party transported to S.Boston barracks. Arrest: Manago, Edward Address: 149 Pleasant St Apt. #2 Dorchester, Ma Age: 28 Charges: Vandalize Property C266 §126a
- 1528 Phone - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Orleans Rd Hunter walking into the woods near Workmen's Hall carrying a bow. Officer reports he was unable to locate the hunter or his vehicle.
- 1559 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Dr Kids and parents involved in a dispute.
- 2104 Phone - Susp Person Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Winslow Ave + Press Ave Caller reports seeing a male party on the corner smoking, and has noticed him a few times in the past couple days. N664 checked the area.

Tuesday, October 20

- 0740 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Vernon St Caller requesting to speak to an officer regarding ongoing issue with party at this address. N679 advised that party.
- 1015 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Winslow Ave Caller reports she may have found a small baggie with possible narcotics in the bag. N666 reports it was a small bag of marijuana and will return to the station to destroy the product.
- 1257 Phone - Well Being Chk Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Railroad Ave Female transported for psych evaluation.

Wednesday, October 21

- 0820 Phone - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Town Hall - Washington St Report party holding a political sign, believe he is too close to polling place. N679 reports he is across the street and over the 150 foot distance away.
- 1052 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Nichols St Caller requests a wellness check on an elderly female who has not taken in her mail for a week. Units spoke with her, all is well.
- 1136 Phone - Well Being Chk \*Protective Custody Location/Address: Hoyle St Caller requests wellness check on a female walking. NFD transports.
- 1543 Phone - Susp Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Home Depot - Bos-Prov Hwy Report 3 B/M's in MAPC 1XNK26, believe they are stealing from the store. Officers conducted an onsite investigation, nothing was stolen.
- 1711 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Doherty Field - Brewster Dr Caller reports juveniles knocked the port-a-potty over. N679 spoke to several people on scene who stated that was knocked over when they arrived.
- 1745 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Walk in reports she has not spoken with her adult daughter in over a week. Daughter does not wish to speak with mother, party advised.
- 1837 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Jefferson Dr Party seeking advice on a court order, is going to return with additional information.
- 1915 Phone - Fireworks Area Search Negative Location/Address: Walpole St + Olde Derby Rd Olde Derby Village, Wilson Street and Bullard Street searched, nothing heard by officer.
- 1932 Phone - Fireworks Area Search Negative Location/Ad-

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- dress: Westover Pkwy Willet School and surround streets also checked with negative results.
- 2122 Phone - Drunk Person Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Mayfair Cir Caller reports his neighbor's son is intoxicated and is currently at the front door. NFD responded and transported that party for medical evaluation.

Thursday, October 22

- 0001 Phone - Assist Citizen \*Report Filed Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller requesting to speak to an officer regarding voicemails he received from father in law. See Report
- 0507 911 - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Foxboro P.D. received a call from a Crisis line in Atlanta stating they were speaking to a male party from Norwood who was upset with his brother and was talking suicidal. N667, N679 checked out his residence and parking lot for car. (Ma.Reg#5rv856) (GOA). No one answered the door and house was in darkness. Phone was pinged and bounced of a tower in Wrentham. Wrentham P.D. checked property on and around the Wrentham Outlets area where the ping was coming from. Nothing found in area of tower or Stores in Wrentham. Bolo put out over teletype. See Call#: 20-22481 0933 Hrs. Recheck of address-no longer lives here. Foxboro notified.
- 1000 Hrs-Subject spoken to in his room at Boston College.
- 0607 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Prescott School (Acct# 1383d) - Richland Rd Resident reports a Waste Management truck emptying trash. N669 re-

sponded. Truck from Waste Management located and stopped. Driver advised of by-law MA S23570420

- 1012 Phone - Threats \*Report Filed Location/Address: Mystic Scenic Studio - Lenox St Report threats over the phone.
- 1144 Other - Assist Other Agency Services Rendered Location/Address: Buckminster Dr N678 checks truancy issue.
- 1300 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Summit Ave Advised about a neighbor feeding wildlife.
- 1345 Cellular - Susp Vehicle Spoken To Location/Address: Dean St Report of a black car, no front plate, someone sitting in it, in rear parking lot, caller believes it is a female that her boyfriend may have been sent to assault her due to a past relationship. N663 reports it is a B/M, caller does not recognize name, matter resolved.
- 1402 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Neponset St Report catalytic converter stolen.
- 1416 Phone - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Boch Chevy - Bos-Prov Hwy Report customer arguing over getting is car fixed. N677 reports civil matter and he will take is business elsewhere.
- 1438 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Amazon - Everett St Report ex-employee arguing over tools. N677 reports he got all his stuff and left area.
- 1938 911 - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Valley Rd Party seeking advice on obtaining a harassment prevention order.
- 2016 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Convenient Food Mart - Washington St Caller reports a past larceny.
- 2057 Phone - Civil Dispute Spoken To Location/Address: Sunnyside Rd Landlord reports a tenant's girlfriend is attempting to move in right now. All parties spoken to, advised. No one moving in.
- 2228 911 - Complaint Of Mv Spoken To Location/Address: Mcdonalds - Union/Rte1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee reports a

October 29, 2020

young child in the driver's seat of MA PC 2EFX44. N664 spoke to the owner of that vehicle and reports her daughter was sitting on her lap ordering her food in the driv-thru.

2327 Phone - Susp Person Area Search Negative Location/Address: Jefferson Dr Report of a male party walking in circles for an hour. N666 spoke to him, he lives in the area and is on his cell phone.

Friday, October 23

- 0936 Walk-In - Malicious Damage \*Report Filed Location/Address: Winter St Report someone altered the wording on a political sign that resident had on their lawn.
- 1106 Phone - Assist Citizen Civil Matter Location/Address: Tremont St Landlord reports tenant, who was properly notified, will not let him and appraiser into Apt. 2, N667 spoke to all parties, tenant is calmed down and matter is resolved.
- 1145 Phone - Susp Person Area Search Negative Location/Address: Nahatan St Male has knocked on doors asking to use a bathroom. He uses a yellow walking stick or "paddle" per the caller.
- 1205 Phone - Animal Complaint Taken/Referred To Other Agency Location/Address: Summit Ave Report neighbor puts parts of a chicken on public sidewalk, today it is nails. N.A.C.O. and N662 conduct investigation. DPW notified to pick them up. Norwood Health Dept. then notified to continue investigation and will recall police if needed.
- 1248 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Neponset St Catalytic converter stolen.
- 1314 Phone - Warrant Of Apprehension \*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Nichols St N666 places subject under arrest and N666, using N670, transports to Dedham District Court.
- 1407 Phone - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Access Rd Report dog in MA VN FEZ13 has been barking for the 15 minutes since owner left to go into

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## Ask The Doctor

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Dear Doctor: My new car has the stop and start feature that I cannot shut off. Does the extra start and stop of the engine cause any wear on the battery or starter? –Ruth

A) In my opinion there is no question that the start and stop feature does put extra wear on the starter and flywheel, as for the battery and alternator that is also a big yes. Our cars have the feature and also have a button to shut the system off. On some vehicles the system can be deactivated by moving the shifter in low gear, not pressing the brake pedal down fully. This to me are too dangerous to try to do. There are some aftermarket plug in eliminators that plug into the connector under the dash or at the trailer hitch connector if your car has one.

Dear Doctor: I have a 2013 Hyundai Sonata with 117,345 miles. During one of my recent oil changes the mechanic said the oil was extremely low. I, too, have noticed I'm adding oil more frequently. Is this a common problems with the Sonata? –Michael

A) Today's vehicles run at high temperatures and lean (only the gas that is needed is injected into the engine). Years ago fuel was not measured as precise as today, and the oil was thicker. Today's oil viscosity is thin for easy flow and engine tolerances are very tight. The piston rings used to seal between the piston and cylinder wall actually have less friction than that of older engines to help fuel mileage. Take all this and it leads to some oil consumption. Normal oil consumption will range from a quart at 1000 mile intervals to 2000 or more miles. Not unusual and does not mean there is a problem. This is very general and a good guide line. I ask all my customers to check the oil monthly an if the level is down a quart put it in. Oil is the life blood of the engine and do NOT use cheap oil only use what the manufacture recommends or higher.

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building.  
 1436 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Spoken To Location/Address: Washington St Officer spoke with the business owner after he spoke with teens who broke a branch on a town tree.  
 1549 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Bahama Dr Party in the lobby advised on obtaining a modification to a restraining order.  
 1841 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Upland Rd Walk in reports her nephew has her car and is not returning it, she would like her car back. N677 spoke to the nephew and he has agreed to return the vehicle tonight. B677 reports the vehicle is back in her possession.  
 1925 911 - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Nahatan St + Pleasant St Caller reports a male party walking in the road pushing a carriage. N668 locates that party and he advised him to stay on the sidewalk.  
 2055 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Standish Dr Resident reports youths knocking at her door.  
 2135 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Spoken To Location/Address: [Nod 1060] Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Caller reports a group of kids being loud. N666 spoke to those juveniles

and they have been moved along.  
 2355 911 - Well Being Chk \*Protective Custody Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports she can hear someone yelling for help. N679, N662 responded. NFD notified for an evaluation. NFD transports one to the hospital with N679 on board and 662 following. N662 gives the patient's girlfriend a ride to the hospital S/M 41172, 0043 Hrs./E/M 41179 @00:54 @ Beth Israel Hospital.

### Saturday, October 24

0029 Phone - Well Being Chk Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports a male party sitting on the sidewalk, she wants to make sure he is ok.  
 0109911 - Well Being Chk Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Washington St Westwood P.D. receives 911 call for upset female with language barrier, in the area of Hill St. and Washington St. N668, N664, N677 responded and located female. Request for NFD.  
 1335 Phone - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Chapel St  
 1355 Walk-In - Well Being Chk \*Report Filed Location/Address: Bahama Dr Walk in party reports that her relative, who has mental health issues, was acting erratic and was last seen driving MA 22B320. BOLO given out.  
 1416 Walk-In - Auto Theft \*Report Filed Location/Address: Parkway St 1982 Honda Urban Express Moped removed from the property.  
 1738 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Ad-

dress: Upland Woods Cir Caller seeking advice on her vehicle that was returned damaged from a family member. N667 advised that party of her options.  
 2025 911 - Report Of Fire Police & Fire Notified/Respond Location/Address: Nahatan St Caller reports she can smell smoke from the apartment behind hers. FD notified. NO fire FD handles.  
 2349 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Day St + Central St Caller reports a male party left the establishment and they do not want him to drive. N669 transported party home, girlfriend will be at house.

### Sunday, October 25

0346 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: David Ter Call for rowdy neighbors across from her building. N677, N669 responded. Spoken to and advised.  
 1010 Phone - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Day St Caller reports an unwanted male party on his front porch. Party left upon arrival. 1926 911 - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Neponset St Caller reports a male party in a white sweatshirt keeps knocking at her door then leaving. N669 reports that party was a friend of the daughter all is ok. 2138 Phone - Noise Complaint Area Search Negative Location/Address: Tremont St Caller reporting loud music. N679 reports all quiet upon arrival.

# Library News

## TRADITIONAL DISHES FOR CELEBRATING DIWALI

Join Sandhya Jain for another virtual cooking class on Monday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m. to celebrate the biggest Hindu festival in India: Diwali. Learn to make a quick and easy version of Butter Paneer (Indian cheese in tomato cream curry). She will also show us how to prepare her version of Gujiya, a sweet treat traditionally served to usher in Diwali festivities. Recipes will be emailed to participants in advance so they may cook along with Sandhya if they wish. She is also happy to answer any questions during the demonstration. Sandhya's Kitchen, her culinary school, is located in Franklin, Mass.

Registration is required. To sign up and receive an email reminder along with the recipes, please visit our online events page at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar). An email with the Zoom link will be sent to you the day before the program and again shortly before it begins.

## TOP TEN TIPS FOR GETTING ORGANIZED!

Do you crave organization but aren't sure where or how to start? Organizing doesn't have to be complicated! Join Marilyn Cruickshank, professional organizer and owner of Creative Simplicity Organization and Productivity, on Tues. November 10 at 7:00 pm via Zoom as she shares her top 10 tried and true tips for getting organized. Marilyn will offer ideas and inspiration to help you get started on your organizing journey and answer all your questions. Registration is required. To sign up, please visit our online events page at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar) or call 781-769-0200 and press 2 for Reference. You will get an email with the Zoom link the day before the program and again shortly before it begins.

## SEWSTAINABILITY 2020: MAKING MASKS FOR THE HOMELESS...FROM HOME

For this year's charitable work project, Together Yes has decided once again to make warm fleece scarves for the homeless in collaboration with Making Masks in Norwood. Between September and November, anyone interested can sew scarves from home to be delivered in December to nearby shelters. Some fleece is available, but donations of additional fleece are needed. Pickup and delivery of materials as well as the finished scarves will be arranged.

You can participate by sewing scarves, donating fleece, or giving advice and encouragement on the Facebook page below. For more information, instructions, or questions, please email [sustain@tgyes.org](mailto:sustain@tgyes.org) or go to Making Masks in Norwood on Facebook. For instructions on making scarves, click on Patterns and Instructions on the right of the Facebook page. Any help you can offer to our neighbors in need is most welcome.

## LIBRARY OFFERING PHONE CALL HELP

Librarians at the Morrill Memorial Library are now offering phone call help to our patrons. While the chat feature on our website, [norwoodlibrary.org](http://norwoodlibrary.org), provides a good way to ask us questions 24/7, in some cases you may rather talk on the phone for help. To reach us by phone, please call our Reference line and leave a message: 781-769-0200 x110. Please leave your name, phone number, preferred call back time, and a brief message about what you'd like help with and a librarian will return your call. We are checking this voicemail several times daily, so please reach out with any questions.

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**KOZAK**

HELEN K. (Jocas) of Norwood passed away on October 23, 2020 at the age of 88. Beloved wife of the late George M. Kozak. Devoted mother of Kathryn A. Doran of Katy, TX and Christine M. Nee and her husband Thomas of N. Easton. Sister of William Metta of Warwick, RI. Cherished grandmother of Garry, Allison, Scott and Colleen. Great grandmother of Cameron and Cassidy. Aunt of Andrea and Pamela. Daughter of the late Frank and Bernice (Budrick) Jocas. Helen was a longtime member of the Women's Health Initiative and an avid gardener. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Women's Health Initiative [www.whi.org](http://www.whi.org)

**KUPHAL**



Charles E., age 66, sadly passed away at his home in Haverhill, Ma, on Sunday, October 18, 2020. Formerly of Norwood, Charlie was the son of Evelyn Kuphal and the late Charles Kuphal of Norwood. He leaves behind his wife Gloria Carey of 32 years. His step-children Deborah Barrett, William Barrett, the late James Barrett Jr.; grandsons Hunter Barrett and William Barrett Jr. who affectionately called him Uncle Charlie, also of Haverhill. Charlie also leaves behind his 7 siblings, Richard Kuphal and his husband James Cook of Magnolia, Cheryl MacIntire and her husband Bruce of Mashpee, David Kuphal and his wife Susan of Millis, Ronald Kuphal and his wife Denise of Longmeadow, John Kuphal of Randolph, Kevin

Kuphal and his wife Charlene of Millbury and Gary Kuphal and his wife Remi of Franklin; eleven nieces and nephews, and three great-nieces. Charlie was a Norwood High School graduate class of 1972. Growing up the eldest of seven brothers and one sister, Charlie was dubbed "Cool Charl" by his siblings. The nickname would stick because he was a cool guy, spouse, brother, and friend. From his early childhood and throughout his life, Charlie was an avid fan of classic horror movies and loved punk music, like his favorite band The Ramones. An aficionado of the macabre, he attended monster conventions, collected memorabilia from the genre, and painted the most amazing replica models. He was an extremely talented artist. Known for a quick wit, Charlie's sharing of stories and anecdotes were always assured to give you a laugh. Since his retirement from Lucent Technologies in North Andover, Charlie enjoyed relaxing, painting, and reading in the company of his beloved dogs. He will be greatly missed. Services will be held privately at St. Catherine of Siena Parish with interment to follow at Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cape Ann Animal Shelter, 4 Paws Lane, Gloucester, MA 01930. For additional information or to sign the online guestbook please visit: [GilloolyFuneralHome.com](http://GilloolyFuneralHome.com)

**LUZZO**

S. Paul Affectionately known as "Sammy," died a day shy of his 98th birthday. Born October 19, 1922 in Newton to Jack and Frances (Casella) Luizzo. Paul was a resident of Norwood for the past 60 years. He was predeceased by the love of his life and wife of 50 years, Jean C. (Quinn) Luizzo. Paul was offered a contract by the Boston Braves, but instead chose to proudly serve his country. Paul was a Veteran of the U.S. Navy. He served for four years during WWII. Paul graduated from Boston College in 1948. At the age of 74, he retired as Vice President of Food Enterprises. Paul was passionate about his family, work, "the West Newton crew," his best friend Julian Lacourse, golf, especially

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the "19th" hole with his buddies Jim Ledwith and Doc Farrelly and until recently, The Red Sox. At the age of 92 he was the oldest active member of the New Seabury Country Club. Paul was the beloved father of the late Paul J. Luizzo; survived by his loving children, Meg and her husband Ed King, Jack Luizzo and Anne Keating, his adored grandchildren, Michael Luizzo & his girlfriend Ally Howlett and Terese Menard and her husband, Michael; nieces and nephews, Linda & Dorothy Luizzo, Ken McGagh and Doug Quinn. Stepgrandfather to Brian & Ali King; brother of Mary McGagh and to the late Frank Luizzo. A special thanks to "The Irish Angels" Anne Marie, Bridgidh, Jamie, Maryanne, Olivia, Orla and Una who were devoted caregivers. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was held on October 23, 2020 at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Norwood; interment followed at Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your favorite charity in Paul's name. Gillooly Funeral Home Norwood [GilloolyFuneralHome.com](http://GilloolyFuneralHome.com)

**O'MALLEY**



RICHARD B. of Norwood passed away on October 19, 2020 at the age of 85. Beloved husband of Faith C. (Taylor) O'Malley. Devoted father of David T. O'Malley of Norwood and the late Brendan D. O'Malley. Loving brother of the late Mary P. Granskie. Richard was a US Army Veteran, a graduate of Northeastern, and an engineer for the Foxboro Company and the MWRA. He enjoyed

music and loved animals, especially cats. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral mass was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at St. Catherine of Siena Church Norwood. Burial followed at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the Alzheimer's Assoc. 309 Waverley Oaks Road Waltham, MA 02452. **KRAW-KORNACK FUNERAL HOME NORWOOD, MA 781-762-0482** [WWW.KRAW-KORNACKFUNERALHOME.COM](http://WWW.KRAW-KORNACKFUNERALHOME.COM)

**PENNACCHIO**



Eileen P. Pennacchio "Pat", registered nurse, devoted wife/mother and loyal friend to so many, passed away Monday morning, October 19th after a hard fought battle with Alzheimer's disease. She was 81 years old. Pat was born in Norwood the daughter of Irish immigrants, the late Richard and Mary Burke. She attended Norwood High School and later earned an associate degree in Nursing at Mount Auburn Hospital, Cambridge in 1960. Pat worked for 25 years at Norwood Hospital in the orthopedic unit. All who knew Pat remember her big heart and strong desire to

care for people. She met the love of her life, Rocky, shortly after college and the two of them married in November, 1965. They raised their family in Norfolk where they lived for 37 years. Pat was mother to 3 girls who adored her and 6 grandchildren who will all tell you how much fun Nana was to be around. She was full of life and her energy was contagious. Pat was also an incredibly loyal and trusted friend to so many over the years. She could strike up a conversation with anyone and quickly make them feel like a best friend. Pat loved to be active, always keeping busy after retiring from nursing. She and Rocky were very involved with the Top of the Hill Gang, a ski and sports club for active adults 50 years and over in age. Pat enjoyed many adventures over the years with "the gang". Beloved wife of 55 years of Rocco A. Pennacchio. Devoted mother of Christine M. Ventura and her husband Salvatore of Burlington, Karen P. Perron and her husband Christopher of Oak Hill, VA and Sandra L. Grace and her husband John of Foxboro. Sister of Richard Burke of Norfolk and the late Maureen Kemp and Eugene Burke. Cherished grandmother of Damian, Emma, Becca, Matthew, Abby and Molly. Daughter of the late Richard and Mary (McSweeney) Burke. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood. A funeral mass was held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Assoc., 309 Waverley Oaks Rd. Waltham, MA 02452 or you can donate online at [Alz.org](http://Alz.org).

**Prayer to the Blessed Virgin**

*(Never known to fail!)*  
Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you. —H.M.

**Miracle Prayer**

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted. —H.M.



**Thank You Novenas**  
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**St. Jude's Novena**

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9<sup>th</sup> day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered. In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
**NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD**

In accordance with the requirements of Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, November 9, 2020 at 7:05 P.M.** via the GoToMeeting remote meeting platform. The meeting can be accessed from the following link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/718185669> or it can be accessed by calling in at 1 (872) 240-3212, access code: 718-185-669. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft Zoning Bylaw amendment to section 3.1.5 Table of Use Regulations, Table G Wholesale Business & Storage, 3a. Open lot storage of motor vehicles. The proposed amendment will prohibit the use of open lot storage of motor vehicles in all Zoning districts except the proposed Boston-Providence Highway District. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment is on file in the Planning Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendments can also be found on the Planning Board's webpage located on <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>  
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The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, December 5, 2020 on the Town Common from 4 – 6 PM. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 19 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation say the luminaries are a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year more than 2100 luminaries were lit on the town common.

Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each by sending your payment to COH, PO BOX 421, Norwood, MA 02062. You may include a brief message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on the luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 4:00 pm and the Foundation members welcome residents and friends to come out and see this beautiful site. This year, out of an abundance of caution, there will be no luminary

sales during the event, no entertainment and no refreshments. Anyone attending is asked to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is a non-profit organization established to support Norwood residents who need assistance due to a catastrophic medical occurrence. Since its founding in 1998 the Foundation has provided over \$885,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The Foundation was established in 1998 in memory of Michelle Kennedy, a young Norwood resident, who suffered with leukemia. During Michelle's battle the entire Norwood community, many of whom did not know Michelle, joined together and it is in that spirit that the Circle of Hope Foundation continues.

**WOMAN'S CLUB STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP**

The Norwood Woman's Club will not be meeting in 2020, hopefully we can resume meetings in the spring. We will not be collecting dues. If you would like to make a donation to help support our many charities (Veteran's Services, Morrill Library, Norwood High Scholarship, Concerts on the Common, 4th of July Parade, etc) please send a check made out to the Norwood Woman's Club to the treasurer Mary Ann Naumann at 31 Fulton Street, Norwood, Ma.

**THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!**

The Epiphany Pumpkin Patch is open through October 31, 2020. Hours of operation are M-F 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and weekends 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. We are taking precautions to make the patch a safe place to find that perfect pumpkin for your front porch or window. Workers and customers will be

required to wear masks and practice social distancing while at the patch. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own wagons when shopping, but we will have some available during staffed hours and provide cleaning materials to help sanitize them between customers.

**FRIENDS OF BIRD PARK SET GOAL OF 100 NEW TREES**

The Friends of Bird Park, a citizen volunteer group that supports Francis William Bird Park in Walpole, MA, has launched "The Bird Park Tree Project," a year-long campaign to raise funds for the purchase and maintenance of 100 trees at Bird Park.

According to Mike Keimig, President of the Friends of Bird Park, "The diversity and number of trees at Bird Park make it a truly special place, but many of the trees are as old or older than the park and are aging out. Plus, storm damage and invasive species have taken their toll on the park's tree population. Our mission as an organization is to support the park, and the best way to do that now is to help ensure that the public, now and in the future, can enjoy the beauty and benefits of the park's trees as the Bird Family intended when the park opened almost 100 years ago."

In the last two years, The Trustees, the nonprofit organization that owns and manages the

park, had to remove over 100 trees that were in hazardous condition. Another 25 came down last year due to severe storms. Each year, more of the stately hemlocks that were planted to provide a shield from the hustle and bustle of life outside the park fall or are removed because of damage by the hemlock woolly adelgid, a tiny sap-sucking insect that is causing widespread death and decline of hemlock trees in the eastern United States.

The Friends have set a goal of raising \$15K for the Bird Park Tree Project. They are thrilled to announce that every dollar donated will be matched thanks to a generous donation by the Charles Sumner Bird Foundation. Individuals and businesses can donate through the project's Go Fund Me page: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/BirdParkTreeProject>. A link to the page can also be found on the Friends Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/friendsofbirdpark](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofbirdpark). All donations will be dedicated to the purchase and maintenance of new trees at the park. Donations at any level are most welcome. Individuals and businesses donating \$500 or more will receive permanent recognition at the park's Memorial Kiosk.

Questions about the fundraiser may be directed to Michael Keimig, President of the Friends of Bird Park at [mkeimig@gmail.com](mailto:mkeimig@gmail.com) or Maura O'Gara, Bird Park Engagement Manager at [mogara@thetrustees.org](mailto:mogara@thetrustees.org).

**Early Voting Sessions in Norwood**

The Town Clerk's Office wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that there will be Early Voting Sessions held for the upcoming State Presidential Election to be held on November 3, 2020.

The information is as follows:

HOURS: THURSDAY – 10/29/20: 8:30 AM TO 3:30 PM, FRIDAY – 10/30/20 – 8:30 AM TO 12:30 PM.

THE ONLY ENTRANCE FOR EARLY VOTING WILL BE THE MEMORIAL HALL FRONT DOOR ENTRANCE (CORNER OF WASHINGTON STREET AND NAHATAN STREET)

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