



Candidates Amanda Grow, Helen Abdallah Donohue, Debbie Holmwood and Matt Lane squared off last Thursday to show the Town what they have to offer.

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## LWV Norwood hosts first virtual candidates forum

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood League of Women Voters (NLWV) hosted a virtual version of its Candidates Forum last Thursday to help residents prepare for the upcoming election.

The full forum is available at <http://173.13.93.5:1500/CablecastPublicSite/show/10526?channel=3> or is being aired regularly on Norwood Community Media's Government Channel. NLWV Organizer Courtney Rau Rogers said while hosting the forum virtually was not ideal, 2020 still marked a momen-

tous occasion: the 100th anniversary of the right of women to vote.

"As well as the 100th anniversary of the founding of the League itself," she said. "In 1920, the original suffragettes were engaged in this fight during a worldwide pandemic, the Spanish Flu."

The forum focused on the two seats up for grabs on the Board of Selectmen. All other Town are running unopposed. The NLWV positioned candidates in alphabetical order to speak. Former Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue spoke of her experience.

"I was on the Board of Selectmen in the past for 18 years, a Town Meeting representative for 50 years, and I've served on many, many committees

around Town," she said. "This Town of Norwood, who all of us love, what is the Town of Norwood? It is the people who live here in the Town, that's what makes our Town so great."

Next up was Amanda Grow, who said she first came to Norwood about 13 years ago from Dayton Ohio. She currently works on the business side of a video game studio, and said because she has such a fun job she has what she called "very serious past-times." She said she is a Town Meeting member in District 7, the Secretary for the NLWV, on the Rules Com-

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## School Committee dissects budget

**Mary Ellen Gambon**  
Staff Reporter

The School Committee tabled a vote at its May 27 meeting on whether or not to reimburse partial payment of bus fees, citing the need for money to pay for the bus contract and COVID-19-related expenses versus giving money back to parents who did not receive a service.

Superintendent Dave Thomson, Ph. D., brought up that he received a couple of requests for the partial reimbursement of the \$300 school bus transportation fee, seeing that students were not driven to schools for the entire year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Connolly buses transport 1,632 students at a cost of \$1,168,681 a year over a three-year period.

"The cost per student is about \$716," he explained, adding that the department collects approximately \$220,000 in bus fees. "The bus fee is \$300, and that's if you're paying the full fee. That is not if you got a discount because of low income. That is not if you got a discount because you paid early."

The fee covers about 42 percent of the costs, he added, and the buses did transport the pupils for about two-thirds of the year before the coronavirus outbreak.

Thomson said the remaining money will be used for COVID-19 expenses, such as hiring more buses for social distancing and cleaning buses. Also, the

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# Planning Board signs off on Open Space Plan

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met on Monday, June 1 and voted unanimously to approve the current draft of the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan.

The 200-plus page document outlines the Town's initiatives for open space moving forward in the next seven years. Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said the plan has been in the works since 2018.

"And like the way a lot of these projects go, it didn't go as quickly as we had hoped or anticipated; there were some delays," he said.

But the document is ready for perusal and an official vote from the Board of Selectmen, now that the Planning Board has signed off on it. The plan, which can be found in its entirety at [cms5.revize.com/revize/norwoodma/Planning/Norwood\\_OSRP\\_Jan30\\_DRAFT.pdf](https://cms5.revize.com/revize/norwoodma/Planning/Norwood_OSRP_Jan30_DRAFT.pdf), is necessary for the Town to be able to apply for several state green energy and greenspace grants. Halkiotis said the relevant state agencies have given the plan preliminary approval

already and added the Planning Department has already applied for several grants because of this preliminary approval.

Halkiotis said the other big outcome of the plan so far is the engagement of the public for public trails. Board Chair Ernie Paciorkowski said he agreed, and added that the relatively new Norwood Trails Advisory Committee has had a lot to do with raising awareness of what the Town has to offer.

"It's a great committee and (Trails Committee Chair Joseph Greeley) has really spearheaded this and we've gotten a great response from people in the Town," he said.

Halkiotis said he agreed, and supported this with the results of a survey the Town undertook during the planning process.

"One of the things that really stood out from the survey was that, unfortunately, a lot of residents don't know where a lot of the open spaces are," he said. "Most people knew where the parks and playgrounds were, but when you drive by some woods you don't



The Norwood Planning Board signed off on the current Open Space and Recreation Plan, which includes ideas for the Saint Streets Lot.

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necessarily know that it's public property and there's a nice walking trail there."

The new plan is an update of its formation from 10 years ago. The original plan was put together with the help of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), and he said the group also put together this update.

"We're headed in the right direction," said Paciorkowski. "I was also on that committee 10 years ago and the biggest thing from our plan was, as it is with any plan, funding, and 10 years ago we didn't have the (Community Preservation Act). People in the Town just

didn't want it at the time."

Halkiotis added that since that plan's formation years ago, the purchase of the 6.8-acre lot now known as the Saints Street Lot has finally closed.

"We're currently moving forward to hire a landscape architect to work with us, the Trails Committee and the Conservation Commission to design a beautiful riverfront park with a riverfront trail that will connect with Elliot Field," he said.

The Board also voted to start advertising the open position of Associate Member. The idea for the position is to

serve as an alternate member if a sitting member cannot attend a meeting for whatever reason. Halkiotis said the power to appoint an associate member is strictly within the purview of the Board and does not require a specific process. The Board needs a new associate member, as former member Deborah Holmwood left the Board to pursue a seat on the Board of Selectmen. Associate Member Brain Hachy was appointed to the sitting position at the beginning of this year.

The Board discussed just

**Planning Board**

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## Local 1631, your Norwood Firefighters, would like to congratulate the Norwood High School Class of 2020!

# Selectmen gearing up for outside license approvals

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, June 2, and voted to meet again on Monday, June 8, to go over at least two applications for outdoor dining in the Town.

These applications are being considered under a new streamlined process that would allow local restaurants to increase their seating capacity while keeping customers socially distant. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco also updated the board on new regulations regarding the sale of alcohol outside a restaurant building.

“The Governor has signed an executive order that allows you, the local licensing authority, to grant extensions to the premises to the service of alcohol, without going through the standard process,” Mazzucco said. “We would ask that the Board, as part of our outdoor dining regulations, allow us to include that as part of the application package. We would then bring a completed application to a board meeting so the Board could approve both the outdoor dining and liquor approvals.”

Mazzucco said they originally had the two processes separated, since before the executive order the granting of outdoor liquor service was a much more lengthy process.

“We would like you to send it through the same internal review process, where it goes through all departments and you get a final report from us saying it has been checked out by safety, engineering, police fire etc.,” he said. “We anticipate getting several of these, and we’ve gotten two applications already, however they are non alcohol licenses. We are having a meeting with businesses on Thursday, and we anticipate getting more of these in.”

Mazzucco added his department will be meeting internally on Saturday to go over these applications to get them ready for Monday’s meeting. The Board voted to meet on Monday; however they agreed to keep the time up in the air for now, since Monday is also the date of the Town Election.

On that note, the board also approved an application from Lewis’ Restaurant and Grille General Manager Giuseppe Tropeano and Business Manager Colleen Patton to expand the restaurant’s seating plan to an alley behind the restaurant. The application would expand

capacity by 40 seats. Selectman Thomas Maloney pointed out, however, that social distancing requirements would make that a bit fewer.

Tropeano said the entirety of the proposal is on property owned by the restaurant. However, there was one potential issue with the dumpster currently used by Lewis’ and its neighbors.

“It’s our dumpster and right now it’s shared. If we have to work something out with them we will,” Tropeano said. “We’ve been trying to work with them in the meantime about that.”

Selectman Bill Plasko said while he didn’t want to hold up the project on this one item, it was an area of concern for him.

“I don’t think I’m comfortable with loose ends,” he said.

Selectmen Chair Paul Bishop said he didn’t believe this would hold them up, as it is a civil matter between the businesses, Lewis’ and To Beirut.

“It’s got nothing to do with us, in reality, as far as agreeing to the outdoor dining proposal,” he said. “I’m sure it will get worked out somewhere along the way. It’s good with the Building Department, they know all the details, I know all the details, and I don’t see a problem going forward. There will be other arrangements to dispose of their rubbish, but the bottom line here is Lewis’ owns that dumpster.”

Tropeano said there used to be a separate dumpster, but as they lost their own dumpster Lewis’ now rents it out to them.

“But at the end of the day, we have to take care of ourselves, especially with what’s going on right now,” he said. “Us having that outdoor dining is crucial to our moving forward.”

The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

The Board also voted to approve a measure from Mazzucco on behalf of the Norwood Fire Department to transfer \$11,739 of reserve funds to the department for the emergency repair of the rooftop Heating, Vents and Air Conditioning (HVAC) units on the Public Safety Building. Mazzucco said the system is aging, almost 20 years old now, and would need to be replaced in the next year.

He said this is basically a band aid on the system, and he and the department are working to find a project manager to design a completely new system. He said he hopes to have that

design ready for next year’s Town Meeting to vote on so that construction could start later that year on a completely new system.

Mazzucco also submitted a request for a municipal act transfer for the Department of Public Works of \$12,450 to purchase burial liners. Currently, the Town purchases these liners and sells them to funeral homes, and there has been an uptick in demand lately, owing to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“I’m very saddened to see we have to buy more liners, but that’s just the way things are going these days,” said Bishop.

The Board also said preliminary goodbyes to Bishop and Selectman Allan Howard, for whom this will be their penultimate meeting.

“It’s been a pretty darn good ride I’ll tell you that,” said Howard.

Selectman Bill Plasko said he wanted to go ahead with his remarks honoring the two members, as until the vote earlier in the meeting calling for another meeting on Monday, this was supposed to be their last.

“You guys just keep adding meetings,” he said with a laugh. “But I want to acknowledge nine-plus years of service of Mr. Howard and Mr. Bishop, you came in together and you filled some big shoes, and you’re leaving your own big shoes to be filled.”



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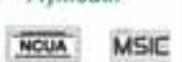
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# OPINION

## Time to get out and vote

Norwood residents have an opportunity for their voices to be heard this Monday, June 8th, at the ballot box, although it appears the Town has taken a somewhat lackadaisical approach to promoting it. A quick look at Norwood's website mentions nothing at all relative to the election, literally nothing. There is a "Pinned Post" on the Town's Facebook page, but for those of us not educated or particularly interested in a lot of social media stuff, this post is not a lot of help. And one telephone reverse 911 call was issued, hope you were home or didn't blow it off as a scam.

Anyway, here is Norwood's official post relative to next Monday:

The Town election is June 8th. We will hold a #Notouchelection to keep everyone safe. If you would like to vote absentee, you must submit your application to the Clerk's Office by June 5 at 4 PM. Click on the link to learn more about voting absentee: <https://bit.ly/2U3tGir>.

We're committed to a safe election this June 8. Polls will be open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. on election day, June 8. Absentee ballots available until June 5 from the Town Clerk's Office.

There you have it. The guess at this address is if you count the words in the above notice it will closely approximate how many people will actually cast a ballot. On a good day, during normal times, turnout for local elections that don't include widely-publicized ballot initiatives or national races are bad. And these are anything but good days or normal times.

It must be particularly discouraging to those candidates seeking a seat on the Board of Selectmen. Four candidates vie for two empty seats vacated by Selectmen Allan Howard and Paul Bishop. How do former Select Person Helen Abdallah Donohue, Former Planning Board member Debbie Holmwood, Matt Lane and Amanda Grow compete for attention against a worldwide viral pandemic and now international protestation relative to the killing of George Floyd? They can't, which is unfortunate.

This newspaper has solid intelligence on both Abdallah Donohue and Holmwood due to their extensive contributions to the Town in various capacities. Lane and Grow are newcomers, with curriculum vitae relative to public service that are fairly limited. This isn't necessarily a negative given their age and time spent in Norwood. Both have demonstrated their willingness to jump into the frays and contribute which is the first thing any voter should consider.

This newspaper has made it clear in the past that new blood and energy, at a minimum, is necessary to move this Town into the future. However, we aren't quite ready to hand the reigns over to two newcomers. Therefore we are endorsing one newbie and one entrenched candidate.

Debbie Holmwood gets the nod because she has paid her dues and demonstrated a willingness to stick her neck out and voice opinions which may or may not reflect public sentiment. She maneuvers well within the 'Old Boys' Network'. And most of all, she loves trees. How can you not appreciate someone who loves trees?

The second seat should be filled by either Grow or Lane. Quite frankly, we aren't really informed enough between either of them to choose. However, we did note that Lane's answers in the recent League of Women Voters Candidates Forum were a bit more substantive than Grow's, so that may be something for others to consider.

Please get out and vote. This country needs a lot of shots to the arm right now. A solid turnout on Monday would be Norwood's statement that during all of this craziness, the small things still matter.

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## Minneapolis, where do I even begin?

William G. Brooks III  
Norwood Chief of Police

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When I first watched the video of George Floyd's death I wasn't really prepared for just how long it would go. Watching it on my computer I found myself saying "get him up, get him up." There is a procedure for when a handcuffed person becomes compliant, that you first roll him to a sitting position and then roll him into a standing position. Our officers have all been taught how to do that. It made me nauseous to watch the officer keep his knee pressed on Mr. Floyd's neck until he died.

Many times, when a use of force event is in the media, we discuss it within the Department. These discussions take a number of forms. Oftentimes, we re-issue a policy to officers pointing out the aspect of our policy that would have addressed the event. We have discussions within the Command Staff around policy and training issues and whether we should make adjustments. Officers discuss the incident among themselves. And we bring the issue up at roll call.

I brought that issue up at a couple of roll calls within the past few days, and I was heartened to see the reaction of our officers. First, it goes without saying that they had the same reaction to the video as I did. Second, in the wake of an event like this, we know that in spite of all our hard work trying to forge strong bonds within our community, there must be some people that look at us and wonder whether we would do something like that. It breaks my heart to even think that people would think that of us, but I know that's what some people wonder. It's not their fault.

But at two different roll calls, when we brought the topic up, young officers immediately said that they saw a clear failure to intervene. In the video, you see a short officer standing between Mr. Floyd and the crowd. At times he faces Mr. Floyd who is struggling to breathe, and at others he faces of the crowd. He does nothing to change what is happening. All he had to do was tap the officer and say "let's get him up," or "let's get him in the car" and that likely

would have disrupted what was happening. That's all it takes. THAT'S ALL IT TAKES!

Our officers know they have a duty to intervene when they see a use of force that is starting to get unreasonable, and I was pleased to hear them all talk about it.

I was glad to see that an arrest occurred within four days. The Hennepin County DA is taking some heat for that timeframe, but for a case where there was no immediate arrest at the scene that is lightning fast. Expect to see more former officers charged, but expect that to take even longer.

I've been asked a few questions over the past couple of days, so I want to try to answer some of them here. (Sorry for the length of this post.)

Are Norwood Police officers trained in use of force? Yes, in many forms and constantly. They are issued policies, oftentimes accompanied by a test they must pass. We discuss it in classroom training, and hands-on training, and during firearms training. As mentioned before, we sometimes re-issue policies following high profile use of force events.

Are officers trained in de-escalation? Yes, but in a broader form. In Massachusetts, officers use a response model of use of force. If a person being arrested uses a level of resistance, the level of force should match that resistance. When we tell a person they are under arrest and to turn around and put their hands behind their backs, we expect compliance. If the person complies, no force is used at all. If a person braces himself and says "I'm not going with you," we use a come-along or some other hands-on approach. If the person assumes a fighting stance and clenches his fists, officers are authorized to use less lethal options such as spray, a baton, or a Taser to defend themselves. But when the person stops resisting, we revert back to a lower level of force such as verbal commands. Our level of force is always commensurate with the level of resistance at the moment.

Do we train officers in implicit bias? Yes. Our officers have received this training a couple of times over the past few years. Prior to Mr. Floyd's death and in fact prior to the coronavirus,



Chief William Brooks III

planning was already underway for next year's in-service training state wide and a course on implicit bias was included. In fact, a draft of the training curriculum had already been assembled. I expect this course to be provided to all police chiefs and all police officers beginning in September.

The protests:

This morning, I watched a video of Chief Shields of the Atlanta Police Department wade into a crowd of protesters to talk to them one on one, and face-to-face about their concerns. I thought she did a remarkable job.

On the other hand, some police chiefs did not have the opportunity to take that approach. Commissioner Dermot Shea of the NYPD is reporting that he has officers hospitalized, some with missing and broken teeth, as a result of protests that broke out in his city. They also had someone throw a lit Molotov cocktail into an occupied police vehicle. Fortunately, the officers survived. And in other cities, we see violence in the streets, and even the looting of some minority-owned businesses. I've been following a friend who is in Ohio and her building is on fire. I never met Mr. Floyd, but I wonder what he would think of such acts carried out in his name.

Under the first amendment of the U.S. Constitution, the people have the right to free speech and assembly. My hope is that assemblies are conducted in such a way so that the messages of the people are heard.

If there's anything I have not covered here, or if any resident has a question, please feel free to send me a direct email at [wbrooks@norwoodma.gov](mailto:wbrooks@norwoodma.gov) and I'll be happy to answer it. Questions are also welcome here, of course.



The Norwood Airport is still doing charters and private transport, but the flight schools there are hurting during the current State of Emergency.

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# Airport Commission reviews sagging operations revenues

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Airport Commission met on May 28 virtually and discussed the state of the airport since the pandemic.

The initial outlook appears to be no better or worse than most businesses, which isn't great. Airport Manager Russ Maguire said the airport management staff has been at the airport during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"To be here both on call and on airport grounds seven days a week," he said. "The work continues. There is a lot of maintenance going on at the airport right now, including project management, general administration, budgetary accounting and just getting all the paperwork in order for the

equipment acquisitions for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT)."

Maguire said they may have to resubmit the grant application for the federal CARES Act, which would allot the airport about \$69,000

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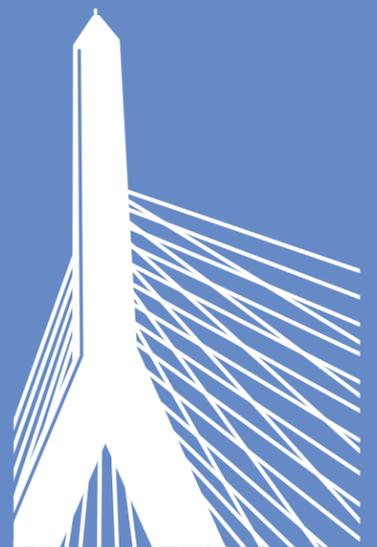
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# Planning Board

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appointing the runner-up candidate, but Paciorkowski said he felt that might be unfair to anyone who might also be interested but didn't apply earlier.

"There are some people that may want to apply if this position was open," he said. "We should at least make a phone call to all the people who applied last time and see if they want their name in the mix again, and I don't think we have to re-interview all those people, but if there's someone new that may show an interest and we could do a Goto Meeting interview, then we're not shutting anybody out. I don't think we need to re-interview people we interviewed a few months ago."

Halkiotis said he agreed, but asked that the Board give a month to let newly-interested persons see the advertising and consider an application.

The Board also voted unanimously to appoint Joseph Sheehan as the Board's representative to the Community Preservation Committee, since Holmwood previously had that position.

"He's no Debbie, but he's a great guy," said Board Member Al Porro.

Also during the meeting, Halkiotis said the Town has applied for two \$200,000 grants, one for small businesses with fewer than five employees and another that could be used by residents to pay mortgages, rent or utility bills.

"We felt that it was in the best interest of our community if we took that kind of two-pronged approach to apply for funding for businesses and to help those folks who are having trouble making payments," he said.

Halkiotis also said the Board of Selectmen last week approved a new regulation that would streamline business' applications for outdoor dining. He said the Town already has two applications as of the time of the Planning Board meeting.

# Candidates Forum

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mittee for Town Meeting and was selected as a lobbyist for State Sen. Michael Rush as an attendee for the citizen legislative seminar. She said the motivation for her campaign came from the Town seal depicting Maj. Aaron Guild.

"The idea (of the seal) is it's depicting a moment where he's deciding to participate in the Battle of Lexington and Concord, but that scene shows so much more than that," she said. "It shows someone who was living their life and then answered the call of their community."

Next up was former Planning Board member and heavy tree advocate Debbie Holmwood. Holmwood said she wanted to build on her record of accessibility and accountability from Planning to Selectmen.

"As a member of the Planning Board, I held a leadership position in advocating for Town-wide aesthetics and greenspace and for numerous initiatives, including the Downtown Overlay District, the Boston Skate Club, the acquisition of the Saints Street Lot, car storage, Regal Press, the new Norwood Electric Building and the restoration and reuse of old mill buildings, including the Norwood Space Center," she said. "I have a proven record of asking questions and looking for new solutions."

Candidate Matt Lane said his campaign focuses on representing all of Norwood, not just one age group, neighborhood or demographic.

"I want every resident to know that I will represent the entire Town, not just a neighborhood or a particular demographic," he said. "I want to ensure parents that through bad and good economic times I will

make children a priority. Our aging parents, including my own who now live in Norwood, are equally important to me, and I will be a strong advocate on their behalf."

One question that garnered a good deal of debate was of how the Board can help attract new businesses and improve the relationships of those it already has, like Moderna and the Boston Skating Club.

"I think we've already done that with Moderna and the Boston Skating Club, both of those have been a six or seven year process and I think our Town officials did really good work with them," said Holmwood. "It was a lot of work, and it's not done yet, but I think it will bring revenue to the Town, and a lot of bodies to the town."

Grow said that while Norwood has to show businesses it has a lot to offer, it also has to be transparent with residents about what those business or any business incentives could bring.

"We have to have good buy-in from the community. The last thing you want to do is tout yourself as being a great place to bring your business and then at the same time the residents are pushing back," she said.

Abdallah-Donohue said building trust is important, but holding businesses accountable is too.

"Each side has to keep their end of the bargain," she said. "We provide a good tax rate, good electric rates, good water rates; we welcome industry to the Town. If industry comes to Town and we give them some extras, if they negotiate such that we give them the extras, they have to keep their end of the bargain. I'm very, very happy that the Skating Club is here, but we have to finish up. We have to make sure that the Norwood Nuggets get the hours that they need at the skating rink, and that would be a good sign of everyone keeping their end of the bargain."

Lane said he feels that businesses have had a good run with the Town, and that the Tax Incremental Finance (TIF) agreements the Town has negotiated with several businesses has worked out well, for the most part.

"I think we still need to make this an attractive place for the smaller businesses," he said. "The skating club, Moderna, those are large companies, Moderna especially, and it's great that they're here, but we have to continue to do things like make the Downtown more walkable, explore the op-

tion of more municipal parking or a garage and I think doing those types of things along with keeping the commercial tax rate generally where it is... those are some of the things I think I would focus on."

The candidates were also asked what they would like to see done with the Forbes Hill Mansion Property. Lane said he would want to "stay the course."

"I think the deal that was in place was the best one for the Town and I think they were meticulous in choosing to accept that offer," he said. "We were able to keep a \$500,000 deposit which was helpful to offset some of the holding costs, but the reality is we're paying interest on the acquisition loan and I think we're starting to pay on the principle as well. I think we have to put it out to bid again and find a suitable offer that is appealing to us."

"When Forbes Hill came up during Town Meeting, I was in favor of it for a number of reasons. I wanted the Town to be able to control the permitting and land usage and we have done that," Holmwood said. "I don't have a crystal ball, and I don't know how this real estate market is going to shake out and I've been doing real estate for 33 years. It's going to be a very unusual market and I think we have to be very cognizant of the caveats we have put into the bidding process and what we're allowing up there for how many units per acre and not just take the first one, which I'm sure they won't do, but it's a very difficult process."

"I thought they were being very meticulous and reasoned in the way they were approaching it and I agree sometimes these things just fall through," said Grow. "It's going to be a big challenge. It's a challenging space because if you look at it and you feel inspired like you could do something really great with it, you still have to have the right monetization model for it, and it has to make sense for someone to take it on. I don't have an on-the-top-of-my-head answer for that."

"I would hate to see that building come down and not be used," Donohue said. "I know that Massachusetts is one of two states that doesn't have a Governor's Mansion, and if some private industry would come up with the money to separate that parcel and use it as a Governor's Mansion, that would help out, and would be a wonderful thing for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

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to be used for payroll from earlier this year.

“There may have been a glitch in the digital signatures, but that is ongoing and in the works,” he said.

“The pandemic has obviously had its impact on the entire country, health as well as economy, and we have seen that here at the airport, probably starting in the later weeks of March, certainly in April. We had about a 35 percent downturn in total operations, take-offs and landings from when I looked at April 2019 to April 2020. We also had a 30 percent downturn this year as opposed to April of last year in terms of fuel flowage revenues, so there’s definitely been some impact.”

Maguire said there has been some uptick lately in certain on-demand operations, personal transport and corporate flying.

“But the flight schools, for those who have been watching the governor’s staged plan on restarting the economy, there’s a yet-to-be-determined date on when flight schools are actually going to be able to resume operations,” he said.

Maguire updated the Commission on what the airport has been doing specifically this past month.

“It’s been kind of a busy month,” he said. “We started on May 6 with a comprehensive crack and saw-cut seal project that included Runway 1028, full-length. To include the runway intersection, we had to close the airport for a few hours in the early morning hours to allow the contractor to get out there and work on the runway intersection... I estimate the cost of that if we had to do it in house, it would have been about \$60,000 to \$80,000.”

Maguire reminded the commission that the runway was built in 1995, and in this case the state’s MassDOT paid for all of it this time.

“There will be a follow up in June to actually put the markings down on Runway 1028 and the Taxiways that were addressed during the crack seal,” he said.

Also during the meeting, Dubois and King’s representative Jeff Adler updated members on the Airport’s Technical Master Plan.

“We did work through comments with the FAA and they have completed their review and accepted the document presently,” he said, adding the Norwood Airport also received the document and sent comments back. “We’re making those final edits. Our goal would be to have that final document sent to the Airport on Friday. It would then be available for posting.”

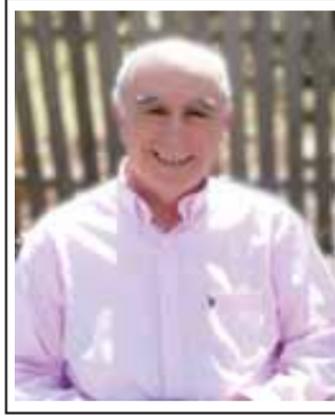
The Commission voted to schedule a public hearing for the week of June 15 for the Technical Master Plan. Commission Chair Mark Ryan said they would want to make sure they have at least three engineers from Dubois and King on hand to answer questions from residents.

# Not an easy time for . . .

I’m not sure what to call ourselves: eco(logy)-friendly people, environmentalists, Save-the-Planet/Earth supporters, followers of the Pope’s Laudato Si encyclical, fans of the Sierra Club, Earth First! admirers, or some other such term. But the pandemic has not been an easy time for us, whatever our name is: we have not been in chaotic, life-endangering situations such as countless nurses, doctors, and EMT’s on a daily schedule, but nevertheless the pandemic, in one sense, has been to recycling-and-reuse like that of a student’s stridently screeching fingernails down a blackboard.

Finally, all stores that sell deposit bottles and cans must take them back in the near future. A number of places where we took cans and bottles for their deposits had been no longer accepting them. True, we gain only nickels from them—we actually want mandatory dime deposits at the very least on each container and want the deposits to apply also to plastic water bottles, iced tea bottles, and alcoholic containers but this has never passed muster with our lobbyist-controlled legislature. Our satisfaction on redeeming comes not so much from the money gained but from the fact that the crushed containers are repurposed, thus lessening the impact on landfills.

Since early March we have not been able to bring



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amount of plastic bags deposited into the large, blue bins; this is done by well-intentioned homeowners who do not understand that plastic bags have to be recycled at special repositories for them, and the closest one to me during these times is at a Lowe’s store in Dedham.

The good news during this pandemic—if such can ever be said—is that there has been less car usage, meaning the motorists’ carbon footprints have been diminished. On the other hand, our staying at home has increased electric consumption because of dramatically increased computer, light, and television usage.

May the people sick with COVID-19 recover, and may our planet recover from these months of neglect.

our paper and canvas bags to grocery stores: we must issue newly issued pristine paper bags, but at least there has been no price increase.

Our purchases in drug stores cannot be deposited in our own bags: they are placed into (ugh!) plastic bags.

Plastic bags, of course, should not be placed into single-stream recycling containers because they gum up the recycling process. It’s disappointing on long walks during this pandemic to see the

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Registration is required. For details on accessing the program via Zoom and to sign up and receive an email reminder, please go to our events page at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar).

**GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BACKYARD BIRDS**

Joy Marzolf from the Mass Audubon Society will present a virtual program, Getting to Know Your Backyard Birds, on Tuesday, June 16 at 6:30 pm. An educator and naturalist at the Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary in Natick, Joy will show pictures of the birds that inhabit the local area and cover topics such as: What makes a good backyard habitat? How do you attract these beautiful birds, and who is coming and going at this time of year? Learn more about our local birds, as well as occasional visitors, and what brings them to our neighborhoods. Experience the sights and sounds of some of our most beautiful neighbors! Registration is required in order to receive details on accessing the program via Zoom. To sign up and also get a reminder email, please go to our events page at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar).

**FLAVORED TOBACCO  
AND VAPE GOES STATE-WIDE**

On June 1, 2020, the state law prohibiting sale of all flavored tobacco and vape products, including menthol and mint, goes into effect statewide. A similar ban has been in effect in Norwood since September 15, 2019.

The statewide ban on the sale of flavored vape products, which was signed into law last November, will extend to traditional tobacco products including, cigarettes, cigars, chew tobacco, spit tobacco, and loose tobacco. Popular brands such as Newport, Kool and Salem menthol are included in the ban. As of June 1, 2020, general tobacco retailers and adult-only retail tobacco stores, cannot sell these products.

In another section of the law, tobacco vendors in all MA towns and cities now are prohibited from selling any tobacco products, including cigarettes, to anyone under 21. Enactment of both sections of the law will standardize tobacco sales throughout the state.

The Commonwealth has established fines for violations of this law; local cities and towns cannot lower these fines. For further information, please call Sigalle Reiss, Norwood Public Health Director, 781-762-1240.

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Registration is appreciated but not required. For de-

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**NORWOOD ANNOUNCES TESTING PROGRAM**

General Manager Tony Mazzucco, Public Health Director Sigalle Reiss, and Norwood Hospital President Salvatore Perla wish to share with residents that the Town of Norwood, in partnership with the Hospital, is now providing COVID-19 testing for Norwood residents.

The Town has secured 1,000 tests designated for Norwood residents.

Any resident with symptoms or who believes they have been exposed and would like a COVID-19 test should schedule an appointment by calling 781-278-4499 and asking for the Norwood Community Testing program. Pre-registration is required. This is not a walk-in clinic.

Testing is for individuals who have not previously received a test. Any resident in need of a re-test in order to be able to go back to work should contact their physician.

Testing is offered Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., by appointment only, at Norwood Hospital's testing facility at the rear of the hospital campus, located at 800 Washington St.

Residents should make sure to bring their insurance card if receiving a test. Health insurance will be charged, but there is no out of pocket direct cost for residents.

Proof of residency is required. Residents are asked to bring a photo ID, license, light bill or lease.

The Town will cover the costs for a limited number of uninsured residents. There are no additional fees collected by the hospital for the test.

Results are expected in 48-72 hours after the test is given. The Norwood Health Department will contact residents with their results from the Community Testing Program. For those who test positive, the Department will ask those individuals to isolate at home and will conduct contact tracing to quarantine close contacts.

A COVID-19 test is a snapshot in time; it does not clear you from future infections or release you from a 14-day quarantine. Everyone should still stay home when sick, wear a face covering when unable to maintain social distancing, wash hands and clean frequently touched surfaces.

This program should not replace the following existing testing procedures: \* Working with your primary care doctor to arrange testing if you have symptoms; \* Visiting emergency/urgent care for an evaluation; \* The Foxboro testing site, specifically reserved for first responders and essential grocery store workers only; \* Other facilities that have access to State coordinated testing, such as the National Guard testing program or the Fallon testing program.

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current bus contract still needs to be fulfilled.

Member Myev Bodenhofer said that it would cost more than \$30,000 plus the administrative overhead to reimburse the families the \$42 each, because the accounts are done on a paper system via checks.

"I just think that, given that each family that paid \$300 for a bus pass would have received transportation that would have cost \$716 a year," she said. "They did get transportation for more than two-thirds of the year. We do have these extra costs. I don't think we can afford to reimburse."

She added that there was no precedent for reimbursing students who left the system mid-year or who stopped taking the bus due to involvement with athletic teams.

"This seems like a different circumstance to me because the service isn't being offered," member Maura Smith said. "I think it would make sense to reimburse."

Member Dave Catania suggested the matter be tabled until the next meeting so that the public could email in their comments. He made a motion, which was seconded by chair Teresa Stewart. It was approved 5-0.

On a state level, Bodenhofer said that the budget process has been severely stalled by COVID-19. The Senate numbers for the state budget usually come out in May, and then final version usually is hammered out in conference committee in late June or early July.

"This year, of course, all bets are off," she said.

There is now an uncertain amount of federal support; combined with the lack of sales and restaurant tax and licensing and permit fees. This will impact the Town budget. She said she attended the Finance Commission meeting, where members were concerned about revenue estimates.

Because of this uncertainty, she said Town Manager Tony Mazzucco distributed a memo asking the three main boards to revisit their budgets. Most capital outlay projects will now be postponed. Mazzucco also recommended pausing the retirement catch-up of \$500,000 to get closer to full funding, but this could be revisited in the fall. Likewise, he recommended pausing contributions to the general and override stabilization funds. The School Committee had planned to contribute \$700,000 to the override stabilization fund, which is currently at \$1.2 million. Thomson added that the School Department is looking at the budget conservatively, noting at this point that it is hard to gauge whether school will be held partially at home in the fall. Less money may be used for paper and can be shifted to sanitizer and masks.

He added that he heard that from the state's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) that there will not be any guidance submitted by DESE until the middle of June to school departments regarding curriculum and supplies.

"The hardest piece, without the guidance, will be how do we actually do it," Thomson said. "And even the Commissioner is saying we really are probably

not going to know what September will look like until probably late July or August."

In other news, the committee approved the school improvement plans for the Coakley Middle School and each of the elementary schools. The Coakley was able to implement a co-teaching mode, with many of the teachers trained before the coronavirus struck. Project Lead the Way was another successful initiative for grade 7 students to learn new computer science skills. Some eighth graders also participated in PLTW with the school librarian, according to Principal Margo Fraczec.

"The small-group of eighth-grade students are primarily English language learning students who just aren't able to take a foreign language," she said. "So it was nice to be able to put them into something meaningful."

Bryan Riley, Principal of the Prescott Elementary School, said one of the improvements over the past year has been to implement common planning time. All teachers received at least two 30-minute sessions with their grade level, which has been "invaluable" in helping students plan their curriculum for the month in an integrated way.

The implementation of pilot programs for math and English language arts was a positive step, he said. More importantly, teachers were able to observe their colleagues teaching a class in their field.

"Every teacher in the school was able to observe the other pilot programs in action," he said.

Teachers also have watched mental health professionals work with students so that they can understand their impact. In addition, each teacher was given \$500

to buy books that reflect the diversity of the student population to add to the library.

Balch Elementary School Principal Diane Ferreira said her past year program was similar to the Prescott. A major goal at the Balch was to focus on improving writing and literacy scores. This was achieved by increasing opportunities for writing and by practicing for the MCAS test.

"I think we did pretty well," she said. "It really does help to anchor our meetings on common planning time."

Going forward, Ferreira said she is educating a high-needs population that is now more than 70 percent. Last year's population was 63.8 percent. She said she wants to utilize the skills developed through remote learning and use them in class as well as in combination with personalized learning and blended learning.

Nancy Coppola, Principal of the Cleveland Elementary School, said her focus is on social-emotional learning.

"We're really concerned that when kids come back to school, in whatever fashion that is, that we're going to have some children who are not ready to learn," she said. "We have to recognize that, right from the get-go."

To help these students, there is a Social Emotional Learning Committee in place at the school that was developed this school year. The hope is to develop a scale to identify at-risk students.

The Cleveland also receives the most referrals for special education students, according to Coppola. She said she would like to analyze that trend and look at targeted instruction in the lower grades.

All plans were approved 5-0.

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# DEATHS

**BOULGER**



Clifford P. Of Norwood, formerly Co. Galway, Ireland, passed away on May 29, 2020 at the age of 76. A legendary storyteller with a remarkable sense of humor, he will always be remembered for the laughter around him and the love he had for his family. Beloved husband of the late Ruth S. (Cesvet) Boulger. Devoted father of William Boulger and his wife Yolanda of North Scituate, RI, Alix Lind and her husband Christopher of Lunenburg, and Wayne Jeveli and his wife Perryann of CA. Brother of Mary Coyne of Ireland, Caroline Coyne of Ireland, George Boulger of Roslindale and the late John Roe "Jack" Boulger of Norwood, and William Boulger and Robert Bolger of Ireland. Cherished grandfather of Noah, Henry, Maks, Skylar, and Tucker. Son of the late John Lloyd "Jack" and Teresa (O'Toole) Boulger. A Funeral Mass was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020, 11am, at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Burial

at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the MSPCA-Angell Memorial, 350 S. Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130. [www.mspca.org](http://www.mspca.org) [kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com](http://kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com) 781-762-0482.

**FLAVIN**



John J. August 29, 1955 - May 16, 2020 (US Marine) of Norwood, at the age of 64. Son of the late Robert F. Flavin, Sr. and Cornelia M. (Pappas) Flavin. Devoted father of Kevin Flavin and wife Brooke, Michael Flavin and wife Courtney of TN. Brother of Donna Dion and husband Richard, Brian Flavin and wife Joanne, Stephen Flavin and wife Melissa, Carol Cahill and husband Kevin, Thomas Flavin and wife Elizabeth, Patricia Flavin and the late Robert Flavin, Jr. and Julie Flavin. Services were private.

**LEE**

Thomas "Woody" of Norwood passed away on May 18th, 2020 at the age of 71. Son of the late Joseph F. and Thelma M. (Dobbins) Lee. Brother of Thelma Reardon and the late Karen McDonald and Joseph Lee. Cherished Uncle of Randall McDonald, Stacey Langner, Deborah Knight, Donna MacDonald, and James Reardon. Thomas worked at Norwood Hospital as a food service employee for over twenty-five years. He was an avid Yankees fan who

loved spending time with family and friends. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood. A private burial will be held at Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home [www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com](http://www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com) 781-762-0482.

**MARSHALSEA**



RONALD W. Jr. of Westwood formerly of Norwood passed away on May 23, 2020 at the age of 60. Beloved husband of Susan Jacobs-Marshalsea. Devoted father of Jennifer A. Marshalsea and Justine E. Marshalsea both of Pawtucket, RI and Ronald W. Marshalsea III of Westwood. Son of the late Ronald W. Marshalsea Sr. and Patricia F. (Tower) Marshalsea. Brother of Karen Denehy and her husband Timothy of Norwood, Sharon Nicholas and her husband Charles of N. Attleboro, Patricia Collins and her husband John of Walpole, Terri Chisholm and her husband Gerard of Norwood, Gerriane Hernon and her husband Joseph of Norwood and Robert Marshalsea and his wife Marci of Walpole. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Ronald was a 1977 graduate of Norwood High School and was a member of the Norwood Elks, the Norwood Diamond Club as well as being involved with volunteering and charitable efforts for the Norwood Food Pantry. A funeral mass will be held at a later date at St. Denis Church, Islington, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Norwood Babe Ruth Baseball league towards a scholarship fund being created in his name, mail to Norwood Dia-

mond Club P.O. Box 33, Norwood, MA 02062.

**MCKENNA**



Margery (Hyland) of Norwood, age 88, died May 21, 2020 of complications of Alzheimer's. Her husband of 61 years, Edward F McKenna, had died in April of COVID-19. They are survived by their children, Stephen McKenna of Naperville, IL, Carol McKenna (Matthew Belanger) of Rochester, NY, William McKenna (Diane Bernard) of Silver Spring, MD, Diane Baxter (Michael) of Chelmsford, MA, Lynn Puorro (James) of Wrentham, MA, and Janice Higgins (James) of Mansfield, MA, their grandchildren Claire and Juliette Belanger, Daniel and Kevin Baxter, Kaitlyn and Ryan Puorro, and Brian and Sean Higgins, and several nieces and nephews. She was daughter of the late William L. and Gladys (Shea) Hyland of Norwood and sister of the late Madeline Hyland Daniels of Norwood. Mrs. McKenna was born in Manchester NH, but grew up in Norwood and lived there the rest of her life. She graduated from Norwood High School in 1949 and then studied at Smith College, graduating in 1953 with a B.S. in physics. After college she worked as an atmospheric physicist with the Geophysics Research Directorate of the Air Force Cambridge Research Center. Through a colleague there she met Edward McKenna, and they were married in 1958. In the following years they welcomed their six children, raising them all in

Norwood and educating them in the Norwood public school system. Mrs. McKenna was active in town government, serving as an elected member of the Norwood town meeting for more than 40 years. Margery also had a lifelong devotion to the cause of education, and in 1981 she ran for and won a seat on the Norwood School Committee. She served on the school committee for the next 18 years, including two terms as its chair. In her capacity as a school committee member she served on various state and regional educational boards and committees including The Education Cooperative and the Massachusetts Association of School Committees. She was also an active member of the Norwood League of Women Voters for more than 50 years, and served two terms as its president. She received a Lifetime Achievement Award for 50 years of membership and service to the Norwood League at their annual meeting in 2019. Her training and work as a physicist were a product of her deep engagement with science, and she maintained that interest all her life. She studied and reported on scientific matters, fiscal policy, and fair housing for the League of Women Voters, including serving as a resource for the group on issues related to climate change. She also volunteered for several years with the Neponset River Watershed Association collecting samples from local streams for water quality analysis. Margery was acclaimed for her public spirit and sharp intellect, and beloved for her cheerful and friendly disposition. She was a fun-loving figure who liked to laugh and did it often. She could be counted on to laugh at even very silly jokes. She delighted in her eight grandchildren and loved hosting them on holidays, at the McKennas' backyard pool, and on vacations in Florida and Cape Cod. Skaket beach in Orleans was a favorite place for her to share her love of science and nature with her grandchildren, as they searched for crabs and shellfish

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**Obituary policy**

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Q) Dear Doctor: My 2010 Volvo S80 3.2 runs like a top. But all of a sudden it doesn't start right up. I changed the plugs, which is the only thing I still know how to do, with no change. I took it to Volvo and their machine said there were no issues. Any ideas? -Artie

A) Spark pugs do not usually have anything to do with start up unless the plugs a fouled. As long as the battery voltage is at specs we need to look at what the computer is looking at for sensor voltage. A good ASE technician will be able to look on both Alldata and Identifix for the information and specs needed. The other info at there finger tips is other owners that have had similar start up problems such as yours.

Q) Dear Doctor: I have an Audi Q5 with around 78,000 miles that started consuming oil at a rate of 1 quart per 500 miles. I have to carry oil with me in the car. Unbelievable! It happened all of a sudden after my last oil change with the dealer. I talked to them about it and they asked me to pay for a Consumption Oil Test for \$220. There has to be something wrong here. I think Audi should do a recall. What do you think I should do? -Francisco

A) First, shame on the dealer for asking you to pay for an oil consumption engine on a DEFECTIVE engine. On a lot of these vehicles oil consumption starts around 80,000 miles. Some engines do not have this problem. The most common problem is the piston rings carbon up and let oil blow by them. The second problem is the PCV system baffle on the top of the valve cover. The round fabric internal baffle gets brittle and cracks and oil is simply sucked into the air intake system. We look on both Alldata and Identifix and there is all the information needed. Find shop in your area the has either system and they can print out the needed information on this problem. The dealer knows about this problem and should have made you aware of it. There should be some assistance from Audi on this problem. I would also find another Audi dealer for there opinion.

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in the marsh. Funeral services will be held at a later date due to the current state of emergency. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, friends may make memorial contributions to the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, 90 Canal Street, Suite 414, Boston, MA 02114 [LWVMA.org], or the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA 02452.

## PANNES

Dr. Stephen P., 'I'll pass this way but once. Any good, that I can do, Let me know it now. 'Let me not neglect it or defer it, For I shall not pass this way again.' Born in Lynn, Massachusetts, died peacefully on May 19th at the age of 87 at his home of 58 years in Norwood, MA surrounded by his family. Steve is survived by wife Caroline, the love of his life for 57 years, his three sons, Burton (Marianne), Peter (Andrea) and Mark (Pam), his 7 grandchildren Blake, Estelle, Kate, Larry, Liza, Nick, and Stephen, his beloved brother and sister Nick and Virginia (Sullivan), and numerous nieces and nephews. A 1950 graduate of Lynn Classical High School and then the University of Michigan (BA '54, School of Dentistry, D.D.S '59), Steve's diehard commitment to the Wolverines was eclipsed only by his lifelong love of his profession as a dentist and his family. He proudly served his country as a captain in the United States Air Force attached to

mand AFB in North Africa in 1959-1961 and opened his private practice in Norwood in 1963. In the 1970's and 1980's, Steve flew numerous relief missions to Honduras to provide dental services and aid to impoverished Honduran residents amidst the country's turmoil. He was a benevolent caregiver who took his obligations as a dentist seriously. The dean of Norwood dentists, he practiced for a period of 60 years that spanned over eight decades with his irreplaceable assistant and office manager, Pam Gately, and remained an active member of the Massachusetts Dental Society until the day he passed away. Steve cared about and contributed greatly to his community. He was past chairman of the Norwood Scholarship Foundation and a Mason. His infectious positive attitude and signature greeting made everyone he met feel like a friend. Steve's dedication to and pride in his family was unparalleled. He was always there in support and the biggest fan of those closest to him and was unapologetic in showing it. He possessed a great sense of humor which generated countless bad jokes with which he delighted his grandchildren. The way he led his life leaves a legacy of genuine compassion and service, lightheartedness, and true care for family, friends, and strangers alike and a shining example of a life well lived. A true Renaissance man and a man of science to the end, Steve asked that his body be donated to the Anatomical Gift Program at Tufts Medical School. His family also wishes to convey spe-

cial thanks to the Gately family of Norwood for their love and support through the years. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. In recognition of the outstanding care Steve received from Dr. Mikhail Maysky and his team at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, our family requests any donations be made to Doctors Without Borders. Funeral arrangements have been handled by Gillooly's Funeral Home of NORWOOD.

## PEPIN



JAMES Edward, retired Lieutenant Norwood Police Dept. of Canton formerly of Norwood passed away on May 20, 2020 at the age of 68. Beloved Husband of Susan (Crossen) Pepin of Canton. Cherished son of Mildred Pepin of Norwood and the late Joseph Pepin. Devoted father of Kathryn Allen and her husband Sean of Natick, James Jr. and his wife Angie of Canton, and Nicholas of Quincy. Loving grandfather of Craig, Zoe, Sean Jr, Eddie, Owen, and Alice. Survived by his brother William Pepin. Preceded in death by his siblings Mary Johnson, Barbara Sarkas, Joseph

Pepin and Janice DiBella. James graduated from Boston Technical High School in 1970, held a B.S. in criminal Justice from Boston State College, and an M.S. in Criminal Justice from Westfield State College. He proudly served his country in Germany, before joining the Norwood Police Department in 1977. He was promoted to sergeant in February 1984, and in July of that year to lieutenant. After 30 years of service, James retired as the Norwood Police Department's second in command. In retirement James pursued his interest in technology by joining the IT department for the Dedham public schools. A funeral was held on Tuesday May 26th, 2020 at St. Catherine of Siena Church on Washington St. in Norwood. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to the IPF Foundation. <https://ipffoundation.org/donate/>

## Pedersen



Robert Theodore, died suddenly, May 2020, at the age of 55, in Florida where he lived for the past 25 years. Robert was born in Norwood MA to Theodore J and

Joan M (Mulvehill) Pedersen. Bob (Ped) was preceded in death by his father. He is survived by his mother Joan, his two children Robert and Zachary of Florida, his sister Lynne of Norwood, sister Lisa and brother in law Robert Brown of Walpole, and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. No service will be held in this time of Covid.

## SCANZIO

John P. of Dedham passed away at the VA Hospital in West Roxbury, MA on May 19, 2020. He would have been 92 years old on June 18th. John was the loving husband of the late Marilyn M. Scanzio. He is survived by his daughters Lynne A. Frye of Worcester, MA, Darlene C. Scanzio of Irvine, CA, Karen D. Scanzio of Norwood, MA and Joan L. Briggs and her husband Michael Briggs of Norwood, MA as well as six grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. He is also survived by his brother Henry Scanzio and the late Agnes Scanzio and his children. John was a meteorologist in the US Air Force in WWII and a talented ballroom dancer. For most of his life he was a portrait photographer and later sold automobiles. Family and friends will be notified of a future public Celebration of Life. If you would like to send a story or photo that you cherish about John go to [www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com](http://www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com) and click his obituary and post under the tribute wall, please feel free to do so. Expressions of sympathy can be made by making a donation to the American Cancer Society or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. [www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com](http://www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com) 781-762-0482.

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