

## Coakley future appears secure

### Selectmen approve major HVAC renovation

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectman unanimously agreed to update the town's statement of interest with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) regarding replacing the heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) system at the Coakley Middle School.

This project was chartered by Town Meeting in 2007, and School Department Director of Buildings and Grounds Joseph McDonough has updated the School Committee on its status in October 2007, June 2009, and, most recently, on Dec. 15, 2010. This meeting led to his appearance before the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday night, where he outlined the \$5,753,000 construction plan.

There are three possible replacement plans available to the town, all of which involve installing a new air-cooled chiller and gas fired boilers. The first, and most economically feasible, is to simply replace the existing unit with

new unit ventilators, and this costs \$2,347,000 to install.

While this is the cheapest option, Patrick Curran, project manager with R.W. Sullivan Engineering, recommends the town install four pipe fan coil units, which will cost \$2,835,000, \$488,000 more. The pipe fan coil units are being used at the new Norwood High School, and Curran feels it makes sense to use the same type of unit across town.

The third and most expensive option is installing variable volume boxes with hot water reheat coils, and this would cost \$2,969,000.

Regardless of what system is used, the message sent by Curran and McDonough was clear: a new HVAC system is needed at the Coakley Middle School, as the current system is an inefficient, outdated safety hazard.

"The system is past its useful life," McDonough said, noting that at 36 years, it has well exceeded its 15 to 20 year lifespan.

In addition, several of the parts are

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## Cable Commission fields outage concerns

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

Last month, Comcast and Verizon cable subscribers in town lost access to Norwood Public Access Television (NPA) for four days. The NPA feed has since been restored, but Cable Commission members received complaints regarding the outage, and these complaints were shared at their meeting Monday night.

Cable Commission Chairman Richard Shay noted the outage was due to problems with the interconnected feed shared by Comcast and Verizon. When the system goes down, both companies lose access to NPA and must work together to restore it. While Comcast and Verizon lost NPA for a few days, the outage did not affect Norwood Light, which does not share a feed with these two companies.

Cable Commission member Joan Jacobs noted she received several calls complaining about the outage. Jill Red-

dish, Franchise Operations Manager for Verizon, noted that while it was never good to receive complaints, they confirmed that Norwood's Verizon customers are watching local programming on NPA, and people notice when there is an outage.

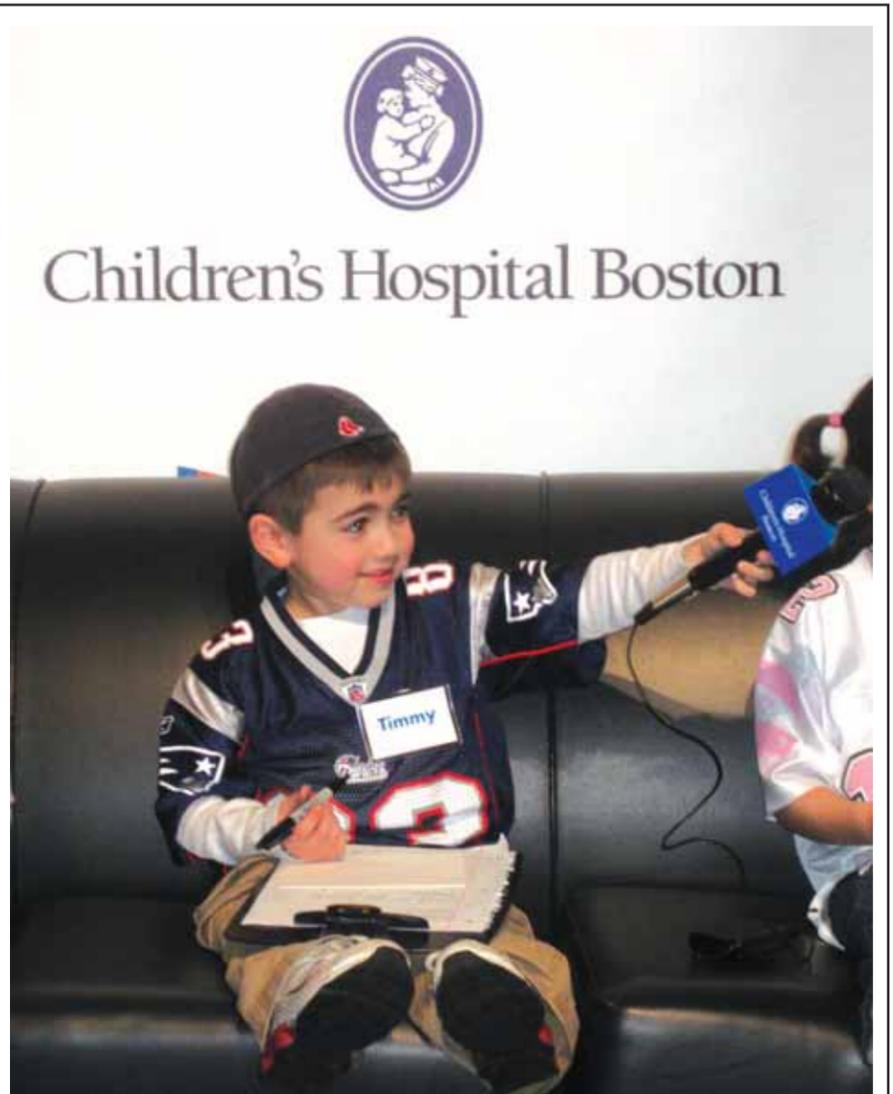
"We are not working on different configurations right now," Reddish said, noting that they work with Comcast whenever the system does down.

While this is the case, she acknowledges there is a problem with the shared feed.

"We know we can be vulnerable with these interconnection agreements," Reddish said.

As a result, Cable Commission members agreed the situation should be handled differently in the future. While the shared feed has worked in the past, situations like this can happen, resulting in a loss of local programming for multiple providers.

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Timmy Wright was a guest at the Champions for Children's, an annual dinner and auction benefiting Children's Hospital Boston.

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## Team Timmy comes up big in fundraiser

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

At just six-years-old, Timmy Wright of Norwood has faced challenges in his life that some can only imagine. He suffers from two chronic illnesses – agammaglobulinemia and Crohn's Disease – and finds himself constantly in and out of the hospital for treatment.

Last month, hundreds of Norwood residents came together to show their support for Timmy at a Team Timmy Fundraiser at Concannon's Village on Nov. 20. Together, over 350 guests raised approximately \$45,000 for Timmy and his family.

"They raised over \$45,000 for Timmy to cover his medical procedures," said Timmy's mother and Norwood public school teacher Kouri Wright. "We've been able to pay a lot of our hospital bills and co-pays."

These bills are associated with agammaglobulinemia, a rare genetic disease that causes the body to produce little, if any, immunoglobulins in the bloodstream. Immunoglobulins play a

key role in the immune system, protecting the body against illness and infection. Timmy was diagnosed with this at four months old, and at age five, he was diagnosed with Crohn's Disease, an inflammatory bowel disease that causes inflammation of the digestive track, most commonly affecting the small intestine.

"He's been off and on, very sick and by the time he was five, in the hospital every other month," Wright said, including a 28 day stay last month, when two feet of his small intestines were removed.

These trips have included six weeks of eating from a feeding tube, numerous injections, many stops in the emergency room and battles with fevers, blood infections and the recent surgery. All of this has proven tough for the six-year-old patient, who is otherwise your typical child, a fan of Star Wars, baseball, dinosaurs and LEGOs.

Kouri's sister, Farrah, organized the fundraiser, and the family worked

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**Sansone, Coppola receive honors**  
 Blue Hills Regional Technical School seniors Allison Sansone, left, and Teresa Coppola, both of Norwood, receive citations in honor of their John and Abigail Adams Scholarships, which are given by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in honor of high achievement on the MCAS exam.  
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Third graders at the South Area Solomon Schechter Day School in Norwood recently dedicated a vernal pool discovered on the school campus in honor of long-time volunteer Bob Starr (at right). Teachers are Julia Horowitz (rear left) and Sharon Jacobs (rear right).

## Vernal Pool dedication

The 3rd grade class at the South Area Solomon Schechter Day School (SASSDS), officially dedicated a vernal pool in honor of longtime volunteer Bob Starr of Sharon. The 3rd graders have been studying the vernal pool discovered on the school campus and have been collecting data about this important biome. Some of their data is being incorporated into the Harvard University Forest Schoolyard Research Project and will be combined with data from schools across Massachusetts. The project provides scientists/ecologists from Harvard with valuable

data about the state's watershed and biomes. Because of periodic drying, vernal pools used to be an overlooked resource. Most fill with water in fall and winter and dry up by late summer. Certain species require vernal pools for parts of their life cycle, including the fairy shrimp, the mole salamanders and the wood frog.

The project will be entered in the Disney Planet Challenge, and SASSDS's spring science fair project will focus on the students' research. The children use scientific inquiry and the steps of the scientific process in their investigations. The project inte-

grates math, art and language arts into this project as students educate the school and community at large about the importance of vernal pools. It also ties in with the age-old Jewish precept of 'tikkun olam,' that each individual is obligated to 'repair the world.' The project is led by Dr. Nitzan Resnick, Science Dept. Head and Co-Director of the SASSDS Middle School Math & Science Initiative, and by K-3 Science teacher Sharon Jacobs. The pool, a protected resource, is being registered with the state as the "Bob Starr Vernal Pool."

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"In two years, we will push them to do it in a very different way," Shay said.

The two-year time period was suggested because that is when Verizon's license with the town comes up for renewal. This issue will be discussed during contract negotiations with all three companies that operate in town – Verizon,

Comcast and Norwood Light – and the goal is to avoid outages of this nature.

"It is something that they should explore during the next contract negotiations," Shay said.

Shay said one possible solution involves having NPA stream their shows onto the internet, to be rebroadcast by the individual companies. He

noted that this is an expensive proposition at the current time, but it is considerably less expensive than a year ago, and he expects the cost will continue to drop. Shay said this method of distribution could be the industry standard in the upcoming years, and if this proves to be the case, it could carry a cheaper price tag in two years.

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# TONY nominees announced

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

Each year, ten Norwood students are honored and recognized by the Orient Masonic Lodge as recipients of the Ten Outstanding Norwood Youth (T.O.N.Y.) award. This is the 16th year the Norwood Masons have run the program, and its 41st year overall.

The T.O.N.Y. awards program aims to recognize the young people in Norwood for their contributions to both community- and faith-related activities, honoring those who make significant contributions of time, effort, and talent to volunteerism, church, and other charitable causes. They are awarded to ten Norwood residents in grades 10 to 12.

This year, 46 students have been nominated for T.O.N.Y. awards. All nominees will receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement, and those selected as "Outstanding Youth" will receive a plaque, a citation signed by the governor and a

\$1,000 savings bond.

In addition to the T.O.N.Y. award, two students will receive the Father Robert Dwyer Award and the Joe Pierce Scouting Award. These awards are for outstanding service to one's church and in Scouting.

Students are nominated for a T.O.N.Y. between September and October each year. Those nominated must fill out a packet and answer five questions about their volunteering, including a 300-word essay on what volunteering means to them. These forms are anonymously reviewed by five judges in December, and the awards are presented in January. The judges come from a wide spectrum of the community: one is a Mason, one a town clergyman, one from the Women's Community Committee, one town official and one from the local business community.

This year's T.O.N.Y. Award banquet takes place on Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Apollo Function Facility, 615 Washington St.

This year's T.O.N.Y. Award

nominees are: Nicolette Anderson, Lisa Bartucca, Nicole Breen, Abby Brown, Alexandra Carey, John Colamaria, Ian Crossen, Kristin Donnelly, Sarah Eckhardt, Peter Fiske, Stephanie Fogg, Alejandra Garcia-Pletsch, Cory Hodson, Heather Jones, Michael Kearns, Shannen Kelley, Brian Kelly, Peter Kelly, Harriet Kiwanuka, Robert Leon, Sara Long, James Lynch, Alex Meimarides, Christopher McCarthy, Natalie McDonough, Addie Miller, Rasika Murali, Megan Murray, Barry Nicholson, Kathleen O'Day, Brendan O'Malley, Nicoletta Omo, Ryan Plasko, Kyle Postler, Rebecca Ramirez, Kelly Reilly, Brittany Ring, Malora Rogers, William Rydzewski, Cassandra Saad, Nicole Saad, Courtney Stanton, Matthew Talbot, Kate Tatar, Melisa Varitimos and John Warner.

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# Howard to take another shot

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

They say the third time is a charm, and lifelong Norwood resident Allan Howard hopes this is the case, as he announced he is once again running for the Board of Selectmen.

"I'm going to try one more time," Howard said. "I am in the process of making a team."

This comes after his unsuccessful bid last year, when Howard challenged Michael Lyons and Helen Abdallah-Donohue. Howard received 1,930 votes, just 98 votes shy of Donohue's 2,028. Though it was a disappointing loss, Howard regrouped and hopes to find a spot on the board this year, as he challenges incumbent current Board of Selectmen Chairman Jerry Kelleher, whose term expires this year. Though he has not formally announced his candidacy, Kelleher indicated he would run for re-election.

Though he lost last year, Howard said he received a lot

of positive feedback from many members of the community, and several people have asked if he planned to run again this year.

"I've sincerely had a positive response from a lot of people," Howard said, and he is grateful for the support he received, then and now.

Howard has turned to these supporters and is forming a team to help him this election year. He noted that last year his campaign staff consisted of himself and his local family, but this year is a wider community effort.

"This time, it will be a team effort," Howard said.

Howard comes with a wealth of experience, and he hopes this experience will lead to a seat on the Board of Selectmen, which has been a long-time goal for the Blossom Street resident.

Howard has been involved in Norwood politics for over 30

**Howard**

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Allan Howard

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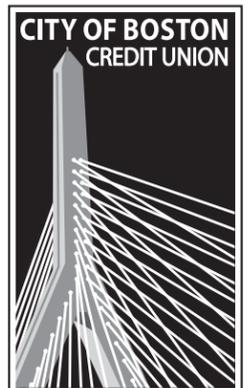
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## Editorial

# Town's storm action terrific

The latest snowstorm just after Christmas was really quite fierce. Starting on Sunday afternoon and continuing to snow right into early Monday evening, for the better part of two days things were chaotic, to say the least. The heaviest of the snowfall was between midnight and around 5 a.m. with whiteout conditions and heavy drifting of snow caused by strong winds.

With two children in school, one already in college and another on her way in the fall, I supplement my income by plowing snow, and I happened to be in the thick of the action for about 24 hours straight. What was fortunate about this storm is that it occurred at the start of a vacation week, both for school kids and many adults who chose to take the week between Christmas and New Years off. Without the added traffic concerns on Monday morning, clearing the white stuff was a little less difficult.

That being written, there is nothing easy about clearing that much snow in such a short period of time, and the Town of Norwood is better than most at getting the job done. Some residents had expressed concern that secondary, or side roads weren't cleared as quickly as they thought they should have been. Rest assured, when snow falls as ferociously as it did during the last storm, it is imperative that the main roads be cleared first so that emergency vehicles can get to where they need to go in a timely fashion. Clearing smaller residential streets had to take a back seat to keeping major thoroughfares open. It may have taken a little longer than usual for workers to get to your street, but only because the town had to keep the best interests of everyone in mind when dealing with the mess.

Once the roads were cleared, DPW crews were fast at work clearing sidewalks along the major commercial roads. Small businesses rely on what limited parking and access is available to them now, and customer hesitation about parking or hurdling snow banks make things even more difficult for shopkeepers. Again, Norwood did an excellent job.

Business owners and residents should also be aware that the laws have changed, and not only do you have a legal responsibility to make your home safely accessible for everyone, you now have the liability of sidewalks that surround your property. In other words, not only are you liable for accidents that happen on your property, but surrounding your property as well, and authorities have the right to proactively fine you for not keeping your surrounds cleared. So, instead of putting the snow blowers or shovels away once your driveway is cleared, take a deep breath and keep going onto the sidewalks. Not only is it neighborly, it's the law.

Finally, should you find yourself stuck in a dead vehicle on a main road like I did during the last storm on Railroad Ave. in Norwood, the first thing you should do is call 762-1212 (not 911). The dispatcher has a list of available tow companies he will call for you. In my case, not only did they dispatch Don & Wally's right away, but they also sent a patrol car to help move traffic around my disabled truck. D&W was on the scene within 20 minutes and the truck was on the flatbed and on its way shortly thereafter, like clockwork. By the next morning the truck was fixed at a very fair price (no price gouging one might expect given the circumstances) and I was on my way. The coordination between public and private service agencies worked like a charm.

Residents should be very pleased with Norwood services. I know I was.

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## Letters to the Editor

### BLUE HILLS REGIONAL IGNORES SAFETY ISSUE

*To the Editor:*

Tom Cummings is the moderator on the local access cable television programs Inside Norwood and Table Talk. On each program Tom encourages Norwood residents to phone him with comments on the shows or local issues that concern them.

Recently a parent of a Blue Hills Regional Technical School student approached Tom with a concern. The parent has a son who attends Blue Hills. His son and a few other students from the East Cross St. area, have to walk down and then up the hill on Pleasant St. to the park at the bottom of the hill to get the bus to and from Blue Hills Regional. Though this is not a worry in the good weather, it can be very dangerous when it snows, because the town does not plow the sidewalk in that area. Because of this, the kids have to walk in the street to and from the bus stop. Pleasant St. is not very wide and with the snow banks this is a safety concern.

Tom enlisted the help of Allan Howard, a panel member on Table Talk, and a fellow Norwood Town Meeting Member. Together, they contacted Kevin Connolly, our Blue Hills School Committee Member from Norwood, who stated there was nothing he could do. Several e-mails were exchanged including one from Allan Howard who pointed out that the simple solution was "a one-minute stop at the corner of East Cross St. and Pleasant St. for the bus that probably goes by there each school day." The last communication shared was an unhelpful memo from the Dean of Students, Tom Cavanaugh, stating nothing could be done at this time, and that they would raise the issue next September.

When Tom asked a Norwood School Committee member about this scenario on one of the Inside Norwood shows, the Committee member said this is a safety issue and in Norwood, they would adjust the bus stop to ensure the safety of all students. Tom added that it is also dangerous for drivers trying to safely navigate the road and to avoid pedestrians.

Allan said, "Each year when I was on the Finance Commission, we labored over the assessment Norwood pays to Blue Hills. This does not make me want to support this assessment. I don't think this is a lot to ask. Making this small change in the name of safety will prevent a dangerous situation for drivers and student pedestrians."

*Tom Cummings*

*Dist. 7*

*TMM Allan Howard*

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### NORWOOD BANK SAYS "THANK YOU!"

*To the Editor:*

Norwood Bank would like to thank everyone for their generosity in helping make the Sharing Tree such a success. This year's gifts brought smiles of joy to over 250 children in our community. The Sharing Tree has been a long-standing tradition at Norwood Bank through the tireless efforts of the Sharing Tree coordinators and volunteers. These special people donate many hours of their time coordinating the collection and distribution of gifts throughout the town of Norwood. The Sharing Tree has a special place at Norwood Bank from Thanksgiving until mid-December.

*Norwood Bank*

### FOOD PANTRY WELL STOCKED

*To the Editor:*

The Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood wishes to thank all of the residents, businesses, organizations, schools and churches who generously donated food, money, gifts, gift cards and their services to the Pantry throughout the holidays in November and December. Our storage area is looking well stocked and should help get us through the winter months. Our client families now number about 350, so it takes a tremendous amount of food to take care of their needs. That is why it is so necessary to continue to donate all year long. This community has always been so responsive when we have made our needs known. Thank you for showing your care for your neighbors. We wish you all a very Happy and Healthy 2011.

*Ruth Taeger*

*Pantry Coordinator*

### THANK YOU FROM THE BACKSTAGE BOOSTERS

*To the Editor:*

The Backstage Boosters recently held a "Breakfast With The Stars", complete with Cinderella, Belle, Alice in Wonderland, Prince Charming, Captain Hook, Buzz Lightyear and more! The proceeds from the event go to support the Norwood Public Schools drama programs. The morning was a huge success, as children and their families came to get an autograph signed and picture taken with their favorite characters. The event would not have been as successful without the generous donations by Escada Hair & Beauty Spa and Roche Bros. Escada provided the princesses with their hairstyles, and Roche Bros. provided the continental breakfast. Thank you again for all you do for our children and for the community.

*The Backstage Boosters*

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for two months to make the event a successful one. Over 75 businesses in Norwood and the surrounding area stepped up and donated items for the raffle, and Wright was amazed at the sheer amount they raised in such a short time.

Wright thanks everyone involved in the fundraiser, saying, "Words cannot express how thankful we are for everyone's support of our son, Timmy. Thank you all for caring, helping and giving. Endless thanks to all of you."

In addition to raising money for Team Timmy, it was meant to help raise awareness of Crohn's Disease. Representatives from the Crohn's and Colitis Team Challenge

(CCTC) were at the event. Wright has a personal connection with CCTC, an endurance training and fundraising program. CCTC allows people to run or walk half-marathons (13.1 miles) while helping to find a cure for Crohn's Disease and colitis.

Wright participated in one of these half-marathons in June, when she raised over \$6,000 for Team Challenge. Timmy was then named one of the honorees in the recent Las Vegas half marathon.

Timmy was also honored at the Nov. 30 Champions for Children's event at Seaport World Trade Center. This dinner raised over \$3.4 million for Children's Hospital Boston

clinical research. At this dinner, Timmy had the chance to meet and interview several local athletes and celebrities, including Celtics center Kendrick Perkins, Josh "Scruffy" Wallace of the Dropkick Murphy's, New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft and New England Revolution goalkeeper Matt Reis.

All of this helped make it possible for the family to get through an otherwise difficult autumn.

"So many people helped us this past fall and we would not have been able to get through such a difficult time without such love and support," Wright said.

# Norwood High Alumni announce Team Trivia fundraiser

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

While the Norwood High School Alumni Association is hard at work preparing for "The Last Hurrah: Come Say Goodbye to Old Norwood High," it is not the only event the group is planning this year. The Alumni Association announced its first fundraiser: a Teamwork Trivia Night to be held at the Norwood Elks on Friday, Jan. 28, from 7 to 11 p.m.

The event will be hosted by DJ Mr. Ed Mullen, and will cost \$15 per person, or \$150 for a table of 10. All proceeds from the event will go to the Norwood High School Alumni Association.

The Teamwork Trivia night is exactly what it sounds like: teams compete in a trivia competition. Event organizer Paula Pelaggi noted that while this is

the first fundraiser held by the Norwood High School Alumni Association, she has had success with Teamwork Trivia nights in the past.

"The Norwood High School Alumni Association Teamwork Trivia fundraiser came from me," Pelaggi said. "I did a few when I taught at the high school and they went well. I also helped with a couple that we had for the Allison P. White Memorial Scholarship Fund."

Pelaggi added that there has already been a positive response for the upcoming event.

"[We've had] a great response so far," Pelaggi said, noting that members of the Norwood High School Classes of 1962, 1968, 1984 and 2005 have all created teams and reserved tables, as have several combo class teams.

While several tables are accounted for, tickets are still available for the event, and

those interested in participating can contact Pelaggi or Jerry Miller by calling 781-762-7861 or emailing ppelaggi@aol.com.

Pelaggi added that the event would not be possible without the support of numerous volunteers involved with the event. Several Norwood High School Alumni Association committee members are involved, and they are actively searching for a sponsor to provide a grand prize for the winning team.

More information on the Alumni Association and the Teamwork Trivia Night is available on their website, [www.norwoodhighschoolalumniassociation.org/](http://www.norwoodhighschoolalumniassociation.org/)

and their Facebook page, which currently has 939 likes. People interested in the group can attend next Alumni Association Committee meeting, which will be held on Jan. 6 at 7:15 p.m. in the Civic Center.

# High School meetings resume

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

After a two-week hiatus due to holidays like Christmas Eve and New Years Eve, the weekly High School Community Meetings will resume this Friday, Jan. 7, at 9 a.m. in Room 24 of the Norwood Town Hall.

"Neighborhood meetings are to resume this Friday," said Bryan Jarvis, Assistant Project Manager with Compass Project Management.

These meetings are open to the general public and were well attended at the beginning of the project. At this point, with most of the high school work continuing along smoothly, they typically attract one abutter per meeting.

These meetings usually consist of a presentation by Michael Moisé, Executive Manager for Agostini Construction, who updates town

officials and abutters on the new Norwood High School construction project, which remains several weeks ahead of schedule. The building is expected to be turned over to the town by May 15 of this year, the substantial completion date, and these meetings let residents know just how much progress has been made.

Though construction crews are between four and six weeks ahead of schedule, there is still a lot of work that needs to be done in the months ahead. For example, vinyl composition tile flooring and resilient flooring installation work continues in the A, B and C wings of the building. Other floor work includes the installation of the wood flooring system in the gymnasium and the preparation for the installation of the auditorium stage floor. The instal-

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years. He served on the Finance Commission from 1974 to 1976, 1978 to 1981, 1986 to 1987 and, most recently, 2007 to 2010. He was chairman of the FinCom for three of these years, most recently in 2009. He has also been a member of Town Meeting for over 20 years, serving as a representative for District 2.

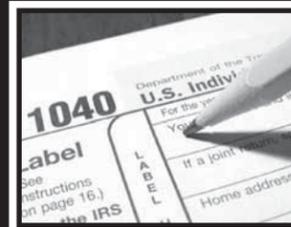
His most recent stint on the Finance Commission came to an end last year, as Howard opted to run for the Board of Selectmen, rather than run for re-election. The Town Charter doesn't allow a FinCom member to hold any other elected position in town, aside from serving as a Town Meeting representative. Taking over for Howard on the FinCom was write-in candidate Tom Maloney, a Regional Lending Manager for the Bank of Canton and former Town Meeting member.

More information on Howard is available at his campaign website, [www.allanhowardnorwood.com/](http://www.allanhowardnorwood.com/).

### 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.  
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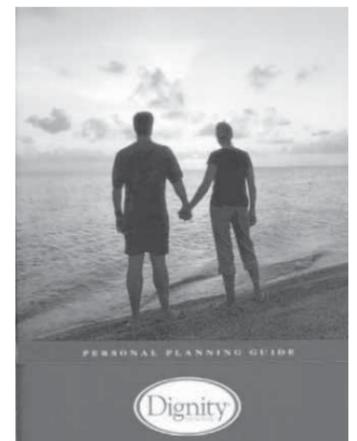
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## McQuaid not running

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

Selectman Tom McQuaid announced that he would not seek re-election at the Jan. 4 Board of Selectmen meeting. His departure creates an open seat on the Board of Selectmen.

"It's been my distinct pleasure to serve first as a Finance Commissioner and on the Board of Selectman," McQuaid said, later adding, "It's really been a pleasure to serve, and I appreciate being elected by the townspeople five times."

McQuaid still has three months of service ahead of him, before his term expires in April. This will cap a six year run on the Board of Selectmen. Prior to this position, he served on the

FinCom for eight years. In addition, McQuaid is longtime Town Meeting member, representing District 4.

Other members of the Board of Selectman had positive comments about McQuaid's two terms with the board. Board of Selectman Chairman Jerry Kelleher compared McQuaid's departure to "breaking up The Beatles," as the current board has been very active and helped move a lot of projects forward, including the new Norwood High School.

Selectman Bill Plasko thanked McQuaid for his service, citing his over 15-year involvement in town government, and his dedication to his role.

**Gil Haylon**  
Staff Reporter

Don't forget your ID when you go to pick up any prescriptions at the local pharmacy. Thanks to a new state law, certain prescriptions will now require photo identification upon pick-up.

The new Massachusetts' law has been enacted in hopes of preventing drug abuse in light of the recent increase of prescription drug overdoses.

The regulation will allow for better tracking of individuals purchasing and picking up prescription drugs. The issue of individuals moving from doctor to doctor in order to continue receiving prescriptions will hopefully be solved with this new law.

Many painkillers and other powerful prescribed drugs have required photo identification for several years, but the new law will expand that practice to many other prescribed drugs. The new law includes several new pain medications as well as many anti-anxiety drugs such as Valium.

The new system of identification will help doctors and law enforcers crack down on drug abuse and hopefully prevent deaths related to drug

overdose. Still, the law isn't necessarily helpful for everyone.

"There are pros and cons to the new law," said Tim Fensky, the Director of Pharmacy Operations at the Sullivan Pharmacy in Roslindale. "It's helpful that we can see where possible abuse is happening, but it also puts a lot more burden on us to report any issue."

Pharmacists will be forced to keep a close eye on any situations of possible abuse and will be responsible for prohibiting too many prescribed drugs from going to one individual. There will be far more clerical work for pharmacists and doctors thanks to the new law.

Local pharmacies have been informed by the state of the new law, and been prepared for the changes for several months, since the law was announced in August.

The new law, which came into effect with the start of the new year, will allow for consistent monitoring of any possible drugs that can be abused.

Drug abuse has long been an issue that doctors have struggled to contain, thanks to the anonymity that comes with receiving many drugs. Not all prescription drugs will require

photo identification, as heart medications and other drugs with no history of abuse will continue to be doled out without customer IDs.

With the new law in effect, local pharmacies are spreading the word to customers in hopes of avoiding any issues.

"We've only had one incidence so far, when a customer refused to pick up his prescription after being asked for his ID," said Fensky.

While the new law may be a hassle for both customers and pharmacies in the beginning, the hope is that the new regulation will prevent future drug abuse.

According to one federal survey, Massachusetts was the 8th among people age 18-25 who have used prescription drugs not prescribed to them. Over 30 other states have laws of a similar nature, which require an ID for most or all prescription drugs.

There will also be a monitoring system put in place to track all of the identifications used for prescription drugs. This system is expected to cost between one and two million dollars in state funding.

Representatives from the Walgreens and CVS Pharmacy in Norwood had no comment on the new law.

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no longer being produced, so when it breaks, the town must fabricate its own replacements.

"The vendor that was maintaining the system back in 2000 said it was non-maintainable," McDonough said, and now, 11 years later, the town continues to use the system.

In addition to being outdated, the newer system would be far more efficient, leading to lower operational costs for the town.

"We cut the operating costs by almost 65 percent of what you're spending now," Curran said.

McDonough estimated that \$215,000, approximately 60 percent of the school's HVAC budget is used at the Coakley Middle School annually. All three proposed systems have lower annual operating costs. New unit ventilators would cost approximately \$61,050 annually, while the four pipe fan coil unit and variable volume box unit would cost approximately \$66,947 annually. This is a savings of approximately \$150,000 per year.

While there are savings, there are also questions as to where that \$5,753,000 in funding will come from. McDonough said there are two possible sources: the MSBA and town funds.

The town has a good relationship with the MSBA, as shown by the new Norwood High School construction project. However, the MSBA's practice is not to fund more than one project in a town at any given time, meaning they most likely would not consider funding the Coakley Middle School until the completion of the Norwood High School project.

In addition, there is no guarantee the town will be able to secure an MSBA grant.

"The grant is not guaranteed, and it's very competitive," McDonough said.

If they receive such a grant, the MSBA would fund approximately 50 percent of the project costs, meaning the town would still be on the hook for \$2,876,500. Without the grant, the town would have to fully fund the project, and McDonough noted this could be difficult due to the tough economic climate and other town projects that are needed.

Also speaking out in favor of the system was Stan Gaw, one of the designers of the current HVAC system.

"I think this is more of an emergency than people realize," Gaw said. "These units are in very bad shape."

The Board of Selectmen

agreed with these assessments, and unanimously supported refreshing the statement of interest with the MSBA. They recognize the project has to go forward.

"We have to do something," said Selectman Bill Plasko. "If we sit back and do nothing, we won't be able to sustain that building."

He added that a full replacement, not a piecemeal approach was the correct solution to this HVAC problem. Simply applying a bandaid to the issue is not appropriate- they need to act now.

"Small fixes aren't the answer, we have to do a full, long term repair," Plasko said. "We know that this work has to be done and go forward. This is an issue that can't be ignored."

McDonough noted that a new HVAC would be the final piece of a restored Coakley Middle School. A lot of effort has been put into the building, including replacing the roof, windows, sidewalk and lockers. The most recent work was the installation of new wall panels, which concluded last week. All will help ensure a long lifespan for the school.

"That building has a good, long life in it," Superintendent of Schools James Hayden said. "As an educational place, that one is going to stay in the inventory for a long time."

# Selectmen notes: Police and Public Hearings

**Brad Cole**  
Staff Reporter

Police Chief Bartley King appeared before the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, with several updates on the department, ranging from donating bicycles to recent home break-ins.

King noted there was an increase in break-ins in Norwood over the holiday season.

“Our Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI) investigated a number of housebreaks over the month,” King said, adding they have made a few arrests and have a couple other suspects they are investigating.

While all breaking and entering cases are a concern, King cited one in particular. Sometime in late December- between Dec. 26 and Dec. 31- a house on Hemlock Avenue was broken into.

“We know that several guns were stolen from that house,” King said, noting that the thieves broke into the owner’s gun case and emptied it.

“This is a significant concern for us,” King added. “The guns are still out there, and we’d like to recover them.”

If anyone has information on this housebreak and the stolen guns, they can call the station to anonymously report their tip and leave a message with the BCI.

King listed a few recommendations to avoid potential break-ins. A key element is to create the illusion that the house is occupied, and there are several ways to do this.

“You should make your house always look like it’s occupied,” King said. “Keep a light on and a car in the driveway.”

He added that it is important to keep mail and newspapers from piling up, as a full mailbox can be a telltale sign of an empty house.

Just as important is neighborhood involvement. If a person sees suspicious activity, they can report it to the police department, who will handle it accordingly.

King also addressed the upcoming retirement of Police Officer Thomas F. O’Toole, whose last day will be Jan. 17. He is retiring after 30 years of service with the force.

“He is an exceptional officer,” King said. “He has done a great job in the 30 years he has worked with us. He will be missed.”

The Board of Selectmen agreed with this assessment, and several members had positive comments on O’Toole, and thanked him for his service. The board unanimously voted to

present O’Toole with a plaque with the Town Seal in appreciation for his 30 years of service.

“Tom O’Toole has done a fantastic job as a member of our Police Department,” Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue said. “He helped us so much in South Norwood.”

Chief King also recognized Officer Thomas Annino, whose action led to the Police Department donating 12 bikes to the Norwood Food Pantry. These bikes were distributed to local children in under an hour.

“We did make a lot of people- at least 12 young kids- happy over the holiday,” King said.

These bikes represented unclaimed property that was in the Police Department possession beyond the time period required by law for lost or stolen goods. Normally, these items are auctioned off at Police Auction site [www.propertyroom.com/](http://www.propertyroom.com/), and a portion of the sale price returns to the town.

The Board of Selectmen also dealt with a pair of public hearings Tuesday night. The first was an intercompany innholder all alcoholic beverages license transfer from Factory Mutual Engineering Corporation to Neponset River LLC.

“This might sound like a major transfer, but it’s two affiliated companies,” said Kevin Gammons, in-house counsel for Factory Mutual.

There is no change in management or personnel, and Kevin E. Casey will remain the manager of the Sheraton Four Points Norwood on Route 1.

“[There is] no change whatsoever in the existing license,” Gammons said, though Casey indicated he planned on petitioning the board for Sunday alcohol sales.

This ties into the Special Town Meeting’s recent approval of 10 a.m. openings for liquor sales on the premises of licensees. These will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis, and it is possible that Casey will be back in front of the Board soon seeking permission for Sunday openings.

The Board also unanimously approved a Class II Motor Vehicle License for Ride-Away Handicap Equipment Corporation, located at 333 Boston Providence Highway, the former site of Mobility Solutions.

Charles Robillard, General Manager of Ride-Away, noted that they now own Mobility Solutions, a former competitor. All persons connected with Mobility

Solutions will remain working at the 333 Boston Providence Highway site.

“It’s the same business, basically,” Robillard said.

Mary Murphy, a General Manager with Mobility Solutions, remains with the company, and will serve as a salesman with Ride-Away, a company that specializes in wheelchair vans and wheelchair van modifications.

She noted that Mobility Solutions came to Norwood from Rhode Island, and the move served the company well.

“We really enjoyed being here in this town,” Murphy said. “It’s been wonderful for us.”

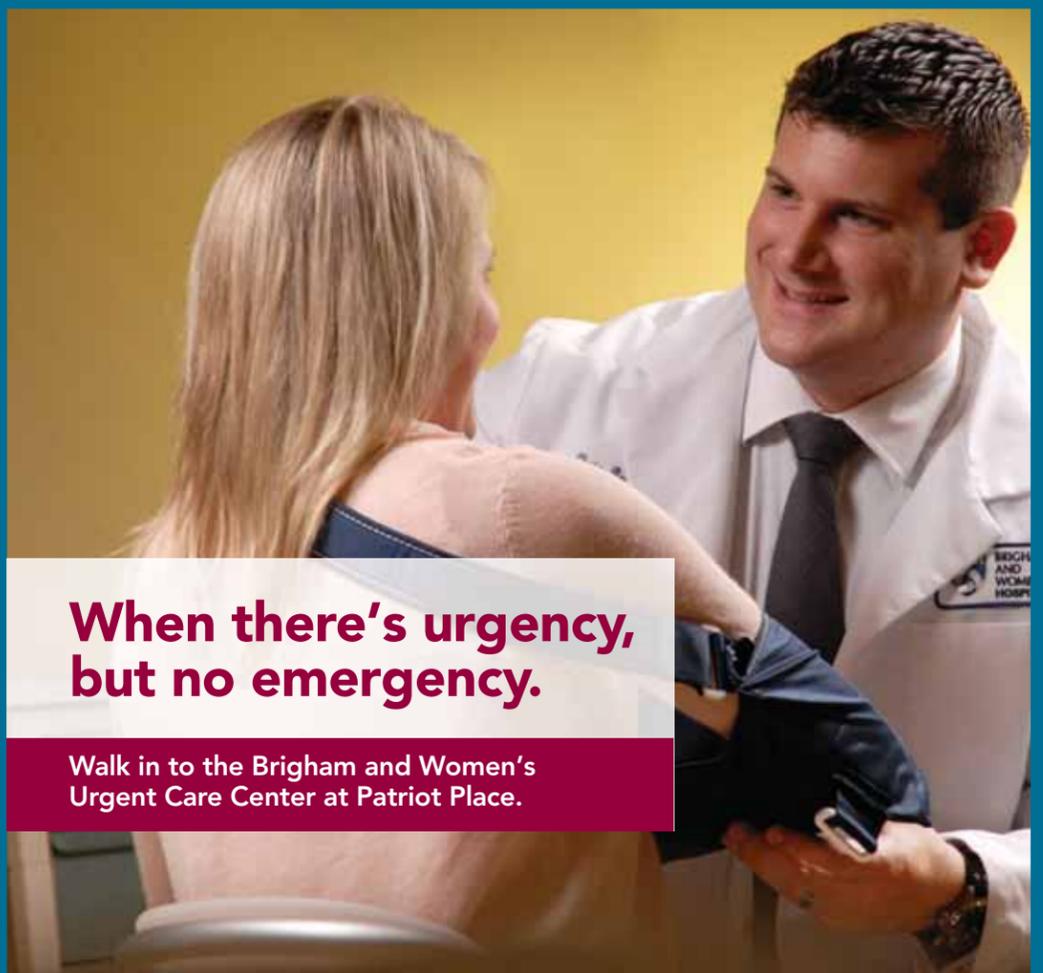
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lation of stage rigging equipment continues in the auditorium as well. In addition, finished carpentry work continues throughout the building.

Seats are also a focus of cur-

rent construction. Construction crews are preparing for the installation of bleachers in the gymnasium. In addition, they are waiting on the delivery of auditorium seating.

# Deaths

### CARR

Robert John, Jr., of Norwood, suddenly Jan. 1. Born and raised in Norwood, Robert was a member of Norwood High School, Class of 1978. He recently retired from the Dedham Public Schools after twenty years of service. Devoted son of Anne M. (O'Toole) Carr of Norwood and the late Robert John Carr Sr. Loving father of Neil L. Carr. Beloved brother of Michael Carr and his wife Amy of Norwood, Patty Wolfe and her husband Jeff of Stoughton. Cherished uncle of Deirdre Wolfe, Dylan Wolfe, Michael and Daniel Carr. Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Funeral from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., (Rt. 1A), Thurs, Jan. 6 at 9 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Catherine of Siena Church, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment at Highland Cemetery. Donations in memory of Robert may be made to the Neil Liam Carr Fund, Norwood Bank, C/O Michael Carr, 114 Casey St., Norwood, MA 02062. Late employee Red Rooster Pub, Wrentham. Gillooly Funeral Home Norwood

### DOHERTY

Frances T. (Doyle), 78, of Norwood Dec. 27. Beloved wife of Joseph Doherty. Devoted mother of Mary Ann Graham and her husband Robert of Uxbridge, Joan Griffels and her husband Kenneth of Mansfield, Catherine Doherty of Hingham, Barbara Doherty and her husband Jeffrey of Norton and Elizabeth Doherty of Boston. Cherished grandmother of Mary Beth, Michael, Timothy, Allison, Jennifer, Kevin, Kathleen, Patrick and Josephine. Sister of Katherine Coffey of Brighton and the late John Doyle, Lawrence Doyle, William Doyle, Anna Hersome and Marie Dawson. Daughter of the late Michael F. and Mary M. (Doyle) Doyle. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Internment at Highland Cemetery. Donations may be made in her name to St. Jude's Shrine 512 W. Saratoga St. Baltimore, MD. 21201.

### DONOVAN

Francis J. "Frank", 80, of Norwood, Dec. 23. US Navy Korean Conflict Veteran. Beloved husband of Mary Alice (Adams) Donovan. Devoted father of Daniel F. and his wife Joy of N. Attleboro and Maureen H. Donovan of Norwood. Brother of the late Daniel, Margaret Lomax, Gertrude Nealley, and Helen Dudley. Cherished grandfather of Connor F. and Owen J. Donovan. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Son of the late Daniel A. and Mary G. (Cummings) Donovan. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood. Internment at Highland Cemetery. Donations may be made in his name to the Red Sox Foundation and Mass General Hospital Home Base Program, c/o Red Sox Foundation, 4 Yawkey Way, Boston, MA 02215.

### HALL

Norman J., 78, Dec. 30, at Norwood Hospital. Norman was born on Feb. 23, 1932 to William and Albertine (Lizotte) Hall in Norwood. On Nov. 15, 1952 he was united in marriage with Mary Rose Fitzpatrick. During the Korean War, he proudly served his country in the Navy, assigned to air ship duty. Norman attended Northeastern and earned a BS in Engineering and MBA from Boston College. They lived in Norwood for many years before moving to Indiana, California, North Conway, NH and ultimately back to his hometown in 2006. Norman loved to travel and enjoyed trips with family. His life was rich with family, nine children and 14 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He was a great guy and loved his BC and Notre Dame affiliations. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree Knight, American Legion Post 70 and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Norman and Mary were blessed with nine children: Joe (Jennifer), Richard, Tom (Terri), Nancy (Mike) Caldwell, Patty (Rob) Hewett, Kathleen (Roman), Carolyn (Bill) Johnson, Timothy (Diane), and Christine (Chuck) Richter; siblings, Bob (Betty), Al (Fran), Ray (Pat), and Bill (Renee); and many grandchildren,

nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Norman is preceded in death by his infant son Richard, son Timothy, and brothers Al and Bob. Funeral arrangements were by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., (Rt. 1A). Interment was at Highland Cemetery. Donations in memory of Norman may be made to St. Timothy Church Priests Retirement Fund, 650 Nichols St., Norwood, MA 02062

### MACDONALD

Malcolm J., of Norwood formerly of Brockton, Dec. 26, 2010. Late member of the Iron Workers Union Local No. 7. Beloved son of the late Malcolm and Lois (Kehoe) MacDonald. Devoted father of Scott MacDonald of NC, Sean MacDonald of Braintree and Sherri MacDonald of Brockton. Also survived by 3 grandchildren. Brother of Ann Roche of Dedham. Uncle of Paul and Susan Roche. Funeral arrangements by the P.E. Murray- George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Interment was at Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham. Donations may be made in Malcolm's memory to the American Heart Assoc., 20 Speen St. Framingham, MA 01701.

### McCUSKER

Maureen N. (Gibbons), 66, of Norwood Dec. 27. Beloved wife of Francis X. McCusker. Devoted mother of James F. and his wife Kelly of Townsend and Nancy E. Haworth and her husband Jared of Holly Springs, NC. Sister of Timothy Gibbons of Medford, Margaret P. Nostrand of PA. and the late Charles P. Gibbons and Helen C. DeDoming. Cherished grandmother of Dawn Haworth and Noah, Christina, Emma and Molly McCusker. Daughter of the late Charles and Ellen (O'Flynn) Gibbons. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Internment at St. Joseph Cemetery W. Roxbury. Donations may be made in her name to the Charity of your choice.

### MURRAY

Sally A., 95, formally of Norwood, MA, Dec. 26, after a short illness and celebrating her Dec. 22 birthday surrounded by family and friends. She was born and raised in Mendhan, NJ. Sally was a resident of Essex Park Re-

habilitation and Nursing Center of Beverly, MA for the past 2 1/2 years. Previously she was living with her late husband, Frank H. Murray in Norwood for 22 years. She was very active in St. George's Roman Catholic Church in S. Norwood and worked as the parish secretary. She also volunteered at Norwood Caritas Hospital and was very active in the Norwood Senior Center and served on the Executive Board. An avid traveler, she visited the former Soviet Union with the League of Women Voters and traveled most of Europe and the US. Sally prided herself on being trained as an executive secretary and retired as Assistant to the Director of the Association of Children with Learning Disabilities. She and her beloved husband raised four children in W. Orange and W. Caldwell, N.J. Sally is survived by her two daughters, Andrea O'Leary of Beverly, MA and Kathleen Marie Murray of Toms River, NJ. Her son, Frank Jr and daughter, Maureen Elizabeth predeceased her. She has seven grandchildren: Frank Smyth of MD, Christine O'Leary of ME, Timothy O'Leary of Beverly, and Ian, Kelly, Kirk and Ryan Singer of Toms River, NJ and five great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements by the Bibber Memorial Chapel, 111 Chapel Road, Wells, and Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood.

### NICHOLSON

PAUL J., 83, a lifelong resident of Norwood died on Jan. 2. A World War II and Korean Conflict US Navy Veteran, Paul graduated Norwood High School class of 1946. He volunteered at the Norwood Food Pantry for 19 yrs. He was the past treasurer for the Meals on Wheels and was very active at St. Catherine's Church. Paul was a member of the Norwood KofC for 55 yrs. He is the Beloved husband of Mary E. (Dillon) McLaughlin-Nicholson. Brother of the late Charles Nicholson, Eleanor Nicholson and Mary Baum. Son of the late Charles and Rose (Campbell) Nicholson. Uncle of 3 nephews Harry, Charles, Richard and 1 niece Eleanor Baum. Also survived by 6 stepchildren. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St., Thursday Jan. 6 at 8am followed by a funeral mass at 9am in St. Catherine's of Siena Church. Internment at Highland Cemetery. Donations may be made in his name to the Norwood Food Pantry 50 Chapel St., Norwood, Ma. 02062.

### RANDALL

Lewis M., of South Carolina, on Dec. 21. Lewis graduated from Norwood High School in 1987 and the University of Massachu-

setts at Amherst. Lewis is survived by his parents, Robert and Ellen of Norwood, a sister Susan Randall-Johnson and her husband Gregg of Milford, a brother John and his wife Marcie of Holliston. He also is survived by his niece, Cassidy Randall of Walpole, nephews James of Walpole, Jack and Benjamin of Milford, and Harrison of Holliston. A memorial service for Lewis will be held at a later date in Georgetown, South Carolina.

### SIDERWICZ

Walter Stephen, lifelong resident of Norwood, died Dec. 29. Late Veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy. He was the of the late Helen (Keane) Siderwicz; Father of Marilyn Siderwicz of Wellesley, Karen Joseph of Hudson, John "Jack" Siderwicz of Middleboro, Christopher Siderwicz of Bourne, and the late Paul and Walter Anthony "Tony" Siderwicz; Grandfather of Justin Siderwicz, Christopher Siderwicz, Joshua Joseph, and Thomas Siderwicz. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street. Internment in Highland Cemetery. Memorial contributions, in memory of Mrs. Helen Siderwicz, may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA 02472.

### SIGEL

Joanna Donovan, 72, of Norwood, Dec. 20. Devoted wife of George Sigel, MD. Loving mother of Hannah Sigel of Norwood, Katharine Sigel of Norwood and stepmother of Nathan Sigel of Waltham and the late Andrew Sigel. Dear sister of Eileen Browning of Dorchester and the late Edward Donovan and John Donovan. Cherished friend of Michael O'Day of Boston. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Route 1A). Donations in memory of Joanna may be made to Health and Human Services Inc., 76 Beech Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

### WHALEN

Lawrence J., Jr. "Larry", of Norwood, formerly of Jamaica Plain, Dec. 19. Late World War II Army Veteran. Member of the International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 35. Member VFW Post 722, Jamaica Plain. Beloved husband of the late Barbara M. (Lang). Loving father of Susan MacKenzie and her husband Gary of West Barnstable, Richard L. and his wife Joan of Norwood, Carol A. of Norwood, and Stephen L. of Norwood. Devoted Papa of Stephanie MacKenzie, Andrea Fullam, Bridget and Mark Whalen. Loving great grandfather of Connor and Benjamin Fullam. Loving brother of Robert Whalen of Laguna Woods, CA, Thomas F. Whalen of Duxbury, and the late Ruth Milligan and Paul Whalen. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., West Roxbury. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery. Donations may be made in his memory to The New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans, 17 Court St., Boston, MA. 02108.

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# Police Logs

## Thursday, December 23

1210 phone - Lost and found \*report filed. Location/address: Garfield Ave. Caller reports a bike in the vacant lot by his home.

1222 phone - Susp. activity services rendered. Location/address: Rock St. Caller reports finding a b&e to one of the apartments. Damage to door is old and will contact us if anything else is found.

1316 phone - Breaking and entering \*report filed. Location/address: Sturtevant Ave. Caller reports finding the back door kicked in and items missing from the home. Officers and detectives check the area with a K9 from Randolph PD. Bolo on area wide 3. Bolo Nissan in the area today. Ma 875fx6.

1548 phone - Missing person papers exchanged. Location/address: Respite - Beacon Ave.

1728 initiated - Missing person returne \*report filed. Location/address: Riverside Community Services - Beacon Ave. Officer verified missing person returned. Subject removed from n/c.

1801 phone - Well being chk services rendered. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. Caller reported male party ran away from the er after causing a disturbance. Hospital filing section 12. Party last seen running towards Hoyle Street. Hospital called back, stated subject returned to the hospital and is calm and compliant.

2007 phone - Assist citizen assisted party. Location/address: Conrads - Washington St. Caller reports he hit a parked car earlier today in front of Conrads. Minor damage, left a note for owner but hasn't heard from them. Off. Farioli left a message with the owner of MA 87rw61.

2027 phone - Drunk person \*arrest(s)made. Location/address: Direct Tire & Auto Service - Bos.-Prov. Hwy. Caller reported tow truck out with a female in a Mercury with a strong odor of alcohol. Officers reported one under arrest. Pc MA 81zs35 towed by private company already on scene. Starting 52852.2 @2039. Ending 52853.5 @2044. Refer to arrest: 10-1254-ar Arrest: Blake, Pauline Marie Address: 23 Hoyle St. Dob: 08/10/1963 Charges: oui liquor or .08%

2140 phone - Report of fight spoken to. Location/address: Edgehill Rd. + Dean St. Caller reported two people fighting. One left in a red suv. Officers out with suv pc MA 7600rk. Officers reported disagreement between two occupants in vehicle. Parties checked ok.

2201 phone - Disturbance \*report filed. Location/address: Davis Ave. Caller reported two black males shoving a female around. Entered white house on the left side of the street. Officers spoke with involved parties, verbal argument only.

## Friday, December 24

1406 phone - Road hazard assisted party. Location/address: Beech St. Officers mediate a driving dispute.

1406 phone - Drunk person \*arrest(s)made. Location/address: Highview St. Caller reports unwanted party. Caller confirms address as 2 Lydon St. Dispatch calls back to confirm address and caller reports 2 Highview. Narrative: As a result two transported to the station. Si mi 52930.9@1428 hrs. En mi 52933.0 1437hrs Refer to p/c: 10-1255-ar P/c: Larocco, Karra Mia E. Address: 2 Highview St #1 Dob: 07/08/1980 Charges: protective custody A&b\*\* Destruction of property -

\$250, malicious Refer to p/c: 10-1256-ar P/c: Watson, Matthew E. Address: 2 Highview St #1 Dob: 09/01/1986 Charges: a&b Destruction of property -\$250, malicious

1449 phone - Aircraft accident services rendered. Location/address: Wiggins Airways - Access Rd. Runway 35 approaching aircraft with engine trouble. Aircraft lands without incident.

1919 phone - Be on the lookout services rendered. Location: [ded] Bolo for a PT Cruiser with gas nozzle and hose still attached, last seen Rte1 southbound.

2048 911 - Noise complaint area search negative. Location/address: Earle St. Caller from 73 Earle Street reports several loud explosions and flashes of light coming from Neponset Street area. Caller believes they were gunshots. N661, N669, N677 sent. Spoke to the caller and checked area with negative results.

2237 phone - Drunk person \*protective custody. Location/address: Adams St. Report homeowner does not want a guest of their house party to drive. N661 places subject in protective custody and releases to a responsible party. Refer to p/c: 10-1257-ar P/c: Lima, Sandra Address: 56 Adams St. Dob: 09/03/1978 Charges: protective custody

## Saturday, December 25

0006 phone - Disturbance \*report filed. Location/address: Norwest Dr. Caller reported male chasing another male. Party placed into protective custody. Transport to Rhodes Street Walpole. Party refused to stay, transported back to Norwood Police.

Refer to p/c: 10-1259-ar P/c: Rios, Eric J. Address: 942 Norwest Dr. Dob: 09/11/1985 Charges: protective custody

0140 phone - Disturbance \*report filed. Location/address: Margaret St. Caller reported two males arguing.

1745 phone - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Oolah Ave. Caller reports a possible drunk male in the area, 6ft. Hispanic male with a ball cap on.

1802 phone - Susp. activity gone on arrival. Location/address: Oolah ave. Caller stated party was back by the house.

2246 phone - Noise complaint spoken to. Location/address: Lincoln St. Loud party. N668 advised them. They will quiet down.

## Sunday, December 26

1625 phone - Disturbance \*report filed. Location/address: Ridgewood Dr. Caller reports her 15 year old daughter is out of control. N667 N666 respond. NFD notified for evaluation. N667 to file Report.

1758 phone - Susp. activity services rendered. Location/address: Highland St. Caller reports two people offered to shovel her driveway for free. N679 sent. Goa.

2254 phone - Citizens complaint spoken to. Location/address: Keegan's Norwood Jewelers - Washington St. Caller reports they are plowing snow into the street.

## Monday, December 27

0241 911 - Disturbance \*protective custody. Location/address: Olde Derby Rd. Caller reported argument with son. Officers reported verbal argument only. Subject placed into protective custody. Norwood Fire transport to the hospital. Police transport to the station. Refer to p/c: 10-1260-ar P/c: Hall, Michael Address: 624

Olde Derby Rd #b Dob: 07/09/1982 Charges: protective custody 0826 walk-in - Assist citizen spoken to. Location/address: 47 Chapel St. - Chapel St. Walk-in requested assistance with a party plowing snow into their property. Officer spoke with parties involved, advised.

0836 phone - Assist other agency gone on arrival. Location/address: Ryan Dr. Caller reported green Chevy Blazer plowing snow into roadway. Officer checked area, nothing found.

0900 phone - Complaint of m/v vehicle towed. Location/address: Beacon Ave. Caller reported vehicle blocking driveway. As a result Don & Wallys towed the vehicle as it was in the middle of the road. No phone listed for the owner of MA 92wh94.

1659 initiated - Motor vehicle accident services rendered. Location/address: Walpole St. + Hoyle St. Passing motorist to N663 (on private detail) reports car off the road. NFD notified. N661 reports officers able to push car out of snow bank, no damage, on its way.

## Tuesday, December 28

0617 phone - Animal complaint spoken to. Location/address: Pellana Rd. Caller reports neighbors dog has been barking for a half hour and woke up her family. 663 responding. 663 reports owner will attempt to quiet dog.

1341 radio - Warrant arrest \*arrest(s)made. Location/address: Staples Office Supply - Bos.-Prov. Hwy. Booked at NPD transfer to Wrentham District Court on default warrant Refer to arrest: 10-1262-ar Arrest: Crimmins, John Joseph III Address: 33 Railroad Ave Dob: 01/01/1972 Charges: warrant arrest

1656 phone - Citizens complaint spoken to. Location/address: Public Works Dept - Lyman Pl. Report the owner of MA pc 2932sm is taking sand from an unauthorized barrel on the train tracks side of yard. N663 spoke to party, advised of the barrel on the civic center side that is available to the public. Also warned not to be in this section of the yard again.

## Wednesday, December 29

1114 phone - Larceny \*report filed. Location/address: Casey St. Resident reports credit cards are missing and have been used to purchase items

1228 phone - Animal complaint area search negative. Location/address: Murph's Place - Broadway Caller around Murph's called about dog without tags in the Street. Advised area patrol and contacted wac.

1751 phone - Larceny \*report filed. Location/address: Fulton St. Caller reported theft of snow shovels.

1910 phone - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Berwick Pl. Caller reports that there is a suspicious male that rang her rear door bell. Caller describes the male as tall with a red babseball cap and had a badge of some kind. Caller also states that there is a dark colored car that is parked across the street at Longfellow Rd. N667 Off. J. Mahoney and N662 Off. D. Eysie responded and checked the area. Slaesman for Verizon. Will come in to station and check in tomorrow before starting to work.

2126 911 - Disabled mv \*arrest(s)made. Location/address:

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Pleasant St. Caller reported disabled vehicle. Officer reported one under arrest. Negoshians towed pc MA 844ac2. Transport to the Station starting 40737.4 @2142. Ending 4037.7 @2145. Refer to arrest: 10-1263-ar Arrest: Feliciano, Zaida L. Address: 251 Hill St. 3 Dob: 11/27/1975 Charges: oui drugs Negligent operation of motor vehicle License suspended, op mv with  
 2130 911 - Dog bite \*report filed. Location/address: William Shyne Cir. Caller requested ambulance for a dog bite. Norwood Fire responded. ACO John notified. No transport to the hospital.

**Thursday, December 30**

0033 phone - Noise complaint services rendered. Location/address: Norwood Airport Inc - Access Rd. Caller reported noises from the airport. Officer located source of noise as the dump site fore snow removal.  
 0246 phone - Disturbance services rendered. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. Prisoner acting up. Prisoner

released from hospital, transported back to station.  
 1007 phone - Animal complaint services rendered. Location/address: Dean St. Caller reports dog barks nonstop all day long. Sent officers to investigate. Owner took dog inside  
 1009 phone - Medical emergency accidental alarm. Location/address: Brookview Cir.  
 1607 phone - Missing person services rendered. Location/address: Robinwood Rd. Caller reports his 80 year old father missing, has been missing since this am. Did not show up for his doctors appointments. Son then called back and stated his father arrived home. N669 sent to address to confirm male is ok.

**Friday, December 31**

Saturday, January 1  
 1150 walk-in - Well being chk services rendered. Location/address: North Ave. Caller, whom was trying to drop off an item at the home, Request check of the resident as there

is a lot of debris and broken glass at the rear entrance. N662 reports no answer. NFD sent to make entry into home. N662 spoke to resident, he is ok. N662 spoke to family, they are already working with other agencies to get help.

1532 walk-in - Susp person \*arrest(s)made. Location/address: 111 Block - Lenox St. Party in lobby reports a white male, grey sweatshirt, in the parking lot near Boston Market, asking people for gas money. Units locate him in the Norwood Plaza lot and N665 places subject under arrest and transports to the station. Refer to arrest: 11-1-ar Arrest: Wagner, Sean Edward Address: 14 Lenox St. Dob: 01/30/1971 Charges: warrant arrest Protective custody  
 1710 phone - Domestic \*arrest(s)made. Location/address: Railroad Ave. Father/daughter domestic. Refer to arrest: 11-3-ar Arrest: Venterosa, Donald Anthony Address: 425 Railroad Ave. Dob: 09/11/1953 Charges: a&b

1849 911 - Fireworks could not locate. Location/address: Dean St. + Jacobsen Dr. Caller from Pleasant St. reports individuals in backyard of a house on Dean St. Adjacent to Jacobsen Dr. lighting off fireworks. Officers sent to investigate.

1906 phone - Well being chk gone on arrival. Location/address: Phillips Ave. + Walpole St. Motorist reports seeing a white female dressed in black, hard to see in roadway, staggering. Caller did not stay in area. Officer sent to check on the female.

**Monday, January 3**

1153 phone - Neighbor disturbance peace restored. Location/address: Alandale Pkwy. Caller reports having trouble with his neighbor. N666 sent, matter resolved.  
 1430 phone - Vandalism \*report filed. Location/address: Poirier Sales & Service - Washington St. On detail Off. Payne advised of kids throwing rocks from above. As a result two cars damaged. area checked negative.

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The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 6, at 1 p.m.

**TRIAD**

TRIAD meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 24 at 12 p.m. Representative John Rodgers will be with us to discuss the most recent Elder Legislation.

**REMINISCENCE HOUR**

Wednesday, Jan 12, from 10-11:30 a.m.

**HISTORY TALK**

Our next meeting will be on Jan. 20.

**FOOT CLINIC**

Dr. Cormier is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 18, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Cost is \$25. Please call for appointment.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**

Hellenic Health Care will be available at the senior center for Blood Pressure screening only on the first Wednesday of each month.

**SHINE**

We now have two Counselors scheduled to assist you. Carol on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointments.

**PROPOPE**

(Prose, Poetry & People) The next meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1-3 p.m.

**NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB**

Board of Directors meet the 1st Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center. The Club Membership meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Norwood Elks Lodge at 10 a.m.

**CRIBBAGE**

The seniors meet every Monday at 1 p.m. in the senior center library to play cribbage. If you would like to join, arrive at the center early to be sure you get a table.

**BOCCE COURTS AND HORSESHOES**

We have closed our Bocce Courts and Horseshoe Pits for the winter. Please check in with us in the Spring.

**INDOOR WALKING**

Indoor walking in the School Gym continues every Monday through Friday from 9-11 a.m.

**MINIFIX-IT SHOP**

We are very saddened by the passing of our wonderful friend, Mike Bassile. In Mike's memory, Bunny Conrad will continue on and will be joined by Alan Howard, who has volunteered to assist Bunny. The workshop will be open on the second and fourth Monday of each month. This is a free service except for parts you may need to purchase. Please, no televisions.

**AFTERNOON DANCE**

Thursday, Jan. 14, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. John Rampino will be here for our Christmas Party. Please sign up at front desk.

**WHIST PARTY**

The whist parties are held on the 4th Friday of each month from 1-3 p.m.

**OIL PAINTING**

Next oil painting class is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 28.

**WAXING**

Angela will be available Monday, Jan. 31 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Sign up at front desk.

**WATER COLOR**

Our next class will be held on Thursday, Jan. 10 from 9 a.m. to noon. Please sign up at front desk.

**MANICURES**

Gina will be available on the 4th Monday of each month. This month she will be here, Monday, Jan. 24 at 10 a.m. Please, sign up at front desk.

**LINE DANCING**

Afternoon dances with Dave Valerio on the 5th Friday of the month line from 12:30 and 3 p.m. \$5. April 29, July 29 and Sept. 30.

**DIABETES WORKSHOP**

We will hold a workshop on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 11 a.m. The Hellenic Health Care of Canton facilitates the workshop.

**ALTERATIONS AND MENDING**

Bring your alterations to the senior center on the first Monday of each month, between 1 and 3 p.m. Please attach your name and telephone number to each garment.

**FRIENDS DANCE**

The next dance of the Friends of Norwood COA will be on Friday, Jan. 21, 7-10:30 p.m. Music by John Rampino and the cost is \$10 at the door.

**UPCOMING TRIPS**

All trips require sign up at the Senior Center Front Desk and a deposit is necessary. Feb. 9, "Lion King", Providence-\$99 (Includes play and transportation), Feb. 12, "The Heartstrings"-Luciano's-\$36. (Drive on your own), March 9, "Celtic Nights"-Venus DeMilo-\$65, May 6-13-Boston to Bermuda Cruise (\$749. p.p. Double Occupancy), May 5-8 "Washington D.C. Trip"-Single \$765.; Double \$595; Triple \$555. T., May 17 "Laughs, Giggles & Grins" Pete Michaels and his "friends" at Luciano's-\$36.95 (Drive on your own), July 19-Spirit of Boston Trip-\$78.

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Please sign up at front desk. All mini bus trips are

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**TAX PREPARATION**

There will be a change in the way we schedule tax preparation this year. With the new set-up you will be signing up for a specific date and time. Each person will be taken in his/her turn. You will not have the choice of a specific preparer. We hope this will help move things along more smoothly. If you prepare your own taxes and want someone to look it over please make appointment at the last time slot of the day. Sign up will begin on Jan. 10th and tax returns will start on Feb 11.

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## BENEFIT TO HONOR LOCAL FAMILY

Two Norwood brothers, both active duty United States Marines, have paid a higher price for their service to our nation. Sgt. Carl S. Brady, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines has had multiple deployments to Iraq. Sgt. Craig S. Brady, 2nd Combat Engineers, has had 2 deployments to Iraq and one to Afghanistan. Both brothers have been wounded in action. Carl is stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. Craig continues rehabilitation at Walter Reed US Army Hospital. Their parents, Bob and Diane Brady, have incurred major expenses while traveling from Norwood to visit their sons. The Norwood Military Family Support Group is hosting a benefit for the Brady Family on Saturday night, Jan. 22, from 7-12 p.m. at Concannon's Village, 60 Lenox St. Donation is \$20. There will be live music, a silent auction and door prizes. Tickets are available at Norwood Town Hall, Veterans' Services Office, or at the door. For further information call Ted Mulvehill at (781) 762-1240, x208 or x209. This is an evening of Honor and Appreciation, in recognition of a Norwood Family and Norwood Marines who gone

above and beyond the call of duty. All funds raised will be donated to the Brady Family to help defray the costs associated with visiting their sons. Semper Fi!

## NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL - OPERATION SANTA

The Norwood High School Spirit Club will be holding Operation Santa-Send All Norwood Troops Affection to start off the new year. They will be collecting items that will be mailed over to the Norwood Troops Abroad serving our country. Some of the items they are looking for are gum, breath mints, hard candy, dental floss, athletic socks, bug spray, disposable cameras, subscription magazines and, in general, items that one could leave in a car in August and it would be ok after a few days in the back seat. If anyone is interested in donating, please contact Nora Glynn, spirit club advisor @ Nglynn@norwood.k12.ma.us and a pick up can be arranged. The Spirit Club will be collecting through Jan. 19.

## EMBROIDERERS GUILD MEET

The January meeting of the Mayflower Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America will be held on Monday, Jan. 10, at 7 p.m., at the Boyden Library, Foxobro. Prospective members

are always welcome. Mayflower is a regional group, and has members from many of the area towns. For further information, please contact, Michelle Cox, 508-660-2562, Walpole.

## DIVORCE RECOVERY SERIES

The Divorce Recovery Series, an eight-week program covering the emotional stages of divorce and offering healing and support to those who are divorced or separated, will be offered at the First Congregational Church of Norwood beginning on Thursday, Jan. 27. The group is led by a professional counselor specializing in divorce issues, and participants are welcome regardless of religious affiliation. The First Congregational Church is located on the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street. The series will meet on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and the cost is \$90. Preregistration is requested. To register or for more information on the series, please call the church office at 781-762-3320.

## NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH

To celebrate National Blood Donor Month and help increase awareness about the need for blood, Dunkin' Donuts and the American Red Cross are teaming up for the fourth annual "Give a

Pint, Get a Pound" campaign, which provides a coupon for a free pound of Dunkin' Donuts coffee\* to all presenting donors at Red Cross blood drives in Massachusetts during the month of Jan. In addition, participating local Dunkin' Donuts restaurants are hosting blood drives throughout the month to collect blood for patients in need. To donate blood during the month of Jan. call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) <http://www.redcrossblood.org/>.

## WELCOMING NEW CHORAL MEMBERS

The Neponset Choral Society, under the direction of Michael V. Turner, would like to invite all experienced choral singers (high school seniors to adults) to attend their two open rehearsals as they begin to prepare for their Spring concert in April. The open rehearsals will be held on Jan. 10 and 17 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church 116 South St., Foxborough. The spring concert will feature choral music by Franz Liszt and Tomas Luis de Victoria. This is a great opportunity for interested choral singers to participate in two rehearsals with the returning regular members of the chorus. For additional information please call 508 543-7695 and also check their website at <http://www.ncschorus.org>.

## AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL BENEFIT

A Foxwoods trip is planned for Jan. 10. Those interested should call Fran Macaulay at 781-686-4346 for information. The cost will be \$24 per person. The bus leaves from Babel's Parking lot. The proceeds will benefit the Norwood American Legion Baseball.

## NORWOOD IRISH MUSIC CLUB DANCE

The Norwood Irish Music Club invites you to its first dance of the new year, Saturday, Jan. 8 from 8-11:30 p.m., music by "The Castletones". Next date Jan. 22 with entertainment by "The Wild Rovers". Dances located at Workmen's Hall, 99 Wilson St. (off Rt. 1A), cost is \$10 per person. Dances are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. All are welcome. Call 781-982-4092 for more information.

## GUYS AND DOLLS, JR.

The Coakley Middle School Fine Arts Department presents Guys and Dolls, Jr. which revolves around the unlikely romance between a pure at heart urban missionary and a slick Broadway gambler. The show features second romantic storyline involves Nathan Detroit and Miss Adelaide, who have been engaged for fourteen years. The show features over 70 Middle School students and will be performed at the Savage Educational Center. Performances will be held on Friday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Jan. 23 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for general admission and \$5 for students and seniors. Please contact the Fine Arts Office with any questions at 781-440-5916.

## VICTORIA HAVEN SPONSORS HEALTHY BREAKFAST

Victoria Haven located at 137 Nichols St., is hosting the first Healthy Breakfast of 2011 on January 12 at 10 a.m. The topic, rescheduled from Nov., is Diabetes 101 presented by Al Whittaker of the National Diabetes Association. Come learn about prevention, recognizing symptoms, living with the disease and ways to be supportive and encouraging to others living with the disease. A continental breakfast will be provided. This event is free and open to the public. Parking is available. For questions or more information, please call Kimberly at 781-762-0858 or email [kciardi@rehabassociates.com](mailto:kciardi@rehabassociates.com).

## COACHES AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR NORWOOD YOUTH FOOTBALL

Norwood Youth Football and Cheer is accepting applications for Coaches and Board Members. If you are interested please send a letter of intent to Norwood Youth Football and Cheer, PO Box 124, Norwood, MA 02062 or via email to: [norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com](mailto:norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com). Please remit Board Member letter of intent by Jan. 15, 2011.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR NORWOOD YOUTH LACROSSE

Norwood Youth Lacrosse is now accepting online registration for boys presently in grades 1 - 8 for the Spring 2011 season. The registration period is from Dec. 29 through Jan. 15. Go to [www.norwoodlacrosse.org](http://www.norwoodlacrosse.org) and Register Online for quick and easy access. Contact Kevin MacLean @ 781-762-1980 for questions.

## PNEUMONIA SHOTS

The Norwood Health Department has now expanded its availability of "pneumonia" or Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine (PPSV). In addition to Norwood residents age 65 and older, PPSV is now available to adults 19 through 64 years of age who smoke cigarettes, have asthma or have a high risk medical condition. The vaccine is offered free of charge at the Norwood Health Department, Town Hall, on Tuesday afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. or by appointment. For more information call the Health Department at 781-762-1240.

## GRACE EPISCOPAL EVENTS

The annual Epiphany Pageant at Grace Episcopal Church will take place on Sunday, Jan. 9 at the 10 a.m. family service. The pageant is one of the most heartwarming services of the year when the Sunday school re-enacts the birth of baby Jesus in a costumed pageant filled with angels, shepherds and even wandering little sheep. There is also an 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist service. The church is located at 150 Chapel St.

The next meeting of the Grace Church book club is Thursday, Jan. 20 at 7:30 p.m. "Small Island" by Andrea Levy will be discussed. The book club meets the third Thursday of each month. Grace Episcopal Church is located at 150 Chapel St. Light refreshments are served.

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