



The looming budget deficit and potential operational override has created a lot of debate both in the School Committee and in the Town.

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School Committee continues to mull tough decisions

Ricardo Guillaume
Staff Reporter

The Norwood School Committee met for the second time this month on Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at the James R Savage Educational Center. Chairperson Myev Bodenhofer headed the meeting along with fellow members, Superintendent Dr. David Thomson, Dr. Alexander Wyeth, Ann Marie Ellis, Maura A. Smith, Teresa Marie Stewart, Michele Eysie Mullen, and David Catania. The conversation centered on overrides regarding the FY20 budget.

The committee has the goal of completing the budget by Wednesday, March 13 in order to present it to the Finance Commission the following day on Thursday, March 14, though they did not formally vote at this meeting to ratify the

budget.

“It’s (override) designed to repair the structural deficit that has plagued Norwood Public Schools for years,” Dr. Thomson said. “Unfortunately, there’s this belief that what’s being cut are things we do not need, but we do need them to do our job and do our job well, and we have gone without several of them for years.”

Deficit projections of \$3.5 million rose to \$4.1, so goals for the year include stabilizing the budget long-term, restoring lost programs and services, targeting students’ needs and improving performance, and investing in classrooms to invest in students’ needs.

“It’s next to impossible to plan and move forward and to be proactive if you are constantly in a budget crisis, which is

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NPD working overtime to increase street safety

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Police Department (NPD) announced recently that it has once again been awarded a Highway Safety Grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security.

According to NPD Chief William Brooks, they get these kinds of grants all the time, but they have different focuses depending on what the state or federal governments want to do.

“Most years we have the Highway Safety Grants, and sometimes they shift focus a bit,” Brooks said. “Sometimes it’s impaired driving, seat belt use, speeding and this one’s focused on pedestrians and bicycles.”

The grant for Norwood is \$8,000, and was part of a \$700,000 grant distributed to 93 police departments in Massachusetts (with additional funding from the National Highway Safety Administration).

“Primarily, we’ll be using it to put extra officers on the road to conduct enforcement,” he said. “They won’t be officers necessarily assigned to a shift; they will be



The grant will allow more officers to patrol congested areas for pedestrian and cyclist safety.

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paid through overtime to focus exclusively on pedestrian and bike safety issues. They won’t be answering calls.”

Brooks said the need for this is very

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Fin Com hears police, fire budget requests

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The Finance Commission (FinCom) heard the budget requests of the police and fire departments, among others, noting the need for new equipment and group staff training, at its second round of meetings on Feb. 27.

Police Chief William G. Brooks III explained that the salaries of the police budget was level funded, and that the salaries were driven by cost of living adjustments.

“The only difference is in vehicle maintenance, and we’ve struggled with

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Grateful thanks. —B.T.F.

Novena to St. Philomena

O faithful virgin and glorious martyr, St. Philomena, who works so many miracles on behalf of the poor and sorrowing, have pity on me. Thou know the multitude and diversity of my needs. Behold me at thy feet, full of misery, but full of hope. I entreat thy charity, O great saint! Graciously hear me and obtain from God a favorable answer to the request which I now humbly lay before thee. (Here specify your petition) I am firmly convinced that through thy merits, through the scorn, the sufferings, the death thou did endure, united to the merits of the Passion and Death of Jesus, thy spouse, I shall obtain what I ask of thee and in the joy of my heart I will bless God who is admirable in His saints. Amen.

Grateful thanks. —B.T.F.

Amis tapped to represent Norwood at Honor Band

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Norwood High School (NHS) Junior Jason Amis will be representing both Norwood and Massachusetts at the upcoming 2019 Honor Band of America concert in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Amis isn't the first student from NHS to represent the Town at this concert, as Norwood now has a history of performing well at state and national competitions for band, marching band and color guard. He will be leaving to perform in the Music for All National Festival in the American Honor Band on March 14 through March 16.

"I got the music this past week, which I'll be preparing and learning until I end up going to rehearsals there," he said. "We're getting more pieces, including a world premier song which we'll be learning when we get there. I don't know what style it's going to be, but I can tell you it is called Full Circle and it's by Ryan George."

Amis said he first started playing music on the piano at age five and expanded his instrumental offering with percussion when he was in



Amis, middle right triangle, will be heading to Indiana to carry on representing Norwood at the Honor Band of America concert.

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fourth grade at the Balch School.

"I really liked the variety (of percussion) and when I was growing up I got to go to a lot of concerts at MIT, as my dad teaches there," he said. "There was a wind ensemble and I always liked seeing lots of crazy things happening when they played, like whip sounds or a horn going 'AHOOOOOGA,' it was always very fun."

This will not be Amis' first trip out of Norwood to play music. He said he has started working with the New England Conservatory of Music as well as the Boston University Tanglewood Institute, where he traveled to the Berkshires to learn to play with several Boston Symphony Orchestra players.

"It was amazing to take

Jason Amis

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Selectmen hear NPD, NFD reports, initial plans for 289 Walpole St.

Susan Kryczka
Staff Reporter

Norwood Selectmen heard reports from the Chief of Police, Chief of the Fire Department, and initial plans related to the usage of the historic one-family building and acreage located at 298 Walpole St. during their March 5 meeting.

Police Chief William Brooks presented his monthly report which included plans to fill two open positions, the active shooter training recently conducted at Norwood High School, and a MA Highway Safety Division grant of \$8,000 that will help pay overtime hours accrued by officers working to address pedestrian safety awareness in Norwood.

The activity that drew particular support among the Selectmen was Chief Brooks report on the March 1 "Read Across America" initiative. On that day, police officers and others read books to local children at schools. This year, Norwood police were able to have a published book about their own department available for the readings.

Selectman William Plasko was one town official who also participated in the readings. "It was wonderful, and they loved it," he said. One of the children who participated in the readings found his own picture in the book.

Selectman Helen Donohue noted that Chief Brooks' written report described a considerable number of calls to the department, noting 2,700 monthly calls for service. "That's a lot of calls for service," she said. Chief Brooks admitted that there is a lot going on in town requiring their attention.

Fire Chief George Morrice submitted his monthly report of department activities including his own participation in the "Read Across America" event.



Selectment spoke with the chiefs of the Fire, Police and EMS Departments on Tuesday during the Board's regular meeting.

Accompanying Chief Morrice at the meeting was Firefighter Michael Chisholm, an EMT and paramedic. Chisholm demonstrated a new endotracheal tube affixed to a video camera which allows a paramedic to record an emergency victim's trachea to show to doctors upon arrival to the hospital. This tool helps in accurately determine a victim's condition.

Donohue asked, "All this care can be given in an ambulance? That's amazing." Chisholm remarked, "It is one of the high-end medical procedures we can do." Selectman Alan Howard remarked on the services he recently received from the fire department emergency services at his home. "I just want to thank the men. I appreciate the care I got."

Michael Viano spoke on behalf of Barbara Rand and Robert Pegurri, owners of the historic house at 289 Walpole St. Rand and Pegurri, who were also present at the meeting, have lived in the house for 40 years and are now interested in retiring and leaving the area. They have had the house on the market in the past with no success. The home was built in 1873, has 6800 square feet, and sits on a two-acre parcel. Existing zoning would allow building on the land but re-

quire the current home to be torn down. It is the couple's desire to save the house and built additional units in the rear.

A historic overlay would allow the present house to be converted into a multifamily home of 3-4 units and an additional 12 townhouses to be built in the rear that could not be seen from the main road.

Jeffrey Clark, principal architect with Arcadia Design, Inc. showed preliminary drawings of where the new units would sit. "You'd want to keep all of the development in the back of the house," he said. "We would leave the front lawn alone, "alluding to the desire to keep the additional buildings hidden from sight. "The density is in the back."

Chairman Thomas Maloney noted there should not be an overlay as this was just one specific property. Viano noted that each of the owner-occupied rear

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Widower Seeking Answers About SSI

Dear Rusty: I have two questions. My wife passed away in May of 2015, and I never received any of her benefits. Should I have? Also, I am now 62, turning 63 next month. I am still working and probably won't quit until age 75 or older. Should I start taking benefits now? Signed: Bewildered

Dear Bewildered: As a widower, you could have started receiving a survivor benefit from your wife at 60 years of age, though it would have been reduced by about 28.5% for claiming early. But you haven't really lost those benefits because you can still claim them, and they won't be reduced as much now because you'd be claiming closer to your widower's full retirement age (FRA) of 66. In your specific case, your "widower FRA" is 4 months earlier than your normal FRA of 66 plus 4 months, because a survivor's FRA is determined by subtracting 2 years from their actual birth date. Since you were born in 1956, Social Security uses 1954 as the date to determine your FRA for survivor benefits.

Since you are now 62 (turning 63 soon), you have a choice to collect either your own benefit or your survivor benefit, and which one you should choose depends upon which one would be highest when it reaches maximum. Your survivor benefit will reach its maximum when you reach your widower FRA; your own benefit will reach its maximum at age 70. You might choose to collect your survivor benefit first and allow your own benefit to grow until you are 70 when it would be about 29% more than it would be at your normal FRA. Or, if your survivor benefit at your widower FRA would be more, you could choose to take your own benefit until your survivor benefit reaches maximum at your widower FRA.

But there is one catch you should consider. Any time Social Security benefits of any kind are taken before one's full retirement age and you continue to work, you will be subject to Social Security's "earnings test." That means if your earnings from working exceed the annual earnings limit (\$17,640 for 2019), Social Security will take back \$1 for every \$2 you



Russell Gloor
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

are over the limit, and they'll withhold that from future benefits until they recover what you owe. Once you reach your normal full retirement age the earnings limit goes away, and you can earn as much as you like without penalty. For clarity, when you reach your normal full retirement age they will recompute your benefit and give you time credit for any month's benefits withheld, which will increase your benefit slightly allowing you to recover some (or eventually all) of the withheld benefits. But exceeding the annual earnings limit before your reach your normal FRA will cause you to lose current benefits for some number of months.

Provided that your finances, your health and your expected longevity allow it, and provided that your own benefit at age 70 will be more than your survivor benefit, you may want to consider a strategy of postponing your own benefit, and also delaying your claim for the survivor benefit until it reaches maximum at your widower's FRA. Then at your widower's FRA (66) you could claim 100% of your survivor benefit, while allowing your own benefit to grow to maximum at age 70. In this way you would avoid any lost benefits from exceeding the earnings limit, you would collect the maximum survivor benefit between your FRA and age 70, and at that time switch to your own higher benefit for the rest of your life. This, of course, is but one of several scenarios you have available to you being dually-entitled to both survivor benefits and your own Social Security retirement benefit.

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Letters to the Editor

A BIGGER SNOW STORM TO WORRY ABOUT

To the Editor:

As much as my two children enjoy a good snow storm, with its opportunity for sledding, fort-building and pelting dad with a well-aimed snowball or two, it's hard not to think of the pending arrival of another significant snow storm with a certain sense of dread for what it will mean for Norwood's finances.

At the February 19th Board of Selectman meeting, Town Manger Tony Mazzucco remarked that Norwood consistently runs a \$500K deficit on snow and ice annually. Our historical tendency to underfund the town's snow removal budget means we're habitually dipping into town savings to cover operational overruns.

Passing the override in June ensures that essential town and school expenditures, including snow removal, are funded next year and into the future.

At the February 21st Financial Commission hearing, it was noted that the town's remaining snow and ice budget for this year stood at \$263,500. By the time this letter has been published, two not-insignificant storms will have easily gobbled up all of those funds and more. So, once again, the town will be forced to pay for these excess costs from what is ostensibly its savings account, an unsustainable way to manage anyone's checkbook let alone a municipality.

While some taxpayers of Norwood may not directly benefit from increased revenue for the schools, I would

think everyone - residents and business owners - will benefit from override-financed spending on snow removal. Clear roads and sidewalks allow the people of Norwood to get to work safely, access the hospital and doctor's offices, shop at Norwood stores and eat at our local restaurants, keeping the town's economy vibrant and access safe for everyone. Passing the override is an investment in our town's current and future prosperity. I hope that Norwood voters vote YES on June 3 to keep the excellent and rapid town snow removal services we currently enjoy, ensuring Norwood remains financially secure and a great place for dads to get pelted by snowballs.

Matthew Lane
Norwood

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townhouses would be 1,800 square feet, with a one car garage, to be sold at an estimated of \$575,000 each. Clark said the new units in the original house would not involve a gut of the structure as the owners have maintained the original woodwork, floors, and fixtures.

The Selectmen maintained that this proposal should not be

in front of them as it requires a by-law to be written and voted on, ideally, at the town meeting.

Donohue stated, "The Board is not the proper forum for this." She suggested that there is a process for this type of request. "We have to do this in an orderly, proper fashion." That would be to go to the planning board and move through the

process to get it on the warrant for the April Town Meeting or thereafter.

Viano remarked that he only came to the Selectmen's meeting as a courtesy to the Board. He agreed to get through the Planning Board as required.

The next Board of Selectman meeting is March 12.

Abdallah Donohue to seek reelection

Norwood Selectwoman, Helen Abdallah Donohue announces her Candidacy for Re-Election to the Board of Selectmen.

Selectwoman Helen Abdallah Donohue has a lifelong interest in the government of the Town of Norwood. Helen started going to Town Meeting when she was 12 years old. She was a candidate for Town Meeting Representative as soon as she was voting age and has been elected as such for the past fifty-one years. She is currently serving as a member of the Board of Selectmen, member of the Norfolk County Advisory Board since 2012, founding member of the Community Preservation Committee, member of the Capital Outlay Committee, and member of various other town committees. She has served as founding member of Norwood Scholarship Foundation, 20+ year member of the Directors of the Friends of St. Nick, past President Balch School PTO, lifelong member of the South Norwood Committee, Veteran's Statue Committee, Ellis Pond Committee and many other committees.

Selectwoman Donohue graduated from the Norwood School System in 1964. She



Norwood Selectwoman,
Helen Abdallah

was the first female Class President in the history of the Norwood School System. Graduating from Dean Junior College, she then earned her B.A. at Suffolk University. Helen then taught Reading and English at Norwood Junior High School. After teaching she studied at Suffolk Law School, where she earned her Juris Doctor Degree. Attorney Donohue has practiced law in Norwood since 1977. In 1991, Attorney Donohue was elected as the first female President of the Bar Association of Norfolk County, which at that time was 197 years old. She resides in South Norwood, with her hus-

band, Paul J. Donohue, a long time Norwood Planning Board Member. Her daughters, Olga, Molly and Ann are all graduates of Norwood Public Schools. She is blessed with a granddaughter, Amelia.

Selectwoman Donohue really believes that Norwood is "the Crown Jewel of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts." She also believes, "my service on the Norwood Board of Selectmen brings a woman's point of view to town government. Half of the residents of the town are women. Women should be represented," Donohue states.

"Assisting in the management of the town budget is a significant obligation of a Selectman", Helen believes. Trying to balance the maintenance of town services and the cost of the services requires diligent work, which I am willing to provide" she states.

"I am here for you, the people of Norwood, to make sure that you have a say in your town government, to make sure that your needs are known and answered. Reach me at 781-762-0450. I ask for your vote on Monday, April 1, 2019, so that I may be allowed to continue to work for you and serve you, the people of Norwood."

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lessons from the musicians in the BSO," he said. "The year prior to that I started playing with the Senior Massachusetts Wind Ensemble at the New England Conservatory of Music and I got to go on tour with them to Italy, which was a lot of fun. I got to play in three opera halls."

Amis said the tour to Italy was not just about music, but also showing the students the grandeur of Florence and then Rome.

"It was great, I liked being able to eat pasta all the time," he said. "I mean, that's mostly all I eat here, and it definitely tastes different there. I have a lot of food allergies, so traveling poses a bunch of problems for me, but in Italy I was able to eat many things and the food is just great, that's the best part about it."

He said besides the pasta, Italy showed him something he had not really thought

about before.

"I mean here in New England we have a lot of history, but I was just blown away by how much farther back in time they go as opposed to here," he said. "We went to a church in Rome that had multiple levels beneath it that went all the way back to the 1st century A.D., and that just blew my mind."

He said they also went to the Colosseum in Rome, though it was raining.

"So it was filled with water, but I learned that they used to intentionally fill it with water to do naval battle reenactments, which is pretty cool," he said.

Amis said he's happy to be following in the footsteps of his friend Mark Larivee, who has gone to this concert twice in the past in Indianapolis.

"I thought it was just amazing so I decided to do it," he said. "It worked out for Norwood because this

year he wasn't able to it because he's doing the Boston Youth Symphony on the same day for an opera concert."

Amis said the audition process was by video and he was selected by music faculty of several area institutions. He's a member of the Norwood High School Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Mr. Steven Conant. Additionally, Amis leads the high school's Percussion Ensemble. He said he has also benefited greatly from the Norwood Public Schools Music Program, as well as the Norwood Parents Music Association, and said he would not have been able to come as far as he has without their help.



NPD reads for Read Across America Day



Members of the Norwood Police Department came out to several classrooms at Norwood elementary schools for Read Across America Day, and dropped off a brand new children's book to each school. NPD Chief William Brooks also read to the kids, and said later: "I enjoyed reading to these kids in Miss Shilo's class at Oldham Elementary for Read Across America Day. Read from new NPD children's book and then left it with Miss Shilo so the kids could enjoy it. Thanks for having me." Read Across America is a day held annually on March 2nd that encourages children in every community to read and also encourages parents and teachers to celebrate the joy of reading. It's a holiday that has been celebrated since 1998 and falls on the same day as children's book author Dr. Seuss.

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vehicle maintenance," he said. "It's just that we have a good-size fleet, and for whatever reason, we've just had issues."

Brooks added that he has purchased newer cars with longer extended warranties to try to curb costs.

"In terms of the vehicle maintenance, is that a problem you are having with the newer vehicles, or older vehicles, or both?" chair Alan Slater asked.

Brooks explained that, while the fleet of cars generally lasts four years, the undercarriages tend to get damaged because of the types of situations they face.

"They're checking industrial areas, going up on the sidewalk at a crash scene and that sort of thing," Brooks said. "Our fleet isn't that old, but it's just the nature of the fleet. They're on the road, and they kind of just run 24/7."

"It's just the nature of the use," Slater said. "Sometimes the cars just run continually."

Vice chair Anne Marie Haley asked how many cars needed to be replaced. The response was four out of a fleet of 20.

"It's a pretty consistent number for us," Brooks said, noting

the cost would be about \$194,000.

Town Manager Tony Mazzucco joined the meeting via Skype from a conference in Singapore.

"His dedication is breathtaking," Slater said, noting the 13-hour time difference.

"The number is built into the capital budget every year," Mazzucco said.

Another expense Brooks noted is \$23,000 to replace 20 of the department's 60 tasers. The entire stock would be replaced over three years. Then none would be replaced over the next two.

On the Fire Department side, Chief George T. Morrice said that the first big change the FinCom would notice is in the salary between himself and his predecessor.

"I will say that the first line for my salary looks like there is a dramatic increase from FY 19," he said. "That's because Chief Greeley's salary was structured in a different way."

He explained that Greeley had separate numbers for salary, education pay, and longevity pay.



Chief Brooks said they need several new items, including 20 new tasers and four new police cruisers. NFD Chief Morrice said they will need additional funds to cover training costs.

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"Town Manager Mazzucco and I sat down and decided that it would be better to have one single number, and that's why that number reflects that," Morrice said.

"The chief is paid a flat salary," Mazzucco said. "In the past, the chief was paid a small base salary with several qualifiers on top of that."

"So essentially it's the same number, but it's in one column instead of three," Slater said.

Mazzucco added that in the FY 21 budget, the police chief's salary will be structured the same way.

The next item was of firefighters' salaries, including the new deputy chief position.

"It really is absolutely essential for Norwood Fire for us going into the future," Morrice said. "We have to change the way the organization is structured."

The new deputy chief will be a training officer and relieve Morrice of some of the admin-

istrative duties he currently performs. Also, the deputy chief will evaluate blueprints for new buildings to ensure everything is up to code.

The exam for this position will be administered in May, Morrice added. The new deputy chief will start January 1, 2020.

There were a number of injuries in the department and one military deployment in the department, Morrice added, which will affect the budget.

Training was increased by \$32,000 from FY 19.

"When we do training in the department, we are not able to do training as a whole crew," Morrice said. "Oftentimes the ambulances or the engine gets called out. Our training constantly gets interrupted."

He stressed that training will allow them to work better as a unit. It will be an annual expense.

The other departments reviewed included the Town Clerk, Board of Health, Board of Assessors, Building Inspec-

tor and Electric Light. They were virtually level funded.

Bob Thornton of the Board of Assessors asked whether or not the FinCom has taken a position on the possible budget override, which it has not. He mentioned that neighboring towns have used free cash for parts of their budgets, such as health insurance or the school budget.

"This is uncharted water for you guys," he said of the budget process this year with the question of the possible override.

In non-budget news, Slater announced the Boston Bruins annual pajama drive, in which Norwood is participating.

"We should donate pairs of new pajamas to any Town department or school, including St. Catherine's," he said.

Distribution of the pajamas to families in need will be done by Cradles to Crayons and the Department of Children and Families. The collection will end on March 15.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with the requirements of Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:15 P.M. in the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan St., on the second floor in the Willett room. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on a Zoning Bylaw amendment to Section 4.0 Dimensional Requirements, subsection 4.1.2 Notes to Table of Dimensional Requirements. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment proposes to reduce the amount of land area required for multifamily residential uses in the Central Business District, Apartment District, General Business District, Highway Business District and Limited Business District. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment is on file in the Planning Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Ernie Paciorkowski, Clerk

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what we have been in," Dr. Thomson said.

Dr. Thomson said that the "escape mechanism" is the operational budget override solution – giving the town fiscal stability to move forward.

"What is the beginning salary for a teacher here in Norwood?" Michele Eysie Mullen asked after Dr. Thomson presented a slide with two salaries that stuck out: \$57,845/year for a Callahan Elementary teacher and \$59,989/year for a middle school adjustment counselor.

Dr. Thomson replied that a teacher just starting out usually makes \$43-44,000 a year, and that the two salaries in question were higher because those teachers had Masters Degrees, but \$65,000 annually was actually close to the over-all town average.

"So if we're in such a budget crunch, why do we have a \$58,000 salary for a Callahan Elementary School teacher and an adjustment counselor at \$60,000?" Mullen continued. "I know the Town wants us to be fiscally responsible and you can get fantastic teachers in their first year, and I rather see it be more conservative than this."

In the proposal, a total of

\$993,855.00 of the override request will go to personnel, curriculum refresh, supplies, training, and expenses brought back to FY19 requested will account for \$535,334.80.

"We certainly are asking the Town for more money," Chairperson Bodenhofer said. "We are hoping that we will get some more money and that will help us solve some of the \$950,000 problem that is remaining, but I don't expect that it will allow us to reverse any of the cuts that we have already made."

Wyeth raised concerns about cuts to the arts.

"Look at the kids who are performing on stage during Norwood Day," Wyeth said. "That's what makes Norwood such a proud community. Look at the awards the music program is getting, that's data."

Chairperson Bodenhofer went on to say that they had free cash saved up. "I do want to clarify that there is roughly \$1.6 million dollars in free cash that was certified last year," before warning that it would not solve every problem. "But we have also tried to not spend free cash because that puts us at a very good position and free cash won't be certified again until the fall. So if we wanted to ask for relief

to resolve our \$2.4 million dollar problem, that money couldn't all come from free cash, it would have to come from other departments that are already funded: police, fire, general government, DPW, those departments."

Dr. Thomson followed up by forecasting a gloomy FY21.

"Our five-year projections are showing that next year's problem will be even worse. In FY21 we would be in worse shape than we are now with no safety net, so I am very nervous about the idea of considering dipping into stabilization," he said. "But in terms of asking, do we really want to make all these cuts on the school side and virtually none on general government? That's a valid question."

Mullen remained positive and highlighted the town's will to come together in the face of adversity.

"I firmly believe that this Town comes together when it needs to come together. It always has and it always will. And I believe that we need to stay strong and say we need help."

After a lengthy budget discussion, one thing that the committee did unanimously agree upon was that the language for the school field trip policy is outdated and needs updating.

"All students must be neat and clean? Who's deciding what's 'neat and clean?' Smith asked. "I would recommend changing that to: all students, chaperons, and staff are expected to represent Norwood in the best way possible... or something to that effect."

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high. Norwood has seen an uptick in pedestrian strikes and fatalities, with a total of six in 2017. To put that in perspective, the entire City of Boston reported through its Vision Zero data that eight pedestrians were killed on the roads during that same time period. And in the nation and the state, the statistics are not good either. Close to 6,000 pedestrians were killed in 2016 across the country. In the state – according to the Vision Zero Coalition, there were 78 total pedestrian fatalities in 2016, 82 in 2017 and 70 in 2018 (with five reported so far).

"Bicyclists and pedestrians are at risk from the motoring public because they may not be immediately visible to drivers and unlike those in vehicles, nothing protects them in a crash," Brooks said. "We'll analyze crash data to identify crosswalks, intersections, and roadways where our enforcement efforts can yield the largest impact on pedestrian and bicyclist safety."

Brooks said they will be working in areas where there are both lots of congested traffic and pedestrians, which includes the areas of Downtown Norwood and South Norwood, and will be stopping pedestrians, cyclists and drivers alike if they are practicing unsafe behavior. For ex-

ample, he said they would stop a pedestrian not crossing at a crosswalk or a driver not yielding at a crosswalk.

"Or a pedestrian crossing while they are looking down at their phone," he said.

Brooks said he felt it was a good first step in trying to change the public's behavior when it comes to crosswalks and public safety. He said there's not really a viable way to enforce away the problem.

"I would like the culture to change a bit, it would be great if people actually crossed at the crosswalk. We've all been guilty of looking down both sides of the street and just going across at any point," Brooks said. "I mean I've done it, but recently I've been much more aware of the crosswalks... It's really safer way to operate."

Brooks said they would be passing out laminated cards with safety tips and regulations, with pedestrian tips on one side and driver's tips on the other. The cards include advice like "Never assume a driver sees you. Make eye contact with drivers as they approach to make sure you are seen" or "When you approach a crosswalk, leave plenty of room between you and the crosswalk so other motorists can see the pedestrian who is crossing."

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Monday February 25

1136 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Tree fell on a vehicle. Property owner and vehicle owner advised.

1142 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Sycamore St Trash picker advised after he was removing magazines

1500 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Rock St Report medication missing.

1604 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: William Shyne Cir Hessco and no answer for the meal. Subject ok and with friends.

1625 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Dunkin Donuts - Nahatan St Officer assisted two in the lobby after a car door blew into another vehicle.

1753 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Rock St Resident reports a construction company left materials on her yard. Officer assisted resident.

1837 Initiated - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Waltham Police Department - Lexington St N661 transports one under arrest from the Waltham Police Department back to the station. S/M 61136 at 1923, E/M 61154 at 1947. Refer To Arrest: 19-74-AR Arrest: Banker, Vanessa Jean Address: 44 Chester Ave Apt. #2 Waltham, Ma Age: 40 Charges: Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest

1859 Phone - Disturbance *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Nurse from the ER is requesting assistance for a patient causing a disturbance.

2148 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Pleasant St Wapole PD requests a well being check on an individual that sat through several cycles of traffic lights. N669 reports they spoke to that individual and all checks out.

Tuesday February 26

0047 Initiated - Susp Vehicle *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Citgo - Pleasant St MA PC 6YP945. N662 returns with one female party under arrest. S/M 4357 at 0103 HRS, E/M 4358 at 0104 HRS. Refer To Arrest: 19-76-AR Arrest: Rogers, Lisa Address: 213 Rock St Apt. #A2 Norwood, Ma Age: 39 Charges: OUI Liquor

0753 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Monro Muffler Brake/Tire - Walpole St Caller requesting officer's assistance after a vehicle was damaged while being

serviced.

1601 Phone - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Washington St Arrest: Mccarthy, Derek Address: 51 Brown St Waltham, Ma Age: 33 Charges: Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest

1632 Phone - Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/Address: Colonial Care Nursing - Washington St Roommate damaged property.

1743 Phone - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Chickering Rd Caller reports a dog running around the neighborhood. NACO responding.

Wednesday February 27

0055 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Emmets Of Norwood - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee requesting officer's assistance as she walks out to her car after a customer was lingering in the area.

0133 Initiated - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: [WAP] S Lewis Park Dr N666 gives courtesy transport to one female party walking home from the hospital. S/M 74454 at 133 HRS, E/M 74456 at 0137 HRS.

1008 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Civil Matter Location/Address: Kia - Bos-Prov Hwy Party assisted with civil matter.

1141 Phone - Civil Dispute Services Rendered Location/Address: Central Chrysler Jeep & Dodge Of Norwood - Bos-Prov Hwy Party advised on a past civil matter.

1331 Walk-In - B & E Of Motor Vehicle *Report Filed Location/Address: Roxana St Party reports a past B&E of her MV.

1331 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Boch Toyota Scion - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee terminated and made threats as he left. Parties were advised.

1526 Phone - Drunk Person *Protective Custody Location/Address: Walpole St Property owner reports his tenant has been drinking and would like to get him help. NFD transports him for PC to Norwood Hospital.

1605 Phone - Illegal Trash Disposal Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St Management reports MA 5JS553 left 5 bags in the dumpster. Officer located the driver who removed it.

1612 Phone - B & E Of Motor Vehicle *Report Filed Location/Address: Elm St 4 \$1.00 bills removed overnight from the unlocked vehicle. No damage to the car.

1641 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Garfield Ave Resident not answering the door or calls from a Nurse and friends. Officers report he is well and just took some time to respond. Caller advised and will check in on him.

1804 Phone - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Lane Dr Caller reports a suspicious party walking around the neighborhood. N667 reports that party was just waiting for a friend that lives on the street.

2047 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Brookview Cir Caller reports neighbor downstairs is yelling. N664 and N669 spoke to both parties it was just a neighbor dispute.

2258 911 - Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington Court Condo - Washington St Caller reports he is hearing a loud noise in the area of the hospital. N670 reports it the plows plowing the snow.

Thursday February 28

0026 Phone - Assist Citizen Building Checked/Secure Location/Address: TJ Maxx - Nahatan St Keyholder responded for previous alarm and requested an officer to go through the building with her. N661 responded and building was checked and secured.

0744 Phone - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Pellana Rd Caller reports hearing several loud boom noises that are shaking his house and windows. N666 reports nothing seen/heard upon arrival, there were several plow trucks in area.

1055 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Washington St + Philbrick St As a result of stopping MA PC 46J760, Don and Wally's tows same. N665 places subject under arrest on a warrant and transports to station. Arrest: Grubb, Jeffrey Address: 33 Nelson St Apt. #2 Mattapan, Ma Age: 52 Charges: Warrant Arrest

1301 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Caller requests that her 23 y/o son be escorted out of her home. N667 reports lack of com-

munication between the two and before officer's arrival they had worked it out, matter resolved.

1437 911 - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Patient states they will not let him out. Call to E/R Charge Nurse, she will go check on him.

1913 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Alandale Pkwy Caller requesting to speak to an officer regarding texts and phone calls. Party advised and satisfied.

1933 Phone - Harassment *Report Filed Location/Address: Coakley Middle School (Acct# 1378d) - Washington St SRO Mahoney to file report.

2017 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Brookview Cir Complaint of smoking in the building. Unfounded.

2046 911 - Disturbance *Report Filed Location/Address: Alandale Pkwy Caller reports male party outside her apartment. N669, N661 located that party and he was sent on this way. Both parties advised.

2145 Phone - NOISE COMPLAINT SERVICES RENDERED Location/Address: BROOKVIEW CIR Caller reports neighbor has been yelling for an extended amount of time. N662, N669 spoke to that parties and she has been advised.

Friday March 1

0949 Phone - Warrant Service Unsuccessful Service Location/Address: [Nod 2263] Dunkin Donuts - Bos-Prov Hwy N493 receives information that a subject of a probation warrant is at this location. Units also try 43 Chapel St. N663 reports he is not at either place, roommate will inform him to contact court.

1147 Phone - Disturbance *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller to State 9-1-1 reports banging on walls, sounds like a fight. Parties spoken to, verbal argument.

1340 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Guild St + Broadway Report male stepped into roadway, stared at traffic then stepped back, W/M, dark ir, gotee, grey parka. N667 spoke to a subject, he lives at Vernon St., he was not in traffic upon arrival.

1438 Initiated - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Railroad Ave + Washington St Passing motorist to N664, on traffic post, reports male walking in the street. Units locate him at Mobil-no warrants, known to PD. N667 offered him some mental health services.

1616 Phone - Assist Citizen Civil Matter Location/Address: [Nod 2558] Beijing Kitchen - Washington St Dispute between customer and staff. Officer assisted, all

parties satisfied.

1720 Phone - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Central St Motorist saw a party walking down the street, possibly bleeding.

2127 911 - Susp Vehicle Services Rendered Location/Address: [Nod 2943] Ernest Boch - Summer St RI PC 92170. Working security for the residence, all check outs.

2146 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Nahatan St MA PC 3TF622. As a result, N666 placed one party under arrest. N665 transported her to the station. Negoshian's towed MA PC 3TF622. Arrest: Tidemand, Julie E Address: 16 Madrid Sq Apt. #3 Brockton, Ma Age: 40 Charges: OUI Liquor Marked Lanes Violation Signal, Fail To

Saturday March 2

0019 Phone - Disturbance Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Guild St Caller reports 2 males arguing in the street. N667, N665 checked the area, parties gone prior to arrival.

0149 Phone - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: [Nod 886] Norwood Hospital - Washington St Security reports a disturbance in rear of E.R. between a group known to the Police Dept. N667, N665 responded to E.R. N668, N661 responded to Guild Medical lot where one of the parties headed to. He has left the group. N665, N667 spoke to other parties of which a female is signing herself in for detox. Group split up, matter resolved.

0225 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Norwood Hospital requests the removal of 2 people in the front lobby from earlier incident. N665, N667 responded and spoke with them. Sent on their way.

0548 911 - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: [Nod 3049] Anytime Fitness (Db) Boston Fitness Group - Lenox St Caller reports a white male in a gray hoodie is waving his arms and trying to get into building. She locked the door as he is scaring her. N679, N662 responded. N679, N662 responded and spoke to the 2 parties. Advised and sent on their way.

0617 Phone - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Bubbles-Up Laundromat - Central St Caller states there is a party wanting to come in and sleep at Laundromat. N661, N667 responded. Party was warned and sent on his way.

0841 Initiated - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Laurel Rd N669 reports dog running loose Walpole/Chapel. 0852 Hrs passing motorist corralled same on Laurel Rd. N.A.C.O. handled same.

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Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns a 10-bay auto repair service center in Hyde Park and an 8-bay center in Middleboro. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

To the Doctor: I read your response regarding the "Chevy Shake" issue with a 2015 Chevy Silverado. I would like to suggest that the Chevy Shake is simply caused by the factory standard for front-end alignment on all GM trucks. GM alignment standards are a fairly wide range for camber and toe-in, and if you take your vehicle to a generic front-end specialist, they will almost always find the vehicle to be "in alignment" according to factory specifications. But, GM ships all of their vehicles with at least a half-inch of front-end toe-in, and usually more than a full degree of positive camber. This causes the tires to be pushing against each other the entire time that the vehicle is rolling. It may cause the vehicle to track straight, but it also causes front-end vibration and premature tire wear. What do you think about fixing the "Chevy Shake" by taking the truck to a front-end expert who knows what he's doing and have him align the tires much closer to the "Zero-Zero" alignment specifications - meaning zero inches of toe-in and zero degrees of camber? If the front end of the vehicle is in good condition, it won't really increase road wander and it will end the shake that is caused by the tires continuously "slipping" on the pavement.

From the Doctor: Alignments usually will not have an effect of vibration. I see a lot of cars and trucks every week. If the alignment is way out of factory specs, unusual tire wear will occur. All vehicles have tolerances in alignment specs. As long as the alignment is in the specs, the vehicles will handle fine without experiencing abnormal tire wear. The common shake complaint can be caused by a number of drive-line problems including tires and wheels, as well as transmission and torque converter. A qualified technician will need to follow a trouble flow chart to determine the cause of the shake.

Boston's own Junior Damato, "The Auto Doctor" has agreed to field auto repair questions from *Bulletin* and *Record* readers. Please forward your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get your questions answered.

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **Room 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **March 19, 2019 at 7:45 pm** on the request of John G. Cucinotta (**Case #19-04**) with respect to property located on **79 Spruce Road**, in a **S District**.

This Application requests a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 5.3 & 5.4 of the Zoning Bylaw to allow a second floor addition with a 2 foot cantilever to a pre-existing non-conforming structure.

A special permit is also requested to convert the existing attached garage to a habitable living space and to allow a farmer's porch to the front of the original dwelling which is within the current setback regulations, and any other relief the Board may deem necessary.

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

BOARD OF APPEAL
Patrick J. Mulvehill, Chairman; Philip W. Riley, Barbara A. Kinter,
John R. Perry, Thomas Brady

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0924 Other - Report Of Fire Fire Dept Notified/Resp Location/Address: Stonebridge Apts - Dean St NFD checking fire alarm reports smoke in building. NFD reports burnt food.

1357 Phone - Parking Violation Services Rendered Location/Address: Tremont St 3rd floor tenant reports 2nd floor tenant will not move their car that's blocking driveway. N666 reports matter resolved.

1753 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: [Nod 2322] Olivadi - Guild St Report of a female party pacing, crying. Officers spoke with her, she on OK, on her way to Norwood Hospital.

1914 Walk-In - Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Eisenhower Rd Party in the lobby concerned that a neighbor's dog is often left outside. Officer attempted to follow up but no one was home. Animal appears to be in good health. NACO notified.

2214 Phone - Assist Other Agency Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St ER requesting assistance to remove an individual from the property. N663 gives one female a courtesy transport S/M 4953, 2228 Hrs, E/M 4955, 2231 Hrs.

2311 Phone - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Nahatan St + Queensboro Ct Caller transferred from Canton PD witnessed MA PC 1WVF31 strike a vehicle in Sharon and states he is behind the vehicle on Neponset Street. Officers located that vehicle coming off of Pendergast Circle. As a result, N663 placed that party under arrest, N662 transported him to the station. Negoshian's towed MA PC 1WVF31. Sharon PD notified. Refer To Arrest: 19-84-AR Arrest: Forvil, Marcus Address: 107 Wyman St

Stoughton, Ma Age: 52 Charges: OUI Liquor.

Sunday March 3

0557 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Bank Of Canton , The (Atm) - Washington St Caller reports someone sleeping in the ATM. N663 responded and spoke with party and sent them on their way.

0615 Initiated - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Police Dept. - Nahatan St Suspicious party in the station parking lot. Party was spoken to and moved along.

1040 Phone - Unwanted Party *Report Filed Location/Address: Press Ave Female pounding on the door. Red Acura parked out front.

1327 Cellular - Animal Complaint Taken/Referred To Other Location/Address: East Walpole - Washington St Report of a doberman and a german shephard running loose near Hollingsworth and Vose. Walpole PD notified.

1422 Initiated - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: [Nod 886] Norwood Hospital - Washington St Behavioral hallway. N669, on another call at this facility, reports patient causing problems. N662 reports subject upset over taking medication, he is ok now.

1506 Phone - Susp Activity *Report Filed Location/Address: Tremont St Report marks on the door but deadbolt still intact. Units stop party known to PD on street while on call-he had not warrants and sent on his way.

1842 Phone - Susp Person Area Search Negative Location/Address: Plantation Cir Resident saw a party come out of a woods and walk towards Plantation Circle.

2328 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Press

Ave Party drove to address to see a person he met online. Upon arrival at address, resident does not know anyone by that name. NFD responded to assist with a vehicle lock out.

Monday March 4

0730 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Tremont St Caller reports verbal threats made by her neighbor. N678, N662 spoke to both parties and resolved the issue.

0800 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Fulton St Caller requesting officer's assistance with a dispute with DPW regarding the way they are plowing. dispute over property line. DPW notified to assist resident

1120 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Roxana St Party was seen leaving her home earlier in the day, caller notified.

1442 Phone - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Wilson Baseball Field - Wilson St Report of a snowmobile on the field. Party advised.

1714 911 - Debris On Road Spoken To Location/Address: Hoyle St Caller reports homeowner shoveling his driveway and putting the snow in the street.

2200 911 - Assist Citizen No Action Required Location/Address: Rojo - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports his vehicle is stuck in the car wash. Caller reports he is all the gate came up and he was able to get his vehicle out.

2336 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St Caller seeking advice on a family issue. N666 reports parties are having marital issues and she was advised of her options, the male party has left for the night.

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SPECIAL ELECTION REGISTRATION SET

The Board of Registrars wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that a special registration session has been set for the April 1, 2019 Annual Town Election. An evening special registration session will be held at the Municipal Building, Room 32 on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. This is the FINAL REGISTRATION SESSION prior to the Annual Town Election.

Daily registration of voters will be conducted at the Town Clerk's office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M. A mail-in registration form is now available at Norwood Morrill Memorial Library and the Norwood Post Office. You may also register to vote online at sec.state.ma.us Qualifications to register to vote are that the applicants must be 18 years old on or before election day and must either be born in the United States or be a Naturalized Citizen.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS OPEN

Nominations are now open for the 13th Annual Norwood Teacher of the Year Award Program. All full-time Norwood teachers are eligible for nomination. Take a moment to recognize teachers for their extraordinary work in the classroom. Nominations close March 15 and may be submitted online at www.orientlodge.org.

All full-time teachers working in a Norwood school during 2018-19 are eligible for nomination. Program organizers will review nominations to set the field of eligible finalists, reviewing nominations for substance, completeness, and recent achievement. Blind judging will be conducted by members of the community; judges will consider finalists' innovation and creativity, ability to inspire a love of learning in their students, and work on special projects and initiatives.

A reception will be held in honor of all the finalists on May 3 at the Masonic Building on 76 Day St. in Norwood. The winner will receive an award and cash stipend. Last year Cleveland Elementary School teacher Joy Hughey was named Norwood Teacher of the Year from among 30 honorees. Please email us with any questions.

AGING, MEMORY AND ALZHEIMERS

Join us at Temple Aliyah to hear the latest on Alzheimer's and other dementias. Our three-part series, "Current Concepts in Aging, Memory, and Alzheimer's Disease," will feature experts from the Center for Alzheimer Research and Treatment at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Each session will include a one-hour presentation and an opportunity for questions. The first session (3/7, 7-9 pm) will address the fundamentals of normal aging, memory, and Alzheimer's disease, and will include information for caregivers of people living with dementia. Upcoming

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sessions will feature a documentary about Alzheimer's (4/2) and a review of healthy behaviors that can maximize brain health (5/7). Questions? Visit www.templealayah.com or call the synagogue office, 781-444-8522.

SERVICE DOG GRADUATION

Golden Opportunities for Independence - a Community Based Service Dog Organization - is graduating 12 service dog teams on March 10th at Walpole High School Auditorium, from 2-4pm. It's a celebration of increased mobility and independence through canine assistance! During graduation, descriptions of the various task work service dogs are trained for will be demonstrated, along with videos, stories from clients and a graduation cake at the end of the celebration. GOFIDOG serves clients within 25 miles of our campus at 323 High Street, Walpole.

SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION "DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS"

An evening with Medium Cathy Ripley Greene on Friday, March 22

at the Norwood Elks doors open at 6:30, event begins at 7. Feel free to bring your own snack and cash bar will be open. Advance ticket \$40.00pp or at the door \$45.00 Please contact Laurieshea@live.com or 781-603-6771 with any questions or for tickets. The NSF/DFS awards over \$50,000.00 in scholarships each year to Norwood Students heading off to college. Please join fun!

LEAGUE TO SPONSOR CANDIDATES' NIGHT

In preparation for the April election, the Norwood League of Women Voters will sponsor Candidates' Night on Monday, March 18th at 7:30 pm at Memorial Hall/Norwood Town Hall. All local officials up for reelection as well as contesting candidates are invited to participate. Residents are encouraged to attend and hear the candidates' views on issues of concern. To learn more about the Norwood League please call Toni Eosco at 781-769-7865.

NURTURING FATHERS PROGRAM

The Nurturing Fathers' Program is designed to teach fathers how to: build nurturing skills, understand healthy child development, develop appropriate expectations and practice discipline with dignity. Help your child to succeed in school! COME TO LEARN AND SHARE WITH OTHER FATHERS. A light meal will be available for partici-

pants and a graduation ceremony will be held in June. Beginning Monday, March 11, from 5:30 pm to 8:00pm at the James R. Savage Education Center, FFF, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062. For More Information Call Beverly Boudreau at (781) 440-5983. This is a 13-Week Program and will be held on Mondays from March-June.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The Norwood Woman's Club will hold our next meeting on Tuesday, March 12. We meet at 12:30p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 572 Nichols Street, Norwood. Gina O' Donoghue singer will be entertaining us with her voice and key board. A light lunch will be served. Guests are welcome. Please call Trina at 781-762-8173 Or Nancy at 781-762-8892 for more information.

PARENT WORKSHOP ON POSSIBLE AUTISM

Red Flags for possible Autism or other delays on Wednesday March 13, at the Savage Educational Center - Room 219, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, 6:30 - 8:30 PM.

What is "Mental Health"? Possible red flags of concern in development, recognizing deficits and a need for intervention, activities for helping children develop emotional regulation, where and when to get assistance and evaluations. This workshop is for families with chil-

dren from toddler to early elementary years. To register contact Beverly Boudreau in the CFCE Office at 781-440-5983 or e-mail to bboudreau@norwood.k12.ma.us.

All Norwood Coordinated Family and Community Engagement (CFCE) activities and/or resources are funded through a grant.

"DARK TIDE" TO BE DISCUSSED

The Norwood Historical Society has decided to launch a book club and offer regular meetings at the Day House. The goal is to read about Massachusetts and local history. We want this book club to be open to all who are interested in learning more about local and regional history. We are preparing a list of books, including non-fiction and historical fiction that explore Massachusetts and the region. Our plan is to include relevant items from the Historical Society's collection on display, to bring the book to life.

We invite the community to come join us for our first meeting on Thursday evening, the 28th of March at 7:00 at the Day House (93 Day Street, Norwood). We have chosen to kick things off with a discussion of Stephen Puleo's *Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919*. We will have photos of Norwood in 1919 on display as we talk about this unexpected catastrophe and how it changed our lives.

If you are interested in joining us, please sign up on the Norwood Historical Society website or leave your details on our voicemail at 781.762.9197. Please get a copy of the book and we ask that you read it before our meeting. Come prepared to talk about molasses, industrial safety, and Boston a century ago. Tea and cookies will be served after the

hour-long discussion, and we will pick a book for the April meeting. Hope to see you there! Visit www.norwoodhistoricalsociety.org to learn more.

TOASTMASTERS TO HOST OPEN HOUSE

Want to improve on your Leadership and Communication skills? Ignite your career or win that job interview? Meet supportive people and learn how to inspire and motivate? Norwood Toastmasters can help. The Norwood Toastmasters Club invites the public to its open house on March 26, from 7:00pm-8:30PM at the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan St., Norwood MA. This is your golden opportunity to meet future leaders and find your voice!

LEAGUESCHOOL 5K WALK/RUN

League School of Greater Boston's 6th Annual 5K Walk/Run for Autism will be on Saturday, April 13. Old Post Road School in Walpole will once again host our annual event. Registration at 9am and race begins at 10am. All proceeds from this event will be directed towards our on-going efforts to construct an appropriate outdoor space that is accessible, exciting and engaging for all students!

The streets will be busy with walkers, runners, strollers, volunteers and supporters in the community. Current sponsors are Direct Federal Credit Union, O'LYN Roofing, Napper Tandy's Walpole, Dedham Savings Bank, Dempsey Insurance and WP Haney Company.

Register NOW on website <http://www.thedriven.net/League20195K> With further questions or to discuss customized sponsorship packages, please contact Michelle Melanson, Special Events Coordinator, at 508-850-3900, ext. or mmelanson@leagueschool.com.



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TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in Room 12 of the Municipal Office Building on **March 19, 2019 at 7:30 PM** on the request of Michael Noe and Joseph Consentino (Case #19-03) with respect to property located on **5 Walters Road**, in a **S2 District**.

This Application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow variance from frontage on Walter Rd providing 90' where 120' is required & lot area relief providing 13,085 where 15,000 sq. ft. is required coupled with any other further relief the Board may deem appropriate pursuant to Section 4.1.1.

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

BOARD OF APPEAL
Patrick J. Mulvehill, Chairman; Philip W. Riley, Barbara A. Kinter,
John R. Perry, Thomas Brady

Norwood Record, 2/28/19, 3/7/19

St. Jude's Novena

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

In gratitude for helping me.
—M.N.



Thank You Novenas For Favors or Prayers Answered

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.
Grateful thanks. —K.B.

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—J.H.

Miracle Prayer

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

—D.J.

All Prayers: \$22 (1 column x 3 inches)

Call 781-769-1725 to place your prayer in the **Norwood Record** or order online at www.norwoodrecord.com

MANY PRAYER CHOICES AVAILABLE

Legals

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with the requirements of Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:05 P.M. in the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan St., on the second floor in the Willett room. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on a Zoning Bylaw amendment to Section 3.0 Use Regulations, subsection G. Wholesale Business & Storage # (3) Open Lot Storage. The purpose of the amendment is to establish a temporary moratorium on Open Lot Storage of Vehicles. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment is on file in the Planning Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Ernie Paciorkowski, Clerk

Norwood Record, 3/7/19, 3/14/19

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with the requirements of Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. in the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan St., on the second floor in the Willett room. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on a draft amendment to section 9.0 Special District Regulations, subsection 9.4 Downtown Apartment Overlay District, by deleting all of section 9.4 and inserting a new section 9.4 entitled: Mixed Use Overlay District (MUOD). The proposed Mixed Use Overlay District is to encourage mixed use, commercial on the ground floor and residential development on the second and third floors, in the Central Business District. The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment is on file in the Planning Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Ernie Paciorkowski, Clerk

Norwood Record, 3/7/19, 3/14/19

SENIOR NEWS

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 12:45 PM to 3:00 PM, \$5.00 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1.00, with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 PM to play the new game!

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Walpole VNA will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 AM. Walpole VNA on the 5th.

BOOK CLUB: Our next Book Club will be meeting on March 18, at the senior center.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9:00 AM, in the Library.

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 1:00 PM.

COUNCIL ON AGING: COA Board Meeting will be held on March 7, at 1:00 PM.

CRIBBAGE: Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 PM to play cribbage. New Class on Fridays at 12:45 (except the 4th Friday)

DIGITAL PHOTO ORGANIZATION & EDITING: will take place the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 11:30 AM.

FOOT DOCTOR: Dr. Michael Mitri is

scheduled to be here on March 8th. \$35.00 charge-call to schedule an appointment.

DRAWING WITH COLORED PENCILS- Classes held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 11AM-12:15PM. \$3.00 a session all materials included.

FRIENDS EVENING DANCE: March 15th, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM, The DB Band.

GLEE CLUB: Glee Club meets every Tuesday at 11:15 AM.

HANDCRAFTERS: Handcrafters meet every Monday from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM.

HEARING SOLUTIONS: Hearing Aide clinic on Wednesday, March 27th 11:30AM.

Learn to play Mah Jong -Thursdays and Fridays at 12:30 PM.

Line Dance Classes are held each Tuesday. Class will be held from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

MAH JONG: Mah Jong players meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:00 AM - Noon.

Manicures: Friday-March 22nd at 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB: The Board of Directors meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 10:30AM, at the Senior Center. The Club Membership meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Norwood Elks Lodge, at 10:00 AM.

SCRABBLE: Thursday afternoons at 1:00 PM. Come and join us for a game.

SHINE: We have two SHINE Counselors. Carole is here to help you with your medical insurance needs on Tuesdays from 10:00 AM. - 2:00 PM. Amy will be here on Fridays from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointment.

TAP DANCE-Thursdays at 11:15 AM. All levels are welcome and encouraged to join the fun.

TRIAD: Monday, March 18, 1PM, Town Manager Tony Mazzucco.

WATER COLOR: The next session is scheduled for Thursday, March 14, at 9:00 AM. Payment of \$20.00 must be made at time of sign up.

WAXING with Erin: March 18, Monday 9:00 AM - Noon.

WHIST: Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 PM, in the library.

Norwood Memory Café, Inc. Thursday, March 21, 1:30 PM—3:30 PM A monthly social gathering with caregivers and their loved ones who are living with memory changes. For more information and to volunteer, please contact Jean Cotton, MS, Gerontology, C.D.P. at Je7cot@msn.com or call 1-781-762-1611. www.norwoodmemorycafe.com

March Events

Gary Hylander Friday, March 8th @ 1PM.

Annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, Thursday, March 14th Doors Open-11:30AM, Entertainment by Mike Reynolds. Sponsored by the Norwood Women's Club \$10.00.

Glee Club St. Patrick's Day Concert, Friday, March 15th @ 1PM.

TRIAD, Monday, March 18th @1PM, Town Manager- Tony Mazzucco.

"Conversation with the Chief", Chief Brooks -Norwood Police Dept., Thursday, March 28th at 1PM.

Civil War Talk by Jack Kelly, Monday, March 25th @ 1PM.

New Afternoon Line Dance, Friday, March 29th 1PM-3PM -\$5.00.

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BERNARD

Robert E. 91, of Needham, formerly of Westwood and Norwood, passed away peacefully on March 2, 2019.

Beloved husband of the late Sally (Dunigan) Bernard. Survived by his six loving children, Tracy Burns and her husband Loren of Seattle, WA, Timothy Bernard and his wife Mindy of Needham, Jeffrey Bernard of Manchester, NH, Suzanne Handley and her husband Paul of Grantham, NH, Nansie Bernard and her late partner Joe Scavuzzo of Manhattan, NY, and Kathryn Perkins and her husband Christopher Perkins, MD of Walpole. Cherished grandfather of Chelsea and Keegan Burns; John, Matthew, Stephen, Michael, Caitlyn, Robert, and William Bernard; Patrick, Carly, and Denery Noone; Sarah, Sean and Hannah Perkins. Twin brother of Robertine Stephanek and her husband Peter of Osterville and brother of the late Audrey O'Brien and her late husband John O'Brien. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Served his country in the Navy during WWII. Robert then went on to graduate from Boston College. After graduation he worked in the office products industry and was the founder and CEO of Yankee Sales Associates. Robert was an avid Boston College football fan, loved traveling, cycling, and spending time with his family. He was an enthusiastic life long reader of both fact and fiction. Funeral services from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rte. 1A), Norwood. Interment will be private. Expression of sympathy may be made in memory of Robert Bernard to The National MS Society, 101A 1st Ave. Waltham, Ma. 02451.



DEATHS

DISKIN

Thomas F. of Norwood, passed away peacefully on February 28, 2019. He was 84 years of age. Beloved husband of Anne (Dwyer) Diskin. Loving father of Dorothy Diskin of Franklin, Kathleen Brown of Canton and Carolyn Gayton and her husband Ronald of N. Attleboro. Cherished grandfather of Erin, Kathleen, Courtney, Michael, Sydney and Morgan. Proud great-grandfather of Lily, Elise, Kendall and Benjamin. Devoted brother of Patricia Rose, Gertrude Diskin, Dorothy Lynch and the late John Diskin, SJ. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rte. 1A), Norwood. Interment will be private at a later date in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Thomas Diskin may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215-5450.

EARLEY

Barbara M. Of Norwood, formerly of Roxbury, in Longmeadow on February 20, 2019. Beloved daughter of the late William Gabriel Earley and Mary Agnes (Medus) Earley. Devoted sister and sister-in-law to Dorothy "Dottie" and Nicholas Orecchio of Longmeadow. Devoted sister to the late Helen E. Earley, Mary E. Griffin, Eleanor T. Earley, Adele A. Henehan, and Catherine F. Judge. Beloved aunt of Dr. Joan E. Tannenbaum, George Griffin, and William T. Henehan and the late Atty. Margaret E. Henehan. Master of the late Irish Setter "Mary the Rose of Tralee". Retired secretary in the insurance field. Funeral from the Forastiere Smith Funeral Home, 220 North Main St., EAST LONGMEADOW.

FARRELL

Mildred P (Millie) of Norwood, formerly of West Roxbury and Hyde Park, passed away on February 27, 2019, at the age of 87. Beloved wife of the late James Farrell. Devoted mother of James and Loretta Farrell of Hyde Park, Jeanne Rogers of Norwood, Janet Drouin of Norwood, Jeffrey and Darlene Farrell of Dedham, and Jay and Trisha Farrell of Mansfield. Cherished grandmother of Derek

Creaser, Madison Farrell, Jaymes Farrell, Jeffrey Farrell, Samantha Farrell, MacKenzie Farrell, and Jonathan Farrell. Cherished great-grandmother of Jason and Kyle Creaser. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late William P. and Phyllis (Ewing) Slattery. Millie was a member of the Elk's Emblem Club, the Night Owls bowling team and volunteered at the Norwood Ecumenical Food Pantry. She was very active at the Norwood Senior Center where she volunteered, organized craft fairs, and staged variety shows. Millie loved people, dancing, parties, and spending time with her family. In the summer months, you would find Millie with family and friends at her Scituate cottage. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062 or the Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood, 150 Chapel St, Norwood, MA 02062.

KING

Ruth C. (McDonough) Of Norwood, passed away on February 28, 2019, at the age of 98. Beloved wife of the late Henry W. King. Devoted mother of Henry W. King, Jr. and his wife Diane of Hanover and Bridgewater, Elizabeth Dorgan and her husband Stephen of Stoughton, Barbara Vail and her husband William of Norwood, David J. King and his wife Carmen of Stoughton, and Peter F. King and his wife Stacey of Norwood. Born in Dedham, daughter of the late John F. and May W. (Campbell) McDonough. Sister of the late John McDonough, Elizabeth Harrington, Thomas McDonough, Richard McDonough, and Robert McDonough. Cherished grandmother of Kevin King and his wife Christine, David King, Penny King, Ann Fiske and her husband Evan, Michael O'Neil and his wife Christina, Katharine Richall and husband Justin, Christine King, Peter "PJ" King, Brian King, and 5 great-grandchildren. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Ruth was a lifelong Red Sox fan and loved to bowl and

travel. She retired from New England Telephone after 38 years. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD. Burial at Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham, MA. A special note of thanks to the staff at Baypointe for their loving care of our mother. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Baypointe Rehabilitation Center Activities Fund, 50 Christy's Place, Brockton, MA 02301. kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com. Family Owned And Operated 781-762-0482.

PITTS

MARGARET F (Lynch) of Brighton and Needham passed away on March 1, 2019 at the age of 92. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Wilson Pitts. Devoted mother of Margaret F. Lynch of Walpole and William J. Pitts and his wife Patricia of PA. Sister of the late Francis Lynch, Thomas Lynch and Helena Hurt. Sister in Law of Albert Pitts and his wife Joanne of Milford and Anne Pitts of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Sean Abely, Kevin Abely, Erin Panica and 2nd LT. Joseph W. Pitts USAF. Great grandmother of Kayla, Emma, Cole, Max, Brian and Nicole. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late Francis and Isabella (Murphy) Lynch. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood, MA. At the request of the family all services will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Assoc. 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham, MA 02452.

RIDIKAS

BRIAN J. a lifelong resident of Norwood passed away on March 2, 2019 at the age of 52. Beloved husband of Kim L. (Picchi) Ridikas. Devoted father of Paul J. Ridikas of Norwood and the late Joseph P. Ridikas. Loving brother of Lynne Marie Carlson of Maine. Uncle of Lisa Carlson of Maine. Nephew of Elena and Alytis Narkevicius of Norwood. Brian was a graduate of Blue Hill's Regional High School and a longtime employee for the Town of Norwood Housing Authority, Maintenance Dept. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 www.dana-farber.org

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