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The Town is looking to buy and demolish these three properties on Washington Street over by the Coakley Middle School, shown on the left.

### COURTESY PHOTO Town Meeting to vote on South Norwood land acquisition

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

While the terminology includes the phrase, 'By Eminent Domain,' Town officials emphasized last week that the \$2.5 million appropriation for purchasing three parcels near the Coakley Middle School would be used for a negotiated purchase of said parcels.

Many residents complained of being 'blindsided' by seeing the article on the Town Meeting Warrant. That feeling was exacerbated during a recent School Committee meeting when the Committee stated that the article to purchase the three parcels did not come from them.

nated during a 2021 meeting of the Middle School Building Committee, which is tasked with overseeing the long process of replacing the Coakley Middle School.

Article 12 would appropriate \$2.5 million in borrowing for the purchase and demolition of residential structures on 1271 Washington St., 1281 Washington St. and 1297 Washington St. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said during last week's Town Meeting information session for the upcoming Nov. 14 Town Meeting that two of these three parcels' owners are looking to sell, and that the Town wants to get funding mechanisms ready so that it can make the

The idea actually origi- purchases. Mazzucco added that the Town already has tentative agreements with two of the three property owners.

> These three parcels would encapsulate the Coakley Middle School with public land, further making it easier to run programming there as well as, according to Mazzucco, increase accessibility and renovation options for the Morse House (which is adjacent to two of these properties).

> "If you think about what's happening in that area, even though it's not required for the Middle School project, there's a \$150 million middle school

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The Norwood Conservation Commission approved a catch basin at the Big Y location last week.

COURTESY PHOTO

## **ConCom** approves contentious Big Y catch basins

#### Mary Ellen Gambon Staff Reporter

The Conservation Commission (ConCom) at its Nov. 2 hybrid meeting approved a certificate of compliance for catch basins at two landscaping islands at the newly constructed Big Y supermarket at 420-442 Walpole St. after the applicant argued that the commission previously approved the plans before construction.

At the previous meeting two weeks before, commission members expressed concerns that the stormwater management design appeared to direct water into one catch basin before it had the chance to infiltrate the soil of the island's rain garden. Members also noted the same design at a second island.

Stan Glantz, the vice president of development and construction for real estate investment company KPR Centers, explained that his company, along with a partner, had purchased the shopping plaza from

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going up and the area will be getting used more," he said. "The fifth graders are moving there meaning more students there, and it's adjacent to the Endean recreation area. The Community Garden is growing, we've planted an orchard there; there's a food forest going in there, Hawes Pool is undergoing a \$4-million-to-\$5million renovation there, and we've expanded the trail network around the area. The Space Center is getting 150 apartment units there in a year or two and a half a mile down the road Cooper Park is going to be developed. So there's a lot going on in this area."

Mazzucco said parking and other space in the area is limited, and so it makes sense for the Town to have the land to use for recreation, parking, or something else.

"The Town generally tries to acquire properties adjacent to its holdings when it's able to," he said.

Mazzucco said the terminology of eminent domain is required for any landitaking by the Town, but he said this would be what is known as a 'friendly land-taking,' in that the Town is not looking to take the properties without the consent of the current owners.

"That doesn't mean that the Town storms in, takes somebody's property and says, 'Aha! We've taken your property," he said. "The Town can go through an eminent domain process if we have a strong public need for something, e.g. a road or public safety building or something like that."

Mazzucco said the language is included usually for easements - like a sewer easement - and it allows the Town to get a clean title from the friendly taking.

"It's just a legal mechanism," he said. "We're not barging in and stealing anyone's property."

Mazzucco pointed out that the Town wanted to purchase 1271 Washington years ago, but was stopped when the current owner bought it instead.

"And we've been in discussions with one of the other owners in the past," he said. "This has been one of those things where over the last 20 or 30 years, the Town has looked at and said, 'We should probably do this,' and now two of them are for sale just as all this other activity is going on, and so the time is really right."

Mazzucco said they have not finalized the price with the two in tentative agreements. "And we'll continue to try on the third one, they just haven't expressed any interest as of yet," he said.

Selectman Bob Donnelly said he was one of those folks who felt the acquisition kind of came out of left field. "And I've had that comment thrown at me from other folks, with a, 'Why now, and where is this coming from?" he said.

Donnelly said Selectman and MSBC member Matt Lane sent him the minutes from the meeting last year where this was originally discussed and he said it was a lengthy discussion.

"The decision was made to disassociate it directly from the building project, but at some point when the owners were willing to sell, I think it would be something that the Town should look at," he said. "This did convince me that this is not a left field idea. This is

something that's been on the table for over a year and, as Tony indicated, has been considered in previous years as well. I just wanted to put that to rest."

Historical Commission member Toni Eosco said this would be a great opportunity to at least highlight the Morse House if not support the rehabilitation of the historic property.

"I would hope that any plan to move forward with those parcels respects the dignity and historic value of the Morse House, and I don't mean as it stands alone but in any way it's incorporated into a development plan or a master plan for that section of Norwood," she said. "I agree there's a lot going on there and it would be very beautiful to see as you come in from Walpole a rehabilitated Morse House instead of all you see now. That would be a much prettier gateway."

Mazzucco said it was not out of the realm of possibility.

"I think you're only going to see an enhanced use of the Morse House by acquiring the properties adjacent to it," he said. "The property next to Hawes, I could see this likely becoming parking. More parking in the Morse House area would only be helpful. The Morse House is probably going to end up looking a lot more prominent than it currently does. I only see the Morse House benefiting from this."

Town Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 14 at the Norwood High School Auditorium at 245 Nichols St. Go to https://bit.ly/3ThDeT5 for more information on agenda items and other documents.

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### November 10, 2022 Board of Selectmen approve Mama's, karaoke and birthday party

#### Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met at Norwood Town Hall on Nov. 8 and approved four licenses for the new Mama's Restaurant at 175-179 Railroad Ave (formerly the Shamrock Pub).

The Board approved an all-alcohol liquor license, a common victualler license, a weekday and Sunday entertainment license and a boarding house license.

The boarding house license is a carryover from the Shamrock's Pub. The prospective new owner of the site, Elias Akiki, said he wanted to keep all of these licenses since the previous bar had them as well, including maintaining the ability to have live music. "I've spoken to the previous owner and she has connected us with the people they used to use for the entertainment," he said.

Attorney John Paul Thomas represented Akiki and said he was born and raised in neighboring Dedham. "He's got strong ties to the Norwood community; he owns several properties here in Norwood and he's continuously improved each property as he purchases them," he said. "He certainly would like to be a stronger presence in both the residential and commercial community here in Norwood, with the hopes of creating more jobs, especially in the neighborhood."

According to the rendering Thomas and Akiki showed the Board, they are looking to lighten up the bar with bigger windows and a more Italian feel than the current layout.

"We're going to eliminate that 80s fogged up glass secret club look and we're going to open it up so that you can just look inside and at a glance see what's going on," he said. "We want it to be welcoming and friendly, and it looks like the frames for those windows are already there, they just got built over." also asked about outdoor dining, since the rendering Akiki showed seemed to indicate that was an option.

"We would want to participate in anything the community thought would be a good idea, welcomed and is allowable," he said. "If it is, then we would like to do that."

In other news, the Board approved a one-day wine and malt beverages license for the Barrel House Z's Holiday Shopping event on Nov. 12 from noon until 4 p.m. with about 300 guests expected throughout the day at 61 Endicott St.

The Board also approved a one-day malt and wine beverage license birthday party on Nov. 19 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at 61 Endicott St. unit 225, with about 50 guests expected. The Board voted to modify the original request from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. to 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Selectman Matt Lane said he felt it was a bit too late for the event.

"There are certain hours we have no control over when the license can operate, but they can't operate from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m., and I assume that goes for one-day licenses as well," Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko said.

The Board welcomed new Human Resources Director Lisa Uglialoro. Uglialoro said she's coming from the same position in her hometown (Ashland) after having worked in education and consulting.

"I have a passion for human resources and managing this really important resource; it's the one that you spend the most money on as a Town and it affects everything you can do," she said. "To me, it's super super critical. So my philosophy is that human resources is risk management. We want to manage a risk for the Town from that perspective, and make sure this resource is the best that it can be. Giving people the opportunity to be successful and everything I do falls under that philosophy." The Board also interviewed incoming Town Building Inspector Gary Pelletier, who is taking over for the late Matt Walsh. Pelletier has experience in Millis and Medfield working as a building inspector said he's excited to get started in Norwood. Plasko pointed out that the Moderna expansion and the hospital rebuild will be big projects for him, along with the new middle school.

"Tony had mentioned that (the new school) and I was sort of waiting for the schedule so I could get in on some of those meetings. I'm looking forward to that too," Pelletier said.

Plasko said with everything going on in the Town, Pelletier will have his hands full.

"There's a lot to be looking forward to and you won't be resting for a few years," he said with a laugh.

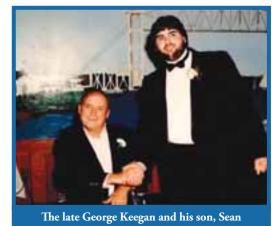
The Board of Selectmen will meetg again at the Norwood Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 29. For more information on the Board and to see the latest agendas, go to the Town's website at https://bit.ly/3NSB8bd.





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Akiki said originally they wanted to go with a slightly different name.

"We originally wanted to name it, 'Mother's,' because mothers are important to us, as they should be," he said. "But unfortunately someone had already taken that name, and so we had to evolve it into Momma's."

Selectman Amanda Grow

### Page 4 **A Town Meeting Primer**

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Fall Special Town commences this Monday, Nov. 14 at the Norwood High School Auditorium, set for a prompt start

at 6:30 p.m. (if a quorum can be reached quickly). The big ticket items include a special petition from the developers at VGP to rezone the site at 259 Lenox St. (Site of the Savogen building) to allow a new multi-family zone. The new zoning, if approved, would allow for about 150 units of rental housing to be placed right next to the Norwood Central MBTA Commuter Rail Stop.

The proposed Multi-Family Transit Overlay District (MTOD) is a special petition from the developer. The proposed rezoning would allow for the 150-unit building with a maximum height of five stories or 55 feet in area and would allow for an 80 percent maximum lot coverage. The zoning would require 30 percent of the area be designated for open space and would have front and side yard setbacks of 20 feet, with a 15 foot rear yard setback.

The building height would be restricted by its proximity to Lenox St., meaning the area facing the street must be set at 40 feet rather than the maximum 55. This is designed to prevent a canyon effect on the street and reduce shadow impact.

The zoning also requires that renewable energy equipment including shades and solar panels be included and would not impact the overall building height (elevator mechanical buildings, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning [HVAC] units as examples).

It should be noted that while this will increase Norwood's multi-family unit count, it will not necessarily count toward the 3A MBTA Communities Act requirement.

This plan was originally proposed at the Spring Annual Town Meeting, but TM members felt that the Planning Board needed to review the plan in more detail. This proposal includes Articles 15 and 16, with 15 being the zoning requirements and 16 detailing the actual location and dimensions of the new overlay.

In a slightly related note, Article 13 will commission the Town to create an overall Master Plan that would detail the Town's wants and needs for future development and design. The idea, according to Town officials, is that Norwood's overall planning and development is being dictated to the Town by developers and other outside interests in a piecemeal fashion. This would lay out what the Town wants and allow the Town to tell a developer or outside interest what the Town wants.

According to Town Manager Tony Mazzucco, it will also give the Town more leverage when applying for grants, being that if the Town is already asking for certain things detailed in a particular grant, the need will weigh more heavily on the approval process.

The Town is also asking to spend about \$14.6 million in capital funding projects this year. Most of the items will be purchased via borrowing. Some of the larger ticket items – such as the proposed relining and replacing of water mains and sewer mains – will be refunded by the state. Some of the bigger items include two new fire ambulances at \$1.1 million total that will use both borrowed money and ambulance receipts to pay for them. Mazzucco said that the Town is wearing out ambulances faster since they have to drive farther than the Norwood Hospital every run to bring patients to where they need to go.

Another large purchase includes an additional \$1.4 million for the Norwood Public Safety Building's HVAC improvements. It was previously approved and funded in fiscal year 2022 for \$4 million, but according to construction workers on the project and the Town's Energy Manager and Facilities Department, increasing prices in costs and materials - like heat pumps – have driven up the total cost of the project.

### Letters to the Editor

#### **DENSITY INCREASES** WILL CAUSE CHAOS

To the Editor:

In this era of construction of even more apartment units, a new middle school, and capital outlay projects more expensive than ever before, one might wonder exactly what Norwood taxpayers are getting in return for their tax dollars, especially in today's difficult economic times of unprecedented high inflation?

What about the Multi-Family Transit Law that the Legislature and Department of Housing and Economic Development want to push for Norwood and other cities and towns (175 out of 351) near train transit hubs for each to build at least 2,000 more housing units to take care of the so-called housing crisis in the Commonwealth? Is it to replace 40B so developers can make obscene profits? Are developers running the economic development train? Remember, developers also receive state (taxpayer) subsidies. And why did the Legislature change the vote for this law to pass from 2/3% of Town Meeting Members to a simple majority? "Follow the Money."

Norwood has three train stations. What should be an asset turns out to be a liability. If this Multi-Family Transit Overlay District Article is passed at Town Meeting, it will transform the beauty and quality of life in Norwood forever as the number of apartment units and the maximum height of five stories are unfathomable. Is this what residents want this Town to look like in future? High rises and high rents? Will Norwood become a transient community? It is only 10.54 square miles in size compared to surrounding towns and yet, it has a higher population of almost 32,000. People come here because they like it, change it, and then leave.

A Multi-Family Transit Overlay District will also bring an increase in students and already, Norwood schools have reached their capacity. Not only that, but the Covid-19 pandemic caused a major decline in the education of students, and they will be in catch-up mode for a long time. The shutdown and the fact that 56% of Norwood's school population has high or special needs with school costs going through the roof could be reasons why Norwood's school rating isn't as high as it should be.

What are Norwood High students' future plans for college, trade school or employment? Are students and parents prepared for what lies ahead? Whatever happened to the broad range of the human experiences of Literature, Philosophy, American History and the Constitution, Music, Art, Geography that offer so many perspectives and insights into the moral and ethical challenges of human aspiration, people and society, nourishing the mind on how to think, and the search for truth and justice? To strive for academic excellence, achieve higher grades and school ratings, Norwood schools must require more from its students.

A Master Plan is wonderful, but is it too late because of all the proposed plans for construction? While economic development is prevalent on the minds of Town Officials, it also is necessary for them to be mindful of the preservation of historical homes and buildings that transformed Norwood from a village into a small and beautiful New England town. What is their vision? What are the short- and long-term goals for the Town of Norwood we love so much? They must tell us. We need to know.

Construction to increase this Town's density and population will not help. It will only cause chaos, leaving those residents who remain here to struggle to pick up the pieces to deal with it all.

> Judith Howard Norwood Historical Commission

### More details on Norwood 150th **November Program**

On Thursday, November America East conference. 10, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, a knowledgeable panel will lead "A Celebration of Women in Sports" in the George S. Usevitch Lecture Room of the Norwood High School. Panelists will include:

Alison Justine Dixon Baranowski is currently a Registered Nurse at Norwood Hospital. She graduated from Norwood High School in 1997, having played soccer, volleyball, and track, and been cocaptain of the girls' basketball team. She was on Student Council and Students Against Drunk Driving, and she was voted Most Gullible. (You might ask her about that.) At

Sheila Brown is a pioneer in women's skating coach. In the 1970s, she started coaching girls in the Norwood Nuggets Youth Hockey program, which had been founded in 1963. Back then, a third of the youth participants were girls. She also had a hockey radio show in the same period.

Patricia J. "Trisha" Brown graduated from Norwood High School in 1983, having been co-captain of girls' basketball (which were champions of the Bay State League), tri-captain of girls' soccer, a member of the softball team, and yearbook editor. She was a class officer and voted Most Athletic. Four

nomics and joined the coaching staff of Harvard women's basketball. She has served as women's basketball coach at Stonehill for more than two decades, having added titles and responsibilities for the larger athletic department along the way. Earlier this year, she became the second Stonehill women's basketball coach to amass 400 career wins.

Ali Maloof graduated from Norwood High School in 2011. She was co-captain of the girls' hockey team, described in the Tiot yearbook as the "most successful season in Norwood history." At Southern New Hampshire University, she became a standout in softball, where she qualified for all-region and all-conference (Northeast 10) honors, including recognition as Pitcher of the Year as a senior. In 2021, she was hired as head softball coach at Stonehill College. On Friday, November 11, Norwood's Veterans' Day celebration will begin with a Veterans' Recognition Mass at St. Catherine's on Washington Street at 8:00 am. Parade units will assemble at the Balch Elementary School at 9:30 am, step off at 10:00 am, and proceed along Washington Street to the Town Common. Ceremonies and observances will

For more details on Town Meeting's items next week, go to https://bit.ly/3EhDsoJ.

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### Welcome the new Building Inspector

#### Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

Norwood's new building inspector Gary Pelletier came from where many building inspectors come from which is, essentially, the field of building things.

"I was a builder for 20 years and have been in that arena since about 2000," he said. "My father was a contractor so I'm second generation. It's just something I grew up with.'

Pelletier said he comes to Norwood from working in Medfield and before that in Millis, which he said was a bit more spread out than his current working territory.

"I wouldn't call them farm communities, but the population, well it's a lot less densely populated than Norwood," he said. "Norwood has a lot more tighterknit neighborhoods, smaller lots and more industries, and so considerably different."

He added the Town does remind him of where he grew up, however.

"I grew up in Woburn and in my opinion Norwood is a sort of miniature version of the City of Woburn," he said. "At least in terms of how it's laid out and its relationship with older school neighborhoods and commercial and industry."

Pelletier said he's found the Town very welcoming and engaging so far.

"I'm very excited to be here in Norwood, and I think it's a great Town," he said. "There's a few things going on in the Building Department, something about a hospital and a little drug company up the street might keep me busy. I'm just very excited to be here. The staff have been great and very welcoming showing me the ropes. And there has been very little hazing so far, so I appreciate that very much."

Pelletier said while he enjoyed working in construction, he felt that after a while, the labor was becoming tough to deal with and so, like many builders before him, he got into the inspection business.

"It's a good line of work if you've been in construction for a good portion of your life like I have and you want to stay in that arena," he said. "Most of the building officials I know came from the construction side of it, came from being a contractor and wanted to stay in that field, because that's what they knew. But at 54 years old, you get a little tired of climbing on roofs in December. There's just not a lot of longevity there, but being a building official at least allowed me to stay in an arena I'm familiar with, that I enjoy and I understand."

Pelletier said he applied to Matt Walsh, who passed away in March.



#### Gary Pelletier

"Matt Walsh's passing was sad for everyone. I knew him professionally and obviously he left the Town of Norwood without a Building Commissioner," he said. "I was the building commissioner in Medfield since 2018 and before that the deputy commissioner in Millis since 2015, and I was interested in the Town and applied for the position and was fortunate enough to have been hired."

Pelletier said he's only been in Norwood for a few weeks now and is just getting his bearings, but so far he said he's found it to be enjoyable. He said even though he's very new in the position, he's hit the ground running.

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Cedar Realty Trust in July. KPR subsequently sold it to Palm Norwood LLC in October. Since that time, KPR has been providing property management expertise to the new owner.

"These two islands here have been the point of, I guess, contention or question as to their functionality during our acquisition of the property," he said, noting that all redevelopment plans had previously been approved by the Town of Norwood.

Civil engineering firm Bohler Engineering noted that the construction complied with those plans in a letter dated June 27, Glantz added, after the property was surveyed. While the letter noted some incomplete work, "storm drainage in the islands was not one of them."

Glantz said he had walked the site with Holly Jones, the Town's conservation agent and environmental planner, on Aug. 17.

"At the time, Ms. Jones noted that the catch basin systems and islands looked like they were built in accordance with the approved plans," he continued, but said she wanted to review the plans in her office "because she had hoped the islands would provide more recharge before overflowing into the catch basins."

Glantz stressed several times that everything had been constructed by the previously approved plans. He added that the company was asked by the commission to raise the lip of the catch basins by approximately one inch before the certificate could be issued. After consulting with Bohler, he said that there would be "little additional recharge" if that change were made.

Glantz expressed concerns that this change would cause water ponding in the parking lot. During the winter, the water would freeze, potentially creating a liability for falls in two adjacent parking spaces. To create better recharge, the islands and stormwater management system would have to be reconstructed, which would take away parking spaces and cause the company to incur more construction costs. Big Y and other tenants would have to approve potential changes to the parking lot design.

"The storm system is working as designed," Glantz stressed. "It's a great improvement from the previous condition where water was simply sheet flowing into Hawes Brook."

Jones countered that the applicant was not asked to raise the catch basin lips by one inch.

"You were asked to provide a solution that would allow for more infiltration," she said.

Glantz said twice more that the plans were approved by the Town.

Jones replied that the basin plans "showed very little detail" and that the design "doesn't conform with the intent of the plan that was approved."

ConCom Chair Stephen Washburn said that, at the time of approval, the design was "being promoted as a viable and effective solution." He added that moving the islands "would be such an incredible effort" in the new parking lot.

**Commissioner** Catherine Walsh said the catch basins were installed where the plans indicated. And even if the catch basins were moved, there would not likely be an increased level of filtration.

"I don't know what our end game is here," she said. "We approved the plan."

Washburn and Walsh agreed that the certificate of compliance should be approved because of compliance with the original plan. It was considered a teachable moment for ConCom about the level of detail that should be sought on future plans.

"Maybe there's a takeaway for us as a commission," Walsh said.

In other news, ConCom again continued the hearing for the expansion of Home Mar-

ket Foods at 140 Morgan Dr. until the next meeting on Nov. 16, citing the need for further information.

William Sexton from environmental consultant company Verdantas represented the applicant. He described the project, which includes an addition to a wastewater treatment and water equalization tank as well as two building additions, one for wastewater treatment equipment and the other for refrigeration equipment. There would also be a wetlands restoration area located on the property's southwestern corner.

Sexton said that since the last meeting, the stormwater basin was redesigned to prevent encroachment into the easement. Instead of grading over the easement area, he proposed a boulder retaining wall just outside of the easement.

Jones suggested redesigning it with interlocking block to improve stability.

The commission also asked for a planting plan for the wetlands replication site to include shrubs and a wetland seed mix rather than a re-creation of the species of plants that already exist there.

"I don't think we're going to get past this without absolutes," Washburn said.

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take place at 10:45 am on the Town Common. A collation (a small meal) will be offered at 11:45 am at the VFW Post 2451 on Dean Street. In the afternoon, a program will be held on from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, at the Old Parish Cemetery, 480 Washington Street Rear.

On Tuesday, November 15, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, the Norwood Historical Society will present a Book Group discussion of "The Children's Librarian" by A. Heppler. The free discussion will take place at the F. Holland Day House, 93 Day Street. To request more details or express interest, go to info@norwoodhistoricalsociety.org.

On Saturday, November 26, at 1:00 pm, the Norwood Hall of Fame will conduct its annual event at Norwood High School at 245 Nichols Street. Norwood's 150th anniversary provides a good occasion to increase the number of inductees, and there will be 11 new members inducted at this ceremony. The public is invited.

The Norwood Hall of Fame honoring Norwood High School athletes began in the early to mid-1920s. The first women athletes honored appear to have been the 1969 swim team, while the woman honoree with the longest term of service to Norwood High School athletics is Coach Cathy Burt Shachoy, who was coach of field hockey and softball from 1972 to 2009.

On Sunday, November 27, three days after Thanksgiving, there will be a Holiday Stroll.

#### DATA ENTRY CLERK/EVALUATION (LOCALLY) Regal Plumbing, LLC, Norwood, MA

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#### TOWN OF NORWOOD

LOCAL TAX LEVY PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Selectmen has scheduled a public hearing on Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 7:15pm, in the Harry B. Butters Chambers, Room 34, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, Norwood, concerning the percentages of fiscal 2023 tax levy to be borne by each class of property, in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56, as amended by Chapter 369 of the Acts of 1982, and Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1983.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN William J. Plasko, Chairman





For the members of the Women's Community Committee, one of the happiest and most anticipated days of the year is the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Why? It's the Thrift Shop's annual Christmas Sale!

This year, the Thrift Shop, located at 1091 Washington Street in Norwood, will be magically transformed into a winter wonderland on November 26, 2022 at 9:30am. and will continue thru December 22nd.

> Regular retail hours are: Wednesdays 6-8pm, Thursdays 9:30am-3:00pm & Saturdays 9:30am-12:30pm.

All year, a team of women sort through the weekly donations, cull out the Christmas items and pack them away until the sale. The sale features new items, ornaments, decorations, games, toys, holiday clothing, tablecloths, tree skirts, dishes and lots more!

The Women's Community, a volunteer non-profit organization, hopes that this Christmas Sale is one of the first stops for your holiday gift buying. All proceeds are used to support local organizations.





The Circle of Hope is once again looking to light up the Norwood Town Common with thousands of memories of those who came before.

COURTESY PHOTO

### **COH Luminaries returning once again**

ally helps everyone in

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Circle of Hope (COH) will be once again lighting up the Common this year on Dec. 3 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. with its decades-long celebration of light and memories.

COH President Tim McDonough said nothing has stopped the group in 21 years from hosting the outdoor festival of light. "Even during the pandemic, we did a scaleddown version of it," he said.

The night celebrates the memory of someone or something special to you and light the candle alongside the memories of hundreds of other Norwood residents. McDonough said it's a powerful image.

"It means so much to so many people," he said. "Remembering loved ones and contributing to a cause that reNorwood. It all comes together that evening. I've been getting a lot of donations through Town Hall and I fill out the bags, and every year I'm amazed. It's not just remembering people, but celebrating milestones, accomplishments or getting over an illness. You know I had one this year remembering our founding fathers and mothers because Norwood's celebrating its 150th. I thought that was kind of unique."

The COH will be recognizing a big milestone next year, and McDonough said they're pulling out all the stops to make it a special time, especially during the group's signature event, Dancing with the Norwood Stars.

"Next year will be the COH's 25th year. The fact that we've been around 25 years is a little overwhelming considering our humble beginnings with one small donation and our volunteers from all walks of life," he said. "We have folks from the police department, the fire department, the health department and social services. Just all regular volunteers who started with the hopes and wishes of one young woman, Michelle Kennedy, and a promise made by her mother Lee. It's crazy to think 25 years."

The group has been able to raise and distribute more than \$1 million to local Norwood residents in need. The COH was set established by Lee Kennedy in memory of Michelle Kennedy, who passed away from cancer almost 25 years ago. Michelle

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has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court	
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE	22P2620EA
Estate of: Stanley D. Wharton N	orfolk Division
Date of Death: 09/01/2021	
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of	
Petitioner Katherine R. Wharton of Norwood, MA	
a Will has been admitted to informal probate	
Katherine R. Wharton of Norwood, MA	
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.	
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We have meetings with our department heads and I might meet with other departments like Planning, Zoning, Conservation Commission, and I'll certainly do a lot of work in conjunction with the fire department. I'll be responsible to review and issue building permits," he said. "We've got a lot under our belt." Pelletier said most inspections are unique to the work being performed and the building being inspected, so there's not really a routine that one falls into. "It could be a five-minute kitchen renovation final, which is fairly benign or it could be a 30-minute new construction framing inspection and so it really varies by the scope of the project," he said. "We have two completely different inspection codes for commercial and residential, and so there really isn't anything that would be a typical inspection." Pelletier said while he's not encountered anything he might term a "horror story," he nonetheless finds issues with some construction that he has to address, but said he tries to be informative rather than punitive. "The building code is really complex, it's very difficult to understand, certainly at the layman's level, and I think I speak for all building inspectors in that we try to educate contractors, whether they're residential or commercial and encourage them to be compliant with the code," he said. "There is a lot of building going on right now, and there are good builders, but at the end of the day we try to enforce the code as it is written. And some people are better at following the code than others."

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### Deaths

#### BONNER

Stephen M. of Norwood, formerly of Dedham, October 28, 2022. Age 31. Beloved son of Stephen and Marie Bonner of Norwood. Loving brother of Marykate Bonner, Shannon Bonner, Matthew Bonner, all of Norwood. Uncle of Ava Fogg. Grandson of Joanne Hemmer of Dedham and the late Helen Bonner. Also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral Mass was in St. Mary Church, Dedham on Saturday, November 5. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Stephen's memory to fenwayhealth.org. For online guestbook, gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham, 781 326 0500.

#### **KRUTIL**

Anna of Norwood, passed away on October 30, 2022, at the age of 95. Beloved wife of the late Karel Krutil. Devoted mother of Helena Magnarelli and her husband, Robert of Wrentham and Eva DiFilippo and her husband, Carmine of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Mark DiFilippo, Michael DiFilippo and his wife, Kelly DiFilippo, and Samantha Magnarelli. Daughter of the late Jan and Anna Vekrnov. Anna moved with her family from Czechoslovakia to the USA, and was an avid traveler. She was a retired nurse at the Brigham & Women's Hospital and had a heart of gold, spending a lot of her time knitting hats for cancer patients. She was very active at the Norwood Senior Center and was a longtime volunteer at Norwood Hospital, as well as a volunteer at the Boston Symphony Hall. She loved to cook, shop, listen to classical music, and spend time with her grandchildren, family, and friends. A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 10:30 am at St. Timothy Parish, 650 Nichols Street, Norwood, MA 02062. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, NORWOOD, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the

Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062.

#### **ORDWAY**



Kenneth H. "Kenny", of Dedham, passed away peacefully on Tuesday November 1, 2022 at age 56. Born in Jamaica Plain, he was the beloved son of the late Hammond W. Ordway, Jr., and Bernice M. (Waller). He was the loving brother of Linda M. Spognardi and her husband Ramon of Dedham. He was the proud uncle of Julie Cedrone and her husband David of Walpole, and great-uncle of Marc and Mitchell Cedrone. Kenny attended and was a graduate of the St. Coletta's Day School in Braintree, and worked many years for the Charles River Industries in Needham. A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Catherine of Siena Parish on Tuesday November 8, 2022. Private burial was at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Arrangements by Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Kenny's memory to Till, Inc. 20 Eastbrook Road, Suite 201, Dedham MA 02026 or see www.till.org.

#### ROSE

ROBERT Richard Jr. of Norwood, passed away on November 1, 2022 at the age of 73. Beloved son of Agnes G. (McKenna) Rose of Norwood and the late Robert Richard Rose. Loving brother of Ellen M. Norwood, MA 02062.

Donahue and her husband Gregory of Medway, Stephen Joseph Rose of Norwood and Brian Paul Rose of Walpole. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Robert was a US Air Force Vietnam Veteran. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062. A funeral mass was held on Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022 at St. Denis Parish, Westwood, MA. Burial with US Air Force Military Honors was at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the American Lung Assoc. 1661 Worcester Rd UNIT 301, Framingham, MA 01701 www.lung.org

#### **RYDZEWSKI**

Edward of Walpole, passed away on October 30, 2022, at the age of 61. Son of Thaddeus and Stephanie (Zaleski) Rydzewski of Walpole. Devoted father of Edward W. Rydzewski and his wife, Maggie of Norwood, William T. Rydzewski and his husband, John Michael King of Washington, DC, and Joseph M. Rydzewski of Norwood. Loving brother of Theresa Veno and her husband, Rick and Diane Evirs and her husband, James, Sr.; he is also survived by his former wife, Christine Rydzewski Engel; and many loving nieces and nephews. Ed was a 1979 graduate of Walpole High School. He loved spending afternoons on his deck, cooking meals for his family, and fishing. Some of Ed's most cherished memories were spent on the beaches of Cape Cod and attending his son's sporting events. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD. Burial will be private and held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the charity of your choice. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington Street

Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past

-D.J.



# Library Events

#### MUSICAL SUNDAYS CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES

The Musical Sundays Concert Series has returned to the Morrill Memorial Library! Please sign up for each show promptly, as these popular concerts tend to sell out. All concerts will be held on Sundays at 3:00 pm in the Morrill Memorial Library's Simoni Room and are supported by the Library Endowment Fund.

The next performance in our series, on Sunday, November 13, will be given by Sol y Canto. Sol y Canto is the award-winning Pan-Latin ensemble led by Puerto Rican/Argentine singer and percussionist Rosi Amador and New Mexican guitarist, singer and composer Brian Amador. Featuring Rosi's crystalline voice and Brian's lush Spanish guitar and inventive compositions, Sol y Canto is known for making their music accessible to Spanish- and non-Spanish speaking audiences of all ages. Sol y Canto's original songs are distinguished by poetic, often quirky lyrics set in a framework of varied musical styles with surprising twists. They can make you dance, laugh, cry and sigh all in one concert. Their arrangements of classic and contemporary Latin tunes are always fresh and original. With Brian's commanding, intricate guitar playing, Rosi's rhythmic drive on cajón and bongos, and liberal use of vocal improvisation, the duo often sounds like a much larger ensemble. Since 1994, Sol y Canto has brought audiences to their feet from the Kennedy Center to the California World Music Festival, Boston's Symphony Hall, Puerto Rico's Museo de Arte and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, as well as countless club shows and house concerts. The Boston Globe hails them as "sublime ambassadors of the Pan-Latin tradition".

The third concert in our Fall 2022 series, held on Sunday, November 20, will be renowned artist Marc Berger. Marc's life has been about pursuing twin passions: creating, recording and performing his original songs and exploring remote areas of the American West. He's performed at Austin's SXSW Music Festival and the Kerrville Folk Festival, opened for Bob Dylan and other national acts, and his song The Last One was a staple of Richie Havens' concerts. Marc's critically acclaimed album, RIDE, a collection of songs all having to do with the romance of the West has received national airplay and been licensed by STARBUCKS for worldwide in-store airplay. At this special concert, Marc will perform songs from the album and share some unforgettable stories about his experiences as an easterner in the mountain and desert West.

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

#### SENSORY-FRIENDLY FRIDAY

Join us for our Sensory-Friendly Friday Movie at the Library, a program specially designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday November 18, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our November movie in the Sensory-Friendly Friday series is the smash hit Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian rated PG. The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community. We will be showing a movie in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment on the last Friday of the month for adults with developmental disabilities. This program requires registration, and is intended only for attendees over the age of 18. Please sign up by visiting the Morrill Memorial Library's website, norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar or by calling 781-769-0200 x2.

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, humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make requist). 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.

St. Jude's Novena May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, lowed and preserved throughout the I have asked You for many world, now and forever. Safavours. This time, 1 ask you cred Heart of Jesus pray for us. this very special one (mention St. Jude, worker of miracles, favour). Take it, dear Heart of pray for us. St. Jude, helper of Jesus, and place it within Your the hopeless, pray for us. Say own broken heart where Your this prayer 9 times a day. By Father sees it. Then, in His the 9th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been merciful eyes, it will become known to fail. Publication Your favour, not mine. Amen. must be promised. Thank you Say for three days, promise St. Jude. My Prayers were anpublication and favour will be swered. granted.

In gratitude for helping me. -- I.H.

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

#### **CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP:** ETHEREAL FABRIC FLOWERS

The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to host an in-person unique program called Ethereal Fabric Flowers on Tuesday December 6th, from 6 pm to 7.30 pm. Dazzle your friends and family by learning how to create artificial flowers out of stocking (nylon) material. In this workshop, you will learn the art and techniques of stretching the stockings to create petals of different shapes. With the help of leaves and stems, you can arrange the petals to create a beautiful flower that you will take home. At the end of the event, you will feel confident to create your own flowers to adorn your home during the holidays. The instructor, Arati Paranjpe, is a Norwood resident, an interior designer, blogger, and a computer engineer. She is also an active member of the Norwood Cultural Council. Visit her website https://dhimahi.info/ for more information. This program is free of charge and open to everyone aged 18 and older. All materials will be provided. This program is being generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required, and starts on November 7th at 9 am. Please visit the Morrill Memorial Library events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/ morrillcalendar, or call the Reference desk at 781-769-0200 x2.



### **October Citizens of the Month!**

Congratulations to the October winners of Dr. Philip O. Coakley Middle School's Citizen of the Month award. These students exemplify the school's mission statement and are chosen by the teachers and staff.

Grade 8: Bobby Griffin, Raegan Curran, Madison Barker, Olivia Cullen (missing from photo):

Grade 7: Aly O'Neil, Melanie Cronin, Joey Amendola: Grade 6: Courtney Reen, Sankalp Kommera, Samantha Guido-Dominguez.

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fought with the help of her friends and family, and said at the time that she was so grateful for the support she got, and wanted to make sure others would have that kind of support to get through what could be the toughest time in a person's life. Michelle didn't get to see that promise fulfilled, but her mother Lee did. And with the help of volunteers, the COH has continued to anonymously donate to dozens of families in Norwood over the last quarter century.

McDonough said the Luminary night is something special. It brings people together in the memories of whatever they hold dear and helps to keep Norwood residents and families together.

ideas for the COH, and I think the first night we had sold about 200 luminaries," he said. "Which back then, raising \$1,000 was tremendous for a young organization, but now to think 21 years later we usually sell more than 2,000 luminaries and raise over \$10,000 in one evening, well, it's beyond any dream we would have had."

The 2023 12th annual Dancing with the Norwood Stars is set for April 7 at the Four Points Sheraton on Route 1 in Norwood. McDonough said he's amazed at what they've been able to transform the night into since they started.

"It was because of Kathy St. Cyr, one of our board members, who has since passed away,

"This was one of our first who said we should try this in Norwood," he said. "We all told her she was crazy, that it would never go over in Norwood. I mean I was probably the biggest skeptic. But that event over the years has brought in over a million dollars in donations. So it's really a Godsend. We've been able to gift out a million and continue to fundraise. And the dancers are as excited now as when we first did it. It's a lot of fun and it's a great fundraiser."

You can get your Luminary for \$5 each by sending payment to COH, PO Box 421, Norwood, MA 02062 or by stopping by Murph's Place Restaurant at 58 Broadway in Norwood. All are welcome to attend the night of.

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#### CHECK YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS

Residents are encouraged to check their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to ensure that they are working properly and to change the devices' batteries, if needed. Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained are vital in reducing deaths and injuries due to fire by giving you time to escape.

Today's smoke alarms are more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions, yet mitigate false alarms. Residents are reminded that smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are not interchangeable and should never be disconnected.

For questions on smoke or carbon monoxide alarms, contact the Norwood Fire Department at 781-440-5212.

#### LITTLE MUSTANGS OPEN HOUSE

"Learn about Little Mustangs Preschool Academy" for the 2023-2024 School Year will be held on Wednesday, November 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the Willett Early Childhood Education Center.Applications for the 2023-2024 year will be accepted starting November 16 and a Lottery for Peer Role Model spots will happen in January, 2023

#### OLD PARISH CEMETERY OPEN ON VETERANS DAY

The non-profit organization, Old Parish Preservation Volunteers (OPPV) will be opening Old Parish Cemetery from 1-3 pm on Veterans Day, Friday, November 11.

Come by and visit the 49 veterans buried here. Veterans from the Colonial Wars, the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and the Civil War are interred in this sacred ground. Each will have a flag placed on his grave. Old Parish Preservation Volunteers have developed self-guided tour maps and will be in the cemetery to answer questions.

The book, Keeping the Past: Norwood at 150, which has a chapter pertaining to the old cemetery, will be available for sale.

In addition, it will be the final day to view the art installation titled "Coloring the Old Parish Landscape: Visual Interpretations of Norwood's Historical Data." Using fibers and a variety of techniques, ranging from weaving, macrame, sewing, and crochet, Norwood high school art students visually interpreted data about Norwood. The data selected include birth records, deaths, racial make-up of residents, Norwood MA versus Norwood OH, crime rates, and weather patterns. Working as individuals and in small groups, students used symbols and colored coding to interpret their data. Each artwork has a statement placed with it to enable visitors to learn more about their artistic thinking and how they made data visual.

Anyone interested in helping preserve this site can visit the web site: https:// group's www.oldparishpreservationvolunteers.com

#### **FRIENDS NOVEMBER** MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their November monthly dance, on Friday, November 18th, at 7 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by the DB Band and the cost is \$10.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea & desserts are served & there are also door prizes. We look forward to welcoming newcomers.

There is a Facebook page so you can check the status of events offered by the Friends: Friends Of The Norwood Council On Aging | Facebook

#### POST OFFICE TO CLOSE FOR VETERANS DAY

Post offices across the Commonwealth will be closed on Friday, November 11, in honor of Veterans Day. There will be no street delivery, except for guaranteed overnight parcels, and all

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#### Monday, October 31

- 0800 Walk-In Missing Person \*Report Filed Location/Address: Pleasant St Father in lobby reports juvenile son left Friday and no contact since then. N661 sent. N407, as S.R.O., assists. Units check a Norwest Dr. address-he is there. N407 transports, with Vice Principal on board, to High School. 1118 Phone - Sex Offenses \*Report Filed Location/Address: Dedham Medical Associates -Bos-Prov Hwy Staff made a complaint about the actions of patient while in the exam room.
- 1220 Walk-In Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Highland St Advice given on a past relationship and information being shared with her husband. Ex now lives in France and she may contact the State Dept.
- 1222 Phone Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Woods - Norwest Dr Resident at the office now after witnessing her neighbors outside at 6AM and naked. Upon her return this afternoon the male approached her and made comments to her 14 year old daughter. Officers spoke with management and all have been advised. Matter is resolved.
- 1442 Phone Neighbor Disturbance Civil Matter Location/Address: Pleasant St Report 2 neighbors argue over and redump leaves onto each other's property blaming the other for the mess when it is actually a 3rd neighbors home where the leaves are coming from. N679 spoke to caller, civil matter.
- 1726 Phone Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Sumner St Caller reports her friend posted concerned messages via Snapchat. Officer spoke to that individual. She is going to be going to the hospital with her brother for a voluntary evaluation.
- 1918 911 Drunk Person \*Protective Custody Location/Address: Railroad Ave + Baker St Report of a man down on the sidewalk. NFD notified and responded. As a result, N661 placed that individual into protective custody. NFD transported party to Beth Israel Hospital Needham with N662 following.
- 1931 Phone Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/ Address: Lincoln St Caller upset homeowner took a picture of trick or treaters. All parties spoken to and advised.
- 2018 Phone Well Being Chk No Such Address Location/Address: Weld Ave Boston PD re-

ceived a 9-1-1 call for a party stating their neighbor had made threats at this address in Boston. Resident there unaware of any such activity. BPD request check of same address in Norwood. No such address in Norwood, officer spoke to resident of 15 Weld who was unaware of any issues. BPD notified.

2052 Phone - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Sunnyside Rd Report of a man standing in the street yelling. Officers spoke to him. Father agreed to let him stay the night.

#### Tuesday, November 11

- 0423 911 Well Being Chk \*Report Filed Location/Address: Jefferson Dr Caller reports 14 yr old daughter ran away and GPS on phone has her location in this area. N669 locates female party outside #99. NFD notified and responded. Juvenile placed in custody of parents.
- 0709 Phone Unwanted Party \*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Katie's Way Caller reports party that has a no trespass order is on property. As a result, N661 returns with male party in custody. Arrest: Jones, Tyler Geoffrey Address: Homeless Age: 30 Charges: Trespass
- 0833 Phone Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Lincoln St Dad just dropped off his young children and feels there is no food there and they should be checked on. Officers checked on the children and spoke with the both parents. All in order and both advised about Probate Court option.
- 1036 Phone Larceny Services Rendered Location/Address: Heaton Ave Bank believes a customer's trust fund is being used by the trustee for his own personal use.
- 1100 Phone Death \*Report Filed Location/Address: Cameron Rd As a result of a direct call to NFD, NFD transported subject to hospital and he has now passed away. N665 spoke to family members and checked the home.
- 1136 Phone Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Northview Ave Report after a zoom interview, the candidate started muttering, crying and stated "I can't do this anymore". N661 reports he is ok, upset over a sensitive topic that came up during the interview.
- 1408 Phone B & E Residence \*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Union St Simply Safe reports a subject smashed the front door and entered the home. Subject then left towards the front in dark and grey clothing. Homeowner's video shows the suspect is in dark clothes. N668, BCI and Canton PD K9 respond.

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her neighbor yelled at her kids for running down the stairs. N666 spoke to both parties they were advised to talk to management about the issue.

- 1817 Phone Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Buckminster Dr Caller reports the neighbor is banging at her door and running back into her apartment. Neighbor in the other apartment also called reporting the same thing. N666 spoke to both parties and they both denied knocking on doors. N666 will contact management in the morning so they are aware of the situation.
- 2007 911 Report Of Fight \*Report Filed Location/Address: Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Caller reports two people fighting next to the business. FD notified to check out the victims injuries.

#### Wednesday, November 2

- 0417 Phone Susp Person Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Vernon St + Prospect St Caller reports seeing a male party walking close to cars, checking car doors. Officers searched the area but the suspect was GOA.
- 0633911 B & E Residence \*Report Filed Location/Address: Washington St Caller stated she woke up to her door broken into and there were things moved around. N663 and 665 Responding
- 0752 Phone B & E Of Motor Vehicle \*Report Filed Location/ Address: Kettering Rd Caller reports items missing from inside her vehicle. Report filed and for #15 on packages stolen.
- 0917 Phone Larceny Spoken To Location/Address: Kettering Rd Packages stolen last night.See 1249 OF for a car B&E at #6.
- 925 Phone B & E Of Motor Vehicle \*Report Filed Location/ Address: Roxana St Resident reports her car was entered last night. She is at work, out of town now.

ation. Party transported to BI Needham.

- 2046 911 Animal Complaint Assisted Party Location/Address: Walnut Ave Caller reports a coyote is in her driveway and she can't get out of her car. N677 reports coyote is gone and she is in her house.
- 2251 Phone Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports her upstairs neighbor is using a drill and she is trying to sleep. N674 spoke to that resident he denies using a drill or making noise, they have been advised.

#### Thursday, November 3

- 0111 Phone Motor Vehicle Accident \*Arrest(S)Made Location/ Address: Walpole St MA PC 2FYC22 towed by Don and Wallys.FD notified. As a result N665 returns to the station with one in custody. Arrest: Merino, Alejandro De Jesus Address: 71 Sturtevant Ave Norwood, Ma Age: 44 Charges: OUI-LIQUOR OR.08% C90 S24(1)(A)(1) Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle C90 S24(2)(A) Unlicensed Operation Of MV C90 S10
- 1245 Phone Auto Theft \*Report Filed Location/Address: Dan O'Brien Kia - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports that there are 6 Dealer License Plates missing/stolen, along with a motor vehicle. All entered into computer.
- 1825 Phone Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/ Address: Jr. Hight North/Savage Center-Prospect Street Coyotes on the playground where children are playing. Officer scared them off.
- 2011 Phone Civil Dispute Spoken To Location/Address: Malvern Rd Dispute over civil issues involving parents.
- Friday, November 4
- 1336 Phone Disturbance Spoken То Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Report 2 males were outside building yelling at each other and banging the main door to building, then in hallway yelling. N661 reports parties uncooperative with police. No crime observed by police.
- 1351 Cellular Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Davis Ave Resident reports their dog nips/bites at children so he would like to give it up. N.A.C.O. notified.
- 1443 Initiated Susp Activity \*Report Filed Location/Address: Coakley Middle School Washington Št N435, as S.R.O., investigates suspicious e-mails.
- 1459 Phone Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Plaza - Nahatan St Report pan handler's music is loud. N661 spoke to them and they

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he was with pre-opened drink containers. They left but 3 boys were still at 1st table inside the door. N679 reports 3 boys are GOA, spoke to caller.

- 2006 Phone Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Malvern Rd Mother requests check of 3 children, not answering for her in last hour. N679 reports house in darkness, no answer at the door, N679 called the mother. Father of children eventually called in, states kids ae fine.
- 2124 Initiated Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood High School - Nichols St N407, on private detail, reports a Harassment incident. N407 reports all kids and parents spoken to and there will be another meeting Monday.

#### Saturday, November 5

0816 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Big Y Foods, Inc. - Walpole St Report homeless male, who supposedly got into public housing, is still living on property. N666 spoke to caller, believe grass area where male sits is a public space.

1000 Other - Malicious Damage State DPW/Norwood Notified Location/Address: Hawes Playground - Washington St N671 receives information about grafitti. DPW responded and removed same. N671 put out an extra checks request to shifts.

- 1153 911 Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Plimpton Ave Report neighbor using leaf blower blew leaves onto caller and into caller's yard. N661 spoke to all parties, he will be more careful in future when using the blower.
- 1236 Walk-In Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Victoria Haven Nursing Home - Nichols St Employee in lobby reports someone took an envelope with cash in it out of her purse.
- 1240 Walk-In B & E Of Motor Vehicle \*Report Filed Location/ Address: Bonney Ln Party in lobby turns in a check found on street at Senior Center 275 Prospect St. As a result of Dispatch trying to return check to account holder, it was learned there was a B&EMV. So, N661 assigned and will file report.
- 1313 Phone Sex Offenses \*Report Filed Location/Address: Woodbine Rd Mail Carrier reports resident performed a lewd act as she was delivering mail.

#### Sunday, November 6

0919 Phone - Malicious Damage \*Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood High School - Nichols St Report due to fireworks at an event last night, the building got damaged. N674 will get video and



### 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.

-A.C.

Bolo on South District. Sharon & Walpole sent units to the area. K9 searched ended on Standish Dr. N674 returns to the station with one party under arrest, S/M 33497.7- 1733 hrs, E/M 33501.5- 1743 hrs. Arrest: Sherillo, Sara M Address: 303 Union St Norwood, Ma Age: 32 Charges: B&E Building Daytime For Felony Vandalize Property c266 §126A Larceny Under \$1200 1700 Phone - Assist Citizen Spo-

ken To Location/Address: Mr. Franks Food Mart - Meb Inc. -Washington St Employee reports a customer that they do not want in the store and seeking advice on a HPO or trespass order. Owners of the business are not at the store, officers will follow up tomorrow.

1736 911 - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Buckminster Dr Caller reports 1253 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Winslow Ave Caller states her son is attempting to enter the home. He is an unwelcome party. Teen is going to leave for the night and stay with his Dad in Boston. 1534 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: PR Mobile Auto Detail -Winslow Ave Cab driver reports he was not paid from a fare on 10/10 when the credit card was rejected. He had called her without sucesss on getting paid. 1656 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Gone On Arrival Location/Address: George St Caller reports 4 juveniles banging on doors and running away. N678 searched the area. 2033 Phone - Well Being Chk

\*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Caller reports ex girlfriend sent concerning text messages to harm herself. FD notified for an evaluturned it down.

1629 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St Caller reports man disturbing area by continuously blowing whistle. Party was spoken to. He will stop using the whistle.

1636 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Caller filing a noise complaint, he can hear pre-recorded violin music from the parking lot.

1736 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Winnresidential- One Upland -Upland Woods Cir Caller reports packages are being stolen from the property.

1915 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Mcdonalds - Broadway St Report 3 teenaged boys offered caller's teenaged son and the 2 girls

more information on 11/7 and NFD Arson Investigator notified. 0924 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: CVS Pharmacy - Nahatan St Report female has been in/out of the store since 1900 Hrs. on 11/4, has bags outside on sidewalk, making paranoid statements about government. N661 spoke to her, upset over past incidents, no crime, not sectionable.

1603 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Oxford Rd Resident states his neighbor is video recording his guests when they park in front of the house. All parties were spoken to and advised. 2123 Phone - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Boston Tavern - Bos-Prov Hwy Manager reports unruly patron refusing to leave. As a result, N669 provided a courtesy transport to the Holiday Inn.

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retail operations will be closed for the day. Full retail and deliverv operations will resume on Saturday, November 12.

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#### MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 15 at The Grange,

28 Rockwood Road (Route 115) in Norfolk, MA from 7-9 pm. Mask if you will.

Mental illness is a label for variety of diseases of the а brain. Often it strikes in late adolescence, devastating the afflicted person and the family. The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group is composed of such families who find mutual support and join together to advocate for their loved ones. We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO** THE 2022 HALL OF FAME **INDUCTEES!**

The Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame is pleased to announce its 2022 inductees. The student-athletes are: Tom Smelstor 1965, Steve Salvatore 1979, Kevin Keegan 1986, Bob Goonan 1986, Steve Grenham 1991, Andy McNulty

2003, Lauren Duggan 2011, Ali Maloof 2011, Cory Ryan 2011 along with coaches: John "Duffy" Doherty 1971-1982 and Jack Martinelli 1969-1982. The induction ceremony will take place on Saturday, November 26, in the Norwood High School Auditorium. The event will start with a reception and refreshments at 12:00 Noon followed by the ceremony from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

The Class of 2022 will join last year's inductees: Chuck Hopkins 1974, John Balerna 1978, Mike Pedroli 1995, Patty Robinson 1997, Jackie Demling 2000, Mike Young 2006 and Coach Sharon Steih 1971-2005. Any questions, please contact Brian McDonough at bgmcdonough@gmail.com.

#### HELP LIGHT UP THE CIRCLE OF HOPE

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, December 3, on the Town Common from 4 – 6pm. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun  $2\overline{1}$ years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation say the luminaries are a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year more than 2000 luminaries were lit on the town common.

Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each by sending your payment to COH, PO

781-762-0482

BOX 421, Norwood, MA 02062 or by stopping by Murph's Place Restaurant at 58 Broadway, Norwood. You may include a brief message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on the luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 4:00 pm and the Foundation members welcome residents and friends to come out and see this beautiful site.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is a nonprofit organization established to support Norwood residents who need assistance due to a catastrophic medical occurrence. Since its founding in 1998 the Foundation has provided over \$1,000,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The Foundation was established in 1998 in memory of Michelle Kennedy, a young Norwood resident, who suffered with leukemia. During Michelle's battle the entire Norwood community, many of whom did not know Michelle, joined together and it is in that spirit that the Circle of Hope Foundation continues.

#### **VETERANS' DAY 2022 SCHEDULE**

Events begin on Friday, November 11 and include: 8:00 am - Veterans' Recognition Mass, St. Catherine's of Siena Church, Washington ST. 9:30 am - Parade Units arrive at Balch Elementary School. 10:00 am - Parade steps off from Balch Elementary School - Route of March, Washington St. to Town Common. 10:45 am – Ceremonies

and Observances, Town Common. 11:45 am - Collation. VFW Post 2451, Dean Street.

#### NORWOOD ROTARY **ANNUAL COAT DRIVE**

Share the warmth this Autumn by donating a coat or jacket you no longer use to a neighbor in need. The Norwood Rotary Club will be holding its annual Fall Coat Drive now through November 17th. Donations of clean, wearable coats for men, women, and children are welcome and will be passed on to local families at the Norwood Food Pantry. Drop-off boxes are located at the Norwood police station (on the left in the front lobby), the Norwood Senior Center at 275 Prospect Street (just past the information desk), Lustra Cleaners at 157 Central Street, and Norwood High School (main entrance lobby).

#### **CAMY 5K RUN**

The 22nd consecutive annual CAMY 5K RUN & DAVID 5K WALK is on SAT., NOV. 12. Held annually at the Walpole Italian-American Club, 109 Stone St., Walpole, since the race's inception in 2001, including an official onthe-course race in pre-vaccine pandemic 2020 as reportedly the only in-person race in the state! This year will also see the return of post-race activities, food, raffles, awards ceremony, etc. Register online (www.active.com/walpolema/running/distance-runningraces/camy-5k-run-and-david-clerici-5k-walk-2022), mail bv (www.paulclerici.com/

camydavid5k), or on race day. For more info, e-mail camydavid5k@yahoo.com or call 508-668-2249.



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