



Lighters stopped working during the extreme cold weather on Dec. 7, but the Norwood Circle of Hope did what it always does and pushed on.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Frigid weather doesn't stop the Night

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The night was so darn cold that half the lighters the Circle of Hope members brought out to light the candles for the Luminary Night on Saturday, Dec. 7, just stopped working.

"It's just a wonderful turnout, it's just those lighters. In the house they all worked but once they got to the cold, they stopped!" said Circle of Hope Founder Lee Kennedy. "I feel bad because people are coming and we're lighting a bit late."

The lack of butane-fueled light didn't dampen anyone's spirits or resolve and about 20 minutes into the night, the Norwood Town Common was lit up like, well, a Christmas tree.

"I have no idea how many people we have this year, it just seems like they keep coming and coming, it's amazing," Kennedy said. "It's amazing, and it's all for Michelle's memory."

Kennedy's daughter Michelle started the Circle of Hope more than 20 years ago after being diagnosed with leukemia. It was Michelle's wish that after her battle with cancer was over, the Circle of Hope would continue to fight for those in need in Norwood. Michelle eventually lost her battle with cancer, but Kennedy – and a multitude of Norwood residents – have kept it going for the Norwood community. Every year, the group raises tens of thousands of dollars to help residents in Town fighting cancer.

The Luminary Night, while still a fundraiser, was more about helping to remember those the community has lost over the years. Each luminary light is a remembrance of someone who has lost someone special, and this year there were more than 2,000 lights.



St. Nick greeted children during the event and took their requests for gifts on Christmas Day.

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"It's possibly the most candles ever' it's really crowded on the walkways with the luminaries, so it's really good," said Circle of Hope Board Treasurer David Tuttle. "It's going really well. You can always count on it being the coldest night of the winter when we do the Luminary, but it doesn't matter, we're grateful people come out and support us. We usually do about 2,000 bags and we've done at least that now and people are still coming in."

Board Member Kathy St. Cyr said this year they're also expanding to some of the local businesses for somewhat of a trial run.

"We've got 10 bags in some of the stores with battery operated candles because we want to get the business community involved," she said. "We got some turnout and then maybe next year

it'll grow."

Residents Ellie and Patrick Brady said they came out because the Circle of Hope helped them in their time of need.

"When my husband was very sick they actually donated to us," said Ellie. "It was quite a feeling. I couldn't work because he was so sick, and they paid my mortgage for three months so I could be home and take care of my husband."

Resident Kevin Malley said he and his family have been coming to the Luminary Night for seven years to support the organization.

"They do a great job and support a lot of families in Town," he said. "It's a very close-knit Town and everyone helps each other in the community, and this shows it."

For more information on the Circle of Hope, go to norwoodcoh.org/



The Norwood School Committee approved a memorandum of understanding for the combined facilities position.

PHOTO BY SUSAN KRYCZKA

Schools approve MOU facilities plan

Susan Kryczka
Staff Reporter

After a lengthy discussion over the latest version of the MOU for merging the facilities management of the Town and the schools, the Norwood School Committee unanimously approved it at its Wednesday, Dec. 4 meeting. Teresa Stewart, Chair, was not present, and Vice-Chair Myev Bodenhofer put forward the MOU and oversaw the discussion and the meeting, as she is a School Department representative on the Town Wide Facilities Committee.

Bodenhofer discussed the goal of getting the MOU facilities management two-page plan approved at this meeting. The MOU has been discussed for a number of months and she emphasized that it would be implemented in two phases. Beginning in July 2020, Town and School facilities management would be combined, with the budgets being combined later in 2021. Norwood Public Schools (NPS) Superintendent David Thomson voiced support saying, "I think it would be good for the Town overall. It will not have an immediate cost savings, but will further down the road." The MOU covers electrical, plumbing, and grounds support. The MOU specifically outlines what will happen in year one and year two.

Member Joan Giblin raised concerns about whether there is a commitment to maintain the current level of service, specifically in the area of preventive maintenance. "That's my understanding," said Bodenhofer. Giblin gave an example of lead

testing and the need to do so more frequently than what the state requires. "What is our base level?" asked Giblin. Bodenhofer replied, "We did say we need to do an annual review. We are planning to keep things as is. Not everything can be spelled out in the MOU. The ultimate authority for this kind of approval is town meeting." She added that if the School Committee was opposed to anything that occurred, that would make a difference and quite a bit can be covered in an annual review of the services and how it's working out.

"It's a living document... I think it's a good idea and long overdue," said Member David Catania.

"I think the MOU covers all it possibly can," said Member Maura Smith, though she worried about no longer having control over specific areas. "Once established, people tend to be quite happy with it and it works well," said Bodenhofer, saying she had looked at the experience of other towns who merged their facilities management, like Franklin and Clinton.

Business Manager Karin Sheridan added her own experience in the town of Clinton that merged their facilities management operations. "There was extreme hesitation, but it worked out very well," she said. Sheridan emphasized the willingness of the Town and school to work together. "It doesn't matter who the personalities are, you just have to work together."

Gilpin asked that a bench-

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Good news for Norwood taxpayers, even with the override

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

Norwood residents will be experiencing an 11.9 percent increase in their property tax rates for FY 20. But the impact is not as great as it could have been, thanks to the amount of new growth last fiscal year.

The average single-family tax bill will be \$5,550. This takes into account the override.

The Board of Selectmen heard an hour-long presentation by Board of Assessors chair Timothy J. McDonough and fellow members Robert Thornton and James Grover detailing how the tax rate is determined.

“Because of this new growth, the average homeowner is going to save an average of \$60 to \$70,” McDonough said.

McDonough opened the presentation by thanking his team.

“I treasure their years of experience serving the Town,” he said.

A tax rate is computed by the total levy divided by the property values, McDonough explained. Without a shift of the tax burden to the commercial side to 61 percent, the tax rate would be \$14.78.

The levy without the override for property taxes with no tax shift would have been \$13,733. The additional FY 20 levy of \$5,950,000, will add \$1.043. This totals the \$14.78 increase, without making commercial properties pay “a bigger piece of the pie,” according to McDonough.

Historically, tax rate increases have averaged around 4 percent since 2015. Without the override, the rate was right on target. However, the override of \$5,950,000 led to an 11.9 percent increase. “The impact of the override caused an additional levy of about 7.9 percent” McDonough said. The 4 percent includes the 2.5 percent annual increase from Proposition 2 ½.

There were a number of financial factors in Norwood’s favor this year.

The biggest factor was an unexpected amount of new growth. Norwood garnered about \$900,000 in new growth annually over the past five years. But thanks to a state-mandated town-wide assessment of every piece of property done every decade, there was about \$900,000 in additional new growth.

Norwood’s DOR certified total new growth amount for FY 20 is \$1,849,602.

On the residential side, “a lot of decks, porches, pools and finished basements” were found that had not previously been assessed, according to McDonough.

Selectman Tom Maloney pointed out that these should have

been picked up through the permitting process. However, McDonough explained that sometimes, homeowners do not think they need permits for projects like sheds, dormers and finished basements.

Commercially, projects including Moderna, TD Bank, Wendy’s and the B.J.’s gas station were a boon to Norwood. Additionally, there were approximately 25 new condominiums constructed, most on Endicott St.

McDonough also pointed out that for FY 20 there is an unused tax levy of nearly \$900,000.

“That’s basically the amount of money Town Meeting could have spent, and the taxpayers would have had to have their taxes raised that much more to raise that money,” Selectman William Plasko said. “But, because we didn’t spend it all, they’re able to pay a little less in taxes.”

“Exactly,” McDonough replied. “If we had gone to the maximum, that’s more money that would have had to have been raised.”

Historically, the unused tax levy had been under \$100,000 from 2015 through 2018. It rose sharply from \$5,317 in FY18 to 259,106 in FY 19.

“I think that the sense of the Board has been in the past is that if you don’t have to use it, you don’t want to use it,” McDonough said.

Some of the projects the unused tax levy could have been used for were incorporated in the override, he added.

This year, Thornton said, the amount of unexpected new growth equaled the unused tax levy, an anomaly.

“This is levy capacity money that we don’t have to use and might never use,” Maloney added.

Another benefit for Norwood is the increase in overall real estate values. Total FY 20 real estate was valued at more than \$5.7 billion, an increase of \$391,640,334, or 7.4 percent.

“In other words, things are good and values are holding,” Thornton said. “But that can change. We’ve been on a good roll.”

Residential property values increased by \$4,191,000, or 8.9 percent, topping the previous year’s increase of 5.4 percent. An average single-family home is valued at \$481,312, up 6.3 percent, compared to a 4.0 percent increase in FY 19.

“The average homeowner can look around and see what’s going on in their neighborhood,” McDonough said.

“People are buying, sometimes over asking value, and definitely over assessed value because of the market.”

While commercial property values have remained relatively flat, the striking thing about Norwood is the amount of recent corporate development over the past year.

“A lot of communities don’t have a lot of commercial property that they can rely on,” McDonough said.

To offset the burden on the residential taxpayers, McDonough recommended a CIP “shift factor” commercial tax rate of 61 percent so that businesses pay a larger share of the tax burden. This is the tip rate that was used last year to help residents while encouraging economic investment.

The maximum CIP shift allowed by the state is 72 percent.

The Board voted 5-0 to accept the 61 percent CIP shift, making the average single-family tax bill \$5,550. This is actually about what McDonough had predicted in May at a presentation to the Selectmen.

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Members discussed several recent trail walks and trail marking efforts committee members have undertaken in the past two weeks.

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Trails Committee reviews progress

Kevin Perrington-Turner
Staff Reporter

A dozen people attended the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee meeting this past Tuesday at Town Hall. The meeting consisted of numerous topics surrounding trails in the community and how to make them better.

Joe Greeley, Chairman of the committee, conducted the meeting while giving a recap on the walk that took place last month. "Several of us walked from the Willet school to Father Mac's and took a detour all the way up to the top of the landfill."

Committee member Lea Leach gave her recap of the work party that took place at Ellis Pond last month.

"It was really a fun thing to do," she said. "A few of us showed up and did some cleanup around the pond. There was a lot of camaraderie and a lot of getting to know each other."

When asked what was found around the pond, Leach was pleased to say not much littering going on.

"Bottles... there wasn't a lot of them there. It was mostly brush."

Greeley spoke of upcoming events, in particular the 2nd annual "New Year's Day Walk In The Woods." People will meet opposite of 615 University Ave.

"We do want to take another crack at this. University Ave. offers a lot. We're not going to the Boston Skating Club property. We want to try to stay on our own land for this" he said.

Trail Mapping Subcommittee members Craig Austin and Fran Rush spoke on marking some of the trails making them more accessible for users.

"As far as the brochure, we're still looking at some verbiage for the description of the trails. We really don't want to use "landfill" for the description of climbing up to the dome" said Rush.

So we extended it down to Ellis Pond. We were just talking about extending the trail from the Willett down to the Ellis, kind of paralleling the Brook and the Westover parkway. We were trying to figure out how to fit all of that on one map."

Committee member John Aprea's favorite times are during the winter and advised others to experience the same thing.

"A lot of people try to stay indoors during the winter. But all the leaves are off the trees now so you can see further. Less people tend to be out in the woods so it's very quiet. There's more wildlife too. It's a beautiful time to get out and enjoy Mother Nature. Just dress appropriately, proper footwear is important, and plenty of water. Just remember, it does get dark really early in the woods so get out by like 4 o'clock. Other than that have fun."

For more information on future events or meetings visit the website www.norwood.gov. And for any questions email at Trails@norwoodma.gov.

MANY TO THANK FOR HOLIDAY CONCERT SUCCESS

To the Editor:

The Christmas Holiday Concert... A Celebration of the Season that was held at the historic Norwood Theatre last Thursday night, December 5, was absolutely spectacular! The mixture of traditional and new Christmas music of cultures and countries from around the world was introduced to the community and gave the evening an international flair. As people entered the theatre, Christmas Carols were heard from the Carillon Tower at Town Hall.

The theatre was packed, and the concert was a major success. It is quite apparent from the remarks heard from theatre goers that this truly was a long-awaited Christmas Holiday Concert.

Thank you to Catherine Connor-Moen, Director of Fine Arts in the Norwood Public Schools, for directing this program. It was challenging, different, but oh, so beautiful. Thank you also to the Holiday Brass Quintet, Amici Cantores, and the Norwood Community Chorale. Our Committee wants the public to know that after all expenses are paid, remaining funds will be donated to the Norwood Public School's Department of Fine Arts, earmarked to its music program.

Thank you to all our sponsors who helped make this Christmas Holiday Concert possible: Bank of Canton, Dedham Savings, Norwood Neighbors, Norwood Printing and RoJo Co; Andrew and Ernest J. Boch Fund, Thomas and Joan Cassidy (Thrivent), Meetinghouse Concerts, Olivadi's, Poirier Sales & Service, 6th District Masonic Lodges and Women's Community Committee; A Bella Mia - Flower Shop, Andrew J. Howard Insurance Agency,

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Thank you to our audience from near and far who heard about the Christmas Holiday Concert and wanted to be part of what was a most memorable evening.

Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy Holiday Season.

The Christmas Holiday Concert Committee Chuck and Cathy Burgess, Jim and Terry Drummey, Steve and Toni Eosco, Stan and Marion Gaw, Debbie Holmwood, Judith Howard

CONNOR-MOEN MADE IT HAPPEN

To the Editor:

It was a complete joy working with Catherine Connor-Moen on the Christmas Concert at the Wonderful Norwood Theater. She was amazing bringing together 50 singers and achieving great results! It was a really a great experience for all.

LaVerne Lovell
Class of 1965

SO MUCH FOR BEING A FRIENDLY TOWN

To the Editor:

During the December 3 Selectmen's meeting they had a public hearing. A young man sat

before the board because he had provided an application to start his business and implied that he wanted to know how to go about it in order to be in compliance with business rules.

Norwood is supposedly a "friendly" town, but this was not expressed visually nor verbally by Bill Plasko. He is always postured to negatively question and decide what's right and what's wrong. He is the opposite of friendly. There is no indication from him that there is a problem to be solved and he is willing to be a facilitator for a solution. This business was not welcome. He couldn't get off being stuck that the applicant has mentioned 4 cars. In summary, the man was before the board (who knew nothing about licensure of used cars) to clarify exactly what the rules of business are. It's too bad that we don't have a consultant to prepare residents for requests like this.

It appears Mr. Plasko's only interest is in his mansion for sale, but then that may be in trouble. He not only slouches, he is not pleasant, his words and tone are hostile, and he doesn't reach out to anybody. "Reaching Out" is the new phrase as we move forward into 2020. I think it means we are approachable and keep in touch...

Anyway, I felt sorry for the young man because the missing element was respect for his effort, and assigning a knowledgeable, intelligent consultant (resident) who is familiar with the procedure. Stay tuned for the final results as it was postponed, although Plasko wanted to reject the whole thing.

Madeline Eysie
Norwood

SENIOR NEWS

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

BOOK CLUB: Our next book club meeting will be on December 16th at 10:00 AM **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 **CRIBBAGE:** Our seniors meet every Monday and Friday at 12:45 PM to play cribbage.

DIGITAL PHOTO ORGANIZATION & EDITING: will take place the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, at 11:30 AM. **FRIENDS EVENING DANCE:** December 20th 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Dave Valerio.

GLEE CLUB: Every Tuesday at 11:15 am new members always welcome.

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

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 Mon-

day, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:00 AM - Noon.

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB: The Board of Directors meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30AM, 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.

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

TRIAD: Monday, December 16th at 1PM -Emergency Management

WAXING with Erin: December 16, Monday 9:00 AM - Noon **WHIST:** Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 PM in the library. December Events

TRIAD Emergency Management December 16th at 1:00pm (Free Emergency Backpacks for the first 50 people signed up-one per household) Foxwoods Tour Includes Casino Bonus! Delicious Buffet Lunch or \$10.00 Food Voucher & \$10.00 Casino Slot Play. Tour Cost: \$36.00 Tour Date: February 6, 2019 (Thursday) The Bus will Leave Senior Center at 8:00AM and return at 5:00PM



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mark be set by the School Committee for FY 2021 based on everything that happens in FY2020. Selectman David Hajjar, who was present, indicated that this is separate from the MOU. The committee agreed to ask for the benchmarks. The motion to approve the MOU carried unanimously.

In other committee business, there was standing room only as students were recognized for excellence in the athletic programs and marching bands. Athletic Director Jonathan Longley noted the athletic awards received by students. Marching Band Director Steven Conant recognized seniors by bringing in a trophy received by the band.

Siggalle Reiss, Superintendent/ Director of the Board of Health gave an update on the health department school partnerships programs having to do with physical and mental health. Ms. Aubrey Ciol, Director, Drug Free Communities spoke about programs that inform students about the effect of vaping, drugs, and alcohol effects on health.

MCAS improvement plans were addressed by school principals. At the high school, Hugh Galligan emphasized identification of students who require intervention and help and extent that help beyond the MCAS prep. "Fifty percent of the new MCAS test is writing. This can tell where to spend our time and energy." He mentioned idea development looking at eighth grade writing samples and where to inter-

vene. "We're really excited about that work." In math there is also a focus on specific areas. "We can recommend a math strategies class and be flexible with when we offer it." In science, the exam has not shifted to the next generation MCAS but will be shifting in the spring. "The teachers have anticipated this change for the past five years. Now it's 50 percent skills and inquiry," added Galligan, stressing that teachers feel they can better prepare students for the new exam.

Smith suggested that it may not be necessary to have the principals come to present the school improvement plans and, in the future, they could submit their plans and come in if the committee had questions. To that end the elementary school principals were available to answer questions. Balch Elementary Principal Diane Ferreira responded to Smith's question about pilot programs and regular programs. Teachers have a writing goal no matter what the grade program, so all students can benefit regardless of what type of class they attend. Assistant Superintendent Alexander Wyeth explained a tool currently being used called Newsela which allows students to read the same news article but at their own level, enabling all students to participate in discussion. The School Committee was satisfied with streamlining future improvement plans with more of question/ discussion session than presentation.



Millpond Dam Removal, Traphole Brook, Norwood, MA
The plan is to remove the dam and return the stream to its original state from more than 100 years ago, or at least as close as they can get.

COURTESY PHOTO

ConCom questions Neponset River water quality

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Conservation Commission (ConCom) met with Neponset River Watershed Association Environmental Scientist Christopher Hirsch last week to discuss the removal of the Mill Pond Dam at the Traphole Brook/ William Pezwick Park.

The idea is to remove the dam and allow for normal water flow to continue through the area and to remove invasive species from the brook to allow for more shade trees and bushes to grow. That, along with the removal of the dam and the increase in water flow will both work to cool down and oxygen-

ate the water, allowing for fish populations to return to the area. The dam was constructed more than 100 years ago to harvest ice for refrigeration, and in the summer ironically heats up to dangerous levels for local flora and fauna. Despite this heat, there is still brown trout in the area and the Neponset Watershed contends this would encourage trout to spawn more successfully and in turn bring back more wildlife into the area.

"So up to this point, we've hired a consulting engineer to do some preliminary investigations of the site, some wetland delineation, some sediment work and then draft a preliminary 40 percent designs for what the project will entail," he said.

Hirsch said they would also partially dredge in the area to deepen the stream to allow it to return to its natural water flow.

He said there was some concern regarding the Sumner Street Culvert, however. He said the elevation would need to be increased to allow for that water flow from west to east to occur.

"So the solution we're proposing for that issue is to create a series of pools and riffles (a shallow landform in a flowing channel) to make up for that elevation change," he said. "This Sumner Street culvert does not become a barrier for the fish because, ultimately, the goal of the project is to reestablish fish passage and habitat in the area."

Hirsch said the plan is still kind of fluid, and pointed out that a stream is going to go where it wants to go.

"It may shift left to right a bit but this is generally the layout we are proposing," he said.

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Ecological Restoration Specialist at the Massachusetts Division of Ecological Restoration Joseph Gould said long term projections for effects of the dam removal are currently minimal. He said there were concerns that excess sediment might go downstream, affecting other areas along the way, but he said the proposed dredging would alleviate that problem.

“And not that that sediment isn’t clean, it is,” he said. “Actually, from the sediment analysis we’ve done, everything looks like it’s below human health as well as ecological standards.”

Norwood Conservation Agent Al Goetz said he had a concern regarding the dredging of the site, in that when the Town wanted to dredge the property 20 years ago it was found to be contaminated. He said at the time the Town couldn’t afford to fund the dredging and mediation required.

“Now how all of a sudden is it clean when less than 20 years ago it was terribly dirty, so I don’t understand that,” he said. “I have no problem with the removal of the dam, but I just am very confused over how it can be clean when before we wanted to do a project it came to a halt because we couldn’t afford the disposal cost of contaminated materials.”

Gould said he was not aware of this, and asked for the list of contaminated materials found.

“We sure have it, and I offered it and nobody was interested,” Goetz said.

Gould said they did four sediment composite samples, three in the pond area and one upstream and one downstream.

“I think we are definitely within the (Department of Environmental Protection) guidelines on sediment sampling, but we are happy to do more sediment sampling if needed,” he said. “I would say that there wasn’t anything over the thresholds, but overall if you look at the sediment, I wouldn’t say it is well, super clean, but it’s pretty clean. It’s definitely what we consider well within the bounds of either flooding downstream or permitted use.”

Gould said the sediment would end up in the right place once it’s been removed.

Gould also said that after meeting with several of the immediate abutters to the dam, the response has been very positive to the project.

“We showed them these renderings and preliminary designs and stuff like that and they seemed pretty receptive to the project,” he said. “They’re happy that we’re keeping things pretty close to the property lines.”

He said the north side of the

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property is owned by the Town as conservation land, but the rear of the site is privately owned in several lots.

Goetz also brought up an initiative from a local Boy Scout for his Eagle Scout project to clean up the trails there and install a bench. Hirsch said the scope of the current project does not include any work in that area. But he did say that he has received new information from the Public Archaeological Laboratory that two large boulders near the site of the proposed bench may have been used as a temporary mill in the area.

“If we could incorporate some of that history into the project with maybe a sign or something that would be a real benefit to the whole park,” he said.

The project is funded partially through the the Mass Environmental Trust license plate program. For more information on the project, go to mass.gov/files/documents/2019/01/09/BU%20Final%20Restrict%20Plan%2010-30_signed.pdf



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man from Norwood: The Life and Times of Governor Frank G. Allen." Between 1910 and 1931, Allen served as Tax Assessor, Norwood Selectman, State Representative and Senator, Senator President, Lt. Governor, and Gov-

ernor of Massachusetts. This film brings to life the untold story of the Honorable Frank Gilman Allen, a significant yet overlooked figure in Norwood. DVDs of the film will be available for purchase that evening, along with "Norwood Arena: the Movie" and "The Banner Years of Hockey," the other two films by former selectman Kelleher. To register for this screening and discussion with the filmmaker, please visit our online events page at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200, x110, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk. This event is sponsored by Norwood Light Broadband, Dempsey Insurance, Central Auto Team, and 10th District Studios.

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BOOK GROUP TO DISCUSS "THE BURGESS BOYS"

The Morrill Memorial Library's Turn the Page Book Group will meet again on Wednesday, December 18 at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to talk about "The Burgess Boys" by Elizabeth Strout. This month's discussion will be led by Patty Bailey and Head Children's Librarian, Kate Tighe. Haunted by the freak accident that killed their father, Jim and Bob Burgess escape to New York City from their hometown of Shirley Falls, Maine. But when their sister urgently calls them home, the Burgess brothers return to the landscape of their childhood where long-buried tensions surface in unexpected ways. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the Circulation Desk, and refreshments will be served. To sign up for either the morning or evening session, visit our events page at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200, x110, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.

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SEE THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

The Boston Ballet is performing The Nutcracker this season, but you can experience the magic of this classic winter favorite right here at the Morrill Memorial Library in Norwood! On Thursday, December 19 at 6:30 pm we'll be screening a 1995 production of The Nutcracker, as performed by the Ballet of the Slovak National Theatre and the Sofia National Opera Orchestra. In this classic tale, Clara and Franz receive a Nutcracker as a gift from their uncle on the night before Christmas. This present sparks a magical dream and a night filled with amazing stories and characters like the Mouse King, Sugar Plum Fairies, and Chime Puppets. This dazzling ballet is set to Tchaikovsky's music and runs approximately 70 minutes. To sign up, please visit the library's online calendar page at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar,

"VIBES" ART WORKSHOP

Feeling stressed, or just want to express yourself? Come to the Morrill Memorial Library on Wednesday, January 8 from 6:30-8:30 pm for a fun and therapeutic art workshop that encourages creativity and overall well-being. The theme of the workshop is Cheers to a New Year: 2020. Monique Jacobs, the owner of S.O.M. Vibes Studio in Norwood, will be available to guide your artistic process. This adult class, limited to the first 15 participants to sign

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The New Jeep Gladiator / Heavy Duty Ram Pick Up

It's been a long time coming. The last Gladiator was in the 60's. The all new Gladiator built as a 2020 model is here and for sale. First and foremost, the Gladiator is NOT built on a stretched Wrangler platform. In fact the rear suspension shares parts with the 1500 full size pick up. Even the front grille bars are for the Gladiator. Like the Wrangler doors and top are simple to remove. This makes it the only full open mid size pick up. You choice of soft or hard top.

This is a true mid size pick up truck that is a tough as they get in every way, including going off road. The Gladiator resembles a Jeep even including the rear design and tail lights. There is even a front grille mounted camera with a washer nozzle pointed to clean the lens. The camera has multi uses including vision on steep grades to what is ahead or below. Like most vehicles the Gladiator is available in many models with lots of options. The top of the line Rubicon is equipped with a lot of off road equipment including some very large tires and wheels. The traditional V/6 and either automatic or manual transmission with high and low range transfer case power the Gladiator. Look for a diesel late fall or early spring. The longer wheel base helps the ride yet the turning radius is increased only slightly. The bottom line is the Gladiator a fun mid size truck. If you need to hold a 4x8 sheet of ply wood, the 2 position tail gate is the answer to keep the plywood up to fit over the wheel wells, because the ply wood does not fit between the wheel wells. A full road test to come soon.

Since Ram got its own identity sales have been rising. This week I got a look at the new Ram trucks including the 3500 Dulley special Kentucky Derby addition finished in white and off white interior. Power came for a 1000 foot pound of torque. This is the most out of any Cummings diesel to date. The interior quality of leather trim and every thing else is more car like than truck. From the 1500 to the 3500 Ram trucks provide whatever the buyer wants and or needs. For the buyer who wants a door pick up truck, Ram has it for you. The interior has all the amenities and safety features. I think that a high performance version or 2 will make a debut before years end. Ram has all the goodies to make it happen.

Junior Damato, the "Auto Doctor," has agreed to field auto repair questions from Bulletin and Record readers. Please send your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get them answered.

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BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR
Home Instead Senior Care® is once again offering the Norwood community a chance to spread joy to local seniors. Through the Be a Santa to a Senior® program, community members can give a senior a special holiday gift. Since the program's inception in 2003, the Be a Santa to a Senior® program has mobilized more than 60,000 volunteers, provided approximately 1.2 million gifts and brightened the season for more than 700,000 deserving seniors nationwide. Last year,

more than 350 Norwood area seniors received 350 gifts. "The Be a Santa to a Senior program is all about including seniors in the joy of the holiday season," said Val Uzoma, owner of the Norwood Home Instead Senior Care office. "A simple gift shows them they are a loved and vital member of our community." Be a Santa to a Senior is a true community program, with generous support from area businesses, nonprofit organizations, retailers, numerous volunteers and members of the community. The Home Instead Senior Care

office serving Norwood area has partnered with The Ellis Nursing home and Rehabilitation, Walpole Health Care-formally The Harrington House, New Pond Village, Flowers and More, LA Fitness, Rockland Credit Union, Norwood Senior Center and Sophia Snow to help with gift collection and distribution. It's easy to help. There are more than 30 businesses in the area hosting a Be a Santa to a Senior tree which are on display thru Dec. 19th

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LOCAL FIRM SPONSORS HOLIDAY POPS CONCERT

The Parkway Concert Orchestra will present its annual Holiday Pops Concert on Sunday, December 15 at 4:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, Norwood. This concert is sponsored by Folsom & May Funeral Home and the program is supported in part by a grant from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. Donation is \$15; \$10 for seniors and students; and free for children under 12 years old. Doors will open at 3:30 p.m. Light refreshments and free parking are included. For ticket

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CARROLL

Nora R. (McDonough) Age 84, of Mansfield, formerly a longtime resident of Norwood, passed away on Sunday, December 1, 2019, surrounded by her loving family. Beloved wife of the late Thomas M. Carroll. Loving mother of Eileen Corcoran, Ann Benner, both of Mansfield, Theresa Carroll & her partner, Thomas Whoriskey of Sagamore Beach, John Carroll & his wife, Jennifer of Wrentham, and Brenda Caissie & her husband, Michael of Taunton. Cherished grandmother of Stephen Corcoran, Ashley Corcoran-Eddy & her husband, James, Daniel Benner, Jennifer Marshalsea, Justine Marshalsea, Thomas Carroll, Matthew Caissie, Timothy Caissie and great-grandmother of James Thomas Eddy. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., NORWOOD. Burial in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Nora's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or at www.stjude.org Gillooly Funeral Home www.Gilloolyfuneralhome.com

FLYNN Eloise (Puidokas) Of Norwood, passed away on December 9, 2019, at the age of 99. Beloved wife of the late John "Pesky" Flynn. Loving mother of Pat (Whitey) Anderson, Maureen (Steve) Cooper, Jack Flynn, Dennis (Laurie) Flynn, Mary Jane Waite (Andy Geller) and Michael (Eileen) Flynn. Cherished grandmother of 18 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 1 late granddaughter. Sister of Alina Easton. Eloise enjoyed ballroom dancing, whist and casino trips with her daughters, and usually was a winner in Scrabble. Past employee of the Norfolk Golf Club for 22 years and subsequently retired from HESSCO at the age of 84. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD, Thursday, Dec. 12, 2019, at 10am, followed by a Funeral Mass at 11am, at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Visiting Hours will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 11, from 4-8pm. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452, or to SIDS Foundation at Boston Children's Hospital Trust, 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston, MA

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JOHN Michael of Norwood sadly passed away on December 7, 2019 after a brief but courageous battle with metastatic cancer at the age of 62. He will be sadly missed. Son of the late Richard I. and Mary E. "Midge" (Drummey) Jennings. Loving brother of Richard I. Jennings and wife Louise of MD; Elinor L. Bliss and husband Barry of Hampton, NH. Cherished uncle of Brian Buckler of NC, Shaun Jennings of MD, Ashley Bliss of NH, Justin Walsh, Erin Walsh, and Joshua Shea of Norwood. John was a graduate of Norwood High School Class of 1976. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2019 from 4-6pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Norwood. A funeral home service will be held on Thursday evening, December 12, 2019 at 6pm. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in John's name to Massachusetts General Hospital, Neurological Research.

PRETORIUS

William O. Age 85, of Norwood, formerly of Roslindale, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 3, 2019. Cherished & devoted husband of M. Marie (Graziani) Pretorius. Father of Eric Pretorius & his wife

Elizabeth of Whitman and Vickie Piacentini & her husband Richard of Hanson. Brother of Richard Pretorius of Brockton. Brother-in-law of Joan Graziani of Norwood. Grandfather of Joseph Pretorius, Nicole Piacentini, and Victoria Piacentini. He is also survived by many nieces & nephews. Funeral from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, NORWOOD. Burial in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, remembrances in William's name may be donated to The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation, P.O. Box 421, Norwood, MA 02062. www.gilloolyfuneralhome.com

RODRIGUES



MARIO G. of Norwood passed away on December 6, 2019 at the age of 81. Beloved husband of Maria J. (Barbosa) Rodrigues. Devoted father of Maryann Judge and her husband Kevin of N. Attleboro. Cherished grandfather of Aidan P. Judge and Brady A. Judge. Brother of the late Manuel Rodrigues. Uncle of Antonio Rodrigues of Portugal. Son of the late Antonio Manuel Rodrigues and Rosa (Goncalves) Rodrigues. Mario was a retired machinist for Masoneilan Corp. working there for 43 years. He was also a member of the UAW Union. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home.

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ROY



Rita Marie of Norwood, formerly of Newington, CT, passed away on December 5, 2019, at the age of 90. Devoted and loving mother of Lori K. Alighieri and her husband Thomas of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Lauren Col'n and her husband Wil, Stephanie Alighieri and Bryan Alighieri. Great-grandmother of Jayla Alighieri Hinson and Paloma Rose Col'n. Sister of the late Alphonse Roy, Alfred Roy, Norman Roy, and Marion Dufault. Daughter of the late Alphonse and Alphonsine (Labonté) Roy. Rita graduated from Berlin High School in Berlin, CT. Rita worked as the Chief of Ambulatory Care at the Veterans Affairs (VA) Hospital in Newington, CT prior to her retirement. Rita enjoyed gardening, as well as crocheting blankets for family, friends, and veterans. Rita was also a member of the Norwood Senior Center. Visiting Hours will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2019, from 4-7 pm, at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD, MA 02062. A Funeral Home Service will be held on Thursday evening, December 12, 2019, at 6:45 pm. At the request of the family, Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the VNA Hospice Care, 100 Trade Center, Suite G-500, Woburn, MA 01801, or the Norwood Disabled American Veterans, Chapter #90, PO Box 101, Norwood, MA 02062. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home. www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com. Family Owned and Operated. 781-762-0482.

THOMAS



SADIE "Sandy" M. (Thomas) a lifelong resident of Norwood passed away surrounded by her family on December 8, 2019 at the age of 100. Beloved wife of the late Edward S. Thomas. Devoted and adored mother of Linda M. Thomas and Robert E. Thomas, both of Norwood. Loving sister-in-law of Floreen "Lovee" Thomas of Norwood. Sister of the late Samuel Thomas, Freda David and George "Tiger" Thomas. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Sandy was a 1938 graduate of Norwood High School. She was also a very active member of St. George Orthodox Church Norwood. Sandy should not only be congratulated for reaching 100, an amazing milestone in itself—but she should be praised for the love, caring and wisdom she has given so generously every day for 100 years. Sandy was a woman who put her family first, dedicated to her community, her church and to her faith. Sandy has always brought joy, helping to make people's lives more complete — with her serene, impartial demeanor and huge forgiving heart. She always — always — saw the good in everyone and believed each deserved a second chance — and sometimes even a third chance. Up until the last couple of years she was a voracious reader and enjoyed sharing time with family and friends. In many ways, Sandy Thomas was the quintessential young old woman. Her son and daughter were the joys in her life. For them, she was teacher, instructor, confidant, mentor. She was the sunshine in her children's lives, but above all their mother. Visiting hours will be held at St. George Orthodox Church, 6 Atwood Avenue, Norwood, Saturday, December 14, 2019 from 9am-12noon. A funeral service will be held at 12noon at the church following the visitation. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers Sandy's request is that all donations be made in her memory to St. George Orthodox Church 6 Atwood Ave. Norwood, MA 02062.



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

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. —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.
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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 **January 7, 2020 at 7:30 PM** on the request of Ravenwood LLC (Case # 20-03) with respect to property located on **429 Neponset Street**, in a **Multi-family (A) District**.
This Application requests a SPECIAL PERMIT under Section 3.1.5.A.4 and 4.2.1 (if applicable) of the Zoning Bylaws to allow: Development of up to fifteen (15) new residential townhouse-style condominium units in several separate buildings in conjunction with three (3) existing condominium units in an existing building, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may determine to be appropriate.
This Application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow: (a) Less side yard setback than required under the Zoning Bylaws; (b) less yard between separate buildings than required under the Zoning Bylaws; and (c) less area and frontage than required if said buildings were constructed on separate lots, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may determine to be appropriate.
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.
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