



The Norwood High School Madrigals provided some holiday music classics before the main festivities at the 33rd Annual Friends of St. Nick awards.

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Friends of St. Nick honors Journey to Parenthood

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

About 300 residents gathered at the Tiffany Ballroom at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel on Route 1 on Friday to honor the home-grown Journey to Parenthood (JTP) as part of the 33rd Annual Friends of St. Nick Award Luncheon.

Founders Jenifer Conley and Colleen Brierley started the JTP more than 10 years ago and have been helping to provide financial support, educational resources and emotional support to residents dealing with infertility to become parents.

Conley and Brierley said they have been friends since childhood, and each had experienced issues with parenthood in different ways. In dealing with their own struggles in trying to conceive, the pair founded JTP and have awarded almost \$250,000 to couples, helping to bring 25 babies into the world, either through fertility treatments, surrogacy or adoption.

"I feel like it's come full circle from where we were to where we are today," Conley said. "JTP started, I guess really 25 years ago when I got married and decided we wanted to have a family. It took us so long to finally fulfill our dreams of becoming parents that we decided we wanted to help others in some way."

Brierley said she was having trouble processing



JTP Founders Colleen Brierley and Jen Conley, left and right respectively, with St. Nick.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

the moment.

"It really hasn't sunk in yet, but it's really one of the best days of my career and life because I grew up in this Town and I'm so proud to be from Norwood," she said. "Norwood is all about helping others. I feel like as the Town grows people who have been here for a long time embrace the newcomers. We have such a diverse community, and to be honored by these folks is an incredible honor."

Brierley said infertility still has a stigma to it, and believes the organization helps to do away with any misconceptions about the issue. "One of our missions has been to get the word out. Today, I think, is a moment of recognition for what Jen and I do," she said. "Everyone's journey to parenthood is different. To some, it comes easily, and for other people it's just a roller coaster ride of

heartbreak. Your hopes are up and in a second they can crash."

Brierley said from the day she met her husband she wanted five or six kids.

"The first two came really easily; got married right out of college and I was a mom at 23," she said. "And then three, four and five didn't come along as quickly... Ultimately I became an adoptive parent and we have five children."

Conley said when they hear from those they've helped after they have become parents, there is no other feeling like it. "It's a wonderful feeling," she said. "A lot of people know what it feels like to give back, but to be able to help to give the gift of life, it is really hard to put into words. When we award people the funds they need

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Public House No. 7 should be all set to go.

COURTESY PHOTO

Planning Board approves Washington Public House 7

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met on Monday, Dec. 9 and voted unanimously to accept the site plan and sign plan for 175-179 Railroad Ave., the former site of the Shamrock Pub.

The Board of Selectmen also on Tuesday voted to drop its show cause hearing on the establishment's liquor license, since at that time it had been operating in a "soft opening" manner.

The proposed bar and restaurant, named Washington Public House No. 7 – formerly to have been named Mama's – is coming from Elias Akiki, who also owns several gas stations, mechanics and tow truck locations around Hyde Park Avenue in Boston.

Planning Board members agreed the plan and the sign look attractive.

"A nice big sign with good lettering," said Chair Robert Bamber.

Member Ernie Paciorkowski said the name comes from the old fire engine station that used to be adjacent to St. Catherine's of Siena Rectory. "That was the No. 7 fire station and the Community Preservation Committee just gave money last year to get the No. 7 fire bell installed on Washington Street," he said.

"They are close to opening."

The sign was found to be in compliance and the Board voted unanimously to approve it.

In other news, the Board voted unanimously to approve a site plan for 568-580 Pleasant St., otherwise known as COMPETETE Strength & Conditioning. Representative Dan Campbell said the new plan would increase the parking at the site – which he said is a necessity to keep the business going – and increase the landscaping on the parking lot – which currently has no landscaping.

"They're busting at the seams," he said.

Campbell said they are looking to expand the parking lot on the north side of the site, reconfigure the parking overall and install landscape islands. He said the building itself will also be expanding. "It's going to be a second-floor mezzanine," he said. "It's going to be open front office space for the structure."

Campbell said the frontage on that area is currently driveway for alternative access to the back of the building – the east side – and that will be removed to make way for landscaping. "We will be able to grow some grass and leave landscaping," he said.

The parking lot expansion will encompass an area to the

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to start their journey toward parenthood and make their dreams come true? It's an unbelievable feeling."

Conley and Brierley said they both have been to the St. Nick's fundraiser before and love every minute of it.

"They do great things and it's wonderful how they raise money for a cause like Dana-Farber," Conley said. "I want to thank Friends of St. Nick for putting this awesome day together and continuing to do the things they do."

Friends of St. Nick Director Bill Gurley said the event idea was born on St. Patrick's Day.

"So in 1992, there was a group of individuals from Norwood who went to a Friends of St. Patrick event in Walpole, and they said, 'Why doesn't Norwood have anything like this? Why can't we do this?' and it just snowballed from there," he said.

The group decided on the

name Friends of St. Nick with the goal of raising money around the Christmas season. And now many new faces – maybe with some old names – are picking up the mantle.

"If you go back to the original founders, the Norwood titans, names like Curran, Thornton, Dempsey, Donohue, they all started it and we now have second generation board members coming into the organization," he said.

Gurley said they raise about \$50,000 every year for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute with one luncheon a year on the second Friday of December. He said they choose the honoree based on a Board vote after considering any options that come to them. He said they honor groups, charitable organizations or individuals.

Board member Michael Curran presented the Kibby Curran Nice Guy Award.



Thousands were raised this year for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

"There are so many good people in this Town; me and my family are honored that we chose to honor my father every year," he said. "Keeping the tradition alive, we have a great honoree this year; somebody all of us know and see every year.

This is somebody my father loved as well. He is a true family man and a staple of Norwood coaching for 20 years. He was a coach of the Cubs – I won't hold it against him, I'm a proud Dodger – he gives his time endlessly throughout the year."

Curran said this year's Nice Guy Award was Robert Griffin.

"In this room we raise money for Dana-Farber; there isn't a person in this room whose life hasn't been touched by cancer," Curran said. "He dedicated his life for two years taking care of his parents-in-law at Dana Farber."

For more information on the Friends of St. Nick, go to <https://friendsofstnick.org>

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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court
Docket No. NO24P1361EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Norfolk Probate and Family Court
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Estate of: Joan M. Jackson
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Date of Death: 12/31/2023

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Appointment of Special Personal Representative has been filed by **Peter C. McGarry of Portland, OR** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Peter C. McGarry of Portland, OR and Julie McGarry of Barrington, RI be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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WITNESS Hon. Lee M. Peterson, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 06, 2024
Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

Norwood Record: 12/19/2024

Selectmen increase ambulance rates Luke Adams Glass given one more chance

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen voted unanimously at its regular meeting to approve an increase of ambulance rates.

All rates for ambulance care is going up, save for the mileage fee, on Jan. 1 of 2025. The basic life support ambulance (BLS) emergency rate will increase from \$1,900 to \$2,100, while the advanced life support (ALS) 1 ambulance base rate will increase from \$2,325 to \$2,525. The ALS 2 base rate will increase from \$3,050 to \$3,550, and the fee per mile will remain at \$50.

Norwood Fire Chief Tim Bailey included a list of nearby communities and their respective rates, and while the current BLS rates and mileage are above the average, the ALS rate increases will bring Norwood in line with the average. According to Bailey's statistics, which he provided from Pro EMS Solutions, the top 50 communities have an average mileage rate of \$37.20, with a BLS emergency rate coming in at \$1,573, an ALS 1 rate of \$2,098.12 and an ALS 2 emergency rate of \$2,965.

Perhaps somewhat surprisingly, Westwood had the lowest rates of the 35 Massachusetts municipalities listed at \$20 per mile, \$1,273 for BLS, \$1,510 for ALS 1 and \$2,185 for ALS 2.

Selectmen Chair Bob Donnelly said the continued closure of Norwood Hospital was the main reason for the higher rates, as Norwood ambulances have had to go farther, request more mutual aid (because ambulances were tied up longer when other emergencies occurred) and pay for more gas and maintenance along the way.

In other news, Luke Adams, of Luke Adams Glassblowing, came before the Board for a

show cause hearing on his establishment's liquor license. Liquor license holders have a duty to provide the service the state licenses them for, presumably so that no one will artificially inflate the value of their license(s) by culling supply and increasing demand; as well as perhaps artificially drying out an area.

Adams has been remodeling for more than a year now, and has gone through multiple designs and architects trying to get a bar and restaurant component into his glassblowing and educational business at the Norwood Space Center.

Norwood Building Inspector Gary Pelletier said the work has been progressing, but the redesign and new architect put a lot of time on the clock. He said the redesign itself usually takes months, and with each change in design, the different building permits – plumbing, electrical, fire suppression, fire alarms, and the building permit – needed to be updated before work could begin.

Adams said he is working to build multiple bars and kitchens for a restaurant component, but will likely need another six months to complete. Selectman Matt Lane asked if there was any way he could get a conditional permit of occupancy – the last permit before an establishment can operate – with just one bar and kitchen open.

"That's more of a question for the Building Department but I'd be more than happy to open the bar if the kitchen isn't quite there yet," Adams said. "We'd be eager to seek out an opportunity to do that."

Pelletier said they would likely need a kitchen and bar component for that to happen, but it was something the department would allow after the Board of Health signed off on

the alcohol and food service components.

Adams said he got a building permit in October and Pelletier said they have done a great amount of work since then.

"He hasn't had much time to do it and they've done quite a bit of work in that time," he said. "Rough wiring, fire alarms, framing, etc., it's why I've provided a memo to the Board and the (Town Manager Tony Mazzucco)... They're moving in the right direction and within the next six months they should be easily able to obtain at least a partial occupancy permit for food service and alcohol."

Selectman Bill Plasko said he felt too much time had passed. "I'm inclined to revoke this (alcohol) license," he said. "This has been going on for at least two-and-half, three years. We've had problems down at Norwood Hospital, but I think that's going to be finished before this. It's just not right to me. We've given extensions, we've been more than generous, and I'm just at the end of the line."

Selectmen Michael Saad and Lane said they felt the extensive nature of the project and the unique aspect of the glassblowing component were enough that they could see giving more time to Adams.

Selectman Amanda Grow said each of this check-ins will be critical to show progress. "As long as we're seeing things steadily marching towards open-

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Many churches have done away with midnight services on Christmas Eve by moving them up to 10 PM for several reasons: Attendance is better at churches two hours before the bewitching hour than it is on the stroke of midnight, thereby allowing attendees to retire earlier. There are more heavy drinkers attending midnight services than at the earlier ones. Presiders at the 10 PM service get more sleep if they do not have to arise for an early Christmas Day service. Parents attending services two hours before midnight have an easier time arising to watch their children unwrap presents Christmas morning. It’s more difficult to motivate choir members, many of whom are beyond middle-age, to come to the later service.

In my teenage years I used to enjoy attending midnight Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. I felt more grownup because there were no children present; there is something



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awe-inducing attending services when it is dark outside, both before and after the Mass. And then there was the idea of joining my friends to be invited back to Mrs. Curran’s at 1:30 in the morning for her spectacular chocolate chip cookies, which we devoured with abandon as only teenagers can.

Yeah, and every once in a while it would snow on Christmas Eve, thus making the trek to and from the church along the streets crowded with triple deckers so silently festive, something right out of a movie on the Hallmark television channel. To quote the inimitable Jim Reeves, a singer from a totally different genre, “Precious memories—how they linger.”

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Letters to the Editor

ADUS - COMING TO A DISTRICT NEAR YOU

To the Editor:

Last week a good friend of mine brought up the new ADU regulations implemented by our governor. Implementation is under discussion by the Norwood Planning Board with 2 public hearings being proposed. An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is a secondary residential living

space located on the same lot of a single-family home. The ADU policy (part of the Affordable Homes Act signed by Governor Healey on August 6, 2024) allows property owners to build an ADU less than 900 SF to be built by-right in single-family zoning districts without having to get special or discretionary approval from the local zoning board.

By-right means develop-

ment may proceed in that district under a zoning ordinance or by-law without the need for a special permit, variance, zoning amendment or other discretionary zoning approval. The Economic Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) intends to issue final regulations by the effective date of the ADU law,

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LAKES WITHOUT LIGHTS

A wonderful facet of wilderness is silence; another is a lake without lights. Growing up summers on Curlew Pond in Plymouth, I was accustomed to evening serenity. Hissing lantern light and soft, carried camp sounds always accompanied day’s end, but there was always light. As evening arrived along the shoreline’s campsites and cottages; even late one or two remained reflecting off water, sentinel to sleep. Here I stood alone on the shore of a thirty-mile-long lake entirely devoid of lightbulbs, lanterns, or campfires. A remarkable, enchanting scene, a glimpse of previous time. As darkness descended, I looked down into the water and saw only my reflection.

I purposely came in October to experience as closely as possible events of 250 years past. In 1775, in initial youthful convulsions of our country’s revolution, Benedict Arnold led a thousand patriots from Boston through northern wilderness to attack the British stronghold of Quebec. Using a faded, unworthy map purposely altered by British officers, they ascended Kennebec River to what was called the Great Carrying Place. Hauling boats and supplies over this 12-mile-long hump of northern Maine mountains, they struggled through swamp and thicket to the closest navigable portion of the Dead River. From there, the expedition would ascend the Dead River to the Height of Land, cross it, and descend Chaudière River, finally arriving at St. Lawrence River, and their siege of Quebec.

I was in Round Barn Primitive Campground, at the original confluence of the

Great Carrying Place and Dead River. The land, encapsulated in the Bigelow Preserve Public Reserve is exactly as it was in 1775 with one substantial exception—the long bend of river is now a reservoir. As long-cast mountain shadows encroached, I sat on one of many boulders dotting sandy shoreline. Behind me a half-moon materialized through thin clouds. A series of small, round-topped mountains skimmed the opposite shore, their contours glacial symmetry, as though a freeze-framed photo of a porpoise and its offspring slowly, evenly arcing a forested sea. The lakeshore was birch yellow; higher up a green-gray domain of softwood and bare maple. It was a silent occasion, made solemn by what occurred below these risen waters so long ago.

Arnold and his compatriots erred terribly in their distances. By the time the struggling horde made it this far into the trackless wilderness, a third had turned back in fear, the rest, worn by excessive toil, suffering from lack of food and distressed by untold prospects, prepared for the worst. Within days they would begin starving to death. Below these placid waters they had camped and, as though their trials were not severe enough, it had begun to rain and then snow, raising the river almost twelve feet, disguising its course. Sullen, suffering, and now lost, they shivered through the night, envisioning their fate. They called the site, Camp Disaster.

What happens to pain and suffering once the people who experience it are gone? Formerly fishermen, artisans, shop clerks, farmers, and students, all had served in General Washington’s summer Boston siege, many veterans of Bunker Hill. Despite Arnold’s admonition, “It is a perilous service,”



Don Reddick

all had volunteered. Here, in imminent danger of sacrificing their very lives for a cause, they must have questioned their decision to leave hearts and hearths. They would certainly starve if they turned back, and knew not how far ahead lay any reprieve. Frightened, starving, miserably cold and wet in unending, unforgiving wilderness, they faced grim reality. These waters I sat beside covered a realm of sadness and despair, borne by people long departed. There are no lights on this lake but my own, illuminating all that lay beneath, or, more truthfully, all I wished to recall.

I glanced at my diminishing reflection. Those waters gave no indication, no inkling whatsoever of occurrences long past. Their re-emergence gently surprised, those experiences long submerged, long obscured by placid, silent beauty and time. A place to revisit and wistfully acknowledge in its season, its truth lying just below the surface.

Alone, I looked up and stared out over my lake without lights. I turned and looked up at my half-moon, the very same shared so long ago. Yeah, I remembered.

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ADUs can be within an existing primary residence, like converting a basement into an apartment, attached to a primary residence as a new construction addition, or completely detached, like a cottage or converted detached garage in a backyard.

An ADU must: Maintain a separate entrance, either directly from the outside or through an entry hall or corridor shared with the principal dwelling sufficient to meet the requirements of the state building code for safe egress; be either no larger than half the gross floor area of the principal dwelling or 900 square feet, whichever is smaller; meet municipal restrictions, including, but not limited to, additional size restrictions and restrictions or prohibitions on short-term rental.

Property owners benefits: provide an additional rental income for property owners, which can help offset maintenance and repair costs; low-cost housing opportunity for adult children and other relatives to remain in their community; provides long-term options for seniors – either as an opportunity for caregivers

to live close by or to downsize while remaining in their community.

Renter benefits: Add affordable rental units to the housing stock to meet the needs of smaller households; long-term residents can stay in the neighborhood they love and know.

Benefits to Massachusetts: increases much-needed affordable and diverse housing opportunities; provides accessible housing to seniors or persons with medical needs or disabilities and their care givers; compact growth makes use of our existing land use, structures and infrastructure, which can be more sustainable and far more economical than building a single-family home on a new lot; ADUs are smaller and utilize less water and electricity, making them a more sustainable housing option.

Effective Sunday, February 2, 2025 on single ADUs in single-family zoning districts Municipalities may impose reasonable restrictions and requirements for: site plan review; Title V requirements; regulations concerning dimensional setbacks and the bulk and height of structures; short-term rentals. Municipalities cannot: require owner occupancy for the ADU or the principal dwelling; require a special permit or other discretionary zoning approval for the use or rental of an ADU; require more than 1 parking space for an ADU located outside 0.5 miles from a commuter rail station, subway station, ferry terminal or bus station; require any parking for an ADU located within 0.5 miles from a commuter rail station, subway station, ferry terminal or bus station.

By virtue of the Governor waving her wand, this will be ready for local implementation on the February 2, 2025 effective date. Exactly what changes will be made to Norwood's zoning by-laws is an open question, but it's sure to be on the March 2025 Town Meeting Warrant. A statewide hybrid public hearing, with options for in-person or remote participation, will take place on January 10, 2025. More information will be published at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/accessory-dwelling-units#what-is-the-law?> (editorial includes excerpts from this site).

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NTAC traversing Meadow Street on January 1st

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

It's an annual New Year's Day resolution for the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee (NTAC) to get up and out as early as possible for the first hike of the year.

This New Year's Day Hike starts at 1 p.m. at the Meadow Street Trail system, and the NTAC decided to direct hikers to park at the Prescott Elementary School. The idea is to not overwhelm the Meadow Street neighborhood with cars during the day.

NTAC members agreed that the size and scope of the walk will depend largely on the weather. Member Chris Paddock said they will likely have different hikes planned depending on the weather and water level.

NTAC President Joseph Greeley said they had previously offered shorter walks for those who wanted them. "We've done part of this trail at our last community walk and we took an informal poll before we started and offered a shorter path. We had 20-25 people there, but it seemed like everybody was okay with the longer version," he said.

Member Lee Leach pointed out that if they do that, they need to assign NTAC members to groups. Greeley pointed out that if they get a participation rate like that of the 2023 hike

two years ago, they'd have to split into groups because 75 people gathering around one hiking leader is a little tricky, not to mention dangerous as many would have trouble hearing instructions if there is a downed tree or other obstacle to get around.

"If prior years' walks are any indication, they attract more people if the weather cooperates," Greeley said, and that can be problematic. "What tends to happen if we do walk together as a committee is you have nobody at the front, six of us at the back; you've got people in the middle just walking with no idea where they're going and you've got the rabbits out front. I think we need to do a better job of managing these walks as we go."

Paddock agreed and added he wants to send folks out in waves if more than 50 hikers show up. "Just if there are 50-plus people we've got to go out in as many waves as we can," he said.

"There are few places out there where you can gather around in a circle," said member Joseph Barrett.

Greeley also said he wants the committee to be aware that this might be someone's first time hiking in Norwood (most people think Norwood has no trails, so this is very likely).

"The question is what are we trying to accomplish?" he said. "Are we taking people out



The Norwood Trails First Day Hike always attracts dozens of residents looking to start off the year with some outdoor exercise.

FILE PHOTO

for the sake of taking people out, or do we want to foster interest and volunteerism? Either way is good. We just have to decide what we want it to be."

The NTAC is asking interested residents to sign up for the New Year's Hike beforehand so they can better plan the trip. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/49a6nwue> to sign up.

In other – but related – news, Greeley reported the first effort to dry out hikers' boots, part of the NTAC's \$80,000 efforts to creating foot bridges throughout the trails system in the Town, has been completed. The first was the Eagle Scout Project of Troop 49's Nick Brewer at Meadow Street, adjacent to the Neponset River, just east of the Norwood Memorial Airport property.

"It's called 'Brewer's Bridge,'" Greeley said, adding that the work the day of went smoothly. "You could tell some of these guys have done this

before. Some of the scouts, scoutmasters and assistant scoutmasters they were on top of it; they had the proper tools, had the popup tent, they had everything ready."

"The pizza stayed dry too because it did rain," Barrett pointed out.

"Pizza is also very important," Greeley said, adding that this experience will be a great help for the dozen or so more bridges the Trails Committee is looking to complete. "We were all taking notes as to what to bring to a worksite, and I think whether it's called 'lessons learned,' or whatever, it was a successful exercise for them and Nick Brewer, but it was also a learning experience and a great experience for us too."

Members said they are working on plans for a handrail to help crossings, but other than that it's worked very well. "Just going on lots of hikes with little

kids and the general public, people love nothing more than a little bridge," said Paddock. "Especially when it kind of sneaks up on you like this one does, it's a real treat. 'Oh! There's a little bridge here!' Because you can't see it until you're almost on top of it and I think that's a good thing."

Also, Greeley said the Appalachian Mountain Club will be at the Four Points Sheraton on Route 1 in Norwood on Jan. 25 throughout the day. He said this will be an informational meeting for the group's members and draws hiking enthusiasts from Maine to South Carolina. He said it is mostly for members – and usually about 300 people come every year – but it is still open to the public and he invited anyone interested to come out and see what the organization has to offer. For more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/4pzh2f5m>

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November 26, 2024

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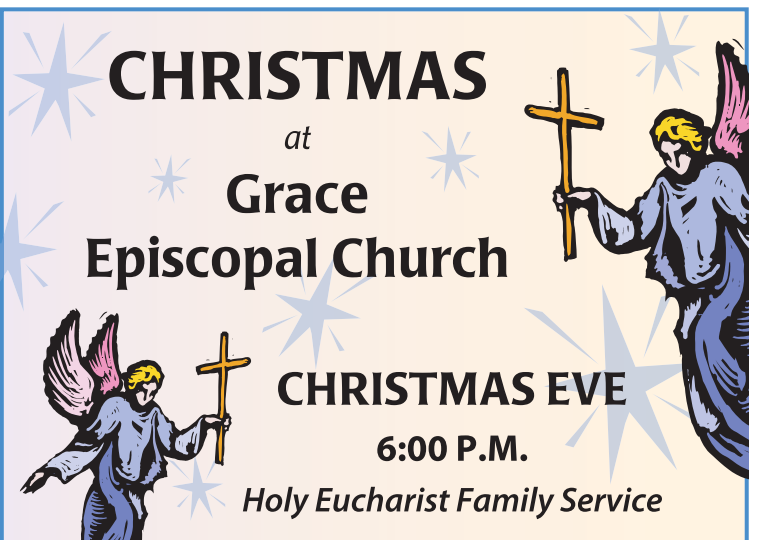
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NHS Choral Program carols out in Town

The Norwood High School Choral Program went out and about last week to bring music to the masses. The group went through several neighborhoods to bring holiday cheer and music to people where they were. The group stated on social media, "Spreading cheer in the winter is our favorite part of the season."

COURTESY PHOTO



Xmas Creche returns to S. Norwood



The South Norwood Committee has been putting up a Christmas Creche in South Norwood for decades now and continued the tradition at the Morse House recently.

PHOTO BY FRED CANNON JR.

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north of the site, which is already fenced off from the surrounding residential neighbors. Campbell said the stormwater calculations for the drainage structures currently in place were designed with the possibility of this expansion in mind, and he said both the west and east drainage systems will handle the additional stormwater runoff that comes with the additional pavement.

Campbell said they are looking to have 95 parking spaces overall, up from 72, and the Board agreed. However, Assistant Town Planner Ilex Jones had pointed out to him a change in the way the residential setbacks were calculated since the building's construction and original approval in 2015. Because of that change—

the setback is now calculated from the lot line and not the middle of the street – they will have to lose three spaces. Campbell said so long as they can reconfigure the rest of the parking lot that was fine.

Jones said the Town was looking for native species, as well as flowering plants and bushes. Campbell said they will get a landscape plan together to submit to the Town.

Jones said it is always recommended that drainage be increased, but Campbell said they are meeting the requirements of the zoning bylaw. Jones said so long as the three front spaces are removed, that would likely offset the extra drainage issues. Campbell agreed and the Board voted unanimously to approve the site plan with those provisos. The total space count was finalized at 92.

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GOSS



Priscilla A. (Homsy) of Norwood, formerly of Roslindale, December 7, 2024. Dear and devoted wife of the late James D. Goss. Loving mother of Elizabeth Goss of Belmont, James and Kimberly Goss of Westwood and Yvonne Goss and Doug Rea of Minneapolis, MN. Cherished grandmother, "Tete," of Kiely, Bridgette, Tiernan and Alexander Goss. Dear sister of the late Charles Homsy, Margaret Little and Rose Kunes. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Priscilla's memory may be made to the church or to World Central Kitchen, at www.wck.org Interment in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge. Guestbook and other information, at www.KfouryFuneral.com

FRAONE



NANCY (Grava) of Norwood passed away surrounded by her family on December 16, 2024 at the age of 77. Beloved wife of Antonio Fraone. Devoted mother of Gianfranco (John) Fraone and his wife Jennifer of Easton and Maurizio Fraone and his wife Alisa of Wrentham. Adored grandmother of Julia, Joseph, Isabella and Anthony. Also survived by brothers and sisters in Italy and Canada and many nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late Salvatore and Michela (Miniero) Grava. Nancy (Annunziata) was born in Maddaloni, Italy and immigrated to the United States in 1977. She worked for many years at Analog Devices in a number of different administrative roles. After raising her sons, Nancy returned to school to earn her high school diploma from Don Bosco High School in Boston, making her family immensely proud. Nancy's

most cherished role was that of "Nonna" - expert advice giver, always encouraging and supportive, and best hugger. She was kind, warm and had an infectious smile. She was loved by all who knew her. Visitation will be held on Friday, December 20, 2024 from 9:00am-10:30am at the Kraw Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral mass will follow the visitation at 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Lustgarten Pancreatic Cancer Research Foundation.

KELLY



MARIANNE Deborah (Thompson) of Norwood passed away on December 10, 2024 at the age of 81. Beloved and cherished wife of 58 years to Gerard M. Kelly. Devoted mother of Brian G. Kelly and his wife Andrea of Lisbon, CT, Kerry A. Melavin and her husband John of Marshfield and Jeffrey T. Kelly and his wife Kathrine of Taunton. Daughter of the late Arthur and Mary (MacDonald) Thompson. Big sister of Frances "Tammy" DeSimone and her husband Bill of Melrose, Douglas Thompson of Norwood and the late John Thompson. Marianne had many nicknames - The Queen, Queenie, Mum, Ma, N\$, Captain Mac but none she loved more than Mom & Nana. She was the deeply adored Nana of, Kathleen (Katie), Patrick, Ella, Connor and the late Joseph (Joe). She found pure joy in spending time with them, whether playing card games - 99 and UNO being the favorites, attending sports games (though she didn't love the rugby ones) baking or her FaceTime calls (with the phone pointed towards the ceiling sometimes), they all brightened her day. Her love and warmth (and frank opinions) will be cherished and missed forever. Also survived by many nieces and nephews and treasured grandnieces Reagan and Peyton who brought her so much joy. Marianne had a wide circle of friends, many of whom she had known for over 50 years, and who she could spend hours talking to each day. She

Deaths

enjoyed taking road trips, a good slot machine, devouring a great book in a single seating and was a prolific card sender - often, your card arrived before your birthday or anniversary. She loved sports - more KC Chiefs since Brady abandoned the Patriots and was all in on Taylor and Travis. The list goes on and on. She will be incredibly missed by all. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. Burial at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Little Sisters of the Poor 1365 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082 www.littlesistersofthepoorconnecticut.org.

SULLIVAN

Joan E. (Brown) of Norwood, MA and Yarmouth Port, MA, age 92, passed peacefully on December 10, 2024. Beloved wife of the late James J. Sullivan; and daughter of the late Elizabeth and Francis Brown of Dorchester. Loving mother of Maureen Morrissey of Cambridge, Kevin Sullivan and wife, Jennifer of New London, NH, Nancy Bussiere and husband, Daniel of Norwood and James Sullivan and wife, Maryanne of Medfield. Cherished and loving grandmother to Katherine, James and Eric Sullivan, Robert and Caroline Bussiere and, Erin, David and Finch Sullivan. The loving sister of Phyllis Dunn of Weymouth and the late Robert Brown of Cambridge. Also survived by sisters-in-law, Susan Lang, Vita Loiacono and Catherine O'Rourke. Joan was originally from

Dorchester and loved to reminisce and fondly share stories about her childhood; including "summering" on Nutting Lake in Billerica. She was a 1950 graduate of Dorchester High for Girls, where she excelled as a student. After high school, she worked for the New England Telephone Company, where she met her husband. Joan was dedicated and loving to family and friends and happiest when in their company. Whether gathering for a family dinner, attending her children or grandchildren's sporting events or going for a walk on the beach with her grandchildren, her family brought her great joy. She volunteered at Children's Hospital in Boston deep into her retirement and she would often say that the patients she served brought more joy to her life than she did to theirs. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday morning, December 17th at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Interment at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury.

WATTS



Deborah (Lukis) of Wrentham passed away on December 4, 2024. She was 68 years old. Born in Norwood, Deborah spent many years working with visually impaired and blind students as a peripatologist, helping them navigate their

surroundings and walking through them with confidence. She worked with children of all ages, typically staying with them from a young age right through to their high school graduation, but in one instance helped a blind infant learn to crawl with the use of audio cues. She also helped train seeing eye dogs. In her spare time, Deborah enjoyed training her own dogs in agility and nosework for regional competitions. While in Los Angeles working for her master's degree, she met the love of her life, Edwin. They spent time traveling to their favorite vacation spot in Ensenada, Mexico, before marrying and moving back east. She joined Edwin on some work trips to Europe and Bermuda, but her favorite destination was her home in Eastham. She had traveled to Eastham and the outer Cape since she was a child and owning a home there was a dream come true. Above all else, Deborah was happiest spending time with her family and her beloved labs, Curry and Abby. Deborah was the dear and devoted wife of Edwin Watts. Dear stepmother of Jeffrey Watts and his wife Michele Igawa of Kansas. Cherished "Grandma Deborah" of Jeffrey Jr. and Lily. Loving daughter of the late Stanley and Gertrude (Samson) Lukis. Dear sister of the late David Lukis. Sister-in-law of LaJune Hughes of Oklahoma and Michelle Watts of California. She is also survived by many loving cousins. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. NORWOOD. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Deborah's memory to your local animal shelter.



Thank You Novenas

For Favors or Prayers Answered

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)
Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.
Grateful thanks. —K.B.

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. —I.H.

Miracle Prayer

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

—D.J.

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Morrill Library Events

SENSORY-FRIENDLY FRIDAY MOVIE

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering an in-person sensory-friendly movie on the 4th Friday of the month for adults with different levels of cognitive abilities.

Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday movie at the Library! This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on December 27, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our December movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is Disney's Snow Dogs, rated PG.

The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY ART CLASSES

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with Norwood-based Lifeworks Inc to bring a series of art classes called Sensory-friendly Art Classes for Adults to the library. The classes will be held weekly on Fridays starting on January 3 and continuing thru June 27 from 10:30 am to 11:45 am in the Simoni Room at the Morrill Memorial Library.

Join the art instructor Stephanie Enloe for sensory-friendly art classes for adults, a program specially designed for adults with all levels of cognitive abilities. The attendees will get a chance to create an art piece in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment.

The program is free and open to attendees aged 18+.

PUZZLE FACE-OFF!

Love doing puzzles? Want to test your speed against others? Come join us for a friendly puzzle face-off against other teams on Saturday January 11, at 2:30pm - 4pm in the Simoni Room.

Up to 4 teams will compete, with a maximum of 4 people per team. Feel free to name your team! Families are welcome to

come as a team; children aged 10+ will count as a team member. One puzzle per team. Puzzles will be 500 pieces, and each design will be unique. Based on random luck of the draw, teams will get to choose their puzzles. Race will kick off at 2:30pm and will end at 4pm. The team with the most completed puzzle by the end of the race will be the winner. Winners will receive a small prize, and of course, bragging rights!

This program is free and open to all, but please note that the difficulty level of the puzzle design is most suitable for tweens, teens and adults. Please let only one team member register for the whole team. You will be prompted to enter the number of participants in your team. Please do not register each member of your team separately.

MOVIE MATINEE MONDAYS

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to continue our Monday Movie Matinee, a film series starting on January 13. The series will run from January - April. The films will be shown on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Showtime at 1PM.

If you love movies and want to immerse yourself in unforgettable cinematic experiences, Morrill Memorial Library is the place to be! Join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday afternoons from January through April to enjoy an eclectic mix of movies. Movie dates are: 1/13, 1/27, 2/10, 2/24, 3/10, 3/24, 4/14, 4/28. January movies are: Barbie (116 mins) - Boys in the Boat (123 mins)

REMINISCENCE: REVISITING THE PAST

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to bring a unique program called Reminiscence: Revisiting the Past to the residents of Norwood. The program will be held on Wednesday January 15th at 3PM in the Simoni Room. Please join Steven Kiley, Home Care Consultant from Home Instead, as he takes the

attendees through a Show and Tell program about artifacts from years past.

With the background in Occupational Therapy, Steven uses the vintage artifacts found while metal detecting and bottle digging and has created a fun and stimulating Reminiscence Program. The vintage items are brought in and a Powerpoint presentation is conducted to add context.

ART JOURNALING WORKSHOP

Thanks to popular demand, Lynda will be offering her Art Journaling Workshop for Beginners a second time in January 2025!

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to again host local artist Lynda Bassett, who will host an art workshop titled "Unleash Your Creativity: Art Journaling for Beginners" on Sunday, January 12 starting at 2:00pm in the Simoni Room.

Dive into the world of art journaling, where there are no rules—just endless possibilities! Explore paints, pens, collage, and words, in a fun and relaxed environment. You'll leave with your very own personalized art journal pages and a treasure trove of ideas to keep your creativity flowing.

No experience needed! All supplies will be provided - but feel free to bring any photos, stickers, mementos, or other things you'd like to use in your art journal. Attendees must be aged 18+.

About the presenter: Lynda Bassett is a self-taught mixed media artist, and art journal creator. Lynda uses acrylic paint, collage, and words to explore herself and the world around her through intuitive art. She has been published in several art journaling magazines, including Brush Magazine and Strawberry Moon. She has also exhibited in a group art show in Boston. You can find her on Instagram @lynda1655.

For the Record

HOLIDAY HOP & SHOP!

Looking for last minute gifts? Running out of ideas? Holiday Hop & Shop is a one day event on Saturday Dec. 21st from 1 to 4 pm featuring works by local artists and artisans with a selection of paintings, photography, hand woven scarves, turned wooden bowls, prints, digital painting, handmade cards, and more.

Start your shopping in Custom Art Framing & Gallery at 45 Central Street, then hop on over to Tax Solutions, Inc. just around the corner at 642 Washington Street. Or go vice-versa! Each location has different works on display by different artists, so be sure to visit both locations.

Holiday Hop & Shop is only a one day event, so be sure to join us on Dec. 21st from 1 to 4 and find unique gifts for your family, friends, or yourself!

Holiday Hop & Shop is a joint venture of Norwood Art Walk, Tax Solutions, Inc. and Custom Art Framing & Gallery, and is supported in part by the Mass Cultural Council, Norwood Cultural Council, and the Town of Norwood.

For more information email marypaz at norwoodartwalk@gmail.com

"LONGEST NIGHT" WORSHIP SERVICE

On Sunday, December 22, at 7 pm, First Congregational Church in Norwood is hosting a "Longest Night" contemplative worship service in the sanctuary at 100 Winter Street in Norwood.

Advent and Christmas can be a difficult time for many, especially those who have lost loved ones, those who struggle with depression or anxiety, or who have experienced significant traumas. The "Longest Night" worship service is a time to pray for the healing and light of Christ to enter into the places of struggle and sorrow. We light candles, offer prayers and extend loving support to one another. We make space for tears as well as wonder. Please consider joining in this special ecumenical worship. We look forward to the participation of members from a number of Norwood churches, including Emmanuel Lutheran Church, First Parish in Westwood, Union Congregational Church in East Walpole, as well as from members of the wider community seeking the peace and light of Christ during challenging days.

First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ) is an Open & Affirming congregation welcoming all. We are located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The regular Sunday morning worship service is at 10 AM (9:30 AM during the Summer). In light of COVID-19, worship services are conducted in person, live-streamed during the worship service, and posted to the FCC Norwood YouTube channel afterwards. Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers. Sunday School classes are held for children in grades Pre-K through 8 mid-September through mid-June. Our Pastor, Rev. Michele Bagby Allan, is glad to extend pastoral support. For more information, please visit the church web site (<https://www.fccnorwood.org>) or call

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Buick Envista

Where have all the American cars gone? They have gone to the import brands. As you follow me about the vehicles I write about every week I try to simple and short. Joe at Automotion gets all the columns from all the NEMPA journalists and sends them to the manufacturers unedited. This week I drove the Buick Envista. This a fully loaded small FWD only powered by a 1.2 liter 3 cylinder turbo via a 6 speed automatic. This SUV seats 4 adults and there is room behind the rear seats even when in the up position. The Envista has good quality interior fabric and easy to read and use controls. Power from the 3 cylinder turbo is adequate no heavy towing here. This in my opinion is a good looking SUV, a little Porsche from the front and BMW / Audi from the rear. Base price starts at **\$24,100** for our Sport model destination \$1,095. Options that I think are worth the investment are convenience package that includes heated steering wheel and front seats, remote start and more. Moon roof, 19 inch alloy wheels, adaptive cruise control, lane change alert, rear cross traffic alert and more. Cooper ice metallic paint is also optional, you will love it or hate the color. 8 inch driver display 11 inch touchscreen. GM tried hard to keep this SUV under **\$30,000** and they did. EPA 28/32 combined 30 MPG. Final assembly Korea.

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.

Monday, December 9

0857 Phone - PD-Assist Public Report Follows Location/Address: Home Depot - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee seeking advice on internal theft of an employee. 1 male party in custody. 662 to transport Arrest: Zimmerman, Ananise Riko IV Address: 983 1/2 N Main St Brockton, Ma Age: 24 Charges: Larceny Over \$1200 By Single Scheme c266 §30(1)

1030 911 - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr 911- caller stated she hears footsteps in attic space above second floor. She is concerned. Stepped outside. Also happened on Saturday, ring camera caught shade which appeared to be moving. Conducted a walk through the apartment and attic space. Cleared.

1527 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Spoke To Location/Address: Norwood Healthcare - Washington St Main lobby. Call on 911 reporting a female party is in the lobby and would like them to be removed as she is causing a disturbance. Doctors and nurses do not want this person in the building. Blue Coat, B/M, baseball. Spoke with party, trying to get paid through a third party center. Advised that it is a civil matter. Female party was verbally trespassed per staff, she walked off scene. Cleared

1703 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Vernon St 911 caller reports woman is acting disoriented and screaming on the street. Party has been located. She is awaiting a ride from her husband. Units standing by. Party was picked up by her husband, clear.

2035 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Roosevelt Ave 911 Caller reports neighbors are chanting loudly and she would like an officer to come out and speak to the parties. No loud noise upon arrival. Spoke w/ resident. They have been ad-

vised, clear.

2259 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Arrest(s) Made Location: Pendergast Circle Center Auto has the vehicle. Arrest: Darosa, Rangel E Address: 66 Border St Dedham, Ma Age: 57 Charges: OUI-Liquor OR .08% Yield at Intersection, Fail

Tuesday, December 10

0956 Phone - PD-Illegal Dumping Spoken To Location/Address: Chapel St Call from DPW reporting a blue truck illegal dumping No blue truck is there. Only a truck in the driveway that belongs to resident of the Chapel St. Owner of vehicle admitted to doing the illegal dumping. They have picked it up and DPW is satisfied.

1025 Radio - PD-Assist Public Report Follows Location/Address: Hillside Ave Party in lobby looking to report on-going harassment involving his children.

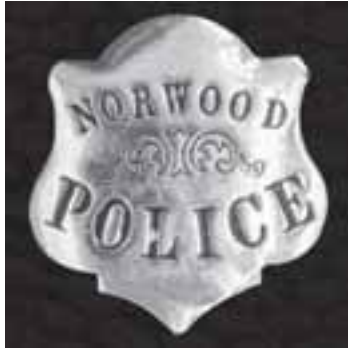
1309 Phone - PD-Assist Public Spoke With Location/Address: Kerry Pl Party in lobby looking to report past suspicious activity. Spoke to the involved party and advised him not to return to the parking lot. He stated he was stopping in due to his school being down the street.

1418 Walk-In - PD-Lost/Found Property Spoke With Location/Address: Shaw's Supermarket - Nahatan St Walk in party reports he found a \$100 bill in the parking lot of Shaw's yesterday and came to turn it in. Lost property sheet filed.

1735 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: - Washington St RI PC 1V1810 Arrest: Franco Aybar, Juan Manuel Address: 267 Prospect St Apt. #1stfl Pawtucket, Ri Age: 21 Charges: Marked Lanes Violation Unlicensed Operation Of MV

1913 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Transported to Hospital Location/Address: Lenox Ave Assist FD with a male fell possibly intoxicated Male party cooperative and on the stretcher with a head injury.

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2204 Walk-In - PD-Breaking & Entering Services Rendered Location/Address: Day St Party in the lobby wanting to report a possibly B&E Units took a walk through the apartment. Everything appears to be in order. He will speak with his landlord.

Wednesday, December 11

0239 911 - PD-Animal Complaint Transported to Hospital Vicinity of: Across From - Upland Woods Cir 911- late 20's, female party yelling help and she was bleeding. WF, Shorts, barefoot, white t-shirt Female refused medical treatment, dog bite. Female owns the dog. Female called back 911 and requested the ambulance to come back and transport her to the hospital. She is being transported to BI Needham

1023 Phone - PD-Assist Public Spoke With Location/Address: Ellis Nursing And Rehabilitation Center - Ellis Ave Staff member called on the business line and states a patient would like to file a report about a staff member who allegedly pushed her to the ground last night. Spoke to staff and the patient. Report to follow

1811 Radio - PD-Missing Person Services Rendered Location/Address: Nichols St Per HQ party in lobby looking to speak to an Officer in regards to a missing person. Party has been located.

Thursday, December 12

0719 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Area Search Negative Location/Address: Central Chrysler Jeep & Dodge - Bos-Prov Hwy 911 caller reporting a loose dog, Medium sized, Black and White, red collar. Checked the area, nothing showing.

0839 Phone - PD-Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: - Plymouth Dr Caller reports someone stole a tire off of his vehicle at some point last night, looking speak to an officer. Clear, report to follow.

1038 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Albemarle Rd Caller reports a fox laying

in the side yard. ACO Brianna notified and en route. ACO Brianna responded and the fox ran away upon her arrival, appeared fine.

1356 Walk-In - PD-Lost/Found Property Services Rendered Location/Address: St Catherine of Siena Church - Washington St Walk in party turns in found cell phone inside of the church.

1608 Phone - PD-Threats Report Follows Location/Address: Coakley Middle School - Washington St Mother and child in the lobby looking to report threats the child heard from another student earlier today. Heading to Hampden Drive to speak to another party involved. 662 & 667 off at Hampden Dr.

1643 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Collision Transported to Hospital Location/Address: Nahatan St + Crestwood Cir OFC Hwang reports a bicyclist was struck by a vehicle. Canton FD en route to evaluate the patient, conscious and alert at this time. Party transported to BI Milton. Bike is being transported to station.

Friday, December 13

1426 911 - Health & Welfare Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Bank Of America ATM - Walpole St White Volkswagen. Caller reports that there is a male in the driver seat with the door open with his head down. Caller states he's been there for about 45 minutes. White male, 20's, blonde hair, short, glasses. Party was just tired and resting after work.

1516 Walk-In - PD-Assist Public Services Rendered Location/Address: Winfield St N674,N665 escort party to residence to pick up belongings. Clear, party retrieved his belongings without issue.

2141 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: Washington St + Neponset St Motor Vehicle Stop MA REG 1BNP52 - One in custody Arrest: Flaherty, Kevin Michael Address: 48 Hill St Norwood, Ma Age: 22 Charges: OUI-Liquor Or .08% Marked Lanes Violation

Saturday, December 14

0417 911 - PD-Suspicious Activity Spoke With Location/Address: Parkway St Female party ringing door bells and banging on doors and people's cars. Caller thinks female is intoxicated. Appears to be a grey SUV. Female party is wearing a hooded sweatshirt. Vehicle is leaving at this time. Spoke to the female party. She was dropped off by an Uber and was banging on the wrong door. She is now at the correct address.

0716 Phone - PD-Motor Ve-

hicle Stop Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Washington St + Walpole St Unit off with a male asleep at the wheel Requesting FD party not waking up Elderly male not responding, sgt authorized entry Male conscious and alert. FD on scene.

0732 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Transported to Hospital Location/Address: Pellana Rd Lifeline is looking for a wellness check on a 78 year old male. Requested FD for evaluation. Westwood ambulance responding

1532 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Could Not Locate Location/Address: Dean St + Neponset St Caller reports a black male in the road singing as vehicles drive by.

1748 911 - PD-Threats Report Follows Location/Address: Plymouth Dr E911 caller reporting her neighbors are threatening to punch her in the face. Described as an African American couple that lives above her, parties may be intoxicated. Report to follow.

Sunday, December 15

0024 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller on 911 reporting he saw a silver sedan hit a parked vehicle, in the rear parking lot. Victim's vehicle located, will attempt contact with that party over the phone. Suspect vehicle was GOA, N661 will check with property manager regarding camera footage tomorrow morning.

0731 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Winslow Ave Caller reports a grey Audi has been parked outside her home since Friday night. MA REG: 1TTD63 Speaking with the owner of the vehicle to see if it can be moved. Owner was not home at this time, 669 will try and reach out to the owner at a later time. Officer Riley will reach out to the VP and advise her.

1156 Phone - PD-Lock Out No Service Location/Address: Bos-Prov Hwy 911 caller- Stating his 3yo child is locked inside his vehicle. Upon obtaining information the caller disconnected. FD gained entry, PD clear.

1404 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Report Follows Location/Address: Winter St Caller states she was going to pick up her friend and she showed up and that garage was open with car in it, kitchen was in disarray and very uncommon. Caller stated she has not spoken with her on phone since last night and saw her a couple of nights ago. Forcing entry with fire. Female party is at the theatre, officers en route to speak with her. Party has been advised in regards to her door, OF assigned to officer. Units clear.

1958 911 - PD-Runaway Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr Grey sweat pants, grey light green tee shirt with Rick and Morty, dreads, 14 yom. B/M. Units off with that party at Town Square Diner. Juvenile returned home safe.

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ing, things will go well," she said. "If we see things sliding backwards, things may not."

The Board voted 4-1, with Plasko against, to extend another six months, but said Adams had to come in to the Board to give progress updates every two months.

The Board voted to have Adams come in to its Feb. 11 meeting for the first of those updates.

Also at the meeting, the Board discussed the Comprehensive Plan, with consideration given to changing the Town's zoning and planning strategies for the future. The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee (<https://tinyurl.com/5derd5vc>) has been meeting regularly over the past year to gather input and educate residents on the process, and the committee had its most recent public meeting on Dec. 11.

Board members agreed while it is a good start, much more work is needed. Lane said

he felt more outreach was a good idea so as to get participation from residents that do not normally get involved with Town procedure.

"One thing I noticed at the meeting was that the people who were there, they were a lot of the same people we see at a lot of these events, which is good and means we have an active group, but anything we can do to get involvement from folks we might not normally get is a good thing," he said. "The more people we get the more representative the outcome will be."

"I thought it was a nice start and helpful, but I kind picked up on what you were saying and that more was needed," Plasko said.

"Our goal is to have thousands of interaction points and perspectives from community members," said Donnelly.

The website for the steering committee (<https://tinyurl.com/5derd5vc>) has a survey and a list of several upcoming meetings in 2025.

Wreaths Across America returns



Wreaths Across America returned to the Highland Cemetery this past weekend to lay about 500 holiday wreaths on the graves of the veterans interred there. The group has been laying wreaths there since at least 2019 in to honor veterans as well as support veteran causes. The theme this year was "Live with Purpose," and had as speakers Norwood Veterans Agent Derek Wienerstrand, Jake Miles, Zach Skutt, Norwood Historical Society President George Curtis Jr., Tom Saumweber, and 22Mohawks representatives Dave Campisano and Stacy Coyne. The 22Mohawks organization works to help end veterans suicide by providing disabled service members with companion rescue dogs.

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the church office at (781)762-3320.

FRIENDS BALLROOM DANCE IN DECEMBER

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their monthly Ballroom Dance, on Friday, December 20th from 7-10 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by Dave Valerio and the cost is \$12.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea, desserts & water are served & there are also door prizes.

We look forward to welcoming newcomers of all ages. 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

VFW MEAT RAFFLE IS BACK!

The Norwood V.F.W. Post 2452 on Dean Street in Norwood hosts a Meat Raffle every Saturday from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The Meat Raffle is open to the Public and everyone is welcome. The price for each Drawing is only \$2.00. Ten Drawings are conducted each Saturday. A Pre-Buy for \$20.00 is available during the week at the Post. This Pre-Buy allows for entrance in all Ten Drawings conducted on Saturday. The winners of the Pre-Buys need not be present to win. The prizes are delectable, delicious, and generous portions

of meat and chicken. The Drawings also include a 50/50 Money Raffle. A separate Winner Takes All Raffle is conducted at the end for an additional \$5.00.

The Norwood VFW is located at 193 Dean Street in Norwood. The Meat Raffle will continue every Saturday thru May. The Norwood VFW is looking for new members. Veterans of the Gulf War, and personnel who have served overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan are welcome to visit the post at any time or come to one of the Monthly Meetings which are held on the Fourth Wednesday of each Month from September thru May (Except December).

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: William McCoy
Of: Norwood, MA

RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Mark McCoy of East Taunton, MA** In the above captioned matter alleging that William McCoy is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that: **Mark S. McCoy of East Taunton, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve With **Personal Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **01/15/2025**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Lee M. Peterson, First Justice of this Court
Date: December 12, 2024
Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

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