



Hundreds came out dressed to impress at this year's Trunk or Treat at the Norwood Department of Public Works in Town..

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Trunk or Treat a hit at DPW

Bryant Jones
Staff Reporter

On Saturday, Oct. 14, the parking lot of the Department of Public Works was bustling with kids sporting creative costumes while many parents had made some amazing Halloween dioramas to make their cars as spooky as possible in the tradition of the season.

One of the most popular was the Ghost Busters Truck, but it took nothing from the Norwood Police Department's (NPD) Car featuring NPD Officer and therapy dog Mustang Sally. Mustang Sally sported a pink cowboy hat and kids were clamoring to get their picture taken with her while the song by the same name was sung by Wilson Pickett. Other vehicles were turned into hangouts for Disney's Frozen, the Wizard of Oz, a Soccer skill test, and an Edgar Allan Poe-themed trunk complete with a leather-bound book and candles.

According to Recreation Department Program Coordinator Marie Kidd, more than 600 candy bags were given out to kids meaning there were more than 600 kids at the event (as some brought their own bags to gather candy). Kidd explained, "We couldn't have done this without the 12 trunks that came; that is a big deal."

Each child made the rounds to all 12 car trunks to



NPD Therapy Dog Mustang Sally was universally agree to be the biggest main attraction at the event.

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receive candy. This is one of the Recreation Department's biggest Halloween events each year and is designed to give out candy to kids in a safe environment, as well as giving both children and parents another chance to wear their costumes. In turn, many parents donated nonperishable food items for a great cause, the Norwood Food Pantry.

Five-year-old Bailey Baulier said she liked Trunk or Treat "Because I get candy, my favorite costume was the unicorn."

Assistant Recreation Director Sam White and Kidd handed out hundreds of treats.

White said, "It was a great

day compared to last year. We had amazing weather and an even better turnout with some new trunks this year. It was just a great overall day. Mustang Sally with the police department has to take the cake. She was a big ticket."

Speaking to Mustang Sally's junior handler, eight year-old Mason Baguma, "The best thing was handing out candy, and eating it too."

Mason's father, Norwood Police Officer Jeff Baguma, said the sense of community the event brought out was the main thing,

"I think the day was great because everyone who came out made it successful, both

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An appeal of the Building Inspector's initial decision did not go through for an urgent care at this site on Route 1.

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ZBA refuses to override Building Inspector's decision

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) met last Tuesday and discussed a proposal from Nepras Inc., represented by attorney Brian Almeida, to overturn the decision of the Norwood Building Inspector regarding property located at 958 Boston Providence Highway, the building where Taco Bell is located.

Almeida said they wanted to appeal Building Inspector Gary Pelletier's decision on the application because he felt that an urgent care facility does not fall under the Footnote 12 regulation in the Norwood Zoning Bylaw. Footnote 12 details the ground-level use restriction, which was set up to preserve front-facing retail for businesses that fall within 100 feet of the Route 1 right-of-way line. Medical clinic

uses are within those uses not allowed, but Almeida said he felt that an urgent care was essentially a medical retail use, since patrons come in on a walk-in basis and are almost never making appointments, at least according to him.

Footnote 12 reads that "The purpose of this restriction is to preserve the frontage area for retail-oriented and publicly accessible uses that rely on visibility of customers traveling along the Route 1 Corridor."

Almeida argued that an urgent care does rely on visibility since patrons are not, usually, making appointments.

"We feel an urgent care is one of those (retail) uses, even though it's medical in nature, it's the sort of medical use that needs to interact with customers," he

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Superintendent job description updating

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood School Committee started work on putting together a Superintendent Search Committee in order to, hopefully, have the best candidate lined up after Superintendent David Thomson leaves in the summer of 2024.

The Committee agreed on the makeup of the Search Committee, which will include two School Committee members, five school staff representatives, two Townwide representatives and four parent representatives.

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Benefit for 'The Bear'

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Elks, at 152 Winslow Ave., will be hosting a benefit to help Michael "The Bear" Cawley get back on his feet, on Nov. 10 at 5 p.m.

The night will feature several raffle items, food, silent auction items, a scratch ticket wall, a door prize and more. Cawley is currently recovering from heart transplant surgery and while his longtime partner Veronica McElaney said they feel like they're past the worst of the things, there are still so many hurdles to overcome before anything can be considered "back to normal."

"The next year is going to be very critical," she said. "They will be working with Cawley's heart transplant coordinator for the next year scheduling slews of doctor visits and procedures.

"We're talking biopsies, echo cardiograms and all kinds of other clinical stuff that he needs to be shuttled back and forth from so that, in and of itself, is a really big issue, but Veronica said she and her son are planning to get that done. "His daughters have also absolutely stepped up too, but one just had a baby and another works full-time, so we're trying not to disrupt too many people's lives during all of these things."

Just preparing the house for Mike's return has been very time consuming and expensive.

"Mike, of course being the coach that he is, is like, 'You need to do this and you need to do that,' and I'm like, I'm not just here



Michael "The Bear" Cawley

eating bon bons honey," she said with a laugh. "I'm redoing the whole house and trying to work."

Cawley was a coach for Norwood Baseball for many years, and played in a lot of youth sports. His friend, Paul Chiofar, grew up with him on a nearby street, played baseball with him and was around when Cawley first got his nickname 'The Bear'.

When someone has a name like 'The Bear,' you might expect there to be a certain kind of narrative for how that name came about. Words like 'paws,' 'bear claw,' and 'roar' come to mind, very manly, macho and tough images.

Not the case here, according to Chiofar. He said Coach Minty Kuporatz first gave him the name.

"Minty was a youth athletic leader. When Mike was playing for him in little league one day he yelled 'Mike, you run like a little bear!'" he said. "He was about 7 years old at the time, and the fact that it came from Minty was pretty good."

Chiofar said Cawley's Norwood roots run deep. He grew up playing youth baseball, coached several teams and was the assistant director of the Norwood Recreation Department for a time.

"He's a very popular guy in Norwood because of all his involvement with Norwood

sports," he said. "He's the kind of guy that if you go out with him everybody knows him and wants to stop by and say hello. He's got a simple lifestyle and is just one of the regular guys around Town. You'd be really hard pressed to find anyone who didn't like him."

Chiofar went on to say that Mike's notoriety extends beyond just the neighborhood. Red Sox fans of a certain age will forever remember the classic 1975 World Series, Game 6, when Carlton Fisk hit the historic homerun over the left field 'Green Monster'. Well, it wasn't just Fisk rounding third base as the crowd went crazy.

"We (Chiofar and Cawley) were in the box seats behind Michael Dukakis and Kevin White and their families. We were there for all the games. During Game 6 when Carlton Fisk hit that home run off the foul pole and land in fair territory I looked over to grab Mike and he wasn't there," he said. "He was already over by the dugout ready to leap over the wall. I mean he timed it perfectly."

Chiofar said Cawley ran out onto the field and was running right along the third baseline with Fisk. "It was crazy!" said Chiofar.

"He got to shake hands with Fisk as he came around the third

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Goldilocks and the Three Bears didn't originally have police in the story, but Fantasy Footsteps has in the past made such edits to make the stories more children-friendly.

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Fantasy Footsteps this weekend

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Backstage Boosters Club is getting ready to pull up the curtains, turn down the lights and start the Fantasy Footsteps Show on Friday night.

The show will be at the Norwood High School (NHS) from 6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. on Oct.

sible, and strollers are welcome," she said. "One of the reasons we moved it from the Savage Center down the street is that there are stairs there. There is a lift at NHS so when you're bringing little children and they still need to be in a carriage, people can lift their strollers. This makes it easier. It's also better for grandparents."



The night will feature fairy tales performed by students for young children.

FILE PHOTO

20, Oct. 21 and Oct. 28. Participants are encouraged to dress up for the event, which Boosters Organizer Jodie Smith said is geared towards young children and is more of a fantasy aesthetic than a spooky one.

"It's not scary, that is our whole premise," she said.

Smith said they have children grades 4 and up performing scenes and vignettes from fairy tales for the young patrons coming to the show.

"This year it will be at NHS, which is a new venue for us," she said. "We're going to have face painting too, which is something new."

Smith said the reason for the change was more of inclusivity than anything else.


"It's all handicapped acces-

The program is written and produced by Dean Calusdian, who runs a theater education company called Summer Stage in Walpole. Smith said he works with every up-and-coming fairy tale actor to make sure they get a good introduction to theater.

"He auditions the students, he writes the scripts and he rehearses the kids," she said. "We do it as a little bit of theater education. Dean does a great job of teaching the kids how to speak in a scene and learning all about vocal projection. So it's one way for kids to have a theater experience while not having to do it for a month or six weeks. They only rehearse twice a week for three weeks

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More than 1,800 patrons came out to peruse the many vendors at the Norwood Craft Affair this Saturday.

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Craft Affair attracts many

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 29th annual Norwood Craft Affair went off without a hitch and had more than 1,800 patrons come through the doors from all over the region.

Organizer Michele Hsu said this was far more than last year's count, which was about 1,300 attendees.

"We passed what we did last year about an hour ago," she said at the event. "Everyone's doing great; people are pouring through and everyone seems to be having a good time."

The event garnered a lot of attention this year from the crafting community as well, as there were more than 100 vendors on the wait list for the event. Hsu said it was a great time and she's happy it is going to pay dividends to their fundraising effort.

The event raises money for student activities, particularly helping to fund the Post Prom Party.

The event featured crafts of virtually every size, shape and type. Wildlife photographer Cindy Sherman of Seaglass Photography showed off her work, which featured close up images of different animals including puffins, owls, foxes and more. She got started when a complete stranger invited her to take a look behind the lens.

"I was at Fresh Pond in Cambridge and I asked this guy what he was looking at and he said, 'Take a look through my lens,'" she said. "And so I looked through and there was this group of screech owls! I had never seen an owl before. I just loved it."

Sherman has been hooked on wildlife photography since then. She's a teacher in Waltham during the day so she can't get out to wild locations as much as she'd like, but she has still built up a considerable portfolio.

"This is my side passion; it's just a lot of fun," she said. "It's many hours in the bush, definitely."

Sherman added that the Craft Affair is a great unique event that allows her to show off her stuff and mingle with the other artists.

"This is my second year here," she said. "There's just so much energy; people are excited to be here and it's an honor to be with the other awesome artists."

Resident Adam Cohn came out with his wife and daughter for the first time this year.

"I think everybody's having fun," he said, adding the event was more for them than for him. "I haven't seen a lot of stuff I like, there has been some sports stuff that's interesting. It's not really my cup of tea."

Dawn Farinha said she's been to many craft fairs in her time, but this was her first Craft Affair in Norwood.

"I'm from Fall River and

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WCC congratulates Grover



On the left, basket winner Indera Grover, on the right Monica Young, WCC member.

The Women's Community Committee would like to congratulate Indera Grover who was the winner of the Kids Night basket that was raffled at Norwood Day.

The Women's Community Committee is an all-volunteer, non profit organization that has been in existence since 1925. Through generous donations to the Thrift Shop, located at 1091 Washington Street in Norwood, the W.C.C. provides yearly scholarships, annual passes to the Morrill Memorial Library and funding to local organizations

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Michael Cawley, right, just after shaking Fisk's hand during game six of the 1975 World Series.

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base line," he said. "Third base coach Don Zimmer was already down the line halfway to home plate but Mike was the first guy to congratulate Fisk. There were a bunch of stragglers at home plate but Fisk just kind of shrugged them off. Mike was the guy who shook his hand in a very famous photo, many at different angles. It's not uncommon to see that picture in and around Norwood. That was probably his biggest brush with fame."

Chiofar said Cawley was somebody who would help you out no matter what.

"If you were his friend, he'd do anything for you," he said. "If you go to him with a problem, he'd say, 'We'll figure it out. We'll figure it out, together.' And I'm sure a lot of people can say that about him. He's just an amazing guy."

McElaney said Mike's first brush with his heart problem

didn't seem all that serious, at least at first.

"He was working and didn't feel too good. It was MLK Day Weekend and he said to me, 'Honey, on your way in to work tomorrow - because I work in Brookline - could you drop me off at the emergency room?'" she said. "I mean that sentence alone shouldn't be in anyone's vocabulary."

Many friends of Cawley know him to be an athletic person and he was still keeping in shape at the time, so any discussion of a heart transplant was a shock to say the least, but apparently a genetic factor was in play.

McElaney said they went through all the testing, all the waiting, all the approvals and finally, last month, he got the call that doctors had found the "perfect heart."

"They go by physique, lifestyle, obviously blood and

body type and determined that this was the perfect heart," she said. "When we got the call we were both kind of blindsided. I came home one day and he said, 'Yeah, I got the call.'"

Chiofar said he knows the family and Cawley will get through this setback he's facing.

"He's made for a fight like this, he's always been a tough little bugger and he can get through this," he said.

All proceeds will benefit Cawley in his time of need. If you wish to make a donation, send a check in care of Dedham Savings Bank, Attn: Tom Benson, 185 Central St. Norwood MA 02062. McElaney said they are also looking for more raffle items so if you have something you'd like to donate, give her an email at FriendsOfMikeCawley@gmail.com

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we drove an hour to get here," she said. "They kept posting on Facebook which vendors would be here and it just sounded interesting. It was definitely worth the drive, it's a lot of fun."

She added she has a kind of personal stake in arts and crafts and cultural events like this.

"I'm a teacher too and so you just got to support these kinds of events," she said.

Resident Sabrina Kane said this was also her first time at the event and came up from Truro on Cape Cod to attend

"I'm up here meeting some friends actually," she said. "I didn't know what to expect when I walked in. It's so much bigger than I thought it was going to be. There's just so much cool stuff. If I happen to be around when this happens again, I'll definitely be back."

Vendors and Norwood resident Sara Pesci and Matt Nichols held down the fort at

Sara's Cuddly Crochet, which featured several dolls and other crocheted items, like potted succulents. Pesci said she first got into knitting and then into crocheting which ballooned into a small business. She said she features Amigurumi, which is a Japanese style of crochet animals.

"I saw this style and the animals are so cute I thought, 'I wish I could do that,'" she said. "So I thought if they could make me smile, maybe my nieces would like something like that."

Pesci said she started at the Craft Affair in 2019 and loves to come back whenever she can.

"It's always a great experience. They pull a lot of people and host a whole big group of diverse artists too," she said.

Norwood resident and TR Plaques and Ornaments vendor Tom Rodger said he started making plaques and ornaments in the style of the

Massachusetts Town Line signs when he retired. He said it's a great experience, and helps him meet a lot of people.

"It's a lot of fun and more rewarding to come to places like the craft fair today, as you meet a lot of people and they're a great crowd," he said. "I'm a people person and people are fun to deal with. There are always a lot of questions. They like the unique touches of the signs like the 'Entering Norwood' sign with the Mustangs logo for instance."

Rose Penniman and Amy Salvatori ran the booth for Cards by Rose, which featured embroidered cards for patrons to give to loved ones.

"They're hand-embroidered for a variety of cards and occasions," she said. "I had attended something where they showed a demonstration of card embroidery and I just thought I'd give it a try."

Norwood Public Schools Seek Special Education Students

It is the responsibility of the Norwood Public School District (NPSD) to identify any child ages 3 through 21 who may have a disability who is either a resident of the NPSD or who attends a private school within the geographic boundaries of the NPSD. This also includes children who reside in the NPS who are homeschooled, as well as children ages 3 through 21 who are not yet enrolled in school.

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Hall of Fame induction ceremony

The Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame is pleased to announce its 2023 inductees. The student-athletes are Joe Travers 1981, Denise Carroll Flaherty 1993, Katelyn Mullane 1998, David Rukstalis 2002 and Ryan Henry 2006. The induction ceremony will take place on Saturday, November 25, 2023,

in the Norwood High School Auditorium. The event will start with a reception and refreshments at 12:00 Noon followed by the ceremony from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. This event is open to the public.

The Class of 2023 will join last year's inductees: Tom Smelstor 1965, Steve Salvatore 1979, Kevin

Keegan 1986, Bob Goonan 1986, Steve Grenham 1991, Andy McNulty 2003, Lauren Duggan 2011, Ali Maloof 2011, Cory Ryan 2011 along with coaches: John "Duffy" Doherty 1971-1982 and Jack Martinelli 1969-1982. Any questions, please contact Brian McDonough at bgmcdonough@gmail.com.

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—J.G.

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so it gives them a little taste without having to get involved in a great big production.”

Smith added that this experience has led to many students pursuing theater after they perform here. She said many younger aspiring actors also look forward to when they’re old enough to try out for the show.

“We get new recruits from the middle school and high school. A lot of the elementary kids are so excited to get to fourth grade so they can be in the show,” she said. “I have children who come up to me at the Oldham and say, ‘Hey Mrs. Smith! I’m in fourth grade; I’m finally old enough to enter

Footsteps!’”

The performances tend to be public domain fairy tales like Cinderella, Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk, the Elves and Shoemaker and other such stories. Smith added that they are the children’s versions, not the originals, which can be a bit gruesome.

“These are all adapted and they don’t last longer than two minutes,” she said. “Dean adapts them for our use.”

Originally the event was very different because it was held outside. She said a theater group approached the Backstage Boosters after losing their original venue in Boston.

“This goes back to when,

my gosh, when my daughter was in Junior High. She’s now a professor at Boston University,” she said. “It goes way back.”

It was a very successful event for a long time, but the theater company decided to go in a different direction.

“When they decided to do something different, we changed it,” she said. “We used to do an Enchanted Walk outside. When that theater company decided to go in another direction we did too and moved it inside. It’s just very difficult to do it with the weather.”

For more information on this event and the booster club, go to <https://www.facebook.com/BackstageBoosters/>

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said. “It relies on walk-ins. There aren’t many appointments, per se. If you’re going to an urgent care, you go in there because you saw it and you need medical services.”

ZBA Chair Michael Sheehan said he didn’t believe this to be the case. He said he agreed with Pelletier, and that the use was not allowed within 100 feet of Route 1.

“The very first case we have before us to override all the work the Planning Board and Town Meeting voted for overwhelmingly,” he said. “It might even have been unanimous, and our first test is to override what the elected representatives of the Town wanted at that time? Now, if it was an error, maybe it needs to be fixed with new zoning but I’m having difficulty getting there, and that’s just me.”

“I don’t think we need to override the decision of the building inspector, I think he’s correct in his decision,” member Al Porro said. “I’m opposed to changing it.”

However, members Shannon Greenwell, Mary Kate Daly and Rachel Churchill all agreed that Urgent Care falls within the spirit of the footnote and was essentially a retail business.

“I feel that this type of walk-in clinic that doesn’t rely on appointments or pre-existing relationships with patients would actually fit with the intention that the restriction is trying to keep out and I’m actually open to overriding and agreeing with the appeal because of the nature of this business,” Greenwell said. “I think this keeps in line with what we want there as opposed to restricted uses.”

“I do think that the table of uses seems to be a little inconsistent as the way the proponent

explained it,” Churchill said. “Where this is a preexisting structure that has had no prior use I think it would be appropriate to provide relief in this instance.”

Sheehan said he understood the arguments, and while he sees the logic in them, he feels that it would be going against what Town Meeting members voted on back when the Boston Providence Highway District was approved.

“I just can’t say to the Town Meeting members that, ‘Everything you do doesn’t matter to us.’”

Almeida said that it wasn’t going against the wishes of Town Meeting members, but rather correcting an oversight.

“The way that I look at it is that to some extent this might be one instance where this particular use wasn’t contemplated by Town Meeting,” he said. “I think to some extent overruling the building inspector in this case would be doing justice to what Town Meeting found, because Town Meeting found that this language of Footnote 12 was what mattered.”

Pelletier said he felt the use would be appropriate as well just that the applicant would have to go through the special permit process rather than an appeal to the building inspector.

While no vote was taken on the matter directly, the fact that Sheehan and Porro were obviously opposed and that to overrule the building inspector the ZBA needs a super majority of 4-1, the request would have failed.

The ZBA voted 3-2 instead, with Sheehan and Porro opposed, to continue the hearing until Dec. 5. It is assumed the proponent will file for a special permit.

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attendees and staff,” he said.

DJ Mike Pride made a repeat performance from last year, spinning the tunes and keeping the kids dancing. DJ Mike said, “There were Lots of kids; they were having a good time dancing while going around to each different station.”

“Everyone had a blast, the line was crazy when we first got here,” said resident Joshua Hendrickson while his daughter chimed in, “I actually got to wear

my Ninja Turtle Costume.”

Norwood Resident Ryan Ellison, said, “Seeing all the kids and how happy everyone was is the best part. There was more kids this year; less cars, more kids.”

Sponsors with trunks or tables included Gillooly Funeral Home, Goldfish Swim School, Kaceli Dental, the Junior Women’s Club, and Norwood Community Media.

Norwood Fall Fest is not over yet. On Thursday, Oct. 19, the Halloween Hop is set for children 3-6-years-old at

the Norwood Senior Center from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. It’s another chance to get the costumes out and dance the early evening away. Oct. 20 will see Pumpkin Decorating with seniors at the Senior Center at 10 a.m. and Oct. 26 will provide another pumpkin decorating session at the Norwood Civic Center from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Both pumpkin decorating sessions are all ages. For more information, go to <https://norwoodrec.activityreg.com/>



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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
NORFOLK Division Docket No. NO22C0337CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Norfolk Probate and Family Court
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In the Matter of: JEREMIAH ANTONIO GUEVARA
A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by
Jeremiah Antonio Guevara of Randolph, MA
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:
Jeremiah Antonio Castillo

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Norfolk Probate and Family Court** before 10:00 a.m on the return day of **11/15/2022**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 12, 2023
Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

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Hiltz felt a 12-person committee would be sufficient and they didn't need the fifth staff member.

"I mean, I personally think the larger you get with these committees the more cumbersome it becomes. That's my personal opinion having been in two different districts, not including this one," he said, adding he's done three super search committees in other districts.

Chair Anne Marie Mazzola said the additional member would preclude the possibility of a tie.

"Perhaps, but how often do you read about ties in superintendent hiring?" Hiltz asked.

"Oh, you just opened a Pandora's Box by asking that," said Mazzola.

"I think you don't hear about ties because committees have odd numbers," said member Joan Giblin.

"Sometimes you don't even have a committee and it's just one person who appoints," said Hiltz.

"I'm sorry but that's still an odd number," said Giblin with a laugh.

For the Town government positions on the committee Mazzola appointed Finance Commission Chair and former School Committee member Myev Bodenhofer and Townwide Facilities Department Director Paul Riccardi. As

long as those selected accept, the committee can appoint with no vote.

The committee also appointed School Committee members Kate Sibbing Dunn and David Hiltz as co-chairs.

The School Committee also discussed the superintendent job description the Town will be putting out for prospective candidates.

The description hadn't been updated since 2017, so about an hour was spent discussing and updating it based on student population makeup and to reflect the changes in Norwood's teaching approaches that have taken place over the last five or six years.

One item that causes a bit of discussion among members was experience. Hiltz said teaching experience in a classroom should be a requirement for consideration.

Member Teresa Stewart said this made her a bit uncomfortable.

"There are administrators and superintendents I'm aware of who started as guidance counselors or started as instructional coaches or had many other important, valuable priority positions within a district," she said.

Hiltz disagreed.

"I'm admitting my bias, but I think it's one of the biggest problems in education in that we continue to pull people who

have not taught for a long enough time to really have a feel for what's going on," he said. "The purpose of public schools is teaching."

"We have very different views, and that's okay, but I'm very uncomfortable with what everyone else is saying. But if it's 4-1 it's 4-1," Stewart said.

The Committee agreed to come back to this question at the Oct. 25 meeting.

"It'll give us a little more time to think about it too," Mazzola said. "Teresa, I hear what you're saying and that makes sense to me, but David also makes sense to me. I'm really kind of teeter-tottering right now."

In other news, Director of Student Services Lori Cimeno gave an update on school staffing, which has been an issue this year. The schools had several positions still open at the start of the school year, though several have been filled. Cimeno said they were able to move forward with four new paraprofessional positions. She said they originally had six candidates lined up, but two did not make it through the on-boarding process. She said those two remaining positioned will continue to be advertised.

Superintendent Thomson also gave a report of special populations within the district, which include first language not

English students (FLE), English language learner students (ELL), students with disabilities, high needs students and economically disadvantaged students.

Thomson said from 2021 to 2023, the district has seen mostly steady increases in these populations. He said FLE students went from 27 percent of the district in 2021 to 26.9 in 2022 to 28.3 in 2023. ELL students went from 12.8 percent in 2021 to 12.7 in 2022 and 14.6 in 2023. Students with disabilities went from 21.8 in 2021 to 22.3 in 2022 and 25.3 in 2023. High needs students rose from 49.9 in 2021 to 55.6 in 2022 and then to 57.4 in 2023. Economically disadvantaged students rose sharply from

29.4 in 2021 to 40.1 in 2022 and decreased to 39.6 in 2023.

For 2023-24's estimates, Thomson said high needs student estimates and FLE students estimates are not in yet, but he said ELL is estimated at 16 percent this year, students with disabilities is estimated at 23 percent this year, and economically disadvantaged students is estimated at 37 percent this year.

Thomson said these numbers are important because the State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education bases its funding of the district throughout the year on these numbers that are officially signed off on later this month, despite the fact that those populations may change during the school year.

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JOHN F. of Norwood passed away on October 14, 2023 at the age of 85. Beloved husband of Linda M. (Ferro) Doherty. Devoted father of Rose Doherty of Los Angeles, CA. Brother of Mary Pitts of Rockland, Nancy Clancy of ME and the late Richard Doherty and Patricia Ingham. Son of the late Cornelius and Mary (Sheehan) Doherty. Also survived by nieces and nephews. John was a retired Project Manager for the Boston Edison/Eversource Electric Company working there for many years. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the American Parkinson's Disease Associa-

tion 135 Parkinson Avenue, Staton Island NY 10305 www.apdaparkinson.org or to the American Heart Association 300 5th Avenue #6 Waltham, MA 02451 www.heart.org

GAUTHIER



Margaret Rose (Dale) Gauthier of Norfolk and formerly of Rockland, passed away on Sunday October 8, 2023, at age 73. Born in Boston, she was the daughter of the late George Henry Dale and Rose Delina (Lizotte). Margaret attended local schools and later worked for many years in accounting. She was a strong woman who raised her daughters independently. In her professional life, she was a

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pioneer in the use of accounting software and computers in the small business setting. She was an avid reader and often spoke about her early days as a patron of the Boston Public Library, spending countless hours reading. She was committed to maintaining the special bonds she had with her siblings and childhood friends. She was very proud of her two daughters and eight beautiful grandchildren, often bragging about them to others. She never missed an episode of Jeopardy or Wheel of Fortune, and she loved true-crime documentaries. She enjoyed a wide variety of crafts, especially quilting and crocheting. She also enjoyed traveling, visiting Germany, England, and Las Vegas. Margaret was the devoted mother of Michelle Spengler of Rockland and Brenda and her husband Dennis Dugan of Norfolk. She was the sister of Lawrence Dale of Rochester NH, Edna DiCalogero of Roslindale, and the late David and Robert Dale. Margaret was the proud grand-

mother of James Reed, Nathaniel, Thomas, and Abigail Spengler, and Breanne, Devyn, Kaylee, and Shayne Dugan. She is survived by many nieces and nephews. A Funeral Service was held in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rt. 1A) NORWOOD on Tuesday October 17. Interment was private. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Margaret's memory to the American Heart Association, www.heart.org .

GRIFFIN



Barbara J. Griffin, age 68, of Norwood, passed away on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. Born in Norwood, she was the daughter of the late William J. and Catherine (Sullivan) Griffin. Barbara was a graduate of Dana Hall, Wheaton College and earned an MBA from Suffolk University. She worked for many years in finance. Barb was an active volunteer at Gofi Dogs and longtime Bruins fan. Barbara was the sister of William L. Griffin and his wife Rita of Naples FL, Michael Griffin of Marblehead, and the late John and his surviving wife Carolyn of Alexandria, VA. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Services from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rt. 1A) NORWOOD on Tuesday October 24 at 10 AM. Funeral Mass in St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 547 Washington Street, Norwood at 11 AM. Visiting Hours in the Funeral Home on Monday from 4-8 PM. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Barbara's memory to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 6704, Hagerstown MD 21741.

mother of Ty DeCarteret. Aunt of David Stella of Orlando, FL, Marlene Bennett of New Smyrna, FL and Mathew Bennett of Tampa, FL. Sister in law of Mary Ann O'Connell of Norwood. Daughter of the late Armand and Harriet H. (Mulholland) LePage. She met Rusty when she was 8. They lived in the same neighborhood in Jamaica Plain They started dating in 1969 when he got out of the Navy and she was working as a Supervisor at the First national bank. This October would have been their 51st anniversary. Dottie was an exquisite home chef and adored making meatballs for her family. Dottie loved to travel, especially to warm places like St. Thomas for her honeymoon and Aruba for Jill and Ken's wedding. She loved being silly, laughing, singing and dancing with her family, especially her grandson, Ty. Visiting hours will be held on Friday, October 20, 2023 from 10am-12noon at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062. A funeral home service will be held on Friday, October 20, 2023 at 12noon. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Assoc. 309 Waverley Oaks Road Waltham, MA 02452 www.alz.org/MANH

PRITCHARD



ELIZABETH A. (Camelio) of Walpole, formerly of Norwood, passed away on October 13, 2023 at the age of 94. Beloved wife of Henry J. Pritchard Jr. Devoted mother of Adria L. Pritchard of North Conway, NH, Scott E. Pritchard and his wife Kerri of Norwood and the late Patricia Schulz and her husband James of Antigo, WI. Sister of Marie Aleixo of RI and the late Edward Camelio, Joan Buiso and Louis Camelio. Daughter of the late Louis and Angela (Zagami) Camelio. Cherished grandmother of Nathan, Josiah, Sarah, Katherine and Reagan. Great grandmother of Meredith and Frederick. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Elizabeth was a proud member of the Victory Church in Norwood. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2023 from 4-7pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248

O'CONNELL



DOROTHY "Dottie" M. (LePage) of Norwood, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away on October 12, 2023 at the age of 78. Beloved wife of the late Andrew "Rusty" J. O'Connell Jr. Devoted mother of Jill O. DeCarteret and her husband Ken of Plainville. Sister of the late Lorraine Stella. Cherished grand-

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Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral home service will be held on Thursday evening at 6:30pm. Burial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 www.danafarber.org

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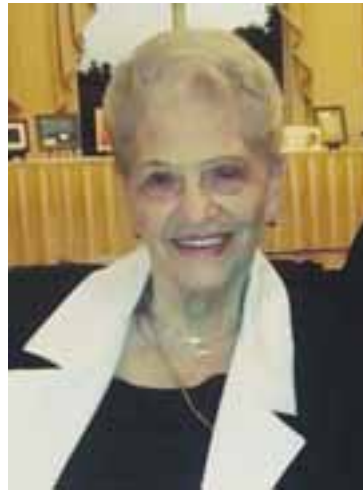
Donald Leonard Ross, Sr. age 92, died as he lived—with courage and grace and wit. He was surrounded by his family, who loved him with the same tenacity with which he loved them. Don returned to his Creator and reunited with his beloved Thelma, on Thursday, October 12. He will be remembered for his dedication to family, loyalty to friends, faith in Jesus, and love for every person he knew. Don enjoyed a varied career, but at his core he was a salesman. He honed his gift for building relationships over nearly 30 years with Bethlehem Steel Corporation, but discovered a higher purpose in ministering to the teenage friends of his 6 kids. From hosting Young Life Clubs in their home to driving a bus full of high school hockey players to building houses for families

in Mexico and singing in the lodge at Camp Akita—Don relished every moment he spent with kids. But of all the kids in his life, none meant more to him than his own 6 and the 10 grandchildren they gave him. Raising six kids across four decades and 14 homes, his sacrifices were countless. Through it all, he and his wife of 62 years, Thelma, kept their marriage strong and never lost their sense of humor. Don was born on January 31, 1931, raised in Norwood, Mass and graduated with a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Northeastern University in Boston. He served proudly as a “Seabee” in the Navy during the Korean War. He was an active member of First Community Church where he served as a Deacon, Board member, youth leader, and church bus driver. Don’s faith deepened when he made Cursillo/Cum Cristo Weekend #46 and participated in small groups until his passing. He and Thelma both spent their final days at Worthington Christian Village where the love of God is expressed and received every day. He is preceded in death by his wife, Thelma; parents Robert and Alena Ross; brothers David, Kenneth, and Douglas Ross and sister Betsy Ross Bartemus. Survived by children Nancy R. (Robert, dec’d) Sullivan, of Worthington, OH, Susan E. (Joseph) Brady, of Huntington, PA, Jayne M. (Brad) Ward, of Upper Arlington, Donald L. (Joni) Ross, Jr. of Upper Arlington, Rev. Dr. John F. (Sheila) Ross, Excelsior, MN, Amy (Ray) Starkey, of Upper Arlington; and 10 grandchildren: Katie, Brady, Carly (Kory), Judith (Daniel), Sydney (fiancé

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Quin), Madeleine, Olivia, Mason, Anne Marie, Logan. Family will receive friends from 4-7 pm on Friday, October 20 and gather for a celebration of Don’s life at 10 am on Saturday, October 21. Both events at First Community Church, North Campus, 3777 Dublin Rd., Hilliard, OH, 43221. Arrangements by Schoedinger Northwest. In lieu of flowers, friends are encouraged to give to Worthington Christian Village or to a charity of their choice in Don’s honor. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.Schoedinger.com.

SILLETTI



Margaret G. “Margie” (Ardolino) Silletti of Haverhill and formerly of Norwood for over 60 years, passed away on Monday October 2, 2023 at age 97. Born in Somerville, she was the daughter of the late Ernest and Camille (Capodilupo) Ardolino. Margie grew up in Arlington and attended local schools. She attended hair-dressing school in Boston where she met her husband Jerry. Margaret was co-owner of the Aladdin Salon on Tremont Street in Boston. A devoted wife, mother and friend, Margie loved everyone, and everyone loved her. She loved to sing and enjoyed figure skating. Margaret was the beloved wife of 63 years of the late James “Jerry” Silletti and the devoted mother of Stephen Silletti and his partner Diane Fasulo of Haverhill. She was the proud grandmother of Rachael Silletti of Haverhill, and is survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends. A Funeral Service was held in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rt. 1A) NORWOOD on Thursday October 12. Interment was at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Margie’s memory to Sarah’s Place Adult Day Care Center, 180 Water Street, Haverhill MA 01830.

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Morrill Library Events

Registration is required and free for all events below unless otherwise indicated. Sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

THE CHANGING NATURE OF GENDER IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The Morrill Memorial Library is honored to host scholar Genny Beemyn for an in-person presentation called “The Changing Nature of Gender in the 21st Century” on Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00pm in the Simoni Room.

The last decade has seen a generational shift in how gender is lived and viewed. Refuting the common assumption that gender can be reduced to the binary of female and male, many members of Gen Z identify as nonbinary and are challenging society to recognize more than two genders. This presentation will discuss the development of these changes, why they are important, and how people can be supportive of this movement.

PRESENTING FIRE CHIEF TIM BAILEY

The League of Women Voters in partnership with the Morrill Memorial Library is pleased to host Norwood’s own Fire Chief Tim Bailey, Jr. on Monday, October 23 at 7:00 pm in the Simoni Room for a presentation and Q&A about fire safety in Norwood.

Chief Bailey will talk about the role of the Fire Chief and what his responsibilities entail, give an overview of the equipment that the department maintains, and describe the hazards and risks that the fire department strives to mitigate by way of inspections and compliance to fire codes, etc. in order to keep the public safe.

Do you have questions you want to make sure Chief Bailey covers in his talk? Questions can be submitted ahead of time when you register at <https://norwoodlibrary.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/league-of-women-voters-presents-fire-chief-tim-bailey/> or contact the Reference desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

WEATHERING THE STORM: BIG STORM STORIES FROM NORWOOD AND BEYOND

In partnership with the Town of Norwood and as part of our Norwood Sustainability Series, the Morrill Memorial Library invites Norwood residents of all ages to join us for a coffee-house-style storytelling event called “Weathering the Storm: Big Storm Stories from Norwood and Beyond,” on Thursday, October 26 at 7:00pm in the Simoni Room of the Library.

You’ve heard of the Moth Radio Story Hour—now, join us for the Morrill Memorial Library Storm Story Hour! Do you have a yarn to spin about your experience during the blizzard of 1978? The ice storms of 1998 or 2010? How about the Great Norwood Flood of 2020? We want to hear them all!

Join your neighbors and Town staff members to trade tales of adventure, woe, comradery, and probably way too much water and snow at this evening of storytelling, themed around the storms we have lived and maybe even worked through. Come prepared with a story of your own to share, or just come to listen and share a hot beverage. Light refreshments will be available. Assistant Director of Community Development Holly Jones, Chief William Brooks of the Norwood Police Department, and Town Engineer Mark Ryan will all be in attendance to talk about their experiences.

Please indicate on your registration if you would like to share a story of your own so that we can gauge our timetable and organize our speaking order. One story per storyteller, please; and note that stories should be no longer than 5 minutes each to ensure everyone gets a chance to share! Please also note that, due to time constraints, we only have 15 slots available for storytellers, which will fill on a first-come, first-served basis. We will be in touch with all interested storytellers prior to the event to officially confirm our speakers’ list.

KNOCK ON WOOD IN CONCERT

The Morrill Memorial Library’s Fall Musical Sundays Concert Series continues with our second show on Sunday, October 29 at 3:00 pm as we feature returning favorite, Knock on Wood.

Knock on Wood is a high-energy acoustic folk-rock duo, featuring singer-songwriter Howie Newman and fiddler/mandolinist Joe Kessler. Combining acoustic guitar with fiddle, mandolin and pleasing vocal harmonies, the duo performs funny original music (suitable for all ages) and Classic Rock covers. It’s a very lively, fun show with great musicianship, humor and lots of audience participation. For more information, including videos and music samples, visit <http://www.howienewman.com/knockonwood>

WILLIE J. LAWS, JR PLAYS THE BLUES

The Morrill Memorial Library’s Fall Musical Sundays Concert Series continues with our third show on Sunday, November 5 at 3:00 pm as we feature Boston-based blues musician, Willie J. Laws, Jr. in a solo performance. Learn more about Willie on his website: <https://www.williejlawsband.com/>

A Texas guitar “gun slinger”, vocalist and song writer following in the footsteps of T-Bone Walker, Lightning Hopkins,

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. NO23P2648EA

Estate of: Christopher Alan Shivers
Date of Death: 04/09/2023

Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
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781-830-1200

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Elisha L. Tyra of Norwood, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Elisha L. Tyra of Norwood, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 11/01/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 28, 2023

Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

Norwood Record: 10/19/2023

Monday, October 9

1531 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Spoke With Location/Address: Guild Medical Center - Washington St Older male party swinging around what appears to be a sword stating he was going to hurt people with it. Last seen traveling South by the Guild Medical Center. W/M wearing long pants and a jacket. 674 reports that he is familiar with the above party. He did not make threats to anyone specifically and he was sent on his way.

Tuesday, October 10

0738 Phone - PD-Mental Health Services Rendered Location/Address Edgell Rd Involved party stated she had Q5 ideations but did not specify. Units off with the female outside of Edgell. Voluntary transport to the BI Needham by Norwood Fire, units clear.

1200 Phone - PD-Vandalism Report Follows Location/Address: Neponset St Caller came outside to find the rear window of her vehicle smashed.

2234 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Services Rendered Location/Address: Village Road W 911 caller reporting a fire inside of dryer. Reported pitbulls are still inside the home at this time. All units clear, cleared by fire no longer needed at this time.

Wednesday, October 11

0922 Phone - PD-Disturbance Investigated Location/Address: Big Y Foods, Inc. Store #105 - Walpole St Caller to 911 from the Big-Y reports she sees a black male chasing a white male in the parking lot. The white male has scratches and an ear bleeding. White male was trying to get into a black Volvo "Uber" MA REG 4DPD15. Officers on scene before call terminated. Call on 911 reports two parties involved in a disturbance in the parking lot of the Big Y. Caller first reports it is a black male chasing a kid around the parking lot. As OFC's arrived on scene. The caller corrected her description of the parties involved and stated it was a black male and white male. There was no kid. OFC's on scene report it is a verbal disagreement between two male parties. Both male parties are sent on their way.

1342 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Investigated Location/Address: Norwood Post Office - Central St Caller on business line is a worker at the Norwood post office. She states a carrier was doing collection bins last and brought one back that had multiple licenses in it. OFC back to

the station to make follow up calls. Items put into lost and found. OFC clear.

1547 911 - PD-Stolen Motor Vehicle Report Follows Location/Address: Lenox St E911 caller reports her vehicle was stolen from this location. Vehicle in question is a BMW GT color black MA reg FF23GR. Party will be outside waiting for officers. OFC on scene requested an OF assigned to him.

1737 Phone - PD-Disturbance Spoke With Location/Address: Pleasant St Caller reporting his wife was arrested today and now her friend is entering the home and trying to take their kids away from him.

1946 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Not Required Location/Address: Grace Episcopal Church - Chapel St Kid breaking into a storage container. Caller watching from park and will stay on scene. Caller reported the kids are the Boy Scouts and all is well.

Thursday, October 12

0138 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St + E Hoyle St Female on a sidewalk appears to be unresponsive. 667 stating the female was asleep and he will be providing her with a courtesy transport.

0742 Phone - PD-Recovered Stolen MV Services Rendered Location/Address: A&B Driving School - Guild St Call on the business line stated her car was stolen yesterday and filed a report with NPD. She received a message this morning on the location of the car. CP is looking to have an officer meet her at the location of the car that she was given. CP is out of town until 0830 as she is dropping her daughter off. Information sent to sector cruiser. 666 reports vehicle is at the above address. Owner has custody of the vehicle. Unit clear.

0927 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Lorusso Corporation - Pleasant St Sweeper truck driver yelled out to caller, "get the f**k away from me before I blow your brains out, reports male caller on 911 line. Caller stated he did not see any weapons. Caller is in a Reid's Dump truck pulled off in parking lot. Caller also stated that sweeper truck was still on street about 100 yards ahead of him. Road rage incident. Verbal in nature. Party was advised.

0945 Phone - PD-Sudden Death Report Follows Location/Address: Morse Ave HWC on an

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individual who has not shown up to work or responded to calls since Friday 10/6. NFD requested for unattended.

1237 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Gone on arrival Location/Address: Neponset St Call on the business line for a woman walking in the area of the listed address half dressed, barefoot and holding a scarf in her hand. CP looking to have an officer make sure she is okay.

1256 Initiated - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Cadillac Of Norwood - Bos-Prov Hwy 674 off with the female party from previous call. Woman was reported to be walking around half dressed and barefoot. 674 clear. Party was uncooperative and did not wish to speak with units.

1639 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Collision w/PI Services Rendered Location/Address Village Rd W 11 year old female struck by vehicle in parking lot. CP states individual is alert and breathing. Minor injuries to a juvenile. Mother was on scene and advised the operator of the vehicle that they could go about their day.

1707 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Area Search Negative Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Caller reporting a noise complaint outside of his apartment. He stated, "I am sick and tired of her gabbing outside."

2225 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Report Follows Vicinity of: Washington St + George St MA REG 2KPG49. Vehicle on scene does not match the vehicle description and the registration given is expired. OF assigned. Tow started by HQ.

2242 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Village Rd E Caller reports she found a lost Yorkie puppy. She is attempting to get the dog into her possession. ACO has been notified and is on her way. ACO on scene. Caller was able to contain the dog in a crate. Dog handed over to the on-duty ACO.

Friday, October 13

0737 Initiated - PD-Warrant Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: Pratt St Out of town warrant service. One in custody. Arrest: Foster, Derrell Address: 67 Pratt St Mansfield, Ma Age: 34 Charges: Straight Warrant Straight Warrant

0929 Radio - Health & Welfare Check Spoke With Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller reports a male party sleeping under blanket in MA REG 5NYZ89. Jeep color gold. Would like a welfare check. Spoke with party. Male and female in car. Unit is currently flooded and staying there for time being. Building management is notified and working on it.

1001 Phone - PD-Larceny/Forgery/

Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: Boch Nissan - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports that tires and rims were stolen off of cars last night.

1229 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Spoke With Location/Address: Nichols St Dog got out, small Boston terrier black and white. Fergus. Animal Control has been notified and will handle.

1425 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Gone on arrival Location/Address: Herb Chambers Volvo Cars Of Norwood - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller on business line states a male party in his 50's is walking around in the wooded area with a cross bow. Caller states she believes hunting is not allowed in this area. Involved party is a white male in his 50's wearing camo and has a black GMC truck parked in the area. Vehicle is gone on arrival. Spoke to reporting party who has been advised and has been advised. Vehicle is found at Boch Toyota. NH REG 4861352. Contact made with the party and contacted several businesses in area who state he is the only one who has permission to hunt in the area.

1427 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Spoke With Location/Address: Hillside Ave Female caller from California states her parents just arrived from Egypt yesterday and their phones are off. She has not been able to hear from them today. Contact made with parents. All okay.

1745 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Investigated Location/Address: Prospect St Female caller on the business line states a juvenile dark skinned male in a black ski mask and pajama pants came up and rang her door bell twice. She states he then took off on a scooter. OFC spoke to reporting party. Possible ding dong ditchers. OFC checked the area. Area search negative.

2322 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Eaton Village Condos - Neponset St Caller on business line reports two Hispanic males. Wearing black ski masks. One had a grey sweater, one had a black sweater. She saw them looking into her car in this parking lot. She states they took off when they saw her. She states they were walking towards Bahama dr. OFC's out in the area. Report they have the two males at Bahama Dr. Transporting juvenile to station. Vehicle to be towed back to the station. At upland apartment to make contact with parents of one of the juveniles. Juvenile Arrest Age: 15 Charges: Motor Veh, Larceny Of Motor Veh, Malicious Damage To c266 §28(a) Conspiracy Juvenile Arrest Age: 15 Charges: Motor Veh, Larceny of Motor Veh, Motor Veh, Malicious Damage To c266 §28(a) Burglary Instrument, Possess Conspiracy

Saturday, October 14

0849 Phone - PD-Disturbance Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: Warren St 18 year old male screaming and banging on walls. One male in custody. Arrest: Akhibi, William Ohireme Address: 16 Warren St Norwood, Ma Age: 18 Charges: A&B

0853 Phone - PD-MVA Property Damage Spoke With Location/Address: Bahama Dr Business line caller reports that her vehicle was broken into over night. Window is smashed and the ignition has been tampered with. Caller will meet officers at the

vehicle. String of Hyundai's broken into last night. Midnight shift was aware of this and has already started a police report. Caller has been spoken to and advised.

1346 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Report Follows Location/Address: Village Rd E Female reports that her car has a pole laying on it.

1600 911 - Health & Welfare Check Spoke With Location/Address: Norwest Dr 911 caller requesting a well being check on his son who is 7. Calling party is supposed to see him on the weekends but the mother won't let him see her. He has heard that there has been weed use inside the home and older men that she's allowing sleep over in his room. He heard from the school that the boy has been coming to school crying saying he wants his dad and is concerned that the mother is not given the care needed to him. Contact made with child who checks okay. Spoke with mother.

Sunday, October 15

0251 Phone - PD-Disturbance Investigated Location/Address: Mcdonald's - Everett/Rte1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Female employee reported on 911 white male party in a blue hoodie outside store verbal harassing customers. Has a bike. OFC's on scene report it was an incident between two parties. They state one party was trying to help the other party with their car that was broken down. They state the owner of the car did not want any more help and was waiting for AAA and then a verbal disagreement started. OFC's start both parties separated and calm and sent on their way and advised. Interstate called and notified to expedite response for disabled vehicle.

0957 Phone - Health & Welfare Check No Action Required Location/Address: Mobil Gas - Wash./RR Av - Washington St Calling party asking for a health and welfare check for a white male wearing glasses, blue shirt and shorts. Calling party states party didn't seem in his right mind talking about military contracts, calling party also states the male party is aimlessly crossing the street without looking. Officers out with the party. Party is suffering from some kind of mental illness and refusing to talk to the officers. He is currently on the side walk and officers will observe for a little bit. Party heading towards the Westwood line, does not appear to be a danger to himself, officers clear.

1159 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Spoke With Location/Address: Chapel St Business line caller reports that someone in the apartment is using a blow horn at night. Officer spoke with the resident who is corroborating the story of another resident regarding a noise complaint. Officer will do a supplemental to 1157-OF.

1940 Phone - PD-Disturbance Report Follows Location/Address: Norwest Dr Female caller reports her 12 year old son could have possibly joined a gang and has been acting out. Also reports he could be possibly selling drugs. No weapons being reported at this time. Female caller reports her son has since run out of the building and has run back in. Verbal argument between mother and son. Son is en route to stay with foster parents.

**Public Hearing Notice
Norwood Planning Board**

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **November 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of David Hern, Jr. Esq. representing Norwood Space Center regarding property located at **83 Morse Street (Map 10 Block 4B Lot 104), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **Manufacturing (M) Zoning District** and **Norwood Space Center Mixed Use Overlay District**. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Overstreet Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/mhu-ifvs-njz>
You can also dial in using your phone:
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7:00 P.M.

This Application requests a **Major Project Special Permit** pursuant to Sections 3.2.2 and 7.4.3 [Major Projects] and 9.8 of the Norwood Zoning Bylaws to include demolition of 5 commercial buildings and construction of one 146-unit multi-family dwelling with associated parking, landscaping, drainage, and utilities. The Board will also conduct Site Plan Review pursuant to Section 10.5 at this time.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be considered by the Board. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and make their views known to the Board.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Planning Board and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov or by calling 781-762-1240 ext. 6055, Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

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OLD PARISH PRESERVATION VOLUNTEERS FALL SEASON BEGINS

The non-profit organization, Old Parish Preservation Volunteers (OPPV) will be holding cemetery work days on October 21, October 28, and November 4 at Old Parish Cemetery, Norwood's original burial ground established in 1741, located off Washington Street near Railroad Avenue.

The aim of the OPPV is to properly clean stone grave markers, repair and reset broken stones, and document this historic site. With care and attention, the cemetery will continue to be a valuable historical and cultural resource for the town.

The group will host a tour of the cemetery titled "The Children's

Hour" on Saturday, October 21, at 2:00 pm. (Rain date Sunday, October 22 at 2). The Cemetery will also be open on November 11, Veterans Day, from 1-3 pm.

Anyone interested in helping preserve this site can join the group working in the cemetery, or visit the group's web site: <https://www.oldparishpreservationvolunteers.com>

The cemetery is open to the public during the time volunteers are working.

SONG AND DANCE CONCERT

Parkway Concert Orchestra presents a Song and Dance concert on Sunday, October 29 at 3 p.m. at First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, Norwood. Music

For the Record

Director Thomas Kociela conducts the 50 piece non-profit orchestra in an exciting program including Barber of Seville Overture by Rossini, Hungarian Dance No. 5 by Brahms, and España by Chabrier. The program also features Allyson Bennett, Soprano, in songs by Dvorak, Puccini and Johann Strauss II.

The program is sponsored by Orchard Cove and is supported in part by an operating support grant through the Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Organizations program from the Mass Cultural Council, as well as a grant from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local

agency which is supported by the Mass 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 2:30 p.m. For more information, please visit the orchestra's web site at www.ParkwayConcertOrchestra.org, call 781-444-5041 or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/parkwayconcertorchestra.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Norwood Woman's Club will be meeting on Tuesday, November 14, at 12:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 572 Nichols St, Norwood Ma. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco will bring us up to date on Town Happenings, progress on the hospital and answer any questions we have.. A light lunch will be served. Guests are welcomed. Yearly dues are now \$35.00 as the club is providing sandwiches. We are asking everyone to bring one item for the Ecumenical Food pantry to each meeting. Any questions please call Trina at 781-762-8173. Hope to see you there.

VFW MEAT RAFFLE

The Norwood V.F.W. Post 2452 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. An example of the sampling of the prizes include: Sirloin Steak Tips, Sausage, Ground Sirloin Burgers, Center Cut Pork Chops, Whole Chicken or Cut Chicken, Ground Sirloin Burgers, Chicken Wings, and many more

offerings. 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).

ROTARY CLUB ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

Share the warmth this autumn by donating a coat or jacket you no longer use to a neighbor in need. The Norwood Rotary Club will be holding its annual Fall Coat Drive now through November 16th. Donations of clean, wearable coats for men, women, and children are welcome and will be passed on to local families at the Norwood Food Pantry. Drop-off boxes are located at the Norwood Recreation Center (165 Nahatan Street), the Norwood Senior Center (275 Prospect Street), Lustra Cleaners (157 Central Street), and Norwood High School (main entrance lobby).

OCTOBER MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their monthly Ballroom Dance, on Friday, October 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. 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.

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Albert King and many others. This music is the kind of real Texas soul, all mixed up with classic R&B, country, blues/funk that grows from the Texas soil.

MADAN SARA DOCUMENTARY

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to host the screening of the Haitian documentary Madan Sara at the library on November 16th at 6:30 PM. The film centers on the informal status of women in Haitian society and their importance to that same society and how it functions. Madan Saras deliver goods throughout the country and most times sell their goods in the public marketplaces to support their families. However, it is dangerous work because they are subject to being robbed, disruption on the street which holds up commerce, and other dangers. Most times they are not protected by the authorities.

There will be a screening of the Madan Sara Documentary and a Q&A session with one of the Executive Producers to talk

about the current situation in Haiti, the informal market in Haiti and other parts of the global south, the issues facing the Madan Saras in Haiti, the places of women in Haitian society, and what women empowerment looks like in Haiti.

A PLACE TO CALL HOME

On Thursday November 9, at 7 p.m. the Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with Abundant Housing Massachusetts for an in-person interactive program called A Place to Call Home.

How do the shortages of places to live and soaring housing costs affect us, our children, our neighbors and communities? What can we do about it? Come share your thoughts and experiences through storytelling exercises, and hear how we can have an impact on this key issue.

Presenters: Joyce Mandell, a regional organizer for the statewide organization, Abundant Housing Massachusetts and Beth Hestad, a Norwood resident, Founder of Norwood for All.

Please note: Abundant Hous-

ing Massachusetts is not affiliated with the Town Of Norwood. This program is for educational purposes only and is not part of any official Town of Norwood planning.

LEARN TO COOK FOR DIWALI!

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to bring back Sandhya Jain, this time in-person, for a cooking program to celebrate the biggest Hindu festival of Diwali.

Join Sandhya on Monday, November 6 at 7 p.m. in the Simoni Room at the Morrill Memorial Library.

Learn to make rose water flavored Sandesh and vegetarian Galouti kebab. Sandesh is a cottage cheese-based sweet dish and Galouti kebab is a kidney bean-based savory snack. Sandhya will talk about the spices used in Indian cooking and walk the attendees through the process of making these mouthwatering, popular Indian dishes. Attendees will be able to sample the treats. Handouts will include both the recipes.

This program is free and open to all ages 18+.

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