



The fire bell in the Norwood Town Hall was taken out last year yet the Town has hasn't followed through on the plan to restore and display the bell at the Public Safety Building.

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CPC reviews several projects, including NFD Bell

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met recently and discussed several projects currently underway.

The fire bell at the Norwood Fire Department (NFD) needs attention. CPC Coordinator Kristen Phelps said the department previously asked for funds to remove the bell from the Town Hall bell tower, restore it and then display it in front of the fire station. They started the application process to get Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds to get the job done and discovered a bit of fortuitous news.

"There is still \$14,000-plus funding in the budget for the fire bell project and my understanding is – I wasn't here

when this was presented – that the original funding of the project was about \$30,000 and was for the removal of the bell from carillon tower and the restoration and display of the bell," she said.

Phelps said it was felt by both her and the NFD that the remaining \$14,000 could cover the rest of the project, but the CPC wasn't so sure. The CPC agreed to ask the NFD to send over a scope of project for the final restoration and displaying of the bell and to ask the department to reapply if they needed more funds to complete the project.

The CPC also discussed the Morse House rehabilitation, and Phelps said the foundation of the building has now been shored up and reinforced as approved earlier this year. Now the focus is to try to get

it placed on the National Historic Places Register.

"I met with Facilities Director Paul Riccardi, and as of right now there are a couple of steps needed to get it on the Register, the first is to determine if it's even eligible and that has to be done at the state level," she said.

Phelps said there is a paper trail to navigate through the issues, one of them being of a chicken-and-the-egg nature. She said while the eligibility phase is pretty straightforward – she has been working on it with Riccardi and Historic Commission Member Toni Eosco – the National application process makes things a bit more complicated.

"We'll get the state process underway and see if its

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The Norwood Senior Center is averaging about 500 medical and other rides a month for Norwood residents.

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Senior Center medical transport use is up

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Norwood Senior Center Executive Director Kerri McCarthy said that while summer may be inching to a close, the center's services and activities are just heating up.

"We're doing great and having a great summer," she said. "We're doing a lot of activities, including this Tuesday Night Supper we do in the summer. All the seniors come over for dinner and we bring in different guest servers to help."

Familiar Norwood faces usually come in to serve at the dinners.

"(Town Manager) Tony Mazzucco is coming in tonight

to serve," she said. "We feed about 140 folks every Tuesday. And they don't speak, they serve. We put them to work! We bring him every year; and also the fire department, the police department, and different Selectmen. They love to be here. It's more informal so folks can chat with them as they like and ask questions. It's just a great night."

The dinner lasts until 7 p.m. and any senior is welcome to attend.

"Everyone comes to socialize, enjoy each other's company and have a good meal," she said. "We're so lucky that all the community leaders are

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—B.T.F.

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—B.T.F.

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eligible, and then we'll revisit the rehabilitation piece," she said. "There are a couple of complicating factors. If you start doing work on a building that's been put on a list to be registered, they will often say they won't even look at it until it's all done. You can't do them simultaneously, and so it doesn't make sense to move forward without the state first determining its eligibility."

Next up was the Norwood Town Hall Carillon restoration project, first presented in 2019 but had to be amended in 2021, since during initial inspection more areas of the tower and the bell were found to be in need of repair.

The total cost of the project is about \$365,000, and the last of the work, the signage around the carillon, is starting soon.

"There will be several signs on the carillon at the base of the stairs near the existing carillon signs and one at the third floor where it goes up to," she said. "There's been back and forth with Joe Greeley, (Norwood Carillonneur) Lee Leach, myself and the vendors and in the next few months we'll have some beautiful brass signs for the carillon. That will wrap up."

The project is actually looking like it will come in under budget.

"There is a significant amount of money left in that account, which will come back to, in equal proportions, historic and undesignated funds," she said.

The Regional Housing Services Organization that the Town voted to approve last year has been on hold.

"As we work with the other communities – there are several – and they just finalized the inter-municipal agreement – as soon as that's signed and distributed to the parties they will likely request a transfer of those funds," she said. "They've identified a vendor, and with that set amount of funds they'll be able to pay them out of that account."

And there will likely another application soon. "It is likely you will receive a followup application for funding in the subsequent year," she said. "They'll be using the \$10,000 approved last year for this fiscal year and will likely looking for funds for fiscal year 2025."



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Proposed stormwater fee meets Selectmen resistance

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen gathered on Tuesday, Aug. 22 for its first meeting of the month, resulting in an open session that ran nearly two and a half hours.

Stormwater Utility Committee Chairman Jerry Hopcroft spent an hour of that time presenting a financing recommendation for the Town's stormwater infrastructure projects, and for their maintenance, operations, and management. He then fielded questions.

Hopcroft last updated the Board regarding the Town's stormwater system in April, during which he went into detail about how its development has lagged by more than a decade due to cost issues. He noted that a number of infrastructure projects recommended 20 years ago in the Meadowbrook Study – a report analyzing the Town's stormwater drainage problems – had still not been undertaken, and emphasized that the existing system now is inadequate to handle the steadily upward trend in rainstorm intensity.

Since then, his committee has been concentrating on the most effective method of generating and sustaining funding for these backed up projects. Three recommendation options were considered: debt service borrowing within the annual operating budget, a debt exclusion override, and a separate fee to finance a stormwater utility enterprise fund.

Its recommendation was to collect a fee based on a property's impervious surface area.

Using the single family house average of 3,400 square feet of impervious area as a baseline (this was calculated by engineering consultant CDM Smith through an aerial study of sample properties within the Town), a property within that

range would pay an estimated stormwater utility fee of \$54, should one be approved for FY25 (July, 2024).

As a property's impervious surface area increases, the fee would go up. In Hopcroft's presentation, a multi-family property with 34,000 square feet of impervious area would pay an estimated \$540, and an apartment complex at 340,000 square feet would pay \$5,400. Additionally, commercial properties would pay their own graduated fees.

The committee's specific recommendation was an article to be placed on the Fall Special Town Meeting warrant to create a bylaw authorizing the Board to create a stormwater enterprise fund, and to set the fees. It also recommended that the DPW budget for stormwater operations and maintenance be transferred to the fund at the Annual Town Meeting in May, 2024, and that relevant capital projects be financed through the fund.

The discussion portion of the appointment went on for more than half an hour, with Amanda Grow starting things off by asking if there had been any opportunities to use grants to help with financing. Assistant Director of Community Development Holly Jones and Assistant Town Manager Michael Rosen responded that they were individually pursuing grant opportunities at the state and federal level.

From there, things became more pointed, with Michael Saad showing a map from his information packet, and asking why South Norwood wasn't included on it. He continued by noting the ongoing – and recent – flooding problems in that section of Town.

Jones explained that the map represented the Meadow Brook watershed, which includes Norwood Center, the Fire &

Police Department, and the hospital area; and that South Norwood is primarily within the Hawes Brook watershed, adding that "the capital plans that are suggested in the Meadow Brook watershed are necessary, but they're not sufficient. So more planning needs to continue to happen, and funding the operation and maintenance cost to meet planning costs for stormwater will help with that."

She also pointed out, later in the discussion, that the Meadow Brook watershed impacts the entire Town. "Even though it's not where all of us live, it is an area that all of us need to work effectively for our emergency response, and our economic health as a Town."

Saad referred to the fee as a "hard water tax," stating that

of the approximately \$40 million worth of that recommended infrastructure work that "all that water is going to come back to our streets, which you're going to tax them on. We're going to have all of this money being thrown around on these big projects, and the little projects aren't getting done."

Hopcroft – who took issue with Saad's classification of the fee as a tax – responded. "Well, that's exactly the point of why we haven't been able to fund anything, and why we're recommending that we set the current structure up to pay for the funding."

"I see where you're coming from," Saad replied, "but people that are having flooding problems now – they're not being ad-

ressed, and they haven't been for 15 years."

William Plasko also expressed his reluctance, asking some introductory questions, but stating that he was not yet ready to vote without further discussion.

Chairman Matthew Lane – who was an active mediator between Saad and Hopcroft – closed the discussion and the appointment. "I don't want to say it's a tough sell: I think it's a necessary sell. Personally, I think we have to do this, but at the same time, it's a lot to ask." Alluding to Saad and Hopcroft's earlier comments, he concluded. "We didn't do it 20 years ago, and it hasn't gotten better. We've got to start somewhere."

The next BOS meeting is on Sept. 12.

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MOVIE REVIEW: OPPENHEIMER

Well, the truth is I haven't seen the movie. But I enjoyed the book it's based on, *American Prometheus*, and have fought back tears in the Peace Memorial Museum in Hiroshima, Japan. I've worked with men who told me their lives were saved when atomic bombs ended WWII before an invasion of Japan. And I have this to relate: In Albuquerque I sat next to a young couple annoyingly attentive to one another. Normally not one to eavesdrop, I was distracted by their physicality, and drawn to their words.

During a burger and beer, I learned they were engrossed in mathematics, as their conversation repeatedly broached the subject. I thought humor was perhaps the best way to engage. *Two right triangles sit at the bar, and one turns to the other and asks, "What's your sine?"* Nah...hey, ya think an acute angle is repulsed by a vulgar fraction? Long accustomed, however, to my sense of humor misfiring, I simply turned and introduced myself. Mentioning their predilection to the subject, the woman replied, "We're mathematicians at the University of New Mexico," which prompted a long-standing question: "What, exactly, is mathematics?"

"Math is the language of the universe," the young woman replied without hesitation, "and we're just learning how to interpret it."

An author once posed a fascinating question: "How long does it take for matter to become conscious?" Long pondered, here's another: "How long does it take for conscious matter to learn the language of the universe?"

This language, including heavy accented algebra, geometry, and trigonometry, is not man-made. Its theorems exist apart from human constructs. A way of discerning the universal is to apply its hypothesis across a spectrum of demonstrable knowledge. No race, color, or creed, for instance, taught another how to laugh, or find an attraction in the opposite sex. These are universal truths, theorems of actuality. Two plus two has *always* equaled four, even before conscious matter existed. The Pythagorean Theorem was eternal truth before Pythagoras lived, breathed, or counted fingers and toes, and shall continue thus, though his name not uttered in one million years. That the number 3.14159 is a phrase of higher prose, a more complicated manuscript, is indisputable, despite conscious matter only translating it relatively recently. It was truth when the



earth was first cast off from whence it was cast and will be truth once conscious matter no longer exists.

Without math—the simplest math—there would be no monetary system, not even barter. Without ten fingers and ten toes there might not even have been a formative whisper establishing the most basic mathematical systems, never mind an opening of the largest door in the universe. Today, this unrelenting translation has not just led to the once unimaginable triumphs of algorithmic processes governing computing, DNA sequencing, or Global Positioning Systems, but to further understanding of the universe itself with conscious matter's replication of nuclear fission.

How long did it take matter to become conscious, and create a sunburst in its own sky? It first occurred down the road in Alamogordo. How long does it take *conscious matter* to come to an epiphany that it *doesn't matter*?

I arose, glanced at cuddling, clinging, and colluding conscious matter beside me. *Get a universe*, I thought, smiled, and walked on. But what truly concerned was if Gods do indeed exist—and who am I to say? —then they either encouraged opening this ultimate door to universal language or found it impossible to prevent. Either way conscious matter now utters God-like, universal words and sentences and paragraphs, bequeathed by such brilliant linguists as Einstein, Braun, and Oppenheimer. It is a narrative yet unfinished, being written in real time. Does conscious matter have the intelligence and wisdom to accept such responsibility? Will our attempts at universal speech be eloquent, or a guttural, illiterate stammer? How well will diverse cultures converse in our new tongue? No, we haven't seen this entire movie yet. How does it all add up?

Do the math.

HOSPITAL'S SLOGAN APPEARS DISINGENUOUS

To the Editor:

Like most of you, I look forward to the reopening of Norwood Hospital with great anticipation. I was born in the original facility, had my tonsils removed there as a young boy, and proudly remember my Aunt Mary Burke as being Head Dietitian at the original Norwood Hospital. For several years, I have seen firsthand the high quality of care afforded our family, ranging from treatment of our kids' hockey injuries to compassionate end-of-life care for a parent or grand parent. For the Thornton family, there are so many reasons to excitedly await the grand reopening of Norwood Hospital. And we optimistically anticipate the new hospital's commitment to Norwood's "...world class healthcare where you live..."

We do, however, take exception to the future Norwood Hospital's seemingly disingenuous slogan of "...New Hospital, Same Commitment..." As of today, in reducing the new Norwood Hospital's footprint of psychiatric beds from 60 to 10, the math here suggests an 83% reduction in commitment to the psychiatric care of its community. I recently read with interest a Letter to the Editor from Chris Pollack, apparently a Norwood resident, who frankly doesn't see the substantial reduction in Norwood Hospital's psychiatric care as a big deal. I would suggest that this individual have a few conversations with Norwood High School and Coakley Middle School resource officers (as well as their leader, Chief Bill Brooks) regarding mental health issues surrounding Norwood's youth. As a member of our community's Impact Norwood Coalition, I can confirm that one of this group's major goals is to focus on healthy living and activities throughout Norwood. Yet simultaneously, our coalition remains mindful of the challenges directly in front of us. Statistically, according to a 2021 Metro West survey (the most recent post-COVID data available), 27% of all Norwood students grades 6-12 have reported depressive symptoms, 36% of females at Norwood High School report depressive symptoms and 21% of all female students in grades 6-8 have reported suicidal ideation. The drivers behind these mental health challenges range from bullying to vaping to loss of self-esteem. This isn't speculation. These are facts, offered honestly and anonymously by the students themselves.

Letters to the Editor

The good news here? Norwood is, and has always been, a very caring and compassionate community. Its residents always come together during times of greatest community challenges to take care of its own, particularly its young people. And Norwood Hospital has historically served as a vital and caring community partner. As an optimist, I remain hopeful that Norwood Hospital will reconsider its current plan to reduce its prior level of psychiatric care in our community, that they will expand the number of beds for psychiatric patients from 10 to a number that meets or exceeds their previous number of 60 beds, and that they will commit to providing bona fide mental health care to those in our community who need it the most.

Ironically, the very same Suffolk Construction workers who have done such a magnificent job of erecting the new Norwood Hospital have posted at the work site a message to the Norwood community which cites the following: "...Your mental health is vital...nearly 60% of construction workers report struggling with their mental health...construction has the highest suicide rate of any profession..." This heartfelt message is posted just inside the hospital's East Hoyle Street construction gate. No community is immune to the mental health challenges that exist across America. Suffolk workers have simply stated the reality of these challenges: we must all band together as a community and do what's right for ALL in our community. I urge Norwood Hospital administrators to do what's right by our Norwood community, and expand its current psychiatric plan for the new facility. Thank you for your anticipated compassion and due professional care in this matter.

Michael J. Thornton, Jr.
Member – Impact
Norwood Coalition

LETTER WAS DISTURBING AND ALARMING

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to a letter written to The Norwood Record editor by a Norwood resident on August 17th, 2023. I am not accustomed to responding to people's opinions on public issues but every now and then someone offers an opinion on a serious matter that is so disturbing and alarming that it begs a response. Such is the case with a letter written to the editor from Norwood resident Chris Pollak. To say I was dis-

couraged and dismayed by this person's cruel opinion about the unnecessary need for "psych beds" at the new Norwood Hospital facility, and of what benefit it could possibly be to Norwood, as he so callously put it, is an understatement.

It saddens me to think that this person could live in the age we live in now and not extend compassion and awareness of the insidious effects mental illness has had on so many struggling individuals. Mental health is a critical part of everyone's overall wellness and deserves to be treated as such. Instead, this individual has chosen to attack a concerned professional, Dr. Sigel, referring to him as Mr. Sigel, for expressing his concern over the lack of commitment to mental health in the new facility.

Chris Pollak's attitude in the August 17th letter is one of complete disdain for mental health support and the professionals who provide it. I was under the impression that we were making positive advances in our perception of mental illness, but after reading that letter I have come to the sad conclusion that there are still some individuals out there who are incapable of extending that kind of compassion or awareness.

In the letter, a snarky comment was made that Dr. Sigel is probably disgruntled over the lack of mental health support in Norwood because now he will have to drive 30 minutes to Brockton to do his job. How sad to think that the mental health crisis that affects so many individuals and the people who love them is a big joke and of no concern to some people. How lucky for one to live in a world where mental illness is not an issue. So many compassionate and caring people in this community were very grateful for Dr. Sigel's heartfelt words to the editor. There is one comment Chris Pollak made in the letter, however, with which I wholeheartedly agree. It stated, "The paper can find better people and stories to give a platform to." I find it interesting that the August 17th letter failed on both fronts.

My sincere hope for people like Chris Pollak is that they are never put in the agonizing position so many residents in this area have found themselves in where they cannot find help in the midst of a mental health crisis. Everyone deserves better.

Carol Thornton
Norwood

Town seeking \$38 million in capital improvements

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Norwood Town Meeting will be asked to approve \$38 million in capital improvements this November.

Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said at a recent Capital Outlay Committee meeting that all of these projects are needed, and the only question of priority is for when each of their intended targets is going to fail.

The total dollar amount does not reflect what Norwood will be spending, at least up front. About \$689,500 will come out of free cash, \$13.1 million coming out of the general fund via borrowing, \$19.3 million from borrowing on the water department side, \$2.1 directly out of the operating budget and about \$2.7 million from grants.

Mazzucco also stressed that there's \$13 million from the sale of the Forbes Mansion that the Town is still trying to work out with the state exactly how it is allowed to be used, but he thinks much of it will likely go to capital projects in one form or another.

The biggest single project is the replacement of the water towers tanks at the Highland Cemetery and the Norwood

High School, with a cost of \$14.1 million, those dollars to be raised through borrowing on the water rates. The old tanks were built decades ago, the four-million-gallon tank constructed in 1958 and the half-a-million gallon tank in 1939. Mazzucco said the replacement of these tanks will, in the long run, be cost effective and free up at least one Town employee whose job it is to go up on the tanks and set the water pressure. That job will be done remotely once work is completed.

The traffic signals at the Washington Street and Nahatan Street Corridor, which have been in operation since the 1980s is another big job. The total cost is \$4.5 million to be raised from borrowing. The current signals work on timers and are breaking down constantly to the point that they are costing around \$40,000 a year to maintain. The new signals will include state-of-the-art technology that will allow for better traffic flow through those corridors.

The next two biggest projects are related and include the fourth year of the Road Repair program at \$2.8 million and the annual pavement management program at \$1.5 million.

Next is the water pipe improvement program, which is the relining of water pipes for \$4.5 million raised from borrowing. The project aims to get the tuberculation out of the existing pipes and to line them so as to preclude future buildup. There are currently 125,000 feet of mains unlined, and each year the Town completes about 20,000 feet so expects to have them all cleaned and relined by 2029 or 2030. The project will include an additional \$630,000 in borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) through a grant program.

The reconstruction of the Hawes Pool at \$4.6 million is also on the radar. An assessment the Town did last year found hosts of problems both at Father Mac's and Hawes, and the Town will be fixing the 75-year-old Hawes Pool first. The Norwood Recreation Department has applied for \$500,000 in grant funding and hopes to have that in hand by fall.

Improvements to the Meadowbrook Channel for the purpose of controlling stormwater is earmarked at about \$1.8 million. The project will help to improve the

Capital Improvements

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Student lunch information

Dr. David L. Thomson, Superintendent of Schools, announces that meals will be served to students at the High School, Middle School, and Elementary Schools on the first day of school, Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Lunch will be served at the Willett Early Childhood Center on first day of school on Friday, September 8, 2023.

All NPS Elementary Schools, the Full Day Kindergarten Program at the Willett Early Childhood Center, the Coakley Middle School and the Norwood High School offers both breakfast and lunch. All meals will be free of charge for all students during the 2023-2024 Academic Year.

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Families may still be interested in accessing the Free and Reduced application online beginning on August 22rd. Paper family applications will also be available at each school as well as the Food Service Office in late August. The electronic copy of the application will be available on the Food Service website at www.norwood.k12.ma.us/food-services

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The Project consists of: an addressable fire alarm system upgrade including CO detection.

The work is estimated to cost **\$649,565**.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §26 to 27H inclusive.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at www.biddocsonline.com. Tutorials and instructions on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online (click on the "Tutorial" tab at the bottom footer).

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, **Electrical**, and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement.

General Bids will be received until **2:00 PM on Wednesday, 20 September 2023** and publicly opened online, forthwith.

Filed Sub-bids for the trades listed below will be received until on and publicly opened online, forthwith.

SUBTRADES: NONE

All Bids should be submitted online at www.biddocsonline.com and received no later than the date and time specified above.

General bids and sub-bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than five (5%) of the greatest possible bid amount (considering all alternates), and made payable to the **Norwood Housing Authority**.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for pick-up at www.biddocsonline.com (may be viewed electronically and hardcopy requested) or at Nashoba Blue, Inc. at 433 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749 (978-568-1167) on **Wednesday, August 30, 2023, beginning at 10:00 AM**.

There is a plan deposit of **\$50.00** per set (maximum of 2 sets) payable to BidDocsONLINE Inc.

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Bidders requesting Contract Documents to be mailed to them shall include a separate check for **\$40.00** per set for UPS Ground (or \$65.00 per set for UPS overnight), non-refundable, payable to the BidDocsONLINE Inc., to cover mail handling costs.

General bidders must agree to contract with minority and women business enterprises as certified by the Supplier Diversity Office (SDO), formerly known as SOMWBA. The combined participation benchmark reserved for such enterprises shall not be less than 10.4% of the final contract price including accepted alternates. **Request for waivers must be sent to DHCD (David.McClave@mass.gov) 5 calendar days prior to the General Bid date if the work is estimated to cost less than \$500,000 OR 10 calendar days prior to the General Bid date if the work is estimated to cost \$500,000 or more – NO WAIVERS WILL BE GRANTED AFTER THE BID DATE. See Contract Documents - Article 3 of the Instructions to Bidders.**

PRE-BID CONFERENCE / SITE VISIT:

Date and Time: Wednesday, 6 September 2023 at 10:00 AM

Address: 12 Adams Street, Norwood, MA

Instructions: Meet at the Community Building.

SITE VISIT BY APPOINTMENT: NONE

The Contract Documents may be seen, but not removed at:

Norwood Housing Authority
40 William Shyne Circle
Norwood, MA 02062
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Nashoba Blue Inc.
433 Main Street
Hudson, MA 01749
978-568-1167

School Opening Information

Dr. David L. Thomson, Superintendent of Schools, announces the following information explaining the plans for the opening of the Norwood Public Schools on September 6, 2023.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Grades 1-5 will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Opening Bell will be at 7:50 A.M. and Dismissal will be at 2:05 P.M. Elementary Principals will communicate additional information around school-specific logistics, including first grade orientation, prior to the start of the school year via Email.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grades 6, 7, 8 will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Opening Bell will be

at 8:45 A.M. and Dismissal will be at 3:20 P.M. Grade 6 and New student Ice Cream Social will be on August 30th from 5PM-7PM. Dr. Fraczek, Principal will include information about drop-off procedures for the first day of school in her newsletter Email.

HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Opening Bell will be at 8:15 A.M. and Dismissal will be at 2:50 P.M. New student orientation will be on August 30th from 10 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at Norwood High School.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Will be on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL CLASSES

BEGIN on Friday, September 8, 2023 Kindergarten Classes 8:10 A.M. - 1:40 P.M. Dr. Baulier, Principal, will communicate additional information around logistics, including transportation procedures, during parent/guardian kindergarten orientation on 8/29/23 (5:00-5:45 PM or 6:00-6:45 PM) and family kindergarten orientation on 9/6/23. Information will also be available in a newsletter Email. PRE-SCHOOL ORIENTATION - Orientation for Pre-School classes will be Thursday, September 7, 2023.

Pre-School Classes will be on Friday, September 8, 2023. The morning session will be from 8:30 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. Afternoon session will be from 12:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Full day session will be from 8:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

Notice is hereby given by Vivid Towing LLC at 570 Plymouth Street, East Bridgewater, MA 02333 in pursuant to M.G.L. c.225, section 39A, that the following vehicles will be for sale at a private auction on Sep 19, 2023 at 9 am to satisfy the garage keeper's lien for the towing, storage and notice of sale:

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TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on September 12, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of Kathleen Yazbak, represented by David Hern Jr. Esq., (Case #23-03) with respect to property located at 41 Railroad Avenue (Map 4 Block 11A Lot 10), Norwood, MA 02062, in the General Residence (G) Zoning District. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/xsu-pnjz-wua>
Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920#

This Application requests a public hearing on a Special Permit decision issued by the Board on April 11, 2023 that was appealed and subsequently remanded back to the Board by Norfolk County Superior Court for further consideration. The original Special Permit was issued under Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4 [Nonconforming Structures] to allow the construction of an addition to a pre-existing nonconforming single family residence.

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 Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Norwood Record: 08/24/23, 08/31/23

TOWN OF NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Norwood will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on September 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of Douglas Valeri, with respect to property located at 596 Boston Providence Turnpike, Norwood, MA 02062, in the Single Residence Zoning District. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center at 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 as well as remotely via GoogleMeet:

<https://meet.google.com/mhu-ifvs-njz>
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This Application requests a Special Permit pursuant to the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 6.2.21 for relief from literal enforcement of by-laws relating to signage.

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 comdev@norwoodma.gov or by calling 781-762-1240 ext. 6065, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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Senior Center *continued from page 1*

so approachable anyhow, and so everyone's always happy to see them. And if they have an issue, they're not afraid to ask about it, or simply to vent."

The center has been hosting a lot of community and government meetings now, so many more seniors are getting involved in these discussions.

In other news, McCarthy encouraged seniors needing transport for their medical appointments to reach out. She said they have two vans that assist seniors in transporting them to medical appointments, grocery shopping and other necessary outings.

"We just received a grant from the Beth Israel in Needham for \$30,000 a year for the next three years, which will help staff our medical vans because most medical visits are out of Town. We can now keep them running Monday through Friday," she said. "We are averaging 400 to 500 appointments a month which include local trips to perhaps the Guild Building, or maybe further out to Norfolk and even to Boston."

The service is for any senior, whether they're experiencing long-term issues with driving or perhaps just waiting for a surgery to heal up. The latter is pretty common.

"And as soon as they're ready to drive again, we get a nice thank you note and they're back on the road," she said.

They try to work with the schedules of residents' doctors as much as possible, but she said it can be frustrating, since it is up to the resident to go back and forth between the medical provider and the ride service to figure out when first the medical appointment is available and then if the ride is available.

"We feel their frustration. You get on the phone, you call your doctor – and I don't know if you've called your doctor lately, but it can take a while just to get through – so you get through, you finally get an appointment and you then have to find a way to get that appointment so you call us and we sometimes have to say, 'Sorry, we're completely booked that day.' So then you have to start all over again. That can be frustrating, but we do our best and try to bring in extra drivers."

McCarthy said right now the center is also preparing to welcome the Education Cooperative Phoenix Academy students who come in every year to cook for seniors. The Phoenix Academy is a school in

Walpole that focuses on students with academic, emotional and/or behavioral challenges, and in this instance, the school also teaches the students to cook and then serve to Norwood seniors.

"They come over here with a chef teacher – who has been with the school for over 15 years I think – and they bring the kids here to learn culinary arts skills," she said. "They not only pick up cooking skills, but they get Serve Safe Certified which includes learning the techniques of proper food handling. They build great relationships with our members here. They cater all our events and do lunches four days a week for us."

The food isn't free, but it's definitely more reasonable than most places in the area.

"The cost is \$5 – and it has been since it started – and for \$5 they get a soup, and entree and a desert," she said.

Students also get to experiment with their own recipes from time to time.

"It's great to see when one of the students bakes something on their own. They're so proud of it running around the Senior Center asking people to try it," she said. "A lot of them go on to work in the food industry because they're taught everything, like the proper temperatures for the refrigerator and freezer, how to wash all the pots and pans correctly, the temperature, and so they're learning every aspect of the food industry."

For more information on the Senior Center and its programs, go to <https://tinyurl.com/ykydb9f>

IMPACT NORWOOD
SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION COALITION

Community Coalition Meeting

Please join us and share any thoughts, concerns, and ideas about youth wellness and substance use prevention in the Town of Norwood. Light refreshments will be served.

September 27th 7-8 pm
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Trails looking to start an Adopt-A-Trail program

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Trails Advisory Committee (NTAC) met recently and discussed potentially starting an Adopt-A-Trail program.

"I'm a big proponent of adopting other people's work," said NTAC Chair Joseph Greeley with a laugh. "The Friends of Blue Hills and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) at Blue Hills, they do an amazing job of inviting advocacy and inviting volunteers."

Greeley said there are already residents in Norwood helping to take care of trails, and they might be good people to reach out to as early adopters.

"Some people in the community are already taking ownership of trails and so they might have already become adopters and not even know it," he said.

He is thinking of replicating the program from the Blue Hills, with just a few changes.

"We're going to tweak the application, take off the

'Friends of Blue Hills' logo and attach the 'Take a Hike in Norwood' logo," he said. "We're going to try to solicit adopters at Norwood Day."

They would emulate the Blue Hills with the organization's list of responsibilities. Those include cleaning out drainage areas, reporting obstructions, performing tasks three times a year or more, submitting work reports, and, crucially, submitting an Adopt-A-Trail application form.

"But I think it's important that we walk before we run," Greeley said.

Member Chris Paddock agreed, and that they should keep it as simple as possible, at least to start.

"I think adopters should be required to walk the trail at least once a month, pick up trash and, if anything important is discovered, report it back here," he said. "That's it. Make it a really easy light and fun lift."

Paddock said this would be helpful to build a photo library to help promote the trails.

"Tell us what's blooming or

what animals you see, that kind of thing," he said.

The group also discussed putting up or organizing a wildlife board so trail users could report what wildlife they see, which would also help promote each individual trail.

"If we had a digital reporting mechanism like that for the Adopt-A-Trail program, that would be pretty cool too," Paddock said.

The committee agreed to look into how they would put the program together.

In other news, the NTAC also discussed its table for Norwood Day, set for Sept. 9. Greeley said one major addition they want to include is a found item area where folks can show off physical items found on the Norwood trails.

"Like something that says, 'We found such-and-such on a trail and we think it's really cool,'" he said. "Something like that."

Greeley also said they would have brochures and a map of several of the trails as well. They're putting together a one-page map for those locations that aren't exactly fully fleshed out yet.

"Some of those areas are still submerged, so we haven't gotten to the brochure stage yet because they are still actively in development," he said. The map would include Pezwick Park, the Coakley Trail and the Pine Tree Forest.

Lastly, member Brian Palmateer said he's been heading a subcommittee working on trail-way finding and trailheads. The issue is standardization.

"We want to standardize way-finding, expanding and improving things like ribbons tied to bushes," he said. "We do have some kiosks for trailheads, but there's no standard to it and it usually depends on what a boy scout

wants to do for their Eagle Project."

The subcommittee is still determining what trail markers, way-finding and trailheads should include. Things like marker distances, marker styles (numbers versus colors etc.), post locations, trail rating and warning systems, and other issues are being considered.

"The warnings would be like, 'this area is prone to flooding at this time of year' things like that," Palmateer said. "Emergency response search and rescue is another one. We want to coordinate that with the Town and dispatch and so forth. What are they using? How can we mark our trails to better assist? If somebody is not near the trailhead when they're injured, what's the quickest way to get to them instead of going through the entire trail? We've been discussing those kinds of questions."

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channel's flow by dredging and reshaping the channel and stabilizing the slope. Also on the docket is the downstream design of the Hennessey Field Detention Basin at \$855,000. Both of these projects will be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Through borrowing, \$712,000 of funds will be used for the Hawes Brook Bridge Rehabilitation. The bridge has significant damage and the repairs will make sure it stays in working order. Mazzucco said there is also a chance that state grant offsets – like the two Municipal Small Bridge Grants the Town successfully sought for \$500,000 each for the Dean Street Bridge and the Westover Parkway Bridge respectively – will help reduce the overall cost of repairs.

In the last of the big

projects, the Town is looking for \$514,000 in borrowing to replace the parking lot at the Savage Center.

Regarding smaller projects, The Norwood Memorial Airport is looking for \$38,500 for the design of extending the airport's runways and \$140,000 for a wildlife security fence replacement. Mazzucco said there have been deer strikes before, and the fence would be to keep big animals out but let small ones – notably those ecologically important to the area – in.

The Town is also looking at \$75,000 for the design to potentially replace the apparatus floor at the Public Safety Building. The Norwood Fire Department uses the floor for repairs, but Facilities Director Paul Riccardi said there are concerns that it may be warping,

which could be hazardous to all the millions of dollars worth of equipment there.

Also for the fire department, the Town is looking to replace its 16-year-old mechanics truck for \$120,000. Mazzucco said the truck has provided a long lifespan, but that it is getting to the point where it is more costly to maintain than replace.

The Norwood Police Department (NPD) is looking for \$100,000 for new firearms with laser pointers. NPD Chief William Brooks said the dots remarkably improve aim and allow for more peripheral vision for officers during high stress scenarios, since they don't have to squint to line up the shot. The NPD is also looking for \$51,000 for new tasers and \$260,000 for four new cruisers.

The Town is also looking to repair the Ellis Pond Dam at \$165,000, and those improvements would focus on damaged pieces of the dam that inhibit function and undermine water regulation.

The Norwood Department of Public Works (DPW) is looking to replace its 2007 model one-ton dump truck for \$150,000, its 2010 water utility truck for \$175,000, the cemetery riding mower at \$12,000 and its street sweeper for \$331,000.

Lastly, the schools are looking for new transportation vans, which have been hard to source lately because of the odd ways the pandemic is still affecting the supply chain. The Schools Department is looking for \$180,000 from the operating budget for three new vans.

Morrill Library Events

SENSORY-FRIENDLY FRIDAY FEATURES DISNEY'S LUCA

Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday movie at the Library, a program specially designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday August 25, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our August movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is Disney's Luca, rated PG.

The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community. We will be showing a movie in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment on the last Friday of the month for adults with developmental disabilities.

Registration is required. This event is recommended for attendees aged 18 and up. Please register at <https://www.norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/> or call 781 769 0200 Ext 2

SISTERS IN CRIME NEW ENGLAND: MYSTERY MAKING IN NORWOOD

Morrill Memorial Library, in partnership with the Norwood Senior Center, is excited to bring together four mystery authors for an interactive workshop called Sisters in Crime New England: Mystery Making in Norwood on Monday, August 28th, at 6:30 PM. Panelists on this fun, fast-paced improv game will brainstorm on their feet to create a brand new mystery using suggestions from the audience. Your authors for the evening are:

Katherine Fast: Katherine is an award-winning author of over 25 short and flash fiction stories. She was a former contributing editor and compositor for six anthologies of the Best New England Crime Stories series.

Kate Flora: Kate is the author of twenty-four books spanning many genres including crime fiction, true crime, memoir, and nonfiction, and many short stories. Flora's been a finalist for the Edgar, Agatha, Anthony, and Derringer awards. www.kateclarkflora.com.

Leslie Meier: Leslie is the author of twenty-five books in the Lucy Stone Mystery series. Leslie has also written Holiday Anthologies with Joanne Fluke, Fern Michaels, Barbara Ross and Lee Hollis. Leslie usually writes one Lucy Stone mystery every year.

Sharon Healy- Yang: Sharon Healy-Yang writes smart and sassy mysteries, featuring Jessica Minton, that evoke the wit and suspense of her beloved 1940s films. There are three books in the series with the fourth one coming out soon.

This program is free and open to all aged 18+. Registration is required. Please register at <https://www.norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/> or call 781 769 0200 Ext 2

INDIAN SPICES AND HERBS WALL

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with the Norwood Cultural Council to bring a unique in-person art workshop to the Norwood community called Indian Spices and Herbs Wall Art on Tuesday, August 29, at 6 pm.

Spices have a significant role in culinary traditions across the globe. They not only add flavor and aroma to the food, but have cultural and historical significance. India is considered the "Land of Spices". The spices and herbs such as saffron, turmeric, black pepper, cardamom, bay leaves have been used for thousands of years in culinary traditions of Indian cooking. They are believed to have healing properties, and play an important role in traditional medicines.

In this workshop, the instructor will share information about different Indian spices and their unique benefits, the art of mixing spices together, and creating a beautiful wall art with Indian spices for your home.

The instructor, Arati Paranjpe, is a Norwood resident, an interior designer, blogger, and a computer engineer. She is also an active member of the Norwood Cultural Council. Visit her website <https://dhimahi.info/> for more information.

This program is free and open to attendees aged 18+. Registration is required. Please sign up at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/](https://www.norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/), or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

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TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **September 12th, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of David Spiegel, regarding property located at **84 Morse Street (Map 9 Block 7D Lot 102), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **Manufacturing (M) Zoning District**. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/xsu-pnjz-wua>
Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920#

This Application requests a Special Permit for use under Zoning Bylaw Section 3.1.5 (H)(2) to operate a motor vehicle service operation use in the Manufacturing District.

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 Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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

St. Jude's Novena

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

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Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen.
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This Application requests to a Special Permit under Zoning Bylaw Section 5.2 to allow expansion of a pre-existing non-conforming use in the form of an addition to the rear of the existing gasoline station and motor vehicle service facility.

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 Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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Deaths

BENSON



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Our Loved One. Stephen F. Benson, 60 years old, of RI, formerly of Norwood, MA passed on August 13, 2023 of natural causes. Stephen was the beloved son of Anne E. (Joyce) Benson of Norwood, MA and the late Henry D. Benson. Stephen is survived by ten siblings, David Benson and his wife Wanda of Foxboro, MA, Bill Benson and his wife Susan of North Easton, MA, Claire Benson Tully of Richmond, RI, Anne DiMarzio and her husband Tom of Norwood, MA, Lorraine Benson Bunnell of Bellingham, MA, Harold Benson and his wife Brenda of Franklin, MA, Barbara Davis and her fiancé David Mota of Cumberland, RI, Joe Benson and his wife Patty of Halifax, MA, Thomas Benson and his wife Kelly of Norwood, MA, and Patti Murphy and her husband Rich of Norwood, MA. He is also survived by his friends, his many, many nieces and nephews, and finally, his best friend, his dog Luke. Stephen's extended family were his friends and colleagues at Dave's Marketplace where he worked for over 20 years. They will miss his dedication, the pride in all he did, but mostly his sense of humor and caring nature. While not at work, Stephen enjoyed his free time at the gym and especially spending time with Luke, his dog. Anyone who knew Stephen knew he had a love and passion for animals. His goal in life was simple: to retire, move to New Hampshire, and adopt the senior dogs left in shelters. Services for Stephen were held in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., Norwood, MA 02062 on Friday, August 18, 2023 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. A Funeral Service was held during that time in the Funeral Home at 6:30 PM. Interment will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made in Stephen's memory to a local animal shelter or to the ASPCA at the link below: https://secure.aspca.org/donate/memorial?ms=wb_lpf_waystogive-teaser&initialms=wb_lpf_waystogive-teaser&pcode=WEBMEMORY

DUCHNOWSKI

JOYCE M. (Saunders) of Westfield, formerly of Norwood, passed away on August 15, 2023 at the age of 94. Beloved wife of the late William J. Duchnowski. Daughter of the late Benjamin and Rene Claire (Woods) Saunders. Sister of the late Shirley Perkins. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 12noon at Highland Cemetery 320 Winter St. Norwood, MA. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Assoc 309 Waverly Oaks Road Waltham, MA 02452.

FINN



Laurence Vincent Jr. of Dedham passed away on August 15, 2023 at the age of 73. Beloved son of the late Laurence Vincent Finn Sr. and Claire M. (Fernands). Loving brother of Richard Ernest Finn and his wife Christine of Norwood and Kerry Michael Finn and his wife Charlotte of Plymouth. Cherished uncle of Richard, Gregory, Caitlin, Jennifer and Brandon. Laurence was an Avid Sportsman and Gardner. He was also a collector of Civil War figures and memorabilia. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood, MA.

McDONAGH



MAUREEN P. (Mulkern) of East Walpole passed away on August 17, 2023 at the age of 83. Beloved wife of the late Martin McDonagh. Devoted mother of Anne M. McDonagh of E. Walpole, Martin S. McDonagh

and his wife Kimberly M. of Norfolk, James P. McDonagh and his wife Ann M. of Attleboro, Thomas W. McDonagh and his late wife Laurie of Attleboro, Patrick M. McDonagh and his wife Jayme L. of Plainville and the late Ellen R. Sheerin and her husband John of N. Chelmsford. Cherished grandmother of Raymond, Maeve, Colm, Sarah, Maya, John, Andrew, Kristin, L, Aidan and Thomas. Daughter of the late James P. and Mary (Loneragan) Mulkern. Also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Maureen was a graduate of Fisher Junior College. She was employed for many years by The Faxon Company. Maureen was an avid reader and loved history and travel. She also enjoyed music and spending time with her family. 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 name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

McDONALD

Lisa B. (Flessas) of Norwood, formerly of Newton, passed away, on August 15, 2023, after a brief illness. Predeceased by her parents, John and Mary Flessas. Beloved wife of Brian P. McDonald. Dear sister of John G. Flessas of Newton, Nancy M. Flessas of Cambridge, Michael L. Flessas of Boston, Maura B. Flessas of Newton, and Amy E. Sugrue & her husband Damian Sugrue of North Grafton. Cherished auntie of Caeden & Caroline Sugrue, and Isabel Flessas. Long-time employee of the Massachusetts Lottery and dear friend to many. Funeral from the Burke & Blackington Funeral Home, 1479 Washington St., WEST NEWTON, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Lisa's memory to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or via jimmyfund.org/gift Burke & Blackington BurkeFamilyFuneralHomes.com

ROBICHEAU

Dorothy "Dottie" (Verra) of Norwood, MA and Naples, FL, passed away peacefully surrounded by her children on August 3, 2023 following a sudden illness. She was 83 years old. Dorothy was the daughter of the late Tefta (Mina) and Harila Verra.

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Why is Social Security Withholding My Monthly Payments?

Dear Rusty: I have been working since I started collecting Social Security when I turned 62. Last year I was apparently overpaid because of my job. I made \$37,000 and now the Social Security Administration says I owe them \$8,800 dollars because I made too much, and they have withheld my \$2000 monthly SS payment. I am close to the maximum allowable again already this year. So, I am looking at quitting my job so I don't go over, but they are holding my payments so then I would have no money. Any help would be appreciated.

Signed: Frustrated by Social Security

Dear Frustrated: You are being affected by Social Security's "earnings test" which applies to everyone who collects early Social Security and also works before reaching their full retirement age (FRA). If your earned income exceeds the annual limit (which was \$19,560 for 2022), Social Security will withhold \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. If you earned \$37,000 in 2022 you were more than \$17,000 over the limit and owe half of that back to Social Security. They usually recover what you owe by withholding your future benefit payments, so they won't pay you benefits until they have recovered that \$8,800, after which your benefits will resume - but only for a while.

If you are working full time and also collecting early Social Security benefits, the earnings test lasts until you reach your full retirement age, which for you is 66 years and 8 months. The earnings limit goes up a bit each year - for 2023 it is \$21,240 - but if you continue to work full time, you'll receive another overpayment notice and have more benefits withheld. A better approach might be to contact Social Security in advance and tell them what your 2023 earnings are expected to be, thus permitting them to suspend your benefits in ad-



Russell Gloor

AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

vance and avoid overpaying you. I'm afraid there is no way around this - collecting early benefits while working full time means the "earnings test" will affect your benefit payments.

The "good news" in all of this is that when you reach your full retirement age, you will get time-credit for all months your benefits were withheld. By that I mean they will, at your FRA, recalculate your benefit entitlement as though you had claimed later (later by the number of months you had benefits withheld), which will result in a higher monthly payment after your FRA. In that way, you may eventually recover some or all of the benefits withheld by receiving a higher monthly amount for the rest of your life, starting at your full retirement age.

I suggest you contact Social Security at 1.800.772.1213 (or at your local office) and tell them you want to provide them with an estimate of your 2023 earnings because you are working and collecting early Social Security benefits. They will work with you to suspend your benefits for an appropriate number of (additional) months to avoid another overpayment situation. Note, you'll likely need to do this each year you continue to work full time, until the year you reach your full retirement age when the earnings limit more than doubles. The earnings limit goes away when you reach your full retirement age.

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Monday, August 14

0819 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Fulton St Caller seeking advice on a landlord tenant issue. N676 spoke to all parties they were advised and satisfied.

0825 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St + Broadway Caller reports a male party yelling at pedestrians. N662 spoke to that party he checks out and has been sent on his way.

0949 911 - Well Being Check Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Norwood Animal Hospital - Walpole St Report of a male party in the lobby of the business appears to be disoriented. FD responding. Party was transported.

1051 Phone - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Worcester Dr Caller seeking advice on a suspicious transaction involving one of his rentals.

1831 Walk-In - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Loca-

tion/Address: Brookview Cir Party in the lobby advised on issues with a neighbor, referred to housing.

2026 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Fulton St Juveniles riding bicycles in traffic.

2220 Walk-In - Neighbor Disturbance Civil Matter Location/Address: Roosevelt Ave Party in the lobby seeking advice regarding tenant issues. Officer states civil in nature.

Tuesday, August 15

1546 Phone - -Motor Vehicle Complaint Gone on arrival Location/Address: Hampden Dr Dark blue Yukon parked in the handicap with flashing yellow lights without placard. Vehicle was found parked in front of 94 Hampden Dr. Operator has been advised and will be moving his vehicle.

1744 Phone -Suspicious Activity Report Location/Address: - Lane Dr Caller requesting a phone call from an officer re-

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garding a possible break. Screen is open and damage to his lock.

2022 Phone -Follow-Up Investigation No Service Location/Address: - David Ter Caller requesting to speak with an officer regarding a follow up to a reported stolen scooter

2041 Phone -BOLO Services Rendered Location/Address: - Nahatan St. Walpole Pd requesting Bolo For missing juvenile. Has been entered into NCIC as missing. Party Described As 16 year old black male, Approx 5'5" 185 lbs. Party left residence in Walpole yesterday. Went to work and did not return. Party is believed to be in the Dudley St area in Boston.

2141 Phone -Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Mobil Gas - Rte 1/Dean - Bos-Prov Hwy From HQ on the anonymous tip caller reporting use of fake IDs at the Mobile Gas Station. Store was advised of the complaint. They went through proper protocol to sell alcohol. They stated they would advise us if anything were to change.

Wednesday, August 16

0655 Radio -Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Services Rendered Location/Address: - David Ter Caller wants to report a past larceny of a scooter.

1226 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Caller reports that there is a white female, 40's with no teeth in the apartment of a female who recently passed away. The proper maintenance guy is on scene and the woman will not vacate the apartment. She is not on the lease and should not be there legally. All parties advised.

1527 911 - PD-Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Village Rd E Neighbors music is being a disturbance No answer at door but resident did turn music down

1832 Phone - PD-Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Location/Address: Ajay's Market - Walpole St Calling party stating a customer at his market just paid for keno tickets with counterfeit money. The sale amounted to \$2400.00. The owner is not on scene but the worker is, the owner has video footage of the customer that he has sent to his employee.

1938 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Services Rendered Location/Address: Lewis Restaurant & Grille - Central St 678 to assist FD with a male party choking on his food. Male party is alert and breathing. 678 clear

2142 Phone - PD-Harassment Services Rendered Location/Address: - Plymouth Dr Heading to the station to speak with

a walk in party regarding harassment at the above location.

2149 Phone - PD-Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Reporting party called into NWD headquarters reporting a verbal disturbance at the above location. This call was for a female party who was having a mental breakdown due to alcohol and PTSD. The presence of the NPD made matters worse for the party above. The family was not cooperative in identifying themselves. The officers stated the presence of Riverside also made matters worse. The female remained at the above address with her family.

2154 Phone - PD-Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Calling party states her landlord changed the locks to her apartment and her stuff is in the hallway. This is an ongoing issue with the landlord and a tenant who is not on the lease. The party above has been advised of her options.

Thursday, August 17

0316 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Kinder Care Learning Ctr - Buckminster Dr Calling party stating an unresponsive male in the front seat of a vehicle near the daycare. Calling party stating the vehicle is damaged.

1158 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Services Rendered Location/Address: Gentle Dental - Bos-Prov Hwy About 18 hours ago party dumped 2 gallons of gasoline in the parking lot. FD applied speedy dry, all clear.

1800 Radio - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Arrest(s) Made Vicinity of: Walnut Ave + Winslow Ave Scooter no plate Confirmed with Brockton as stolen. NWD667 transporting male party back to the station. Next in line requested. Brockton contacted advised of the locate and arrest, they will be making contact with the owner. Arrest: Cerqueira, Justin M Address: 15 Cobb Ter Walpole, Ma Age: 36 Charges: Motor Veh, Receive Stolen Moped Violation

1946 Walk-In - PD-Parking Violation Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Venice Cafe - Washington St Owner reporting he is towing FL Reg 11BDKR for illegal parking on private property. Vehicle was towed by Interstate Towing. Vehicle did not end up getting towed because the party got into the vehicle and drove away.

1949 Walk-In - PD-Parking Violation Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Avalon Apartments - Lenox St Big Jack's Towing (781-329-4800)tows MA Reg 8YF759 off private property.

2037 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Sent On Way Location/Address: Playground - Hawthorne St Anonymous caller on the business line reporting roughly 8 youths causing a noise disturbance at the playground located on Hawthorne St. Group has been advised and sent on way.

Friday, August 18

1312 Radio - PD-Parking Violation Services Rendered Location/Address: Morgan Dr + Astor Ave Live parking of tractor trailers Vehicles have been moved.

1716 Phone - PD-Disturbance Report Follows Location/Address: Advanced Auto Parts -

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Bos-Prov Hwy 5-7 scruffy green t shirt, black pants, white male Driving merz- mid 40s-tan Merz. Male party purchased a knife and threatened cashier "I'll F you up" male party in his 40s,scruffy white purchased a knife went outside and cut himself. Came back inside store and threatened cashier, "Ill f you up". Male is driving a Merz parked in front. Negoshian's en route.

1907 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Services Rendered Location/Address: Plymouth Dr House lock out, both parents are locked out and there is a 2 y/o locked inside. FD was able to gain entry, child reunited with his parents

Saturday, August 19

1954 Radio - PD-Suspicious Activity Citation/Warning Issued Location/Address: Hampton Inn - Bos-Prov Hwy Suspicious person, wearing no shoes, blue shirt, blue hat walking around the parking lot has entered the establishment a few times. Arrest: andrews, matthew j Address: 163 Hamilton St Saugus, Ma Age: 49 Charges: Default Warrant Default Warrant Default Warrant

Sunday, August 20

0502 Phone - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: United Parcel Service (Security) - University Ave There is an active break in at the building. A security guard at the UPS facility called 911. He stated no one should be at the site. He saw a dark skinned male on camera entering the east side of the building. He saw him for a split second and then did not see anything else. Westwood has a unit in the back parking lot of MS Walker, 668 reports there is a hole in the fence, 661 to advise security. It does appear someone gained access to the lot through the hole and tried a couple doors but was not able to access the building.

0516 Radio - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Coventry Ln Call for a tan or silver vehicle idling by the dumpsters since midnight. Party fell asleep in his vehicle. He is a resident.

1120 911 - PD-Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Mcdonalds - Broadway St Caller states patron at the drive through will not leave. Dispute over order. Caller did not have the yr/mk of car involved. No reported weapons. Female party received a refund for her drink. McDonalds reports this female party has caused issues in the past. All units clear.

2222 911 - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Mylod St White Male party with no shirt, bicycle leaned up a construction sign, tried to stop a male party driving in the middle of the roadway & attempted to throw his flashlight at him. Party believes this male be intoxicated. NWD units went out with this party in Walpole. Stayed with this party until Walpole PD showed up. This party was involved in a similar situation last night around midnight.

2346 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: - Buckminster Dr Ongoing issue with noise regarding neighbors above. Reports 6 people and dog living there.TV has been turned down.

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SENSORY-FRIENDLY LEGO CLUB

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with the L.E.A.D. program affiliated with Norwood High School to host a Sensory-friendly Lego Club for Adults. Our August Lego club meeting will be held in-person at the library on Thursday August 31, from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm.

Please join us in this creative adventure. Just bring your imagination - we will provide the Legos. The Club is free, inclusive, and open to anyone ages 18+. It is specially designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Registration is required. Sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

LITHUANIAN GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Get started in researching your family history, or take the next step in your genealogy journey with our three-part genealogy series this Fall as part of the Norwood Memories Project. Our first session will be "Getting Started in Lithuanian Family History Research" with James Heffernan of the New England Historical Genealogical Society on Thursday, September 14 at 6:30 pm. The next two dates and topics will soon be announced.

Lithuanians have been immigrating to America since as early as the 17th century. Yet, rapidly changing boundaries, unfamiliar languages, and late civil registration are just some of the challenges faced by family historians trying to trace their Lithuanian roots. Join American Ancestors Genealogist James Heffernan to gain a better understanding of the waves of immigration to the United States, what types of records exist, and how to get started in Lithuanian family history research.

James Heffernan, Genealogist, has been with American Ancestors/NEHGS since 2015. A graduate of Boston College, James is a frequent contributor to American Ancestors magazine, the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, and Vita-Brevis blog. His areas of expertise include central and Eastern European genealogy, with a particular focus on the former Polish territories of the Austrian, Russian, and German Empires. Other specialties include Eastern Canada, Colonial New England, and American immigration from 1890 to 1920.

Registration for this in-person event is required. To sign up, please visit the library's online events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2

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SPORTS EQUIPMENT TO SWAP SHOP A GREAT IDEA!

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PARKWAY CONCERT ORCHESTRA OPENINGS FOR ALL POSITIONS

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CALL FOR WALKERS FOR JIMMY FUND

Registration is now open for the 2023 Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk. Scheduled for Sunday, October 1, funds raised from the Walk support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at one of the nation's premier cancer centers, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

The Details: The Jimmy Fund Walk is the only organized walk permitted on the famed Boston Marathon® course, and participants have the flexibility to choose from four distance options: 5K walk (from Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's Longwood Medical Campus), 10K walk (from Newton), Half Marathon walk (from Wellesley), Marathon Walk (from Hopkinton). Whatever route walkers choose, participants will be treated to 10 refueling stations as well as poster-sized photographs of patients – Jimmy Fund Walk

Heroes – displayed at each mile and half-mile marker as inspiration.

All four routes of the Jimmy Fund Walk will culminate at the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line. Due to construction in Copley Square, the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line location has been moved to the Fenway neighborhood for 2023. Walkers should know that distances may be slightly shorter as we finish the walk in front of Fenway Park. The finish line will include a celebration complete with food, music, and a speaking program.

If walkers wish to participate a bit closer to home, the Jimmy Fund Walk has flexible opportunities. Participants can also join the event virtually by "walking their way" from wherever they are most comfortable—in their neighborhood, on a favorite hiking trail, or on a treadmill at home. Virtual programming and supporting materials will be available. The 2023 Walk will be held during the Jimmy Fund's 75th anniversary year and will aim to raise \$9 million in the effort to prevent, treat, and defy cancer.

Register as an individual walker, team member, or start a team! Take advantage of this unique opportunity and lead a group of your family, friends, or colleagues to the finish line. The Jimmy Fund can help you start a team, grow your fundraising, and defy cancer, together.

To register for the Walk (#JimmyFundWalk) or to support a walker, visit www.JimmyFundWalk.org or call (866) 531-9255. Registrants can enter the promo code NEWS for \$5 off the registration fee. All registered walkers will receive a bib, medal, and a Jimmy Fund Walk T-shirt.

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Raised in Dorchester, she graduated from Dorchester High School, and married her high school sweetheart, Joseph A. Robicheau, Jr. She was a dedicated wife to Joe for 54 years, until his passing in 2021. Dorothy worked at The Boston Edison until the birth of her first child. She was a loving and caring mother to her children, Joseph A. Robicheau, III, and Chrisanne and her husband Mark Craven of Sherborn, MA. Dorothy was overjoyed by the arrival of her only grandchild, Marina. She also dearly cherished her family's pets and was known for hopelessly spoiling them. Dottie delighted in hosting many large gatherings, and cooking special meals for her family and friends. Over the years she fostered an interest in unique arts and crafts projects, including painting, basket weaving, and rug hooking. Well known for being a card shark, one of her most endearing qualities was to pretend it was an accident when she won. Dot was a loyal friend to many, and was always available for a phone call or visit. Dorothy was predeceased by her husband, Joseph; and her loving sister, Xanthia Bouley (Dave) of Braintree. Dorothy's family would like to extend gratitude and sincere thanks to Beverly Bennett, Eileen Tisdale, Anne Belliveau, and many other cousins, family members, and friends, for providing emotional support and comfort in Dorothy's final days. Services will be private. For obituary and guestbook: everettfuneral.com John Everett & Sons Natick 508 653 4342.

RODRIGUES-GONCALVES

Maria Ferreira Rodrigues Goncalves passed away on August 17, 2023 at the age of 96. Beloved wife of the late Manuel G. Goncalves. Devoted mother of Anna M. Silva and her husband Alberto D. of Walpole and Manny Goncalves and his wife Maria of CT. Sister of Rose Gosme of France. Cherished grandmother of David G. Silva and his wife Jessica of Walpole and the late Monica Silva. Great grandmother of Andrew, Gabriel, Mia and Mason. Daughter of the late Jose R. Cabaminhas and Ann Ferreira. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood, MA. Burial at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA.



WOLFE

DEIRDRE, 32 of Norwood, formerly of Stoughton, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, August 13, 2023. Deirdre was born in Norwood on November 14, 1990. She spent her early years in Norwood living with her Mom, Nana Anne Carr, Uncle Mikey and Uncle Bobby. Deirdre was a 2009 graduate of Stoughton High School. Deirdre was the adoring mother of Aiden



Michael Wolfe, beloved daughter of Patricia Carr Wolfe and loving sister of Dylan Robert Wolfe all of Stoughton. She was the niece of Michael and Amy Carr of Norwood, the late Robert Carr Jr., Adam and Doreen Wolfe of Taunton, Eric and Jill Wolfe of Brockton and Meredith Parke of CT. She was also the beloved granddaughter of the late Robert J. Carr, Sr. and Anne M. Carr, Dennis and Meredith Wolfe of Weymouth and Jean and Jim Dennehy of Rockland. She also leaves behind her cousins Michael, Neil and Daniel Carr. Brandon, Kyle, Sabrina, Alex and Andrea Wolfe and Cameron, Lily and Ben Parke. In addition, she leaves her longtime best friend Stephanie Adjei. In lieu of flowers, Donations may be made to the Aiden Michael Wolfe fund, One Local Bank (formerly Norwood Bank) C/O Michael Carr, 114 Casey St., Norwood, MA 02062. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, August 24, 2023 from 4-7pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062. A funeral home service will be held on Thursday at 6:30pm. Burial will be private.

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