



District 7 Town Meeting member Ed Lynch spoke on several occasions during both nights of the most recent Town Meeting.

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Residents, officials and parade floats are all gearing up for this year's Norwood Fourth of July Parade.

FILE PHOTO

## TM approves another MUOD and Open Lot Storage

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Town Meeting concluded on Thursday, June 17 after lengthy debates on two of the three articles approved.

At the Special Town Meeting on Monday, TM members voted to approve the adoption of the Boston Providence Highway District (BPHD) along Route 1, which rezoned the area into one consistent zoning. They also voted to approve a mixed-use overlay district (MUOD) in the vicinity of Route 1, Everett Street and University Avenue. This MUOD allows for denser housing built above commercial units (which have to be at least 20 percent of the total building use by square footage) within the district.

On Thursday, the Norwood Planning Board asked for a motion of indefinite postponement of Article 3, which would have created an MUOD just west of the rotary above Route 1, known locally as Pendergast Circle. Planning Board member Joseph Sheehan said they introduced the motion to postpone because the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously not to recommend it. The motion for indefinite postponement passed by a wide margin.

Article 4 dealt with an MUOD at the two most western pieces of land at Vanderbilt Park. The measure ultimately passed, but some residents were opposed to putting mixed-use in that area of Town.

Town Meeting member Eric  
**Town Meeting**  
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## July 4 parade returning on July 3 with short notice

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Fourth of July Parade will be happening this year, though it will not be happening on the 4th. The parade will take place on Saturday, July 3, from 10 a.m. to noon, with the Firecracker 5K to start an hour before that.

Member of the Norwood Fourth of July Committee Maria Henry said they always prefer to have the celebration on the day of, but with Covid restrictions, the availabilities of marching bands and only the past six weeks to plan, July 3 seemed to work better for now.

"I would have liked to have it on

July 4, but this year that's a Sunday, and we would be competing with Masses and it's a late start anyway so we're fine just doing it on Saturday," she said.

Henry said getting the parade together in the last few weeks has been daunting, but she's glad she, the committee, and Travis Farley and Katie Seasted over at the Norwood Parks and Recreation Department have been able to put together a workable parade and celebration of the nation's founding.

"We were able to get way more than we thought we would," she said, "though a lot of the bands aren't com-

**Parade**

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# Drag Queen Story Hour celebrated diversity

**Katie Krom**  
Staff Reporter

As part of its June Pride Month programming, the Norwood Morrill Memorial Library hosted its somewhat controversial Drag Queen and King Story Hour on Wednesday, June 16.

Drag Queen Story Hours are nothing new and have been occurring internationally for a few years now both in-person and remote due to COVID-19.

These story hours are designed for young children, but

they can be an event for anyone, and in this case the Norwood story hour was just that. Young children, teens, and adults showed up in their colorful shirts, rainbow flags and shiny accessories excited to hear these Drag Queens and Kings read to them about inclusivity and love.

Clayton Cheever is the Director at Morrill Memorial Library and said that having a Drag Queen and King Story Hour is important when it comes to celebrating all of the

**Drag Queen Story**  
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The much anticipated Drag Queen and King Story Hour took place on Wednesday, June 16 in a virtual format with few issues. Allister is on the top left, JP is on the right and NuQueer Power is in the center.

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## May Citizens of the Month!

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

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# Steward to replace Norwood Hospital



Norwood Hospital President Sal Perla announced on Tuesday during an interview with WCVB Channel 5 News that the Hospital will be completely rebuilt after last year's devastating flood. "It is going to be a state-of-the-art, modern hospital," he said. "Timeline forthcoming, renderings forthcoming." Rumors have been circulating for months that the hospital will be rebuilt rather than rehabilitated, and now Perla appears to have confirmed those rumors. Regardless, a protest against Steward's lack of sharing plans and details with the staff of the hospital is set to take place at the hospital on June 27 at 5:30 p.m.

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# NFD salutes Braintree PD K-9 Officer Kitt



The Norwood Fired Department joined several local police departments as well as hundreds of residents to honor Braintree K-9 Officer Kitt during his funeral procession down Route 95, going from Braintree to Foxboro. Kitt was shot and killed while responding with his fellow officers to a domestic dispute earlier this month. Officer Bill Bushing was his partner and was also shot during the incident, along with Officer Matthew Donoghue. Both survived the incident. The Braintree Police Honor Guard and the Boston Police Gaelic Column performed honors during the service at Gillette Stadium. The NPD wrote that "It was an honor for Group 1 Firefighters to help line the procession for Braintree Police Department's K9 Kitt this afternoon as they made their way to Gillette Stadium for his funeral service. Our continued thoughts and prayers are with Braintree Police and their officers as they continue their recovery."

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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 July 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Back Bay Sign, (Case #21-17) with respect to property located at **130 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062, in the Manufacturing (M) Zoning District.** The hearing will be held in the Community Room at the Norwood Police/Fire Station at 135 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

This Application requests a Special Permit under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 6.2.16.3 (a & b) to allow the modification of an existing pylon standing sign resulting in an additional 16.49 square feet to the sign area. The modification would consist of two additional panels placed underneath the sign.

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 sbouchard@norwoodma.gov or by calling 781-762-1240 ext. 6055, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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**Estate of: Maureen Theresa Concannon** **Norfolk Probate and Family Court**  
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The Petitioner requests that:  
Mary T. Concannon of Norwood, MA and Julia A. Concannon of Norwood, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

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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: 10:00A.M on the return day of **07/15/2021**. 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.

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# OPINION

## A little of this and that...

Here's an idea. What about renaming the Norwood 4th of July Parade to the Annual Bernie Cooper 4th of July Parade? When Norwoodites think of the parade memories of Mr. Cooper undoubtedly come to mind, and have so for decades. This isn't to suggest the contributions of others are or were of lesser value than Mr. Cooper's. The parade simply wouldn't happen without volunteers like Maria Henry and others contributing hundreds of their hours, blood, sweat and tears to make sure the parade remains another example of what makes this Town so special and they should be recognized and thanked at every opportunity. They do it without expecting recognition or accolades, which makes their efforts even nobler. The guess at this address is that they would happily support renaming the parade in Bernie's honor. Bernie is and will always be a son of Norwood. Why not symbolically recognize him as such?...

What is with the NPD firefighter's union and authority figures? This newspaper will be celebrating 30 years of publishing a weekly newspaper here in 2022, and for all of those many years the union has been at odds with someone or some group, most notably with Selectmen, since they are, in fact, the ultimate bosses, but they have also rebelled against their own Chiefs on multiple occasions, most of whom worked their way up through the same ranks as the firefighters and actually belonged to their union before being tapped for command.

The latest brouhaha involves a door. Yup, a door on the third floor of the Public Safety Building. One of the articles at a recent Town Meeting requested \$5k to replace the "third-floor door damaged due to vandalism." The NFD requested the money, but absent within their request was any mention of vandalism. The description of how the door came into disrepair was provided by Selectmen, as admitted to by Selectmen Chairman Tom Maloney when he said on the floor of TM that "It was an act of vandalism, and we want Town Meeting to know that." Maloney then went on to explain how they knew that including keen Columbo-like insight from someone involved in the "investigation" and then, using reverse psychology, suggesting it had to be because "otherwise somebody, as honorable people do – would have come forward and said, 'my fault'" within the department.

In this case, we are siding with the union. It wasn't necessary for Selectmen to take a cheap public shot even if it was vandalism. Some things should remain internal, this included. And to question the integrity and honesty of the department publicly, even as cutely as Maloney thought he was being, was out of place and uncalled for...

Pride month is coming to an end, and some will be giving thanks. Norwood residents let their feelings be known, and even though shackles were raised on both sides of the library's decision to hold a Drag Queen and King Story Hour, most of the discussions remained respectful and cordial. Not all of course, there are yahoos in every debate but, for the most part, this Town weathered the storm and did so with its usual aplomb. The suggestion here would be for the library to cool its jets for a bit and let some meaningful time lapse before venturing into these sensitive issues again. This newspaper is not suggesting that the recent foray into alternative thinking was wrong, but don't allow any recent benefits gained be lost by a "Damn the torpedoes, full steam ahead" mentality.

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### SUPPORT FOR INCLUSIVITY

*To the Editor:*

I attended the Progress Norwood Pride celebration on the Common on Saturday, June 12 and I was pleased by the incredible show of support for the Morrill Memorial Library's Drag Queen Story Hour program, scheduled during June which is LGBTQ Pride month. It was awell-attended and very upbeat group of Norwood residents and visitors who all came together to peacefully and happily demonstrate for inclusivity and acceptance. Dozens of parents, children, senior citizens and many other forward-thinking individuals gathered to have a picnic and support diversity. I noted that a small number of supporters reached out to the handful of counter-demonstrators, seemingly offering to share rainbow flags, a friendly gesture that hopefully was recognized as such.

I have also read all of the recent letters to the editor that address this subject and I am saddened to see language like "liberal library staff" used in an angry way about caring individuals, as well as "radical materials," describing stories that actually help children to understand and accept people who

are different. In particular, I am disappointed by one writer's letter which mentions that "these programs are being promoted by those with a specific agenda and is being perpetrated on our youngest, innocent and most impressionable children and teens to indoctrinate their young minds..." What's the secret agenda and what nefarious "indoctrination" is underway at the library? Could it be an insidious attempt to steer young minds to be not just tolerant, but to be accepting of all people who live all around us, no matter their race, cultural heritage, religion, gender identity or sexual orientation? Could it be a sinister attempt to end bullying of others and encourage understanding of oneself and others who are different? I'm old enough to remember all the ignorance and the hatred directed toward the LGBT community during the past several decades. I recall the overly dramatic, pearl-clutching histrionics of "church ladies" who predicted the end of the civilized world among other dire warnings when same sex marriage was rightfully and justly approved by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court in 2004. I am so tired of reading this same condescend-

ing language and hearing the same vitriol after nearly 40 years and sadly, this time, it is all about kind, caring, responsible and funny men in dresses, reading thought-provoking stories to children eager to talk and laugh and sing and learn about other people. Additionally, the story presenters themselves are examples of profiles in courage for our youth. What's the true agenda here, folks? Maybe trying to make our small section of the world a better place for everyone?

I close this letter with a quote from a first grade teacher in Brooklyn, NY:

*"What an amazing way to teach individuality, empathy, and acceptance! Drag Queen Story Hour gave my first graders a fun and interactive platform to talk and think about social and emotional issues like acceptance, being yourself, and loving who you are. Through books, songs, arts and crafts, and movement activities, they explored these issues and had an amazing time doing it!..."*

—Alexis Hernandez, first grade teacher at PS 118, the Maurice Sendak Community School (Brooklyn)

*Terry Dalton*  
Norwood

## ConCom to take up orchard improvements

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Conservation Commission (ConCom) met on June 16 at 7 p.m. in a hybrid in-person meeting.

Conservation Agent Holly Jones discussed some proposed improvements to the Community Orchard, sited south of the Coakley Middle School. The orchard was recently destroyed by weather-related issues; however the trees that were destroyed will be replaced under the warranty. In any case, the orchard is still several years away from producing fruit, but advocate and Boston Food Forest Representative Mark



The Conservation Commission is looking to use permaculture to increase the longevity of the Community Apple Orchard by the Coakley.

COURTESY PHOTO

Negron came before the Commission at a few previous meetings with the idea of permaculture as a way to ensure stronger and healthier trees.

The basic premise is that you build an ecosystem around a fruit tree to help keep pests away from the plant (or plants) you're trying to harvest and increase yields through naturally-provided fertilization processes.

Starting that process, Jones said she and Negron have been working on preliminary plans for the idea,

but she said she wants to wait until there's a full meeting, as several members were unable to attend. She said, however, Negron and she have been looking at quotes to place a shed at the orchard to help with maintenance.

"He's also reached out to a landscaper to go out on Sunday and look at potential sites where the area could be leveled and have a gravel base laid for a shed," she said. "I think that the com-

**ConCom**

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mission had not made its decision last week to essentially give the go-ahead on the shed or not.”

Commission members said they wanted to see a more complete plan from Negron and possibly a preliminary budget before they move forward. Jones said she would work on that. ConCom Chair Stephen Washburn pointed out that there’s a lot of work needed to pull this off, and he and Jones suggested that the ConCom form a subcommittee to dedicate more time and resources to the proposed plan.

“I don’t think it’s a lost cause, and I do think we’re up to the challenge, but I don’t think it’s fair or correct consuming so much time and energy at every single one of our Conservation Commission meetings to give this the attention and oversight that this deserves,” he said.

Washburn said because of the low number of ConCom members at the meeting, he was hesitant to ask for a motion to form that subcommittee, as he wanted more members to be able to weigh in on its creation.

“Generally, I think it’s fairly low risk to make an investment in a shed,” he said. “I think we’re going to need a place to mobilize the effort

and I don’t see a future where this doesn’t happen in some capacity, whether it’s phased or a full-on blitz of the project site or otherwise, I think it’s low-risk for the establishment of a shed.”

Vice Chair Kris Capezio said she would have no problem voting on the shed, but she’d like to see a proposed budget for at least the shed construction. Member John Gear said he agreed. The Commission voted 4-0 to approve the construction of the shed and its related environs. Jones said the Conservation Land Management fund allows for the use of \$10,000 for projects like this and she feels that it will most assuredly be lower than that.

The ConCom also heard a proposal from DCD Realty for a notice of minor project change from the proposed car storage lot at 84 Morse St. Readers may remember this is the project proposed originally by Ernie Boch Jr. and Michael Clemmey that resulted in the Town compromising with the auto company to allow auto storage at 84 Morse St. if the Town had the option to buy what is now called the Saint Streets Lot (a second public meeting is coming up at the end of July for the proposed park there).

Matt Smith of Norwood

Engineering represented DCD, and he said DCD wants to change a truck dock next to the building on the property. Smith said currently there is a slope downward that can accommodate an 18-wheeler truck so that the trailer aligns with the loading area of the building. He said they want to re-grade it to more like a regular garage for the smaller delivery trucks to get into the building, as the site will be used for tool and spare part storage and not be handling 18-wheelers.

“All of it is out of the inner river zone, all of it is out of the 100-foot buffer zone, but the work will be partially in the 200-foot river zone,” Smith said.

Jones pointed out the proposed park across the river will be visible from the building and vice versa, and asked that Smith keep that in mind. As to the minor plan modification, she said that as long as there is no increase in impervious material and no decrease in natural ground then it can be voted on by the ConCom,

“And as a minor plan it seems substantially similar to what was approved previously and not likely to have any additional impacts on the adjacent wetlands,” she said.

The ConCom voted unanimously to approve the minor project change.

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ing. Several came from Canada and they haven't opened the border yet. We had some come up from St. Louis and out west in the past, but they're not bringing their bands out of state. Connecticut and New York, well they're just starting to practice and they said they don't feel ready for the parades."

Henry said they are also combining the Children's Parade with the regular parade and having them meet at the intersection of Walpole and Washington streets to combine. She said they're also looking to invite representatives from all of the affected professions of the pandemic – nurses, doctors, grocery managers, truck drivers and anyone who volunteered their time and effort to help get everyone through the pandemic to sit atop their Hometown Heroes float. She said to call the Norwood Civic Center and ask for Norwood Parks and Recreation Program Director Katie Seasted or Parks Superintendent Travis Farley to nominate a participant at 781-762-0466. To sign up for the Children's Parade, give the Civic a call or show up to the First Congregational Church in Norwood by 9:45 a.m. to register.

She said they do have a juggler, a unicycle rider, a hip band, a traditional Chinese Dragon Dance, the Uncle Sam Jazz Band, Worcester Sound and Light and, of course, the Colonial Boys.

"So we do have more than we thought," she said. "We have our decorated floats and a lot of locals participating from the Town Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, softball league, little league and veterans agencies."

The parade had historically been the baby of Assistant Town Manager Bernie Cooper, who sadly passed away earlier this year. Henry said planning the event without him was not only a challenge on the logistic side, but on many, deeper levels as well.

"Just not having Bernie around is awful," she said. "We were together on this committee for 28 years and he's always been such a friend to me personally. The Town does not yet realize what it's lost. Everything good about this Town stood for Bernie."

She said to honor Cooper's legacy, his family members will be grand marshals of the parade this year and next, so as not to diminish Cooper's importance to the Town when attendance might not be what was in the past.

"Next year is the Town's 150th celebration and we really want to do the parade big next year," she said. "We've already said to Connie (Bernie's wife) we'd like her to be the marshal again."

## Legal Notice

### NORWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

The Norwood Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing under M.G.L. Ch. 40, Sec. 8C, The Conservation Commission Act, and Norwood Bylaw XXV, including any amendments thereto on Wednesday, June 30th, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be conducted in person at the Community Room at the Norwood Senior Center and digitally using GoToMeeting. Public Participation may be accessed through your computer, tablet or smartphone <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/243297997>. You can also dial in using your phone, United States: +1 (669) 224-3412, Access Code: 243-297-997

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Holly Jones  
Conservation Planner

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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 July 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Haydar Ali, (Case #21-16) with respect to property located at **47 Florence Avenue, Norwood, MA 02062, in the General Residence (G) Zoning District**. The hearing will be held in the Community Room at the Norwood Police/Fire Station at 135 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

This Application requests a Variance under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 4.1.2.6 [Notes on Dimensional Requirement – Accessory Structures] to allow the construction of a detached accessory structure that would serve as a garage to the existing single family residence. The structure as proposed would create a new nonconformity in the right side yard setback and exceed dimensional requirements for both accessory structure length and floor area.

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 [sbouchard@norwoodma.gov](mailto:sbouchard@norwoodma.gov) by calling 781-762-1240 ext. 6055, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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Bodenhofer said he felt that the article put too much density and more cars on the road. Most mixed-use developments are placed near transit hubs so cars are not the only way to get to and from the development.

"I feel these MUODs are a tactic in search of a strategy," he said. "What frustrates me is we don't seem to have a clear understanding as to why we're pursuing mixed-use development."

Bodehofer said he was displeased with the lack of scope on the mixed-use overlay districts being proposed, and felt that the overlays should be bigger or at least more numerous. Norwood Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said they want to take an incremental approach to increasing density, and will likely return at one of the upcoming Town Meetings with a proposal to increase density of the Downtown MUOD, since few landlords have taken advantage of the density bonuses available there.

Town Meeting member Kevin Connolly said he felt putting a residential area near Home Market Foods could be a problem, since its industrial processes leave quite an odor.

"This is a disaster waiting to happen," he said. "I just see this as a bombshell waiting to go off."

He said it reminded him of developers putting housing near the Norwood Airport, which resulted in numerous noise complaints from the new residents. Halkiotis said Home Market has agreed to put in air scrubbers to reduce the odor.

Article 4 passed by a wide margin.

Article 5 dealt with open lot storage of vehicles in the Town. The measure passed, which would take open lot vehicle storage off the allowed use list for all zoning districts in Town except the newly-established BPHD, and keep storage limited to Route 1 only. Current open lot storage facilities will be grandfathered in, meaning they would be allowed to keep and maintain their properties' use as long as it does not lapse for a period longer than two years (as is the case with most land use allowances in Town).

However, about 40 minutes of discussion veered back to Vanderbilt Park, as the article stated that open lot storage would

not be an allowed use there (except for properties that have a minimum frontage of 100 feet on the Boston Providence Highway). A good deal of discussion was dedicated to how to define Vanderbilt Park, as the zoning map did not have any specific definitions of the area. Private citizen (and Town Moderator if this article didn't directly deal with any of his clients) David Hern said that the way to solve this is to encompass the areas Town Meeting members want to exclude from the Open Lot Storage areas including properties with frontage on Vanderbilt Avenue, Astor Avenue, Morgan Drive, River Ridge Road, Park Place and Carnegie Row.

"I think I got all the streets, but somebody tell me if I missed one," he said.

While he could not offer this as a friendly amendment, as he is only a member when serving as Town Moderator, Town Meeting member Jean Taylor made the motion.

After the friendly amendment passed almost unanimously, Article 5 passed by a wide margin.

Earlier, during the Annual Town Meeting on June 14, an incident took place worth noting. Article 2 dealt with a request from the Norwood Fire Department of \$5,000 to replace a wooden door with a magnetic locking mechanism. The article language stated specifically that the "third-floor door was damaged due to vandalism."

Norwood Fire Local 1631 Secretary and firefighter Dennis Mawn made a motion to have the article indefinitely postponed, as the department had secured the promise of state funds from local State Rep. John Rogers and State Sen. Michael Rush. That motion failed, as Town officials reasoned that any money spent locally to fix the door could then be reimbursed by the state rather than waiting for the state to pay for the repairs. Mawn said he took exception to the specific language in the article.

"The yellow sheet says the door was vandalized, with no proof, no wherewithal, just randomly vandalized," he said. "We see that as an accusation against 61 members of your Norwood Fire Department. This is not the first time blanket accusations have been wrongly laid against us."

It was at that point Hern stepped in (as he was Town Moderator during this portion of the meeting) and asked that Mawn stick to the points in the article itself.

"We are here to discuss spending \$5,000," he said.

Board of Selectmen Chair Thomas Maloney pointed out that if the state comes through and pays for the door (which he

said is not set in stone) then the funds appropriated at Town Meeting will go back into Free Cash and could be spent elsewhere. Maloney also defended the use of the word "vandalism."

"It was an act of vandalism, and we want Town Meeting to know that," he said. "We know this for two reasons. One is the testimony of the facilities guy who participated in the investigation... The conclusion was it was an intentional act. The other reason is probably a little bit deeper, and it's because we believe Firefighter Mawn. And we believe Firefighter (Paul) Ronco when they confirm the honesty and integrity and decency of the firefighters who work for the Norwood Fire Department. If this were an accident – which seems the only other possibility in this case – somebody, as honorable people do – would have come forward and said, 'my fault, I don't want other union brothers and sisters to take the hit for this. It was my fault, please tell me what to do.' It's an accident, and accidents happen at every workplace in America. This is not an accident. And no one came forward to say it was an accident."

Maloney added he did not understand Mawn's argument against the use of the word vandalism.

"I don't understand why anybody would say it's an insult to 61 people to say it was vandalism," he said. "It appears that somebody deliberately applied a tremendous amount of force at a specific point so as to render it inoperable and never spoke up and never confessed to it. Somebody tried to get away with that and they did, or they have so far."

Maloney's voice audibly rose during his speech and his intensity increased as he spoke. Hern interrupted him as the speech was not focused on the \$5,000 set in the article for discussion. Mawn's amendment for indefinite postponement then failed, but he spoke again in reference to the original motion to pass the article.

"This is our position: a door was damaged, but I would suggest through you Mr. Moderator that the excitement in Mr. Maloney's answer there that he gave to this body – I would say is borderline on toxicity," he said. "And that could be the toxicity that exists at Norwood Fire Department today. And that could be a direct reason as to why nobody will come forward today and admit to damaging the door."

The motion to appropriate the \$5,000 passed by a wide margin.



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# Drag Queen Story *continued from page 2*

members of the community.

“It was important for us to do because we wanted to do something for Pride,” Cheever said. “We know that there’s a great history of the LGBTQ+ community in Norwood. They have been here forever. And when we talk about the idea that you can be your most fabulous self, drag kings and queens are that spirit of coming out and how we address what makes us feel best.”

Allister, Just JP, and Nüqueer Power were the three storytellers and started off the event by having everyone get up and rain glitter with their hands and dance for Pride Month.

Just JP then read the book ‘Red’ by Michael Hall, about a crayon that was labeled red on the side but is only able to color blue every time it draws. Just JP emphasized the idea that how people see you does not always match up with who you actually are and in time you will project your true self.

Allister then read ‘Love Makes a Family’ by Sophie Beer which focuses on how you need love and support to make a family actually a family.

After the two books were

read, Nüqueer Power played the guitar and sang a song for everyone about the rainbow and the different parts of the LGBTQ+ community.

“I really love rainbows,” Power said. “This is a great month to love rainbows.”

After the song, Power read the book ‘My Princess Boy’ by Cheryl Kilodavis about a young boy who loves to dress up and wear “female” clothes, but also loves to climb trees, saying it’s okay to do both.

“Sparkles are for everyone, colors are for everyone,” Power said. “A princess boy can wear a dress to school and I will not laugh at him, I would actually love to be his friend. That is my type of person.”

The last story was ‘It’s Okay to be Different’ by Todd Parr, which was read by all three Drag Kings and Queens in unison. The book emphasized that all of the traits that make you who you are, are amazing. It is okay to have different moms and dads, to have big ears, and to dance by

yourself.

Despite a small amount of opposition from the Norwood community everyone at the event appeared very respectful, supportive, and happily engaged.

Cheever said that the goal was simply to do something welcoming for all people that is age appropriate.

“They’re having a hard time understanding that a drag time story hour is different than a burlesque show in Provincetown. There’s a big difference,” Cheever said. “There’s a lot of misunderstanding. Some people are very threatened by the existence of drag queens and kings. But I think it is also what they are representing, that there are some members of our community that are different from how some other people in the community live. And that’s okay, but it really frightens some people.”

Cheever said he wants to host more events that engage everyone on this topic.

“As I talk about being in-

clusive of everyone, I include being inclusive of those people who are unhappy about what we are doing,” Cheever said. “What I am interested in figuring out is what kind of programs would appeal to them that would appeal to enough people to be worthwhile.”

Cheever said that he received more positive outreach than negative and is thankful to be part of the Norwood community.

“The more we can teach people and help people love each other, the better we will be as a community,” Cheever said. “And it starts at birth; it is all about taking care of each other. We are so much richer when we find ways to work together and respect and elevate the best in all of us and

that’s what libraries let us do.”

The Drag Queen Story Hour has a Facebook page at Facebook.com/dragstorytime where you can see upcoming live streams from story time events and even find in-person events near you.

The event ended with a goodbye song and emphasis on always being yourself, and that there will be support wherever you go.

“Happy Pride, be who you are,” said Drag King Allister.



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# DEATHS

**CURRAN**



Marjorie Ann (White) (Peele) passed on Saturday June 19, surrounded by family at the Pat Roche Hospice House. Margie was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and friend. Born to Lawrence Vincent White and Marjorie Foley White on August 7, 1942. She grew up in Norwood, MA and attended Norwood Public Schools and the Henry O Peabody School where she made many lifelong friends who would see her overcome many challenges in her life. Margie was the mother of Maribeth Hibbard (Richard) of Plymouth, MA, Laurie Allard (John Thistle) of North Attleboro, MA and was predeceased by her daughter Kimberly LaVange (Mark) of Norwood, MA. Margie was the sister of Eleanor Waal (Jeffrey) of Cohasset, MA and the sister of Debra White of Franklin, MA. She was the grandmother of Jonathan Hibbard, Amanda Ethier, Kaitlin Hibbard, Marissa Peele, Jill LaVange, David LaVange, Rebecca LaVange, Kayla Allard and Emily Allard and great-grandmother of Adelynn St. Peter, Ava St. Peter and Esme Ethier. She married John Wesley Peele in 1965 and together they raised three beautiful daughters, Maribeth, Kimberly and Laurie Peele. Sadly, John died suddenly at a very young age and left Margie to raise the girls by herself. Many people would have been crippled by this challenge, but Margie quickly went to work part time and devoted herself to supporting her daughters emotionally and financially. Margie was surrounded by people

who loved her - and everyone did love her. Margie loved people and loved spending time with friends and family. Her heart was as big as the world. She was always ready to host a party and to celebrate milestones in her friends and family's lives. She would be the first person to reach out to someone in need. She cherished her friendships and nurtured them over the years. She taught her daughters the importance of taking care of people and they continue to carry on her example. To Margie, there were no strangers, only friends she had not yet met. Many years after the death of her first husband, Margie reconnected with a friend from high school. Michael Curran and Margie were an example of a beautiful love discovered late in life. They cherished their time together and Michael loved "his Margie, The Awesome One" and loved Margie's family as his own. Theirs was a beautiful love story. Most of her career was spent at Emerson Swan, working as the Secretary to the president. In recent years Margie enjoyed many activities and friends at the Senior Center in Norwood, as well as volunteering at the Women's Community Center. She spent the last few months of her life at Benchmark Assisted Living, where again, because of her outgoing personality she enjoyed the activities and camaraderie of new friends. Margie will be waked at Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood, MA, Thursday, June 24, 2021 from 5-8 pm and a Funeral Mass at St Catherines of Siena Parish, Norwood, on Friday June 25, 2021 at 11am. Interment will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

**JOHNSON**

Josephine (Dodson) of Norwood, passed away peacefully on June 17, 2021. Josephine is survived by her children, Ms. Olivia Johnson of Raynham, Mr. William A. Johnson of Murrieta, CA, Ms. Fanny J. Johnson of South Boston, and Ms. Valerie Johnson-King of Norwood; her former husband, William A Johnson, Sr. of Bradford; her grandsons, William T. Johnson of Boston, Jermaine Williams of CA, and Solomon

King of Norwood. Josephine was preceded in death by her son, Mr. Eugene Dodson. Services will be held through Gillooly Funeral Home. Gillooly Funeral Home Norwood GilloolyFuneralHome.com

**ROBICHEAU**

Joseph A. Jr. Age 82, of Norwood, passed away on June 11, 2021, following a long illness. Born in Boston, he was the son of the late Agatha (Spicer) and Anthony Robicheau. Beloved husband of 54 years to Dorothy (Verra) Robicheau of Norwood. Loving father of Joseph A. Robicheau, III of Norwood, and Chrisanne Craven and her husband Mark of Sherborn. Devoted grandfather of Marina Josephine Craven, who he adored more than anything in this world. In addition to his wife, children, and grandchild, he is survived by his brother Arthur Robicheau (Natalie) of West Roxbury, Noreen Campedelli (Joe) of Cohasset, Kathleen Marsh (Richard) of Newport News, VA, his brother-in-law Ron Murray of New Edinburg, Nova Scotia, and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Jeanne Murray (Ron) of New Edinburgh, Nova Scotia, and his sister-in-law Natalie Robicheau (Arthur) of West Roxbury. At Joseph's request a funeral service will not be held. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

**SULLIVAN**



MICHAEL John of Norwood passed away suddenly on June 16, 2021 at the age of 58. Loving son

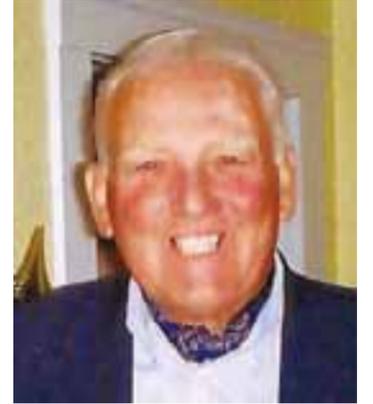
of Michael J. and Teresa (O'Connell) Sullivan of Norwood. Brother of Gerri A. O'Donnell and her husband Doug of E. Walpole, Kevin P. Sullivan and his fiancée Aimee Fredette of E. Walpole, Daniel J. Sullivan and his wife Lori of Norwood, Maureen T. Sullivan of Dedham and Brian J. Sullivan and his wife Kelley of Norwood. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and Dogs. Michael was a member of the Norwood Elks, Walpole Fish and Game Club and the Wampatuck Country Club in Canton, MA. Visiting hours will be held on Monday, June 21, 2021 4-8pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral mass was held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:30am at St. Timothy's Church 650 Nichols St. Norwood, MA 02062. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the American Heart Assoc. 300 5th Ave. #6 Waltham, MA 02451. www.heart.org Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home www.KRAW-KORNACKFUNERALHOME.COM FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED 781-762-0482.

**TRAINOR**

VIOLET M. (Masciarelli) of Norwood passed away on June 21, 2021 at the age of 92. Beloved wife of the late Robert P. Trainor. Devoted mother of Leslie J. Barone and her late husband Amico of Wilbraham, Janet M. Kelly and her husband Richard of Norwood and Marylou Scruggs and her husband Mitchell of South Carolina. Sister of Dorothy O'Neil of Dedham and the late Carol Connolly, Ann Paglia, Gus Masciarelli and Rosemary White. Cherished grandmother of Jennifer, Nicholas, Michael, Nicole, Morgan, Catherine and Ryan. Great grandmother of Lily, Grace, Jack, Luna and Birdie. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late Enos and Louise (Ventresco) Masciarelli. Violet was a retired Clerk for the Dedham

District Court. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2021 4-8pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral mass will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021 10:30am at St. Timothy Parish, Norwood, MA. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Timothy Parish 650 Nichols St. Norwood, MA 02062. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home www.KRAW-KORNACKFUNERALHOME.COM FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED 781-762-0482.

**WALSH**



**Robert (ROBO) Bellarmine** of Norwood, formerly of Wellesley and Hull, son of the late E. Corbett and Norinne (Feeny) Walsh. Robo leaves two children, E. Corbett Walsh II and Robin Lee Wells, their mother Jacquin Troxel, and three grandchildren, Kayla Grace Alacorn, E. Corbett Walsh II and Dakota Walsh, and his always loving siblings, Bonnie (Mrs. William) Stoloski, Quentin (Randi) Walsh and two sisters, who have been angels during his recent illness, Inez (Mrs. Thomas) Moore and "Toni" (Mrs. Brian) Curry, 16 nieces and nephews, and 24 grandnieces and grandnephews and his faithful feline "kitten mitten". He was predeceased by his daughter,

**Deaths**

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## Legal Notice

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING on July 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM** on the request of James & Kristin McBrien, (Case #21-11) with respect to property located at **56 Hillshire Lane, Norwood, MA 02062, in the Single Residence (S) Zoning District.** The hearing will be held in the Community Room at the Norwood Police/Fire Station at 135 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

This Application requests a Special Permit under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4 to allow the construction of an addition to the existing single family residence. The addition will increase the habitable floor area of the original nonconforming structure by 62%.

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.

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This Application requests a Special Permit under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4 to allow the construction of an addition to the existing single family residence. The addition will include an accessory dwelling unit and encroach into the right side yard setback.

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*In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.*

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# The Record Book

## MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP TO BE HELD

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting at The Grange, 28 Rockwood Road (Route 115) in Norfolk, MA from 7-9 pm on Thursday, July 1.

We would appreciate the cooperation of all in observing the Covid-19 precaution of wearing a mask while indoors during our meeting.

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

We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones. In case of inclement weather, we will align with the Norwood schools. If they close, the meeting will be cancelled. For further information call Ray at 508-668-2941.

## NORWOOD READS FREDERICK DOUGLASS

The Old Parish Preservation Volunteers is sponsoring its annual "Reading Frederick Douglass Together" event at the Old Parish Cemetery on Sunday, July 4, at 2:00 pm. A public reading of famed orator and abolitionist Frederick Douglass' famous Fourth of July address "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?" the reading is supported by Mass Humanities, a state-based affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, which provided funding through the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The event will take place in the Old Parish Cemetery at the grave site of noted abolitionist and Universalist minister, Rev. Edwin Thompson. The Old Parish Cemetery is accessible via Washington Street (rear 480 Washington Street) or Railroad Avenue. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, please email: norwoodoldparish@gmail.com

## NORWOOD HIGH CLASS OF 1972 50TH REUNION

The planning committee is now looking to find/update classmates' contact info for the fall 2022 reunion. Please feel free to call or email to update/check your contact info. Bob Donnelly, 339-206-2516 robertdonnell66@gmail.com, Diane (Shannon) Sheehan, 617-930-1777 dsheehan909@gmail.com, Gail Flaherty, 617-328-6585, Maura (Lafargue) Towne, 781-608-9468 twinmcc@aol.com. Hope to see you in 2022!

## "THE STRANGER IN THE MIRROR"

An Author Conversation with Liv Constantine" facilitated by Hank Phillippi Ryan, Wednesday, July 7 at 7:00pm on Zoom.

The Morrill Memorial Library and other Boston area libraries are partnering with Haley Booksellers to offer a Zoom presentation on Wednesday, July 7 at 7:00pm featuring writing duo Lynne and Valerie Constantine, a.k.a. Liv Constantine, in a thrilling conversation about their new book *The Stranger in the Mirror*. Acclaimed author Hank Phillippi Ryan will facilitate the discussion.

Registration for this program is required. Attendees can sign up via the Library calendar at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar), or by calling the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2. Zoom access details will be sent to all registrants as the event date approaches.

## BLESSINGS BOUTIQUE THRIFT SHOP

At First Baptist Church, 71 Bond St., Norwood. Saturday June 26. So many things for you to look at - great clothes and purses, household items, tableware, books, and lots more. Come have a look!

## "THE FIANCEE: AN AUTHOR CONVERSATION WITH KATE WHITE"

Wednesday, July 21 at 7:00pm on Zoom. The Morrill Memorial Library and other Boston area libraries are partnering with Haley Booksellers to offer a Zoom presentation on Wednesday, July 21

at 7:00pm featuring author Kate White, in conversation about her new thriller *The Fiancee*.

Registration for this program is required. Attendees can sign up via the Library calendar at [norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar](http://norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar), or by calling the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2. Zoom access details will be sent to all registrants as the event date approaches.

## TOASTMASTERS CAN IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNICATION SKILLS

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Jacqueline, and his brothers, E. Corbett Walsh, S.J. and Thomas "Tucker" Walsh, and his longtime companion, Carol Harding. Although academics were not Robo's forte, he attended several schools, including St. Sebastian's, Mass Maritime Academy and Seton Hall University, and benefitted from each in many ways. Robo's career was centered on the clothing business, which he so aptly called "the rag bag" business. He was a very successful salesman and company representative with John Douglas of Wellesley, John Meyer of Norwich, and Lanz. At another time in his career he "went to sea" as a lobsterman who fished out of Gloucester, 50-100 miles out to sea! When on land and getting the itch, he always looked forward to being a crew for his brothers, Corbie and Quentin, on their 110s and 210s and definitely was one of the best 'fore' crew in Hull, Hingham, Cohasset, and Marblehead. Robo was always on "tap" (no pun intended) to crew for his cousin, Mikey Gahan, Centennial Commodore of the Cottage Park Yacht Club. Robo also relished his trips to Ireland with "Tom Kirwan Tours" and good friends from Concannon's and Finnegan's Wake, where he learned to be a true Irishman, honing his skills at cribbage and storytelling. He always

enjoyed playing golf with his many Norwood buddies. Robo's family is incredibly grateful for the dedication and love shown by Nurse Molly and CNA Carlos from Good Shepherd Community during his last days. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington Street, Norwood, with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington Street, Norwood at 11:00am Thursday, June 24, 2021. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Good Shepherd Community Care, 90 Wells Avenue, Newton 02459.

### Prayer to St. Anthony

O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers.

Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (request). The answer to my prayer may require a miracle. Even so, you are the Saint of Miracles.

O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet Infant Jesus who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be. *Grateful Thanks —B.T.F.*



## Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns an 8-bay center in Middleboro, MA. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

### Ford F350 Platinum 4X4 Diesel

I remember the old days of noisy, leaking, smelling, smoking lack of power, problem diesel engines and yes they are behind us. Ford did have its share of diesels over the years when the engines were supplied by an outside source. There own diesel engines are a big improvement have plenty of power and yes very quiet. Our F350 Platinum 4 door is a big truck and high off the ground. The power side steps are a must and do make it easy to get in and out. Everything about the F350 is big and heavy duty and made to work hard, drive under any condition. Pickup trucks have been around for many years and they have evolved into out selling some cars. The most common is the 4 door models. Regular 2 door pickup trucks there were the norm back in the day have taken the back seat to the 4 door models. Ford still does sell a few mostly work trucks available in the XL and XLT models. Base pricing on the XL 2WD starts at \$35,550.00. up to the Limited starting at \$85,105.00 plus destination. There are many options available, including double long moon roof, motorized side steps that are a must to enter and exit. Lighting packages, heavy duty snow plow and work packages, diesel engine package not cheap \$10,495.00. All this plus much more, the 10 speed automatic transmission is a big plus. This redesigned 2020 F350 is truly a truck for all occasions and weather conditions. The interior is plush leather heated and ventilated front seats and steering wheel, heated rear outboard seats, remote starter, and the list goes on and on. The F350 ride is stiff but not like the older years. I was surprised with the ride. The Diesel power via the 10 speed transmission is amazing. The outside style is very modern unlike the front design of last year. A lot of my neighbors use their pickup trucks as daily drivers for all occasions. Remember if you are interested in buying a pick up, you are going to keep it for many years as well as pay for it for many years, make sure to get all the optional equipment that you want. The extra options do raise the price however when figured into the 5 plus year loan the monthly payment is not that much more. My average mileage was an amazing 17 MPG around town. I could see myself towing my boat back and forth to Florida in this truck or a large camper trailer.

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# Police Logs

## Monday, June 14

0737 Phone - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Walnut Ave + Washington St Caller reports concern for 2 young boys walking down Walnut Ave. towards Mr. Franks about 8 and 10 yrs. old, talking on phones and states they look like upset like they might have missed their bus. N669, N663 checked the area for them. Unable to locate.

0803 911 - Report Of Gas Leak Fire Dept Notified/Responded Location/Address: Beech St Odor of natural gas inside home.

1400 Cellular - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Caller reports his sister maybe going to "beat up" his girlfriend. Matter resolved and all advised.

1539 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Civil Matter Location/Address: Charlwell Nursing Home - Walpole St Party reports staff will not allow him to see his wife. Officer spoke to all parties involved, appointment made. Party satisfied.

1658 Phone - Susp Person Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Willow St Party who does not live at address is in the front yard smoking a cigarette.

2122 911 - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: William Shyne Cir Party concerned for a neighbor whose dog is in the hallway, no answer at the door. Officers spoke to that resident, he was asleep.

## Tuesday, June 15

0358 Phone - Susp Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Walpole St Caller reports someone banging on her front door and her dog is barking. N669, N663 responded, located a male party nearby and spoke with him and then caller. He was advised to stay away from this home and caller was also advised of her options. Party was given a courtesy transport to Walpole.

1116 Initiated - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Bos-Prov Hwy Family panhandling, they were moved a long.

1750 911 - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Caller reports her neighbor is sitting in front of her door. This is an ongoing issue between neighbors. N664 spoke to both parties they were advised and all was calm.

2252 Phone - Well Being Chk Could Not Locate Location/Address: Monroe St Caller reports she believes her son may be at the residence, there is a active section 12 for this individual. N664 reports the area was searched for the vehicle and an attempt to raise anyone at the residence was unsuccessful. No apparent sign of him being home.

2334 911 - Animal Complaint Area Search Negative Location/Address: Azalea Dr Caller reports 2 females knocked on her door and stated they were being followed by coyotes, the caller reports those 2 parties got in their car and drove away. N664 searched the area.

## Wednesday, June 16

0201 Phone - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Paul Donovan Plumbing And Heating - Monroe St Caller reports neighbor yelling through air conditioner vent in his window and then left the area in a green truck. Officers checked the area with negative results, caller advised.

0951 Phone - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: E Vernon St

Caller reports a larceny of a package.

1208 Phone - Motor Vehicle Accident \*Report Filed Location/Address: Monroe St + Nahatan St Multiple calls report a crash on Nahatan Street, NFD and Officers locate it between Pleasant & Monroe. N668 responded. N671, N672 and State Police responded Driver transported to the airport and then med flighted to Boston. Don & Wallys towed.

1411 Phone - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Chateau Restaurant - Bos-Prov Hwy Man on the edge of the highway dancing.

1425 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Washington St Property owner reports the kids waiting for the bus are in the flower garden. Prior to arrival they boarded the bus and left. Officer arrived and the owner was not outside. Unable to reach by phone.

1500 Phone - Well Being Chk \*Report Filed Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller reports that her 13 yo son is upset and refuses to get into her car, that juvenile has now left the area. N666 reports mom called and reports her son arrived back home. N666 returns to the home to verify.

2245 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Concord Ave Caller reports neighbor being loud. N663 spoke to those parties and upon arrival there was no loud noise.

## Thursday, June 17

0056 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Rock St Somerville PD reports resident called them asking to bring a friend to her house to help her. N677 checked on that party and she is fine.

0302 911 - Neighbor Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Caller reports she can hear her neighbors making threats against her. Both parties spoken to and advised. Ongoing issue.

0343 Phone - Disturbance \*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Driver for Negoshians' reports male party was in his tow truck and acting erratically. NFD notified and responded for evaluation. N669 returned with one under arrest. Refer To Arrest: 21-144-AR Arrest: Vernet, Dukens Address: 114 Fairview Rd Needham, Ma Age: 29 Charges: Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest B&E For Misdemeanor

0758 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Endicott St Caller requesting check on elderly party not answering the phone. Party is fine, did not hear phone ringing.

0810 Phone - Disturbance \*Report Filed Location/Address: Short St + Morse St Caller reports dog ran into his car and caused damage.

0836 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: St Catherines Of Siena Church - Washington St Caller requesting check of male party laying in the grass. N674 reports party known to PD and he is ok and on his way.

1032 Initiated - Missing Person Services Rendered Location/Address: Plymouth Dr N404, on private detail, was approached by a mother whom reported daughter left home

after becoming upset that she could not go to school today, but daughter has now returned home. Mother did not wish for a police response. N407, as S.R.O., notified.

1657 911 - Larceny \*Report Filed Location/Address: Engamore Ln Caller reports a moving company stole two parkas and a knife from him.

1723 Phone - Civil Dispute Services Rendered Location/Address: Weld Ave Caller requests officers stand by during a property exchange with a family member.

1827 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Winter St Landlord of the property reports he is having an issue with his downstairs tenants. N667 spoke to both parties they were advised and will make arrangements to come back and retrieve more belongings.

1948 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Spoken To Location/Address: Tj Maxx - Nahatan St Caller reports a group of unruly and verbally abusive youths in front of the store. Officers located that group and spoke to them about their behavior.

2003 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop \*Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Prospect St MA PC 2PL264. As a result, N669 placed one female under arrest and transported her to the station. S/M 32497 at 2014, E/M 32498 at 2017. Westwood PD assisted with booking. Refer To Arrest: 21-145-AR Arrest: Sakalis, Cynthia Tineo Address: 201 Prospect St Norwood, Ma Age: 51 Charges: Warrant Arrest, License Suspended, Op Mv With, Subsq. Off Electronic Device, Use While Operating MV, 1st Offense\* C90 §13B

2149 Phone - Noise Complaint No Violation Location/Address: Columbine Rd Report loud machinery coming from general area. Officer states that is a National Grid crew working with a jackhammer.

## Friday, June 18

0530 Phone - Well Being Chk \*Report Filed Location/Address: Neponset St Caller reports male party knocking on his door wanting to come in and appears to be confused. N669, N661 responded. The male party stated he was from New York but didn't know where he was staying and we were unable at this time to identify him. N669 requests NFD to transport for an evaluation at hospital. Party transported to the Beth Israel Hospital. 06/18/2021 0615 Call received from family who live next door, that their father-in-law and was missing. N661 spoke with them and they were notified that he was safe and at Beth Israel Hospital.

0749 Phone - Susp Activity No Action Required Location/Address: Grace Episcopal Church - Chapel St Caller reports a suspicious truck with 2 men was in the driveway of the church and as he went out the other exit he noticed they had thrown a couple of suitcases into truck and dropped one leaving it in the driveway. N666 responded and spoke to a party who found the blue demin suitcase and had turned it into church.

1037 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Dr Report loud music. Spoke to caller about an ongoing loud music complaint. Apt. 102 plays music throughout the day since Jan 2021. Caller has asked neighbor to lower music w/o any cooperation. Caller has spoken to housing who is trying to mediate the situation. At this time caller did not wish for me to speak to neighbor. Caller was advised to call with further issues.

1141 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Railroad Ave Request check of sister, not answering phone and has not shown up at 2 places she was supposed to be in last 2 days. N674, with maintenance, reports

she is not in apartment and car is not there either. N674 reports she has been seen and talked to by others this morning running the errands she had written on her calendar in the apartment, family is ok with this and requested no more police action.

1343 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Report neighbors not getting along. N669 reports on-going issue and both advised not to contact each other until their court date.

1630 Walk-In - Lost And Found Services Rendered Location/Address: Prospect St Party in lobby turns in found wallet from woods between Irving St. and old junior high north. Multiple departments in-house, T.L.O., etc checked, due to common name, messages were left, unknown if right one. Lost and Found Entry Form filled out.

1752 911 - Disturbance Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Nichols St Reports of the operators of a van and a black sedan having a road rage incident. Both parties had left prior to officers' arrival in separate directions.

2039 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Cross St Resident reports loud mechanic shop.

2230 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: West St Sedan parked outside playing loud music. Advised and sent on their way.

## Saturday, June 19

0013 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Jefferson Dr Resident states she believes her autistic son hopped on a train to Boston and he is not answering her calls. She states to N663 that she is going looking for him into Boston and is seeking advise on proceeding with a section 12. to get him the help he needs. N663 spoke with her and advised. As it turned out she heard from her son who was not in Boston but at Norwest Woods. After speaking with him she notified N663 and she stated he was calm and coming home.

0237 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Winslow Ave Caller reports neighbors on street behind her are out in backyard and very loud. N664, N669 responded and advised group to quiet it down or take it inside for the evening.

0325 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Westover Pkwy State Police in Framingham requested a well-being on a female in our town as they received a hang-up and when they called back, party stated that it was verbal in nature and girlfriend was on her way home. (209a history) N664, N669 stated she wasn't home upon their arrival and no one answered door. They stood by, she arrived shortly and spoke with her. She was fine. Framingham notified.

0955 Cellular - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: McDonalds - Everett/Rte 1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Manager reports male in MA PC 2NDJ77 was yelling at staff. McDonalds will get letter of disinvite if video footage matches car owner's son.

0959 Phone - Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Owner of a dog left in the vehicle located.

1143 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Walpole St Older male sitting on the wall for a few hours. Officers locate him and he missed the bus. N662 transports him home to Walpole.

1336 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Larin Automotive - Pleasant St N676 spoke to all parties, verbally trespassed boyfriend from property,

owner will send Letter of Disinvite.

1339 Phone - Assist Other Agency Services Rendered Location/Address: [Wap] Union St Walpole request back-up for a found firearm in a MV, driver states it is not hers. N676 sent. Walpole reports language barrier, there is no gun, no need for help. N676 canceled.

1759 Walk-In - Malicious Damage \*Report Filed Location/Address: Rock St Truck scratched.

1804 Phone - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Lancelot Ct Caller reports she has a lost dog she found in the neighborhood. Foxboro ACO was notified and responding.

1828 911 - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Davis Ave Loud music coming from a vehicle. Spoken to and agreed to turn it down.

2141 911 - Assaults \*Report Filed Location/Address: Washington St Caller reports she had been struck by another tenant.

## Sunday, June 20

0036 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Caller reports people outside being loud. N663 reports noise was coming from an adjacent street they have been spoken to.

0642 911 - Power Outage Electric/Light Dpt Notified Location/Address: Norwest Woods - Chestnut Hill Realty - Norwest Dr Power outages reported on Nahatan St, Norwest Woods, Rose Ct., Pine St., Fulton St., Prospect St., Bahama Dr., Cameron Rd., Earl St. ELD. notified and brought crew in.

0844 Phone - Susp Person Taken/ Referred To Other Agency Location/Address: [Ded] Washington St + Elm St Report 2 weeks ago 40-50 people, spaced out over numerous MBTA Bus stops, got on bus in Dedham as it headed towards Boston and caller believes they are up to something. Transit PD notified and they already spoke to caller and are handling same.

1221 Phone - Malicious Damage \*Report Filed Location/Address: Nichols St Spray paint damage to the fence. Officers canvass the area.

1226 Phone - Animal Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Irving St Yellow cockatoo missing and has limited flight potential. NACO advised. 1236 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Borne Rehab in Braintree concerned about a resident who left on a pass is not back. She is with her husband Officer spoke with them and they have already advised the rehab. Nurse also on scene.

1735 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Catalpa Rd Caller reports seeing a confused elderly male party wandering. Officer was able to reunite him with his family members.

1906 Phone - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Walgreens - Bos-Prov Hwy Party waving his arms and dancing between drive through and Route One. Gone prior to officer's arrival.

2133 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Loud banging sounds coming from upstairs. Parties spoken to, advised.

2143 Phone - Loud Party Spoken To Location/Address: Cedar St Outside party, Advised, going inside.

2157 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Riverside Community Services - Beacon Ave Party walked away from voluntary program after taking their medicine. Staff requested wellbeing check. BOLO to sector cars. Party later located by N663 and transported by NFD for voluntary evaluation. See call 21-12617.

2305 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Report of two neighbors arguing. Parties have a court date set to obtain orders against one another, satisfied at this time.

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