

3A plan presented to Planning Board

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Norwood Town Planner Sarah Dixon presented the current plan for new zoning to the Planning Board that would place the Town in full compliance with the 3A MBTA Communities Zoning Act.

The law requires communities with commuter rail, subways or bus hubs, or communities next to said transit, designate at least 50 acres of land within a half-mile of those transit options to as-of-right multi-family housing (rentals and/or condos).

The law recognizes that housing construction has slowed down, housing prices have shot up (state median home price is about \$590,000 according to Zillow) and rents have become unaffordable (Boston for example has the fifth highest median rent for a one-bedroom in the United States of America for 2023 at \$2,700).

Dixon said the Norwood 3A Task Force has tentatively targeted two areas for this new zoning that would comply with the state's requirement of about 2,000 units to the Town's housing stock. Those two areas include many of the parcels adjacent to the Norwood Central MBTA Commuter Rail stop (from about 1 Lenox St. in the north to 349 Lenox St. in the south) and the area now consisting of the Windsor Gardens complex.

Dixon presented the plan to the Board and asked that its members get back to the Planning Department with any feedback and/or additions. She said the plan was created with community input from several outreach sessions, as well as an online survey. They tried to incorporate many residents' feedback into the plan as possible, and



The proposed area for one section of the new MBTA zoning as presented by the MBTA 3A Task Force.

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added the hope is that the Board will sign off on the plan and present it for approval to the March Town Meeting.

Dixon said the law requires Norwood to create districts with a minimum possible unit count of 15 units per acre allowed as-of-right. She pointed out, however, that due to the economic situation in Norwood, areas where 32 units per acre (with a special permit) has already been instituted – the Downtown Mixed-Use Overlay District (MUOD) for instance – this isn't dense enough to entice developers to take a crack at redeveloping. At least in the Downtown area around Route 1A.

"Fifteen units per acre is not midrise housing, in Norwood it would look something more like the smattering of duplex housing we have on Vernon Street, that corridor south of Nichols," she said. "It includes townhomes,

cottage court-style development, that kind of thing. Fifteen units an acre is actually quite low when you compare to what we have on the ground in Norwood."

She said then that Norwood could pass something at the required level and expect little to no change in the future, or, the Town could pass something more amenable to growth.

"If we wanted to look at this as an opportunity to encourage the type of development we feel appropriate and would serve Norwood's needs, then the density standards we would need to set would need to be a bit higher than 15 units per acre," she said, adding that this was a topic of heavy discussion between MBTA Task Force members and the public. "It was felt the

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Resident Catherine Folan speaks at last week's Airport Commission meeting on airplane noise.

PHOTO BY MATTHEW MACDONALD

NAC, BOS weigh in on noise and overflights, FAA stays out of it

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Airport Commission (NAC) gathered on Wednesday, Oct. 18 for its monthly meeting. The open session ran just over 10 minutes, and the main order of business was again low flying aircraft over the Winfield/Rock Street neighborhood.

Residents, most of whom have lived there for years, have been voicing their concerns to the NAC since January regarding the increased frequency of planes taking off over their homes – which are just across Route 1 from the western end of Runway 10/28 at Access Road – and

the window rattling noise and disruption they bring.

In the ensuing months, the NAC and Airport management have made an ongoing effort to work with its tenants and flight schools to mitigate this problem, while reiterating to the frustrated residents that any compliance has to be voluntary because of FAA regulations.

As part of this process, residents have been giving monthly overflight updates, with mitigation showing mixed results, primarily due to wind conditions that Air Traffic Control (ATC) monitors to

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Schools Committee submit funding requests to FinCom

Hannah Heilman
Staff Reporter

At the Norwood Finance Commission meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19, the Norwood School Committee made a presentation of its requests for extra funds for the district. Those requests included \$60,000 to conduct a review on the district's Student Services Department, \$50,000 to launch a social-emotional enrichment pilot program and \$60,000 to aid in the superintendent search process.

The Finance Commission held this general meeting ahead of the highly anticipated Nov. 13 Town Meeting, where members will vote on large-scale issues. Discussion at Thursday's meeting covered general government grants, reports from financial meetings and updates on accounts the commission controls.

In his introduction, Norwood Public Schools (NPS) Superintendent Dr. David Thomson stated that 25 percent of the student population qualifies under 'special services,' which encompasses special education,

mental health counseling, the multi-language learners program and nursing assistance. The committee put in a request for \$60,000 of free cash to hire a consultant to conduct a review of their current service and delivery model.

Finance Commission Vice Chair Sarah Sullivan asked, "How do you go about choosing the right company to do it, to get it truly objective? I mean, we're dealing with the most precious people in our community, right? Everyone's precious in our community, but this is obviously a very emotional sub-

ject."

Committee members said there are both national and local companies that conduct these reviews, but that the decision would be based on guidelines from the request for proposal. If the request is approved by TM, the committee hopes to put the proposal out to bid in early December and complete the process by the spring, so they can include the findings in their next strategic plan.

"As a district, we really need to assess our student services because all of our students have some level of need,"

School Committee member Teresa Stewart said. "Meeting the needs of students through guidance counselors and general education, then that has an impact down the line to the other tiers of services."

Stewart then referenced a study conducted by the Abrahams Group in 2015 that looked into Norwood Schools' operations and efficiency, which included its Special Education Services.

"When you look at the dis-

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determine which of the Airport's runways to use. A plane has to take off or land into the wind for stability reasons.

At last Wednesday's meeting, the report given by Ed Costello was that the skies had been quiet during the prior two weeks, with a qualifier added by Catherine Folan regarding a plane flying a low pattern over the neighborhood from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8; she noted that the incident was being looked into by the FAA as a possible safety issue.

Responding to Folan, NAC Chairman Mark Ryan stated that the Airport would "keep the conversation going with all the tenants here" while again citing that, historically, Runway 10-28 (east to west) accounts for 35 percent of the Airport's runway operations (17-35 accounts for the rest). He went on to say that – over the course of 242 days since

February – there had been 21 days on which neighborhood noise complaints had been filed.

Explaining that she typically doesn't bother filing a complaint unless the noise is extreme, Folan said that she believed the problem was "much understated" by that figure.

As this issue has developed, the Board of Selectmen (BOS) and Town Manager Tony Mazzucco have been made aware of the situation, and when Ryan and Airport Manager Mark Raymond gave their regular update to the Board on Oct. 10, most of the nearly 20 minute appointment was spent discussing it, as a handful of residents listened silently.

What immediately became clear was that the BOS has even less control over the matter than the NAC does. "Really, all we do is appoint the Airport commissioners," Selectman William Plasko explained, commiserating that when planes fly over his house when he is talking with people on his backyard deck "we can't finish a conversation. And I'm way up on Nahatan Street, which people would probably think isn't even affected."

Robert Donnelly followed, touching on a significant aspect of the federal grant assurance obligations that municipal airports and governments must adhere to in order to receive funding as part of the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). "When you do come before us for the grant assurances from the FAA, you know, it's always initially stunning to a new member of the Select Board to see that those grant assurances are telling the Board of Selectmen to stay out of the business of the Airport Commission."

Selectmen Chair Matthew Lane – the neighborhood's BOS "sounding board" – quoted from an FAA reply that had been emailed to a resident, and then forwarded to him. "The FAA does not determine the number of planes that may arrive and depart an airport," he read. "Such decisions are typically made by an airport and an airport commission. The FAA can work with an airport to identify potential ways of mitigating aircraft noise."

Interstate commerce regulations preclude limiting airport arrivals and departures and, thus far, the FAA has had no active involvement in any noise mitigation efforts.

"I'm a glass half empty guy when it comes to working with the FAA," Mazzucco said. "I don't know if we'll ever get any relief there." He brought up neighborhoods around Logan and other city airports, which have been campaigning against airplane noise for years. "The FAA also focuses on them, and I don't think they get any results out of it." He also reminded everyone that if the Airport ceases to be used as a municipal one, it will go back to the original owners, who could still use it as an airport.

"So we're in a bit of a pickle."

In other Airport news: After being under construction for most of the summer due to the installation of a stormwater filtration system, the Airport parking lot reopened on Oct. 4.

The NAC typically meets on the middle Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m. in the Welch Administration Building (111 Access Rd.). For information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/338wka92>

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Manager says hospital work resuming, Selectmen hear plan for 22 miles of trails

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on Oct. 24 in a hybrid format and Town Manager Tony Mazzucco gave a brief update on the situation at the Norwood Hospital.

From about September, residents may have noticed that the number of workers on the site went down considerably. Some may have felt that work on the hospital rebuild stopped entirely, and while Steward still has not returned multiple requests for comment on the issue to The Norwood Record, Mazzucco said things are looking up.

“Subcontractors are starting to return to the hospital,” he said. “There was some exterior framing going on today, some roofing and some pipe fitting. It’s not 100 percent, but subcontractors have been returning to the site.”

Mazzucco said he and Selectmen Chair Matt Lane have been in contact with Steward officials.

“We’re hoping to get someone to a meeting or a board so as to get some information to the community and see what we can get out there,” he said.

“We have extended an invite to the hospital president (Sal Perla) who is on vacation, but the hope is that he would either come in soon or present us with some sort of schedule we could give to the public,” Lane said. “But tomorrow he is scheduled for an onsite walk through with Norwood Community Media. I think out of that there will be some more information for the public and assurances that things are moving forward.”

The Board also discussed a plan from the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee (NTAC) for funds to help design and build a new system of trails through Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding.

The discussion stemmed from the NTAC’s recent pre-application to the Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC), which oversees CPA applications. The NTAC is looking for \$70,000 for design for what its members are calling Norwood’s Emerald Necklace Tiot Trail.

The NTAC presented the trail outline, which looks to connect several existing trails into one big trail system. NTAC Chair Joseph Greeley said while the trails won’t be undisturbed by streets and roads – much like the Appalachian Trail – it will still be a massive connected trail system.

The route will be a circle around most of the Town, starting in the south at Traphole Brook and moving east through the Neponset Valley lands up to Meadow Brook, then around the

Norwood Memorial Airport and up through an existing trail to the Route 1/University Avenue intersection. From there, at its most northern point, it goes southwest through Planting Field Brook to Germany Brook, going around Ellis Pond through some streets along Hawes Brook, making a slight detour through Windsor Gardens to hit Endean to hit the planned Bernie Cooper Memorial Park.

On its last leg, it goes down Pleasant Street to hit the woods behind Home Depot and end at the opposite side of Route 1 from where it began.

The Board of Selectmen were curious mostly about two things: if it will go through private land and what it will cost to maintain. NTAC members said all non-street parts of the trail will go through Town-owned property, whether that’s conservation land or Norwood Light land.

For maintenance, the big issue is that of foot bridges, along the University Avenue, Airport and Meadow Brook, where the Neponset River and Traphole Brook flow respectively. NTAC member Joseph Barrett, who has been setting up temporary foot bridges on the leg near University Avenue, said they have been in contact with a builder who said they can have prefabricated foot bridges that should require no maintenance for 20 years. And when they do need some fixing, Greeley said the repairs will be made with volunteers.

The NTAC will be meeting with the Conservation Commission and the Airport Commission in the next few weeks to go over the plan in more detail. The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to support the pre-application. The CPC will also go over the plan and Greeley said the hope is to have it ready for approval by May 2024 Town Meeting.

In other news, Norwood Sustainability Commission member Heather Olins joined with fellow member and Board of Selectman Bob Donnelly to pitch the Black Earth Curbside Composting pilot slated for capital funding at the upcoming November Town Meeting for \$150,000. The pilot will cover about 500 homes from May 2024 to June 2025. The hope is that the program will help to reduce the amount of trash in the waste stream and thereby reduce waste removal costs for the Town.

The Selectmen and Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said they hoped this could work, since the per-ton rate that Waste Management charges has been steadily climbing and is not expected to go down. Selectmen

Chair Matt Lane said this has been tried successfully in several other Towns, like Watertown for instance, and has had promising results.

Olins also pointed out that composting is a good way to reduce greenhouse gases. She said when biological material enters the waste stream and goes to a landfill, it breaks down into methane, which, while doesn’t have as long of an impact on the greenhouse effect as carbon, it has a much more intense immediate effect. One ton of methane for example will heat the atmosphere 60 times more than one ton of carbon.

The Board voted unanimously to support the pilot program.

The Board also voted unanimously to support a CPA pre-application proposal from David Groh and Lee Leach, to the tune of around \$60,000 to figure out what to do with the fire bell that was taken from the Town Hall Carillon.

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THE PUGILIST

Valued in any location is character. Many towns have shiny streets and shiny buildings and shiny people, and for the most part it's what towns aspire to. But it takes a history, an earthiness, and time to develop character. Truthfully, it can be found in most places, though must sometimes be diligently sought. In other locations it clings to its streets, buildings, and people as tenaciously as wearied eyes to youthful beauty.

St. John, New Brunswick, is such a place. Mist creeps heavily through the narrow, cobblestone streets of this working-class harbor town. Its waterfront is hung with carved, hand-painted signs, disturbed periodically by long, low-moaning foghorns off obscured water, establishing a film noir milieu.

The town has been fog-bound for days, air clinging to skin like cold sweat. Cool weather deters not hardy Canadians crowding the waterfront. I sought seafood recommendations and was directed to Gannon's, and upon entering thanked traveling Gods for such places.

It exudes character; quaint, cozy and the bartender is in a bad mood. I observe a junk-hung ceiling, lobster traps and nets, the varied paraphernalia of seaside trades crowding plaid-shirted, working-class patrons hovering noisily over cradled glasses of beer.

Seafarers enter. One settles next to me and says he is from Newfoundland, working tankers up and down the coast. He tells me he likes Boston, but the Combat Zone disappointed, such was the depth of his voyaging curiosity. He disappears and I peruse the menu. It is expensive, but character compensates. I wander from the bar to claim a window table, order mussels in white wine sauce, fish chowder, and a Molson.

In the alley outside the window is a stage with two stools, ringed by spectators. As I sip beer, I see that it is a Canadian version of Gladiator as inane adolescents don hockey helmets and wield clubs, climb upon the stools and proceed to beat each other's brains out. Whoever falls off his stool first loses.

It is a wonderful setting, excellent food, cold beer, the working-class ambiance and carnage outside my window. I am enjoying myself—and then I notice the newspapers. Framed on the back wall of the tavern are a series of newspaper articles, one headline par-



ticularly attracting attention, "Blue Jays Trash N.B. Bar." Of course, we know which New Brunswick bar and I saunter over, curiosity aroused.

It seems during a pre-season visit the Toronto Blue Jays descended upon this place after an exhibition game, and—if I get it right—a white bartender objected to a black ballplayer's object of sudden affection. Which reminds me of a David Bromberg line in a song about Jerry Jeff Walker: "He propositioned the right woman at the right time in the wrong place, and her husband the bartender..."

The fistfight, by account, was fast and furious. The fun now was in its imagining: It began with a prod, a poke and a push best described in alliterative overload with thumbing a well-worn The-saurus. They came together taunting, tugging, tearing; there was punching, pulling, pushing; there was slugging and spillage and breakage and feinting and flailing and falling, there was kicking and screaming and hollering and yelling, there was swearing and cursing and complaining and cunning, there was sliding and slinging and stooping and stomping, there was yelps and "Helps!" and that's not all!

Fraught with frantic fights and fingers and fists, there was wounded and whining and woeful wincing glances, there was defensive and anxious cornered stances, there was shouts and louts and bouts unending, there were tables and chairs and beers upending, there was staggering, wearying, hands a-reaching, there were stars and mars and blemishes defending, knuckles and knaves and knowing scowls, there was thrusting and thumping and throwing

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STILL MANY QUESTIONS ON STORMWATER PLAN

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to an article that appeared in your October 12 issue titled, 'Stormwater discusses fees, TM and flooding'. I reference the paragraphs I am referring to.

Para 2: Creation and use of Impervious Surface Property Fees discussion.

Does the impervious surface fee include businesses? Since everything that ended up in the Hennessey Field area came from the hospital, Avalon, and downtown, it should. Reconstruction of the hospital includes some sort of retention basin. Going forward, ALL major building projects must include retention basins. Avalon should have been required to do this. They have roughly only 10 manhole drains. The Plimpton end is pitched to drain onto Plimpton. Over 30 years any flooding coming down Plimpton ends up in Cross Street backyards just as it did in June 2020. AND most flooding prior to June 2020 was in homes at the top of Cross and Plimpton near Lenox Street.

Para 3: When this Stormwater Article will come up for TM.

Hennessey Neighborhood meeting urged that this SHOULD NOT come before TM until May.

Para 4: Future stormwater meetings for the public to attend.

Meetings need to be announced using all available means and media; even mail. Neighbors pointed out several communication issues/gaps with the Hennessey Mtg. noti-

fication. The neighborhood and Hennessey's fate should not be determined by residents West or North of the town center.

Para 5: Summary of meeting with Hennessey neighbors who vehemently opposed the Stantec plan.

Are we being heard? Unless you come up with a plan that excludes Hennessey, I guess not. Neighbors made plenty of suggestions. If notes were taken and it's been almost a month since that meeting, we'd expect a new alternative plan by now. We've neither seen nor heard about an alternative to Hennessey. Has an INDEPENDENT flora and fauna expert from Mass Wildlife been hired yet?

Para 6 & 7: TM Mazzucco's next proposed December community meeting on stormwater issues and timeline updates.

DECEMBER for a meeting is VERY bad timing. People's attention will be on upcoming December festivities and gift shopping. Why not end of October through first of November? The neighborhood does not want "Just (an) update". We want a different plan that excludes Hennessey and includes an INDEPENDENT audit of Hennessey flora and fauna.

Para 8 and 9: Selectman Donnelly's comment about getting community input.

We definitely want "input on the design" sooner rather than later, please and thanks. It was clearly stated at the Hennessey Mtg. that an INDEPENDENT flora and fauna endangered species audit must be done. Such an independent audit should have preceded any Town planning regarding Hennessey. Why

weren't legacy neighbors (I stress the plural here) included from the start? Did you think we'd take the destruction of Hennessey's habitat sitting down? You don't know this neighborhood.

Para 10 - 16: Allan Slater's mention aside from the hospital and downtown, people need to know about residential flooding in June 2020. Selectman Donnelly's and Assist. Town Planner Holly Jones' concerns and suggestions about Hennessey neighborhood home flooding experiences.

This pitch seems to play on and create sympathy/support from town members not impacted by the 2020 Flood in order to support the Hennessey Plan. That plan is vehemently opposed by the majority of us living here. Since 1992 my property floods every single major rain event. Most impacted people at the Hennessey Mtg. DO NOT want to see Hennessey ruined. Maybe if the town had been proactive about inadequate sewer pipe diameters and had addressed it sooner when other options existed besides Hennessey, we'd not be in the current situation.

Last para: States that information and future meetings will be on the Town website.

It was specifically stated several times by Hennessey neighbors that many people do not read The Norwood Record nor are they into the town's website. Additional means are needed to share information: notices at the library, next to the billing department in Town Hall, Shaw's, The Norwood Bulletin, the Senior Center, etc...

*Anne Mackiewicz
Norwood*

Letters to the Editor

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tract at the time, there seemed to be responses excusing or justifying why things were done the way they were. That's not our intent," Stewart said. "We want this to help us figure out how to move forward and if there's a resolution or something that we can be doing more efficiently."

The School Committee then submitted a request for \$50,000 to fund a social-emotional enrichment pilot, which costs \$70,000 and is being partially covered by a social emotional learning (SEL)/mental health continuation grant awarded to

the school district.

The pilot program would start at the elementary level. Trained college students would teach the children about resilience, adaptivity and interpersonal skills, allowing clinician and master's-level staff to focus on more serious issues.

"We're seeing in our post-COVID reality kids not getting social skills in kindergarten," Dr. Thomson said. "There's a lot of social pieces that are not [clicking], being shut down during COVID in these early toddler years when you learn social skills."

The district recently added a social-emotional learning curriculum for grades K-5.

"In order to successfully implement your curriculum, you need your students at a healthy

baseline," Assistant Superintendent Dr. Chairsse Taylor said. "And if you have a classroom of dysregulated kids, it doesn't matter if you have an SEL curriculum. Part of what this pilot can do is get more people with the expertise needed into the classrooms to support our staff, to support our students so that the curriculum that we've invested in is hopefully successful."

The last request for funds was \$60,000 allocated toward the superintendent search process, including site visits, candidate travel expenses, legal fees and hiring a consultant. There were no questions asked regarding this request.

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feedback we got from people saying, 'We don't have enough housing,' 'We don't have enough affordable housing,' 'We'd like to see more housing opportunities that meet our needs,' was an argument to be made for not just doing the minimum, which would result in probably no changes, given the cost of doing business in our market."

The draft proposal – and Dixon was emphatic that this was a draft and could change over the course of discussions – allows for a maximum of 30 units per acre in the Windsor Gardens section and 50 units per acre in the Norwood Central section. These maximums are based on requirements of height, open space and parking and if any of these dimensional requirements change, that could affect the overall output.

Dixon pointed out that Norwood is known to be the "Town everyone returns to," but perhaps not for long. She said that while Norwood has a large amount of affordable housing and over 40 percent rental housing of the total housing stock, the Massachusetts housing crisis is making its presence felt. For example,

Norwood's median home price is \$612,000 according to Rocket Homes and \$639,000 according to Realtor.com, well above the state's \$590,000 median home price.

"High home prices are pushing out a lot of folks in our community. Statewide, we're starting to see some threats to the economy as workers and working families are squeezed out, residents are leaving the state," she said. "There is less housing choice among folks of every economic and social level, we're seeing a lack of housing opportunity at different scales and price points across the board."

Dixon said the plan now currently includes what is called an inclusionary development requirement that requires any building above eight units must have 20 percent of its units income restricted at 80 percent of the area median income (AMI). While Norwood has a median income of about \$96,414 per household, the AMI of Norfolk County for a household of two is \$122,950, meaning that Norwood's own median income level at 80 percent AMI — \$98,360 for a household of two – would still be about

\$2,000 lower than that of the AMI for the county.

"This is comparable to what is already on the books for the Norwood Zoning Bylaw," Dixon said.

Dixon added that the plan as it is currently written includes an affordable housing height allowance incentive providing for an additional story for a developer who elects to build more affordable housing.

"The Task Force is recommending that there be a bonus available, a development incentive to a developer who elects to restrict an additional 5 percent of the units at 50 percent of the AMI," she said. "That would be the first inclusionary zoning of its kind in Norwood targeting that lower income group. Very often we hear a lot of folks say, 'Gosh, affordable rents in Norwood aren't really affordable, those are actually pretty expensive.' They're not wrong. The 50 percent AMI would allow income targeting that would be more affordable to folks."

Dixon said the full plan will be available online for the public to see in the next few days or next week. It should be on the MBTA Community Initiative Page at <https://tinyurl.com/3atuyc47>

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snarls.

I imagined a melee, a donnybrook (Ire.), a collieshangle (Scot.), a brawl of bombastic bedlam, participants so aroused simple words insufficient; they were ferine, furibund, and perfervid, they were dudgeoned, cholered, and envenomed, as well as fulminated with ebullition. There was crashing collisioning chaos, there was catastrophic, cataclysmic calamity; there was razing, wreckage, and ruin, resulting in an inevitable obstreperous reduction of this joint known as Gannon's.

In short, they had come to blows.

When over, the poor bartender had suffered the worst of it at the hands of Toronto's star outfielder, George Bell. And I marveled at the defeated pugilist's words, quoted in his hometown newspaper and plastered on this wall.

During a week in which a New York Met was sued for tossing a firecracker, in an era when people sue McDonald's for spilling hot coffee on themselves, as my moody bartender gripes about being tired and hungry and inane adolescents beat each other's brains out beyond my window, I read the bartender's response to his friends' urging that he pursue the deep-pockets strategy and sue George Bell. His words struck me as very honest, very working class, and enshrouded within St. John's low-moaning, fog-infused character—"Hey, I got clobbered by the American League MVP. Who could ask for more?"

Help light up the Circle of Hope

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, December 2, on the Town Common from 4 – 6 PM. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 22 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation say the luminaries are a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year more than 2000 luminaries were lit on the town common.

Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each by sending your payment to COH, PO BOX 421, Norwood, MA 02062 or by stopping by Murph's Place Restaurant at 58 Broadway, Norwood. You may include a brief message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on the luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 4:00 pm and the Foundation members welcome residents and friends to come out and see this beautiful site.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is a non-profit organization established to support Norwood residents who need assistance due to a catastrophic medical occurrence. Since its founding in 1998 the Foundation has provided over \$1,000,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The Foundation was established in 1998 in memory of Michelle Kennedy, a young Norwood resident, who suffered with leukemia. During Michelle's battle the entire Norwood community, many of whom did not know Michelle, joined together and it is in that spirit that the Circle of Hope Foundation continues.

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Public Hearing Notice Norwood Planning Board

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

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

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

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

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

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COURTESY PHOTO

Norwood Hospital OBGYN returning Just not at Steward

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Several former members of the Norwood Hospital's obstetrician unit are returning to Norwood, just not at Norwood Hospital.

Readers may remember that last year, Norwood Hospital opted to petition the state to remove obstetrician and birthing services from its rebuild plan.

The new OBGYN will be run by Tufts Medicine at 315 Norwood Park South, Suite 201, just off of Route 1. According to Tufts, services will include routine pregnancy care, high-risk pregnancy care, family planning, contraception, menopause management, gynecologic surgery, on-site ultrasounds, laboratory services and more.

"We do all scopes of women

care," said Doctor Amna Khan, MD.

Khan said she joined the Norwood Hospital team just after finishing her residency, while it was still run by Caritas.

"I've been at Norwood Hospital for 17 years, and then as you might know the hospital got flooded and we went to St. Elizabeth's in Brighton, in the hopes that Norwood Hospital would be rebuilt," she said. "But, unfortunately, they're not returning with labor and delivery. It is difficult to run around doing labor in one hospital and OB in another."

Khan added that most of the current Tufts team used to work at Norwood Hospital with her. She said Dr. Alice Shen had also been at the Norwood Hospital OBGYN unit for 19 years before moving to the Tufts location, and Dr. Nakhle Tarazi

had been there for 30 years.

"So we had all been there a long time," she said. "I mean

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KNOCK ON WOOD IN CONCERT

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

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

WILLIE J. LAWS, JR PLAYS THE BLUES

The Morrill Memorial Library's Fall Musical Sundays Concert Series continues with our third show on Sunday, No-

vember 5 at 3:00 pm as we feature Boston-based blues musician, Willie J. Laws, Jr. in a solo performance. Learn more about Willie on his website: <http://www.williejlawsband.com/>

A Texas guitar "gun slinger", vocalist and song writer following in the footsteps of T-Bone Walker, Lightning Hopkins, Albert King and many others. This music is the kind of real Texas soul, all mixed up with classic R&B, country, blues/funk that grows from the Texas soil.

LEARN TO COOK FOR DIWALI!

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

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

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

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sample the treats. Handouts will include both the recipes.

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

SENSORY-FRIENDLY FRIDAY MOVIE!

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering an in-person sensory-friendly movie on the 4th Friday of the month for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In the month of November the program will be held on the 17th due to Thanksgiving holidays.

Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday movie at the Library! This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday November 17 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our November movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is DC's League of Super Pets, rated PG.

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

Information session about PFAS and its effect of our health

The League of Women Voters is excited to partner with the Morrill Memorial Library to bring an information session about Per- and polyfluoroalkyl

substances (PFAS) that are part of our everyday life on November 29 at 7p.m. at the

Simoni Room at the library As you know PFAS is in consumer products, drinking water and elsewhere. The session will cover information about the effect of these toxic elements on our health. There will be an expert speaker from Silent Spring Institute. This institute is dedicated to research on the effects of toxic chemicals on our health.

A PLACE TO CALL HOME

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

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

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

Please note: Abundant Housing Massachusetts is not affiliated with the Town Of Norwood. This program is for educational purposes only and is not part of any official Town of Norwood planning.

MADAN SARA DOCUMENTARY

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

There will be a screening of the Madan Sara Documentary and a Q&A session with one of the Executive Producers to talk about the current situation in Haiti, the informal market in Haiti and other parts of the global south, the issues facing the Madan Saras in Haiti, the places of women in Haitian society, and what women empowerment looks like in Haiti.

VETERANS DAY NORWOOD, SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11

8:00 am Veterans' Recognition Mass, St. Catherine of Siena Church, Washington St., 9:30 am Parade Units arrive at Balch Elementary School, 10:00 am Parade steps off from Balch Elementary School. Parade route, Washington St. to Town Common, 10:45 am Ceremonies and Observances, 11:45 am Collation, VFW Post 2451, Dean Street.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY ON NOVEMBER 10TH

The Patriotic Rosary will be prayed on Friday, November 10th at 1 pm in honor of our Veterans, at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington St., Norwood.

The Patriotic Rosary is a beautiful recitation of the Holy Rosary which invokes God's blessings on our country, each state individually, and every soul in every state. We pray especially for our active military and our veterans, living and

dead. We pray for our government officials, our police, and our firefighters. We do readings written by our founding fathers which clearly demonstrate that we are a Christian nation founded on Christian principles. They are as relevant today as they were the day they were originally written. We sing all of our patriotic songs. The event lasts an hour. It is a beautiful prayer event which fosters love for God and country. For more information, contact Rita Russo, at 781-762-4391 or rita.a.russo@gmail.com

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Norwood Woman's Club will be meeting on Tuesday, November 14, at 12:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. 572 Nichols St, Norwood Ma. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco will bring us up to date on Town Happenings, progress on the

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hospital and answer any questions we have.. A light lunch will be served. Guests are welcomed. Yearly dues are now \$35.00 as the club is providing sandwiches. We are asking everyone to bring one item for the Ecumenical Food pantry to each meeting. Any questions please call Trina at 781-762-8173. Hope to see you there.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame is pleased to announce its 2023 inductees. The student-athletes are Joe Travers 1981, Denise Carroll Flaherty 1993, Katelyn Mullane 1998, David Rukstalis 2002 and Ryan Henry 2006. The induction ceremony will take place on Saturday, November 25, 2023, in the Norwood High School Auditorium. The event will start with a reception and refreshments at 12:00 Noon followed by the ceremony from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. This event is open to the public.

The Class of 2023 will join last year's inductees: Tom Smelstor 1965, Steve Salvatore 1979, Kevin Keegan 1986, Bob Goonan 1986, Steve Grenham 1991, Andy McNulty 2003, Lauren Duggan 2011, Ali Maloof 2011, Cory Ryan 2011 along with coaches: John "Duffy" Doherty 1971-1982 and Jack Martinelli 1969-1982. Any questions, please contact Brian McDonough at bmgcdonough@gmail.com.

ROTARY CLUB ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

Share the warmth this autumn by donating a coat or

jacket you no longer use to a neighbor in need. The

Norwood Rotary Club will be holding its annual Fall Coat Drive now through November 16th. Donations of clean, wearable coats for men, women, and children are welcome and will be passed on to local families at the Norwood Food Pantry. Drop-off boxes are located at the Norwood Recreation Center (165 Nahatan Street), the Norwood Senior Center (275 Prospect Street), Lustra Cleaners (157 Central Street), and Norwood High School (main entrance lobby).

OLD PARISH PRESERVATION VOLUNTEERS FALL SEASON BEGINS

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

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

The group will host a tour of the cemetery titled "The Children's Hour" on Saturday, October 21, at 2:00 pm. (Rain date Sunday, October 22 at 2). The Cemetery will also be open on November 11, Veterans Day, from 1-3 pm.

Anyone interested in helping preserve this site can join the group working in the cemetery,

or visit the group's web site: <http://www.oldparishpreservationvolunteers.com>

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

VFW MEAT RAFFLE

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

The prizes are delectable, delicious, and generous portions of meat and chicken. An example of the sampling of the prizes include: Sirloin Steak Tips, Sausage, Ground Sirloin Burgers, Center Cut Pork Chops, Whole Chicken or Cut Chicken, Ground Sirloin Burgers, Chicken Wings, and many more offerings. The Drawings also include a 50/50 Money Raffle. A separate Winner Takes All Raffle is conducted at the end for an additional \$5.00. The Norwood VFW is located at 193 Dean Street in Norwood. The Meat Raffle will continue every Saturday thru May.

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

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 November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Tracey Woods regarding property located at **52 Cross Street (Map 15 Block 7 Lot 1), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **Boston Providence Highway (BPH) 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 under Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4.4 to allow construction of an addition to the existing residential single family home that would result in an increase of habitable floor area in excess of 25%.

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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GUIOD

James T. of Norwood, formerly of Dedham, passed away on October 12, 2023. During his 34 years with us, he was a loving son, brother and friend who always brought smiles to our faces. Jim is survived by his parents, Christopher R. and Martha H. (McLaughlin) Guiod of Dedham; his brother, Christopher G. Guiod and his partner, Darlene Hart; and uncle to their daughter, Danica; and sister, Danielle D. Guiod and her partner, Christopher Chase; and uncle to their son, Damon; and daughter, Ciena; and many cousins. He was the nephew of John and Carolyn Guiod, Martin and Christine Guiod, Peter and Antoinette Guiod and Marjorie McLaughlin. Jim was predeceased by his brother, PFC William D. Guiod (USMC); his uncles, Daniel Guiod and George McLaughlin; and grandparents, Daniel and Elizabeth Guiod and George and Doris McLaughlin. Jim was a graduate of the Norfolk County Agricultural School, earned a BA from The University of Vermont and obtained his MA from the University of Rhode Island. He had been a Youth Minister for St. Mary of The Assumption Church in Dedham and Our Lady of Fatima Church in Sudbury, worked for both the Speaker of the House and Governor of Vermont and most recently, he was the Director of Finance for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Advisory Board. Jim was an avid marathoner and traveler, which took him to every presidential library, almost every national park in America and countless marathons throughout the country. From the Cooperative for Real Education in

Agricultural Management at UVM to Blazing Saddles Equestrian Center in Randolph, Jim loved working with all types of animals. Funeral from the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM. Interment in Brookdale Cemetery with his grandparents and brother. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Jim's name to the Animal Rescue League of Boston, Dedham Branch, 55 Anna's Place, Dedham, MA 02026. Online guestbook, at gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham 781-326-0500.

LANG



Doris Ann (Bombard), 91, passed away peacefully in her home at Benchmark on Clapboardtree in Norwood, MA, on Saturday, October 21, 2023. She was born in Vernon, VT, spending her early childhood on a dairy farm there before the family moved to Brattleboro, VT. Doris went to high school in Brattleboro, in the building that later housed the local fire department, before attending Bryant College in Providence, RI, now Bryant University in Smithfield, RI.

Deaths

While attending Bryant, Doris met the love of her life, Alan, also a student at Bryant. They married in 1953, shortly after graduating, and began their life together in Providence. Family meant the world to Doris, and she and Alan began their own family with Stephen, then added Susan. Alan's job took the family to Madison, CT, where Jennifer was born. When granddaughters Kayla and Murphy came along, Doris treasured being a grandmother, happy to share stories and traditions, and the girls always loved a visit with Grammy and Grandpa. The First Congregational Church of Madison meant a great deal to Doris, and she was an active member, participating in women's groups, helping with events and fundraising. Her daughters still have their Meeting House Lane cookbooks! Doris will always be remembered as strong and resilient, and for the way she came through family tragedies and multiple health challenges with her faith and smile intact. She never sweat the small stuff, and somehow managed to take everything in stride; as she often said: "What else could I do?". Her sweetness will be remembered not only by friends and family, but by her daughters' friends, her granddaughters' friends, and even her amazing nursing staff. To know her was to love her. We couldn't have asked for a better mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and friend. We will miss Doris every day. We are comforted knowing she is at peace, with Alan, and had a life well lived. She is predeceased by her son, Stephan, and her husband, Alan. She is survived by her daughters, Susan Lang and Jennifer Rowan

and husband John, and granddaughters Kayla and Murphy Rowan. A Funeral Service will be held in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood, on Monday, October 30 at 11:00 AM.

LONSDALE



Hayden Lonsdale passed away suddenly on Monday October 9, 2023 in Milwaukee Wisconsin at age 27. Born and raised in Norwood in the loving care of his grandparents Robert and Theresa Donahue, Hayden attended local schools. He was a handsome young man who was a very talented musician, and was quite skilled at playing the piano, French horn, and trumpet. He had a great sense of humor. Hayden was the son of the late Stacey Lonsdale. He was the cherished grandson of Theresa Donahue of Millis, and the late Robert J. Donahue. He is survived by his uncle, Scott Lonsdale, a cousin Mckenzie Valle, and many additional aunts, cousins, and friends. Visiting Hours were held in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood on Tuesday October 24. All other services are private. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Hayden's memory to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516 or woundedwarriorproject.org

THOMPSON



JEANNE F. of Norwood passed away on September 28, 2023 at the age of 77. Devoted daughter of the late Francis and Sophia (Tulyszewski) Thompson. Loving sister of Mary Jane T. McDermott and her husband Gerard of Walpole and the late Nancy Bittel and her husband Raymond Bittel and James Thompson and his wife Ruth Thompson. Cherished Aunt of Christine Skiles and her husband Kevyn, Philip Bittel and his wife Allison, Amy Valentini, Daniel McDermott and his wife Meghan, Lindsey McDermott, Colin McDermott and Adam Thompson. Also survived by many great nieces and great nephews. Jeanne was a 1963 graduate of Norwood High School and then went on to graduate from Framingham Hospital School of Nursing. The family would like to thank The Cancer Center, The Derenzo Patient Unit and all the nurses and all of the staff associated with those departments at the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Needham. A funeral mass was held on Monday, October 2, 2023 11am at St. Mary's Church 176 Washington St. E. Walpole, MA 02032. Burial followed at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the Saint Francis House 39 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116 Attention, Kerry Keohane. <http://www.stfranchishouse.org> krawkornackfuneralhome.com

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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 November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Rick Wellman on behalf of Chris and Kim Visco regarding property located at **23 Monroe Street (Map 4 Block 14C Lot 49A), 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:

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Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920#

This Application requests a Special Permit under Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4 to allow the expansion of a pre-existing non-conforming dwelling in excess of 25% of habitable 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 cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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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.

Toyota Corolla Hybrid

Toyota cars and trucks are known for longevity and reliability, not to mention resale value. A week in a hybrid Corolla AWD and I only put gas in on the return day. This is an AWD sedan, the gas engine powers the front wheels and the electric motor powers the rear wheels — an innovative idea and design that works. There is no mechanical connection between the transmission and electric rear differential. The Corolla has grown in size over the years, as well as in standard equipment and yes, options. The Corolla is not an entry level car, it seats four passengers in comfort and has a long list of standard equipment. The CVT transmission has a sport mode that the driver can control and you can feel firm shifts. Backup camera, push to start, 18-inch alloy wheels, LED lighting, 8-inch touchscreen and 6 speakers are all standard, plus more. EPA: 47 city, 41 highway, 44 combined with plenty of power under any condition. Base price: \$26,600 (destination \$1,095). Options do add up: JBL audio with 9 speakers including subwoofer is \$600, ruby flare pearl paint \$425, SE package \$1,220, floor mats \$289, frameless homelink mirror \$175. Total MSRP: \$30,404. Bottom line, the Corolla fits many driver needs and is comfortable for long trips, as well as economical.

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

Monday, October 16

0626 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Saunders Rd Caller states her dog got taken by a coyote and ran off with the chihuahua. Dog taken by coyote. Area search negative for coyote.

Tuesday, October 17

0811 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller reporting he has not heard from his 6YO son since last Thursday. There is a RO in place but the caller would like a health and welfare check performed as he's not sure if his son is enrolled in school or what school he is attending. This is an on-going issue. Caller will be contacted via phone call. There is an active 209A order.

1047 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: First Congregational Church - Winter St The director of the pre-school called to report that the students were crossing Walpole St to go to the playground approx 30 mins ago when a male party exited a White Subaru Outback and started recording the children. The party is described as a Middle Eastern male, medium height, approx 160lbs, wearing all black. The parking lot of Dean St (registered address of MV involved) did not contain the suspect's white Subaru. Officer Callahan believes this party was a food delivery driver dropping off food at Walpole St. Officer Callahan following up with the residents at Walpole. Officer was able to identify the party involved and spoke to him over the phone. OF requested.

1142 Initiated - PD-Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Lo-

cation/Address: Norwood High School - Nichols St OF requested formal damage and larceny.

1152 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: BC Construction - Nahatan St Caller reporting loose medium sized pit bull mix with no collar. ACO was notified and will handle.

1414 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: T.J. Maxx - Nahatan St Caller states suspicious female party with jeans and a plaid coat now smoking and drinking outside in parking lot. Unwanted party. Party has been uncooperative. Female sent on her way.

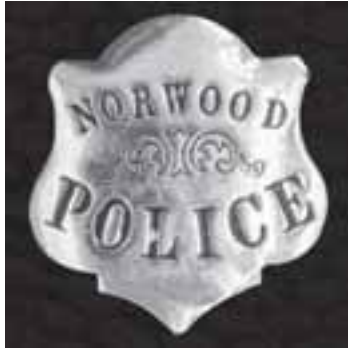
1431 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Callers development company just purchased properties 923, 925, and 929 Washington Street. There is an abandoned SUV and an abandoned trailer on the property, both with tags that have expired. There are also boxes that were left behind that she is not sure about. She would like some advice or guidance. Party advised of how to remove the 3 vehicles from the property.

1600 Phone - PD-Disturbance Peace Restored Location/Address: Venice Cafe - Washington St Caller reporting a verbal argument in the back parking lot. between her and her husband and two parties who live close by. Verbal argument over private property. This was a verbal argument between the Cafe owner and their neighbors who failed to identify themselves. Neighbors have been advised to stop cutting through the property and the owner was told to buy signs for the future.

1703 Phone - PD-Suspicious Ac-

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tivity Spoke With Vicinity of: Roosevelt Ave + Hill St Call from a resident on Roosevelt stating there are 2 young kids playing chicken with cars on the street. 1 male and 1 female. Male wearing blue. Officer spoke with 2 juveniles and advised them. They were playing in leaves.

1836 Phone - PD-Disturbance Report Follows Location/Address: Norwest Dr 911 caller reporting her child's father was attacked. Caller advised to head down to the station to speak to an officer and make a report regarding the situation. Sgt Carey advised have Sector D officer call the reporting party. Calling party did go to the station and speak with the officer.

1926 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Village Rd E 911 caller reporting a possible apartment broken into. Officers on scene report it is a vacant home. Someone looks like they have recently moved out. The front window is kicked in. Attempting to contact maintenance. Maintenance is going to be calling back.

Wednesday, October 18

0821 Phone - Hypodermic Syringe (Recovered) Services Rendered Location/Address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St DPW reporting a hypodermic needle behind 2 brown benches along East Cottage St across from the Exclusive Barbershop. Single needle has been picked up and disposed.

1030 Phone - PD-Stolen Motor Vehicle Report Follows Location/Address: Central Chrysler Jeep & Dodge - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reporting a vehicle was stolen off the lot.

1051 Phone - PD-Disturbance Peace Restored Location/Address: Mobil Gas - Washington St Caller stating a male just attacked him and his son at the above location. The male party is known to NPD (calling party stated) white male, tall and wearing a baseball cap. NWD674 located male party across from Saint Catherine School. Party refused to ID. Able to obtain info based on name given. Peace restored, units will be clear. Business was provided with the involved name and address in order to issue a letter of disinvite.

1808 Phone - PD-MVA Property Damage Report Follows Location/Address: CFM Variety (Convenience Food Mart) - Walpole St 911 caller reporting a vehicle struck a female party and a baby in a stroller. First officers on scene report all parties up and walking.

2214 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Protective Custody Location/Address: Grace Episcopal Church - Chapel St Business line caller reports there is a male

party possibly 20's outside the church and seems disoriented. Party in protective custody.

Thursday, October 19

0541 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: CVS Pharmacy - Nahatan St Norwood 674 reports a passerby spoke to him and told him there was a slumped over party in the driver seat of a vehicle in the parking lot. Centre Auto en route for the tow. Negoshian's has possession of that vehicle. Arrest: Koenig, Douglas F Address: 140 Gay St Norwood, Ma Age: 45 Charges: OUI-Liquor Or .08%, 3rd Offense Alcohol In MV, Possess Open Container Of

0841 Walk-In - PD-General Info Services Rendered Location/Address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St DPW left a found bike out back. Black/White/Red mountain bike either a Dynasty or Arashi.

1332 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Transported to Hospital Location/Address: Norwood Medical Assoc Pc - Chapel St Section 12 on a 78 female with a psychotic break. Fire department notified and en route.

1423 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Report Follows Location/Address: Neponset St MAREG 3LHX73 Central Auto Body has the vehicle. Units clear. Arrest: O'Driscoll, Richard Address: 85 University Ave Westwood, Ma Age: 24 Charges: Unlicensed Operation Of MV Safety Standards, MV Not Meeting RMV

1709 Phone - PD-Disturbance Spoke With Location/Address: Big Y Foods, Inc. - Walpole St Caller reports her 8 year old daughter is out of control and off her meds. Caller is in a Kia Sedona in the parking lot of Big Y. Officers on scene were able to assist in calming the 8 y/o down. The mother stated she had been late on her medicine today. All units cleared.

Friday, October 20

1122 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Services Rendered Location/Address: McDonalds - Broadway St RP on the business line states a male party in a blue coat, black pants. He is elderly was walking around and trying to walk home to Foxboro. She states he has no idea how he ended up in Norwood. Police on scene request NFD for elderly male evaluation. Diabetic issue and possible low blood sugar. Well-being check. Party checks out okay. He has a ride home to Foxboro. OFC's clear.

1516 Phone - Health & Welfare Check Transported to Hospital Location/Address: Fern St Health and welfare check for a male party who missed his dialysis appointment. Doctors unable to reach him. Party was breathing and conscious. Not very alert. FD transporting to Good Sam.

1613 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Norton Dr Female caller on the business line has a video of a male party pulling his pants down and urinating on her property. She states it is also by a junior high bus stop. OFC en route. She states it was possible from a road rage incident and then the act of urinating was done.

2203 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Guild St Caller reports her boyfriend and mother in-law are in the apartment and the caller would like the mother

in law removed. Caller and boyfriend share a lease. Verbal only. Caller has removed herself from the incident. Second caller is the boyfriend He is stating his ex-girlfriend moved out of the apartment a couple days ago. He stated she's banging on his door but she has given her key back and has taken custody of all of her belongings. No contact was made. The boyfriend is inside the apartment while the girlfriend is outside. Spoke to the involved parties and the female will be leaving for the night. Both advised of options and court.

2219 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: Pleasant St + Dean St Male party unresponsive, in a vehicle and won't wake up. Center Towing en route. NWD 663 en route to station with one in custody. Arrest: Leavey, Daragh James Address: 16 Walnut Ave Norwood, Ma Age: 50 Charges: OUI-Liquor OR .08%, 3rd Offense Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle

2233 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr Calling party stating there is a bowl with a weird liquid. Found to be a bowl of ground beef poured on the steps, believed to be from juveniles. Checking the area. Checked the complex and homeowner was advised.

Saturday, October 21

1355 Phone - PD-Disturbance Report Follows Location/Address: Dunkin Donuts - Walpole St Business line caller reports employee was attacked by a BM dreads wearing a flannel driving a FEDEX truck. He entered the store, jumped up on the counter and attacked the employee. He does have injuries. This occurred approximately 5-10mins ago. Suspect no longer on scene. Negative results in area. Party involved does not want a transport to hospital. Checking area for camera footage for footage of trucks.

2114 Phone - PD-Mental Health Report Follows Location/Address: Nahatan St 67m mental health crisis. Male party's sister called on 911 line stating her brother who is bipolar is not acting himself. She states he thinks he is an alien. Sister will be outside awaiting Fire and Police. Party is being transported by NFD for a section 12.

Sunday, October 22

0912 Phone - PD-Breaking & Entering Services Rendered Location/Address: Centennial Dr 911 caller reports multiple people in his apartment that he does not want. Caller states he does not know these people and he has told them to get out several times. Apartment checks okay. Nobody in apartment and nobody was in apartment. Party is being evaluated by Norwood Fire. Will be transport to hospital.

1144 Phone - PD-Illegal Dumping Peace Restored Location/Address: Cross St Party would like to report their neighbor is causing noise and dumping on her property. This is an ongoing neighbor dispute between neighbors. Spoke to both parties and both are satisfied for now.

1203 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Services Rendered Location/Address: Barberry Lane Male party possible stroke or allergic reaction to medicine. Transport by Fire to Hospital.

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SONG AND DANCE CONCERT

Parkway Concert Orchestra presents a Song and Dance concert on Sunday, October 29 at 3 p.m. at First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, Norwood. Music Director Thomas Kociela conducts the 50 piece non-profit orchestra in an exciting program including Barber of Seville Overture by Rossini, Hungarian Dance No. 5 by Brahms, and España by Chabrier. The program also features Allyson Bennett, Soprano, in songs by Dvorak, Puccini and Johann Strauss II.

The program is sponsored by Orchard Cove and is supported in part by an operating support grant through the Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Organizations program from the Mass Cultural Council, as well as a grant from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. Donation is \$15; \$10 for seniors and students; and free for children under 12 years old. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m. For more information, please visit the orchestra's web site at www.ParkwayConcertOrchestra.org, call 781-444-5041 or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/parkwayconcertorchestra.

**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 November 14th, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the remand order of Norfolk County Superior Court, (Docket No. 2382CV000397 Case #23-05) with respect to property located at **30 Pleasant Place (Map 17 Block 8 Lot 2A), Norwood, MA 02062, in the Single Residence(S) 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>
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This Application requests a public hearing on a decision denying the variance request issued by the Board on April 19, 2023 that was appealed and subsequently remanded back to the Board by Norfolk County Superior Court for further consideration.

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.

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even our youngest member has been here for 10 years. We were lifers at Norwood Hospital.”

Also joining Khan at the center are John Al-Jamal, MD, Ellen Wheeler, PA-C, June Chun, MD and Zacharo Moditi, MD.

Khan said they all worked at St. Elizabeth’s when the Norwood Hospital shut down after the flood. They still took care of their patients, but they had to be in two places at once.

“Not having labor and delivery makes it really hard to be an OBGYN if there’s no labor and delivery at the hospital.”

When word came down that Norwood Hospital’s bid to remove obstetrician services from the rebuilt hospital was approved by the state, Khan said they started thinking outside the box.

“We decided we wanted to be in one place,” she said. “It’s easier for our patients and it’s easier for us to do business this way, especially if you’re doing major surgery; How would we cover two hospitals at the same time?”

Khan said there are some surgeries where they still send patients to Steward, but most of the surgeries required for this kind of care can be handled in house.

“We still use St. Anne’s Surgical Center in Attleboro (a Steward Hospital), for patients with outpatient surgery, especially those who live further south from us,” she said. “But otherwise, no.”

For more information on the Tufts center, go to <https://www.tuftsmedicalcenter.org/norwood>.

“We Remember Our Veterans”

Many Americans will never know what it is like to serve in the armed forces, risking our lives for our country and facing the harsh realities of combat. The men and women who choose to join the military make incredible sacrifices, leaving behind their families and putting their own lives on the line to protect our freedom and way of life. This is something that we, as Americans, can sometimes take for granted. However, it is important to recognize and appreciate the immense courage and dedication that these individuals possess.

Having worked with the Veteran Affairs Boston Healthcare System in Brockton, West Roxbury, and Jamaica Plain through the “Suits for Success” program, I have seen first-hand how much it means to veterans when we do show our appreciation for their selflessness and commitment to serving our nation and recognize the sacrifices they and their fellow veterans have made for our collective well-being. It is our duty as citizens to honor and support our military members in any way we can.

On Wednesday, November 8, 2023, the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds will celebrate the veterans of Norfolk County with an open house and the release of our third volume of Notable Lands Records titled “We Remember Our Veterans.” The open house will run from 4:30-6:30 in the



Register of Deeds
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evening at the Registry of Deeds building in downtown Dedham at 649 High Street.

This edition of Notable Lands Records is a tribute to the brave men and women of Norfolk County, from the Revolutionary War to present-day peacekeepers. The booklet features detailed stories of veterans all throughout the 28 communities that make up Norfolk County. These individuals have led remarkable lives: several are Medal of Honor recipients; one was an experimental aircraft pilot; another served in three wars. The booklet outlines a history of the military branches as well as the four United States Presidents born in Norfolk County who served as commander-in-chief.

There will be much to celebrate that evening. Patriotic music will fill the air. Guests can stroll the Registry’s Great Hall and view the fascinating storyboards detailing the history of the various branches of the armed services, the contributions of veterans, and the

significant ways a grateful nation honors its veterans. There is also a storyboard that lists the Norfolk County Medal of Honor recipients.

We hope you can make this event. It should be a memorable time. Admission is free. Each person attending the open house will receive a free copy of the Registry’s “We Remember Our Veterans.” This booklet and event are dedicated to all veterans – past, present and future – for their patriotism and sacrifices for the United States of America. The service of all veterans needs to be honored and acknowledged.

These veteran stories are important because they provide valuable insights and perspectives on the lives of some of the past and present veterans of Norfolk County. These stories allow us to honor the sacrifices made by veterans and gain a deeper understanding of why it is crucial to support and care for our veterans today. These narratives serve as a reminder of the bravery and resilience displayed by these individuals, highlighting the significance of their contributions to our country’s history.

Please come by the Norfolk Registry of Deeds to this free event which is open to the public. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Jonathan Thomas at (781) 234-3305 or by email at jthomas@norfolkdeeds.org. The Registry of Deeds is located at 649 High Street in Dedham Center.

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