



Hundreds came out on Saturday to enjoy the weather, connect with family members, and, maybe, catch some fish at the 35th Annual Norwood Fishing Derby.

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Fishing Derby was awesome

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The weather felt like cooperating, bringing a bright, warm and sunny day to the 35th annual Norwood Fishing Derby and Duck Race at Hawes Pond in South Norwood last Saturday.

The event drew hundreds of anglers, both young and old, to try their luck in the pond or take on a more challenging time at the adjacent brook. Organizer Michael Saad said since they throw their caught fish into the brook, many have appeared to

take up permanent residence in the ecosystem and have thrived.

Saad said he was happy to see so many come out for the event. Several residents said to him and to The Norwood Record they have come from all over the region, from Canton to Brockton to Walpole to Sharon and beyond.

“This is just unbelievable; a lot of people packed in, they’re catching some fish, and the DJ’s a little loud but that’s alright,” he said. “If Helen (Abdallah-Donohue) is yelling at us that’s a good sign”.

Saad added they sold out the duck race fairly quickly. “You just can’t beat it today,” he said. “It’s

a big event with the surrounding towns. Everybody comes here and everybody joins in. It’s just a perfect spot to fish and we have a nice picnic here with the DPW. It’s just safe and simple.”

Saad said parents and grandparents are definitely appreciated during this large event where children are packed in tight with sharp metal hooks flying every which way. “We don’t mind them helping because it’s safer that way. Nobody’s been injured

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Residents filed into the Norwood Senior Center to hear updates on the plan to turn part of Hennessey Field into a green stormwater infrastructure project.

PHOTO BY KATIE KROM

Hennessey Field plan presented

Katie Krom
Staff Reporter

On April 25, dozens of Norwood residents and three representatives from Stantec met from 6-7 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center to discuss how the proposed Hennessey Field drainage basin plan could help with Norwood’s flooding problems.

Stantec is the engineering company tasked in helping Norwood with flooding, and recently the group worked with the Town to create the updated ‘The Meadowbrook Watershed’ study to collect information on the issue. The Meadowbrook Watershed is a

portion of Norwood that channels stormwater underneath the ground and away from Norwood, through the Neponset River and into the Boston Harbor.

This study has been around since 2004 and was created after the Town lost its public safety building to flooding. It recommended about \$8 million in stormwater projects that were essentially ignored until the June 2020 storm, which essentially destroyed The Norwood Hospital and caused millions of dollars of damage. Because of this, the Town considered revisiting efforts to

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Ryan to step down from NAC Will not seek reappointment

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Airport Commission (NAC) held its monthly meeting last Wednesday, April 24. As has been the case for most of 2024, it was brief and the agenda was sparse. However, the sole item of new business – the matter of reorganizing the Commission’s leadership – also served as the platform for the announcement of a significant change.

“As you probably know, June will be my last meeting,” NAC Chairman Mark Ryan said be-

fore starting the reorganization process. “I have elected not to be reappointed.”

With that announcement – followed by the appointments of John Corcoran as vice chairman and Michael Sheehan as chairman – Ryan’s long stretch presiding over the Commission officially ended, and his 24-year tenure on it turned toward its conclusion.

The unfamiliarity of the situation manifested itself in the procedural motions that led up to the appointments; they featured

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over the years," he said.

Norwood Recreation Department Superintendent John Kinney said it was definitely better than his first fishing derby last year after he came to work for Norwood. "It's a lot drier and the weather's been fantastic," he said. "We've got a lot more people here too, and a lot more ducks went into the race this year so it's a lot of fun. The kids are having a lot of fun and a lot of fish are being caught so it's a great time."

Anglers Maisie Rounds and Maia Sangalang said they came out because they often go fishing together. "We're fishing buddies," Rounds said.

"It's because we caught one together and it was lucky,"

Sangalang said.

Residents Lindsay Harr and Gregory Camden said this was their first derby in Norwood. "We had no sports," said Harr with a laugh. "But it's definitely pretty awesome."

"I caught a large mouth bass and two sunfish," said Camden. "It's been really fun."

Resident Donna Lynch came out with her son Connor MacKenzie and Lynch said he caught the first fish of the day. "It's at .77 pounds and I think right now it's still the largest too," she said. "He's just turned six and we've come every year since he was a baby. We come for our family. We've got our cousins out here, our kids here, it brings everyone

together."

Resident Forrest Stillwell said they've been coming to the derby for three years in a row now. "It was horrible last year, but it's a gorgeous day today," he said. "And it's never about catching, it's about the experience. It's just a great day regardless of the results."

Canton and Brockton residents Joe Perry and Caique Reginaldo said Perry's wife, who is also Reginaldo's mother-in-law, saw an announcement about the derby on Facebook and decided to bring Reginaldo's son Cayden to try his luck. Cayden said he had caught two fish and seemed to really enjoy the experience.

"We're absolutely coming back next year," said Reginaldo.

"Bring the other little one next time too," said Perry.

"Alright, so next year we'll have two rods!" Reginaldo said.

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Health Department expanding regionally

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

During the most recent Norwood Board of Health meeting, Health Department Director Stacey Lane gave an update on three positions coming to the Town within the Regional Health Services bracket of the department.

She said these will be positions funded entirely through a regional grant mechanism and nothing would be added to the Town budget. First, she said they have been interviewing for a new epidemiologist, a position first created during the start of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

"We have three very strong candidates," Lane said. "They will look at health data and trends in health and will help us create programs and make sure we're spending our resources in the right areas. They were very active during COVID-19 and for us; they set up the web site and let people know the numbers of cases there are, where they are, and they can do that with any disease or anything in public health. So it's not just for Norwood; it's seven communities and it's actually a requirement of the grant funding we receive."

She added that the towns will be able to direct them to research and survey based on each municipality's health needs.

Lane said also they are interviewing for a new regional public health nurse with other communities. She said the ac-

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The current site at 20 Vernon St., which is slated for veterans housing if the proposal goes through Town Meeting.

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CPC working on Vernon Street draft

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on Wednesday, April 24, in a hybrid format and discussed, among other items, the draft grant agreement for the \$1 million proposed contribution to the affordable housing proposal for 20 Vernon St.

The proposal is to turn the offices at 20 Vernon into 20 residential units exclusively for veterans within certain income requirements. The issue with the plan is that the previous night, Selectmen Michael Saad, Bill Plasko and Amanda Grow voted at this point not to recommend the project at the Selectmen meeting. They said they were uncomfortable recommending a project with a \$1 million price tag (for the Town's contribution, the actual project is slated at around \$6 million) that didn't have an agreement already in place ensuring that if the project doesn't happen, the Town gets the money back.

One of the problems, according to CPC Coordinator Kristen Phelps, is that the grant agreement is usually drafted after Town Meeting votes to proceed.

"It's typically something that happens after the vote at Town Meeting," she said. "It's negotiated there and left up to the parties to decide. Because these are the first time you have submitted grants to private non-profit orga-

nizations (Phelps was also referring to a restoration project from the Norwood Historical Society), we're kind of getting ahead of that a little bit."

The grant agreement draft will be on the table for Town Meeting to look at and debate before such an agreement would usually be put together. Relating specifically to the draft grant agreement for the Vernon Street Housing – as the CPC is putting together a similar agreement for the Norwood Historical Society – Phelps said the agreement is relatively standard, except for the affordability restriction and the provision making sure the Town would get its money if something went wrong, which have not yet been finalized for the Town Meeting presentation.

"Those are the two pieces that are unique to Norwood and yes, Town Counsel (David DeLuca) will help us develop the best approach for that," she said. "But that is underway and hopefully we'll hear back from him fairly soon."

CPC members said they wanted to make as sure as possible the agreement and the project are on solid footing. CPC Chair Joseph Sheehan said while this might feel like a setback, he felt the Board of Selectmen was trying to do its due diligence on \$1 million.

"We're all looking at it the same way to protect the Town; a million dollars is a lot of money and I know they just want to make

sure the Town is protected," he said.

Member Cheryl Doyle said that with several financial issues on the horizon – the prospect of another operational override not least on the list – Town Meeting members may not be very forgiving when it comes to not having a claw back provision hashed out ahead of time.

"If you go to Town Meeting with something that is not iron-clad, I don't think they will vote in favor of this applicant getting \$1 million," Doyle said. "As you know, at every Town Meeting we've had they look at the CPC money as, 'Well, it's our tax money, and we could use it for the schools,' because they're stuck in that mindset and they have never let go of that mindset. All they see is 'It's a tax, it's a tax and it's a

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false starts, pauses and explanations, and – at one point before everything was official – Ryan referring to Mr. Sheehan as Mr. Chairman and then quickly correcting himself to his own amusement and that of his two colleagues.

After congratulating the new leadership, Ryan handed over to Chairman Sheehan the meeting's last piece of public business: directing the Commission's vote to go into executive session regarding its federal litigation with Boston Executive Helicopters (BEH), and state court litigation involving BEH and FlightLevel Norwood (FLN).

It seemed somehow fitting for that to serve as the proverbial baton being passed. For approximately the last decade, the NAC (and, by extension, the Town) has been intertwined with BEH and FLN – the Airport's two fixed base operators – as they have waged a business war comprised of ongoing turf skirmishes and court battles that have, depending on the lawsuit, managed to pit all three entities as litigants against one other.

Most conspicuously, BEH brought a federal lawsuit against the NAC and the Town resulting in a 2019 settlement agreement that later went back to court and is still there. Related to that, in late 2018 the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) ruled against the NAC and the Town regarding a formal complaint entered by BEH at about the same time as that suit had been filed, and which had been built on the same foundation.

Lately, NAC/BEH/FLN activity has been relatively quiet, and executive session was brief.

Afterwards, Ryan spoke of his decision outside the Mark C. Welch Administration Building.

"After 24 years of being on the Commission, I thought it was time that I move on – let someone else come in and

bring some life to the Airport," he offered, adding that the April meeting was supposed to have been his last, but that he had been asked to stay on through June, while the Board of Selectmen brings in a new commissioner.

"We've made a lot of progress here," Ryan said, looking toward the observation area, where people sat at picnic tables as planes and choppers took off and landed with the Blue Hills as a backdrop, and others walked near where a new playground will be built later this spring. "This hill was nothing but a patch of briars and rock, and uninviting, and we made it into a destination for people to come and enjoy the Airport, and get outside."

Glancing at the Welch Building, dedicated in 2019, Ryan went on. "We have our own Town building here that we worked hard to get." Continuing in that vein, he touched on the Airport's projects, the expenses of which are covered primarily by federal and state funds. "The infrastructure's always being upgraded because the FAA and MassDOT have confidence in us that we can get things done. We've done some great things down here."

He finished by speaking of the Airport more broadly. "It's quite an asset to the Town. It's nice that people come out here and can see what it is, and realize it serves a purpose: jobs and businesses. You know, it's great for the whole community and the region."

Although Mark Ryan will soon be stepping down from the Airport Commission, he will continue as the Director of Public Works and as Town Engineer.

The NAC typically meets at 4 p.m. on the middle Wednesday of the month in the Welch Administration Building. For more information, visit the Town website or call Town Hall.

BOSTON CAN KEEP THEM

To the Editor:

I read today a letter to the editor regarding multi-family housing that was well intended but does not tell the real story on why 2,500 immigrants will be moving into our town. The immigrants this article is talking about all came into this country legally. No one in this country has a problem with

people coming in the right way.

What we have here is a smoke screen using the MBTA Family Housing law to get all of these people out of Boston. They came to Boston because Boston declared itself a 'Sanctuary City'. They welcome all of these people here and because they cannot find a place for them in Boston, they want to send them all out to the towns to have them take care of them.

These are illegal immigrants they want us to take, not like the ones that came in years ago. There is a big difference.

I am not the smartest person going, but it doesn't take much education to see through what the state is trying to do to our Town. The city wanted them all to come. Let them take care of them.

Peter F. O'Brien
Norwood

ANSWERING THE CALL

First of all, I love my wife. I really do. Having said that...during a career on the road, bad news arrives with a telephone ring. I once worked in Buenos Aires with a southerner who was rough around the edges and miserable. His demeanor was so abrasive that workmates became thoroughly annoyed and eventually angered, until he revealed the reason for his agitation: the last time he worked in the Argentine capital, he had received a telephone call from home notifying him of his wife's suicide.

Phone calls travel two directions: in an elevator after an evening at the tables in Las Vegas, a crew member attempted humor before confessing. "Only machine I won at was the A-T-M. Every time I played it, it spit out money..." Then, in quieter voice, "Been saving for a house for years. Now I have to call my wife and tell her I just lost our \$7000 down payment..."

I remember sitting at the desk in a Holiday Inn room in Owen Sound, Ontario. I was excited to finish—and I mean write the last two pages—of *Dawson City Seven*, the first book I would have accepted for publication. I returned to my room after work, quickly showered and ate, then eagerly seated myself at the desk. The very moment I picked up my pen, the phone rang. On the other end were both my parents—it is never good to get a phone call with both your parents on the line—portending ill wind: "Donald, your mother's been diagnosed with cancer..."

The only tougher telephone call came from my wife two years later, in a Mexico City hotel room: "Donny, Mom died tonight."

In Vancouver, attending a Bruins-Canucks National Hockey League game with traveling companion Pat Riley,

my mind froze when over the arena loudspeaker was heard: "Will Don Reddick please report to the information booth for a telephone call."

Our experience had been wonderful to that point. We had flown into Calgary for a Canadian Rockies sojourn. Meandering through spectacular mountain scenery, we had visited Banff and Lake Louise, then turned west on the Trans-Canadian highway, driving the breadth of British Columbia, through Revelstoke, Kamloops, and—blessed be irony—Boston Bar, to Vancouver. Our last afternoon was spent on a leisurely, wave-slapping ferry to Vancouver Island and a seaside, seafood lunch in Victoria. The hockey game that evening in the old Pacific Coliseum was the capping treat of a memorable trip.

It was the game during which an oddity occurred still occasionally shown on Bruins highlight clips. Before the second period, just as players had regained the ice, a twelve or thirteen-year-old boy opened the Zamboni gate behind the Vancouver net, strode out in skates, dropped a puck, skated the length of the ice and shot the puck past the startled Bruins' goalie. The kid leapt into the air, stick raised amidst rousing cheers, celebrating before his removal.

"Will Don Reddick please report to the information booth for a telephone call."

Now, I love my wife. I really do. Having said that...Pat and I exchanged glances. When the words drop, you wonder if you heard correctly. My friend's visage verified; throat tightens, chest heaves. What on earth had happened necessitating a summons in an NHL venue, three thousand miles from home? Glances exchanged were wary, worried; oh Gawd...

With nervous resignation I rose, sidestepped past retracted knees and chest-clutched cups of beer to the aisle and strode steps into the



mezzanine. Dad... the kids... After inquiring as to the location of the information booth, I made way along the curving arena in what seemed the longest walk of my life. Senses acutely aware: stomping game-on noise above, short lines at refreshment stands. Smells of fresh popcorn and grilled hot dogs. Trash receptacles overflowed with foamy, plastic beer cups. Terry... the house? I steeled myself as I approached the booth, behind whose counter stood a young woman.

"Hello," I said tentatively, apprehensively, desperate to keep my voice firm. "I'm Don Reddick. I was told to come here for a phone call."

"Oh yes," the woman replied. "There's a message for you." As she turned to retrieve a piece of paper, anxiety reached a zenith of impending doom. Summoned in an NHL venue, three thousand miles from home! Terry the kids dad the house the siblings flight! Flight! The young woman turned back, posted note in hand. But before I tell you what she said, let me assure you, I love her. I really do. Have I mentioned that?

"Your wife called," the young woman told me, glancing at the note.

"She said it wasn't important."

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Russell Gloor
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- You can call Social Security (at 1.800.772.1213, or your local SS office) to request an appointment to apply. They will most likely set a date/time to call you to take your application over the phone (they discourage office visits these days). Once you have applied, it typically takes a month or two to process your application, but they will pay your benefits effective with the month you say you want them to begin. Note, they will likely also offer you six months of ret-

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- You can apply for your SS retirement benefit online at www.ssa.gov/apply. Applying online is, by far, the most efficient method, as shown in this short video: www.ssa.gov/hlp/video/iclaim_r01.htm. However, to apply online you will need to first create your personal “my Social Security” online account at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. Once you have your personal online account set up, you will be able to see what your SS retirement benefit will be now, and at future ages should you plan to wait longer to claim. Your SS retirement benefit will be based on your lifetime record of earnings from which Social Security FICA taxes were withheld (or self-employment earnings on which SS payroll taxes were levied). In any case, your SS benefit will be based on your lifetime earnings record contributing to Social Security, as well as your age when you claim. You’ll get your maximum benefit based on those factors.

Although your situation is somewhat uncommon, it is not exceptionally unique. Your VA disability rating does not affect your Social Security benefit and, because you are a member of the clergy, you are not subject to Social Security’s Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) – a rule which reduces SS benefits for those with a pension earned while not contributing to Social Security. In other words, your SS benefit will be based entirely on your lifetime record of earnings from which Social Security payroll taxes were withheld, and your age when your benefit starts.

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tax. Why are we giving \$1 million to this entity that isn’t even part of government?’ So if you don’t have a safety net for Town Meeting members to feel comfortable with they won’t vote in favor of it.”

CPC member John Hall agreed with Doyle and that the CPC should have a kind question and answer session sometime soon to acquaint everyone with how the CPC funds function and what limitations there are on how they can be spent.

Member Joseph Greeley said he felt that, in this case and basically in general, all boards and committees should be on the

same page before Town Meeting and try to present a unified front, and so the CPC should look to convince the Board of Selectmen before the vote.

“If they have their opinion and we don’t know what that is, and we all merge at Town Meeting and we vote in favor of it and they say they don’t like it and vote against it, that’s the worst – just speaking as a Finance Commission member – that’s one of the worst things you can encounter at Town Meeting,” Greeley said. “It would behoove us to try to resolve this in advance of Town Meeting.”

Phelps did say that with a grant agreement fleshed out be-

forehand, the hope is that fears of losing the \$1 million with nothing to show for it will be mollified, especially for the Board of Selectmen.

“They were hoping to see how the Town’s investment would be protected, and, if we get a grant agreement, I’m hopeful that will provide a level of security,” she said.

Phelps added she has a frequently asked questions (FAQ) draft list that she may finalize and send to the Board, because it does answer many of the questions Selectmen had that previous Tuesday.

“It’s already two pages long,” she said.

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mitigate water issues, initiating a new Meadowbrook Watershed study published in 2022, with a new estimated price tag at \$41 million.

Water from storms runs through Meadowbrook and then into the Neponset River, but Stantec representatives stated that it first needs a place to be held temporarily so that the speed can be slowed down and the surrounding area won’t be overwhelmed and inundate. That place could be Hennessey Field.

Hennessey Field already acts as a stormwater detention basin, as water currently pools in the low lying area. Stantec wants to engineer it and make it better.

“Even if we do all this and prepare,” Stefani Harrison, water planning engineer for Stantec said, “there’s always going to be a bigger storm that will come. But this definitely provides a benefit.”

Another Stantec representative said, “There’s going to be flooding whether Hennessey is put in or not. This is to limit it and control it.”

The company was very clear that this meeting was to discuss the designs of this project, not about the construction of it. There are already funds designated for the design, much of which is being provided by the American Rescue Plan Act funds.

The conceptual design commenced in the fall of 2023. Currently, the project is at the 30 percent design phase, so there is still a long way to go.

“We want your input because a lot of you live very close to Hennessey Field,” Harrison said. “We want your input on these designs. We can still make adjustments to make it perfect for this community”

Throughout the presentation, designs and images of the site were shown in order to describe what was going to happen.

The water would be stored in a graded detention basin which would be engineered to fill up as necessary depending on the severity of the storm. The water would then flow out the south of the property with the use of an auxiliary spillway that controls the speed of the water. When there is no storm, the area would be a wetland with a small stream running through.

To facilitate the stream, the plan is do pipe daylighting, which is now a common practice for stormwater infrastructure. There is currently a drainage pipe under the property, and the plan is to dig down to where the pipe already is and essentially take the lid off of it.

“It’s like bringing a stream back into the community, and it is aesthetically pleasing,” said a Stantec representative.

Right now, Hennessey Field has a lot of trees and wildlife with walking trails. Stantec’s current plan is to create a walking path around the basin with different landscaping features and other passive recreation.

There was recently a survey sent out to many residents that asks questions about what they want to see happen with this site. There have been 67 responses so far and it is still open at tinyurl.com/HennesseyField

So far the survey answers have discussed wanting to keep nature walks available, and placing trash cans, picnic tables, and benches on the property. Survey respondents also indicated there should be children’s recreation elements and workout structures for adults.

“We still need permits to remove trees, and more surveys to know that we are doing the right thing,” a representative from Stantec said.

Some members of the community were upset by the prospect of trees being cut down and wildlife not having a place to go. Stantec explained that the idea is to try to keep as many

trees as possible, and they will preserve as many plants and wildlife that live there as possible

A member from the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee explained that there are many species of plants and creatures currently at Hennessey Field, but that the project could be a chance to really increase the quality of the ecosystem here.

Some community members were nervous about other factors of this plan.

“My home is right next to this area,” one resident said. “Could the project be more centered in the field and there be more trees on the outside that buffer the neighborhood?”

Stantec said that they have been trying to follow the existing setup of the topography, but will take this into account.

Other Norwood residents explained that they did not like the design of the plan or that they did not want it near their houses. Some were concerned with potential overflow from the basin and the water going into their properties.

Many community members felt like they already did not have a say in this plan.

“I feel like you already have this planned,” a community member said. “You’re going to do it anyway, we don’t have a say. You’ve already started excavating and some trees are gone.”

Another resident said that the Town should have invited more residents to participate before the design and conceptual plan started.

Norwood is working to find funding to pay for this project, which is estimated to be about \$8 million, including design and construction, and is planning to host more meetings on the project as it progresses.

There are still a lot of requirements, regulations and permits required for the plan to get off the ground.

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tual office will be in Dedham, despite Norwood receiving the funding for and paying the position. The Town will also be hiring a junior health inspector as well, with the person residing in the Norwood office.

“There are two people that they are looking at,” she said. “And this is a very junior inspector, this is not like (Norwood Environmental Health Agents Angelo De Luca and Kyle Simpson), they will be there basically to help us and other communities with low-lying stuff.”

Lane reiterated that the Town is not paying for these positions out of its own budget. “Again, all these positions are paid for with grant funding and not paid for by the Town,” she said. “That’s very important.”

In other news, Lane said she and other staff have taken three days of training to help deal with residents who keep unsafe amounts of stuff in their homes, otherwise known as hoarders. She said the training is split up into three days, each running all day.

“It’s very long, all day long, just to show you there’s a lot to hoarding, which is based on mental health,” she said.

Lane said the idea is to help identify someone with a hoarding syndrome and help deal with it. De Luca said it will be tricky since it will involve more than one department. “It will be a

team effort,” he said.

Lane said there will be multiple ways a resident can end up on the department’s radar, with the ultimate goal to deal with the cause of the problem, likely through counseling; it’s more than just getting them to clean up the house.

“It’s not like going in, the stove is broken and telling the landlord they need to fix the stove,” she said. “The person needs mental health help, because you can go in and say, ‘Clean off all the materials around the stove, clear your egresses,’ because it could be back the very next day. So (Norwood’s Inspectors) can do the inspections, take them to court if necessary, but you need to get them help.”

Lane said the police and fire departments will help and recommend mental health counseling and screening, along with the Health Department personnel.

“Police and Fire, if they see something they let us know,” Lane said. “The hard part is getting the counseling, especially if the person doesn’t want to leave their home.”

Lane said the biggest issue is the cause of the hoarding itself. She said, for example, Norwood Animal Control Officer Henry Cerqueira may find a person living in unsanitary conditions with a whole bunch

of pets, but he can only remove the pets, similar to how Norwood Sanitarians can only cite health issues. Lane said hoarding can take years of counseling to remedy, and that’s if you can get someone to provide the counseling or if the patient wants to accept it.

“That doesn’t mean they can get access,” she said. “You can call the police, fire, ACO or Angelo and they can go to the house, but if they don’t let them in, you can’t just barge into someone’s home. So that’s tough.”

Lastly, Lane said the Department of Public Health has tasked the Norwood Health Department, along with other municipal health departments, to update and formulate emergency response plans for the Town.

“They really want us to revamp extreme weather plans and responses,” she said. “Thankfully, because here in Norwood we have such a fabulous Light Department, usually we’re not without power for very long. Other communities aren’t so lucky, especially coastal communities. So we’re working regionally to come up with extreme weather response plans, and there’s been a lot of activity on that and I’ll be going to training on that.”

For more information on the Board and the Department, go to <https://tinyurl.com/mtj2s9rh>



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REGINA (Elias) of Sharon, formerly of Norwood, passed away after a long illness surrounded by her family at home on April 24, 2024 at the age of 99. Beloved wife of the late Bruno DiCicco. Devoted mother of Ellen A. Cusick and her husband Francis of Sharon and Joyce P. Michael and her husband Michael of Boylston. Sister of the late James, Lutvie, Charles, George "Chuckie", Louis "Lallo" and Michael Elias. Cherished grandmother of Alexander Bruno Cusick and his wife Marwa of N. Easton. Daughter of the late Isaac and Annie (Domet) Elias. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood, MA. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) 424 E. 92nd St. New York, NY 10128-6804 www.aspc.org or to St. George Orthodox Church 6 Atwood Ave. Norwood, MA 02062 www.stgeorgenorwood.org

HOUGH



Evan R. of Norwood passed away on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at the age of 85. Son of the late Orville and Marion (Robinson) Hough. Beloved husband of the late Beverly J.

(Thibeault) Hough. Devoted father of Kevin Hough and his wife Kim of Wisconsin, LeeAnn Hough of Wrentham, Lisa Pipes and her husband Jeffrey of Attleboro, and Steven Hough and his wife Susan of Walpole. Cherished grandfather of Matthew, Jordan, Timothy, Kellie, Alicia, Ethan, Aidan, Ian, Liam, and the late Noah Evan Pipes. Brother of the late Linden, Eugene, Arthur, Elden Hough and Norman Rushton, and sisters Elaine Schierioth and Geraldine Owens. Evan was a United States Navy Veteran. He also started his own business, Evan's Floor Service, while his wife Beverly continued to work at FM Global. In their later years, they enjoyed traveling and spending their winters in Dunedin, FL. A private Graveside Service was held at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Arrangements were made with Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Evan's memory to the American Cancer Society, 3 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701 or see <https://www.cancer.org>

O'NEIL



Paul M. of Blackstone, formerly of Norwood, died at his home on Thursday morning, April 25, 2024 at 84 years old. The son of the late James E and Marion (Leahy) O'Neil, he was born, raised and educated in Norwood, graduating from Norwood High School. He then attended and graduated from the Bryant and Stratton School in Boston. Beloved husband of Priscilla A (Page) O'Neil and loving father of Susan O'Neil Scotti and her husband Christopher of Mansfield, Melissa O'Neil Marcotte and her husband Alan of Litchfield, NH, Michael O'Neil and his partner Ashley of North Smithfield, RI and Matthew O'Neil and his fiancé Jessica of Blackstone. He was the brother of Robert O'Neil and

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his wife Dale of Dunstable and brother-in-law of Grant Willson of Anacortes, WA. He was predeceased by his sister Ann O'Neil Willson. Paul is also survived by his six cherished grandchildren – Ava and Emma Scotti, Noah, Brady, Jackson and Carter Marcotte. An employee of the Raytheon Company for 38 years, he had worked with their Missile Systems Division. Paul was a veteran of the US Navy. He enjoyed watching Boston sports, his Lionel trains, Cape Cod, particularly Falmouth Heights, his sailboat "Serenity" picnics along the Cape Cod Canal and sailing trips to the Caribbean with his friends. He enjoyed working in his garden and looked forward to and enjoyed time spent with family and friends. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, April 30th at Noon at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral home, 1248 Washington Street, Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Donations in Paul memory may be made to Tunnels to Towers Foundation at www.t2t.org.

ROSE



AGNES G. (McKenna), 98, died peacefully on April 28, 2024 at Medway Country Manor. She was the beloved wife of the late Robert R Rose. Born in Boston Ma on October

27, 1925, she was the daughter of the late John and Ellen McKenna. She graduated from Saint Thomas Aquinas High School in 1945. She lived in Norwood for 73 years and was a longtime parishioner of St. Denis Church in Westwood. Before her retirement Agnes worked for Bank of America and after retirement worked at St. Denis Rectory for many years. She was an avid Bingo player and enjoyed playing several times a week. She also enjoyed playing cribbage and cards with her friends at Norwood Senior Center. Her biggest joy was spending time with her children and grandchildren in her summer home in Maine. Devoted mother of Stephen Rose of Norwood, Ellen Donahue and her husband Greg of Medway, Brian Rose and his partner Trish McGowan of Walpole, her daughter-in-law Ellie Rose of Norfolk and her late son Robert R Rose Jr. Cherished grandmother of Jason Rose and his partner Christina, Jacqueline Rose and her partner Joe, Courtney McCarthy and her husband Michael, Katie Mascary and her husband Kevin, Alexandra Dulong and her husband Aaron, Hilarie Rose and the late Gregory Donahue Jr. Great grandmother of Ava, Jonathan, Andrew, Shaelyn, and Arielle. She was also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062 Friday, May 3, 2024 at 8:30am followed by a funeral mass at 11:00am at St. Denis Parish 157 Washington St. Westwood, MA 02090. Visiting hours will be held on Friday morning only from 8:30am-10:30am. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in her memory be made to the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St. Norwood MA 02062.

YELAPI

ANDREW Joseph of Norwood passed away on April 23, 2024, at the age of 95. Beloved husband of the late Marie A. (Thomas) Yelapi. Devoted father of Joanne Morrison, Jeanne McInnis, and Michael Yelapi of FL, and the late Paul Yelapi and Patricia Yelapi. Son of the late Andrew & Giovanna (Bretti) Ielapi. Loving Brother of Elizabeth, Joseph Yelapi, Robert Ielapi, Mary Ann Grandinetti of NJ, Frances Webster, Joan Haley, and the late Joseph Yelapi, Anthony Yelapi, John F. Yelapi, Rose Patton and Barbara Miller. Cherished grandfather of 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Devoted and loving Uncle, Great Uncle and Great, Great Uncle of many nieces and nephews, who all adored him. Andrew was a Korean War US Navy veteran serving from 1951-1954 on the USS Wisconsin. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 11am at Highland Cemetery, 320 Winter St. Norwood, MA 02062. Andy would have wanted everyone to dress casually, and jeans are just fine. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105-9959 www.stjude.org

Miracle Prayer

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favours. But I plead for this one. (mention favour). Take it, place it in your open broken Heart. And when the eternal Father sees it, covered with the mantle of his most precious Blood, He cannot refuse it. For then it is your prayer, not mine. Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in thee. Amen.
Say three times for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

—A.K.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

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

Obituary Policy

The The Norwood Record publishes obituaries from information supplied by funeral homes. Relatives and friends also may supplement information by e-mailing to news@norwoodrecord.com by Monday at 1 p.m. Photos also will be accepted.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Norfolk Division Docket No. NO24P0949GD

NOTICE AND ORDER: PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN OF A MINOR

In the interests of: Norfolk Probate and Family Court
London Avelitha Delices 35 Shawmut Road
Of: Randolph, MA Canton, MA 02021
Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

- Hearing Date/Time:** A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 04/09/2024 by Rhoda E. Robinson of Norwood, MA will be held **05/15/2024 08:45 AM Review Hearing** Located 35 Shawmut Road, Canton, MA 02021
- Response to Petition:** You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:
File the original with the Court; and
Mail a copy to all interested parties at least (5) business days before the hearing.
- Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.
- Counsel for the Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you.
- Presence of the Minor at Hearing:** A minor over the age of 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate
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Morrill Library Events

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A CONVERSATION ABOUT OUR DEMOCRACY

The Morrill Memorial Library is honored to host author and researcher Ryan Bernsten for an in-person presentation called “50 States of Mind: A Community Conversation about Our Democracy” on Thursday, May 9 at 7:00pm in the Simoni Room.

Is America as divided as it seems? As a graduate student at Oxford, Ryan Bernsten undertook a 23,000-mile journey through all 50 states to look beyond the news cycles and see his home country from the ground. Following in the footsteps of Alexis de Tocqueville, Bernsten leads with the desire to listen and find common humanity in Americans he meets across the country. In his book 50 States of Mind: A Journey to Rediscover American Democracy, Bernsten ultimately offers a hopeful vision for the future of America, as he embarks on a search for meaning and reflects on what it means to be American. His book is a companion to the podcast 50 States of Mind, which showcases interviews from the journey and is available on all platforms.

About the presenter: Ryan Bernsten is a graduate of Northwestern University and Oxford’s Creative Writing Master’s program. He has written for The Oxford Political Review, USA Today, The Infatuation, and the Trevor Project, where he is the Senior Managing Editor. Ryan is an award-winning playwright whose plays have been performed across the US and UK.

INTRODUCTION TO ANTIQUE HAND FANS

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to bring a unique program to the library called Introduction to Antique Hand Fans. It will be held in-person on Saturday May 11, at 10:30 am in the Simoni Room.

Please join our presenter Shelly Goncalves and learn all about the history of antique fans. See 100 antique hand fans from the 18th & 19th century. Explore different materials used for this art including mother of pearl, bone, ivory, & celluloid. Have an antique hand fan at home? Bring it for identification.

About the presenter: Shelly J. Goncalves has been collecting antique hand fans for over 50 years. Goncalves is a member of the Fan Association of North America (FANA) and the Fan Circle International (FCI), where she serves on the board.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY LEGO CLUB FOR ADULTS

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with the L.E.A.D. program affiliated with Norwood High School to host a Sensory-friendly Lego Club for Adults. Our May Lego club meeting will be held in-person at the library on Thursday May 23, from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm.

Please join the L.E.A.D. students in this creative adventure. Just bring your imagination - we will provide the Legos. The Club is free, inclusive, and open to anyone ages 18+. It is specially designed for adults with different levels of abilities.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MOVIE NIGHT

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

Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday movie at the Library! This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday May 24, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our May movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is Universal’s Migration, rated PG.

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

Steward rallies pop everywhere

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

With seemingly the entirety of the Steward Health Care Hospital system up in the air – not to mention Norwood Hospital’s status in construction limbo right now – the Our Community Our Hospital Coalition brought together nurses and residents to rally against a potential closure of each hospital in seven communities.

Brighton’s St. Elizabeth Hospital, which has been in existence in one form or another since 1868, was the last such rally the group held, with politicians, organizers, members of the Massachusetts Nurses Association and members of the local clergy all coming out to support the hospital and its staff.

The rally saw representatives from organizations like Masscare, the Brazilian Workers Center, the 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East and the Boston Workers Council came to speak and lend their support to the effort. The coalition has a survey out right now asking residents to support its efforts. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/5n8xbwfv> for more information.

During the afternoon rally, nurses and staff all spoke about their experiences at the hospital and with Steward.

Many Norwood nurses moved to St. Elizabeth’s after the closure four years ago, including Elizabeth Ackermen and Liz Aldridge. They said they were told at that time that they could go back to the hospital in six months.

“They welcomed us here at St. E’s, for sure, the tran-

sition was as easy as it could have been, but the abrupt closing was pretty harsh,” said Ackermen.

“I’ve been in Norwood since 1994 and I live in Walpole, just down the street from the hospital. It’s my community hospital, and it was a shock,” said Aldridge. “At first they said it was going to be four-to-six months. Then it was a couple of years. And St. E’s is great, but we really thought we’d be going back.”

Norwood Hospital’s fate is currently up in the air, as the partially rebuilt hospital has a long way to go and Steward’s situation doesn’t appear stable (<https://tinyurl.com/445tbssw>). But the hospital’s landlord, Medical Properties Trust, recently announced to Norwood that it was taking over the site from Steward and is looking for a new operator.

But that is just more uncertainty for Aldridge and Ackermen. The pair said the hospital never told them it was looking to eliminate obstetrician, baby delivery and most maternity services from the new hospital, and they were working as nurses in the maternity ward in Norwood.

“Of course you want to go back to your home base, but our OBs were told, ‘Bring your patients and eventually we’re going to all reopen,’” said Aldridge. “And the way we found out was through a coworker in our Facebook group. She found out at Norwood Town Meeting that they were not going to have OB. They never told our doctors, our OBs, and in the meantime they’ve left, which you can’t blame them. We went to the president of the hospital and asked, ‘We hear

we’re not going to have OB.’ And the first thing he said to us was, ‘Who told you that?’”

They said it seemingly became a pattern of behavior at Steward.

“They don’t disclose anything,” said Aldridge. “They ask a lot of you, and they don’t give back. When they went to the hospital, they weren’t honest with us. It was, ‘Well how did you find out? We’re not closing everything. It’s not going to happen; we’re just going to have it at St. E’s. It’s very disheartening. We need these hospitals.’”

1199SEIU Political Organizer Hank Cohen said the situation at Norwood Hospital, mainly that Steward couldn’t or wouldn’t put up the cash to continue construction, is another glaring example of the need for a new hospital operator.

“We already see huge wait lines at our hospitals already; there is a dearth of community care across the Commonwealth,” he said. “We need more hospitals, not fewer. Obviously Norwood Hospital is in a unique situation. I think Norwood Hospital, in many ways, is possibly a light at the end of the tunnel, in that new management could very well resume construction and reopen it, which would not just be a boon for all our workers, but for the community that requires care as well.”

Masscare’s Maria Termini discussed the death of Sungida Rashid in October of last year at St. Elizabeth’s. Rashid apparently bled to death after giving birth. Rashid died apparently be-

Steward

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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.

Subaru Impreza

What’s to like about Subaru? Let me tell you my thoughts. As most know, I have been repairing cars since 1970 and have seen all the good and bad and all makes have had their problems—yes, Subarus included. This week was spent in a new Subaru Impreza. A mid size crossover SUV. This is a simple, affordable, all-wheel-drive vehicle with all the driver safety features that you want. The old reliable boxer engine has grown up with more power and is a lot quieter. The new updated CVT transmission has an 8-speed manual shift mode. The center dash houses an 11.6-inch touchscreen. Comfortable heated front seats, paddle shifters, LED active headlights with auto high beams and a lot more. The Impreza handles like a sports car and the suspension absorbs the bumps. Paint, fit and finish are very good. Open the hood and you can see the engine. A simple great SUV, easy to drive and park with modern styling. EPA: 26/33. MSRP: \$29,107, all in.

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.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE DOCKET No. NO24P1125EA
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of: Jeanette Gladys Doetsch Norfolk Division
Also Known as: Jeanette G. Doetsch,
Jeanette Doetsch
Date of Death: 01/01/2008

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate and, by Petition of
Petitioner Henrietta K. Doetsch of Norwood, MA

Henrietta K. Doetsch of Norwood, MA
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Norwood Record: 05/02/2024

Monday, April 22

0845 Phone - PD-Larceny/ Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: Bos-Prov Hwy Call reports 5 sets of tires stolen last night around 8pm. Calling party states he does have camera footage of the vehicle. OF assigned to NWD 667 Tires were stolen around 2100 hrs at the JFJ Customs

1056 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Sent On Way Location/Address: Cranmore Rd + Richland Rd Male wearing gray sweatshirt and gray pants and walking around the neighborhood. Party was sent on way, with the language barrier states he was in the area looking for a job.

1335 911 - PD-Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Chapel St White Sweatshirt 12 year old female destroying the baseball field Spoke with parties just a misunderstanding.

1745 Initiated - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: Walnut Ave Party in the lobby to report B and E of a MV.

1901 Phone - PD-Assist Public Investigated Location/Address: ROJO - Bos-Prov Hwy Call on business line reports they are stuck in the car wash. H.Q giving company a call. Employee assisted the citizen.

1928 911 - PD-Disturbance Report Follows Location/Address: Cfm Variety - Walpole St 911- caller reports 2 men fighting in parking lot. Huge language barrier. Second 911 call reports a male party having a possible heart attack. Male party up and talking with police on scene. Medical following an assault. OF requested and assigned. OFC checking the area for other party involved.

Tuesday, April 23

1839 911 - PD-Disturbance Investigated Location/Address: Norwest Dr Caller states DIST. Possible fight w/ child. Unknown if weapons. Caller states it has since quieted down. Caller wanted to remain anonymous - states this is inside and does not know the parties involved. Verbal argument. Nothing physical. Both parties cooled down.

2016 Phone - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Marlboro St

Business line caller reports at this location by the garage next to the trash cans. Little dog has been tied up for a while. ACO notified and en route to investigate.

Wednesday, April 24

1536 Phone - PD-Illegal Dumping Services Rendered Location/Address: Village Rd W Employee reporting a vehicle was illegally dumping in the last 30 mins. That vehicle is no longer on scene. Norwood 669 en route to the home of MA REG RW6022 to follow up. All parties were advised

1924 Radio - PD-Unwanted Party Transported by other means Location/Address: Plymouth Dr Walk in party seeking advice on how to remove an unwanted party from her apartment. NWD 663 requesting another unit to meet him at this address to assist with the unwanted party. 661 en route NWD 663 providing a courtesy transport to Foxboro.

1936 Initiated - PD-Motor Vehicle Stop Report Follows Location/Address: - Washington St Motor vehicle stop MA REG 3SPT16. NWD 667 Transporting one male party back to the station. Tow En Route. Passenger in vehicle was a witness to the vehicle being towed. Center Auto has the vehicle. Arrest: Britt, Charles D Address: 17 Oneil Dr Dedham, Ma Age: 73 Charges: License Suspended, Op MV With Stop/Yield, Fail To

2035 911 - PD-Disturbance Gone on arrival Location/Address: 1A Pizza - Walpole St Male party on a bicycle causing a disturbance yelling and throwing objects into the street in front of the store. Male party may have ridden off on his bicycle. NWD 661 states a table was left outside on the curb possibly for trash, that was reported to have been thrown into the road. Party is GOA at this time, but units will be checking the area for the rest of the individual. Small round table on curb in front of 481 Walpole St that appeared to be garbage was reportedly thrown into the street. Residence is unoccupied according to RP.

Thursday, April 25

1110 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: TJ MAXX -

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Nahatan St From HQ for a black female party inside the store screaming.

1154 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Engamore Ln Third party caller states he took a picture of his wife. Norwood 661 reports the maintenance employee is required to take pictures of pets which is what they were doing. Norwood 661 was able to confirm that through work orders, all units clear.

Friday, April 26

0216 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Sent On Way Location/Address: Cherrywood Dr 1 truck and one car, people sitting in the vehicles are running. MA REG 4RMV19, MACO REG V94927 Parties have been moved along. They were just spending time together.

0801 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Report Follows Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir In the parking lot behind Building 4, caller on business line reports that his vehicle was broken into and items are missing. OF requested and assigned. Report to follow.

1030 Phone - PD-Larceny/ Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: Buffalos Pizza & Subs Inc - Washington St 3rd party caller reporting an attempted robbery. No weapons re-

ported, described to be a heavy set W/M wearing blue striped pants and a sweatshirt. Last known direction of travel was on foot towards E Hoyle. Officers located that party on Guild St by the post office. Male party is in custody. 667 is transporting back to station. Arrest: Turcotte, Robert Michael Address: Homeless Homeless, Ma Age: 63 Charges: Larceny From Building A&B Default Warrant

1201 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: - Vanderbilt Ave Caller on business line reports that since the signs restricting overnight parking have gone up, trucks have been parking in his parking lot. The trucks are leaving trash behind and sometimes block employees from entering. They were looking for advice. Detail officer sent truck on its way.

1756 Phone - PD-Disturbance Unfounded Location/Address: Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Call on 911 for behind the Shaws states a brawl between 10- 15 teenagers wearing dark clothing. Black jeep seen at the scene when multiple parties jumped out of a car and started the fight. Caller believes those parties could be on Lenox street at this time and all have split up. Caller is in a UPS van in the front of the store. Norwood 663 reports all units clear, unable to locate any of the parties involved with this incident called in by 2 callers.

Saturday, April 27

0418 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Complaint Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: - Guild St Caller on 911 reporting a party slumped at the wheel of his car in the middle of the intersection. Norwood 661 reports 1 female party in custody, transporting her back to the station. Center Auto en route for the tow. Sharon female officer en route to assist with arrest. Center Auto has that vehicle, all units clear. Arrest: Williams, Kerisha Monica Address:

142 Georgetowne Dr Hyde Park, Ma Age: 42 Charges: OUI-Liquor OR .08% Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle Blocking An Intersection

0704 Phone - PD-Larceny/ Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: Brookview Cir Caller on the business line walked out to his truck this morning, to find that all of his tools were stolen out of his vehicle. 666 reports B&E that happened overnight. Work tools were taken, possible second vehicle involved. Second vehicle has the back door ajar w/a screwdriver on the ground next to it.

0837 Phone - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: Plymouth Dr Caller on the business line reporting her daughter's car was broken into. A backpack with a chrome book was stolen as well as a purse. 665 spoke to the reporting party. No external surveillance footage.

1033 Walk-In - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: Cleveland St Walk-in party in the lobby reporting his car was broken into last night. 3rd party reporting B&E to a motor vehicle last night. 669 attempted to call the victim and no answer. Left a voicemail for them to give the officer a call back. 669 will canvas the area.

1216 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: - Buckminster Dr Caller on the business line reporting loud music coming from the apartment above his. 666 spoke w reporting party and the resident directly above. They are having a birthday party and agreed to turn it down. The music was off upon arrival.

1446 911 - PD-Larceny/ Forgery/Fraud Report Follows Location/Address: Citizens Bank - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller would like to speak to officer in regards to a party trying to cash fraudulent check.

1617 Radio - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: Rose Ct Caller reporting a motor vehicle B&E.

2119 Phone - PD-Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Heaton Ave + Pond Ave Caller reporting a possible party in the area, causing a lot of noise. Norwood 661 reports those parties were advised to turn down the music, all units clear.

Sunday, April 28

0200 Phone - PD-Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: - Plymouth Dr Caller on 911 reporting the basement apartment has loud yelling between a male and female party speaking Nigerian as well as crashing of furniture. Norwood 661 reports verbal argument, minor in nature. All units clear.

1231 Phone - PD-Breaking & Entering Report Follows Location/Address: Rose Ct Party wants to report his vehicle was broken into over the weekend. RP reports computer and tools taken. Information was backfilled. OF requested. OFC clear.

1952 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Village Rd W Caller reporting he was cleaning his firearm after going to the range and accidentally fired 1 round into the side wall of his apartment that leads to his neighbors apartment Officer Valzovano to file OF.

DAR ANNOUNCES GARAGE SALE

The Aaron Guild Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will be holding their Annual Garage/Estate Sale on Saturday, May 11 and again on Saturday May 18, both from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Barlow Lane in Westwood (the first house on the right on Barlow Lane, just off Route 109). For sale will be household items, jewelry, kitchen utensils, bric-a-brac, toys, books, tools, small furniture, and estate items. Come early for the best selection! For more information on the sale, call Sunny O'Malley at 781-326-7799.

The proceeds will be used to support DAR's patriotic, historic, and educational endeavors, such as the Good Citizen Award given to ten deserving High School Seniors from the area who were chosen as Good Citizens by their classmates and teachers. At graduation in June, each will receive a check from the Aaron Guild Chapter. The Chapter also donates the magazine "American Spirit" to four public libraries in the area: Canton, Norwood, Westwood, and Walpole.

The Aaron Guild Chapter of the DAR is made up of members from the towns of Norwood, Westwood, Walpole, Canton, and Medfield, as well as other nearby communities. The Daughters of the American Revolution are a patriotic service organization, open to any woman over the age of 18, regardless of race, ethnic background, or creed, who can prove direct lineal descent from a soldier, sailor, or patriot rendering material aid to the American Revolution. The Aaron Guild Chapter welcomes new members. Those who are interested in joining can call Sunny O'Malley at the above phone number for more information.

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cause key pieces of hospital equipment had been repossessed, and not all the staff had been informed.

"They tried to help her, they tried to stop the bleeding, the supplies they needed were embolism coils," Termini said. "I'm not a nurse or a doctor but I know that these things could have helped stop the bleeding. The coils had been repossessed by the vendor because St. Elizabeth didn't have enough money to pay its bills. So this woman died because Steward was making a big profit. The director has a couple of really big yachts and my feeling is the money was going into the yachts and not into the basic supplies needed to keep this hospital functioning like it should be and like it wants to be."

GOOD DEEDS: Spring is here – The Community Preservation Act

Dear Friends of the Registry,

Registry Stakeholders, and Norfolk County Residents, Spring is here, and as many of us take this opportunity to enjoy the wonderful public spaces that the communities in Norfolk County have to offer, I wanted to take a moment and share with you some history and information about the Community Preservation Act that I think you might find interesting.

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) is the result of more than two decades of work to create legislation that would provide all 351 Massachusetts cities and towns with a tool to preserve their most unique

natural, community, and physical infrastructures in the face of rapid expansion and development.

The CPA allows cities and towns to establish a Community Preservation Fund to preserve open space, historic preservation, affordable housing, and outdoor recreation. Additionally, the CPA establishes a statewide Community Preservation Trust Fund, which the Department of Revenue (DOR) oversees and which contributes annually to municipalities that have ratified the CPA.

The Community Preservation Act was signed into law on September 14, 2000. Today,



Register of Deeds
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with the addition of Amesbury, MA and Shirley, MA in 2023 there are 196 Massachusetts communities that have adopted

this act. Of the 28 communities that make up Norfolk County, 19 communities have adopted the law since it was signed back in 2000. As of December 31, 2019, fees collected for the Community Preservation Act were increased to \$50.00 for most land documents recorded and \$25.00 for municipal lien certificates. The Registry of Deeds, at no additional cost to the Commonwealth or local communities, collects these revenues once a land document is recorded and forwards the monies to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue on a monthly basis. The funds forwarded to the Commonwealth

are then redistributed back to the communities that have adopted the Community Preservation Act.

The fees for the CPA are set by the State Legislature on land documents recorded here at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds. The following chart provides an illustration of some of the funds generated by the CPA in your community based on recorded real estate filings for that community during the 2023 calendar year.

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- Norwood \$147,225**
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The Norwood's Sportsmen's Association annual fishing derby is this weekend, Saturday, May 4 at 576 NICHOLS STREET, NORWOOD. TO BE HELD RAIN OR SHINE. The registration fee is \$2 and registration runs from 2-3pm. Fee includes a donut, hot dog, soda and chips.

The fishing derby begins at 3 and runs to 4:30 pm. Prizes awarded to all who enter. Ages: Up through 9 years beginner. 10 years up to 15 years Junior.

All entrants under 10 years must be accompanied by an adult. All entrants must provide personal fishing equipment, worms only, no live bat, casting or fly fishing. **"Good Luck"**

GARDEN CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL PLANT SALE

The Norwood Evening Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This year's sale will be held at Adams Farm, 999 North Street in Walpole, rain or shine.

Laura Lee, co-chair of the event said, "We're really excited we can proceed with the sale again this year. Due to upcoming renovations at Hawes Pool Park in Norwood, we were fortunate to be invited to hold this year's sale at Adams Farm in Walpole where we've maintained a vegetable garden for a number of years, donating what we grow to local food pantries."

Held the day before Mother's Day, the yearly sale is an excellent opportunity to purchase a gift for Mom as well as plants for your own garden. As in past years, perennials from member gardens will be offered at reasonable prices. A large variety of locally grown herbs, organic vegetables, and annuals – including geraniums, hanging baskets and patio pots –

will be offered. Canna roots and dahlia tubers will also be available. Mastercard and Visa are accepted.

Pre-orders are being accepted until May 4th. For a list of what's available or to download an order form, go to www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.com

Bring your questions to the sale, too. Many club members are also Massachusetts Master Gardeners who will be happy to answer your gardening questions.

Proceeds from the Plant Sale are used for the club's many civic beautification and education projects throughout Norwood and Walpole.

The Norwood Evening Garden Club has been providing education and public beautification in Norwood and Walpole since 1996. The Club, open to novice and expert gardeners, is a member of The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc., New England Garden Clubs, and National Garden Clubs, Inc. and draws its members from the communities of Norwood, Walpole, Westwood, Dedham, Medfield and Randolph. For information about the Norwood Evening Garden Club, call 781-769-3854 or visit www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.com

OPPV WORK DAYS COMING UP

The non-profit organization, Old Parish Preservation Volunteers (OPPV) will continue their spring work days on Saturday, May 4, from 8:30 to 10:30am at the Old Parish Cemetery, located off Washington Street near Railroad Avenue. Volunteers will clean grave markers, reset stones, and repair those that are broken. Spring, 2024 work days include: May 11, 18, and 25. Anyone interested in helping pre-

serve this important historic site can join the group working in the cemetery. The cemetery is open to the public during the time volunteers are working. For more information about OPPV, visit the web site: <http://www.oldparishpreservationvolunteers.com>

FREENATURE WALK AND TALK

Come join us at Adams Farm, 999 North Street in Walpole, for a FREE Nature Walk-and-Talk guided hike on Saturday, May 11. The rain date for the hike, if needed, will be on Sunday, the day after the scheduled walk. Sponsored by the Friends of Adams Farm, the Nature Walk-and-Talk series of four guided nature hikes will focus on birds, trees, insects and flowers at the Farm.

Those attending should wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle. Binoculars would also be good to bring along, especially for spotting the birds.

The hike begins at 9 a.m. and will be led by Brian Cassie, a local naturalist and author or co-author of sixteen nature books, including "The National Audubon Society Field Guide to New England". We'll meet Mr. Cassie at the information kiosk in the parking lot at Adams Farm before setting off on our walk which will be slow-paced and mostly on level paths. He may provide some door prize giveaways during the walk.

The Nature Walk-and-Talk hikes are free of charge and will last for an hour and a half. Dates for the remaining Walk-and-Talks are June 8, August 10 and September 14.

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 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).

MAY MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their monthly Ballroom Dance, on Friday, May 17th from 7-10 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by Dan Mackowiak & Friends and the cost is \$12.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea, desserts & water are served and there are also door prizes. We look forward to welcoming newcomers of all ages.

There is a Facebook page so you can check the status of events offered by the Friends: Friends Of The Norwood Council On Aging | Facebook

SPRING CONCERT COMING UP

Parkway Concert Orchestra presents a spring concert on Sunday, May 5 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 Outdoor Overture by Copland, music from Rosamunde by Schubert, and Grieg's Symphonic Dances. The program also features Scott Woolweaver, viola, in Andante and Hungarian Rondo by Carl Maria von Weber. Mr. Woolweaver's performance is supported by the Bill and Muriel Porter Memorial Fund.

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

WOMAN'S CLUB LUNCHEON COMING UP

The Norwood Woman's Club luncheon will be at Conrad's in Walpole on May 14, at 12:00. Lunch choices are steak tips, baked haddock, stuffed chicken breasts. Checks should be made out to Norwood Woman's Club for \$30. Please put lunch choice on check and mail to Pat Cavanaugh, at 42 Windsor Road, by May 6. Hope to see you there.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 21, at The Grange, 28 Rockwood Road (Route 115) in Norfolk, MA from 7-9 pm. Mask if you will.

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. For further information call Ray at 508-668-2941.



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