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Left: A lone trumpeter from the Hal McIntyre Orchestra warms up for a performance on the stage of the Norwood Theatre on Saturday. Right: Theatre owner Susan Lewis (right) has a quick visit with Tech Director Ed DiMarzio shortly before showtime. Below left: An excited crowd at the concession stand.

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Theatre has its big day - again

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Theatre came to life this weekend, ending a year of inactivity, uncertainty and then anticipation with regard to its future.

The much-anticipated re-opening of the historic Theatre kicked off with a private reception Friday night, followed by two public events over the weekend. New owner Susan Lewis said Saturday evening that Friday's opening event had been "well-attended," and that things appeared to be off to a

strong start for the Norwood Theatre.

Things were hectic for Lewis and the rest of the Theatre staff when the Norwood Record visited. Preparations were well underway for a Frank Sinatra tribute concert taking place Saturday night, the first event put on following the building's re-opening.

Throughout the building, staffers and volunteers hurried about, with logistical questions and answers flying back and forth like rapidly moving spotlights. Lighting Director Michael Teixeira made sure his

equipment was ready, while trumpet players Dennis Perricio and Jeff Hoyt warmed up and chatted onstage. And as busy as the day had kept her and her staff, Lewis expressed confidence in the operation as ushers prepared to open the Theatre's doors.

"The orchestra is ready to go on," Lewis said. "The crowd should be very pleased with tonight's performance."

Lewis noted that preparations for that evening's event were the product of much hard

Theatre

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iPads coming to St. Catherine's

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

A hot tech gizmo will be coming to a local Catholic school this fall, with students using it for study both in class and at home.

Starting this month, each student in grades six through eight will receive an iPad 2, according to Linda Canniff, Director of Admissions at St. Catherine of Siena School. The iPad 2 will become an integral part of the students' learning experience, and is expected to help make them better prepared for both high school and college. Canniff added that St. Catherine's will be the first middle school in the Archdiocese of Boston to use one-on-one iPads for all students.

Students will use the iPads for note-taking, reading assignments, organizing of their schedules, homework and in-class assignments. Canniff said the iPad will not totally replace textbooks just yet – some used by the School are not offered in electronic form – but that the idea might not be out of the realm of possibility for long.

“We can't do it instead [of textbooks] yet,” Canniff said. “But we're very close.”

St. Catherine's staff began looking into the iPad earlier this year, after learning that other Catholic schools were using it. Canniff said news coverage of this prompted them to contact Archbishop Williams High School in Braintree for more information. The idea was then pitched

to the school leadership at St. Catherine's, who did not take long to warm to it.

“We realized that it fit into the model of what we could do, what we needed, and the desire to do something innovative and excellent in the pursuit of being the best elementary school in the archdiocese,” said religion and history teacher Brian Delaney, who helped get the initiative off the ground.

St. Catherine's staffers have been training on the iPad 2, with Delaney and two others attending intensive Catholic Schools Foundation workshops at Boston College. The School plans to hold orientation meetings on its policies and expectations regarding the iPads before they are distributed.

Victim in fatal train accident identified

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The man killed in a train accident in Norwood last week has been identified as a 51-year-old Norwood resident, according to local police.

Norwood Police Department Spokesman Kevin Grasso identified the victim of last week's train accident as Stephen Forkin, age 51, of Norwood. Other details of the incident remained under investigation, Grasso said.

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) said last week that the

accident occurred along the Franklin/Forge Park commuter rail line on Thursday, August 30 at about 9:50 a.m. The MBTA initially said a medical emergency had been reported on that line, between the Islington and Norwood Depot stations.

The Norwood Police Department had previously said the accident was believed to have occurred near Upland Road, though Grasso said he

was not sure of the details. He said the direction Forkin was walking in at the time of the accident was also uncertain.

Grasso said the incident remained under investigation. In addition to the Norwood Police Department, the accident is also being investigated by the MBTA Transit Police and State Police officers assigned to the office of District Attorney Michael Morrissey.

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New Housing Committee member picked

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen held a joint meeting with the Housing Authority's governing committee Tuesday night, during which the two boards quickly and decisively picked a new member for the Housing Committee.

After interviewing candidates for the position, the two boards overwhelmingly voted in favor of picking John Hayes, who has a long record of service to the town. Only Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue did not vote in favor of appointing Hayes, casting a vote instead for Madeline Eysie. Selectman William Plasko, who has also served on the Housing Committee, abstained from the vote.

During his interview, Hayes said he had served the town for many years in a variety of positions, including a previous stint on the Housing Committee and many years as a Town Meeting member. He also noted that he had maintained an interest in following the Housing Committee's affairs, attending several meetings of theirs.

"None of the other people here ever showed up, except for Ms. Eysie today," Hayes said.

Hayes also noted that he



John Hayes

currently held a state-level appointment that he believed might create an ethical conflict with Housing Authority duties. He said the state Ethics Commission had informed him that this was not a problem, but that he intended to resign from the position if appointed to the Housing Committee.

Little deliberation was held on the appointment after the interviews were complete. All three Housing Committee members present voted in favor of Hayes' appointment. Selectman Paul Bishop, the last person to cast a vote, also cast his vote for Hayes, noting that it was obvious the Housing Committee wanted to appoint him.

In her interview, Eysie had

cited "dependability" as the main asset she would bring to the Housing Committee, adding that she had worked in orphanages in several third world countries.

In addition to Hayes and Eysie, the two boards also interviewed William Breen. Other candidates who had expressed interest in the position included Edmund Clark, Peter Wall and Brendan Bradley, though none of them were present when called to the table for interviews, with Clark showing up towards the end of the meeting.

Breen said he currently spent five hours a day painting and writing, and thus could easily find time for the responsibilities of the Housing Committee, whose clientele currently drew heavily from "the greatest generation," whom he had the pleasure of helping in the past via volunteer work in a Veterans Administration medical facility.

Hail to the Chief

The selectmen also heard a report from Police Chief William Brooks, who gave the Board statistics on recent arrests and other activities, as well as discussing the Police Department's recent foray into social media. Brooks added that he had been conducting one-on-one interviews with police personnel in order to get to know his department better, and had gleaned some useful advice in the process.

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OPINION

A CHANGE WE DON'T BELIEVE IN

Sometimes it is all too easy. The challenge of writing in this space is two-fold: we want to talk about what people are talking about; and we owe it to our readers to be fair, objective and open-minded, even if it means taking an unpopular stance.

Well, this week there is no question as to what folks are talking about in coffee shops and by water coolers. We also have no fear that their take is precisely the right one, an opinion we'd be hard-pressed to counter.

On Tuesday, U.S. District Judge Mark Wolf ruled that Michelle Kosilek, once known as Robert and an inmate serving a life sentence for the murder of his wife in 1990, was entitled to gender reassignment surgery on the taxpayer dime.

Kosilek, who has already undergone hormone therapy, has lived as a woman among male inmates. The judge's decision deemed that surgery for the transsexual constituted medically necessary health care, a claim that was the basis of ongoing lawsuits for 12 years. Withholding that surgery would violate Kosilek's Eighth Amendment rights and constitute cruel and unusual

punishment.

To use a football analogy, judges are akin to referees. When they make a call we agree with, they are smart and shrewd. When we disagree, they are blind, ignorant and of questionable character. Truth be told, many of the controversial cases judges have presided over would not seem so odd had critics been exposed to the days of testimony and piles of paperwork they must evaluate. Even the most black-and-white case is bound to have more nuances than an armchair lawyer might consider. Heck, the average tabloid reader even feels they are in an academic position to challenge Supreme Court decisions, lacking legal expertise that goes much beyond reruns of "Law & Order."

This is different though. We lament the fact that the transgendered have such a rough time in our society. Ignorance leads them to be marginalized and mocked. Anyone who knows such a person can attest that they do not deserve to be outcasts. Born in the wrong body, they deserve credit for the courage they must have for everyday life.

But Kosilek's case is different, even if those folks we just praised would disagree. The

concept is "crime and punishment," not crime and accommodation" or "crime and lodging." Kosilek killed an innocent woman, went to jail, and deserves to suffer. Sure that punishment should not be cruel, but neither should it be sugar-coated. After decades, there can be no argument that the condition was life-threatening or mind-shattering. Is life tough behind bars? Yes. It is supposed to be. That's where the "punishment" part comes in. When you take a life, you forfeit the opportunity to live the one you choose for yourself.

Oh yes, one more thing. Please refrain from the Democrat/Obama bashing. The judge here was a Ronald Regan appointee.

We won't let the Democrats off that easy, though, as not enough of them supported a past legislative proposal by Scott Brown to ban such a use of taxpayer dollars. That failed bill gets to the crux of the furor. In a time where so many of us struggle to afford basic healthcare for our families, it makes us sick to see a killer benefit from an expensive, exotic procedure.

Letters to the Editor

MAGIC HAPPENED

To the Editor:
 Every once in a while when the planets are aligned in the world of historic preservation, miracles happen.

Such is the case of the Norwood Theatre, when an Angel from Dover, Susan Lewis, came along who had the vision, the will and the capacity to completely restore the theatre to its original beauty and majesty.

In 1927, the intent of the theatre's original architect,

William G. Upham, was to create a home for the performing arts. Here it is these many years later and the theatre is coming to life again.

This weekend was the grand reopening of the Norwood Theatre. Susan's love and appreciation of music, dance, drama and film precipitated her desire to acquire the Norwood Theatre. By restoring and enhancing it, she has preserved it for generations to come and for that, we are truly grateful.

You will be pleased to learn the theatre is quite stunning. May the residents of the Town of Norwood and the surrounding communities enjoy the many great performances that surely will come our way.

Congratulations and best wishes to Susan Lewis on the opening of the beautiful Norwood Theatre. Thank you so much for an absolutely wonderful weekend.

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 Grateful thanks. —J.R.G.

Plasko trial delayed

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The trial of a former School Committee member accused of sexual assault has been delayed until next month.

William Plasko Jr. had been expected in Dedham District Court on August 31 for the beginning of his trial on charges of indecent assault and battery and breaking and entering in the nighttime to commit a felony. However, neither he nor his attorney were seen in Court that morning.

The start of Plasko Jr.'s trial has been re-scheduled for Tuesday, September 18. A District Court staffer said a continuance had been requested, but that they did not know who had made the request or why.

Plasko Jr. had previously

appeared in Court on July 10 for a pre-trial hearing, at which point the defense and prosecution said they had reached an agreement that would allow the trial to go forward. It was at that time that a bench trial date of August 30 was set.

Plasko Jr.'s attorney, Tom Orlandi, had questioned the prosecution's attempts to have fingerprints allegedly taken from the crime scene used as evidence against his client, saying he had not seen the fingerprints. At the request of Judge Mary Hogan Sullivan, a prosecutor agreed to have the fingerprints sent to Orlandi.

Orlandi told the Norwood Record at the time that he had spoken with the prosecution about the fingerprints, which had been found on a piece of plastic at the scene of the al-

leged assault. He said a definite match between the aforementioned fingerprints and Plasko Jr.'s could not be made.

Plasko Jr. was arrested in October of last year, after police were told that he had removed a screen from a house window, entered the home and sexually assaulted a woman living there. He pled not guilty to the charges in Dedham District Court that month.

Shortly thereafter, Plasko Jr. stepped down from his role as Chairman of the School Committee, but remained a member of that Committee. In January of this year, however, he announced that he was resigning from the School Committee altogether, saying he felt he could no longer devote the necessary time to the position as he began working on his legal defense.

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work, and not all of it on a paid basis. All who contributed, however, did so gladly, she said.

"Everyone put their 100 percent effort into the work they had," Lewis said. "They called family members and also their [friends] and everyone was into their jobs."

The Sinatra tribute concert held at the Norwood Theatre on Saturday night featured vocalist Steve Marvin, backed by the Hal McIntyre Orchestra. Tickets for the event were sold out by Wednesday of last week. On Sunday, the Theatre hosted a free screening of the classic 1964 movie "Mary Poppins."

Lewis, a Dover resident, bought the Norwood Theatre for \$925,000 in 2010, saying she planned to open it under the name it was given in 1927. Historical Commission member Judith Howard had previously said it was hoped that the Norwood Theatre would open on August 31, the same date on which it originally opened in 1927.

Lewis came before the Board of Selectmen in April requesting an entertainment license and a wine and malt beverage license for the Theatre. Both requests were approved unanimously, with the selectmen expressing considerable enthusiasm at the prospect of the Theatre being resurrected.

The Theatre had operated under the name of the Fiddlewood Theatre between 1996 and 2009, when it was owned by the Boston-based Fiddlewood Theatre Company. The company closed the Theatre in the spring of 2009, and has talked of moving its operations into Boston.

Norwood officials, meanwhile, have been excited about what they believe the Norwood Theatre will bring to the town. Superintendent of Schools James Hayden recently said he had spoken to the Theatre's management about using it to provide educational opportunities for students that previously would have required a trip to Boston or elsewhere.

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NORWOOD THEATRE

Everything looks fantastic as Susan Lewis has completed the incredible task of reconstructing the theatre as it was when it was first built. The magnificent marquis alone tells a story of the beauty and



Jackie Saber

grandeur of yesteryear. One of the indelible memories of the theatre is that of 'Jack Bitar.' He stood for approx. 20 years as the official greeter and receiver of tickets as one entered the foyer. His soft, kind voice is remembered by so many people. He greeted everyone as if they were special. He was so loved and appreciated, a beautiful artistic mural was hand painted on the entire lobby wall, as well as a reception in his honor. It is amazing to hear people today speak of their fond memories of Jack. Of course I am a bit prejudice, as Jack was my uncle. Good Luck, and thank you Susan!

ANTI AMERICANS?

Most of us live in this country with respect for other Americans regardless of color, ethnicity, gender, and religion. Isn't that the reason that the 'incredible idea' of an 'America' was created, and America is the only country in the world to do so? There are groups in our country that hate our freedoms, such as the 'Freedom from religion foundation.' The group has demanded that a cross that has stood in the parking lot of a Woonsocket, R.I. Fire Station for 91 years (with no complaints) be removed immediately. The cross honors hometown soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice in WWI and WWII. The group also wants

removed the picture of an angel, and the Firefighters Prayer from the WFD website.

The group claims the cross, angel, and prayer violate the First Amendment's freedom of religion clause. I guess they cannot accept that the first amendment states that Congress shall not 'establish' nor 'prohibit free exercise' of a religion. The sight of a standing cross, nor a photo of an angel, nor a written prayer does not establish a religion, but only the respect for which they are intended. Woonsocket Mayor Leo Fontaine has stated that the city will NOT remove the cross under any circumstances. Given the fact that Woonsocket is facing the possibility of bankruptcy, residents have raised (at last count) nearly \$20k for a defense fund if the group decides to file a lawsuit.

'FIREMANS PRAYER'

'When I am called to duty, God, wherever flames may rage, give me strength to save some life, whatever be its age. Help me embrace a little child before it is too late, or save an older person from the horror of that fate.

Enable me to be alert and hear the weakest shout, and quickly and efficiently to put the fire out. I want to fill my calling and to give the best in me, to guard my every neighbor and protect his property. And if according to my fate, I am to lose my life, please bless with your protecting hand my children and my wife'. Those of us who are members of firefighters' families certainly feel the depth of meaning in the beautiful prayer.

BYE GUYS, JS

"When a country loses control of its finances, it loses control of its destiny"

Condoleeza Rice



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Sports



Patricia Lee is one of four captains looking to help build off of last year's 10-3 record for the swim team. Lee, along with Eddie Hernon and Evelyn and Alexandra Metta, will be the captains.

COURTESY PHOTO

Swim team readies for 2012 after 10-3 season

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

If you knew anything about swimming and told anyone in Norwood who also knew about swimming that the high school team would go 10-3 last year and be one of the most dangerous "under the radar" squads in the state they probably would have looked at you quizzically.

But that was the case, and now that they have lost four seniors, everyone else is returning, which should be a scary proposition for a lot of teams.

"We have seven new swimmers/divers bringing our total to 32...Which is the largest team that I can recall for us," explained head coach Kim Goodwin.

The new divers include Kelly O'Rourke (soph) and Emerson Kearns (fresh), while some new swimmers are Danny Hernon, Shannon Carey, Ben Wong (all fresh), Rebecca Maturo (soph) and Nick Gaetani (Jr.).

The captains will be Eddie Hernon, Evelyn and Alexandra Metta and Patricia Lee. Like most of the teams in Norwood this year, leadership will be a key component in any potential success this season.

Goodwin understands that,

and explained why she thought her team should be as productive as last year because of it. She also continued to acknowledge the fact that team problems before are now becoming solutions.

"Our strength is fast becoming our depth and our diving, which were both weaknesses just a few short years ago," she said.

"Lots of technique training has paid off and we should continue to bring down times each meet. I have plenty of confidence that our captains will lead the way as they are each top swimmers for their strokes. We have a very strong junior class led by Jimmy

Conley, Marguerite Lee, and Anthony Rodriguez. Sophomore Charlotte Rivard is a tough, versatile competitor," she added.

Goodwin also spoke about some of the help the squad will be gaining on the staff.

"Also, we have a new assistant coach, Christine Chang," she explained. "All the coaches are very excited about the upcoming season, we will continue to have high expectations and I know we will have another successful season," added a confident Goodwin.

The team's first meet will be against Westwood HS on September 7th.



Eveleyn Metta will be one of 32 swimmers on this year's team, the highest total coach Kim Goodwin can recall.

COURTESY PHOTO

Football looks to continue success

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

It's been nine years since Norwood has seen its football team in the MIAA playoffs.

Last year seemed to be its best chance in recent memory, but things didn't quite work out for the Mustangs. Now, head coach John Sarianidies, after losing the likes of star quarterback Tom Munro (he is now fourth on the depth chart at Bentley University) will have to reload and begin the quest again. Here's a different kind of breakdown of how the 2012 Norwood gridiron gang should look.

League: Bay State Conference

Last Year's Record: 7-4

Last Playoff Appearance: 2003

Captains: Pat Foley, Jon Civiattonne, Shaun Callahan, John Nardelli

Returning Starters: (Name, Position)

Pat Foley: FB/LB, Jon Ciavattone: OT/DE, Shaun Callahan: WR/SS, Lonnie Garrison: FB/DE, Dan DiTommaso: OG/DT

Other Players to Watch: (Name, Position, Height/Weight and YOG)

TJ George: WR/CB 5-11 170 SR, John Nardelli: QB/SS

5-9 160 SR, Ryan Igoe: RB/SS 5-5 140 SR, Brad McIssac: WR/DE 6-3 185, Marvin Besley: WR/CB 5-11 165 SR, Felipe Souza: OT/NT 6-2 290 SR, Jason Matovu: RB/SS 5-11 155 SR, Tyler Gover: RB/SS 5-7 160 SR, Ryan Marchant: OC/DT 6-1 250 SR, Matt Ivory: OG/ILB 5-10 200 SR, Ryan Greeley: WR/SS 5-10 170 SR, Emmett McNamera: RB/ILB 5-11 180 SR, Jake Ryan: RB/FS 5-11 180 JR, Joey Rydzewski: TE/DE 6-3 195 JR, Mike Doliner: FB/ILB 5-10 185 JR, Nmandi Izeko: OT/DE 6-3 245 JR.

Team Strengths: "We have a strong senior class. We're fairly deep at some of the skill position groups and most importantly we have veterans along the offensive and defensive line."

Team Weaknesses: "Our weaknesses are also some of our strengths. While we have some experience at some skill positions, we're missing experience at some of the skill positions."

Coaches Quote: "We have a good senior class and we're going to be leaning on them to lead our football team in 2012. As always, our goal is to com-

Football

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Field Hockey hopes to make tourney

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Norwood's field hockey coach Allison Parks had a .500 team last year that made the tournament, but in Norwood, tournament berths are becoming the expected norm and not just a pleasant surprise at this point.

Despite losing some key players to graduation, this year's squad should be back in the hunt for a tournament berth and a Bay State Conference title. Here's a capsule look of what the upcoming season should bring for the lady Mustangs.

League: Bay State Conference Last Year's Record: 7-7 Last Playoff Appearance: 2011 Captains: Lauren Harrington, Allison Ryan & Liz Whitney

Returning Starters: (Name, Position, YOG) - Allison Ryan (Forward, Senior) Lauren

Harrington (Mid/Back, Senior), Samantha Hayes (Forward/Mid, Soph), Courtney Fernandes (Goalie, Sr), Kayla Garczynski (Mid, Sr.)

Other Players to Watch: (Name, Position, and YOG), Jackie Bussiere (Back, Senior), Samantha McCracken (Back, Senior), Erin Metayer (Mid, Sr.), Kayla Keady (Back, Sr.), Liz Whitney (Back, Sr), Jenny Rossman (Back, Sr), Sarah French (Back, Sr), Liz Epstein (Mid/Back, Sr), Brianne King (For, Sr), Sheila Carroll (Mid/Back, Jr.)

Team Strengths: "I think our middle of the field is where our strengths are. The middle will be where we look to help transition our team. We also should be strong in goalie, with a veteran starting goaltender, so she

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Seniors on the Field Hockey team hope they can continue their success, improving upon last season's .500 record.

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should provide us with stability in goal and help lead the defense.”

Team Weaknesses: “One area where we are going to need some players to step up is on the forward line, we lost a good group of forwards from last years team and will need to really focus on our ability to create scoring opportunities and execute them if we want to

compete and get back to the state tournament.”

Coaches thought (on expectations): “We lost a great number of solid players from last years team to graduation but do return a solid core of returning varsity players. I believe with this core group and some of the younger players having more significant roles this year, we once again

should be competing for a tournament spot. The Bay State League is always very competitive so it will be important for us to focus and understand the importance of bringing our “A” game each and every game.”

The lady Mustangs opened both the season and League play Wednesday September 5th versus Milton (away).

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pete for the Bay State Herget title and a playoff spot. We feel we have the pieces in place to be in the hunt. We really challenged ourselves with our scrimmages so we’ll see where we stand by the first weekend

in October. As a staff, we really like our team.”

Opening Game: @ Needham Friday September 7th 7:00 pm.

League Opener: @ Natick Friday September 14th 7:00 pm.

NBA Tryout Schedule

The Norwood Basketball Association will be holding tryouts for its travel basketball teams starting Tuesday, Sept. 25. All tryouts will be held at the Savage Center, and players must be registered for intramural basketball prior to their first tryout.

To register for intramurals, and for updated tryout times, go to www.norwoodbasketball.com. It is strongly recommended that players attend both tryout sessions. All players selected for a travel team will pay their travel fee on uniform handout night. For more information, go to www.norwoodbasketball.com.

Tryouts are as follows:

Grade 4 boys: Thursday, Sept. 27, 5:30-7 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 3, 5:30-7 p.m.

Grade 5 boys: Monday, Oct. 1, 5:30-7 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 4, 5:30-7 p.m.

Grade 6 boys: Wednesday, Sept. 26 and Friday, Oct. 5, 5:30-7 p.m.

Grade 7 boys: Wednesday, Sept. 26 and Wednesday, Oct. 3 7-8:30 p.m.

Grade 8 boys: Monday, Oct. 1 and Friday, Oct. 5, 7-8:30 p.m.

Grade 4-5 girls: Tuesday, Sept. 25 and Tuesday, Oct. 2, 5:30-7 p.m.

Grade 6 girls: Thursday, Sept. 27, 7-8:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 2, 7-8:30 p.m.

Grade 7-8 girls: Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7-8:30 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 4 7-8:30 p.m.

Grade 3 boys: TBD Nov. / Dec. Grade 3 girls: TBD Nov. / Dec.

SEWING WORKSHOPS AT THE LIBRARY

Learn to mend, alter, and repurpose clothing and other household fabrics at a series of “sewstainability” workshops held at the Morrill Memorial Library from Sept. to Nov. These free classes are sponsored by the organization Together Yes. Beginners are welcome and sewing machines will be provided. Registration is required. Basic Sewing

Techniques (Saturday, Sept. 8, 9-10:30 a.m.) Learn the basics of operating a sewing machine. Participants will complete one project to take home. Repurposing Fabric (Monday, Sept. 24, 7-8:30 p.m.) Accomplish magic with old clothing and

household fabrics. Mending and Hand Sewing (Monday, Oct. 15, 7-8:30 p.m.). Lots of suggestions and techniques will be provided. Quilting and Embellishing (Wednesday, Nov. 7, 7-8:30 p.m.) This is almost an art form! Workshops are facilitated by Sew Easy of Norwood and assisted by local experienced seamstresses. For more information please email sustain@tgyes.org, stop by the library Reference Desk, or call 781-769-0200, x110. Classes are limited to 15-17 participants. The library is accessible to the physically challenged.

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FILM “FOOD, INC.” SHOWN AT LIBRARY

Come to a free screening and discussion of the award-winning film Food, Inc., presented by the organization Together Yes, at the Morrill Memorial Library on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. Nominated for an Academy Award for best documentary, Food, Inc. exposes how our nation’s food supply is now controlled by a handful of corporations that often put profit ahead of consumer health, the livelihood of the American farmer, and the safety of workers and the environment. Called one of the year’s most important films by the San Francisco Examiner, this must-see movie reveals surprising and often shocking truths about what we eat and how it is produced. Please sign up at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. The library is accessible to the physically challenged.

AUTHOR OF OFF THE WALL MARKETING IDEAS TO SPEAK AT LIBRARY

Come hear local author Debbi Kickham talk about her book, Off the Wall Marketing Ideas: Jumpstart Your Sales without Busting Your Budget, at the Morrill Memorial Library on Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m. This former Boston Globe

bestseller tells you what they don’t teach at Harvard Business School. Debbi Kickham will share some marketing and public relations success stories, many from small businesses that started out with more creativity than cash. Ms. Kickham owns Maxima Marketing in Westwood where she masterminds marketing strategies for a number of clients. Copies of Off the Wall Marketing Ideas will be available for purchase after the program. Please sign up at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. The library is accessible to the physically challenged.

MORRILL MEMORIAL LIBRARY TUTORS NEEDED

Morrill Memorial Library will sponsor a training program for Literacy Volunteer Tutors beginning Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 7p.m. The training will incorporate the methods and materials developed by Literacy Volunteers Of Massachusetts to teach English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL). The workshop concentrates on teaching conversational skills, as well as reading and writing, to adults whose native language is not English. Topics covered will also include inter-cultural communication, survival skills, lesson planning and goal setting. Volunteers are asked to make a commitment of tutoring an adult learner two hours a week for at least a year. Neither prior teaching experience nor knowledge of another language is required. However, volunteers must have a high school diploma or equivalent and must register for the workshop. Please call 781-769-4599 for registration or further information.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S SOCIAL

The social will take place on Sept. 27 at 12:30 p.m. at the Old Colonial Café, 171 Nathatan St. Norwood. All former members and guest are welcome. Tickets are \$30.00 and checks may be made payable to Norwood Catholic Club and mailed to Ann White Scoble, 312C Bahama Drive, Norwood, MA 02062. The deadline for purchasing tickets is Sept. 24. For further information please call Ann White Scoble (781) 762-6487. or Dolly Parker at (781) 255-0228.

HEARING SOLUTIONS HEALTHY BREAKFAST SERIES

Beth Levine M.S., CCC-A, F-AAA of Hearing Solutions in Norwood will present "What You Need to Know About Hearing Health and How Your Audiologist Can Help" on Thursday, Sept. 13, at 10:00am as part of the Healthy Breakfast Series at Victoria Haven Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Center located at 137 Nichols Street, Norwood. Join the discussion about misconceptions about hearing loss and treatment: evaluating hearing loss, types of hearing loss that is untreatable, and if hearing aids are a sign of old age. A continental breakfast will be provided. This event is free and open to the public. Parking is available. For questions or more information, please call Kimberly at 781-762-0858 or email kciardi@rehabassociates.com.

THRIFT SHOP HOURS

The Norwood Committee Thrift Shop has resumed its regular hours. The shop located at 1194 Washington Street is open for business on Wednesdays 6:00-8:00pm, Thursdays 9:30am-3:00pm & Saturdays 9:30am-12:30pm. On Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00am the shop is open for donations only. Please visit us on Facebook at WCC Thrift Shop for our weekly sales.

NHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee will induct a new class of eight on Sunday Sept. 30, in the "new" Norwood High School at 245 Nichols Street. The event will start at 11:00 a.m. reception with refreshments followed by the induction ceremony from noon to 2:00. The 2012 inductees are: Fran Harrington '45, John Cieri '53, Tom Shea '68, Rick Kief '77, Bill Brigham '88, Kristin Cieri '88, Khalid Riley '94 and Orlando A. Scafati 1946 - 1970. Tickets are \$10 per person and must be purchased in advance by calling Nora Glynn 781 551 8585.

LIONS CLUB AT NORWOOD DAY

The Lions Club will be making a return appearance at Norwood Day. On Sept. 15, again hosting the Lions Eyemobile. Inside the RV, the public will be able to have their vision, hearing and blood pressure tested. This service is free of charge. The Eyemobile will be located on Central St., across from the theater.

Club members will be available to answer questions about the many services that Lions Clubs International, and especially the Norwood club, are available to provide.

The Lions Club in Norwood has been working for the prevention and treatment for blindness for 69 years. Residents and business persons in Norwood and Dedham are encouraged to contact Lion Maurice Weiner at 781-762-6052 for more information on the Club. Find us online at www.norwoodmalions.com.

CASEY'S 5K FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK

On Saturday, Sept. 29 at 10 a.m. at St Timothy's Church, 650 Nichols St., Norwood. Entry fee (pre and post) \$20.00. Tee shirts to the first 100 registered runners. Awards to the first 3 overall male and female finishers. Computerized timing, water stops and post race food. All proceeds to benefit the Casey Marsh Fund. For more information please contact Kevin Sweeney at 781-769-6247 or Jim Henry at 781-255-9609.

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA SCHOOL 20TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Monday, Sept. 17, at Brook Meadow Country Club. For more information please visit www.scsnorwood.com or call Paula Curley at 781-769-5354 ext 262 or email pcurley@scsnorwood.com Sponsorships are still available.

LEARN TO SKATE BY FUN & GAMES

Norwood Youth Hockey's Learn to Skate program is the first step for aspiring hockey players, or those that simply want to learn how to skate. The program is designed for first time skaters, as well as those with some skating skills, for ages 4 and up. While it is a large group setting, players are divided into smaller groups by ability, where coaches cater the program to the skill level of the group. This program uses fun interactive traditional playground games to teach balance, weight shift, and hand eye coordination while building basic skating skills. For the 2012-2013 season we will be offering 3 sessions of LTS: Session 1 will be a 6-week program starting on Saturday Sept. 22. LTS 1 will meet each Saturday from 3:00-

3:50 p.m. Please be prepared to have your child on the ice promptly at 2:45 PM. The tuition for LTS 1 is \$55.00. Session 2 will be a 10-week program starting on Saturday Nov. 3, 2012. LTS 2 will meet each Saturday from 1:00 - 1:50 p.m. The tuition for LTS 2 is \$95.00. Session 3 will be a 10-week program.

"HIRING OUR HEROES" JOB FAIR

Join us Sept. 12, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for a "Hiring Our Heroes" job fair for veteran job seekers, active duty military, members of the National Guard and reserve components, and military spouses. This will be a FREE hiring fair for both employers and job seekers, and will take place at American Legion Post #18, 155 Eastern Avenue, Dedham. If you have any questions or for more information, please email emunoz@uschamber.com or hiringourheroes@uschamber.com or contact the Neponset Valley Chamber at 781.769.1126.

MOMS CLUB OF NORWOOD IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Are you a mom who works part-time or is a stay at home mom? Are you looking to meet new people? You are in luck because The Moms Club of Norwood is seeking new members. We do lots of fun family activities every week and once a month we find time to hangout for a mom's night out! The cost is \$25 per year. If you or anyone you know is looking to meet new moms/children then please contact Angela MacLean momsclubofnorwood@yahoo.com and I will email you an application.

DIAMOND CLUB FALL BALL REGISTRATION

The Norwood Diamond Club is sponsoring Fall Baseball for "Babe Ruth" age boys who played Babe Ruth this past season or will be eligible to play next spring (players born between 5/1/96-4/30/00). The league is looking for both players and coaches. Each team will play 12 games over 6 weekends beginning in Sept. There is an end of the year cook-out. The cost is \$125 per player. Registration forms are available at the Civic, or contact Ed Hickey 617-759-3472, Tracey Black 781-762-9931, or Bill or Bill Marchant 781-762-5411.

FOXWOODS STRIP

On Sept. 17th. Those interested should call Fran Macaulay at 781-686-4346 for information. The cost will be \$24.00 per person. The trip leaves from the Norwood Elks. The proceeds will benefit the Norwood American Legion Baseball.

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Brooks noted that the Police Department's use of Facebook and Twitter had resulted in Police making contact with the family of a man killed in a train accident last week. He said one of the Norwood Police Department's Twitter followers turned out to be the nephew of the victim, and had reached out to police as a result of a tweet regarding the incident.

Town Meeting tentatively scheduled

The selectmen also voted unanimously to set a November 15 date for a special town meeting, with the motion to do so being made by Plasko and seconded by Bishop. Plasko had previously said he wanted

the Board to consider scheduling a special town meeting as soon as possible, so that addi-

tional funds for the Fire Department and other budgetary needs could be addressed.

NORWOOD PHYSICAL THERAPY

ACL INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM

Norwood Physical Therapy is offering a 4 week ACL Injury Prevention Program this summer, designed to get athletes in shape for their respective sports and ensure a healthy season on the playing field.

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CHURCH NEWS

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FALL WORSHIP

On Sunday, Sept. 9, fall worship services at the First Congregational Church in Norwood will begin. The service, led by Rev. Dr. John Hamilton, starts at 10 am and will feature the blessing of the backpacks. This is a fall tradition at the church, commemorating the start of the school year. Children in the congregation are invited to bring their school backpacks to the worship service for a special blessing. We'll also be blessing purses, briefcases, toolboxes, tote bags, messenger bags, or whatever adults carry in their daily life in the world!

Visitors are always welcome at the First Congregational Church, located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. Church school classes for preschool-aged children through those in grade 8 are offered during the Sunday morning worship service which begins at 10 am. Nursery care for the very young is also provided. Immediately following the wor-

ship service, a fellowship hour is held in Pingree Hall. Rev. Dr. John Hamilton and Rev. Lisa Rizoli glad to extend pastoral support. For more information, please call the church office at (781)762-3320.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

There is a lot going on at Grace Episcopal Church on Sunday, Sept. 9 when worship services return to their normal times of 8am and 10am.

Returning to school? During the 10am service, all students from pre-school to graduate level, teacher or administrator, are encouraged to bring their backpacks, briefcases or book bags to church. There will be a special blessing for all students and others returning to school - a reminder that you carry God with you, everywhere you go.

After the 10a.m. service, Sunday School registration will take place in the church hall during the fellowship hour. Meet your child's Sunday School teacher for the coming year. Classes begin on Sept. 16. At Grace Church, the Sunday School curriculum for children ages 3 through fifth grade is Godly Play. Sixth graders through senior high are part of the youth group. Those under age 3 are welcome in the nursery during the 10a.m. service. There is also a "children's corner" in the church with toys, books and a rocking chair for parents who prefer to worship with their babies and toddlers.

And beginning this month, the Grace Church Children's Chapel will be used for a special monthly children's service for the Sunday School students. The children's service will be geared toward teaching the children all parts of a worship service. In addition, the children will have the opportunity to learn and participate in the lay ministries that are an integral part of each worship service - such as acolytes, ushers and readers.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORWOOD FALL SCHEDULE

First Baptist Church of Norwood will return to its regular schedule of Worship Services at 10:30 a.m. in the main sanctuary as of Sunday, Sept. 9. Sunday school registration for classes from nursery to senior high school will resume on Sunday, Sept. 16. Classrooms in the main church have undergone renovations. The nursery and elementary classes will

meet in the new rooms. The older classes will meet in the Parish House. All students attend the first part of the worship service before going to classes. There will be a barbeque for all in attendance on Sunday, Sept. 16th following the Worship Service and Sunday school classes.

The church welcomes Enrique Newman as the new Youth Pastor. He will be teaching the older children in Sunday School and will help to expand the youth program at First Baptist. Enrique has served as Youth Pastor in Florida and Honduras. He is currently the Assistant Director of Iglesias Comunidad de Amor Internacional which is also known as "Mission Honduras."

The Senior Choir will resume rehearsals on Tuesdays at 1:30 PM in the Parish House starting on Sept. 4. Singers for all parts will be welcome to join. The director is Ann Fleck and she may be contacted at 508-668-4236.

On Tuesday evening, Sept. 11, Jews for Jesus missionaries Oded and Bimini Cohen will present Jesus in the Feast of Tabernacles. The Cohens have been serving in Israel for the past year and a half. The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. and last for under an hour. There will be a Pot Luck Supper starting at 6 p.m. Anyone wishing to attend the supper should call the church at 781-762-1633 by Wednesday, Sept. 5 to make reservations and specify what "dish" you will be bringing to share.

The weekly Bible Study meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. This year, the group will be studying the Parables of Jesus. The Study Group will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 18. Anyone interested may call Ruth at 781-769-0425 for more information.

The Anglican Church of the Redeemer and First Baptist Church will be co-sponsoring the AWANA Club Program again this year. AWANA Club is for children Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade. This will take place on Sunday afternoons, starting September 23, in the Parish Hall from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Registrations will be on Sunday, at 3:00 PM. This is a wonderful program for young children, well supervised by participants from both churches and parents.

The First Baptist Church, located at 71 Bond Street, Norwood, is one which welcomes all with the love of the Lord. Rev. Norman Bronson is the pastor. For further information, call the church office on Tuesday or Wednesday at 781-762-1633 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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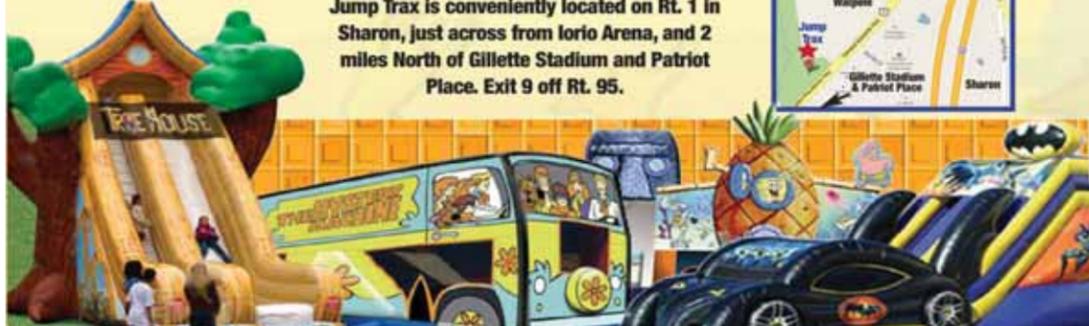
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DEATHS

BRADLEY
 Warren R. Retired BPD and co-founder of BPPA, of Norwood, on Sept. 3. Navy Veteran World War II. Beloved husband of the late Viola V. (Chaganis). Father of Raymond R. & his wife Linda of Canton, Mary Grimes & her husband Mark of Mansfield, Ann Pircio & her husband Paul of Brockton, Arlene Bradley of Norwood & Rena Sexton & her husband John of Bellingham. Also survived by 8 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Dockray & Thomas Funeral Home Canton. Interment Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. Donations may be made in his memory to the Boston Police Relief Assn 1249 Hyde Park Ave, Hyde Park, MA 02136.

CORNELIA
 Bernard S., 92, of Norwood, on Aug. 27. Beloved husband of the late Pauline A. (Angelo) Cornelia. Devoted father of James Cornelia of Milford and the late Bernard Cornelia. Also brother of many late brothers and sisters. Grandfather of 4 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

LAWRIE
 Leonard D. of Norwood, on Aug. 30. Army Veteran World War II. Beloved husband of Doris M. (Doody). Father of Linda Braunstein of Quincy, Jeanne Kling of Halifax & Catherine Lawrie of Walpole. Step-father of John Porter of CT, James Porter of Wrentham, Mary Ellen Akins of Medway & Anne Marie Jenks of Walpole. Also survived by 19 grandchildren & 2 great grandchildren. He was predeceased by 3 brothers John, Robert & Charles Lawrie and a grandson Mark Christopher Pfeil. Funeral arrangements by the Dockray & Thomas Funeral Home, Canton. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Canton. Donations may be made in his memory

to the National Kidney Foundation 85 Astor Ave Suite 2, Norwood, MA 02062.

MAHONEY
 Donald J., 83, of Norwood died on Aug. 28. Korean Conflict US Army Veteran. Norwood Retired Men's Club, Norwood American Legion, Norwood KofC and the Norwood Irish Music Club. Beloved husband of Annette J. (Ciriello) Mahoney. Brother-In-Law of Kenneth and Lois Webster of NH., Ann and Sidney Tratenberg of Westwood and Joseph and Judy Ciriello of FL. Cousin of Dr. Judy Post of FL. Uncle of Paula and Lt. Col. Pete Sennett of NH. And Kenneth Webster III of NH. Also survived by several great nephews and many late brothers and sisters. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood with Military Honors. Donations may be made in his name to St. Timothy's Church 650 Nichols St. Norwood, MA. 02062.

SCHRAMM
 George Frederick, 85, of Norwood, on Aug. 26. World War II US Army Veteran. Late member of Local #103 Electrician's Union. Beloved husband of the late Barbara Ann (MacPhail) Schramm. Devoted father of George Frederick Schramm Jr. and his wife Irene M. of Attleboro, Susan Marie Schramm of Foxboro and Paula Jean Stevens and her husband James of Plainville. Cherished grandfather of Gregory, Daniel, Kevin, Jeffrey and Amanda. Brother of the late Ruth Musto. Brother In Law and lifelong friend of Ruth's Husband John "Jiggy" Musto of Norwood. Son of the late Herman F. and Edna (Miller) Schramm. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial with military honors at the Massachusetts National Cemetery Bourne, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the American Cancer Society 30 Speen St. Framingham, MA. 01701.

SPELLMAN
 Arthur E., 81, of Norwood, on Sept. 2. Korean Conflict Army Veteran. Beloved husband of Anne J. (Menno) Spellman. Devoted father of Donna M. Lalos & husband Sam of Wrentham & the late Debra Spellman. Also survived by 2 grandchildren Nicholas & Christopher Lalos. Loving son of the late Frederick K. & Maryanne (Richards) Spellman. Brother of Fred Spellman of Framingham, Joanne, Patty & Marion all of CA. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery, West Roxbury with full military honors. In lieu of flowers please make donations in his name to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney St., Boston, MA 02215.

VAILLENCOURT
 Evelyn A. (Doherty) of Norwood, formerly of Hyde Park, on Aug. 26. Mrs. Vaillencourt was a longtime volunteer at the Norwood Senior Center. Beloved wife of the late Ernest Vaillencourt; loving mother of Stephen Vaillencourt and his wife Ann Marie of Land O' Lakes, FL, Donna LeRoy and her husband John of Braintree, and Robert Vaillencourt and his wife Donna of Sandwich; cherished grandmother of Kellie Oliveira of S. Yarmouth, Ryan Vaillencourt of Centerville, and Leanne Vaillencourt of Sandwich; proud great-grandmother of Brycen Oliveira and Grace Vaillencourt; loving aunt of Patricia Whittemore of Braintree and Joanne Snow of Amherst, NH. She was predeceased by her parents, Stephen and Agnes (English) Doherty and her sister Mildred Benuses. Interment will follow the Mass in Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham. Memorial contributions in memory of Evelyn A. Vaillencourt may be made to Visiting Nurses Association, 175 Highland Avenue, Needham, MA 02494. Arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

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TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **ROOM 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **September 25, 2012 at 7:30 PM** on the request of **Norwood Commerce Center (Case # 12-32)** with respect to property located on **61 Endicott Street**, in a **M-Manufacturing District**.

The application requests:

This application request a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under the Section 3.1.5 (D)(4) of the zoning Bylaws to allow: periodic retail sales of goods within existing building for several tenants at the Norwood Commerce Center, total square footage not exceed 15,000 square feet. And, any other relief that the Board may deem necessary and appropriate.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed Monday – Thursday between 8:30 AM to 3 PM.

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