



Spectators at last year's annual Fourth of July Parade, which dazzled residents and tourists alike in the Town of Norwood.

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Tradition and fun for the Fourth of July

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

This Wednesday, July 4, the Town of Norwood hosts a full Independence Day of events and activities beginning in the early afternoon and continuing into the early evening.

From the Children's Parade at 1 p.m., to Old Parish Cemetery tours offered from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., to the hour long Carillon Concert at 3 p.m., to the Firecracker 5K going off at 5 p.m., to the 5:30 p.m. fire truck/classic car procession and military reenactment, followed by the Parade Spectacular, the afternoon's offerings promise a variety of entertainment.

These events – with the exception of the Old Parish Cemetery

tours and the Carillon Concert – are coordinated by the Town's Fourth of July Committee, whose core group consists of 8-10 volunteers, almost all of whom have been members for many years.

At the Selectmen's meeting held on June 26, members of the Committee went before the Board to update it on this year's event, themed "Remember Why It's the Fourth of July".

At the table were longtime Committee members Marie Henry and Mary Cantarow (responsible for the Children's Parade), and Jim Henry (responsible for the 5K). Longest serving member (at close to 40 years) Martha Colamaria was unable to attend.

Sitting at the center seat at the table was Assistant Town Manager Bernie

Cooper, who spoke briefly to the Board and – later in the week – took a break from his regular job duties to speak in more detail with the Record about the event, the Committee, and the tradition that it is trying to keep alive.

There are well over 10 performing units scheduled to participate in this year's parade and the mix of styles is an eclectic one.

Local favorites such as the Colonial Boys and the Colonial Pipers will be returning, as will the Titans and the Ambassadors, both of which hail from Canada.

"Traditionally, we've had a couple of units come down from Quebec," Cooper explained. "We

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PBCC member Steve O'Connor and architect Mike Nee (of Gienapp Design) during the PBCC's June 21 meeting. Although Nee's update on St. Gabriel's Chapel took over an hour and a half, it was the last part of it – featuring animated discussion regarding the Town Hall renovation – that was most memorable.

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PBCC slams funds freeze

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC) met on Thursday, June 21 at Town Hall for a session that stretched over two hours. Francis Hopcroft was absent.

The most time consuming items on the agenda had to do with the St. Gabriel's Chapel project, and Michael Nee – of Gienapp Design, the architecture firm handling the design aspect of the restoration – was there for all of it, going before the Committee for over an hour and a half to review details of the window portion of the restoration, as well as the other aspects of the project.

However, it was the last segment of the meeting – when the PBCC discussed the Town Hall renovation project – that proved to be most noteworthy.

PBCC

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No override recommendation for Forbes Hill

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Forbes Hill Task Force met on June 21 in the community room of the Police/Fire Station for about two hours and featured a discussion with Town Manager Tony Mazzucco regarding overrides and some previously tabled items.

The main portion of the meeting was spent on a discussion regarding the possibility of putting debt exclusion and operational override questions on the ballot for the statewide Novem-

ber election, in order to fund the debt service and maintenance of the Forbes Hill property, should it still be Town property at the beginning of FY21, when its debt service is scheduled to increase.

Mazzucco went before the Task Force to go over the financial details of this strategy. As an estimate in his presentation, he used the \$1.3 million that would entail the combined annual cost of debt service and property maintenance, once principal payments begin in

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Possible resident reaction to operational override suggestion in support of Forbes Mansion property.

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At the center of this was the decision made by Town Manager Tony Mazzucco – at the June 12 Board of Selectmen’s meeting – to direct the Finance Office to stop incurring further costs on the Town Hall project, which is in the MEP (mechanical, electrical, and plumbing) study stage.

Town Meeting had appropriated \$900,000 for the project, but Mazzucco – referring to the PBCC’s June 7 meeting (during which project designers and engineers made conceptual presentations on renovation options, and which Mazzucco did not attend) – expressed his concern to the Selectmen that the PBCC had been discussing renovations estimated at \$5 million.

Mazzucco also estimated to the Selectmen the amount spent on the project to be over \$100,000. Though he qualified that statement with an acknowledgment that he could be wrong on that, he also cited \$14,000 spent on a space needs study for Town Hall.

The Board backed Mazzucco and funding for the project was put on hold until further discussion could be held among the Selectmen as a Board and between them and the PBCC.

Chairman Robert Silk opened the discussion by informing the Committee that he and Ted Callahan had met with Mazzucco as a result of his decision.

Callahan – referring to the contract’s guidelines, which he had clipped to a copy of the Selectmen’s article taken from the June 14 edition of the Record – said that he told the Town Manager that the PBCC would need to vote on whether or not to stop the work, and that – if it voted to do so – it would need to

send the architect (McGinley Kalsow & Associates, Inc.) a seven day notice, “and that’s how it’s supposed to be done.”

Callahan added that – in his opinion – “that process – which is clearly laid out in the contract – was not followed.”

He also shared his impression – while not going into details – of his meeting with Mazzucco.

“I can tell you right now that the Manager has no intent at starting up this project again.”

Addressing Mazzucco’s \$5 million project estimate, his \$100,000 estimation of money already spent, and the \$14,000 figure he gave for the space needs study, the Committee tallied costs.

As of the June 12 Selectmen’s meeting, MK & A had been paid a total of \$20,896.88, with an invoice in the amount of \$25,230.39 (with \$1,144 for space planning) slated for PBCC approval.

Chris Eberly – speaking of the Norwood Community Media video of the meeting, which he and other PBCC members had viewed after reading about it – became more irritated as he described the Selectmen’s congratulations to Mazzucco for the way he had handled the situation.

“And all of this was done with zero communication with this Committee, or any of its members.”

Callahan went on to read from the PBCC Charter that the General Manager is considered an ex officio member without a vote in general government projects. “Not only does he not have a vote,” Callahan followed, “but he unilaterally went down and shut down the project.”

Eberly went over the contract decision making process that had been gone through at a March 14 PBCC meeting in which both Mazzucco and Selectmen Chair William Plasko were active participants, stated one of his main problems with the halt in funding:

“What irks me more than anything else about this is that he complained about \$14,000, but we are receiving bills for services for which we will never see the deliverable on, that probably total more than \$14,000 because he decided to stop them without reaching a milestone in the contract. So we are entitled by the contract to pay them for the services they have performed.”

Responding to Callahan’s insistence that all outstanding bills be paid, Eberly responded, “We will be paying that bill because, otherwise, Wendall (Kalsow) probably has standing to sue for that money.”

“That’s what I’m telling you,” Callahan shot back. “It’s a breach of contract. A plain breach of contract and possible law suit.”

“And on top of all that, we are not receiving any results from that money expended.” Eberly continued by listing services still outstanding, and then drove his point home. “We have basically spent \$50,000 on a PowerPoint presentation, thanks to this decision by the Town Manager.”

Callahan – going back to his meeting with Mazzucco – stated that he had insisted that the Town Manager go to Town Counsel to request an official letter be sent to the PBCC informing it of whether or not it upheld his decision to stop the funds, “and until we get that letter, we’re going to go on as if it didn’t happen.”

Eberly made one last statement. “For

someone to go before the Selectmen in a public session, and speak complete untruths over and over and over again, with zero discussion or notification of his intentions to this Committee... it’s insulting to what I come here to do every week.”

“The misrepresentation was concerning, but the response from the Selectmen individually, it was... Everybody kind of took a shot,” Steve O’Connor commented at one point.

The McGinley Kalsow, and Associates, Inc. invoice for \$25,230.39 was approved unanimously, followed by a Vertex invoice – also for the Town Hall renovation – in the amount of \$590.

A subsequent meeting between the Town Manager and Chairman Robert Silk and Callahan took place on Friday morning, June 29.

Silk could not be reached for comment, but Mazzucco – when reached at Town Hall, commented on Friday’s meeting.

“I think we came to a meeting of the minds” and explained – as his primary concern with the Town Hall project – that “it had become apparent at some point, a few weeks ago, that the original plan that was sort of sold to Town Meeting wouldn’t be able to happen” and so put a pause on the project in order to reevaluate it, with the Board of Selectmen and the PBCC.

Mazzucco also stated that any outstanding project invoices would be paid, as required by law.

Funds for the Town Hall project are still on hold while the project is paused and the meeting between the Selectmen, the PBCC, and Mazzucco is still on schedule for August 7.

The next PBCC meeting is scheduled for July 12.

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The Budget Balancing Committee listened in as Town Manager Tony Mazucco went over the challenges involved in balancing the long term budget.

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Free cash, snow and ice the topics of Budget Balancing Committee

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Budget Balancing Committee met on June 25 at Town Hall to map out a long-term financial plan for the Town's General Government and School Department, which are in a structural deficit situation.

Two members of the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Commission, and the School Committee – as well as Town Manager Tony Mazucco, Superintendent of Schools Dr. David Thomson, and Town Accountant Tom McQuaid – were present at the table.

About half a dozen members of the public were in attendance.

The meeting, which ran just under an hour, was a continuation of an ongoing discussion as to how to reduce and eliminate the Town's structural deficit: a situation in which an institution's finances have – as a basic condition – greater expenses than revenues.

The Committee spent the main portion of the meeting going over a brief handout prepared by Mazucco outlining his “three big steps” to

structurally balancing the budget.

These steps include determining the fiscal deficits and budget issues to be corrected before trying to stabilize or enhance services; determining the funding necessary to maintain services over the next five years (with consideration of the following five years); and determining the community's wants and the costs associated with them.

In his explanation, Mazucco chose to concentrate on Step 1: identifying fiscal deficits.

Approaching these from the General Government side, he listed as primary concerns the \$1.8 million of free cash (including the \$566,000 for Forbes Hill) used to offset the budget, and the approximately \$500,000 deficit in funds for snow and ice removal.

Mazucco clarified the use of free cash to balance the books.

“It's important for everyone to know that while it goes on our balance sheet as money to offset the tax rate, it's not really offsetting the tax rate,” Mazucco said. “We don't have the levy capacity, so it's money we're

taking out of surplus to balance the budget. So we deficit budget every year.”

Speaking of the snow and ice ledger, of which the General Government, Schools, Airport, and Library all have separate accounts (and which led to an agenda discussion of combining services), Mazucco spoke of the lack of money available in the snow and ice budget.

“We all know beyond any doubt that there is nowhere near enough money in the snow and ice budget to cover what we do every year: not what we want to do every year, but just what we do ev-

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Robert McDonough, was also awarded a Gold medal for their performance. Our 5th Grade Treblemakers, under the direction of Mrs. Catherine Connor-Moen, accompanied by Mr. Robert McDonough, was awarded a Gold medal for their performance. Since elementary students interested in instrumental music can begin violin in the 2nd grade and other instruments

in 4th and 5th grades, these students are still relatively new to their instruments, so their Gold medals all around are even more impressive.

The Great East Music Festival offers elementary ensembles an opportunity to perform and receive feedback from judges in a positive environment. They de-emphasize the competition and emphasize the fun—which is why the music ensembles

get to finish their performance day with a trip to a local amusement park! Norwood's groups spent their sunny Friday afternoon enjoying Canobie Lake Park!

For more information, please visit the Norwood PMA Facebook page (Norwood Parents Music Association), open Facebook group (Friends of Norwood Music) or website <http://norwoodpma.org>.



Norwood 5th Grade Treblemakers, under the direction of Mrs. Catherine Connor-Moen, accompanied by Mr. Robert McDonough and Ms. Jennifer Harnett.

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Norwood Elementary Honor Band, under the direction of Mr. Henry Morel.

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Elementary Honor Orchestra, under the direction of Ms. Amy Bedard, accompanied by Mr. Robert McDonough.

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ery year," he said.

Additionally, he listed secondary concerns, many of which involved free cash.

One included end of year account transfers to OPEB (other post-employment benefits) and SPED (special education) prepayments.

"What was, 'Hey! We've got some money left over, let's throw it in there,' has become the norm. Prepaying SPED was, 'Hey, great! We've got some money left over. Let's prepay for SPED.' Now it's how we get through the year," Mazzucco said.

"And otherwise would be free cash, which we could use for something else," Chairman Alan Slater added.

Mazzucco also cited the Town's consistent over projection of revenues which, added up, are causing problems, as he explained.

"A little in abundance is overall squeezing our free cash down and down and down," Mazzucco said.

He went on to cite the \$5 million generated in free cash in FY18, while removing from that amount the \$1.7 million in a bond premium and \$1.5

million turned over from the Town to illustrate his point.

"When you look at municipal surplus revenues, plus the millions generated by the Light Department, that free cash number should have been quite a bit larger, but we continue to do things that are shrinking it down and down," Mazzucco said.

While reiterating his point regarding free cash, Mazzucco qualified his overall synopsis of the Town's structural deficit situation.

"There are many, many communities out there where the world is ending and they're closing libraries and senior centers," he said. "We're nowhere near that and we never will be. But we're not going to stabilize and get that maintenance of service level, or get to that next level that we want to get to unless we solve these problems."

The Committee also reviewed the assumptions of the five-year financial projection for the Town that had been presented at the June 4 meeting.

The main question in the review concerned how to ad-

dress the Forbes Hill property bought by the Town at the turn of the year for \$13 million.

Currently, expenses for the property – including BAN (bond anticipation note) debt service and maintenance expenses for the mansion – are at \$566,000. If nothing is

done with the property by FY21 they will increase to between \$1.25 and \$1.5 million.

"That's going to have a fundamental impact to whatever we do, and I just wonder in the next six months whether we're going to have a better answer on Forbes Hill so we can incorporate it – or not incorporate Forbes

Hill costs – into our overall projection when we make some type of decision," Slater said regarding the property.

The next Budget Balancing Committee meeting is scheduled for July 16, at which time Superintendent Thomson will present a Schools equivalent to Mazzucco's handout.

SENIOR NEWS

ARTS & CRAFTS: Offered every first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m.

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 12:45 to 3 p.m., \$5.00 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1.00, with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 p.m. to play the new game!

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Walpole VNA will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the second Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

BOOK CLUB: Our next Book Club will be meeting on July 16, at the senior center.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9 a.m., in the Library. The Tuesday group has been cancelled.

CRIBBAGE: Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 p.m. to play cribbage. New class on Fridays at 12:45, except for the fourth Friday of each month.

DIGITAL PHOTO ORGANIZATION & EDITING: will take place the first and third Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

FOOT DOCTOR: Dr. Michael Mitri is scheduled to be here on July 13, call to schedule an appointment. \$35.00

FRIENDS EVENING DANCE: July 20, 7 to 10 p.m. featuring Johnny Rampino.

HANDCRAFTERS: Handcrafters meet every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m.

LEARN TO PLAY MAH JONG: Thursdays and Fridays at 12:30 p.m.

LINE DANCE: Classes are held each Tuesday from 1 to 2 p.m.

MAH JONG: Mah Jong players meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon.

MANICURES: July 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SCRABBLE: Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. Come and join us for a game.

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TAPDANCE: Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. All levels are welcome and encouraged to join the fun.

WATER COLOR: The next session is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, at 9 a.m. Payment of \$20.00 must be made at time of sign up.

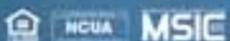
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FY21.

Using an average home value of \$435,000, he broke down the household expense of an override to approximately \$87, which would decrease by about \$3 a year as the debt is paid down.

Mazzucco, however, qualified this breakdown by adding a caveat.

“What’s important to note is that \$1.3 million figure is more or less keeping the building in its mothballed state, which is what we are doing now,” he said.

He went on to state that to get some sort of use out of the property, that \$87 figure would increase depending on exactly how the Town intended to use the land and mansion.

As part of those explicit costs, he referenced the ongoing

issue of accessing the property; neither of the two rights of way leading to it are Town property. Later in the meeting, Task Force Chair William Plasko suggested that he contact the owners to try to work out some sort of a permanent agreement with them.

Beyond this, Mazzucco also referenced implicit costs the property has incurred since its purchase at the turn of the year, including property management responsibilities taken on by Town Hall and upkeep that has been handled by Public Works.

“We don’t spend any money for that, but it’s time (taken) away from my staff,” he said. “It is another major facility that we’d be taking on if we owned it permanently, with the associated costs.”

Response to this from mem-

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bers of the Task Force, with Ernie Paciorkowski saying that he couldn’t see the community increasing its tax burden to only maintain the property in its current state, adding that “if you’re going to ask the Town to go for an override, I think you’re all in or you’re all out.”

As part of the debt exclusion override discussion, Plasko went over details regarding how the ballot question would need to be submitted to the Commonwealth, with the question – which would require approval by four-fifths of the Selectmen – due at the Secretary of State by the first Wednesday in August, in order to make the November ballot.

After some Task Force questions and exchanges on the override, Plasko made his thoughts clear.

“In my opinion, further discussion of an override is really nothing more than a distraction,” Plasko said. “I’m quite certain that it’s not going to get a four-fifths vote from the Selectmen to go forward anyhow. We’re particularly concerned with the other financial stresses the Town’s facing, with the likely request for an operational override for Schools and General Government. I think the bottom line is the Selectmen want to sell this property.”

Plasko also made the point that if November’s Town Meeting wanted an override, it could be put on next April’s ballot, while also stating that the local election (rather than November’s state election) would be his preferred setting for this sort of vote.

“At the local election, it’s a smaller turnout, but it’s the people who pay a little closer attention to municipal affairs,” he explained.

John Colbert’s motion to

recommend that the Board of Selectmen move forward with a November override failed by a 6-2 margin, with he and Peter McFarland in opposition.

Earlier in the meeting, Assistant Town Planner Patrick Deschenes went before the Task Force to review the recently completed Town wide resident survey.

Responses were due by June 15 and based on its 693 returns (which, by Task Force member Allan Howard’s calculation, accounted for approximately 4 percent of the Town’s registered voters, and was fairly close to the typical 5 percent survey return number) – Deschenes was able to tabulate the results, copies of which he handed out to Task Force members.

As he explained it, the question dealing with what to do with the land and mansion (keep it all, sell it all, keep some and the mansion), drew the biggest response.

He also shared which of the options drew the greatest percentage of votes.

“Interestingly enough, the Town keeping all 27 acres and the mansion was the highest response,” he said. “That came in at 33.28 percent.”

Paciorkowski was quick to add that the option to sell all 27 acres and the mansion had been a close second, which Deschenes acknowledged.

Sharing his thoughts on the results of this question, Plasko gave his interpretation.

“I can see somebody looking at Page 1 and saying, ‘This shows that people want to keep it.’ I see just the opposite. I see the majority of the people wanting to sell some or all of it: about 60 percent,” he said.

Task Force member Judith Langone also commented on the section of the survey ask-

ing how much the responder would be willing to pay to keep the property. Specifically, she brought up the fact that spending no money on the property was not offered as an option.

“I was a little disappointed to hear that,” she said. “I think that’s misleading.”

In the brief discussion that followed, McFarland echoed Langone’s thoughts.

“That’s what I heard, too,” McFarland said. “Zero wasn’t an option.”

While acknowledging the survey’s usefulness as a guideline, Plasko came down firmly against it as the decision making factor in what to do with the property, basing his opinion on the public not having the “nuances of the issues behind the questions, and the effects of their answers on other parts of Town operations and budgets. That’s why we have committees and representatives: people to get deeper into the issues and understand all of those facets.”

In other business, a vision document for the property was presented, discussed and pondered, with four categories – Sell/Retain, Zoning, the Mansion, and Restrictions – listed.

Additionally, Plasko mentioned preliminary interest in the property from, a mixed use medical facility which would have a small hospital and hotel, with the possibility of a small shopping village to be built around it, in addition to residential usage.

A potential drawback would be the number of employees (approximately 400), patients and guests (approximately 300) leading to the possibility of greatly increased traffic.

The next Forbes Hill Task Force meeting will be at 7 p.m. on July 12.

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The Norwood Planning Board has an opening for an Associate Planning Board member. This is a new position that was created by a vote at Town Meeting. The Associate Planning Board member will participate on Special Permit applications on an as needed basis. The Associate Planning Board member will attend all Planning Board meetings and participate but will only be involved with voting on certain Special Permits when an elected Board member cannot participate because they are on vacation, out sick or have a conflict of interest. The Planning Board meets twice a month on Monday evenings. This is an opportunity to serve your community and participate in the operation of Town government. If you are interested in becoming an Associate Planning Board member, send a letter of interest and resume to the Norwood Planning Department by July 5, 2018, Mr. Joseph Sheehan, Chairman, P.O. Box 40, 566 Washington St. Norwood MA 02062. If you have questions about the Associate Planning Board member position, contact Mr. Paul Halkiotis, Director of Community Planning & Economic Development, (781) 762-1240 ext. 164 or at phalkiotis@norwoodma.gov.

2018 ANNUAL STREET LIST BOOKS

The Town Clerks office wishes to inform the residents of Norwood that the 2018 Annual Street List Books are available to purchase in the town Clerks office. Cost is \$5 for Norwood residents and \$10 for out of town residents and businesses. Town Clerks office hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CONCERTS ON THE COMMON COMMITTEE PRESENTS 25TH ANNUAL CONCERT SERIES

The Town of Norwood Concerts on the Common Committee is pleased to announce our 25th annual Sunday Evening Concerts series for 2018. This year there will be nine concerts each Sunday evening ending on Sunday, Aug. 26. The Suburbanaires Big Band is on July 8 and Roy Scott Big Band on July 15. On July 22, the Westwood Swing Band returns and July closes out on July 29 with a special 25th Anniversary Celebration evening featuring Natalie Joly and the Reckless Hearts. This night is sponsored by Ernie Boch, Jr., Chestnut Hill Realty, CMI Property Management and David Spiegel.

August brings the return of several favorites. Aug. 5 it is Tom Nutile Big Band, Aug. 12 is newcomer Randolph Community Band, Aug. 20 is Oberlaendler Hofbrau Band and ending the season on Aug. 26 is Dan Gabel and the Abletones.

All performances are 6 - 8 p.m. at the Walter J. Dempsey Memorial Bandstand on the Town Common. Please bring your own seating. For more information please call the Norwood Town Hall at 781.762.1240 or visit <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>.

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established contact in Quebec City and Montreal years ago.” Additionally, Long Island, New York’s Saints – probably the largest band in the parade – will be appearing and, according to Cooper, this nationally ranked drum and bugle corps has been invited by the Lord Mayor of London to march in its New Year’s Day parade.

Aside from these more traditional marching bands, other performers will be marching the parade route (which runs from the Coakley Middle School, via Washington Street, before taking a right at Nahatan Street and ending at Shaw’s parking lot).

Lion dancers from Chinatown, a clown band (also from Quebec), and a small Brazilian group are some examples of these, as well as the Cycling Murrays who – according to Cooper – is always one of the most asked about groups (as was demonstrated by Selectmen Chair Tom Maloney at last week’s meeting).

There will also be an assortment of non-performing marchers, including politicians, community groups, and the reigning Little League champs.

In keeping with this is the

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earlier Children’s Parade, in which participants dress up as historical characters and – led by the Colonial Boys – march from the First Congregational Church to the Town Common, where winners will be chosen and welcomed to ride a float later on in the main parade.

A highlight of the opening section of the parade are the World War II military re-enactors, who buy their own uniforms and vintage equipment, including antique rolling stock, the expense of which was not lost on Cooper.

“When you see a World War II tank in a parade, they don’t buy repair parts for it. They machine them. There’s quite an expense for these re-enactors in maintaining their equipment, particularly if they own a piece of rolling stock.”

Cooper – speaking of all of the participants – spoke of their love for what they are doing, stating several times that “they’re not in it for the money.” The same could be said for the Fourth of July Committee, who faces fundraising struggles each year.

“As I said at the Selectmen’s meeting, the Town provides a little over \$21,000 to us, but the parade costs three times that, really.”

Finding new volunteers is also an issue.

“We’re not getting the younger members of the community. We do it. I mean, everybody loves a parade, but it’s a lot of work. But it’s not a lot of work if everybody bites off a piece,” Cooper commented.

Work begins for each parade in the fall of the prior year, with the Committee meeting irregularly until the spring, and often running to the last minute.

“Sometimes, because the Committee is so small, and because all of us have other lives – we’re doing so many different things besides the Fourth of July – that sometimes we’re scrambling late in the game.”

Yet despite this challenges and struggles, the Committee soldiers on, try to keep a tradition going that has lasted as long as the Town.

“If you can’t get other people to step forward, the tradition is in danger of dying,” Cooper warned, before making a final comment. “You Can’t let it go out.”

To volunteer or donate, contact Bernie Cooper at Town Hall 781-762-1240. Make any checks payable to Norwood Fourth of July Committee.

**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 the **Community Room in the Public Safety Building, 137 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062** on **July 17, 2018 at 7:30 PM** on the request of Jeffrey Donaldson (Case # 18-12) with respect to property located on **36 Mountain Avenue** in a **G-General Residential District**.

This Application requests a SPECIAL PERMIT under Section 5.4.4 of Zoning Bylaw to allow the building of a 2nd story addition to be built in the same location and have the same dimensions as the existing #36 first Floor. Height of building shall not exceed 30'. Dimensions of 2nd story to be 30' x 26'.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed during normal working hours, Monday – Thursday, between 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

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LEFT PHOTO: (L to R) Steve Eosco - Lodge President, Toni Eosco – Scholarship Committee Chair, Denise Furnari – Grand Lodge 1st Vice-president, Delia Bartucca – Scholarship Awardee, Chris Bartucca – Delia Bartucca’s father, Winnie Carfagno – Scholarship Committee Member, Barbara Campagna – Scholarship Committee Member. RIGHT PHOTO: (L to R) Alyssa Naumann – Scholarship Awardee, Winnie Carfagno, Scholarship Committee Member.

COURTESY PHOTO

NORWOOD ITALIAN LODGE #1235 AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Norwood Italian Lodge #1235, a local chapter of the Sons of Italy, recently held its Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner on June 5, 2018, at Four Points by Sheraton, on Route One, Norwood. Lodge President, Steve Eosco, greeted the nearly 60 members and guests. Scholarship Chairwoman, Toni Eosco, also welcomed those in attendance. In particular, she recognized lodge members, Barbara Campagna and Winnie Carfagno, for their volunteer work on the scholarship committee. Denise Furnari, a Norwood Lodge member as well as the State Grand Lodge 1st Vice-president, was also

welcomed and thanked for her work all year long for the Lodge. The scholarship award presentations took place immediately following a delicious dinner.

The Italian Lodge has a long history in support of youth and education. Through the generous donations of numerous friends and family members, two memorial scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each were awarded in memory of longtime lodge member, Barbara A. Bilotta. Scholarship committee member, Barbara Campagna, made the first award presentation to Delia Bartucca, a graduate of Norwood High School. Delia is the daughter of Caroline

and Christopher Bartucca as well as the granddaughter of lodge member, Delia Bartucca, of Norwood. Delia will pursue her degree at Villanova University. Scholarship committee member, Winnie Carfagno, made the second award presentation to Alyssa Naumann, also a graduate of Norwood High. She is the daughter of Gina and William Naumann as well as the granddaughter of lodge member, Mary Ann Naumann of Norwood. Alyssa will pursue her degree at Quinnipiac University. Lodge members congratulated Delia and Alyssa and wished them good luck with all their future plans.

Following the awards, guest speaker, Alyssa Ciolfi, a past Italian Lodge scholarship winner five years ago and now a Bridgewater State University graduate, spoke of some of the challenges of college life and job searching. She advised the scholarship winners to challenge themselves

and pursue their interests with persistence and passion and to broaden their friendships through clubs and organizations. Alyssa is the daughter of John and Christine Ciolfi of Medfield, and the granddaughter of lodge members, Chuck and Palma Ciolfi of Norwood.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 HALLOFFAME INDUCTEES!

The Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame is pleased to announce its 2018 inductees. The student-athletes are Ed Praino '43 (posthumously), Alice Kelley '74, Ned Brigham '85, Kouri Ferris Wright '96, Jennifer Chin Schleicher '99 and Lisa Davenport Reggiannini '03. The coaches are Donna Glaser Brown '76 and Jim Forrest '86. The induction ceremony will take place on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 in the Norwood High School Auditorium during Reunion Weekend. The event will start with a reception and refreshments at noon followed by the ceremony from 1 to 3 p.m. The Class of 2018 will join last year's inductees: Jim Jessick '61, Don Smith '61, Susan Packard '80, John Foley '83, Luke Marsters '98, Tayla Ryan '06, Coach Cathy Shachoy and 2000 Football Team. Any questions, please contact Brian McDonough at bgmcdonough@gmail.com.

LITTLE MUSTANGS PRESCHOOL ACADEMY OPENINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

Four-year-old children that will be turning 5 in September, October, November, December, 4 1/2 days per-week Openings on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and Wednesday 8:30-11 a.m. If your child missed the kindergarten cut-off this is the program for you! 4-year-old children four afternoons a week Openings Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday noon-2:30 p.m. This schedule is perfect for the child that loves to do local activities in the morning and preschool in the afternoon! 3-year-old children openings 2 or 3 days per-week 8:30-11 a.m., this is a good way to introduce preschool fun to your 3-year-old child.

NORWOOD ART ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING

The NORWOOD ART ASSOCIATION holds their monthly ARTIST DEMONSTRATION on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Simoni Room of the Norwood Morrill Memorial Library, located at 33 Walpole St. in Norwood. These demonstrations are FREE and the public are welcome and encouraged to attend! Light refreshments are served and there is a raffle of a piece of art donated by the attending artist.

CHAMBER TO HOLD BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce (NVCC) will hold its next Business After Hours at the Courtyard by Marriott located at 300 River Ridge Drive in Norwood on Thursday, Aug. 9 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The event will feature networking opportunities along with beer, wine and appetizers. Additionally, tours of the newly renovated hotel will be offered. Cost to attend is \$15.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. Reservations are required and can be made by visiting www.nvcc.com or calling 781-769-1126.



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Sports

Norwood splits double header between Westwood and Franklin, enters break at 7-3

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

In one of the more uniquely structured double headers you'll ever see, the Norwood Post 70 baseball team came away with a split last Wednesday.

Norwood played at Westwood against Post 320 at 5:45 p.m. in a regularly scheduled game, losing 2-1, but due to forecasted rains the next day, wound up playing again later that night at Balch Elementary School against Franklin Post 75 and came away with a 6-3 victory.

Furthering the quirkiness of the night was the fact that the game between Norwood and Franklin was supposed to be played at Franklin High. Due to this, Norwood served as the road team against Franklin in a game that didn't start until shortly after 9 p.m. and by the time Jay Wladkowski nailed down the save, midnight was creeping in.

On paper, a split in the double header made sense. Westwood was trudging along below .500, while Franklin's roster is comprised of many players who captured the MIAA Super Eight baseball title on June 18.

As manager Paul Samargedlis pointed out after the

game, the obvious result is almost never the one that comes to be.

"The way legion baseball goes, sometimes you do the thing that doesn't seem as obvious," Samargedlis said. "For 15 years I've seen it that way."

Still, while undoubtedly happy with the result against Franklin, Samargedlis wasn't looking at the day as a classic double header.

"When you play the same team and it's a split, you feel okay," he said. "When you're playing two different teams, you think you should line up and beat 'em both based on your talent vs. theirs."

Norwood held a 1-0 lead over Westwood thanks to a Chris Petracca double in the top of the third, a lead that held until the last of the sixth, only to see Westwood grab two runs on the same play via an error.

Michael Dooley led off the top of the seventh with a single for Norwood, representing the tying run, but the team then went down in order to drop the early game.

Norwood jumped out to a 2-0 lead over Franklin in the night cap, scoring single runs in both the top of the first and second innings before Franklin tied it up in the second.



Chris Petracca, seen above fielding a ball at second base vs. Westwood last week, has brought his stellar glove back with him this summer for Post 70 as a 19-year-old.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

Right back came Norwood in the top of the third, when the team cashed in on a series of errors and wild pitches to plate two runs to take the lead for good. Norwood tacked on two more in the fifth to create all the breathing room it needed to keep

Franklin in the rear-view mirror. "We kicked the ball around a little but I think we could hit with anyone in the league," Samargedlis said. "This team can hit and pitch with anyone but it all comes down to defense. Once we sharpen up and don't make

those mistakes that give extra outs I think we're a tough team to beat."

Norwood's first game out of the Fourth of July break is on Thursday night vs. Franklin at 7:30 p.m. back at Balch. The teams play again on July 15 in Franklin.

Post 70 Notebook: Rotation gives Norwood a fighting chance in District 6 West



In his first start since high school, Cam Flahive pitched a complete game for Norwood vs. Westwood last week, yielding just a pair of unearned runs. Despite his efforts, he was saddled with the loss, as Post 70 could only push one run across the plate.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Despite splitting the double-header between Westwood and Franklin last week, there's one extremely encouraging number that emerged from the six-hour marathon for Norwood Post 70: 1.

Cam Flahive and Danny Quinn combined to give up just one earned run in their respective starts last Wednesday. Flahive pitched a complete game vs. Westwood, taking a tough-luck complete game loss in allowing two unearned runs on five hits – all singles – while walking one and striking out eight.

"I felt great, I hadn't started in a while," said Flahive, who has pitched in relief numerous times but hadn't started a game since he was a member of the Norwood High baseball team in the spring of 2017."

Flahive came back to play first base in game two of the twin billing, finishing 2 for 4 with a pair

of RBI doubles.

Quinn did his job as well for Norwood on Wednesday, going five innings and allowing just one earned run on three hits while walking four – one intentionally – and striking out five.

Norwood manager Paul Samargedlis has been preaching the need to build a complete pitching staff to compete with the heavyweights in the District 6, and it looks like everything is falling into place quite nicely on that front. Along with Mat Rice and Michael James, Flahive and Quinn form a rotation that gives Norwood as much depth as anyone in the West Division – namely, Walpole and Franklin.

The 6-3 win for Norwood against Franklin could have gone the other way, and in fact run off the rails altogether if not for Quinn's ability to escape a jam in the bottom of the fourth inning. He'd issued a leadoff walk followed by a double, giving Franklin

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Mustang stars of yesteryear continuing careers on campus

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

With the completion of the College World Series last week, the 2018 NCAA spring sports season is officially in the books.

Several Norwood High alumni took to field in their respective sports this spring, continuing careers they began as Mustangs. Here's a look who's doing what and where across the collegiate sports landscape:

Danny Farrell, a 2015 Norwood High grad, wrapped up his junior season playing lacrosse at Assumption College in Worcester. The leading scorer in the history of Norwood High boys' lacrosse, Farrell had 49 points (29 goals, 20 assists) over 13 games on the attack for the Greyhounds this spring. For his career, Farrell has 116 points (68 goals, 48 assists) in 40 games. A member of the 300-point club as a high school player, Farrell is the 46th-leading scorer in Massachusetts all-time.

Valerie Quinlan has kept her lacrosse career going at Babson College in Wellesley. A 2016 graduate of Norwood High, Quinlan appeared in 10

games this spring for the Beavers, recording four points (two goals, two assists) on the attack. She played primarily at middle for the Mustangs, where she was a force to be reckoned with on draw controls.

Sean Mellen had a return to form on the mound for the Northeastern University baseball team this spring, resembling the former Mustang ace who helped lead the team to a state championship in 2015. A 2016 Norwood High grad, Mellen helped to lead the Huskies to an NCAA tournament berth by going 10-3 with a 2.28 earned run average, walking 37 and striking out 81 over 79 innings of work. He held opponents to a .176 batting average against, all while shrinking his ERA by nearly eight whole runs from his freshman campaign and harnessing control issues which were also prevalent as a frosh. Originally, Mellen was scheduled to pitch for the Harwich Mariners in the Cape Cod Baseball League this summer, but instead is resting his back after experiencing some tightness later in the college season.

Erin Garczynski contin-



Sean Mellen was dominant this season for the Northeastern University baseball team, which won a program record 36 games this spring in advancing to the NCAA tournament.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

ues to mash on the softball field for Southern New Hampshire University, coming off a campaign in which she hit .377 with four homers and 38 RBIs for the Penmen. The 2015 Norwood High grad had a career-high nine doubles and 37 runs scored for SNHU this spring, all while continuing to be next to impossible to strikeout: Garczynski struck

out only nine times in 162 at-bats, giving her 22 strikeouts over 447 at-bats over her three years in Manchester, N.H. Garczynski, who prior to Amanda Olbrys being recognized was the last Boston Globe All-Scholastic in softball for the Mustangs, is a career .385 hitter for the Penmen.

Pat Forrest had a remarkable freshman season on the track for Merrimack College in North Andover. A 2017

Norwood High grad, Forrest set school records in both the 200-meter (21.65 seconds) and 400-meter (48.03) runs for the Warriors – over the same weekend, no less, at the New England Outdoor Championships at Stonehill College on May 11-12. Forrest, who also developed into a consistent hitter for the Norwood High baseball team as a senior, finished in the top-five in all 13 individual events he competed in for Merrimack.

Fleming picks up regional honor to cap Mustang days

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

A recent graduate of Norwood High became the first player in the history of the boys' volleyball program to receive a certain recognition this season, according to head coach Paul Nimblett.

Jake Fleming, who graduated from Norwood in June, became the first player in program history to be recognized as the MaxPreps Player of the Week for the Northeast region – an area which encapsulates the six New England states and beyond.

"Jake is such a special player and I believe part of his success is every day, he always is doing something to make himself better," Nimblett said. "The willingness to never stop growing and getting better and helping other get better is an attribute that not many possess. He is well regarded and respected among many coaches and even officials."

MaxPreps is a national website (maxpreps.com) which

focuses on high school coverage for all sports, both boys and girls.

Primarily an outside hitter for the Mustangs, Fleming won the honor for the week of May 14. During the three matches Norwood had over the seven-day span, Fleming surpassed 100 kills, 75 service points, 30 digs and 15 aces.

"Jake is the most talented all-around player I have ever coached," Nimblett said. "He is so versatile, he can play any position."

The Mustangs finished 7-11 on the season, their most wins in a spring since 2013. Highlights included a sweep of perennial power Wellesley on Norwood's way out the door of the Bay State Conference, as well as taking a set against Newton North – the first time a Nimblett-coached volleyball team, both boys and girls, had been able to do so.

Fleming was a Bay State Conference All-Star for the third year in a row, all after garnering an honorable mention during his freshman season. He

was named to the Mass. Boys' High School Volleyball South District All-Star team, where he earned the spot at Outside Hitter 1, one year after earning an honorable mention there as well.

Fleming's 40 kills vs. Brookline on May 16 established a new school record for the Mustangs.

"His court and volleyball IQ is so astounding, he knows the opponents next move before they do it and finds open spots where other teams defenses are not," Nimblett said.

Fleming is off to Erskine College in Due West, S.C. to continue his volleyball career at the NCAA Division II level.

Nimblett said though he didn't guide Fleming towards any particular school, he's always helped him out in ways such as preparing highlight tapes and offering any other sort of general encouragement that he can.

"I'm always encouraging him because he has so much potential to be successful in the future," Nimblett said.

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runners at second and third with no outs.

Norwood leading 4-2 at the time, Samargedlis saw an opportunity to visit the mound and remind Quinn of a similar situation earlier this summer against Walpole – one which didn't end well for Norwood.

Walpole had runners and second and third with no outs before Quinn got back-to-back strikeouts, only to see the third hitter single to right ultimately ignite a Walpole rally.

"You got two guys and the third guy that inning punched one to right field," Samargedlis said, relaying his message to Quinn. "He just saw you lay waste to two good hitters, so he wasn't going to wait around."

Samargedlis had Quinn rely on his curveball this time around, with perfect results. He got Franklin's third hitter of the inning to pop out to Flahive at first before striking out the next two batters.

"That one worked out for us," Samargedlis said. "That's how close these games are. They

punch one through there it's 4-4, different momentum."

Quinn spoke after the Franklin game and acknowledged that while he had faced a lineup featuring many of the Super Eight champs, he didn't care much about what happened in the spring.

"High school's over," Quinn said. "I don't really care about Super Eight, I care about Legion. They didn't win tonight, we won. We played better than them and that's what it's going to be for the rest of the year."

For the first time in 15 seasons, Samargedlis missed a game in the dugout. He was absent for Norwood's game vs. Walpole on Friday, attending the funeral of his godfather on Long Island.

"It's not a testament to being a Cal Ripken type guy as a coach, I like coaching and I feel like it's my responsibility to be here," Samargedlis said, a reference to Ripken's major league record of consecutive games played. "Family comes first. I've got good assistants, they'll get it done."

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FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, July 4

1 p.m.: The Children's Bicycle, Tricycle, Doll Carriage and Historical Character Parade This event has become a favorite for children and their families. Over 300 children decorate their tricycles, bicycles or doll carriages or come dressed as a historical character, such as Betsy Ross, Abraham Lincoln, etc. The parade, led by The Colonial Boys, begins at the First Congregational Church at the corner of Walpole and Winter Streets and proceeds through town ending at the Town Common. The fee is \$1.00 and every child receives a festive t-shirt and participation ribbon. The winners are welcomed to ride in the main parade on a

float.

1 to 3 p.m.: Tour of the Historic Old Parish Cemetery, at the rear of 480 Washington Street, conducted by the Old Parish Preservation Volunteers.

3 p.m.: Independence Day Carillon Concert. The concert, played from the Town Hall Memorial Tower, features Margaret Angelini of Wellesley College and Lee Leach of Norwood. A tour of the 50-bell Tilton Memorial Carillon will follow the one-hour concert.

5 p.m.: Norwood's Firecracker 5K Road Race Run or watch this unique, fun-filled event prior to the Norwood Parade. You can pick up applications at the Town Hall, the Civic Center, and

the Library or by calling 617-610-0084. Whether you are a spectator or a runner, this is a race you will not forget!

5:30 p.m.: Eastern Massachusetts Fire Truck Procession, Antique and Classic Cars and Historic Military Reenactment followed by the Norwood's Fourth of July Parade Spectacular The

famous 4th of July Parade features national and international marching bands. In addition, the parade has entertaining acts, floats and community groups. Don't miss out on this spectacular event.

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DEATHS

BROWNE



David Hugh, of Delray Beach, Fla., formerly of Norwood and Hull, passed away unexpectedly, June 23, 2018, at the age of 35.

Loving father of Jayden and Joelle Browne of Quincy. Beloved son of Alan

J. Browne of Boston and Marie (Nichols) O'Malley of Hull. Devoted brother of Alison Browne of Hull. Dedicated uncle of Brielle Browne of Hull. Dear step-son of Charles A. O'Malley of Hull. David is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He began his education in the Norwood Public Schools, moved to Hull, graduated from Hull High School, Class of 2001 and finished his studies graduating as a member of Phi Theta Kappa from Quincy College. For many years, David was a member of the Carpenters Union-Local #33, Boston. He embraced his country lovingly as he was a proud US NAVY Veteran during Operation Enduring Freedom serving aboard the USS John C. Stennis. A Funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 7 at 10 a.m. from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., Norwood. Interment will follow in Highland Cemetery,

Norwood. Visiting hours will be held on Friday, July 6 from 4-8 p.m. in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of David may be made to the New England Center and Home for Veterans, 17 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108, www.nechv.org

DESTITO



Joseph A. of Norwood passed away on June 26, 2018 at the age of 74. Beloved husband of Maria A. (Giampa) Destito. Devoted father of

Tony J. Destito of Boston, Frank R. Destito and his wife Jeanne of Walpole, Joanne Mace and her husband Curt of Norwood, Lucy M. Finnerty and her husband Peter of Walpole and Joey N. Destito of Walpole. Brother of Rocco Destito, Giovanna Fruci and Anna Destito all of Philadelphia, Italy. Cherished grandfather of Emily, Gina, Madison, Julia, Colin, Mia and Kiera. Son of the late Antonino and Antonina (Stillitani) Destito. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Joseph was a member of the Norwood Elks, Norwood K of C and the Norwood Italian Social Club. He was a longtime Brick-Stone Mason working in the Norwood area. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood.

McLAUGHLIN

Jeremiah E. Of West Roxbury, June 27, 2018. Be-

loved husband of 54 years to Rosemary (Bacher). Loving father of Mary Ellen McLaughlin of Norwood and Patricia Lahaise and her husband John of Norwood. Devoted grandfather of Alyssa and Tessa. Brother of the late Catherine Walsh. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Late Korean War Veteran, U.S. Army. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Jeremiah's memory to the National Parkinson Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami FL.

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