



### June on The Road includes Swedeville

Residents recently participated in a walking tour of Swedeville, hosted by the Norwood Historical Society on June 28. See story on page 2.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER ROBERSON

## ConCom continues Wendy's proposal

**Matthew Allen**  
Staff Reporter

The Conservation Commission (ConCom) held a meeting on Wednesday night to review various proposed development projects and their impact on the local ecosystem.

The three main project proposals pitched by various company representatives involved parking structure renovations, approval for a conservation project that would clean up an extremely environmentally hazardous leakage of petroleum into the Neponset River, and the possibility of adding a Wendy's restaurant and a gas station to Route 1, which has been a contentious issue in the Town. The Commission ended up giving the Wendy's

and gas station proposal a continuation, as too many issues were presented for the commission to reach a decision.

Norwood Attorney David Hern Jr. presented the plans for the proposal at 1412 to 1420 Providence Highway.

At that site, across from the Home Depot and the Stop & Shop, there is a 22,000 square-foot office building that has fallen into disuse.

What is being proposed by Hern's client Michael Argiros is the demolition of the vacant office space and then dividing the entirety of the property into two lots.

The southern half of the lot would become a BJ's gas station, and the other half would become a Wendy's restaurant.

The site itself is just short of three acres in space; however, if this proposed lot divide were to be approved by the commission, the end result of the impervious acreage will be one acre less upon finishing all the development portions of this project.

Hern said that one of the more significant reasons that this project is vital pertains to how this disused office space was built in the late-1950s, and is therefore not up to code with numerous modern safety provisions.

"The site development and the building on the site were developed around 1959," Hern said. "The site has no provisions

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## Despite reports, Norwood still in running for rink

Canton to move ahead with architectural designs

**Jeff Sullivan**  
**Christopher Roberson**  
Staff Reporters

Despite several reports online, in social media and in the Canton Citizen, Norwood has not been eliminated from consideration, at least as far as they know.

"I am told the Canton newspaper article is incorrect," said Board of Selectmen Chairman William Plasko, adding that he was never privy to any such decision. "We do not know that Canton was chosen over Norwood, the verdict is still out on this issue at this time.

Plasko said he and other town officials will be meeting with DCR Commissioner Leo Roy on July 17 "to see if this is a viable option or not."

"He is looking forward to discussing the possibility of a rink in Norwood," said Plasko. "We are optimistic the issue is still alive."

Plasko said that without funding from DCR, it would cost an estimated \$10 million to construct a rink in Norwood.

"The devil will be in the details and we do not have them at this time," said Plasko.

The confusion stemmed from a recent Canton Board of Selectmen meeting on June 27 and in an article in the Canton Citizen published on June 30th.

In the Canton Citizen article, it states, "The good news is that the rink will be located in Canton and not Norwood — either in the form of a rebuilt or new facility at the existing site on Route 138 or a new rink just up the road on the state-owned Indian Line Farm site."

During the Canton Selectmen meeting, Selectmen chair John Connolly passed along information he received during a meeting with Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) commissioner Leo Roy that the state has given the Town of Canton the go ahead for a new rink. The town's old rink, which Norwood residents used for free skate and hockey, collapsed more than two years ago during the massive snowfall of 2015.

Connolly said the DCR has given Canton permission to start the process for designing a new rink, either at the old site or the Indian Line Farm site.

"We were at the meeting and it's bittersweet; it's news that we've been waiting for for almost two or three years since the unfortunate accident happened. DCR basically said, 'You're on your own,'" he said. "They have no money to bring to the table this year or next year. We tried to get a commitment for this year,

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# Society hosts Swedeville tour

**Christopher Roberson**  
Staff Reporter

Town historian Dr. Patricia Fanning recently took residents on a walking tour through the area of Chapel Street, Savin Avenue, Chapel Court, Melville Avenue and Cedar Street – a section of Norwood known as Swedeville.

The neighborhood's name-sake is derived from the number of Swedish immigrants who settled in that part of town during the 20th century.

Cashman Prince, a member of the Norwood Historical Society, said the June 28 tour was part of June on The Road, one of the society's longstanding traditions.

He said prior to 2014, the tour took place in other towns or house museums.

"Three years ago we started doing neighborhood walking tours – downtown, then last year South Norwood," said Prince. "Swedeville tied in nicely with the patriotism theme we are exploring this year."

One of the first stops during the tour was the residence at 114 Chapel St.

Although it looks like many of the surrounding homes, things were much different when a U.S. Navy F6F Hellcat crashed in the yard on Aug. 5, 1944.

"The pilot landed on Washington Street in South Norwood," said Fanning.



Town historian Patricia Fanning guided residents on the June 28 walking tour around Swedeville.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER ROBERSON

In addition, she said pieces of the aircraft were found on Savin Avenue, a half-mile away from the crash site.

Fanning then called attention to 15 Cedar St., which was originally the Swedish Lutheran Church. She said the building changed names a few times over the years, from the Italian Christian Church to the Living Waters Church before being renamed once again as the Jane Center.

37 Cedar St. was another point of interest, as the young man who once lived there survived the atrocities of World War I only to succumb to influenza in 1918 at the age of 24.

"In 1918, a lot of people died of the flu; once one person got it, everyone got it," said Fanning. "Swedeville was one of the harder

hit areas."

Fanning said that of the 661 Norwood soldiers who fought in World War I, 13 of them were lost.

Another influenza victim, Emma Mackey, resided at 32 Melville Ave. and was the sole provider for seven children.

Fanning said that upon showing symptoms of the virus, Mackey was taken against her will to what was then the Norwood Civic Association Building – now the Civic Center – which had been set up for emergency medical use.

Shortly after she arrived, Mackey tried to stand up and instead dropped dead at the age of 42.

Melville Avenue was also once home to Sgt. Ahti Wuori, who was killed during World War II after completing 30 missions.

"He was believed to be the last Norwood boy to die in World War II," said Fanning.

She also drew everyone's attention to Finn Hall at the end of Chapel Court.

Fanning said Finn Hall certainly could have been used as another location to treat the sick during the influenza epidemic; however, that never came to pass.

"It was kind of tragic, they could have been taken care of in their own neighborhood," she said.

Fanning said Finn Hall was subsequently sold to the American Legion in 1959 and has since been converted into condominiums.

## Legals

### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF NORWOOD

The Town of Norwood hereby notifies all residents that the State Attorney General's office has approved the following amendments to the Town By-Laws which were voted at the Special Town Meeting, May 8, 2017 namely:

**Article 2. Revolving Funds Bylaw.** Amend the By-Laws of the Town of Norwood, by adding the following Article XXXXVI, Revolving funds Pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the following revolving funds are hereby established.

- A. Morrill Memorial Library Revolving Fund
  - B. Council on Aging Revolving Fund
- (A complete copy of the by-law has been posted at the different locations listed below throughout the Town and is on file in the Town Clerk's Office).

**Article 16. Adoption of Community Preservation Act Bylaw.** Amend the By-Laws of the Town of Norwood, by adding the following Article XXXXVII, Community Preservation Committee Bylaw.

(A complete copy of the by-law has been posted at the different locations listed below throughout the Town and is on file in the Town Clerk's Office).

The above named article is posted in the following public places throughout the Town, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32: District 1 & District 2 - Municipal Building; Norwood News and Bookstore; District 3 & District 5, Morrill Memorial Library; Murph's Place; District 4, Rite-Aid Pharmacy, Walpole Street; District 6 & District 7, South End Hardware; Pam's Market; District 8, Shaws Market; CVS - Shaw's Market Plaza; District 9, Neponset St. Gulf Gas Station.

Thomas J. McQuaid, Town Clerk and Accountant

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# Thornton, Hall, Greeley and McFarland chosen for CPC

**Christopher Roberson**  
Staff Reporter

Appointed by the Board of Selectmen, Robert Thornton, John Hall, Joseph Greeley and Peter McFarland are four of the nine inaugural members who will serve on Norwood's Community Preservation Committee.

The other five members will be designees from the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, the Historic Commission, the Housing Authority and the selectmen.

"I'm very excited to be on the committee," said Hall, a District 6 Town Meeting member and the president of the Friends of Norwood Center. "We've got work ahead of us."

Hall has also belonged to the Norwood Historical Society for a number of years and served on the 1.5 Percent Task Force as well.

Hall said one of the first priorities will be working with Town Planner Paul Halkiotis to conduct a needs assessment. He also cited green space and affordable housing as other issues that need attention.

However, Hall said funds from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) should not be spent right away.

"In many ways, we're going to let the money accumulate," he said.

McFarland, a District 3 Town Meeting member, said he would like to see more walking and bike trails in town.

"Cars aren't the only mode of transportation," he said.

McFarland also said that knocking a building down and starting over from



John Hall

square one is not always the most practical solution.

"I've always believed that you don't need to tear something down to repurpose it," he said.

Although CPA funding will not be available until the fall of 2018, McFarland said that money will be instrumental in paying for things that otherwise would not be included in the town's budget.

"These are the things that kind of get dropped off the budget," he said.

McFarland said he expects the committee will begin meeting in August.

In addition to his Town Meeting service, McFarland is a member of the Board of Directors for the Friends of Norwood Center. He is also the previous past chairman of the Board of Directors for the Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce. Professionally, McFarland is a senior client manager for The Allied Group.

Greeley said he is looking forward to helping shape the "long-term course" of the committee.

"This is our chance to start from scratch," he said.

"Ultimately, the work that the committee does now

should have a beneficial impact on our community for years to come."

Going forward, Greeley said the committee should make an "equitable and thoughtful presentation" every year at Town Meeting.

"We need to consider how this revenue source could be used in concert with other sources of revenue, existing and new," he said.

Currently representing District 6, Greeley has sat on Town Meeting for more than 25 years. He was also a mainstay on the Finance Commission for 12 years. Professionally, Greeley is the associate controller for the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

Thornton was Norwood's town clerk/accountant for 36 years before retiring in 2015.

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## Legals

### 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 **July 18, 2017 at 7:15 PM** on the request of Ruth and Nicolas Clifford (Case # 17-15) with respect to property located on **203 Washington Street**, in a **G-General Residential District**.

This application requests a Special Permit under section 5.0 of the Zoning Bylaws to allow: [IF APPLICABLE] (A) extension of an existing single-family home by the addition of a second-floor shed dormer on the rear of the structure, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may determine to be appropriate

This Application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow: [IF APPLICABLE] (A) The extension of an existing single-family home by the addition of a second-floor shed dormer on the rear of the structure, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may determine to be appropriate.

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 to 4:00 pm.

BOARD OF APPEAL  
Philip W. Riley, Chairman; Patrick J. Mulvehill, Barbara A. Kinter,  
John R. Perry, Thomas Brady

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This application requests a Special Permit under section 6.2 of the Zoning Bylaws to allow: [IF REQUIRED] (A) Erection of a new pylon sign as a replacement for an existing pylon sign, said new sign to be closer to the property line than permitted under Section 6.2.15 of the Zoning Bylaws; and (B) Replacement of existing identifying wall signage with new signs reflecting changes in typeface and logos, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeals may determine to be appropriate.

This Application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow: [IF REQUIRED] Erection of a new pylon sign as a replacement for an existing pylon sign, said new sign to be closer to the property line than permitted under Section 6.2.15 of the Zoning Bylaws, together with such other or further relief as the Zoning Board of Appeal may determine to be appropriate.

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# Letters to the Editor

## SCOUT GIVES THANKS FOR SUPPORT

To the Editor:

Hello, my name is Jason Amis, and I am a Life Scout in the Boy Scouts of America's Troop 42 in Norwood. I joined the troop after earning Cub Scouting's highest award, the Arrow of Light, in 2013. Ever since, I have been following the path to becoming an Eagle Scout. Now, in the summer of 2017, I am close to the finish line. While I am only 15 years old, I have made my way through the ranks from Scout to Life. I am currently the "SPL" or Senior Patrol Leader (youth leader) of the troop. After reflecting on my scouting career and its role in my life thus far,

I can honestly say that I have never experienced such a strong devotion to and dependence on youth leadership. I have seen first-hand, how the Scouts of Troop 42 posses a high caliber of character, unprecedented anywhere else, and I have witnessed their choices to help any community in need of their assistance.

I have recently begun working on my Eagle Scout service-leadership project, which is the creation of an instrumental music library at Norwood High School. The purpose of the project is to create an efficient system in which students can borrow music to play with their friends, while benefiting the musicians, teachers, and audience's enjoyment of music.

I would personally like to thank and recognize Mackenzie Eugene, Carolyn Ferris, Joshua Flores, Robyn Jones, Catherine Kennedy, Solomon King, Mark Larrivee, Owen Nee, and Samuel Osa-Agbontaen for their dedication, help, and service to their high school community. I would also like to thank Mr. Conant and Mrs. Connor-Moen, from the Fine Arts department at Norwood High School, for their eagerness to work with me in the eagle project process. Finally, I would like to thank my troop, Troop 42, for its never-ending support and inspiration over the years.

*Jason Amis  
Norwood*

# The Record Book

## CONCERTS ON THE COMMON 24TH ANNUAL CONCERT SERIES

The Town of Norwood Concerts on the Common Committee is pleased to announce our 24th annual Sunday Evening Concerts series for 2017. This year there will be nine concerts beginning on Sunday, July 2 and ending on Aug. 27. Note all concerts this year begin at 6 p.m.

Kicking things off on July 2, Bridgewater Antiphonal Brass Society, followed by Sharon Concert Band on July 9 and Westwood Swing Band on July 16. On July 23 Dan Gabel and the Abletones return and July closes out on the 30th with our annual Pops Night featuring Roy Scott Big Band.

August brings the return of several favorites. On Aug. 6, it is Tom Nutile Big Band; Aug. 13, The SOS Big Band; Aug. 20, Oberlaendler Hofbrau Band and ending the season on Aug. 27 with The Suburbanaires.

Note concerts begin at 6 p.m. this year. All concerts are held on the Norwood Town Common on the Walter Dempsey Memorial Bandstand at Veterans of Foreign Wars Square. Please bring your own seating.

All performances are 6 - 8 p.m. at the Walter J. Dempsey Memorial Bandstand on the Town Common. Please bring your own seating.

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## ANGLICAN CHURCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Anglican Church of the Redeemer, meeting at the First Baptist Church, 71 Bond St., Norwood, will celebrate on a Summer Schedule from now until Labor Day. Services will be held at 9 a.m. at the Church. Communion is celebrated the first and third Sundays each month, and Morning Prayer is celebrated the second and fourth Sundays. Coffee Hour follows each service at the adjacent Carriage House. Ample off street parking is available and both buildings are accessible to all. We look forward to worshipping with YOU soon! For more information please visit our website [www.redeemeranglicanchurch.org](http://www.redeemeranglicanchurch.org) or call 781-769-7940.

## ALLIANCE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS MONTHLY MEETING

The National Alliance for Mental Illness – South Norfolk affiliate will hold its monthly meeting in Cafeteria B of the Lorusso Building at Norwood Hospital at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 6. Mental illness is a label for a variety of diseases of the brain. Often it strikes in late adolescence, devastating the afflicted person and the family. The South Norfolk Alliance is composed of such families who find mutual support and join together to advocate for their loved ones. We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones. In case of inclement weather, we will align with the Norwood schools. If they close, the meeting will be cancelled.

## FREE SUMMER CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES

For the third year, the Norwood Junior Women's Club is hosting free children's concerts on the common in Norwood every Tuesday from 7 – 8 p.m.,

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# BK Auto owner questions Selectman Bishop's motives on denial

**Christopher Roberson**  
Staff Reporter

Keith Daye, owner of BK Auto Body, still had anger in his voice two days after the Board of Selectmen voted 3-2 not to approve his application for a Class II Auto Dealers License.

"I'm a young, black male trying to do the right thing, I followed all the rules," he said.

Daye also maintained that Selectman Paul Bishop had acted in a discriminatory manner throughout the public hearing process, which was continued from May 30.

"He asked me questions that had nothing to do with me getting my dealers license," said Daye, adding that Bishop had also inquired about his criminal record. "He did things he was not supposed to do."

Therefore, Daye said he not only intends to appeal the board's June 27 decision, he also has plans to pursue Bishop.

Daye said his attorney will launch an investigation to determine if other complaints from "any minorities" have been filed against Bishop in the past.

"The man on the end has a personal [issue] with me – he best be ready," said Daye. "I'm going all the way with this."

Daye said he was also both-



Keith Daye, owner of BK Auto Body, said he plans to have his attorney investigate Selectman Paul Bishop.

CHRISTOPHER ROBERSON

er by comments made by Selectman Allan Howard.

During the public hearing, Howard said he had spoken with several neighbors who all indicated that they did not want to see BK Auto morph into a car dealership.

However, Daye said it was never his intention to become a full-fledged dealership and that he only wanted to fix and sell vehicles to produce an alternative revenue stream. Daye also questioned which neighbors Howard had spoken with, saying there are no residences in the immediate vicinity of 169 Railroad Ave., where BK Auto

has operated for the last five years.

In addition, he said Howard did not provide any documentation regarding his discussions with abutters.

Daye said if there were, in fact, residents who were opposed to him being approved for a Class II License, they should have been present at the public hearing.

In response, Howard said residents' opinions are always taken into consideration regardless of whether or not they choose to attend a public hearing.

"People are not required to do anything," he said.

Howard also said his discussions with abutters absolutely took place. However, he would not disclose any of their names for purposes of confidentiality.

"I talked to neighbors and they said what they said," said Howard.

Despite repeated attempts, Bishop could not be reached for comment.



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 The Town of Norwood hereby notifies all residents that the State Attorney General's office has approved the following amendment to the Norwood Zoning By-Laws which was voted in Article 22 at the Special Town Meeting, May 8, 2017. These zoning changes to amend the Norwood Zoning By-Laws were as follows:  
**Article 22.** To amend Section 6.2 Signs and Section 11 Definitions of the Zoning By-Laws. (A complete copy of the by-law has been posted at the different locations listed below throughout the Town and is on file in the Town Clerk's Office).  
 The above named article is posted in the following public places throughout the Town, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32: District 1, Municipal Building; District 2, Norwood News and Bookstore; District 3, Morrill Memorial Library; District 4, Rite-Aid Pharmacy, Walpole Street; District 5, Murph's Place; District 6, South End Hardware; District 7, Pam's Market; District 8, Shaws Market, CVS - Shaws Plaza; District 9, Neponset St. Gulf Gas Station.  
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**ROUNDHOUSE PERFORMING AT SUMMERFEST**

Local rock band Roundhouse will perform on the Town Common at the Summerfest concert series Wednesday evening, July 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. Roundhouse is comprised of veteran Norwood musicians Paul Riley on drums, Ted Mulvehill on bass guitar, John Dorion on vocals and harmonica, Neil

Hanson and Leon Barzin on guitar and special guest Paul Lydon on keyboard. The band will entertain with classic rock hits, including favorites by the Allman Brothers, David Bowie, Joe Cocker, the Foo Fighters, Tom Petty, ZZ Top and more. Band members Mulvehill and Riley actually played the very first Summerfest con-

cert in 1980 in a previous act. Roundhouse is well-known on the local music scene and looks forward to putting on an enthusiastic performance for the crowd. Below, left to right: Roundhouse members Leon Barzin, Paul Riley, John Dorion and Ted Mulvehill (not present Neil Hanson).



**Golden Living hosts police and fire**

Golden Living Norwood hosted a barbecue for Norwood police officers and firefighters on June 21 to thank them for their continued and frequent assistance at the Washington Street facility, and the long hours they have put in working for the Town as a whole. Omolayo Asaolu of Golden Living said this was the first time the facility hosted a barbecue for public safety officials.

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# SC member to shoot Norwood film

**Christopher Roberson**  
Staff Reporter

In addition to having a seat on the School Committee, Maura Smith is also a seasoned filmmaker and will be shooting scenes for *Abby & Bryn* starting on July 28.

Smith said she and her production partner developed the idea for the film about three years ago while they were living in Los Angeles.

Inspired by the 1995 romance drama *Before Sunrise*, Smith said *Abby & Bryn* is a story about “two young women meeting and over the course of one evening develop a connection that neither was expecting.”

However, with a small town setting as the movie’s focal point, Smith said filming was not possible in southern California.

“Now that we are back in Norwood we decided to move ahead with the project,” she said, adding that she expects to have the film completed by the spring of 2018.

Smith earned her Master of Fine Arts Degree in film production from Boston University and has been working in the film and television industry since 2010. She has also spent time as a director, producer, casting associate and assistant.

In addition, Smith wrote and directed four other movies and has assisted in the casting process of more than 12 films and television shows.

The one film that Smith said stands out for her is *Dear Santa*, which she wrote and directed for her thesis project at Boston University.

“The film centered on the relationship between a young girl and her mother and it was important to me to make a story that families could relate to,” she said, adding that the film has



Maura Smith

been shown at more than 15 film festivals both nationally and internationally.

“At each screening I’ve been really touched by how many parents come up to me and say that they recognize themselves and their families in the film.”

In addition to Los Angeles, Smith said she also spent time in the grand theatrical arena of New York City.

“What brought me back to Norwood is the community environment,” she said. “In bigger cities it can be very hard to get a film made, and I’ve found that in Norwood there are so many people who are willing to help and collaborate, which is what independent projects need.”

Although it can be challenging with her responsibilities as a teacher and to the School Committee, Smith said she still finds time to keep up with her theatre projects.

“I am the type of person who is happiest when I am busy and working on multiple projects, I try hard to be organized and budget my time,” she said. “As a filmmaker, I love the process of collaboration, working together with other artists to tell a story that will hopefully connect with audiences.”

## Rink *continued from page 1*

2018, or 2019, but they said Canton’s is on its own financially”

Connolly added the town will be pursuing its best options going forward, and the Canton Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to begin the request for proposal (RFP) process for architectural designs.

“We’re going to get this on the fast track, get the rink moving as quick as possible,” he said. “It’s good news in that we finally have a direction to go in, because we’ve been waiting and waiting and waiting...DCR has given us the assurance that they will do anything and everything they can to help, ex-

cept give us any kind of dollars, and that’s okay, we wouldn’t expect anything.”

Plasko said the town will still be working hard for a Norwood rink.

“We’ll see from here where it goes, we have not been told it’s dead and, unofficially, we’ve been told that Norwood is still in the strong consideration for a rink,” Plasko said.

Norwood Town Manager John Carroll, when questioned about the Canton reports said, Our impression is that it’s not going to be one rink; it is going to be both. However, the emphasis is on the word ‘impression.’”

## The Norwood Bank Charitable Foundation Donates \$3,000 to Norwood’s Fourth of July Celebration



(Pictured, l-r): William J. Plasko, Sr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen; John Galvani, President and CEO Norwood Bank; Bernard Cooper, Martha Colamaria, and Maria Henry, 4th of July Celebration Committee Members.

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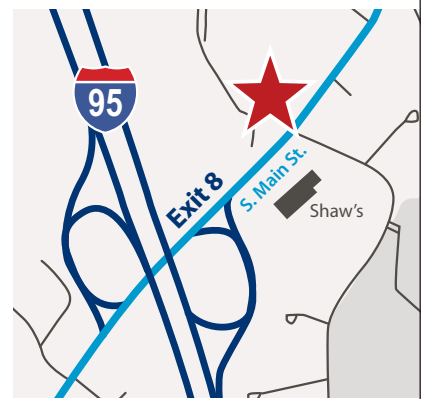
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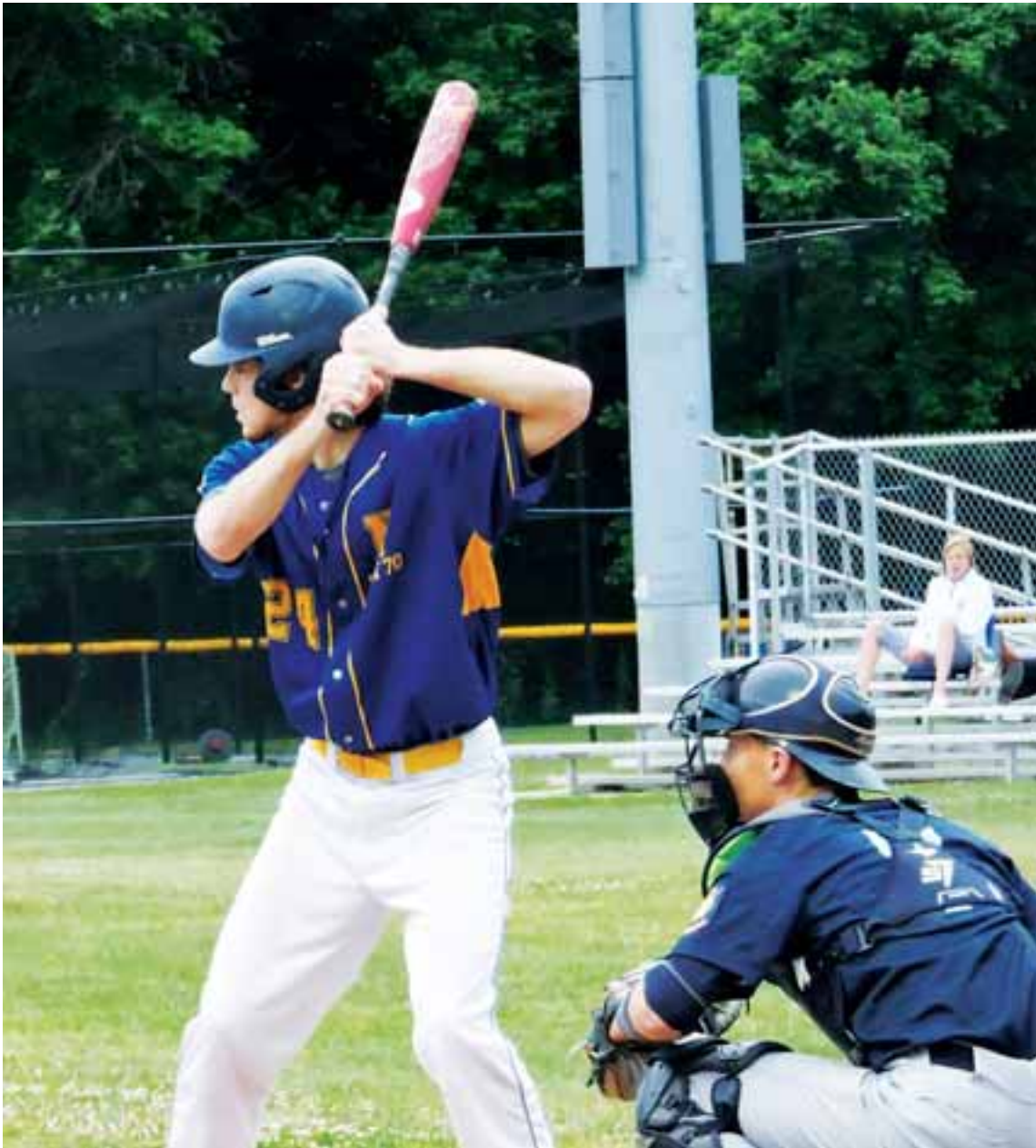
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# Sports

## Samargedlis Eyes Second Half Surge for the Norwood Post 70 Legion



Bats were a problem for Norwood in this game and the last. Mike Flynn, pictured above, was in the majority for the team as only Paul Gavin was able to get a hit during the game.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

Silent bats sent Norwood Post 70 into the Fourth of July break with an 8-0 loss to Franklin Post 75, giving Norwood a 5-6 record.

While already past the official halfway point, with only seven games left to play, Norwood manager Paul Samargedlis doesn't appear to be overly concerned, noting that it always seems Post 70 plays its best baseball upon returning from the holiday.

"This is where we are all the time, right around .500 mid-year," Samargedlis said. "Then we start playing better. I expect the same this year. No one wants to play us once we get in the playoffs."

Norwood sits in fourth place in the District 6 West Division, currently holding a two-point lead over Needham for the final playoff spot. Needham does have two more losses than Norwood already, which could help moving forward.

But the offense will need to start clicking for Norwood in a far more inspiring fashion to ensure a postseason trip. Franklin starter Colby Lewis, a 19-year-old who attends Bowdoin College, carried a no-hitter into the sixth inning on Thursday night

at Balch Elementary School.

Paul Galvin legged out an infield single on a dribbler up the third base line with two outs in the bottom of the sixth for Norwood's lone hit in the contest.

"That kid was good," Samargedlis said of Lewis. "To beat a kid like that, you've got to win 2-1. He had multiple pitches, he had presence on the mound. There's a reason they're 12-0-1."

Norwood had just two other base runners in the game: Jay Wladkowski, who walked in the first inning and Danny Sullivan, who walked in the fifth. No runner for Norwood could get beyond second base all game long.

Chris Petracca earned the starting nod for Norwood, pitching the first 3 1/3 innings and giving up six runs (four earned) on four hits while walking five and striking out three. He was relieved by Mat Rice, who pitching the remaining 3 2/3, giving up two runs (one earned) on four hits while walking three and striking out none.

Franklin's Alex Haba cranked a two-run homer off a light tower in left field in the

**Second half**  
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## Post 70 Notebook: NHS alums share conference realignment thoughts for the Legion

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

Six players on the Post 70 roster this summer are already a full year removed from attending Norwood High School, where they were all members of the 2015 Division 1 State Championship baseball team.

That team emerged from the Bay State Conference (BSC) with a 9-7 record (10-10 overall) to deliver the first state championship in baseball to Norwood High since 1943 – before the BSC was even formed.

Though nothing is official yet, it's possible the next time Norwood wins a state title in

baseball – or any sport, for that matter – it could be a banner for the Tri-Valley League (TVL).

Three members of the 2015 title team – who were all multi-sport athletes – shared their thoughts on Norwood's pending departure from the BSC.

Brian King, who was a co-captain on the basketball team in addition to being a pitcher for the baseball team, hopes that Norwood ultimately stays in the Bay State.

King noted that the basketball team took its fair share of lumps his sophomore and junior seasons, going a combined 8-36, but by the time he was a senior in 2015-16, everything

clicked for the group en route to a Herget Division title.

"Being in the Bay State, I think it helped us a lot," King said. "It toughened us. We were thrown into the fire as sophomores, and then come our senior year, we go 15-7, win the Herget, win a playoff game. That was everything to us. You ask anyone on that team, no one would want to cop out and go to the TVL."

Cam Ryan, a pitcher, outfielder and first baseman, was also a member of the soccer team at Norwood High. The team struggled mightily during his time on the pitch, as the Mustangs went 0-29-3 within the BSC Ryan's junior and senior year.

Such an experience gives Ryan the perspective to see both sides of the issue, but he still says he prefers the Bay State.

"I've definitely seen both sides of it," Ryan said. "The Bay State is better competition. Norwood's a tough town; we want to compete, we want to face those good, big schools. But I can see how some of the sports just aren't able to stick with those big schools. Newton North has how many people? I can see both sides of it. I like the Bay State better."

To answer Ryan's question, Newton North's enrollment this past year was 2,126 students.

Paul Galvin captained both

the baseball and golf teams in his days as a Mustang, and like Ryan and King, experienced the highs and lows that came along with playing a sport other than baseball.

Galvin took a big picture view of the issue, pointing out that success is cyclical. Many Norwood teams may be down right now, but that isn't to say it can't change in the near future.

"If it's a matter of competition, I feel like every town goes through patches of when they're not good at sports, having tough years," Galvin said. "I think they should stick it out. It's a tough choice, but I think they should stick it out in the Bay State."



## Junior Legion still hopes to defend district title

Jake Levin  
Staff Reporter

A little past the halfway point, the Norwood Post 70 Jr. Legion baseball team is in a very similar spot to the parent club: a game under .500 (4-5), but very much alive for a postseason spot.

One summer removed from a District 6 Juniors title, manager Dan Harrington has plenty of weapons at his disposal who were also on the team last year that know what it takes to make it to states. With a few bounces their way in the second half, Norwood fully expects to make another push.

“They know what it takes to win the district and they want another chance at a state title,” Harrington said of the team, which features seven returning players in all. “The younger guys are filling in nicely for the guys who moved up to the [senior] team and the bats are starting to come around.”

Hudson has been a major thorn in Norwood’s side, as it has dealt the Post 70 juniors three of their five losses. Hudson bested Norwood, 12-4, on June 28. The game had been tied at 2-2 in the fourth before Hudson exploded for eight runs in the fifth inning to pave the way to victory.

Norwood’s other two losses have come against Franklin, by 6-4 and 9-6 scores, respectively. Norwood is 4-0 against Westwood and Newton, the remaining two squads in the five-team District 6 West Division.

“Our record isn’t indicative of the kind of team we have,” Harrington said. “We

have a solid bunch of guys on this team, with a lot of heart and a lot of talent. We haven’t gotten many bounces to go our way up to this point, but I’ve been around baseball and I know things even out eventually. I’d be nervous playing us if we are fortunate enough to battle our way into the playoffs.”

Several of the key contributors to the junior team have also spent time with the seniors.

Pitchers Mat Rice and Matt Jeannetti – who figure to be the No. 1 and 2 starters for the Mustangs next spring – have each excelled at both the mound and the plate. Jeannetti leads the team with 13 hits and a .500 batting average, while Rice has one of the team’s four home runs.

Dan Quinn, who spent time with the varsity team this spring primarily as a backup, has been making the most of his summer, Harrington said. He’s hitting .458 while leading the team in extra base hits, with five (one home run, four doubles).

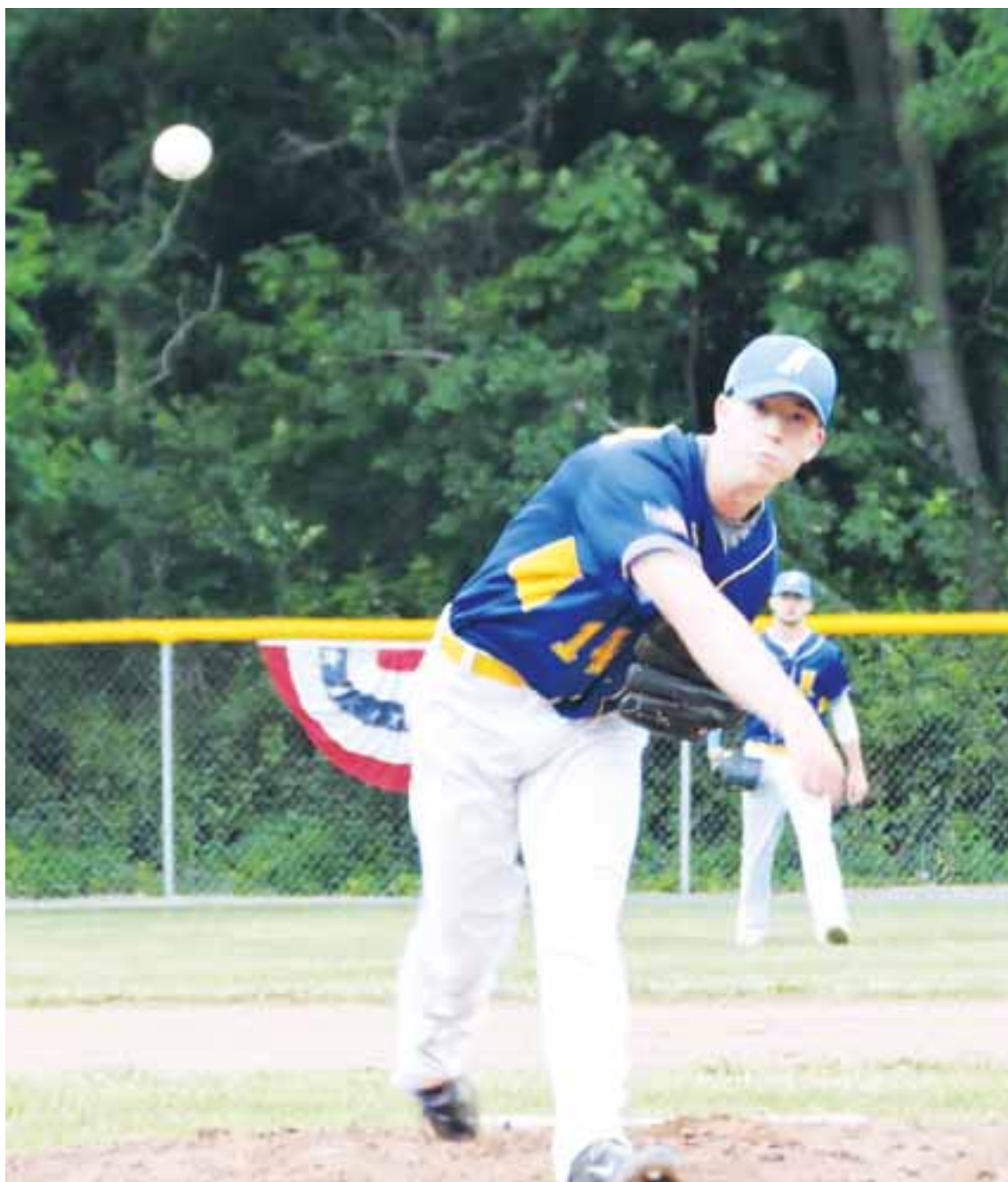
Jay Wladkowski is another “swing” player this summer, spending time with both the seniors and juniors. He has 10 hits – including two triples and a home run – during his time with the juniors.

Harrington also praised the versatility of Marc Murphy, who seen time at first base, third base and all three outfield positions for Norwood.

A few players returning from school trips figure to help the junior squad in the second half, as the push for another district title really heats up.

“Getting a few guys back who have been away is going to help,” Harrington said. “This group is a close group and when we get all of our pieces back into place, we’re going to be dangerous.”

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Chris Petracca started on the mound for Norwood, but Franklin's bats gave him a bit of trouble, as he struck out three batters and gave up six runs during his first three innings.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

first inning, giving the team the lead for good.

“I don’t think our pitching was that bad today,” Samargedlis said of Petracca and Rice. “There was the two-run home run and a couple of unearned.”

Franklin batted around in the second inning to build its lead to 5-0, although it could have been even worse had Petracca not struck out Ethan Rioux and Josh Macchi back-to-back with the bases loaded

to escape without further damage.

Norwood also lost to Franklin on June 18, 3-2 in nine innings, at Franklin High School. They’ll play for a third time on July 11 back in Franklin in the regular season finale.

Samargedlis said he hopes the week-long break will allow Norwood to get fully healthy, as well as perhaps give the team a chance to clear its head and start anew at the

plate with a refreshed approach when Post 70 returns.

“Once you get in the tournament, records mean nothing,” he said. “We’ve got seven games in a row starting on [July 5]. That’s where we’ve got to get healthy, and to get the bats going.”

Norwood hosted Walpole last night, in an event held after the Record’s deadline. Post 70 will host Needham tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Balch Elementary School.

## Firecracker 5K sees many Norwood runners in the top spots



Norwood held its annual Firecracker 5K (despite firecrackers being completely illegal in the State of Massachusetts) on Tuesday as part of the Town’s Fourth of July Independence Day celebrations. The race attracted 118 runners, with Norwood residents taking most of the top finishing spots. Norwood residents Dan Curley and Steve Curley came in first and second respectively. Walpole resident Jack Bushway came in third, Westwood resident Patrick Garratt came in fourth, and Norwood residents Tarek Zaki and Padraic Gain came in fifth and sixth respectively. Walpole’s Steve Schneider came in seventh, Norwood’s Jacob Logan came in eighth, Medfield’s Colin Benson came in ninth and Somerville’s Stephen Salinas topped it off at number 10 in the race.

PHOTO BY PAUL ELDRIDGE



**CEGELIS**

Brian A., of Norwood, Monday June 26. Son of Dorothy (Skikas) and the late Louis G. Cegelis. Beloved husband of Arlene (Swanson). Devoted father of Julie Rodrigues Kraft and her husband Brian of Portsmouth, R.I., Johanna Rodrigues and her husband Joshua Andrews of Amesbury, and Matthew Rodrigues and his husband Terry O'Dowd of Cranston, R.I. Loving grandfather of Riley and Christopher Andrews. Brother of Stephen Cegelis and his fiancée Carol Empey, and uncle of Marissa Cegelis, all of Raymond, N.H. A memorial service was held Saturday July 1, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, NORWOOD. Interment was private. Arrangements by Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Brian's memory to The Ocular Immunology and Uveitis Foundation, 348 Glen Rd. Weston, MA 02493.

**DEATHS**

**HALL**



Raymond J. our loving, hardworking and humorous husband, father and grandfather passed away on June 26, 2017, after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, "Patt" (McGuff) Hall, children Amy & Jim Supple, Tim Hall (Heather Maines) and Kate Hall (Jerry Honeycutt). Grandchildren include Keenan

& Riley Supple, and Kerianne Hall. He also leaves his daughter-in-law Patti Hall, and sisters-in-law Betty Gebhardt, Renee Hall and Mary Hall. He is predeceased by brothers Bob, Donald (Fran), Norman, Bill (Louise) and "5th brother" Joseph Curran. Ray graduated from Norwood High school in the class of 1952, and then went on to attend both Northeastern and Boston State College. He was an Air Force veteran having served during the Korean Conflict from 1953-1957. His employment in the automotive business as a sales manager spanned over 40 years. Early in his career, he was Sales Manager at the former Herb Anderson Volkswagen in Norwood and subsequently retired from Sears Auto Sales in Sandwich, Mass. Upon retirement he and

Patt moved to The Villages in Lady Lake, Fla. in 2000, but eventually moved back to Cape Cod in 2011. He will be fondly remembered for his love for his family and friends, music, dancing and laughter. Heartfelt thanks and appreciation is extended to the Cobb staff at Wingate Rehabilitation in Brewster, and Broad Reach Hospice for caring for Ray as if he were family. Their efforts and support were truly outstanding. Visitation was held at Morris, O'Connor & Blute Funeral Home, 678 Main St. Harwich Center. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Holy Trinity Church, Rte. 28 West Harwich. Burial followed at Island Pond Cemetery, Harwich. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Broad Reach Hospice 390 Orleans Rd. N. Chatham, MA 02650 or to the

Cape & Islands Veterans Outreach Center Housing Program 569 Main St., Hyannis, MA 02601. Notes of comfort for Ray's family can be made at [www.MorrisOConnorBlute.com](http://www.MorrisOConnorBlute.com)

**KELLIHER**

MARY N. (Walsh) of Norwood passed away on June 19, 2017 at the age of 80. Beloved wife of the late Francis A. Kelliher. Devoted mother of Dr. Robert F. Kelliher and his wife Michon of Walpole and Linda K. Fisher and her husband Ian of Walpole. Sister of Gail DaSilva of Winchester, Joan Kelliher of Norwood, Marlene DiGiacomo of Walpole and the late Tina Guthrie. Cherished grandmother of Aidan Fisher, Curtis Kelliher, Jacqueline Kelliher, Stephen Kelliher and Davis Kelliher. Mary was a 1954 graduate of Norwood High School and former employee for the Norwood Home for Little Wanderers. Funeral was from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. A funeral mass was at St. Catherine of Siena

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Church Norwood. Burial was at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA.

**NELSON**

Lois A. (Harding) Age 67, of Pawtucket, R.I., formerly of Norwood, June 24, 2017. A service in celebration of her life was held at the Taunton Funeral Home, 8 Crapo St. (Off Route 140, Tremont St.) TAUNTON. Burial was private. Visitation will be held prior to the services on Thursday, beginning at 5 p.m. For complete obituary, visit tauntonfuneral.com

**O'CONNOR**

Bartly F. Owner of Seven Oaks Construction Co. Of Bourne, formerly of Dedham, passed away on June 28, 2017 after a courageous battle against cancer surrounded by his loving family. Beloved husband of Marjorie A. (Kiely) O'Connor. Devoted father of Bartly F. O'Connor Jr. and his wife Rosemarie of Dedham, Christopher M. O'Connor and his wife Molly of Bourne, Rosemary L. Morrissey and her husband William of Bourne, Therese M. Hooper of Braintree and John K. O'Connor and his wife Karen of Naples, Fla. Cherished grandfather of Bartly III, Billy, Jack, Maggie, Cameron, John Kiely, Marley, Connor, Caitlin and Kiely. Great grandfather of Brooklyn, Madden and Haven.

Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Brother of Mary Ziino of Bridgewater, Matthew O'Connor of Belmont and the late John O'Connor. Son of the late John and Delia (O'Toole) O'Connor. Bart was Owner of the Seven Oaks Construction Co. for more than 50 years. He cherished his family and friends and enjoyed celebrating life with them. Golf, a glass of red wine, a good cigar and a song in his heart made his life all the richer. Funeral was from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral mass was at St. Anne's Church, 90 West Milton Street, Readville, MA 02136. Burial was at Brookdale Cemetery Dedham, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to McCarthy Care Center, 73 Service Road, Sandwich, MA 02537. Kraw-KornackFuneralHome.com

**REID**

Michael Robert Of Norwood, June 25, 2017. Dear and devoted husband of Janet (O'Hara) Reid. Beloved father of Michael Ryan Reid and his fiancée Dana of Brookline, and the late Sean O'Hara Reid. Loving brother of John Reid Jr., Richard Reid, Evelyn Petroski, Ruthann Beskrowni, Audrey Horgan, and the late Margaret Papalegis and Barbara Cullen. Also survived by several loving nieces

and nephews, and his proud pups, Maggie and Lily. Longtime member UA Local 12. Funeral Service was at the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring St. (at the corner of Centre St.), WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Michael's memory to the March of Dimes (marchofdimes.org), 1275 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, NY 10605. A private interment will be held at a later date. Guestbook & obituary at www.KfouryFuneral.com Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home West Roxbury 617-325-3600

**TROVATO**

GERALD R. of Norwood passed away on June 27, 2017 at the age of 71. Beloved husband of 45 years to Judith M. (Saulnier) Trovato. Devoted father of Michael J. Trovato of Mansfield, Jennifer Flood and her husband Kevin of Norwood and Stephen J. Trovato and his wife Stephanie of Stoughton. Cherished grandfather of Lily Flood, Violet Flood and Jacob Gerald Trovato. Brother of T. Leo Trovato and his wife Claire of Marshfield and the late Mary Ann Joyce. Brother in Law of Charlie Joyce of Braintree. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Son of the late John and Lillian (Russo) Trovato. Gerald served in Vietnam with the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. Funeral was from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St.

Norwood, MA. A funeral mass was in St. Catherine of Siena Church Norwood. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the Norwood Military Support Group c/o Veteran's Services, The Town of Norwood PO Box 40 Norwood, MA 02062.

**WALSH**

Michael T. A lifelong resident of Norwood passed away suddenly on June 26, 2017 at the age of 56. Beloved husband of Susan M. (Linnane) Walsh. Devoted Stepfather of Julia M. Austin and her fiancé Anthony Nolfi of Norwood. Son of the late Michael T. Sr. and Nora (Flaherty) Walsh. Loving brother of Mary Alexander and her husband Brad of Walpole, Anne Cavanaugh and her husband Chris of Norwood, Kathleen Houde and her husband Al of Beverly, Pauline Flood and her husband Tom of Wrentham and Noreen Walsh of Norwood. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral was from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. A Funeral Mass was at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Burial was at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation, Post Office Box 421, Norwood MA 02062. Kraw-KornackFuneralHome.com

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# Mahalingam receives top honor

Arvind Mahalingam was awarded Top Seventh Scorer for any seventh grader in the Noether Division of the Intermediate Math League of Eastern Massachusetts, in which Norwood competes throughout the school year. He and his teammates on the Math Team are advised by Mary Parlato and Laurie Norris of the Coakley Middle School. For 2016-2017, Coakley competed in five meets between October and April. The school was ranked fourth out of the seven schools in its division and 63rd out of the 86 schools in the league overall.

The league was originally established in 1965 and included students in grades 7-9. It was then revamped in 1986 to include students in grades 6-8. Competition categories range from geometry to algebra to number theory.

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for dealing with storm water or protecting the wetlands. It was built before all of those regulations came into effect. As we proposed to develop the site, we will have all the appropriate and latest protections respecting environmental concerns, wetland concerns, and dealing with storm water.”

Regardless, conservation agent Al Goetz said Argiros’ plans were not up to date and therefore the Commission could not give any determinations on their plans.

In other business, Norwood Engineering Company President Matthew Smith bargained with the ConCom for approval for a

truck lot at his company’s plant, which is located at the former Roll Land building.

Smith mentioned that many of the condition requests laid out by the commission last year for his company to add the previously-desired additional parking lot have been met during the last year.

The main request from ConCom was that the company completes certain renovations on this facilities draining system.

The current request that Smith presented to the board involving the added truck lot on the property was believed by him to not have any impact on

the approval criteria outlined by the board last year and, therefore, should pose no reason for denial.

The next proposed project was delivered by an Environmental Consultant for CertainTeed at 1077 Pleasant St., which was asking for a permit for remediation of the site.

This remediation project is designed to address ongoing petroleum releases to the Neponset River that are coming from the northeast corridor of the facility.

Since 1973, this particular location, the northeast corridor of it specifically, has frequently been the subject of petroleum leaks for numerous reasons.

The main reason was due to the above and below ground storage of various tanks containing potential environmental toxins like asphalt, diesel fuel, and machine oil.

The suggested remedial action would be a partial resolution to the environmental harm already caused over the past few decades.

The first action taken would be to prevent any machines from wicking at the southern bank into the river.

The next part is a targeted removal of the soil in the banks of the river around this facility, as the company has found that the petroleum has flooded that soil, which therefore means that this

soil is harming the water as well. They would then replace that soil with something clean that will blend back in healthily to that water body.

The last part of this project involves gathering knowledge on what, if any, impact this has had on the aquatic life in that area.

Once all of that is completed, the isolation portion of the project can commence, which involves building a small barrier along that section of the river near the northeast corridor of the facility which will hopefully block any ongoing petroleum leaks from contaminating any of the new soil in the area.

In the end, the truck lot proposal and the petroleum leakage remediation project were approved by ConCom.

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