

# Crèche Crushed

Statues found face down, figurine smashed

Krystal Grow  
Staff Reporter

The holiday season has started off with a bang, but not the kind that brings cheer and goodwill to the people of Norwood.

Figures in the crèche outside the Morse House were vandalized Monday night, sparking bad memories and harsh words in the season of hope and joy.

The crèche, which has caused much controversy in town over the years, suffered significant damage as the 80-year-old figurines were found knocked over, lying face down in the hay. One small animal figurine was completely destroyed.

The South Norwood Committee has been responsible for setting up the nativity scene. President Patty Bailey said that the scene Tuesday morning was clearly symbolic.

"The figures were all lying face down," she said. "It seems symbolic. They could have smashed all of them."

The figurines, depicting the birth of Christ, graced the Balch school lawn for years until a lawsuit was filed in 2003 by the American Civil Liberties Union that claimed the scene violated separation of church and state.

After much debate and discussion, the South Norwood Committee agreed to move the crèche to the Morse House, where it has been since 2006. The nativity

Crèche

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# The spiritual and festive faces of the season



Above: NHS Students Against Drunk Driving volunteers Jennifer Sobol, Lisa Bartucca and Courtney Stanton at the town's traditional Luminary Night. Below, to the left: Damana Morhner visits with Kris Kringle at the Balch School's Breakfast with Santa. To her right: Meredith Petrucci, 2-1/2, looks too cool for the North Pole.

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# Special permit for new high school granted Planning Board approves revised plans based on abutters concerns

Krystal Grow  
Staff Reporter

It's official. The Norwood Planning Board unanimously voted Friday night to grant a special permit for the construction of a new high school at the existing school site on Nichols Street.

Because the proposal from architects Ai3 and Project Manager Tim Bonfatti of RF Walsh were for an educational facility, the project is classified as an exempt use of land according to Norwood Zoning Bylaws, and requires a special permit before construction of

any kind can begin.

The board reviewed the plans last Monday, but some members wanted to see some changes made before granting their official stamp of approval.

"I'd rather get this done right," member William Bamber said.

On Friday night, the board approved a plan that included an extra row of plantings and greenery along Peabody Rd. and a reduced entryway into the student and faculty parking. Abutters argued that car headlights and lighting in the parking lot itself would shine into their homes, and that incoming traffic

already traveled too fast down the narrow street and would continue to speed into the 24-foot entrance to the school property.

Town Engineer Mark Ryan, who has been working with engineers and local residents, said he believed the new 22 foot entrance on the plans would make a noticeable difference in the traffic flow to the new school.

"The improvements we have made will make this a more confined space and will discourage speeding," he said, adding that he and other engineers had a few other plans for to improve the traf-

fic flow that were still being worked out.

"I'm happy to see that the town is taking the initiative to address some of these concerns," said Planning Board Chairman Marco Brancato.

Director of Town Planning and Economic Development Steve Costello said the plans submitted Friday night addressed all the concerns brought up by abutters and members of the Planning Board. He said that while the board could not technically prevent the project

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Talbot Farms could face Planning Board action over complaints that the development lacks proper lighting.

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# Pulling bond considered

## Lack of lighting at Talbot Farms prompts Planning Board to take action

**Krystal Grow**  
Staff Reporter

It may be lights out for developer Lou Petrozzi's Talbot Farms housing subdivision, and the Norwood Planning Board is considering pulling the remainder of the performance bond at their Dec. 15th meeting.

The Board has been at odds with Petrozzi for months over the total lack of street lighting in the 16-lot development. Six homes are already occupied. "The board is in unanimous decision to pull the bond," said Chairman Marco Brancato, "but we have to let him have his say."

Petrozzi has been invited to the Dec. 15 meeting of the Planning Board, but has failed to attend prior meetings where his presence was requested.

Director of Town Planning and Economic Development Steve Costello has been working with the board to resolve the issue, but potential legal ob-

stacles and pending safety hazards have made it difficult for them to take any action thus far.

But the board is growing impatient, and while Costello said he did not believe there were any pressing safety issues at Talbot Farms, Petrozzi is currently in violation of town by-laws by refusing to install street lighting at his development, prompting the board to consider stopping further construction until the town regulations are met.

"Either he conforms to the rules or we pull the bond," Brancato said, "but either way, we need to move forward on this."

Costello recommended that the board enlist the help of Town Counsel to make sure the town will not incur any liability by pulling the bond, and to make sure they don't adversely effect further development of the half-finished properties.

"I don't want to word this to him where he will just think,

'Well, if they're going to do that, I'm not going to do anything at all,'" board member Paul Donohue said.

The board has feared that if they pull the bond, Petrozzi will drop the project altogether, leaving the town to clean up the mess.

Members of the planning board have also considered denying Petrozzi occupancy permits for the remaining properties, but since the development is already half full, it is questionable whether the board can rightfully, or legally, prevent

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## Editorial

### A DAY TO REMEMBER

Newspapers are often seen, in the broadest sense of the word, as an "educational" resource. Whether it's a daily or weekly, much of what we learn about our community and the world at large comes from the print media.

And yet, it is frequently the case that we ourselves are learning just as much as our readers. A constant joy of this job is the ability to have access to the people, places and things that shape our lives. We learn how things work, how people think and what is important beyond our own sphere of influence.

While journalists are supposed to be impartial and objective, the fact remains that we have our own perceptions, biases and opinions. On a good day, we not only set them aside, we have them challenged and changed. There is a great reward in thinking about things in a new way and that can mean rethinking our views.

For many years, it has been a tradition of our newspapers to observe Dec. 7, Pearl Harbor Day, in some fashion. Opinion pieces, editorial cartoons and feature stories have been the tools we use. By way of confession, back in the day, we and some of our staff seemed confused by this annual rite. What does Pearl Harbor have to do with community journalism? Why should we care?

Well, we should care. It is important. We need to continue reminding our readers in our own way about the solemn day and its meaning.

This generation likes to think that "everything changed on 9/

11." To a very large and unfortunate degree, that is true. But, in the big picture, that terrible day of a few years ago didn't truly change "everything." It merely put a modern filter on things.

As tragic as the Pearl Harbor attacks and 9/11 were, they are days to remember heroism alongside horror. Pearl Harbor, decades before the more recent attack on American soil, shows just why we need to support our troops and honor their commitment.

There is no inherent nobility in our soldiers. There honorable character is shaped over time, not bestowed with a uniform. Whether a war or conflict carries favor with the mood of the nation, the personal danger faced by those who serve - a danger faced willingly to protect all we hold dear - is what sets them apart. We talk about sacrifice. They live a life of sacrifice.

And yet, we do so little to truly honor our soldiers.

On a recent visit to Boston's New England Center for Homeless Veterans, we were overwhelmed by two things. First, was the realization of what challenges many veterans face and the scope of their needs. Just locally, the center has care for upwards of 12,000 veterans. On an annual basis it serves more than 230,000 meals. The second thing that struck us was the inherent pride of the men we saw there. These are folks who would do anything to serve their country again if needed, no matter that it has let them fall through the cracks since doing so.

When Barack Obama named a new head of the Veterans Administration, the move was framed in a political context. There was much talk of "modernizing" services. Well, keeping up with technology is important, but what about expanding services. It took a tooth-and-nail fight in recent years to improve death benefits for those serving in Iraq, our soldiers have inadequate equipment and post-traumatic stress disorder and head injuries will haunt many returning soldiers for the rest of their lives. Yet, we seem to offer nothing but lip service.

Pearl Harbor may have occurred before many of us were even born. But in that terrible attack, when 350 bombers ripped into military personnel and civilians alike, those in the area rose to the occasion and fought back. There perseverance needs to be remembered as evidence of the resiliency our troops are defined by. Years later, we need to remember that such attacks are deterred by their ongoing might. Our part of the bargain, if we can't personally change benefit structures and post-service health care, is to at least set aside one day a year to remember our troops, to think about them and to be thankful for them. Pearl Harbor Day goes beyond Memorial Day and Veterans Day in that respect. It is not a catch-all observance. It is intended to be, and should be, a reminder to us all of this country's ability to rebound after tragedy with courage.

### REPUBLICANS, DEMOCRAT WORK TOGETHER

To The Editor:

Our Congressman for the 9th District, the Honorable Stephen F. Lynch, has quietly organized and conducted a program of donating Thanksgiving turkeys to veterans and their families in Norwood, and throughout the District for many years now.

He has never sought recognition for this wonderful gesture of respect and thoughtfulness, and I felt strongly that this year the citizens of Norwood and surrounding communities be made aware of his caring and goodwill. He has always been the leader of our delegation in supporting veterans' issues and legislation, and is a true friend to every veteran in the Commonwealth. Thank you, Sir.

This year, another group came forward to offer their assistance at Thanksgiving, and I was so moved by their offer that I wish to publicly acknowledge them, as well.

The Norwood Republican Town Committee complimented Congressman Lynch's donation by graciously providing pre-cooked turkey

dinners with all the fixings (even a pie!) to our veterans and their families. This office expresses its most sincere and profound thanks to Chairwoman Deb Holmwood and the entire committee for its kindness, compassion and generosity. Thank you all.

Thanks to them, and our Honorable Representative Lynch, this Thanksgiving was extra special. Donations such as these go a long way towards improving the quality of life for those in the veterans community who find themselves, through no fault of their own, in need of our assistance. We are blessed to have friends like them.

Edmund W. Mulvehill, Jr.  
Director of Veterans' Services  
The Town of Norwood

### THANKS FOR SUPPORT

Thank you to all of you who have helped support Lisa Igoe Kelliher in her fight against cancer. The fundraising event was a tremendous success. Our thanks and appreciation for all you did. Please keep Lisa and her family in your prayers.

The Fundraising Committee for Lisa Igoe Kelliher

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any more from being issued.

"The building inspector could be putting himself in a trap if he suddenly stops issuing permits after issuing them for half of the development already," Costello said. "Common sense would indicate that after issuing half the permits, then stopping for safety reasons, doesn't really make a lot of sense. What you do in these situations is pull the bond."

Board member William Bamber agreed that in fairness to the current residents at Talbot Farms, the board needed to take action.

"If you're paying \$6,000 a year in property taxes, you want some lights out there," he said. "The best way to get action is to do something that prompts a reaction."

"I think it's very heavy handed the way he is handling this," Donohue said of

Petrozzi. "He's worked with the town before and knows how we do things."

Costello said that when the bond was originally issued, Petrozzi had not presented any plans for lighting at the development, but believed there was progress on the plans until recently.

"Up until September, there had been progress on the installation of lighting. We had no indication that there was a problem," Costello said. "We will invite him in to explain his position. Whether he shows up is another question."

"Let's move forward," Brancato said. "He knows the rules."

Petrozzi did not return calls from *The Record* regarding Talbot Farms and the upcoming planning board meeting.

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# DPW's Welch to retire

## Town to combine positions to cut costs

**Krystal Grow**  
Staff Reporter

After 41 years of service Norwood Department of Public Works Superintendent Joe Welch has announced his retirement.

In a letter to the Board of Selectmen Welch said that after much thought he has decided to retire effective Jan.31.

"We knew this was coming, we were just waiting to find out when," Town Manager John Carroll said.

Welch said he looked fondly upon his work in Norwood, which included time with the cemetery department and in the town engineering department.

"I feel I have put forth my best effort for the people of Norwood, and hope the town feels the same way about my work over the past 41 years," Welch said in his letter.

In the wake of Welch's pending retirement, Carroll recommended Tuesday night that Selectmen review and ultimately approve combining the now vacant position at the DPW with the responsibilities of the Town Engineer.

Carroll said he has been

working closely with current Town Engineer Mark Ryan to develop an appropriate job description and to "ensure as smooth a transition as possible."

The new, combined position could potentially save the town upwards of \$100,000 in salary costs.

There will be a public hearing on the consolidation of the two major town positions in the coming weeks, Carroll said.

Board member Bill Plasko said he fully supported the manager's intentions to combine the positions, but offered the board and other town departments a careful warning about their own budgets, which may need to be overhauled sooner than expected.

"There is more bad news in the economy," he said in reference to House Speaker Sal DiMasi's recent announcement that municipalities would likely be facing a 10 percent cut in state aid.

"We already have the budgets, but I think it may be necessary to go back to the department heads and ask them to make cuts in their own budgets in anticipation of the reduced

state aid," Plasko said, and recommended that the board refer the matter to the Town Wide Budget Subcommittee, of which he is a member. "Our town departments need to know that we're looking at a very lean year ahead," he said.

Selectman Jerry Kelleher suggested asking department heads to develop a list of "above the line" and "below the line" items as a means to determining what was essential and what could be cut in increasingly bleak economic times.

Chairman Mike Lyons said that it was important for the budget subcommittee to study the potential impact of a 10 percent cut in state aid, but also said it was important for Norwood citizens to realize that national financial events were beginning to have a real impact at home. "We're not immune to what's going on," he said. "This may be something we haven't felt as much as other communities, but it is something we've been struggling with behind closed doors for a long time. It's something that's really going to be in our face now, and we all are going to have to figure out how to deal with it."

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# A Holiday Honor

Krystal Grow  
Staff Reporter

## Friends of St. Nick acknowledge local man for contributions to town

The holiday spirit hit Norwood Friday afternoon, as the Friends of St. Nick gathered for their annual fundraiser and to honor Norwood resident Charlie Donohue for spreading goodwill all year long.

The local group hosts the annual event to raise money for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and the Pan Mass Challenge.

While many of the speakers appearing at the luncheon at Concannons were connected through their struggles with cancer, each had nothing but words of hope and thanks.

"You have all done so much," said Suzanne Fountain of the Dana Farber Institute. "We're all thinking a lot about the economy, but the fundraising here doesn't take a break because cancer certainly doesn't take a break. It's so important what you are all doing here, and we are so grateful."

Former Red Sox player and cancer survivor Greg Montelbano commended the group for their ceaseless efforts and reminded everyone how important their contributions were. "When I walked in, it blew my mind to see so many people here. Unfortunately, a lot of us have been affected by this disease," he said. "It's amazing how much is being done in cancer research, and there are so many brilliant doctors and scientists out there, and it's important to give them the resources they need."

Friends of St. Nick board



Charlie Donohue accepts distinction from Bob Dempsey

both the hockey and golf teams in his senior year, Donohue was accepted to Brown University, where he led the hockey team to the NCAA final four during his senior year.

Donohue's fraternity brother, teammate and current Rhode Island Governor, Don Carcieri, said his college friend was one of the "brightest, toughest and biggest hearted people I know."

"He's an incredible human being who has given his life to Norwood," Carcieri said, "and I commend the town for recognizing and acknowledging such a great person."

Known for his modesty and for shying away from praise for his work, Donohue attributed most of his success to his upbringing in Norwood. "I didn't realize it at the time, but when I was growing up, Norwood was one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the area," he said. "It was an incredible environment to grow up in, and really gave me a great education about life."

Donohue's close friend Kenny Arvidson said that Donohue was the ideal recipient of this year's honors. "Looking at the list of past recipients is like looking at an honor roll of Norwood," he said, "and while Charlie has worked very hard and achieved many things, in my mind his legacy will be that he has been a tremendous father to his five kids."

In his trademark understated style, Donohue used his time at the podium to showcase his sense of humor and to thank the Friends of St. Nick, not to tout his own accomplishments, and offered a simple "thank you" before returning to the party.

"He's so humble and generous. He's a wonderful friend and family man," said friend Joe Curran. "He definitely deserves to be Man of the Year."

member Mike Thornton said the event is always well attended, bringing in over 200 people each year. This year, he said the crowd was the largest he had ever seen. "I wasn't sure how it was going to turn out this year," he said, "but no matter what, people come out and they come out with a smile on their face. Every year, they open their wallets and are spending money for the benefit of cancer research."

Annual Honoree Charlie Donohue has spend the majority of his professional career in the healthcare field, and is currently the President of the New England Employee Benefits Council. He has worked in the non-profit health care field in the state, regional and federal levels. But Donohue said some of his fondest memories, and the accomplishments he's most proud of his time from his time in Norwood.

"My dad grew up in Norwood, and so did I and we love this town like all of us do," he said. "Like many of us, we can base our success on all the things that Norwood gave us."

A gifted athlete, Donohue was recently inducted into the Norwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame. After leading

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# Upland Woods hearing continued

## Meeting about office park is Monday

**Krystal Grow**  
Staff Reporter

Abutters to the Upland Woods office park will have another chance to review the proposed plans for another building on the site this Monday as the Planning Board continues their public hearing on the project.

Developers from the Campanelli Companies presented the board and a group of concerned abutters with a plan for a 200,000 square foot office building that, if approved, will be the newest offices of online media company Tech Target.

Campanelli has already pre-leased 113,000 square feet of space to Tech Target, which currently has a large office in Needham. The remaining space will be available for lease to other businesses.

Local residents were concerned with the increased traffic to the site, which currently houses both the Universal Technical Institute campus and the offices for Aspect Medical.

However, at the Nov. 3 hearing traffic analyst Bob Mishued said there would be "no discernable changes to the existing traffic patterns."

Abutters had a hard time believing that a building that could potentially house 500 employees would not have a dramatic impact on traffic along Rte. 1A and their own suburban side streets.

Residents of both Clapboardtree, Everett and Washington Streets all agreed that the traffic conditions in their neighborhoods were already difficult, claiming students from UTI drive recklessly in the area, and that increased traffic would equate to increased safety hazards in the neighborhood.

"Route 1A has turned into a raceway," Washington St. resident Linda Perry had said. "You can't even sit in your back yard and have a conversation anymore because of the traffic and noise."

Mishued and members of the Campanelli development team said an exclusive left turn lane would eventually be necessary on Upland Rd. and that when the building exceeds 150,000 square feet of occupancy, an exclusive right turn lane would be added on Clapboard Tree Street and Everett Street.

Abutters also had concerns regarding the lighting plans for the new building, and requested that a wider buffer zone, fencing and reduced light poles be added to the plan before the Planning Board considered approving it.

The Planning Board and Director of Town Planning and Economic Development Steve Costello took a recent tour of the site with abutters to observe the current conditions and get a better idea of

what Campanelli had in mind for the property.

Developers from the Campanelli Company, however, did not attend. They were scheduled to return to the board with revised plans on Dec. 1, but requested an extension on the hearing from the board.

"It appears they need more time to implement the changes we and the abutters wanted to see in the plans," Costello said.

The continued public hearing is scheduled for this Monday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m., in the Community Room at the Norwood Police and Fire Station. Abutters and encouraged to attend.

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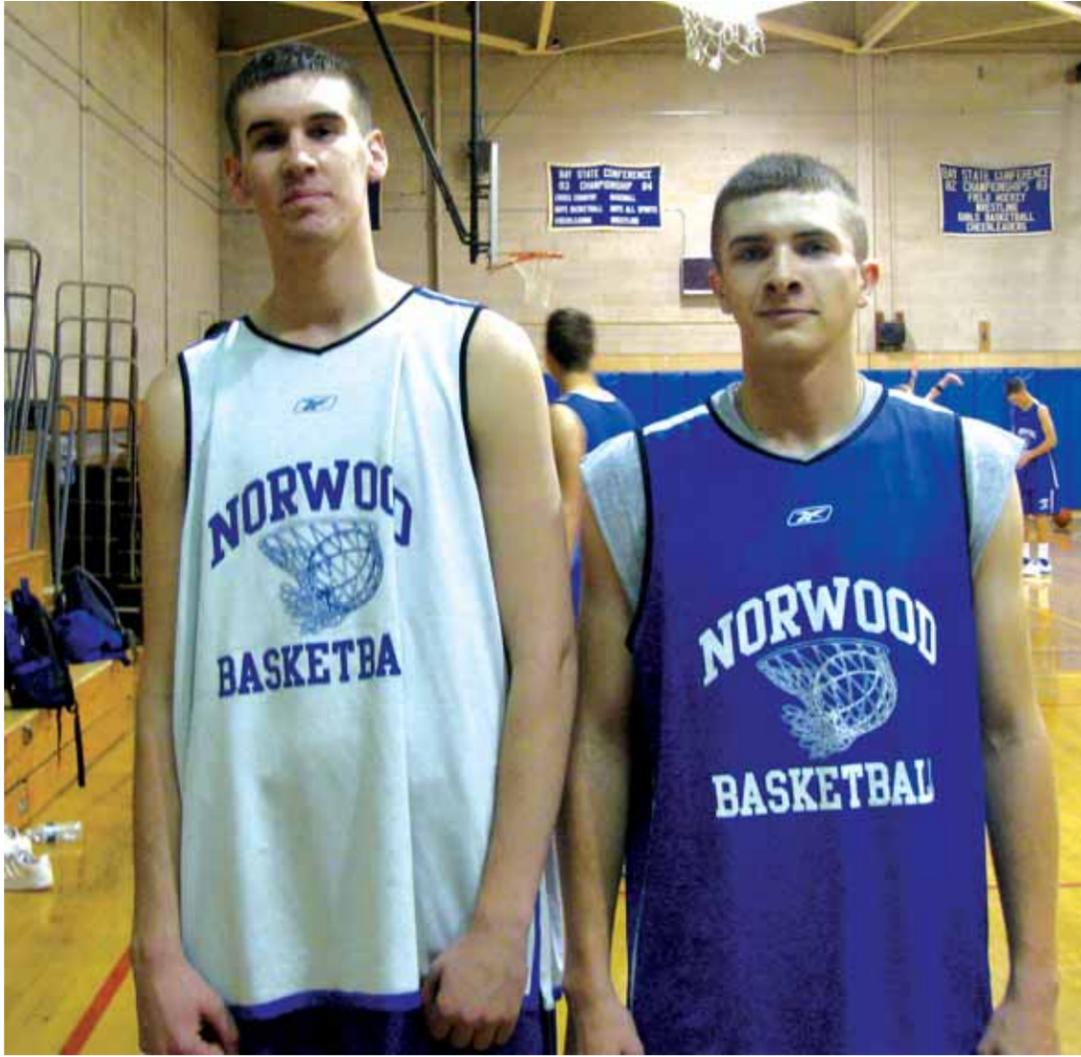
**Tuesday, Dec. 2**  
0633 911. Lockout, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: (cell: 346 Vanderbilt Av.) - 40 Feeney Rd. Caller locked himself out of running car. NFD to handle same.  
1227 phone. Fraud, report filed. Location/address: Ciapciak Assoc. - 99 Access Rd. James Ciapciak reports extortion by former employee.  
1244 phone. Dispute, spoken to. Location/address: Citifinancial - 500 Bos-Prov Hwy. Margaret reports problem with customer who has since left. Officer spoke to Margaret, satisfied for time being. Attempt to contact customer, unsuccessful. They will call if customer returns.  
1404 phone. Medical emergency, services rendered. Location/address: 1088 Washington St. @ 11 Heaton Ave. Female fell outside, NFD handles.  
1412 phone. Fraud, services rendered. Location/address: Citizens Bank - 134 Nahatan St. Off. spoke with the customer who agreed to the service but did not read the fine print. Charges may be high but she agreed in writing, no fraud.  
1436 911. Drug law violation, arrest(s) made. Location/address: 245 Nichols St. Det. Sgt. requested a marked unit for one female under arrest. Off. transported one. Arrest: Kelley, Debra Ann. Address: 28 Florian St., Roslindale, MA. DOB: 06/24/1960. Charges: warrant arrest drug, possess class B, suspended licence, subsequent offense.  
1611 phone. Fire alarm, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 5 Sturtevant Ave. Report burnt foot set off fire alarm.  
1615 phone. Larceny, spoken to. Location/address: Jefferson Dr. Caller reports 2 young blk. females are walking onto Jefferson Dr., with Jefferson Dr. sign, post and all. Girls located and state they found it in the woods. They will leave it in front of #145 Jefferson, DPW notified.  
1616 phone. Assist other agency, services rendered. Location/address: Professional Electric - 100 Access Rd. Steve McLaughlin reports they will be terminating an employee at 4:30 and don't expect it to go well. Incident went ok, units cleared. Everyone satisfied.  
1644 phone. Mischief (kids), spoken to. Location/address: Ace Coin Laundry - 1175 Washington St. Report 2 kids running in/out business, had propped open rear door. Caller has now locked rear door, kids left when caller arrived but same ones that would not leave on call on 11/2. (delay). N663 spoke to kids whom where there when he arrived.  
1712 phone. Susp. activity, report filed. Location/address: 230 Lenox St. Caller reported male party came to her house yesterday attempting to check the water pressure.  
1943 phone. Susp. person, report filed. Location/address: 140 Nahatan St. Caller reported son witnessed male party who may be in possession of a gun. Officers checked area, nothing found.

2138 radio. Receiver of stolen propert, complaint/summons. Location/address: 901 Coventry Ln. 205. Officer requested incident number for case. Summons: Smith, Guy Lee Jr. Address: 82 Centre St., Dorchester, MA. DOB: 12/25/1954  
2258 walk-in. Suicide threats, report filed. Location/address: Norwood Police Dept. - 137 Nahatan St. Caller requested legal advice. During the course of the conversation caller made suicidal remarks. Transport to hospital by NFD.  
**Wednesday, Dec. 3**  
0059 phone. Assist citizen, protective custody. Location/address: Krayzee Horse Pub and Grill - 1112 Washington St. Chris Grant is requesting to speak with officer. N663, N667 sent. As a result, N663 returned with 1 in protective custody. P/c: Palacios, Rafael. Address: 35 Orne St. 4, North Attleboro, MA. DOB: 03/10/1972. Charges: protective custody.  
0151 911. Assist citizen, assisted party. Location/address: 75 Jefferson Dr. Handicapped female in need of assist back to bed. N665, NFD responded. NFD handled same.  
0214 other. Be on the lookout, services rendered. Bolo. over teletype for attempted residential B & E that occurred in Sharon this morning. Suspect(s) frightened away by homeowner. Suspects gained forced entry thru rear door. Suspect vehicle is an orange/red Nissan 240sx with 1 gray or black panel. (No reg. available.) Bolo to cars.  
0343 phone. Well being chk., services rendered. Location/address: Hampton Inn - 434 Bos-Prov. Hwy. Caller reports her daughter involved in domestic in Shrewsbury with ex-boyfriend last week was seen with him @ Conrads earlier in evening and did not come home. Mother concerned for well-being of 23 yr. old daughter and would like hotels checked for boyfriend's vehicle. Bolo to cars for MA reg# 765kj0. N665 locates vehicle at Hampton Inn. N667, N668 responded, spoke with both parties and she chooses to stay with him. Mother and Shrewsbury p.d. notified.  
0507 911. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 9 Railroad Ave. Caller reports her father in distress. N665, NFD responded. NA1 transported.  
0622 911. Medical emergency. Location/address: 909 Washington St. 5. Diabetic reaction N662 and NA1 sent.  
0628 911. Fire alarm. Location/address: 1188 Washington St. 2. C/o detectors going off. Faulty alarms.  
0651 phone. Susp. vehicle. Location/address: 114 Westover Pkwy. Caller reports white newer model Honda with tinted windows parked in front of her house. When she went to window, they moved to front of neighbors on her right then sped off. N664, N62 sent to check area. Request for extra checks of the area during day.  
0711 phone. Breaking and entering. Location/address: Makita Tools - 8 Carnegie Row. Caller reports break-in to demo trailer for tools. N667 sent.  
0719 phone. Animal complaint. Location/address: 28 Birch Rd. @ 8 Woodland Rd. Caller reports loose 'golden retriever' in area. N665 sent and checked area and

spoke with neighbors in area. No one has seen dog.  
0729 911. Medical emergency. Location/address: Division of Employment - 275 Prospect St. Caller reports a person has collapsed outside employment office. N662, NFD responded.  
0753 phone. Larceny. Location/address: Shaws Supermarket - 134 Nahatan St. Loss prevention officer (Kevin Sullivan) reports 2 'GPS' have been stolen. Camera tape avail. Summons: Coleman, Neal M. Address: 98 Commonwealth Ave., Dedham, MA. DOB: 08/19/1965. Charges: larceny over \$250.  
0950 phone. Larceny. Location/address: Petco - 1210 Bos-Prov. Hwy. Off. will a report.  
1034 911. Medical emergency. Location/address: 16 Willow St. - 56 Bos-Prov. Hwy. Caller requests ambulance at 16 Willow St.  
1046 phone. Citizen's complaint. Location/address: 149 Pellana Rd. DPW having trouble getting a vehicle moved to work in the area. Matter resolved, car will be fixed and off the street before the end of the day.  
1124 phone. Larceny. Location/address: 371 Nahatan St. Resident reports a theft of a check. Off. will file charges. Summons: Jones, Robert E. Address: 238 Vernon St., Norwood, MA. DOB: 09/04/1987. Charges: larceny from building, larceny over \$250, forgery of check, utter false check.  
1242 phone. Auto theft. Location/address: 433 Walpole St. LEAPS entered for MA M83744, 2005 Lincoln Town car, white.  
1307 phone. Pedestrian accident. Location/address: 20 Broadway St. @ 160 Nahatan St. Man struck in the street. Offs. Respond with NFD. See report. DPW transported property of the victim to Caritas.  
1338 walk-in. Fraud. Location/address: 43 Stratford Rd. Bank fraud (ATM card).  
1352 phone. Lost and found. Location/address: J.C. Jacobs Plumbing Co. Inc. - 1156 Washington St. Worker found a wallet, Off. to pick up and return to owner.  
1404 phone. Well being chk. Location/address: 11 Ridgewood Dr. Mailman for area reports woman's mail has not been picked up and her car is in driveway. NFD sent, neighbor came over before entry was made stating resident is in N.Y., daughter notified of mail buildup.  
1440 phone. Larceny. Location/address: Aamco Transmission - 175 Everett St. Robert called to say while doing business with customer, customer stole his I-Phone.  
1549 phone. Parking violation. Location/address: 89 Access Rd. Caller reports she is parked in a reserved area of private property and a worker parked behind not allowing her to exit. Worker also called to make a complaint about the parking issue. Off. responds. Worker reports the female was able to exit and has left.  
1732 phone. Juvenile offenses. Location/address: TJ Maxx - 146 Nahatan St. Caller reported several juveniles on bikes harassing shoppers. Officers spoke with a small group of kids, advised.  
1811 911. Report of fight. Location/address: 293 Nahatan St. @ 3 School St. Caller reports possible fight about to occur. N666, N661

# Sports

## Boys' hoops seeks to challenge in tough BSC



Norwood boys' basketball captains Matt Clifford and Pat Hickey.

PHOTO BY MIKE STOLLER

Mike Stoller  
Staff Reporter

So what does the Norwood boys' basketball team do for an encore?

Last year's sensational turnaround from a dismal 3-17 campaign the prior season will go down as one of the best feats in Mustang lore. Norwood finished the slate at 13-8, including 9-7 in the Bay State Conference, before being bounced in the first round of state tourney play.

This winter, the Mustangs hope to challenge for the Herget Division title, but as second-year head coach Rich Cormier said, "It will be a tall task with defending champion Milton returning all five starters.

"I think we have the potential to have a great season, but with so many new and inexperienced players, it is going to take some time to mesh as a unit," added Cormier.

Norwood, which opens the season at home against Natick tomorrow, returns a team that has - well - a little of this and a little of that.

"We are really not a veteran or young team, but a nice mix of both," said the head mentor. "We lost seven seniors from last year's team. We do return a few impact players, but we will have to fill a lot of spots with young, inexperienced guys."

For the Mustangs, Cormier likes to apply the philosophy that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

"We have 14 guys, and I really think that we have 14 guys that can play a role," said the coach. "I could really talk about each kid, and that's a nice problem to have, actually, for a change."

Still, the Mustangs are very fortunate to have BSC All-Star guard and reigning Herget Division MVP Chris Johnson back for another go-around. You want points, assists, rebounds, three-point accuracy, blocked shots, and foul shooting? Quite simply, Johnson does it all.

"He was our team leader in every one of those stat categories [last year]," said Cormier.

Surrounding Johnson will be two other major offensive threats in senior co-captain and center/forward Matt Clifford, who returns for his third varsity campaign, and junior guard Jeremiah Ephraim.

"Certainly Chris Johnson, Matt Clifford, and Jeremiah

Ephraim bring a lot of offensive firepower to our ball club," said Cormier. "[And] we have high hopes for our younger guys [so] I believe that depth is going to be a real strong point for us this season."

Clifford figures to make a strong presence in Norwood's rebounding game.

"He's a big time player on the inside for us," said Cormier. "He's got great skills."

The Mustangs also will look to get solid play under the glass from senior co-captain and forward Pat Hickey, who returns for his second varsity season, veterans Gio Bartucca and Matt Murphy, and newcomer Mike Gearty.

"We got plenty of guys who can really get in there and mix it up," said Cormier.

Johnson and Ephraim, meanwhile, will pace Norwood's outside game.

"We have the league MVP back in Chris, so he's certainly our go-to on the outside, along with Jeremiah," said Cormier. "But we have so many guys that can do so many different things."

In particular, the coach lauded freshman phenom Sean O'Neil, who wasted no time in making the varsity squad as a guard.

"[He's] going to be a real special player," said Cormier. "He can really penetrate and get to the basket."

"We have a lot of guys who can play multiple positions, who can go inside and out," added the coach.

Junior Ryan Collins, for example, will play guard and forward, ("very flexible for us," said Cormier), and A.J. Foti, though listed as a guard, "is just everywhere, he really is."

Also adding versatility is junior Mike Goodwin, who will run the point. — "[He's] very steady," said Cormier — while senior Mina Awad will float between guard and forward, but is primarily marked for coming off the bench and knocking down jumpers, said the coach.

Defensively, Cormier is optimistic, praising players such as seniors Brian Williams and Matt Costa as "a couple of defensive presences. Nobody can get by them."

How it will all play out, like a ball off the rim, is up in the air.

"We have a lot of unanswered questions for this season, but I am optimistic about our chances," said Cormier.

## Girls' B-ball looks to improve

Mike Stoller  
Staff Reporter

Former Norwood girls' basketball standout and first-year varsity coach Maureen Jennings will take a practical approach as she inherits the reigns from longtime legend Mustangs' mentor Giles Parker.

"Our goal this season is to take it one game at a time and try to improve on last year's record," said the new head leader, who graduated Norwood High in 1993. "We are going to be a young team, but I think the future will be bright with a lot of hard work and determination."

Norwood finished at 4-12 last winter, so the Mustangs will be challenged in the mighty strong Bay State Conference, which houses defending Division 2 state champion Wellesley and powerful archrival Walpole. Both Herget Division opponents return "tough veteran teams," said Jennings.

But the Mustangs, who open the season at Natick tomorrow, offer a pretty good selection of

talent between their six returning players, including two seniors, and a bunch of standouts brought up from last year's junior varsity team.

"It's a strong group, we have a good core," said Jennings, who served as Norwood's junior varsity coach, before taking over the higher circuit. "The kids brought up from junior varsity are strong, and we're lucky that we have a very strong junior class. Most of them are juniors who were brought up..."

However, the strength of the Mustangs begins with a pair of returning juniors in power center and Co-captain Emily Dixon, who led the team in scoring and rebounding last season, and guard Stephanie Perry, the squad's other leading marksman, who will patrol the backcourt with senior co-captain Jenn Canniff and sophomore Cory Ryan.

"Emily and Steph both have been BSC All-Stars," said Jennings, noting that Perry missed most of last season with a wrist injury.

Jennings, a forward during her playing days at Norwood,

said the mix of the veterans and upcoming players has shined during the preseason. For example, junior incoming forward Emily Whitney "is a strong post player who could also shoot from the outside and will complement Emily Dixon very well," said the coach.

Dixon also will get a boost in the frontcourt by a couple of returning stalwarts in senior Meaghan Troiano and junior Tahira Gibson, both of whom bring strong rebounding games to the hardwood. Troiano also figures to be a strong scoring threat in the post, while Gibson returns as one of the team's top defenders, particularly as a shot blocker.

Meanwhile, Jennings said the team's other new junior forward, Natalie Metta, can shoot from the inside as well as light it up from the wing, "and can keep up with Perry, who's very fast."

Perry, Canniff, and Ryan will be supported by a solid incoming group of guards in se-

Girl's B-ball

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# Girls' B-ball *from page 9*

nior Amanda Murray, junior Gina Mancini, and sophomore standouts Suzy Omo and Justine Ryan.

With many newcomers trying to make their mark and the veteran talent facilitating the process, Jennings said the Mustangs get a high grade for their work ethic so far.

"These girls and all the underclassmen have worked very hard this past summer to improve their games," said the coach, who noted many of her players competed in the

Walpole summer league and Milton fall league.

"All these kids know each other and they did a lot more working out in the off-season than in the [recent] past," added Jennings. "They've been working with each other to make each other better. There's a different mentality in that they seem to be ready to work even harder. They have very good drive. They came into tryouts [on the first day] in better shape than I've ever seen them, and they're worked very hard."



## Calling all Coaches

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Above, from left to right: Lauren Duggan, of the girls' junior varsity basketball team, shares a laugh with varsity players Emily Dixon and Meghan Troiano during an early season practice last week.

PHOTO BY MIKE STOLLER



Norwood senior standout swimmer Meghan Shilo was the first recipient of the Kevin Curran Memorial Scholarship. In addition to the plaque, Shilo will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Kevin's daughter, Meghan, who also swims for the Mustangs, and his wife, Debbie, helped present the award at the Norwood High School Swim Banquet last week. Next year's team captains, Emily Metta, Natalie Metta, and Kayla Ring, also were announced.

COURTESY PHOTO

# Swimmers celebrate season, remember Kevin Curran

**David Metta**  
*Special to the Record*

We have many things to celebrate tonight, team accomplishments, individual accomplishments and the vision for next year as the NHS Girls swim team continues to improve and grow.

We also want to acknowledge and celebrate those who have positively impacted our lives, those who have shown us how to lead and by example and continuously worked to make our community a better place for all of us.

One of those individuals we honor tonight, in memoriam, is our good friend Kevin Curran. As we award the first annual \$1,000 Kevin Curran Scholarship to a NHS senior swimmer, many things run through my mind.

We are saddened by the fact that Kevin is no longer with us — but that sadness is quickly overcome by the vision of Kevin's big welcoming smile and outstretched helping hands as he lived his life trying to do the best he could, as loving husband, and with good reason, as proud father, as an employer or as long-time Norwood Town Meeting Member. He relished and took seriously his commit-

ment and responsibility to each one of those roles.

The Norwood Aquatics Committee was an organization that Kevin helped start several years previously to help promote swimming in Norwood and to work with the town to help build a new indoor pool to replace the pool lost at the old Civic Center. Not many people realize that Kevin, along with others, dedicated nearly 13 years and countless hours to that cause.

Those efforts continue today in the form of the Norwood Aquatics Club which promotes swimming in Norwood for all ages, organizes and runs the Norwood Winter Stingrays program and acts in a support and booster capacity for the Norwood High Girls Swim Team.

No matter what hat Kevin was wearing his deep faith, his dedication, sense of duty, responsibility and focus were always greater than his own self interest. It is those qualities that we should all aspire to achieve, it is those qualities we see in his and Debbie's children, and it is those qualities that we acknowledge tonight.

*(David Metta is president of the Norwood Aquatics Club).*

### Bay State Conference Herget Division Standings

Football	W	L
Walpole	11	0
Natick	9	2
Norwood	9	2
Milton	4	7
Wellesley	2	9
Dedham	1	10

### Carey Division Standings

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Braintree	5	6
Newton North	3	8
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# Nuggets win holiday tourney

**Mike Stoller**  
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Bantam A youth hockey team of the South Shore Conference won the Foxboro Goblet Thanksgiving Tournament in a four-game sweep, three of which were shutouts.

The Nuggets, a group of eighth and ninth graders, defeated Global Hockey of Rockland, 6-0, Martha's Vineyard, 5-1, and the Pawtucket Pirates twice, 3-0 and 4-0.

"The kids played so well, they were all involved," said Nuggets' head coach Russ Tobin. "Every line was scoring and we spread the wealth. It was great to see as a coach."

Overall, the Nuggets boast a remarkable 14-2-2 record, second only to undefeated Milton in the SSC. But they were particularly dominant in

the holiday tourney.

"We played exceptionally well, and even more so in the tournament" said Tobin. "We really came together as a team the past two weeks."

Among the tourney's scoring leaders for Norwood were Connor Mahon and Jack O'Hear. Pat Clifford, meanwhile, shined in goal. "He did a tremendous job," said Tobin, adding, "everyone played tremendous."

In their entirety, the Bantam A Nuggets include Bryon Alighieri, Andrew Alti (captain), Matt Brown, Pat Clifford, Steve DeForge, Anthony Delmonaco, Kyle Dolan (captain), Tim Duggan, Greg Gillis, Connor Mahon, Mike Murray (captain), Jack O'Hear, Jake Ranalli, Jack Santisi, Dan Wiseman, and Sam Anderson.

# Little League scholarship forms are now available



In 2003, Norwood Little League established two Scholarship Awards, one for a male high school senior — Norwood Little League Scholarship — and one for a female high school senior — the Jean A. Brown Memorial Scholarship.

Mrs. Brown was one of the founders of Girls Softball in Norwood, was a member of the Board of Directors, and worked to promote female athletics in Norwood for over 25 years.

To be eligible, high school seniors must have participated or coached in Norwood Little League baseball or softball and

are planning to continue their education.

Selection will be based on several criteria, including academic achievement, involvement in the communities and activities as well as personal growth and development.

Forms are available at Norwood High School or by calling Norwood L.L. at (781) 762-5904.

Donations may be sent to Norwood Little League P.O. Box 601, Norwood, MA 02062, Attn: Scholarship Fund.

# Norwood to host LL state finals

Norwood was recently named as host of the 2010 Massachusetts Little League Tournament State Finals.

"This is a great honor for Norwood Little League and the town of Norwood," said Norwood Little League Presi-

dent Mike Doliner. "Norwood Little League is proud to be a part of such a great community and will need the help from the community to make this a great event to show what Norwood is all about."

# Fall Athletic awards announced

The Norwood Boosters and NHS Athletic Director Brian McDonough hosted the Fall Athletic Awards night on Tuesday, November 25 2008 at the high school. Each fall sport was recognized by a video and then the head coach for each team followed with a quick review of his/her team, before announcing the awards winners.

Varsity letter winners received letters and pins, and athletes who had earned 36 points earned their jackets. The coaches also announced almost all of next year's captains.

The awards are as follows:

**Girls Soccer - Coach Jay Dupuis**

Most Improved - Colleen Gover  
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MVP - Sam Vilaboa

2009 Captains - Megan Folan, Megan Underhill, Suzie Orlando, and Brianna Quintiliani

**Girls Swimming - Coach Kim Goodwin**

Most Improved - Brooke Kilgallon  
Unsung Hero - Colleen Carroll  
MVP - Emily Metta and Juliana Cirillo  
2009 Captains — Emily Metta, Natalie Metta, Kayla Ring

**Field Hockey - Coach Allison Parks**

Most Improved - Keri Gallagher  
Unsung Hero - Emily Whitney  
MVP - Liz Greeley  
Captain 2009 - Emily Whitney

**Girls Volleyball - Coach Liz Morris**

Most Improved - Kim Mansfield  
Unsung Hero - Nikki Cignarella  
MVP - Carley Chubet  
2009 Captains - Nikki Cignarella, Lindsay French, and Stephanie Perry

**Girls Cross Country - Coach Jim Forrest**

Most Improved - Molly Smith and Christina Alfredi  
MVP - Jayne Galvin  
Captains (2009) - Jayne Galvin, Katie Welter

**Cheerleading - Coach Lisa Verrochi**

Unsung Hero - Jessica Finney  
MVP - Kelly Mulvehill  
2009 Captains - Jessica Finney and Manar Zaki

**Football - Coach Joe "Buzzy" Curran**

Most Improved - Matt Davenport  
Unsung Hero - Brenden Greene  
MVP - Jesse Shaughnessy  
(2009 captains not announced)

**Boys Soccer - Coach Brian Meringer**

Most Improved - Joseph Meehan  
Unsung Hero - Sam Jabbor  
MVP - Gio Bartucca  
2009 Captains - Joe Meehan, Gerard Bernazzani, Vincent Fruci

**Golf - Coach Slava Heretz**

Most Improved - Adam Kewriga  
Unsung Hero - Jimmy McGuire  
MVP - Ryan Collins  
(2009 captains not announced)

**Boys Cross Country - Coach Jim Forrest**

Most Improved - Terry Rose  
Unsung Hero - Robert Sheehan  
MVP - Steve Curley  
Captains (2009) Steve Curley, Billy Glynn, Robert Sheehan



The Norwood Shamrocks floor hockey team, a group of kindergartners, along with Coaches Mary Flaherty, Jason McGuire, and Will Carroll pose for a team photo after a recent game at the Norwood Civic Center.

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## BOOK FAIR

The Coakley Middle School will hold a book fair fundraiser for the library, Monday through Friday, Dec. 15 to Dec. 19, at the Coakley Middle School library. Hours are Monday, 10:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Special evening hours are Thursday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL COMEDY NIGHT

The Norwood High School Drama Program presents an evening of comedy sketches, "Your Right To Laugh, The 28th Amendment," on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 12 and 13, at 7 p.m. at the Savage Center, 275 Prospect St. Tickets are \$5 for the general public, \$4 for students and seniors and will be sold at the door. For more information, call John Quinn at (781) 769-2333.

## DIVORCE RECOVERY SERIES

The First Congregational Church of Norwood is hosting a Divorce Recovery Series beginning Thursday, Jan. 15, from 7-8:30 p.m. This is an eight-week program that will be led by a professional counselor specializing in divorce issues. It covers the emotional stages of divorce and offering healing and support to those who are divorced or separated. The cost is \$90 and pre-registration is requested. To register, or for more information on the series, call the church office at (781) 762-3320. Participants are welcome, regardless of religious affiliation. The First Congregational Church is located on the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood.

## TEXAS HOLD EM TOURNAMENT

The Norwood Elks is hosting a Texas Hold Em Tournament to benefit Norwood Mustang Hockey on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m. There is a \$100 buy-in. Poker tables and dealers are provided. Registration and \$25 satellites start at 6 p.m.

The main event starts at 7 p.m. Call (781) 603-9638 for more information.

## TAKE A BREAK AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

Are you caught in the holiday rush? Running around trying to find the perfect gift? Feeling frantic from the commotion of the season? Why not take a break from the bustle? On Thursday, December 11, and Thursday, December 18, the Warner Chapel at the First Congregational Church will be open from 6-8 p.m. to give you a place of peace. No service. No sermon. No collection. Just sit. Rest. Relax. Recharge your batteries. Get back the energy — and the perspective — you need for the season. All are welcome. Also, please join us on Sunday, Dec. 21, as the First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ) celebrates the season with its annual Christmas Music Service. Beginning at 10 a.m., this special service of worship and music will feature a variety of Christmas music performed by the Chancel Choir, the Children's Choir, and the Vested Ringers Handbell Choir. Soloists include Janna Bremer and flautist Beth Amis on "Like a Whisper in the Heart," and Bill Haskell, Linda Handrahan, Lee and Russ Williamson on "See That Star." Children are welcome to attend the service of special music with their families. Nursery care will be available for the very young. The First Congregational Church is located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The Sunday morning worship service is followed by a fellowship hour in Pingree Hall. Reverend John Hamilton is glad to extend pastoral support to any who may be in need. For more information, please call the church office at (781)762-3320.

## BERRY BENEFIT

Come show your support for Kevin and Kim Berry at a benefit on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 5 p.m. until closing, at the Norwood VFW

on Dean Street. Kevin was born and raised in Walpole and married his wife Kim Miller, a lifelong Norwood resident. Kevin received a severe electric shock while honeymooning in September leaving him with major nerve and muscle damage. There will be food, a disc jockey, two bands (the Black Bottle and the Laura May Band), a raffle and auction items. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Donations can be made to The Berry Contribution Account at any Bank of America branch. If you can't make the event but would like to make a pledge, please call Linda at (617) 943-0510.

## REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE HOLIDAY PARTY

The Norwood Republican Town Committee is hosting a holiday party on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m., at 49 Beech St. All are invited, especially new members. Please bring a new unwrapped toy to be donated to a less fortunate child. RSVP to Lynne at (781) 769-1567 or (781) 799-8156, or e-mail pat02062@yahoo.com.

## FOXWOODS TRIP

A Foxwoods trip is planned for Monday, Dec. 15, to benefit the Norwood American Legion. If interested, call Fran Macaulay at (781) 686-4346 for more information. The cost is \$24 per person.

## MORSE HOUSE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The George H. Morse Meeting House, Museum and Education Center will be open for the holidays on Friday, Dec. 12, from 3-6 p.m., and on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 1-4 p.m., at 1285 Washington St. Walpole artist Frances Palmieri will be having a special showing of her work. Refreshments will be served. There is no charge for admission. The Morse Committee will be accepting non-perishable canned goods or food items to help our local food pantry this holiday season. For information, call Dale (781) 762-7291 or Marie at (781) 769-5287.

## A VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

The Norwood Historical Society announces its seasonal holiday tours of the Fred Holland Day House Museum, on Sundays, Dec. 14, and 21, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited to enjoy "A Victorian Christmas Celebration," the area's loveliest display of high-style Victorian seasonal decoration, with historical exhibits and musical entertainment. Tour the three-story mansion, take in a concert of holiday music in the Great Hall, enjoy refreshments; learn about local history and Christmas traditions of the Victorian era. The F.H. Day House is located 93 Day St. in Norwood. Admission: \$4; children under 12 and NHS members free. Special events: concert of renaissance music by the Norwood High School Madrigal Singers Dec. 14, at 2 p.m.; and vocal performance by mezzo soprano Grace Allendorf, Dec. 21, at 2 pm. For additional information, call the Norwood Historical Society at (781) 762-9197 or visit [www.norwoodhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.norwoodhistoricalsociety.org).

## PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA

The North East All Retriever Rescue (NEARR) is sponsoring pet photos with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 13, from noon to 4 p.m., at 1 Wilson St. For \$10, you will get on 4x6 photo of your pet with Santa and digital photos will also be available at [snapfish.com](http://snapfish.com). All proceeds benefit NEARR.

## CARTRIDGES FOR KIDS RECYCLING DRIVE

The Coakley Middle School is sponsoring a four-week "Cartridges For Kids" recycling drive, through Dec. 19, at a drop-off box in the main office. The drive will include empty inkjet and laser cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, video games and consoles, digital cameras, iPods, DVDs, GPS systems and Palm Pilots.

## ADVENT PLAY

The Junior High Youth Group of the First Congregational Church will be presenting an Advent play, entitled "Dreams of Christmas: The Rest of the Story," by Donald Neidigk, on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. This is a retelling of Matthew's account of the Nativity in a fun, dramatic environment.

Traditional carols will be sung as the congregation participates in this interactive service. The First Congregational Church is located at the corner of Route 1A. For more information, call the church office at (781) 762-3320.

## A HANUKKAH CELEBRATION TO REMEMBER

The South Area Solomon Schechter School is sponsoring "A Hanukkah Celebration to Remember," on Sunday, Dec. 14, 2-4:30 p.m., at One Commerce Way. The event will feature music by Shirav and Lisa Yves, a live auction and traditional holiday food. Admission is \$18 per adult, \$5 per child. Family maximum is \$50. Open to all. Advance reservations requested. This event is handicapped accessible. For more information, e-mail [bhoffman@sassds.org](mailto:bhoffman@sassds.org) or call (781) 769-9400.

## FINE ARTS CONCERTS

The Norwood Fine Arts Department has announced the following concerts in December, at 7 p.m., at the Coakley Middle School: on Tuesday, Dec. 16, a concert features the Coakley Middle School honor chorus, 6th grade orchestra, 6th grade band, 7th grade chorus, and 6th grade chorus. Free admission. The public is invited to all performances. All admissions benefit student programs in Norwood.

## STAMBANDET SCANDINAVIAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Emmanuel Lutheran Church will host Stambandet, a Scandinavian vocal ensemble, on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. Presenting a Swedish Christmas through music, traditions and pageantry, the singers wear folk clothing representing their particular heritages, Swedish, Finnish and Norwegian. A narrator will invite the audience into the traditions of a Swedish family and set the stage for different groups of songs, each reflecting a particular time of the Christmas season. A highlight comes when St. Lucia and her attendants appear out of the darkness, dressed in white and carrying candles. They will bring us all light in the darkest time of the year. Come share with us a respite from the busy season and a treat, musically and visually, to remind all of the true meaning of the Advent and Christmas seasons. Coffee, a Swedish punch and cookies will be served following the concert. Tickets, \$15 for adults and \$5 for youth ages 5-15, will be available at the door the day of the performance. Emmanuel Lutheran Church is located at 24 Berwick St. For more information, call (781) 762-9457.



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**ANDREASSI**

Luigi D., 75, of Dedham, formerly of Norwood and Walpole, Dec. 5. Father of Elizabeth of MD, Luigi and Linda of Walpole, and the late Lena Andreassi. Also survived by grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Interment St. Michael's Cemetery, Community Mausoleum. Funeral arrangements by the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, Hyde Park.

**CANNON**

Mary F. (Bergh) of Norwood, Dec. 2, peacefully, surrounded by her family. Devoted wife of 56 years to the late Frederick Cannon Sr. Devoted mother of Michael Cannon and his wife Diane of Walpole, Dennis Cannon and his wife Susan of Norwood, Susan Anello and her husband Frank of Norfolk, Jerry Cannon and his dear friend Marianne Sansone of Falmouth, Frederick Cannon Jr. of Norwood, Eileen Gianfrancesco and her dear friend James Farrell of Foxborough. Dear grandmother of Adriana, Laura, Joe, Ashley, James, Elyse, Stacey, Tim and her great grandchildren Adin and Olivia. Interment Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mary may be made to Boston Catholic Television, P.O. Box 9196, 34 Chestnut St., Watertown, MA, 02471. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

**CONNOLLY**

Mary "Molly" (Costello), 86, a lifelong Norwood resident, died peacefully Nov. 26 in Norfolk surrounded by her beloved family. She was the wife of the late James F. Connolly. The daughter of the late William and Anna (Rowe) Costello, Mrs. Connolly served in the Navy during World War II as a nurse. "Nini" cherished spending time with her family and being close to the ocean. She spent her whole life selflessly making others' lives easier. Some people wonder all their lives if they have made a difference, if they have made the world a better place, there is no question that the world has been a better place for having Molly Connolly in it. She is survived by her children Mary Joyce and her husband Tom of Dennisport, Sandra Scott and her husband Jack of Norfolk, James Connolly Jr. of Otisfield Maine, Laura Bean and her husband Richard of Otisfield Maine, Michael Connolly and his wife Lisa of Cape Elizabeth Maine, Patrick Connolly and his wife Karen of Wrentham. Sister of the late William, Joseph and Phillip Costello. She was the beloved Nini to Molly and Anna Bean of Otisfield Maine, Frank and Phillip Scott of Norfolk, Blythe, Athen, Brooke and Hannah Connolly of Otisfield Maine, Ashley Connolly of Wrentham, Madolyn and Rowan Connolly of Cape Elizabeth Maine. Aunt to her faithful nephew Allan Whitty and her many nieces and nephews. Adored friend to countless others, and of course mother to her darling dog Charlie. Interment Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in her memory to the VA Hospital, 1400 VFW Parkway, Boston, MA 02132. Funeral arrangements by the Ginley Funeral Home Walpole.

**GILLIS**

James D. of Milton, in Norwood, Dec. 6. Devoted son of Ann T. (Tagan) Gillis of Milton and John L. Gillis and his wife, Joann of San Antonio, TX. Loving brother of John F. X. Gillis of Quincy, Jeanne F. Gillis of TX, Linda G. Gentile of Medford & Andrew C. Gillis of WA. Uncle Jim to four nephews. Charter participant of 1st Special Olympics, winner of multiple Special Olympics Gold Medals. Longtime member of Boy Scouts of America, Troop 51, BSA Order of the Arrow. First individual with Down Syndrome to become Assistant Scout Master in the his-

tory of the BSA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Work, Inc., 3 Arlington St., Quincy, MA 02171 or SSARC, 371 River St., Weymouth, MA 02191. Funeral arrangements by the Alfred D. Thomas Funeral Home, Milton.

**KUJAWSKI**

Ewa I. of Norwood, in her 84th year, formerly of Norwell, on Nov. 27. Loving mother to Aina Souza and husband Carl of Mansfield, Ewa Bacon and husband John of Wheaton IL, and Mark and wife Gail of Southborough, MA. Beloved wife of the late Jerzy Kujawski. Dear grandmother to Elizabeth, Charles, Lauren, Matthew, Heather, and Danielle and great grandmother to Evelyn and Charlotte. Ewa was a Veteran of World War II with the Polish Army. In lieu of flowers and gifts, donations can be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Association, Massachusetts Chapter, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA 02472. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home Norwood.

**MARTIN**

Claire (Canniff) of Quincy, formerly of Norwood, Dec. 5. Devoted wife of Raymond Martin. Loving mother of Susan France of Quincy. Dear cousin of Barbara Kearney of Brewster. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Donations in memory of Claire may be made to the American Lung Association, 61 Broaway NY, NY, 10006. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

**O'BRIEN**

Grace E., 88, of Norwood, formerly of East Walpole, Dec. 4. Beloved daughter of the late John J. and Grace E. (Cummings) O'Brien. Devoted sister of Marion L. Pare and Ruth M. White both of Walpole, also survived by several nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews. Interment Saint Francis Cemetery, Walpole. Memorial donations may be made to: Walpole Senior Center Building Fund, 135 School Street, Walpole, MA 02081. Funeral arrangements by the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, Walpole.

**SHIPPEY**

Jean C. (Boudreau) of Norwood, Dec. 4. Wife of the late Carl Shippey. Loving mother of Paul, Debra, David, Stephen, Janine and James. Dear grandmother of Stephanie, Laura, Justin and J.T. Dear sister of Marie, Dorothy and the late Barbara, Claire and George. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445. Funeral arrangements by the William J. Gormley Funeral Service.

**WADE**

Evelyn M. (Ellis) of Norwood, Dec. 1. Late member Mass. Teachers Association and an elementary school teacher in the City of Boston. Devoted wife of the late Jesse Wade. Dear daughter of the late Herbert A. Sr. and Katherine G. (Crowley) Ellis. Loving sister of

Captain Herbert A. Ellis Jr. (Retired USN) and his wife Sallie of N.C., June Doe, of Norwood, Superintendent of Schools, Dedham and the late Kathleen M. Ellis and Elaine M. Crotty. Cherished aunt of Katherine A. Doe of Norwood, Christine Wise and her husband Adam of Dover, Dr. Robert E. Doe of Brighton, Christine Rizzitano and her husband James of North Attleborough, Leo Crotty and his wife Kathleen of Attleborough. Also survived by several nieces and a nephew. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Donations in memory of Evelyn may be made to the Evelyn M. Wade Scholarship Fund. Dedham High School, c/o Dedham Town Employees Federal Credit Union, 202 Bussey St., Dedham, MA, 02026. For remembrances and condolences, please visit [www.mem.com](http://www.mem.com). Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home Norwood.

**Condolences extended to:**  
Marie Ryan and her husband, Paul Lantieri, on the death of their father, John L. Champa of Randolph, Dec. 5.

**Book reviews to be discussed at library**

Join librarians Beth Goldman and Margot Sullivan at the Morrill Memorial Library in Norwood for a variety of book reviews on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 10 a.m., and repeated again at 7:30 p.m.

This is a popular winter event where Beth and Margot review 8-10 books from fiction, mystery, non-fiction, biography, history, maybe a cookbook or picture book, and whatever might be of interest.

The session is informative and entertaining and always there are times of laughter.

At the closing, suggestions of books to read are welcomed from the audience.

Coffee and refreshments are served at this free program.

No registration is necessary. If weather is inclement please call the library at (781) 769-0200 to see if the program will take place.

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**SECTION A**

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Sealed Bids will be received up to **11:00 A.M., Verizon time on Thursday January 8, 2009** in the Purchasing Department, 566 Washington Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following:

**SUBSTATION 469 115 kV – 13.8 kV POWER TRANSFORMER**  
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The complete Bid package may be obtained at no cost in the Purchasing Department between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. The bid documents will be available for local pickup starting Wednesday December 3, 2008.

The Bid must be filled out and signed as directed therein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the General Manager, endorsed with the name and address of the Bidder, and marked, "SUBSTATION 469 115 kV – 13.8 kV POWER TRANSFORMER – CONTRACT #NLD-09-04."

A certified check or **Bid bond**, with acceptable surety in favor of the Town of Norwood and equal to at least **five percent** of the Bid, must be submitted with the Bid. Please submit and original and three copies.

A **performance bond** or surety equal to **one hundred percent** of the contract amount will be required within ten days of award of contract.

Bids shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 164, Section 56d, and all other statutes governing such contracts. Every General Bid shall be on forms furnished by the Town. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of General Bids, Saturdays, and Sunday excluded.

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BY: John J. Carroll  
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A Pre-Bid conference will be held at **11:00 AM on Tuesday, December 16, 2008** at the Owner's #469 Substation, 160 Boston Providence Highway (Route 1), Norwood, MA.

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# Police Logs *continued from page 8*

sent, report GOA.

1812 911. Motor vehicle accident. Location/address: 106 Chapel St. @ 211 Winslow Ave. 911 caller reports MVA, N669 at scene. N661, N666, N661 sent. NFD notified. Summons: Dasilva, Jose Antonio. Address: 13 Dean St. 3, Norwood, MA. DOB: 12/12/1958. Charges: unlicensed operation of mv, failure to use care in stop/start/turn/back. Summons: Dasilva, Jacqueline M. Address: 13 Dean St. 3, Norwood, MA. DOB: 08/29/1982. Charges: improper operation of MV, allow.

1817 phone. Larceny. No action required. Location/address: Aamco Transmission - 175 Everett St. Caller states larceny occurred earlier today. N679. Already reported earlier today. Party looking for more information.

2130 phone. Noise complaint. Spoken to. Location/address: Rugged Bear - 111 Lenox St.

2150 911. Medical emergency. Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 145 Nichols St. Caller requested ambulance. Transport to hospital.

2153 911. Suicide/or threat. Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 25 Centennial Dr. 10. Caller reported neighbor threatening suicide. Voluntary transport o hospital.

2222 walk-in. Threats. Report filed. Location/address: 55 David Ter. Walk-in reported past threats.

**Thursday, Dec. 4**

0837 phone. Lost and found. Location/address: Eagle Shoe Repair - 51 Day St. Proprietor reports finding a Visa card. N/N to pick up same.

0922 911. Assaults, arrest made. Location/address: 11 Brookview Cir. Adult sisters involved in a dispute. Offs. Respond. One subject left prior to the officers arrival. As a result, complaints to be filed and probable cause exits to arrest. Arrest: Kelley, Debra Ann. Address: 28 Florian St., Roslindale, MA. DOB: 06/24/1960. Charges: a & b with dangerous weapon.

1021 phone. Assist Fire Dept. Services rendered. Location/address: 43 Liberty Ln. NFD having problem with patient out of control.

1035 phone. Assist other agency. Area search negative. Location/address: Pellana Rd. DPW reports someone going through recycling bins and is making a mess. Officer says no one around and street is tidy.

1115 phone. Susp. activity. Services rendered. Location/address: 80 Bond St. Resident received a call with a promise of 1 million dollars

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in return for a payment for insurance. Off. responded. Resident does not have a caller ID. Entry requested at this time.

1219 phone. Report of fight. Complaint/summons. Location/address: Norwood High School - 245 Nichols St. Request for an officer after a fight between two females. Off. responds and will charge two. Summons: juvenile arrest. Age: 15. Charges: a & b. Summons: juvenile arrest. Age: 15. Summons: juvenile arrest.

1503 phone. Serve summons. Legal service made. Location/address: 25 Woodland Rd. Immediate threat served to Mr. Ruggeri.

1659 phone. Assist other agency. Location/address: Winter St. Westwood P.D. reports Adrian Thomas is missing from Westwood Lodge. 17 yr. old, light skin black male in foot. Bolo. Given. Westwood called to report he was found about ten minutes after.

1734 phone. Assaults. Arrest made. Location/address: Norwood Police Dept. - 137 Nahatan St. See previous call. As a result of off. investigator, N679 places one female under arrest.

1920 phone. Assault. Report filed. Location/address: Norwood High School - 245 Nichols St. Walk in party reports her was assaulted. N665 to file report.

1940 phone. Noise complaint. Services rendered. Location/address: 142 Rock St. Caller reports kids playing basketball making a

disturbance. N492, N491 respond. N492 they are playing basketball in their back yard. Not making noise.

1958 phone. Drunk person. Complaint/summons. Location/address: 1088 Washington St. @ 11 Heaton Ave. Caller reports man on ground. NFD notified. N667, N663 respond. As a result, N667 places one in p.c. and party is transported to the hospital. N667 to take charges for disorderly conduct. Summons: Macphee, Neil G. Address: 338 Common St., Walpole, MA. DOB: 03/30/1964. Charges: disorderly conduct.

**Friday, Dec. 5**

0748 phone. Motor vehicle accident, report filed. Location/address: 22 George Willet Pkwy. Car crash into dmv. Off. to leave a report. Mv fled scene, grey, heavy set female driver, with pink hat. Heavy front end damage.

0809 911. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 25 Fifth St. Baby has her finger stuck in an ornament that mother cannot get off. NFD handled. Mother called back, ornament off of baby's finger.

0954 phone. Larceny, report filed. Location/address: 221 Winter St. Garden ornament taken.

1041 phone. Vandalism, report filed. Location/address: 1266 Washington St. Apt. building victim of graffiti. See report.

1340 phone. Mischief (kids),

gone on arrival. Location/address: Town Pizza - 20 Broadway St. Dallaria's report group of kids in parking lot, ust hanging out.

1530 phone. Medical emergency, protective custody. Location/address: 635 Washington St. @ 7 Cottage St. Man and fell on corner of Washington & Cottage St. As a result of this call subject refused medical and is brought to station for pc. P/c: Kuhn, Robert A. Address: 42 Washington Grn., 02081 Walpole, MA. DOB: 01/31/1959. Charges: protective custody.

1548 phone. Fraud, report filed. Location/address: 470 Washington St. Mr. Hearn reports possible fraud by check.

1550 phone. Mischief (kids), services rendered. Location/address: Gibson Engineering Co. Inc. - 90 Broadway St. Kids on the tracks throwing rocks at the building and playng with matches. No damage to the building or fire and the kids are walking south on the RR tracks. Offs. checked the tracks with negative results.

1736 phone. Assaults, report filed. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800 Washington St. Caller reports that she was assaulted by hospital security. N679, N665 sent. See reports.

1941 phone. Susp. activity, area search negative. Location/address:

**Police Log**

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White Hen Pantry - 884 Washington St. Caller reports two males in a red Jeep just tried to sell him cocaine. N665, N661 check area. Area search negative.

1947 phone. 911 hang up, confirmed accidental. Location/address: 104 Cedar St.

2001 phone. Drunk person, protective custody. Location/address: Railroad Ave. Caller reports 3 dk. females. N679, N669, N664 sent. NFD notified. NFD to transport one p.c. to hospital. N669 to follow. N664 returns with one p.c. P/C: Haskell, Hannah Michelle. Address: 51 First St., Norwood, MA. DOB: 02/01/1991. Charges: protective custody. Juvenile protective custody. Age: 14. Charges: protective custody.

2206 phone. Drunk person, arrest(s) made. Location/address: 51 First St. Caller reports her daughter is dk. and out of control. N679, N677 sent. As a result one female placed under arrest. Arrest: Haskell, Hannah Michelle. Address: 51 First St., Norwood, MA. DOB: 02/01/1991. Charges: assault & battery on a person with a disability, a & b with dangerous weapon, protective custody.

2337 phone. Report of fight, services rendered. Location/address: 990 Washington St. Caller reports three females fighting outside. N677, N669, N662 respond. No fight loud conversation.

**Saturday, Dec. 6**

0025 phone. Disturbance, spo-

ken to. Location/address: 115 Norwest Dr. Anonymous caller reports yelling, banging in apt. next door. N669, and officer responded. Officers report large party of which was dispersing upon arrival. Homeowner was advised and security within notified.

0751 initiated. Prisoner fed. Services rendered. Prisoner refused breakfast.

0933 walk-in. Assaults. Location/address: 8 Jacobsen Dr.

1123 phone. Assaults. No action required. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800 Washington St.

1237 911. Breaking and entering. Report filed. Location/address: 825 Norwest Dr. Caller reports that his car was broken into. N/N off. was dispatched and responded. Report to be filed.

1511 phone. Parking violation. Citation/warning issued. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800 Washington St.

1607 phone. Report of fire. Services rendered. Location/address: Doherty Field - Brewster Dr. Caller reports group of males started fire. N664, N669 respond. No fire. Group moved.

1719 phone. Susp. person. Services rendered. Location/address: Nahatan St. Caller reports female party trying to flag down passing motorists. N665 reports female is lost. Sent on her way.

1720 phone. Assist other agency. Report filed. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800

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Washington St. Security requesting assistance with patient. N663, N662, N667 respond. N667 chases subject to rear of Guild Building. NFD notified. N663 on board with ambulance. N662 follows to hospital. N667 to leave report.

1939 phone. Noise complaint. Spoken to. Location/address: 9 Endicott St. 3. 2127 phone. Disturbance. Gone on arrival. Location/address: Dairy Fine Convenient Store - 201 Fulton St. Caller reports group of kids causing disturbance and hit wall with unknown object. N661 sent. No damage down. Youth are GOA.

2217 phone. Report of Fire. Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 35 Beech St. Caller reports small house fire. NFD notified. N665 sent.

2225 phone. Susp. activity. Services rendered. Location/address: 353 Nahatan St. Caller reports a group of kids threw something at his house. N677, N663, N661 sent. Located a group of youths at 27 Lyden.

**Sunday, Dec. 7**

0357 phone. Noise complaint. Services rendered. Location/address: Jason Ct. Loud party complaint at #6. Off. advised the group and they will keep the noise down.

0525 phone. Drunk person. Assisted party. Location/address: 227 Prospect St. Party was looking for cell phone at 5 Hoyle St. Party was transported back to mother's house at 227 Prospect St. by N664 where cell phone was found.

1245 phone. Complaint of m/v. Could not locate. Location/address: Bos-Prov. Hwy. Caller reports an

elderly male is driving northbound in the southbound lane.

1340 phone. Larceny. Report filed. Location/address: 15 Pellana Rd. Woman reports her wallet was stolen this morning while shopping at Stop & Shop. Report filed.

1937 phone. Well being chk. Services rendered. Location/address: 250 Buckminster Dr. 208. Caller reports she talked to her daughter at 1900 hrs. on 12-6-08 and her daughter's boyfriend was yelling at her and the phone disconnected. Hasn't been able to contact her since. N662, N665 sent. No one at residence. Note left. Female subject called from residence. N662 respond to check on female. See report.

2226 911. Phone harassment. No action required. Location/address: 8 St. James Ave. L1. Caller reports that he has been receiving annoying phone calls from an unknown party. N677 dispatched. Reporting party called back, states that he was the victim of a prank call from his brother, no longer needs to speak to an officer.

**Monday Dec. 8**

0744 phone - Larceny \*report filed Location/address: Cadillac Village - 700 bos-prov hwy. Off mccue will file a report Refer to incident: 08-2419-of

0811 phone - Medical emergency services rendered Location/address: 418 Walpole St Employee alone is in the building is not feeling well. Off Guarino assisted NFD.

0836 phone - Neighbor disturbance services rendered Location/address: 128 Rock St. Resident in to make a noise complaint about the

neighbor's kids who play basketball during the evening hours. Off Costa advised him.

0918 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: [nod 83] Aamco Transmission - 175 Everett St Officer stood by while male party picked up mv at Aamco and parts that were court ordered to be returned. Peace maintained.

0949 phone - Animal complaint area search negative Location/address: Work Out World - 942 Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports blk & white pit bull running on Rte 1 in area of wow. Officer checked both sides of Rte 1, nothing showing.

1142 phone - Animal complaint gone on arrival Location/address: 1247 Washington St @ 5 Alandale Pkwy Caller reports dog running loose in area.

1207 phone - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: 5 Adams St 4 Son requests well being on mother he cannot get a hold of today. Not sure of address. First gave 5 Railroad Ave, then said housing. NHA gave correct address of 12 Adam St, L4. Mother is fine, no phone, son advised.

1401 phone - Larceny Location/address: 259 Rock St Hp placard lost and the RMV requires a police report to Replace it.

1544 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: 32 Press Ave Suzanne Savignano reports her landlord will not let her into apt to pick up belonging as she is moving out by the 17th. Landlord giving her a hard time.

1638 radio - Mischief (kids) spoken to. Location: Town Common Off Doherty reports kids skateboarding on common. Kids warned.

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# High School *continued from page 1*

from moving forward, it was important for them to have an official copy of the plans and construction route to show they are keeping an eye on how the project will develop in the coming months and years.

"It's not our say, really, but we should have a copy of the construction route to ensure that everything is done in accordance to the plans," he said.

According to the official decision as drafted by Costello and approved by the Planning Board, "the proposed use would be beneficial to the Town of Norwood as it would add a new high school, which would replace the existing high school in need of many repairs."

The decision also included detailed assessments of the drainage, gas, electric and pe-

destrian and vehicle safety plans and the environmental impact of the new building and concluded that there would be significant benefits to the town from the construction of a new high school.

While the board granted the permit, there were some conditions outlined in the decision that the Planning Board will hold developers, engineers and architect to throughout the project. Those conditions include adhering to all town by-laws and regulations, and that work must begin within two years from the date of approval.

Costello said he planned to file the Planning Board's decision with the Town Clerk Mon-

day morning. Letters will be sent out to abutters and Town Meeting members to inform them of the board's decision.

While the special permit has been granted, Costello said there is a regulatory 20-day period of appeals to contest the board's decision. If, after 20 days, no appeals have been filed, the decision will be filed with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds and developers will begin seeking building permits and final approval to begin construction, which, if the project is approved and an override is passed at Town Meeting in April, is slated for Spring of 2009.

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# Crèche *continued from page 1*

ity scene was not set up last year, Bailey said. She and other volunteers and members of the South Norwood Committee set up the scene this past Sunday.

Dale Day oversees the Morse House. She said on Tuesday that nothing inside the house had been damaged.

"It just has so much sentimental value to the people of South Norwood," she said. "Now we're all sort of on guard in case it happens again."

By Tuesday afternoon, the figures had been placed in their upright positions, with only minor scratches to show for their upheaval the night before. A small calf statue didn't fare as well, its ceramic head was shattered to pieces inside the manger scene.

"They were donated so long ago, and they are so old that it would be cost prohibitive to replace them," Day said.

South Norwood Committee member Judith Howard went so far as to call the vandalism a hate crime. She said that past animos-

ity may have fueled the recent destruction.

"This is a hate crime against Christianity," she said. "There was never a problem when it was set up on the Town Common."

Bailey said that while the destruction was definitely deliberate, she wasn't sure who might be responsible.

"It might have been kids," she said. "Those statues are about 35 pounds a piece, so I could see where they wouldn't pick them up to break them, but someone definitely had to go inside the crèche."

"I don't necessarily see it as a hate crime," Day said. "If it were, they would have destroyed the whole thing."

Norwood Police Spokesman Paul Bishop said that the matter was under investigation.

"As a result of this, there will be a light installed on the scene, and we will have officers in the area making multiple checks when they are in the area," Bishop said.



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