



The Planning Board discussed changes to the medical marijuana bylaw and the Town's 1.5 percent standing during a meeting on March 9.

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## Planning Board preps TM articles, reviews 1.5% threshold

Sam Nickerson  
Staff Reporter

The Planning Board continued its discussion of articles for Town Meeting this spring and the Town's 1.5 percent status during a meeting on March 9.

Town Planner Paul Halkiotis prepared drafts of two minor changes to the Town's medical marijuana bylaw. These proposed changes - which had been referred to as housekeeping - did not change the law itself, but were more "format changes," Halkiotis said.

The first article would take two terms that were defined in the body of the bylaw and include them in the definitions section at the end of the bylaw, where they were not previously found.

Chairman Paul Donohue recommended that Halkiotis also

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## Friends of the arts hosts student show benefit

Sam Nickerson  
Staff Reporter

The Friends of the Visual Arts Norwood (FoVA) held its third Youth Art Month Benefit gallery show on March 4 in the Norwood High School Library.

The group turned the library into a true gallery space for the evening, featuring works by student, alumni, faculty, and local artists, while Norwood High School's Celtic Strings ensemble provided musical accompaniment.

"It's a nice space. We tried to transform a space the kids know on a day-to-day basis into a gallery," Department Chair of Visual Arts for grades 6-12 and FoVA member Laurie McGrory said. "We moved furniture around, put up artwork, and I think it turned out great."

FoVA put up artwork by Norwood students of all ages - from elementary to high school levels - and many of the artists themselves were on hand to take a photograph with their work.

The event was held in the library for the second year in a row, as the inaugural show was held in the theater. The event, which ran from 5:30-7:30 p.m., attracted dozens of families.

"It's exciting. One of the great things about cell phones, you get to document seeing your kid with their artwork," McGrory said. "That experience of being a kid and seeing something that you've made,

that's the great thing about art. You make something that's never existed before."

That excitement, from both the artists and the audience, is why FoVA seeks to bolster visual arts programming in Norwood.

"We'd like the community to come see the art and support the visual arts," McGrory said. "We have really strong students, and a strong visual arts program that we want to keep strong."

In addition to a five dollar suggested donation, FoVA sold artwork by faculty and local artists, and t-shirts printed with

"Keep Calm and Make Art" printed on them. There was also a raffle for an Adirondack chair designed by art honors student Anna Dyckes, which will continue throughout the rest of FoVA's Youth Art Month events and the Fine Arts Festival in April.

"By supporting the arts, these are the kinds of programs you get to have," McGrory said. "It's a way of giving back to the community."

McGrory said it was important to show the community "how much kids learn in the

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Dozens of young artists and their families enjoyed an evening of art and refreshments, as FoVA Norwood held a gallery show to support visual arts in Norwood Public Schools on March 4.

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# NFD reports busiest month to Selectmen

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

Chief Anthony Greeley of the Norwood Fire Department had a little help from a local boy scout during his report to the Selectmen regarding a very busy month for his department.

Matthew Schick, of Troop 49 at Saint Catherine's, reported on the Fire Department's monthly incident statistics to achieve his communications merit badge.

Schick and Greeley said the department had 513 incidents during the month of February, which surpassed January as the busiest month the department has seen under Greeley's tutelage.

Of those 513 incidents, mutual aid was received 14 times, and the department provided mutual aid 22 times - to the communities of Walpole, Needham, Dedham, and Sharon, Greeley said - while there were over 300 medical calls and 161 simultaneous alarms.

Greeley said it had "truly been a harsh month of firefighting in Norfolk County," largely due to weather-related incidents.

Greeley also said that the department's two injured firefighters were receiving treatment and would hopefully return in the spring or early summer.

Firefighter David Lazzaro - who fell 25 feet off a pitched roof while battling a two-alarm fire on November 21, 2014 - no longer

needs a walking boot and is "deep into rehab," Greeley said. Lazzaro anticipates returning to the department by May, which was much sooner than Greeley had anticipated.

Greeley said Firefighter John Cody, who had ruptured a disc in his back, was just beginning his therapy at the Baptist Hospital's spine clinic, and could return by June if he responds to the physical therapy.

The department also received a new ambulance on Tuesday, after it had been backordered for two months due to national demand for ambulances. Greeley said it would be outfitted this week and hoped to have it in service by March 18, after a week of training with it.

The Selectmen also discussed a letter from Shannon McDonald, whose son was at the Metropolis Skating Rink in Canton when the roof collapsed. McDonald was curious about the status of the skating rink project destined for South Norwood.

Town General Manager John Carroll said the project was

"moving along" and the rink committee was nearly ready to make a presentation to the Selectmen with renderings and a status report.

Carroll also said he was still working to "pin down the remaining \$3.5 million" that Representative John Rogers was able to include in the "environmental bond bill last summer."

The rink committee, Carroll said, would be discussing roof design this week to ensure the Norwood Rink would be able to "withstand any snow loads."

During his Manager's Agenda, Carroll also said there was a rotted gas line near 136 Ellis Avenue that the gas company sought to re-lay. Though they are unable to do any work while there is frost in the ground, Carroll reported that the company had dug a hole to vent the line, which was being plated and monitored. Carroll said it presented "no danger to the public."

Carroll also said that if the Selectmen wanted to move for-

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## YOU CAN'T HAVE YOUR OWN FACTS

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to your Opinion column on February 19, 2015 and to Todd Gundlach's Letter to the Editor on March 5, 2015. I would like to begin by stating that I am an advocate for the ice skating rink and a member of SRCC (Skating Rink Construction Committee). Over the last 3+ years your Opinion column and Mr. Gundlach's letters have been quite disturbing to those Norwood residents who don't know the facts and quite amusing to those of us who know the difference between your fiction and the facts. I apologize for the length of this letter, but in an attempt to educate you, Mr. Gundlach and your readers there is a lot of material to cover so please try to stay with me.

In your 2/19/15 Opinion column you make reference to the SRCC value engineering discussion of the proposed skating rink. You imply that the SRCC is going to sacrifice aesthetics and safety to save money. On 2/5/15, the SRCC charged the Owners Project Manager (OPM), Rick Southgate, with the task of identifying some value engineering ideas for the committee to review. On 2/12/15 the OPM presented a list of items, two of which were the roof and wall systems. SRCC unanimously rejected both VE options due to the following reasons. First, we wanted to maintain the aesthetics of the facility. Second, we wanted to maintain the safety of those that will use the facility. Finally, we wanted to maintain the building's efficiency. When looking at a skating rink's op-

erational budget, the highest costs are associated with the utilities. With this in mind the SRCC felt that the building's overall energy efficiency should not be compromised in any way. So why would you state on 2/19, a full week after they were rejected, that the SRCC is going to VE the roof and wall panels? You then again made reference to VE the roof in your 3/5/15 Opinion column. A mere 72 hours after the roof at the Metropolis Skating Rink in Canton collapsed due to the extreme snow load and 30+ Norwood residents luckily escaped uninjured, you again make reference to "value engineering the roof with cheaper materials". I find this kind of journalism irresponsible and a disservice to your readers, but then again after reading 3+ years of your Opinion on this project it is quite obvious you really don't care about the truth.

As for Mr. Gundlach's letter that was published in your 3/5/15 edition, to use his words, what a pile of "excrement". It is quite ironic that he states "There is no \$3.5M - it never materialized and most likely never will." Back in 2013 Mr. Gundlach stated, in another of his ludicrous letters, that the initial \$5.6M didn't exist and never will. That it was an election ploy set in place by Rep. John Rogers and that the voters were fools for believing that the state would actually give the funds to Norwood. What was the outcome? The funds did exist and the town has a contract with the state confirming that they will be paid to the

town.

Gundlach claim: Curry College manages the Ulin Rink because the town of Milton "could no longer afford to run it".

Fact: The town of Milton never managed the Ulin Rink. The rink was managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). Back in 2009 the state decided it no longer had the resources to manage the state owned facilities so they looked for towns, private companies and non-profit groups to take over the management of the facilities. The state always approached the towns in which the rinks are located and offered them the right of first refusal. Some towns, Canton and Milton, stepped up and took over management of the rinks. The town of Canton's recreation department manages the Metropolis Rink. The town of Milton didn't want to handle the day to day operation and issued an RFP (request for proposal) for a management team. Curry College applied and was given the management contract. By taking the contract, Curry College is responsible for ALL operating expenses and upkeep of the Ulin Rink. It hasn't cost the town of Milton a dime.

Gundlach claim: That the skating rink is too small, rooms for community involvement have been sacrificed, "there is no multi-use surface for indoor soccer as originally promised", and that the SRCC is "trying to procure USED boards to make the budget work".

Fact: RINC (Recreation in

Norwood Committee) has always stated that we are not looking for the Boston Garden or even the Rodman Arena (located in Walpole) to be built in South Norwood. It would be nice to have, but certainly not needed. The current design is approx 35,000 sq ft which is more than sufficient for a public facility. There is a 500+ sq ft community room in the present design. This space will be used for birthday parties, community meetings, etc. This space is more than adequate for this size facility. The new rink in Falmouth, approx 60,000 sq ft, has a community room of just under 400 sq ft. RINC nor town officials NEVER promised a multi-use surface. RINC has always stated that when the skating season is over and the ice is gone (April - August) there is a concrete floor. This surface would enable the Recreation Department to use the facility during the summer camp season. Inclement weather outside, have the kids use the rink. Be it kickball, floor hockey, wiffleball, etc. It would also enable community events such as the South Norwood flower/plant sale or the farmers market to move indoors should the weather not be conducive to hosting these events outside. To put a multi-use floor in a facility that will have ice from Sept-March is a waste of money. Indoor soccer and indoor lacrosse are played during the winter months when ice time is needed. From May thru August field sports are played outside thus little demand for indoor turf during the spring and summer months. The SRCC proposal does not include USED equipment. The topic was discussed and the committee decided that we should keep an open mind. If the opportunity arises and it makes sense we would be open to exploring it.

Gundlach Claim: "The regional aspect of this rink is not being discussed; the members of the committee are totally ignoring this requirement".

Fact: When legislation approved funding for the "Eastern Mass Regional Ice Skating Rink and Recreation Center" they did so in USE ONLY. Mr. Gundlach fails to notify the readers that he has already filed a complaint with the Attorney General's office regarding this

issue. He also fails to notify the readers that the AG ruled against him for the same reason stated above. Legislation did not create a regional entity or petition the town of Norwood to do so. In the AG's ruling dated 9/30/2014 it reads "We find the Committee is a local public body. While the skating rink may be intended to serve a broader region, the Committee was created by the town of Norwood's Board of Selectmen, consists entirely of members appointed by that town's Board, and is charged with overseeing a project being built entirely within the town of Norwood.". What does Mr. Gundlach not understand? He continues to throw excrement at the wall to see what will stick.

Furthermore, the tennis courts that are currently located at the Coakley School are presently deemed as "regional". When the town of Norwood accepted a state grant back in 1998, that was used to refurbish the courts, it did so with the understanding that those courts be available for USE by citizens of the region. With that stated do the towns of Westwood, Canton or Walpole contribute to the maintenance or upkeep of the courts? NO, but citizens of those towns have the ability to USE those courts if they so choose. To try and further explain the term USE, we can look at the contract the town of Canton signed with the state when they agreed to take over the management of the Metropolis Skating Rink. It reads "The Premises shall be occupied and used for the purpose of operating a public ice-skating-rink program for ALL citizens of the Commonwealth". Have the towns of Norwood, Westwood, or Walpole ever taken a dime out of their coffers to maintain the Metropolis Rink? Their residents use the rink so why don't they get a say as to how the rink is managed? Reason: Because the towns have access to the facility in terms of USE ONLY not operationally or managerially. The same will hold true for the Norwood rink.

In the future I would caution the readers of the Norwood Record to be very skeptical of Mr. Gundlach's letters. Other than his name, there is very little that is factual.

Bill Naumann  
Norwood

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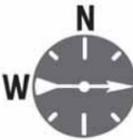
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# Library to host "Culinary Norwood" for local foodies

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

This spring, the Morrill Memorial Library will bring a taste of the culinary arts to residents.

Throughout March, April and May, the library will host a series of events - including a book group, film screenings and cooking demonstrations - focusing on food, called Culinary Norwood.

"The idea came around because foodie culture is such a big thing," Adult and Information Services librarian and Culinary Norwood director Liz Reed said. "There are (so many) cooking shows now, we thought 'Why not? Lets highlight food in Norwood.'"

Reed said the library opted for a multimedia approach to appeal to the largest possible audience.

"Not everybody likes monthly book groups," Reed said. "Some local chefs will be coming in and they'll do cooking presentations, and there's the films."

The book group, which began on March 11 with a discussion of "Mastering the Art of

French Eating" by Ann Mah, will be a monthly affair and copies of the books will be available at the Reference Desk on the second floor of the library.

Reed said the books were selected by reading countless reviews of several titles. Reed said there were so many books about French cuisine in particular that it was hard not to make the entire series all about French food.

During the second book group meeting on April 15, readers will discuss "Heat: an amateur's adventures as kitchen slave, line cook, pasta maker, and apprentice to Dante-quoting butcher in Tuscany" by Bill Buford.

On May 14, the book group will discuss "Yes, Chef" by celebrity chef Marcus Samuelsson. All book group meetings are held at the library at 7 p.m.

The first cooking demonstration will be held on March 16 at 7 p.m. in the library. Representatives from local business Melissa's Catering will take participants on a "culinary tour of France ... including soup, first course, second course, and

dessert."

The presentation will explore food from all over different regions in France and will be based on the book group selection for March. Reed said the cooking demonstrations have limited seating that will likely fill up quickly.

While the staff had nearly endless options to choose from for the book group, the film series selection was more of a challenge.

"It was a little more restricted because of the movie licensing agreement we have, that's covered by our Friends organization," Reed said. "It doesn't cover all the production companies, but we did get a pretty good lineup."

The film series begins on March 26 at 7 p.m. with a showing of "Julie and Julia," a film about cooking all 524 recipes in famed chef Julia Child's "Mastering the Art of French Cooking."

The library will also show "Chocolat" on March 31 and Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory on April 13. Popcorn is provided by Bellingham Regal

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# PBCC reviews boiler project

Sam Nickerson  
Staff Reporter

The Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC) heard an update and approved design and specifications for the Callahan Elementary School Boiler replacement project.

The project application had been approved by the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) for its accelerated repair program, through which the Town is reimbursed for the project by the MSBA.

The project will include two boilers, which Norwood Public Schools director of building and grounds Paul Riccardi said would alternate during the season, with the potential to use oil or gas.

During a meeting on February 26, Owner's Project Manager Sean Burke of PMA Associates said the boilers could be expected in Norwood by the end of June and the project would be on a 12-week schedule.

Riccardi said during the February 26 meeting that the gas company was also prepared to run a new gas line to the site during the school's April vacation. He also said he would be eliminating the hot water heater and "going to electric," so that the chimney and liner could just be for the boilers.

Riccardi said he believed removal of the old boilers could be done before school let out, and once the heating season had ended. This would be awarded in the same contract as the installment of the new boilers.

Jerry Hopcroft said the final plans had been submitted, though he found an issue with a one inch line that feeds the existing hot water heater line.

The plans were sent to the central register and bids could open on the project on April 2, with site visits planned for March 16-17.

The committee expressed concern over the connection to the site being inside the approximately 35-foot high chimney, and only accessible through a small clean out door.

The committee preferred chimney workers be hired, because if the bid went to a sheet metal and HVAC worker, they may not be as comfortable climbing in to access the connection.

Much discussion was dedicated to flue vent sizing in order to stay within code, which requires that updates cannot be more than double the size of the breaching from "the new to the old."

Bill Callahan explained that the smaller the flue is accommodating the two boilers, the more efficiently gas will rise, since there will be less cold air to heat up in order for it to rise. He did concede that the dual-fuel boilers were sized according to gas code, and they still needed to learn the oil code sizing, which was being looked into.

The Committee decided it did not require the full time clerk as outlined in the contracts to be at the site, and the money could be held within the budget if needed. Chairman Ed

Boiler

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ward with calling a Special Town Meeting before the Annual Meeting in May, they should set April 14 as the date for the warrant to close. The Board voted to set that date in order to move forward with a Special Town Meeting.

Chairman Michael Lyons, prompted by a letter from 1.5 Percent Task Force chairman

David Hajjar, clarified that the task force had not been disbanded and should proceed to work on matters related to affordable housing within the Town.

The Selectmen also approved a request from Chief of Police William Brooks to transfer License Plate Recognition technology into the Town Purchasing

Department's surplus equipment.

According to Brooks and Selectman Paul Bishop, the equipment was not adaptable to the department's Dodge fleet, but could be exchanged with the Westwood Police - who still use the Crown Victorias for which the equipment was designed - for gear that is needed in Norwood.

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**Culinary Norwood** *continued from page 5*

Cinemas.

Reed said the library chooses to host many film series because of its mission to “serve the whole community,” and not just the readers. Reed said the library’s dedicated film series group plans to attend the Culinary Norwood showings, but the idea is to serve those residents who have still not been reached by prior library offerings.

But just how do movies and cooking demonstrations fit into the library’s mission?

“At the library, we want to approach how to serve people from a few different ways, educational, cultural, and entertain-

ment. Culinary Norwood hits on all three,” Reed said.

Reed said even she has benefited from the series so far

“There was a bunch of stuff from the first book I didn’t know,” Reed said, noting she had even improved upon her high school French education.

According to read, the series also aims to connect residents who share common interests, but have not yet been able to connect.

“They’re getting to interact with a lot of other people in Norwood. A lot of people in Norwood love food, but may not see each other out and about,” Reed said.

Reed urges residents interested in participating in the Culinary Norwood programs listed so far to sign up for the events as soon as possible. This can be done by sending an email to norprograms@minlib.net, calling 781-769-0200 x110, or by visiting the Information or Reference Desks at the library.

Reed also said interested parties don’t need to be chefs or culinary hobbyists to participate.

“Because we have been frozen in for months, it’s a good way to come out and start enjoying different parts of life again,” Reed said.

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McKenna mentioned this had also been the case at the Prescott School project.

The members discussed a part time clerk, but appeared to prefer having Riccardi and the school electrician, as well as the owner’s project manager and designer, regularly on site to oversee the work.

Riccardi said he wanted to have the electrician - also the maintenance foreman - there in

order to “get to know it and understand it,” since he would be a first responder in the future, after the boilers have been installed.

The committee unanimously approved plans and specifications, with a note regarding connections for the electric water heater. The project management contracts were amended not to exceed \$63,270, as \$51,270 was added to the basic services contract.

**FoVA Exhibit** *continued from page 1*

arts.” According to McGrory, visual arts education teaches many of the important 21st century skills students need to be successful, including problem solving from different perspectives and looking for varied approaches.

McGrory said the Norwood community has been very supportive of its public art programs. In addition to financial support, she said students have received compliments on presentations in other courses and artwork put up in store-

fronts and organizations around town.

“So often I hear from community members, ‘Wow, the kids make really great artwork,’” McGrory said. “For us, we want to show what Norwood students can do. Visual arts are a great way to show that.”

According to its website, fovanorwood.org, FoVA is a grassroots organization “committed to preserving and promoting

the Visual Arts in the Norwood Public Schools.” FoVA reaches beyond Norwood, as it seeks to provide scholarships for students pursuing art as a major or minor in college.

FoVA’s next event is a Monster Mini Golf fundraiser at 1560 Boston Providence Highway on March 19, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. The organization is also partnering with Friendly’s on Route 1 that day as well.

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# DEATHS

**BAGLIO**

Katharine R. (Arnold) formerly of Norwood, on March 5. Beloved wife of Robert A. Baglio. Devoted mother of Michael R. Baglio of Mansfield. Loving daughter of Joan M. (Horwitz) Arnold of Norwood and the late Robert R. Arnold. Dear sister of Karyn S. Arnold of Norwood and Kellie J. Arnold of Roslindale. Funeral arrangements by the Sherman & Jackson Funeral Home, Mansfield. In lieu of flowers, donations in Kathy's memory may be made to The Fellowship.

**BREEN**

Alfred Leo "Al" ,91, of Norwood, MA on Feb. 26. US Navy aboard the USS Hornet (CV-12) Aircraft Carrier during World War II in the Pacific Theater. Al was a lifetime member of the Norwood Elks Lodge 1124, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, and an Honorary Retired Member of the Teamsters Union. He retired from Champion International in 1986 after 35 years of loyal employment. Graduate of Norwood High School Class of 1941, where he was a member of the Mustang football team. Beloved son of the late J. Joseph and the late Helen (Kennedy) Breen. He was the Beloved husband of the late Mary Christina (Byrne) Breen and the Devoted father of Richard A. Breen and his wife Donna of Norwood; Susan M. Curran and her husband Thomas of Norwood; Robert H. Breen and his wife Karen of Warwick, RI; Patricia A. Melling and her husband Thomas of Norwood; and Edward J. Breen, and his former wife Maria, of Mashpee. In 1991 he became the Loving husband of Lorraine R. (Pellegrine-Joubert) Breen and father of Deborah A. Tierney and her husband Tim of Phoenix, AZ; Donna Joubert of Phoenix, AZ; Kenneth R. Joubert and his wife

Jill of Elkridge, MD; Margaret French of Norwood; and the late Paul Joubert and his wife Cheryl of Chula Vista, CA. He was the Dedicated "Papa" to Nicole Splenda, Eric Breen, Daniel Breen, Michael Curran, Ryan Breen, Kristin Breen, Nicole Breen, Michael Breen, Erin Tierney, Ryan Tierney, Megan Joubert, Jessica Harris, Kenneth Joubert, Matthew Joubert, Kelli Jackson, Brian French, and the late Marc French. He is also survived by 5 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his siblings Joseph, George, Catherine, Louis, Helen Folan, Howard, John, Robert and Alice Allan. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, April 18th, 2015 at 11:00am at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Norwood. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Al's favorite charity the Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood, Inc., 150 Chapel Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

**CALDWELL**

Mary "May" (Faherty) on March 1. Beloved wife of the late Robert Caldwell whom she was married to for over 40 years until his passing in 2003. May was known for her humility, generosity, kindness, beautiful Irish Smile and her lasting friendships with many. May was the daughter of Mattie and Mary Faherty. May leaves behind many loving cousins, and family in Ireland and the United States. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park, MA.

**DALEY-MURPHY**

Deidra A.,47, of Norwood, on March 2. Beloved wife of Sean P. Murphy. Loving daughter of Donna M. (Hanes) Daley of Norwood and the late J. Robert Daley. Goddaughter of Tho-

mas Hanes of PA. Cousin of Suzanne Knight and her husband Robert of Walpole, Luke Knight of Walpole, Dillon Knight of Walpole and many other cousins. She is survived by her beloved 3 dogs Jolee, Trudie and Byndie. Deidra was a member of Paws for a Cause and past member of the Neponset Valley Choral Society and NAAFA. She was a graduate of Norwood High School class of 1985 and a graduate of Burdett Secretarial School. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor Brookline, MA 02445-7226 or to Paws United for a Cause.

**DiFLAMINIES**

Samuel A. "Sam",82, A life-long resident of Norwood, on March 5. Korean Conflict US Air Force Veteran v Retired Norwood Firefighter. Beloved husband of Beverly A. (Tomm) DiFlaminies. Devoted father of S. Richard DiFlaminies and his wife Robin of Norwood, Steven P. DiFlaminies and his wife Susan of Mansfield, Lynne A. Bernardi and her husband Joseph III of Walpole, James M. DiFlaminies and his wife Rhonda of Nashua, NH, Bette A. Leonard and her husband Thomas of E. Wareham, Beverly A. Boudreau and her husband Brian of Norwood and Marc A. DiFlaminies and his wife Tracey of Attleboro. Son of the late Samuel and Nicolette (Antonelli) DiFlaminies. Cherished grandfather of 17 grandchildren and 11

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## SCHOOL BUDGET SUGGESTIONS

To the Editor:

While my previous letter focused on public education here in Norwood, this week's is a brief continuation as well as some possible solutions to the task set before the Committee of 21 (C21); namely, the school budget gap. The following suggestions are from parents, teachers and residents, who are not members of the C21, but who have made their wishes known. By dividing the project in two, (1) the goal of a top-notch public school education, and (2) possible solutions, hopefully, some progress can be made in the academic achievement of students that will bring about a higher school ranking.

1. There needs to be a strong and steady hand at the helm, an articulate leader to guide our 21st century school system. There have been too many changes and increases in administration and staff, which reduce confidence. Qualifications must be toughened but attractive to hire the best. This town must provide excellent

principals for all schools and must compete for highly skilled and outstanding teachers. Principals must have leeway for surrounding themselves with the best and brightest teachers, who can concentrate on teaching and who can capture a student's interest by making a difference.

2. Reduce the number of "Professional Days" as they interrupt the consistency of learning for students, which should be the school's top priority. Professional days should be on the teachers' and administrators' time, nor the students' time. Perhaps it would be cost effective and beneficial to have other towns join "Regional" professional days for lectures, etc. The purpose of schools is to educate students, not provide an avenue for continuing education for teachers and administrators.

3. It appears that basic skills are no longer being taught in schools as both some teachers and students are speaking English incorrectly. This writer has heard repeatedly, "Me and him are going to the game (con-

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cert, store, etc.)" Did English permanently change with the onslaught of technical devices? What does this have to do with costs? Perhaps Norwood is not getting its monies worth, as the best teachers would correct students on proper language usage.

4. Taxpayers, whether they have children in the public school system or not deserve an accurate and detailed public audit of the school's expenses and/or operational failures.

5. Has the Food Service Program run at a Profit or a Loss over the past 3 years? If a loss, how much annually?

6. Are Procurement Procedures for Athletic Equipment on target or a loss? If a loss, how much annually?

7. Is the bus system efficient and worth the funds expended? This writer has heard from some parents of children at the Balch, Callahan and Prescott, who did not like the fact they walk one child to the neighborhood school and watch as the younger one got on a bus for the 35 minute ride to the Willett. Eliminate this bus and return the children to their neighborhood elementary school, where they will be with their siblings and will know their classmates when they enter first grade. Moreover, each day during the last academic year around 7:30 am, there were three(3) school buses, one right after another, going to the high school with very few students on each. There should be a big savings in the elimination or reduction of bus routes, because it appears this is a big scheduling issue. As few children are walking to school while so many are being chauffeured by parents, there may be a surplus of school buses.

8. If pre-school youngsters are moved to their neighborhood school, the suggestion was made to move only 9th graders to the Willett, as that school is up to code.

9. Do all schools adhere to the town's cost-cutting recycling program?

10. Norwood taxpayers were told that building a new high school would save millions of dollars because of lowered electric consumption, reduced water usage and less heat because the new building facility would be "energy efficient." Did the School Department's budget already reflect these savings from all the conservation and lowered costs? Was there a comparison between the expenses of the original Norwood High and those of the new "model" high school? There should be! Taxpayers also were told it would take 20 years to pay back the funds borrowed for the new school, but records indicate that it actually will take 27 years to pay them back on a school that was built to last only 50 years.

By implementing some of

these changes, together with a line-item veto by Norwood's Town Clerk and Accountant and the Finance Commission, then perhaps the Norwood School System can afford to give Norwood's students the best education they so rightly deserve.

Judith Howard  
Norwood

## FATE IN THE BALANCE

Editor's Note:

*This newspaper mistakenly printed a letter from Mr. Pentowski last week that had run in a previous edition. The following letter is the one that should have been printed. We apologize for the mistake.*

To the Editor:

Norwood's future fate is about to be decided by our Board of Selectmen. Our safe harbor From 40B's has been ignored for a year and a half by those who will now decide what is best for our town. The urgency of the matter was finally addressed by Mr Plasko at the February, 12th 1.5% Task Force meeting. He criticized the Task Force for not doing enough in a timely manner, then skipped the following meeting on the 19th to attend his re-election kickoff event. It appears he had more urgent concerns to attend to that night. The 1.5 % Task Force has been lead by citizen inputs and work. But the input of concerned citizens has once again been ignored.

Why do we not have specialized legal services to preserve our community? Why are we still using town counsel? The same town counsel that handed us Upland Woods. How much is town counsels' bill for these inept services? Why has the Town refused to accept Dick Heaton and his expertise? For Just \$10, 000 we could have a real expert with experience to fight for our Town. Instead, Our town engineer is now our "expert". He has no credentials or experience that can make him any sort of expert in court. He lacks the proper resume. Same goes for town counsel. Our land studies have not been properly done and we are preparing to go to court with a false denominator and numerator using the 1.5% initiative. Yet the recent sense of urgency to fund for more comprehensive GIS studies won't come in time for usage before our safe harbor runs out. In the year and a half of doing nothing, building more housing to get another year of safe harbor is all the Town is going to do? Things keep getting sadder.

Just look at how the other towns are trying to preserve their communities with the 1.5% initiative and you will find big differences. You will find they are indeed hiring real experts and actually listen and value citizen concern and inputs. They certainly don't threaten citizens with letters of disinvite from town hall for voicing concerns about a community's well

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being. Will our Selectmen allow our 1.5% housing hearings to be open to the public? Do our Selectmen want the public to be heard? Or will they opt to continue to exercise "executive privilege" and hide from public confrontation during these proceedings. It is high time that every meeting of our elected boards be open to public input at any and all times. Citizen input is the most important. That sentiment doesn't seem to exist anymore unless you are a developer trying to make a buck here in town. Will the Selectmen continue to play games with the public?

If I'm fortunate to win my bid for a seat on the Planning Board, the developers will take a back seat to the public for a change. If I'm elected, and you would like to be heard, I guarantee you will be allowed to speak at any time by simply raising your hand and asking. There have been many citizens who have sacrificed their personal time to step up and defend Norwood from 40B's and 40R's. We have had to fight developers, their lawyers, and sadly our own elected and appointed officials, as well as town counsel. The time is running out to do the right thing. All eyes are now Selectmen for The 1.5% initiative and the Planning Board on The Regal 40R Scam. Will the public continue to be betrayed? It's time to drop the silver shovels folks.

Kevin Pentowski  
Norwood

## THANKS FOR SUPPORTING NON-PROFIT FAIR

To the Editor:

On February 28, 2015 the Norwood League of Women Voters and the Norwood Junior Woman's Club hosted a Non-Profit Fair at the VFW Hall in Norwood. This event brought together many non-profit organizations in Norwood and gave them the opportunity to network with one another and to market their organization to the public.

We want to thank the organizations who participated: Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce, The Circle of Hope Foundation, Disabled American Veterans, Girl Scouts, Marine Corps League, Neponset Valley Humane Society, Norwood Art Association, The Journey to Parenthood Foundation, Together, Yes, Inc., Heartillary Group, Masons, Neponset River Watershed Association, Norwood Women's Community Committee, Friends of Norwood Center Ltd, HESSCO, Norwood Rotary Foundation, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Norwood Scholarship Foundation Dollars for Scholars and Deaf Inc..

We would also like to give a huge thanks to our sponsors: Roche Bros., Honey Dew Donuts and Perks Coffee House for providing refreshments and the VFW for giving us the space for the event.

Carol MacLeay,  
President, League of  
Women Voters, Angela  
Popolo, President, Norwood  
Jr. Woman's Club

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WARRANT FOR TOWN ELECTION APRIL 6, 2015



TOWN OF NORWOOD

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Norwood in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norwood qualified to vote in elections to meet in the various voting precincts designated for their districts in Norwood on Monday, the Sixth day of April, 2015 at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following:

To choose all necessary Town officers. The following are to be chosen by ballot, namely: One Selectmen for three years; one Moderator for one year; one Member of the Board of Health for three years; One Member of School Committee for three years; One Member of School Committee for two years (to fill a vacancy); Two Members of the Finance Commission for three years; two Trustees of the Morrill Memorial Library for three years; one Member of the Town Planning Board for five years; One Member of the Norwood Housing Authority for five years; One Constable for two years (to fill a vacancy); Ten Town Meeting Members for District One for three years; Ten Town Meeting Members for District Two for three years; Ten Town Meeting Members for District Three for three years; One Town Meeting Member for District Three for two years (to fill a vacancy); One Town Meeting Member for District Three for one year (to fill a vacancy); Ten Town Meeting Members for District Four for three years; Two Town Meeting Members for District Four for two years (to fill a vacancy); Ten Town Meeting Members for District Five for three years; One Town Meeting Member for District Five for one year (to fill a vacancy); Ten Town Meeting Members for District Six for three years; Two Town Meeting Members for District Six for two years (to fill a vacancy); Two Town Meeting Members for District Six for one year (to fill a vacancy); Ten Town Meeting Members for District Seven for three years; Ten Town Meeting Members for District Eight for three years; Ten Town Meeting Members for District Nine for three years; One Town Meeting Member for District Nine for two years (to fill a vacancy); One Town Meeting Member for District Nine for one year (to fill a vacancy).

For these purposes, the polls will be open at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be kept open until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon when they may be closed.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in ten public places in this Town seven days at least before the time and day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Norwood this third day of March, 2015.

*[Signatures of Town Officers]*  
Selectmen of Norwood

Norwood Record, 5/12/15

# Sports

## Expectations are high for Norwood boys lacrosse

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

Despite finishing with a losing record a season ago, it was far from a disappointing campaign for the Norwood boys lacrosse team.

Head coach Anthony Roman, for one, considered the season to be a success. The Mustangs had an 8-10 record in the regular season, but because of a winning record against teams within Division 2, still qualified for the playoffs.

"I thought the season was a success," said Roman, who's beginning his fifth year as head coach at Norwood. The Mustangs defeated the Scituate Sailors, 14-8, in the south sectional quarterfinals, but couldn't keep up with eventual-sectional champ Hingham in the semis, losing 16-4. "We made the tournament and won a game before



The Mustangs are hoping for a strong 2014-15 season as they welcome back a talented core of upperclassmen from a team that won a playoff game last year.

**Boys Lax**  
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FILE PHOTO

## Hockey programs could face tough decisions next year after Metropolis Rink roof collapses



The Metropolis Rink in Canton collapsed on Feb. 28, leaving Norwood's hockey programs with scheduling questions for their 2015-16 seasons.

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

First things first: no one was hurt when a portion of the roof of Metropolis Ice Rink in Canton collapsed.

That, says Norwood boys hockey coach Bill Clifford, is the main thing.

"You can rebuild buildings," he points out, "but when people are hurt..."

But Metropolis, or Ponkapoag (or even Ponky), as it's commonly referred to, isn't likely to be rebuilt; it will more than likely be demolished entirely after snow caved in the south-facing side of the arena at around 7 a.m. on Feb. 28. And that leaves the Mustangs in somewhat of a bind.

Clifford is optimistic that a rink in south Norwood is closer to reality than ever before, but realizes it wouldn't be ready in time for the start of the 2015-16 season.

"Bajko [in Hyde Park] is a possibility. Rodman in Walpole remains a possibility. Dedham, maybe. Anything is a possibility," said Clifford on his team's

whereabouts for next season.

Norwood played one home game at Bajko Arena this season, a 5-1 loss to the Framingham Flyers on Feb. 16. Norwood's girls hockey team also played three of its home games there when Metropolis was unavailable. But Hyde Park's arena is a major hub for youth hockey, according to Clifford, and it would be difficult to schedule a full season's worth of home games there.

Before relocating to Metropolis a decade ago, the Mustangs played at Rodman Arena in Walpole. So a reunion there could be in the works. But Clifford knows the best fit for the Mustangs, eventually, is right here in Norwood.

"That would be ideal," said Clifford. "That way we don't have to bus the kids over to the game. Right now, we have to raise a lot of money just to do that.

"A group of parents back in the '60s tried to get a rink in Norwood; the state built one in

**Collapse**

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PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

## Boys Lax *continued from page 11*

losing to the eventual south section champion. A lot of inexperienced players stepped up and played bigger roles, which sets up for success this season. Lots of guys had their first taste of tournament play.”

Roman lays out two specific goals for this year's team, neither of which has ever been accomplished by a Norwood boys lacrosse team: win two tournament games and beat Walpole.

With an arsenal of returning players including Captains Danny Farrell (who was Norwood's first All-American selection in 2014) and Zac Pungitore, as well as JJ O'Donnell, Joe Leanos, Eric Sullivan and Armando Piatelli, Roman just might have the

horses he needs to make it happen.

Farrell, who had 61 goals and 42 assists for 103 points last year, also became the first Mustangs player to lead the Bay State Conference in scoring. He's just 22 points away from breaking '09 graduate Steve Cottens' school record of 238 points.

Sullivan returns after finishing third on the team in scoring, with 36-12-48 totals. O'Donnell won 62 percent of his face-offs, while Pungitore tallied 45 ground balls a year ago.

“I'm looking forward to see how this group of seniors comes together and what their leadership will look like for this

The Norwood Record team,” said Roman. “This is one of the better senior classes I've had at Norwood. A lot of talented players who work hard and do things the right way; it reminds me a lot of the 2012 senior class. I think this group can take Norwood lacrosse to new heights, and I'm excited to be a part of it.”

The Mustangs will have to wait all the way until May 14 to face Walpole, the teams' lone meeting this season. It's the second-to-last game of the regular season, so it could even have an impact of whether or not Norwood can reach the tournament at all. The Rebels finished 10-8 a season ago, just two games better than the Mustangs.

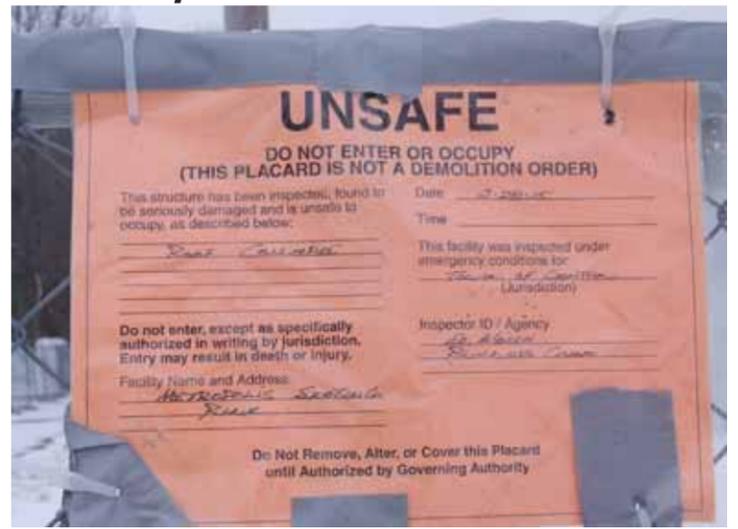
Norwood is slated to open its season at Mansfield on Friday, March 27 at 6 p.m.



The Mustangs will look to start their season off with a win at Mansfield on March 27.

FILE PHOTO

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A notice warns individuals not to get too close to the Metropolis Rink in Canton.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

Franklin instead. It's a long time coming. And you look around to a lot of these teams that have strong high school programs, they all have rinks in their town,” said Clifford.

In the 12-team Bay State Conference, Norwood is one of four teams that goes outside its borders to play “home” games. Brookline (Walter Brown Arena in Boston), Needham (Babson College in Wellesley) and Braintree (Zapustas Arena in Randolph) are the others.

The off-season league that several Mustangs players participate in is located in West Roxbury, so there won't be much of an issue in terms of prepping for next season from a training standpoint, Clifford said.

If it's indeed the end of Norwood's run at Ponky,

there's no shortage of fond memories for Clifford.

“We beat Hingham over there, 2-1, in the 2005-06 season,” said Clifford. That year, the Mustangs went all the way to the Div. 1 south finals before losing to Marshfield. Hingham was a Super 8 team that year, so it was a huge win for Norwood. “A couple of years ago, we beat Walpole with 4 seconds left in the game. And the dedication to Matt Brown was quite an evening.”

Barring a rapid, dramatic rebuild, the Mustangs' final game at Metropolis will go down in the history books as a 3-0 loss to the Wellesley Raiders on Feb. 18. So be sure to save your ticket stubs from that one.

# The publics and the privates

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

This year marks the 25th Super 8 hockey tournament in Massachusetts.

The silver is on its way to being presented at the TD Garden this Sunday, where one of four teams remaining in the tournament will accept the traditional anniversary gift that marks such an occasion: the Springfield Cathedral Panthers, Malden Catholic Lancers, St. John's Prep (SJP) Eagles or Austin Prep Eagles.

Four private Catholic schools. That's been par for the course since the inception of the tournament in the 1990-91 season. While Catholic Memorial (CM) is conspicuously absent from this year's field after finishing below .500, they have won a staggering 13 of the 24 tournaments played, and were in the championship three other times. Exactly

two-thirds of the finals have involved CM. BC High was eliminated in the best two-out-of-three first round of the tournament by SJP, but possess four Super 8 crowns of its own. The Lancers are looking for their fifth title in a row. Arlington Catholic won one championship in 1997.

If you're doing the math, Parochial schools have captured 22 of 24 championships. Only two public high schools have ever triumphed in the Super 8: Reading in 2008 and Hingham in 2010. What's more, only three other publics have even appeared in the championship game (Medford in '93, Weymouth in '07 and Burlington in '09).

With Medford's appearance an outlier, that was an impressive four-year stretch between 2007-2010, where a public school played for the title each year, finishing .500. But it has since reverted to the norm: Catholic domination.

Hingham is playing for the

Div. 1 championship on Sunday after being left out of the Super 8 field. Reading won the Div. 1 title last year. I'd be willing to bet that Harbormen fans are happy with their run through the south sectional, much happier than they would have been with a first round exit from the Super 8.

For those of you that double as high school hockey fans and college basketball fans, there's a pretty basic analogy that seems to hold true when describing the hockey playoffs: the Super 8 is to the NCAA Tournament as the Div. 1/2/3/3A Tournament is to the NIT (National Invitational



Jake Levin

Tournament).

But does it have to have that stigma?

Considering Parochial schools that don't qualify for the Super 8 are still eligible for the Div. 1 tournament (I'm aware not all of the Catholics are Div. 1 schools, but for argument's sake let's acknowledge that most of the hockey powers are), why shouldn't the “lesser” tournament be as big a deal? A championship is a championship; if it's a tiny Div. 3 school like Cohasset instead of a behemoth Div. 1 school like Brockton, who cares?

The difference between Cohasset and Brockton is its population. Cohasset is under 8,000 people, Brockton is over 93,000. Obviously they shouldn't be playing against one another if we're describing an even playing field.

The difference between Norwood, or any public high school, and [insert private school here]? The private schools can go out and recruit.

Which is to say that it's not necessarily an even playing field in the Div. 1 tournament, either. But that's what can make those championships just as sweet as a Super 8 title. Since the advent of the Super 8, 16 of the 24 Div. 1 champions have been publics. That's a solid mark, and also enough of a reminder that the Parochials come to play at the “lesser” tournament, too.

You'll never find me in the “everybody gets a trophy” camp. But what the Super 8 is good for is ensuring that public high schools get just as fair of a shot at a title as the Catholic ones do.

The banners will still hang from the rafters in the gymnasiums and rinks. The teams will get their own float in the Fourth of July parade. And just because it's not a Super 8 championship, the memories will still last forever.

# Planning Board *continued from page 1*

run the changes by Town Counsel.

Another article would list the medical marijuana overlay district to section 2.2 of the bylaw, which lists existing overlay districts in town. It would not change the location of the overlay district, but “simply says there is one.”

Halkiotis said he did not draft a change that had been discussed at a prior meeting involving the table listing all the zoning districts and uses in town. His reasoning was that the list did not include any of the overlay districts and there was not enough room to include them on the page. Halkiotis recommended keeping the table’s format as it stands.

The problem here, Halkiotis intimated, was that if an individual sought what part of town the overlay district applied to, they would not find it in that table. Joseph Sheehan proposed including a reference note in the bylaw, directing the reader to where the overlay districts are discussed. Medical marijuana facilities would be allowed within a portion of the highway business district, but the overlay district does not include the entire business district

Halkiotis said he would need to work with the engineering department to update the map of boundaries for all of the zoning districts in town. He referenced a project he’d done years before, where he worked with a consultant to develop a digital version of the map that could be zoomed in and examined closely. This

would help to avoid “changing boundaries inadvertently,” he said.

Sheehan asked whether the articles would require a public hearing before they could go before Town Meeting. Halkiotis said they did and if the board read through the articles, he would schedule a hearing in April so the documents could be ready for Town Meeting in May.

Debbie Holmwood asked if any medical marijuana facilities had moved forward anywhere in the state. Ernie Paciorkowski said several had been awarded, but did not think anything had been built yet.

The Planning Board also discussed the 1.5 Percent Task Force’s report to the Board of Selectmen regarding the Town’s position on the 1.5 percent of town land dedicated to affordable housing, needed to achieve permanent safe harbor status from 40B development projects.

Halkiotis said the Town currently stands at 1.508 percent, largely due to the acquisition of the 83-acre walker property and the 3.3-acre property near Ellis Pond earlier this year.

“That determination includes some estimating on certain things, like the amount of land that’s counted towards the state’s Department of Social Services group homes,” Halkiotis said. “If anything in this puzzle moves, we will have to recalculate what the assessment is at that point in time.”

Halkiotis said that the cur-

rent estimation includes the Regal Press project - which has yet to move forward due to issues regarding MBTA land for parking - and property at 136 Access Road, which is owned by the City of Boston Library Trustees, who intend to put it on the market.

“We will keep a close eye on what’s going on,” Halkiotis said, noting that Town Manager John Carroll had already begun approaching land owners of recommended properties and that the Selectmen had been approached by other owners directly.

While the Town currently sits above the 1.5 percent threshold needed to be able to prevent 40B developments from coming to town, Halkiotis emphasized that they would need a larger buffer when going before the state’s housing appeals committee, which judges the 1.5 percent calculations.

“We aren’t feeling overly confident about the count,” he said. “Any change not in our favor could put the town in some kind of jeopardy.”

Paciorkowski said they would need somewhere closer to 1.8 or 1.9 percent, because “you know the state’s going to

knock you down.”

Holmwood said she had asked the Regal Press owner, Bill Duffy, about the status of the project. She said Duffy believed the MBTA was going to sell him the land his plans included as a parking area.

The Board then discussed several aspects more closely related to the economic development side of planning.

Halkiotis said the Town would soon be receiving its first microbrewery, Castle Brewing Company, on Astor Street near Vanderbilt Avenue. He said the owner had received a special permit from the board of appeals and would be operating limited on-site sales from Thursday to Sunday, but would primarily be bottling and kegging beer for restaurants and package stores. In the long term, the owner said they would be interested in pursuing having a tasting room, once they have become established.

Halkiotis said the zoning bylaw likely doesn’t allow a tasting room under the current uses in the manufacturing district, and something would have to be worked out.

Halkiotis, at the Board’s prompting, also provided an update on the Benchmark Se-

nior Living Project on Clapboardtree Street. He said the project had been stalled, since Westwood appeared to be blocking Benchmark from plugging into its sewer connections. The project is located in Norwood, but shares a border with Westwood, where it is easiest to plug into existing sewers.

In order to use Norwood sewers, Benchmark would need to run connections down by Upland Road to Route 1A, where there is “quite a bit of ledge,” Halkiotis said, which would mean blasting and potential environmental disruptions.

As he understood it, Halkiotis said Westwood had required Benchmark to complete a sewer build out study, which they had done - and eventually passed a bylaw requiring a special permit for curb cuts, further stalling the project.

He said Norwood officials - himself included - had offered to meet with Westwood officials to work something out. The Selectmen sent a letter to the state, recommending that it does not recognize Westwood’s bylaw.

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### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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

### St. Jude’s Novena

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9<sup>th</sup> day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered.

*In gratitude for helping me. —A.M.F.*

# St. Patrick’s Day Weekend



**Saturday, March 14, 2015**

*There will be face painting for the kids,*

**Irish Step Dancers & Live Irish Music starts at 2 pm.**  
*Plus, Waterfords will be serving up traditional Irish fare like Corn Beef & Cabbage, Irish Stew, and much more.*

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**Sunday March 15, 2015**

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### Special Voter Registration Session

The Board of Registrars wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that a special registration session has been set for the April 6, 2015 Annual Town Election.

An evening special registration session will be held at the Municipal Building, Room 32 on **Tuesday, March 17, 2015 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

**This is the FINAL REGISTRATION SESSION prior to the Annual Town Election.**

Daily registration of voters will be conducted at the Town Clerk’s office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M.

A mail-in registration form is now available at Norwood Morrill Memorial Library and the Norwood Post Office.

Qualifications to register to vote are that the applicants must be 18 years old on or before election day and must either be born in the United States or be a Naturalized Citizen.

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great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to St. George Orthodox Church 6 Atwood Ave. Norwood, MA. 02062.

## DOWNING

Joan M. (Furey) on March 5.

Beloved wife of the late James Joseph Downing Sr. Loving mother of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright (Kathleen) of Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. David Fox (Denise) of Norwood, Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Ellis (Maureen) of Milton, Mr. and Mrs. David Cronan (Debra) of Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. James Joseph Downing Jr. (Marion) of Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. John Downing

## LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT TOWN OF NORWOOD, MA

The Town of Norwood, Massachusetts, through its Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC), will receive sealed bids for Boiler Replacement at Callahan Elementary School, 116 Garfield Avenue, Norwood, Massachusetts, 02062, in accordance with the Contract Documents.

The estimated cost of the project is: \$350,000

Bidding procedures shall be in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 44A through Section 44J, inclusive, and Chapter 30, Section 39M, as amended.

General Bids will only be considered from bidders holding a Certificate of Eligibility from the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the category of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) and in a single project amount higher than the amount of the Bid. General Bids must be accompanied by a copy of the Contractor's Certificate of Eligibility, an Update Statement, Certificate of Authority, Certificate of Good Faith, Certification of Payment of Taxes and Non-Collusion Affidavit.

This project is subject to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program. General bidders and filed sub-bidders are advised that before contract award, the lowest general bidder shall be required to provide the Owner with documentation stating how it intends to meet the minority and women business enterprise goals for the project. The combined MBE/WBE goal for this construction project is 10.4%.

Sealed bids for the General Contract will be received at the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington St., 3rd Floor, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062, until 11:00 A.M. on April 2, 2015 after which time all bids will be opened and read aloud.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, or cash, or certified check on, or treasurer's or cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, payable to the Town of Norwood, Massachusetts, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid amount. Bid Bonds shall be T Listed; Surety company(ies) shall be listed in the U.S. Treasury Department Circular 570, most recent edition, as amended. The bid bond shall be (a) in a form satisfactory to the awarding authority, (b) with a surety company qualified to do business in the commonwealth and satisfactory to the awarding authority and (c) conditioned upon the faithful performance by the principal of the agreements contained in the bid.

Plans and Specifications will be available on March 11, 2015 after 11:00A.M., at the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington St., 3rd Floor, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30A.M. to 4:00 P.M., upon deposit of \$50.00 per set by check, made payable to Town of Norwood. Copies of the FORM FOR GENERAL BID are available at no cost. Document deposit will be refunded upon return of complete bid documents in good condition within thirty (30) days after opening of general bids. Otherwise, bid deposits will become the property of the Owner.

Plans and Specs will also be available electronically by contacting [pbilotta@norwoodma.gov](mailto:pbilotta@norwoodma.gov) or [ccamey@norwoodma.gov](mailto:ccamey@norwoodma.gov) PLEASE NOTE: The maximum drawing and page size is 11"x17" and can be printed on many office printers.

Bidders requesting Contract Documents to be mailed to them shall send a separate check for \$25.00 per set, payable to the Town of Norwood, to cover mailing and handling costs.

A Pre-Bid Conference shall be held at the Callahan Elementary School, 116 Garfield Avenue, Norwood, Massachusetts, 02062 on March 16, 2015 at 3:00 P.M., at which time the job site shall be made available for inspection.

The Bid Form and other required documents shall be enclosed in envelopes (outer and inner) both of which shall be sealed and clearly labeled with the words "BOILER REPLACEMENT, CALLAHAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, NORWOOD, MASSACHUSETTS 02062 (Date Submitted)". The following shall be included in the envelopes, along with the Bid Form:

- Bid Deposit
- DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility
- DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement
- Non Collusion Affidavit
- Certificate of Authority
- Certificate of Good Faith
- Certificate of Eligibility
- Statement of Tax Compliance

The successful General Bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond, and also a labor and materials payment bond as set forth in the specifications; each bond executed in the full amount of the Contract Price. Performance and labor and materials payment bonds shall be T Listed; Surety company(ies) shall be listed in the U.S. Treasury Department Circular 570, most recent edition, as amended.

The Awarding Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids if it be in the public interest to do so. All bids will remain subject to acceptance for thirty days after the day of the Bid opening, but the Owner may, in its sole discretion, release any bid and return any Bid Security before that date.

Prevailing wages are to be paid on the work of the project in accordance with the Schedules issued by the Massachusetts Commissioner of Labor and Industries of which are contained in the Contract Documents are made part of the Contract. Additional copies of the schedule are available from the Awarding Authority upon request.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after receipt of award, without written consent by the Town of Norwood.

The Town of Norwood is exempt from sales tax, for which reason bidders should not include sales tax in figuring or in reference to any bid.

By: Edward McKenna, Chairman  
Town of Norwood  
Permanent Building Constr. Comm.

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(Theresa) of MN, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Downing (Kathleen) of Dedham and predeceased by William Furey Downing. Cherished sister of the late William Furey and John Furey. Also survived by 18 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Joan may be made to Saint Rock Haiti Foundation, PO Box 511, Milton, MA 02186.

## HANSCOM

Christine B. (Woodward) of Norwood, on March 7. Beloved wife of the late Elmer D. Hanscom, loving mother of Janet D. and Timothy D. Hanscom of Norwood and the late Betty Browne. Also survived by her grandchildren Felicia Trusevitch and her husband Craig of NJ and Brian Wooding of Wrentham and great granddaughters, Summer and Gabriella. Funeral arrangements by the May Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers donations to the Norwood Food Pantry, 150 Chapel St., Norwood, MA 02062 would be appreciated.

## KANE

Lois M. O'Connor surrounded by her family passed away on Feb. 21. Mrs. Kane, a Devout Catholic was born to the late James and Alice O'Connor. She was a 1945 graduate of Emmanuel College and later served as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Before her marriage Mrs. Kane worked as a social worker, placing children in homes for adoption with Catholic Charitable Bureau. An avid gardener and accomplished needle worker she was the wife of the late Gerard F Kane for more than fifty years. Mrs. Kane leaves behind two brothers, Robert with his wife Mary O'Connor of Framingham, Ma and David O'Connor of Boston, her children, Gerard and Debra Kane of Manchester, N.H. Alice and

John Welch of Norwood, Ma, Rosemary Kane of Vicenza Italy, Lois and David Kahan of Randolph, Ma., Joseph and Sunisa Kane of Jacksonville, Fla., the late Peggy and Kevin Sittig of Norwood, Ma., and Jeanne and William DeElia of Naples, Fla. She is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

## MACNEIL

Bernard H., 87, of Norwood formerly of W. Roxbury, on March 5. World War II US Navy Veteran. Beloved husband of the late Norma (O'Connell) MacNeil. Devoted father of Danielle Nathan and her husband Eric of Walpole and Barbara L. Smith and her husband Joseph M. of Weymouth. Loving grandfather of David and Brad Nathan and great grandfather of Zander and Paige Nathan. Brother of the late Lawrence, Arthur, Mark, John, Joseph, George, Charles, Louis, James and Sister Alice. Cherished and dear friend of Theresa Ascii of Norwood. Son of the late Louis and Mary (MacDonald) MacNeil. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Bernard was Co-Owner and founder of Sign Systems of Avon, MA. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to PO Box 1000 Dept. 142 Memphis, TN 38101-9908 or to the Wounded Warrior Project PO BOX 758517 Topeka, KS 66675.

## MITCHELL

Mary E. (Gottwald), 91, longtime Norwood resident, on March 2. Beloved wife of the late John J. Mitchell. Loving mother of John J. Mitchell, Jr. and his wife Gretchen of Encinitas, CA, Marilyn E. Spera and her husband Al of Venice, FL, Robert M. Mitchell and his wife Lorraine of Walpole, William E. Mitchell and his wife Susanne of Walpole, James F. Mitchell and his wife

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Barbara of Franklin, and Sheila M. Mitchell of Norwood. Devoted sister of William Gottwald of Lakeville. Daughter of the late William and Mary (Devlin) Gottwald. She is also survived by 19 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment will follow the Mass in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. Memorial contributions in memory of Mary E. Mitchell may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 10 Speen Street, 2nd Floor, Framingham, MA 01701 or [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org).

## SAWAYA

Sylvia (Handy) of Norwood, on March 2. Beloved wife of the late Ferris Sawaya. Loving mother of Gail McDermott and her husband Stanley of New York, Janice Sawaya Burke of Foxboro, Joseph Sawaya and his wife Debbie of Brockton. Dear grandmother "Sitho" of Anthony "A.J." Sawaya, Kristin Burke, Jennifer Amaral, and Michelle Goodwin. Also survived by 5 great-grandchildren. Funeral Service were held at Our Lady of the Annunciation Melkite Cathedral, 7 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury. Please make contributions in Sylvia's memory to the Cathedral or to 501 St. Jude Pl. Memphis, TN 38105. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery.

## TYNAN

Robert "Emmett" DN of Norwood on March 3. Late World War II Army Veteran. Late Past Commander of Post 561, VFW, So. Boston. Survived by longtime friend Catherine "Kay" Desimone. Brother of Patricia Spring of Quincy and the late Sabina Marie Alonzo, Kevin & John Tynan. Uncle of Kathy Tynan, Joseph Patrick Tynan, Taylor Alonzo & several other nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. Brother-in-law of Mary "Sis" Tynan. Funeral arrangements by the Folsom Funeral Home, Westwood.

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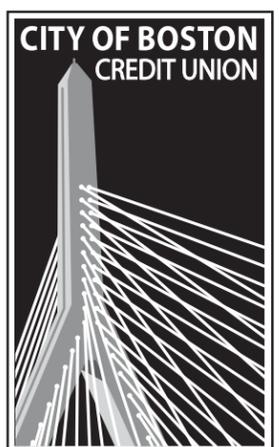


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**THE OLDHAM SCHOOL ANNUAL SPRING CHILDREN'S FAIR**

The Oldham School will be holding its annual Spring Children's Fair on Saturday March 28, from 11:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. Families throughout the community are invited to come to the Oldham School and enjoy a day of fun. The fair features arts & crafts, games, cake walk, bouncy houses, silent auction, raffles, spin art, food, and fun! Come join us in celebrating the end of a very long winter! Proceeds raised by this event support student enrichment activities and a variety of school improvement projects. The Oldham School is located at 165 Prospect Street in Norwood. For more information email oldhampto@gmail.com.

**RAIL BUFF GROUP MEETS AT LIBRARY FOR "TRAINS AND TUNES" VIDEO/MUSIC PROGRAM**

"Trains and Tunes" is the topic of Foxboro rail fan-videographer Paul Beck, as he presents a program of experimental media modules and railroad film clips, creating a relationship to various styles of music, at the monthly meeting of the Norfolk County Rail Road Club (NCRRC) in the Morrill Memorial Library's Simoni Room, Wednesday evening, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. "Matching popular music and classical and semi classical themes

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to films of familiar old railroad scenes to create a new and exciting visual and audio experience is a form of tribute to our local and long gone New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad that once spread its rail network throughout Southern New England", according Beck, a rail buff who is a retired Emerson College audio visual specialist and a recognized authority on videography techniques and equipment. The meeting is free and open to the public. Details, contact Ed Sweeney, NCRRC Program Organizer, at 781-762-5587.

**VFW ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY**

The Norwood VFW will be hosting a Happy St. Patty's Day Party on Saturday, March 14, from 6 to 10 p.m. This event is open to everyone. The public is invited. Tickets are only \$20 per person. The traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner will be provided. This will be preceded by the very delicious lamb stew. This stew has always been a favorite. The dinner is scheduled for 6 p.m. The evening will also feature live Irish and Dance Music by "Back in Time." "Back in Time" is a very popu-

lar group that provides wonderful music for everyone's dancing and listening pleasure. This event will be in the Function Hall at the Norwood VFW Post 2452 at 193 Dean St., Norwood.

**SPRING CONCERTS AT ST. GABRIEL'S**

The Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel at Highland Cemetery in Norwood will be the venue for another series of free Sunday concerts beginning on Sunday, March 15 at 3 p.m. This spring series, to be held on Sundays, March 15, April 19, and May 17, will bring three unique programs to the Chapel. A Bard's Feast will offer Irish music just in time for St. Patrick's Day in March; musicians accomplished in the Chinese zither (guqin), Chinese flute (zhudi), and classical guitar will arrive in April; and in May, Tramontana, a five-person a capella vocal ensemble will present madrigals and baroque music. This will be the second series of three concerts held at The Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel at Highland Cemetery, on Winter Street in Norwood. A quaint and picturesque

chapel, at the time of its donation to the town in 1903 it was regarded as one of the most beautiful structures of its kind in the nation. In addition to increasing the cultural offerings in Norwood, it is hoped these concerts will bring attention to the Chapel and increase public awareness of this beautiful and contemplative space. On Sunday, March 15, we kick off St. Patrick's Day celebrations a few days early with A Bard's Feast. Renowned storyteller Norah Dooley and harpist Susan Miron, who share a love of music and narrative, will present a magical collaboration combining the traditional Irish melodies and tunes of famed 18th century blind harper Turlough O'Carolan with legend and myth drawn from the Irish folkloric tradition. Leprechauns, the sidhe (fairy people), common folk, heroes and star crossed lovers may all put in an appearance via enchanting words and entrancing harp melodies. All concerts are free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first come, first serve basis. These concerts are organized by the Friends of St. Gabriel's, under the auspices of the Norwood Neighbors, a local cultural non-profit organization. The Friends of St. Gabriel's can be reached atStGabrielNorwood@gmail.com

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