



More than 100 people lined up along Washington Street as part of Norwood's Veterans Day parade on Friday, Nov. 11.

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Plasko Jr. makes [brief] return

Committee flustered by appearance

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Apparently, even School Committee members enjoy recess.

School Committee member Bill Plasko Jr. made his return at the committee's Nov. 9 meeting after missing the group's October meetings.

However, Plasko joined the group after the meeting began following the conclusion of the meeting's public forum.

Plasko took his seat as Norwood High School Principal George Usevich discussed the high school's improvement plan.

Following Usevich's presentation, School Committee Chairman Paul Samargedlis called a recess and exited the meeting room into the hallway.

Vice Chairman John Badger and Norwood Public School Superintendent James Hayden joined Samargedlis moments later. After a few minutes, Badger asked Plasko to join the group outside.

The group returned after roughly 20 minutes outside the room, resuming the meeting.

Plasko exited the meeting at approximately 9:20 p.m. as the group discussed the MASC/MASS annual business meeting resolutions.

Samargedlis said a statement would be issued to the press regarding a member of the School Committee during the Nov. 9 meeting.

However, no statement has been issued to date.

Samargedlis declined comment regarding the recess following Monday evening's Special Town Meeting (TM), commenting only on TM's approval of a measure to reduce the School Committee's membership from seven to five members.

Plasko could not be reached for comment regarding the recess.

Plasko submitted his resignation as Chairman of the School Committee via email on Oct. 11, but remained a board member.

"Due to recent events I find that I am unable to devote the necessary time as Chairman of the Norwood School Committee," Plasko said in his resignation letter. "For the benefit of the committee and the Norwood Public Schools, I resign the position of Chairman of the Norwood School Committee. I am however retaining

Norwood celebrates Veterans Day

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

American flags, marching bands and patriotic local residents filled the Norwood Town Common as the town hosted a Veterans Day ceremony on Friday morning to honor those who have served their country.

St. Catherine's Church began the day's festivities with an 8 a.m. mass to honor

veterans.

A Veterans Day parade from the Balch School parking lot to the Town Common followed the mass.

More than 100 people lined up along Washington Street to celebrate American heroes as local Selectmen, the Norwood High School Marching Band and the Norwood Colonial Pipers were among the participants to march along the parade route.

The Town Common ceremony featured speeches from local officials as they honored the historic occasion.

Veterans Agent Ted Mulvehill Jr. emphasized the day honors those who displayed commitment, duty and sacrifice in their actions.

"To some in society, these concepts ring hollow," Mulvehill said, "but not to

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TM voters approve School Committee reduction article

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

A reduction kicked off the Norwood Special Town Meeting (TM) on Monday evening as voters approved an article to reduce the Norwood School Committee's membership from seven to five.

TM members accepted the measure by a majority vote.

Norwood resident Gerri Slater took a step toward making the School Committee more consistent with the Board of Selectmen, Finance Commission and other five-member boards in town by

submitting a petition to add an article to reduce the size of the group to five members.

The petition, which included 133 names certified by the Town Clerk, requested "to reduce the elected Norwood School Committee from seven to five members in accordance with all applicable local and state laws, or take any other action on the matter."

Slater emphasized the article had been in the planning stages for several years and was unrelated to recent events involving the School Committee.

"This is about the what, which is the School Committee, not about the

whom," Slater told TM members.

Slater noted presenting the article at TM provides an opportunity to experience democracy firsthand.

"We're bringing it here because we feel this is the forum where it can be heard, debated and decided upon in a true democratic process," Slater said.

The School Committee originated with three members in 1873 before expanding to six in 1891. The six-member committee was in place for 65 years before expanding to seven in 1956.

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Downtown manager job offer

— Friends name downtown manager —

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Downtown Norwood became "friendlier" as the Friends of Norwood Center have hired North Attleboro resident Kim Weineck as the group's downtown manager.

Friends President Jeanne Babel said Weineck possesses event planning and social media experience to help the group thrive as the group's new downtown manager.

"She has the skills we're looking for to be successful in this job," Babel said. "She's very enthusiastic."

Weineck has served as Gallery Director of Norwood's Custom Art Framing & Gallery 9 for three years, according to the company's website.

Babel said at least 10 candidates interviewed for the position.

Weineck said she interviewed three times with the Friends before being offered

the position, but noted she felt positive during the interview process.

"I always left the interviews feeling jazzed up," Weineck said.

The position's description emphasized the downtown manager job is "responsible for promoting, enhancing, strengthening and improving the economic vitality and visual appearance of Norwood Center as designated in the Downtown Norwood Master Plan."

Weineck said she plans to utilize social media in her work with the Friends.

"You're not just marketing, you can actively sell to people directly," Weineck said of utilizing social media.

Babel said the group's board members will help Weineck determine the job's priorities.

The Friends have hired Weineck to work on a part-time basis, but Weineck said she hopes to maintain open hours so she can be available to resi-

dents and merchants.

Meanwhile, the Friends and the downtown manager will actively seek feedback from the community as it attempts to revitalize downtown Norwood.

"We're looking to get input from merchants and residents for what they're looking for in the downtown," Babel said.

Babel said the Friends had received at least \$13,000 in donations to date. The town has matched the group's donations.

In addition, the Friends launched a website at (<http://friendsofnorwoodcenter.wordpress.com>) and a Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Friends-of-Norwood-Center/287022591311873>) featuring information about their organization.

Those interested in joining the Friends of Norwood Center's email list can send an email to friendsofnorwoodcenter@gmail.com.

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my seat on the committee."

Plasko was charged with breaking and entering at nighttime to commit a felony and in-

decent assault and battery charges Oct. 8. He is scheduled for a pretrial conference on Nov. 22 at the Dedham District Court.

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veterans."

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue noted Veterans Day provides an opportunity to celebrate the United States.

"As we look around, we have America. We have Veterans Day. We have the sun shining," Donohue told attendees. "This is

what I think America is all about."

Donohue asked attendees to remember the late Donald McLean, a Norwood resident who served his country in World War II. McLean passed away on Sept. 30.

Selectman Allan Howard said he was happy to hear the Commonwealth provided guaranteed benefits to its veterans.

"We do take care of our veterans in this state," Howard told attendees, "and I'm proud of that."

An 11-bell salute and moment of silence were held at 11 a.m. to honor veterans during the ceremony.

In addition, songs such as

"America the Beautiful" and "Amazing Grace" were performed to honor American patriots.

A rededication of the Memorial Corner at Central and Nahatan streets immediately followed the ceremony on the common. The memorial was named for Harold F. Stewart, who served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, 10 years ago.

Mulvehill urged attendees to honor any veterans they may encounter throughout the day.

"If you know a veteran, give him or her thanks," Mulvehill said. "They've earned it."

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Selectmen want firefighter hired

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen accepted a measure on Tuesday to allow the Norwood Fire Department to make Firefighter Paul Hansen a full-time member of the force.

Selectmen Chairman Michael Lyons said Hansen, a firefighter with 12 years of experience, had been a substitute for Firefighter Dennis Mawn, an army reserve member who was deployed to Iraq on Dec. 17, 2010.

Mawn is scheduled to return to Norwood next month.

However, Lyons noted Mawn's return would leave Hansen without a full-time position with the NFD.

Lyons suggested authorizing Fire Chief Michael Howard to hire Hansen on a full-time basis as soon as possible with the stipulation the next department vacancy not be filled.

Lyons emphasized time remained a critical factor in the Board's decision regarding the matter.

"We're getting down to crunch time," Lyons said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue said she would support Lyons' motion, noting Hansen was one of the first Norwood Firefighters to arrive in New York during the Sept. 11 attacks.

"He's a firefighter's firefighter," Donohue said, referring to Hansen.

Selectman Paul Bishop asked the Board to consider changing the motion to emphasize Howard must hire Hansen immediately for a full-time position rather than as soon as possible.

"There is a hardship still in place here," Bishop said. "The clock is ticking on [Hansen]."

The Selectmen accepted the motion unanimously.

Selectman Allan Howard proposed approaching Michael Howard concerning the Special Town Meeting (TM) article regarding the purchase of a new ladder truck.

Allan Howard noted the Fire Chief had not yet decided on a vehicle to purchase to replace Ladder #1, and asked the Board to consider asking Chief Howard about the cost.

"I can't recall in my 30 or so years involved putting

money without knowing what we're going to buy," Allan Howard said.

Chief Howard raised the possibility of getting the funding to replace Ladder #1 at TM to Selectmen in September, and submitted a report to the Board outlining the ongoing repairs to the 20-year-old ladder truck last month.

Howard requested \$1.3 million be placed on a warrant article as part of TM, noting the cost to replace Ladder # 1 could range between \$1.1 and \$1.3 million.

In addition, Howard outlined five potential aerial ladders the department could consider if the warrant article is approved.

The Board accepted a motion to support up to \$1.1 million for a replacement ladder truck at its Nov. 1 meeting. Selectmen accepted the motion by a 3-2 vote as Donohue and Lyons voted against the measure.

Allan Howard noted the Fire Chief could try to determine the cost before TM's continuation on Nov. 28.

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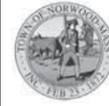
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OPINION

Norwood's own superhero

*"Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men?
The Shadow knows!"*

Apparently, the Town of Norwood now has its own version of The Shadow. Bill Plasko Jr. has decided that he is too indispensable to the School Committee to simply disappear. No, Shadow Plasko has decided that his wit and wisdom remain completely unblemished after his recent arrest for lewd and lascivious activities, and graced the School Committee with his presence at last Wednesday's meeting.

Lest we forget, Shadow Plasko never resigned from the School Committee, he only resigned as its Chairman, stating in a letter, "Due to recent events I find that I am unable to devote the necessary time as Chairman of the Norwood School Committee." The recent events Shadow Plasko is referring to are the criminal charges of entering at nighttime to commit a felony and indecent assault and battery. According to police accounts, the married Shadow had a relationship with another woman who had decided at some point she was tired of living in the shadows. Allegedly, the Shadow broke into the victim's home and slinked into bed without her knowledge or consent, wanting to do the nasty. Her screaming must have convinced him that she wasn't in the mood, as difficult as it must have been for him to believe given his superior intellect, charm and devilish good looks.

The Shadow determined the charges against him weren't serious enough to resign from the School Committee, even though the School Department he works for in another town decided they were serious enough to place him on administrative leave. The fact that his seat at the first School Committee meeting following his arrest was empty led many to believe, this writer included, that he at least he had sense enough to stay out of the public view and spend as much time as he could trying to repair his relationships with his wife and kids, and at the same time privately convince those who know him that he isn't the sleazeball the criminal charges make him out to be.

Well, we were wrong. The Shadow showed up at the Nov. 9 School Committee meeting, but didn't have the courage to do it on the up and up. No, The Shadow lurked in the hallways until the public forum part of the meeting ended, meaning no one from the community would have the chance to ask the coward anything relative to his recent alleged deviant proclivities.

He stealthily took his seat while other school board members stared at him in what appeared to be shock and disbelief. Chairman Paul Samargedlis, clearly flustered, called a recess to the meeting and for the next 20 minutes everyone just sat around wasting time while said Chairman and others must have been asking The Shadow what the hell he was doing there. All returned to finish the meeting, including the Shadow. However, he didn't stay for the whole meeting. He left a few minutes before the end of it, no doubt guttlessly avoiding reporters who have yet to receive any comment from him on anything.

So, one is only left to ponder what the Shadow thought he would accomplish by showing up. Does he really think his insights and knowledge of Norwood schools are so indispensable that it is worth all of the disruptions, snickering, and renewed attention of his betrayal of family and friends with his alleged inability to keep it in his pants? Does he really think he can repair his reputation in the community in front of a camera? Is he really that big of a narcissist?

A warrant article at TM just passed reducing the elected School Committee board from seven members to five, which is ironic since it appears they would all end up in the slammer sooner or later. Organizers of the petition state that the article had been in the planning stages for several years and was unrelated to recent events involving the School Committee. Perhaps, but one has to figure that the recent arrests of two School Committee members was more than coincidental to the timing of the article's introduction.

We could ask Plasko, for as the iconic radio show of the 1930s always proclaimed:

"Only The Shadow Knows..."

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However, Lyons said Michael Howard was developing a committee to determine the best ladder truck to suit the department and the town's needs.

The Board accepted a motion to send a letter to Howard to see if a decision regarding which ladder truck should be purchased had been made. The measure was accepted unanimously.

Compass Project Management President Tim Bonfatti provided Selectmen with an update on the Norwood High School project on Tuesday as well.

Bonfatti told the Board the focus has been completing work in front of the high school over the past month.

"I think everyone's not happy with the progress of that work, including the site team," Bonfatti said.

Bonfatti addressed the dirt piles in front of the new school, noting Agostini Con-

struction Co. Chairman George Agostini has assured him the piles would be removed this month.

However, Bonfatti said some of the piles would remain on site.

"It's not all going to be gone," Bonfatti told the Board, "but the excess material...will be gone by the end of the month."

Bonfatti emphasized work could be shut down next month due to the winter weather.

Bonfatti noted the project remains ahead of schedule, and could be completed by June 2012, one month before the contract requires the work to be finished.

In addition, the team remains ahead of its budget.

"Financially, things are moving very well," Bonfatti said.

Bonfatti said the group could have at least a \$2 million surplus at the completion of the project. Allan Howard

noted the surplus funds referred to money the town would not need to borrow, not money they would be receiving back.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation offered information about its Dec. 3 Luminary Night to the Board.

The Circle of Hope Foundation, a nonprofit organization, provides assistance to Norwood residents in need due to unforeseen medical circumstances. The group began its Luminary Night in the Town Common 11 years ago, as the luminaries have become a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season and Remembrance of others.

Foundation Treasurer David Tuttle noted this year's event will feature free hot chocolate and a performance by the NHS Alumni Choir.

Candles will be lit starting at 5 p.m. on Dec. 3, followed by the NHS Alumni Choir's performance at 6 p.m.

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Slater emphasized fewer School Committee members could improve the group's performance.

"It'll foster more effective communication and responsiveness," Slater said. "It'll create greater efficiency."

Norwood resident Sarah Sullivan said the Massachusetts Education Reform Act outlines a school committee as having the power to select and terminate the superintendent, review and establish budgets for public education in the district and establish educational goals and policies for the schools in a district.

"While these duties are by no means a small task, they are limited in scope," Sullivan said, noting a smaller committee could face minimal workload issues with the membership change.

Norwood resident Sue McQuaid, a former School Committee member and Selectwoman, said she believes a five-member committee would possess the ability to resolve issues in a timely manner.

"I've served with seven. I've served with five. My preference is five," McQuaid said. "It's effective."

Norwood School Committee members Courtney Rau and Dick Kief expressed praise for the warrant article.

"I would support this reduc-

tion, especially if it leads to change and new voices being heard," Rau said.

Kief emphasized a smaller committee could improve the group's overall performance.

"I truly believe in my heart it'll be a more efficient way," Kief said.

Former School Committee member Joseph "Mitch" Pentowski showed support for a seven-member group, noting each member can make a difference in a democracy.

"If it weren't for the sixth or seventh member, some of our problems wouldn't have been solved," Pentowski said, referring to his prior School Committee experience.

School Committee Chairman Paul Samargedlis said he had heard about the article for the first time three-and-a-half weeks ago.

Samargedlis noted there should be discussion regarding the article, but including it as part of the TM warrant could be a disservice to voters.

"There has to be some semblance of disgruntlement in the community," Samargedlis said. "I've served on a seven-member board and I prefer it."

Sullivan noted all prior School Committee membership changes have been voted on via TM.

The School Committee reductions will start during the April election when only one seat will be filled for a three-year term per the article. Only two seats will be filled for three-year terms in 2013.

TM voters considered an article to purchase the Norwood Printing parcel at 188-190 Central St.

The Board of Selectmen

agreed to purchase the property from the current owners for \$475,000 earlier this summer. The Selectmen noted they intend to demolish the building and to build a structure to house the Electric Light Department's crews along with their trucks and equipment.

Selectmen Chairman Michael Lyons noted the department's trucks and equipment are currently exposed to the elements year-round.

"We're losing value on these trucks," Lyons told TM members. "We're losing the opportunity to expand the operations down there."

TM member Paul Poznick said he opposed the acquisition of the 8,300-square foot parcel.

"If you're going to spend \$475,000 for 8,300 square feet, I have no faith in you," Poznick said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue noted the town is receiving a favorable price on the property.

"This is in our own backyard and we are buying this site. This is the fire sale price Norwood is going to get for this property," Donohue said, noting the property would have cost \$125,000 more to purchase five years ago.

TM member Rick Morrison said he felt the town should embrace the chance to acquire the property.

"This is an opportunity to consolidate a whole bunch of ideas, and I think it's the starting point of a great plan," Morrison said.

TM members accepted the property purchase article by a 75-11 vote.

TM has been scheduled to resume Nov. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

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The Norwood Board of Health discussed odors from Home Market Foods at 140 Morgan Dr. at its meeting on Monday, Nov. 14.

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Board is sniffing around Home Market food odors again a concern

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Lingering smells remain a concern at Home Market Foods at 140 Morgan Dr. The Norwood Board of Health reviewed an Administrative Consent Order and Notice of Non-compliance between the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) and Home Market Foods on Monday.

Home Market Foods' Corinne Schultz said she received a report last week from an engineering firm regarding progress toward a resolution to the problem.

"I am optimistic it will provide us remedies we can implement on a timely basis," Schultz said.

Home Market Foods handles the cooking, packaging, freezing and distribution of food products to retail outlets and restaurant chains around the world, but the smell has been an ongoing concern for local abutters.

"I was accosted by the sick-

ening, nauseating stench coming from their factory," Worcester Drive resident William T. Clough, who lives roughly one mile from the facility, said in a Nov. 1 letter to the Board of Selectmen.

Home Market Foods was issued its second Administrative Consent Order from the MassDEP effective Nov. 2. The Administrative Consent Order stipulated Home Market Foods must "take measures to abate odor from the stacks...by means of modifying existing stacks to increase exhaust dispersion" on or before Nov. 30.

In addition, the order indicated the respondent was required to "modify the ODOR Complaint protocol to establish a Complaint and Assessment Log" to record complaints, document relevant facility operations at the date and time of a complaint, observe weather conditions at the facility and investigate the alleged impact area if an occurrence is ongoing. The order noted the Complaint and Assessment Log needed to be established im-

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Clough suggested limiting production to standard business

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School improvements discussed

School Committee discusses needs of High and Middle schools

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Norwood High School Principal George Usevich shared his thoughts on the new School on the Hill's improvement plan, its students and its course offerings at the School Committee's Nov. 9 meeting.

Usevich noted faculty, staff and students continue their transition as they become accustomed to the new high school.

"The move into the new facility went very well," Usevich said. "The staff did an incredible job."

However, minor problems exist at the institution, including heating and school access issues.

"They're frustrating sometimes, but we're managing them," Usevich said of problems with the new building. "We're

working through them."

Usevich said the goal has become to make the school vibrant educationally by offering new courses and enrichment programs to students.

"We've made some progress with new course offerings, but we have a lot of work to do," Usevich said.

MCAS testing remains a priority at NHS as the school achieved Adequate Yearly Progress in English and Language Arts, but failed to show progress in its mathematics scores.

"A nine percent gain in ELA is amazing," Norwood Public Schools Superintendent James Hayden said of the high school's MCAS scores.

Usevich said the school eyes three to four percent improvement in MCAS scores every year.

Coakley Middle School Principal Matt Ehrenworth discussed his school's MCAS results as well, noting students continue to display progress.

"The Coakley Middle School is doing a good job," Ehrenworth said. "We need to stop and celebrate our successes. Our students are growing."

The Coakley Middle School failed to reach MCAS AYP in mathematics while failing ELA when graded on a subgroup level.

Ehrenworth emphasized collaboration remains the key to helping students learn.

"We want to make sure that all of our students are successful," Ehrenworth told the School Committee.

Ehrenworth said the school has considered its options, including studying coaching models to promote new strategies and initiatives for teachers and investigating the use of review and remediation software.

have a good handle on it. If we do make this change, it will have a big improvement."

Board Chairwoman Joan Jacobs emphasized the odor remains a pressing issue for the town and its residents.

"You have to appreciate our frustration in this case," Jacobs told Schultz. "We hope you can feel the urgency that we do at this time."

The Board of Health will host its next meeting on Dec. 19 at 9 a.m.

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hours during the week only.

"I feel this is a fair solution and will give the residents of Norwood a break to be able to enjoy their yards or open windows during nights and weekends," Clough said.

Schultz noted Home Market Foods has joined SPEC Process Engineering & Construction, a Burlington-based process-engineering firm, to examine the odor issue.

She emphasized a team including Home Market Foods, SPEC and Waltham-based environmental consulting and engineering firm the ESS Group Inc. has worked together to develop solutions.

ESS' Eric Pearson said a baffle inside the facility's stacks may be doing more harm than good in vanquishing the odor because it slows down the velocity of a cyclone mechanism used to remove air particles.

Removing the baffle remains a viable option.

"It seems the original design may have been flawed," Pearson said. "They feel they

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Concannon's Village owner Tom Concannon, a Norwood resident, has owned and operated the restaurant at 60 Lenox St. since 1972.

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He just wants to help

Tom Concannon makes community a priority with restaurant

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Concannon's Village remains a popular venue for many Norwood groups and foundations seeking to host fundraisers, offering a function hall close to the downtown.

Concannon's Village owner Tom Concannon noted he has done everything possible to make the venue as comfortable as possible since the restaurant opened 39 years ago.

Concannon, 73, has spent his life in Norwood, and said he is happy to show his support for the town's fundraisers.

"It's a win-win-win," Concannon said, noting

fundraisers hosted at Concannon's Village provide an enjoyable experience helping the cause, the organizer and himself. "This is a special town for supporting causes."

Concannon, a Boston College High School and Holy Cross graduate, emphasized his goal in having the restaurant has been to provide Norwood residents a comfortable environment to gather and spend time together.

Concannon's Village, located at 60 Lenox St., opened Oct. 22, 1972. Concannon said he decided to launch the restaurant after he discovered Norwood High School's hockey team hosted banquets to cel-

ebate its championship season in Medfield.

"I asked, 'What are 300 Norwood people going to Medfield for?'" Concannon said.

Concannon noted he has brought a personalized touch to the restaurant as he visits patrons when they host functions at the venue.

"I enjoy meeting people," Concannon said, noting he wants patrons to feel comfortable as they enter Concannon's Village.

The Friends of St. Nick and the Norwood Scholarship Foundation are among the organizations feeling at home at

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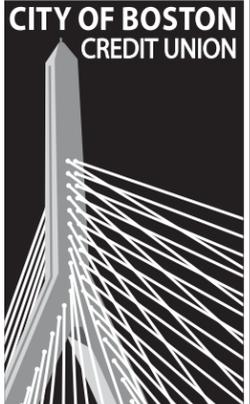
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Housing Executive Director joins national task force

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Norwood Housing Authority Executive Director Steve Merritt will take his expertise to the national level.

The National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) has appointed Merritt to serve a two-year term as the chair of its Housing America Task Force. Merritt's term began Oct. 26.

"Steve's dedication to providing affordable and decent homes in safe neighborhoods is remarkable and we know that his energy and passion for the work of this industry will be a driver in the success of the Housing America Task Force," NAHRO's President Betsey Martens said.

Merritt has served the local community as the Norwood Housing Authority's Executive Director since 2004. He was previously with the Cambridge Housing Authority as a Senior Housing Manager.

Merritt is also currently the President of the New England Regional Council of NAHRO.

"Housing America is a tremendous campaign to demonstrate the great work being done

by NAHRO member agencies around the country. I look forward to the challenge of increasing the visibility and success of Housing America," Merritt said. "I thank President Martens for her confidence in me to lead this effort, building on the successes of the past few years."

The task force is charged with continuing and expanding the work of the Housing America campaign. Housing America is a yearlong effort to inform the public and decision makers about the need to meet the country's affordable housing and community development challenges.

The NAHRO, established in 1933, is a membership organization of 23,000 housing and community development agencies and professionals throughout the United States serving a mission to create affordable housing and safe, viable communities that enhance the quality of life for all Americans, especially seniors, persons with disabilities, and families of low- and moderate-income. NAHRO's membership administers more than 3 million housing units for 7.6 million people.

Merritt is a member of NAHRO, Public Housing Au-

thorities Directors Association (PHADA) and the Southeastern Massachusetts Executive Directors Association.

Town Planner Steve Costello noted Merritt could thrive in his new role.

"He's a real leader," Costello said. "I wasn't surprised to hear he landed a role with such a plum national group."

Merritt played an instrumental role in the passage of the Special Town Meeting (TM) article regarding the Board of Selectmen's ability to sell a residentially-zoned parcel at 52 Valley Rd.

The town received the property for non-payment of taxes, but the Housing Authority could acquire the land which required maintenance as the property had been vacant for some time from the Board.

The Housing Authority would then upgrade the property before selling it to a moderate-income veteran following a lottery process.

Veterans Agent Ted Mulvehill said approving the article would prove beneficial to the town, TM members and veterans.

TM approved the article by a 75-7 vote.

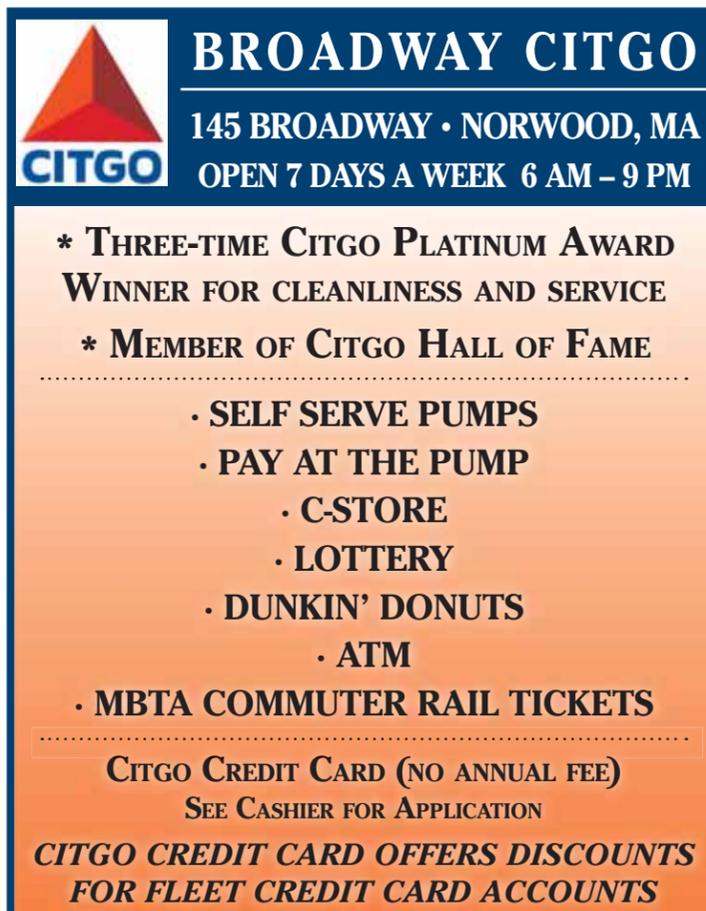


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The next meeting of the Grace Church book club is Thursday, Nov. 17 at 7:30 p.m. Ted Gup's "The Secret Gift" will be discussed. All are welcome to join the book discussion. The book club normally meets the third Thursday of each month. Grace Episcopal Church is located at 150 Chapel Street. Light refreshments are served. To view monthly book selections through July 2012, visit www.gracenor.org under the Upcoming Events page.

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Norwood Ecumenical Thanksgiving service will be held on Nov. 20, at 4 p.m., at Temple Shaare Tefilah at its new location on the campus of the Schechter school on Commerce Way, off of Sumner Street, in back of the Stop

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and Shop on Route 1. Please bring a donation of non-perishable food for the Norwood Ecumenical Food Pantry. There is special need for canned tuna, beef stew, canned beans, canned fruit, and cake mixes, such as brownie mix.

FIRST BAPTIST ANNOUNCES FALL SCHEDULE

First Baptist Church of Norwood Sunday schedule is 10:30 a.m. in the main sanctuary. While the classrooms in the main church are undergoing renovations, classes will be held in the Parish House. The Senior Choir is looking for additional voices for the fall. Rehearsals are now on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish House. Most needed are al-

tos and basses but singers are welcome for all parts. The director is Ann Fleck and she may be contacted at 508-668-4236. The weekly Bible Study now meets at 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. This year, the group is studying the Book of James. Anyone interested may call Ruth at 781-769-0425 for more information. A new program being offered at First Baptist Church this year, co-sponsored by the Anglican Church of the Redeemer, is the AWANA Club for children Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade. This will take place on Sunday afternoons in the Parish Hall from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. The First Baptist, located at 71 Bond Street, is one who welcomes all with the love of the Lord. For further information, call the church office on Tuesday or Wednesday at 781-762-1633 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Concannon's Village, as each has hosted fundraisers at the Lenox Street restaurant.

Concannon noted the Friends of St. Nick fundraiser remains one of his favorites.

"The fact that it's repeating and a wonderful day, it has to rank among the best," Concannon said.

Friends of St. Nick President Robert Dempsey emphasized Concannon himself has become a staple in Norwood because of his restaurant's service to the community.

"He hosts more charity events than most," Dempsey said of Concannon. "His doors

are always open to a good cause."

However, Concannon has faced rumors regarding a possible closing of the restaurant.

Concannon said Concannon's Village's pub has been closed, but the restaurant will remain open.

However, things could change depending on circumstances in the future.

"If there are interested parties, they may be coming after the new year," Concannon said of the possibility of selling Concannon's Village.

The restaurant remains unavailable for purchase currently.

"When I say it's not for sale, it's a fact," Concannon said.

Economic factors could dictate Concannon's decision to sell the restaurant.

"I might put it on the market and see what happens," Concannon said.

Concannon currently employs eight on-call, part-time staffers at the restaurant.

Dempsey noted Concannon has hired only the best to serve the community.

"If you're not a nice person, you wouldn't be working for Tommy," Dempsey said.



Local artists displayed their creativity as the Norwood Art Association hosted a holiday sale and show at the Norwood Civic Center on Saturday, Nov. 12. At least 100 people attended the event.

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Sports



Tyler Goncalves helped lead the Norwood boys' soccer team to the postseason.

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Boys' Soccer reflects on historic season

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

On Saturday, Nov. 5, the Norwood boys soccer team made history by earning their first ever tournament victory with a win over Blue Hills.

The victory was even more amazing due to the fact that the Mustangs were an under-.500 team this year and needed heroic wins in the final week of the season just to make the tournament.

Therefore, when they took on Norwell a day later, it would have been more than understandable if they ran out of gas.

They did not. In fact, they played a full game and eventually ended up in overtime with a chance to shock the state again.

Norwell ended up getting the biggest break of the

game in the extra frame, and ended up ending Norwood's season with a 1-0 victory.

"There's no excuses. We were five minutes away from the second overtime," said head coach Brian Meringer. "This team showed resiliency all year, including today. They just made a great play at the end of the game there and now we are going home. I'm still very proud of this team."

Norwood's season ended at 6-14-2. The record campaign set the standard for number of wins in a season, another feat not to be overlooked by a young, up-and-coming team. The future is clearly bright for Norwood, who also had their star junior Tyler Goncalves named co-MVP of the Bay State Herget Division.

The team fought valiantly despite having to face the

challenge of playoff games on consecutive days. While several players were given rest in the win over Blue Hills, it was clear that consecutive games can take a toll on a player.

A core group of seniors who helped the Mustangs reach the postseason in each of the last three years saw their run come to a close. Seniors playing their final game for Norwood included Steve O'Brien, Matt Wong, Tyler Hutchens, Robert Cayer, Nick Way, Chris DeMeo and Gerry Jones.

Despite the loss, the squad made a strong effort at the end of the season and the hope is that the younger players will be able to continue that run starting next fall.

Football tops Braintree, ensures winning season

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

In August, Norwood head football coach John Sarianides said he wanted to put Norwood football back on the map. He wanted his squad to expect a win going into every game. He wanted people to say, "Damn...we have to play Norwood."

For the first four games of the season, he got his wish. The Mustangs went 3-1 and were in prime position to not only make a statement, but to make a serious playoff push.

After a tough 13-0 loss to Walpole, things started to head south for Sarianides' squad, and he and his players sat at 4-4 heading into Senior Day.

After a blowout win over Milton in their final home game, Norwood still was not guaranteed of ending the season with a winning record.

Enter Braintree, a struggling squad with some tal-

ented players fully capable of leaving Norwood at 5-5 heading into the final game of the year, Thanksgiving Day in Dedham.

With Braintree at home under the lights and looking for a "signature win," the Mustangs made sure they were not going to let an opportunity to seize momentum heading into their final game slip away, dominating and coming out with a 37-0 road victory.

The win leaves Norwood at 6-4, guaranteeing them of a winning season and, more importantly, leaving them with 78 points in their last two games, something Sarianides was unsure his team was capable at many points this season, often referring to offensive "inconsistency" that led to tough losses.

Kenny Stokes and Tom Munro, who Sarianides said has a legitimate shot of play-

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Cheerleading one step away from nationals

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Heading into the season, the Norwood cheerleading squad had just one goal: to earn a trip to Nationals in Florida.

Last year was a historic year for the squad, setting records and earning achievements that had never been earned before. However, the ultimate goal of going to Florida and representing Norwood on the national stage was never achieved despite a fourth place finish at states.

This past weekend, the team finished first in the Small Co-ed Division dur-

ing its competition, again setting itself up this coming Sunday with a chance to earn a trip to Florida.

The 160.75 score earned this past weekend was good enough to put Lisa Verrochi's team in the exact same position it sat in last year. Now, with last year's experience providing an excellent learning tool, Verrochi hopes the second time is the charm.

"This team has worked tirelessly all year and is going to work tirelessly this week to prepare and hope-

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Quarterback Tom Munro carries the ball in a recent game. Munro and the Mustangs ensured themselves of a winning season by beating Braintree.

ing college football, got Norwood out to a 13-0 lead in the first quarter, each scoring a rushing touchdown.

Munro then added a 20-yard touchdown pass to Brendan Cathcart in the second quarter, while Kyle Skinner took a two-yard touchdown run of his own in and Peter Kelly took a beautifully

thrown ball from Munro in for a 36-yard touchdown reception to give the Mustangs a healthy 31-0 lead at the half after the 18-point second quarter.

The Mustang defense continued to do what it has done for much of the season and shut down Braintree's offense, while Cathcart and

Munro hooked up again in the third quarter, this time from 42 yards out for the lone score of the second half.

The sights of Norwood will now turn to Dedham for the Thanksgiving Day matchup at 10 a.m.

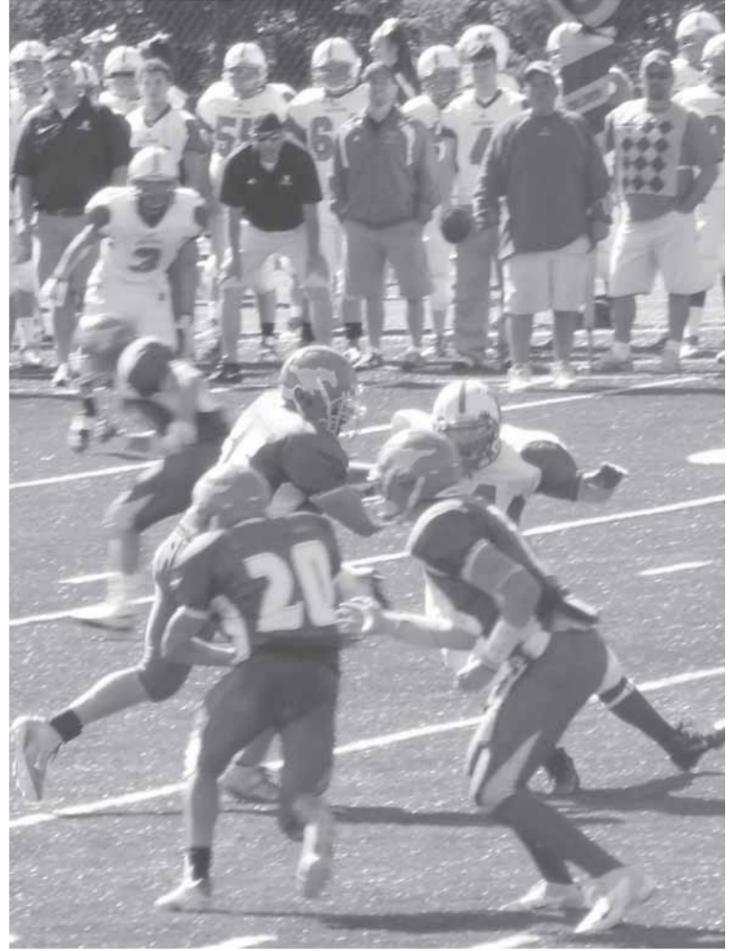
While they sit at 2-8, Dedham just lost a tough 35-28 matchup with Milton this

past weekend, and do have the ability to put some points on the board if the Mustangs are not careful.

Norwood football is indeed back on the map. Sitting in third place in the Bay State Conference's Herget Division behind Walpole and Natick, who Norwood beat earlier this season, it is very apparent that Sarianides has the Blue and Gold believing they can compete with anyone, despite the playoffs be-

ing out of the question.

Moreover, the final game for seniors, the possibility of a 7-4 record, and the chance to hold onto the Peter Wall/Sal Toti trophy that currently resides at Norwood High School should be all the motivation Norwood needs to prepare well and not overlook their rival heading in to the traditional gridiron clash next Thursday morning.



Quarterback Tom Munro hands the ball to running back Andrew Alty in a game earlier this season.

PHOTO BY KEVIN STONE

Swimming shines at sectionals

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Having finished the season at 10-3, Norwood's head swim coach Kim Goodwin really could not have asked for anything more than what she got from her team during the year.

Whether she asked for it or not, Goodwin continues to get outstanding efforts across the board, most recently at the Sectional meets this past weekend at Harvard, with records being broken and several swimmers advancing to the State meets this weekend.

Senior Will Higgins had the biggest day for the Mustang swimmers when he won the 50-yard freestyle (23.60), breaking a 25-year-old meet record. He also placed and broke a team record, swimming to a personal best time in the 100-yard freestyle (57.20).

Not to be outdone, junior Patricia Lee had a huge day, swimming to three personal best times and breaking two team records in the 100-yard backstroke (1:04.4) and 100-yard freestyle (56.60) events. She placed in the top 10 in all of her events.

The team aspect was something that Goodwin praised all year, and with good reason, as Norwood's three relay teams also placed in the top ten.

In the 200 Medley Relay, Lee, Eddie Hemon, Alexandra Metta and Higgins finished in 10th place.

The 200 Freestyle Relay saw Hemon, Evelyn Metta, Charlotte Rivard and Higgins place seventh.

Lastly, the 400 Free Relay unit of Lee, Anthony Rodriguez, Evelyn Metta and Jimmy Conley finished in eighth, smash-

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The Norwood Cheerleading team inched closer to its goal of making it to Florida for Nationals and hopes to put up a good performance at the upcoming State meet.

PHOTO BY GIL HAYLON

fully reach our ultimate goal on Sunday," she said.

Norwood will compete against five Coed Teams in Shrewsbury at the State Competition.

To attain their ultimate goal, the Mustang cheer squad must either place first in their division or score a 160 or higher in order to head to the Sunshine State.

New facilities at Norwood High continue to improve

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

At a bi-weekly high school meeting two weeks ago, it was determined the new tennis courts at Norwood High School would be completed in the near future.

The new courts should add yet another dimension and look to what is a rapidly changing landscape at the high school.

The courts are located just behind Murray Field, which should also add an-

other sense of pride for all involved wearing the Blue and Gold during matches this upcoming season.

While the minutes of the meeting included updates on removal of the "material" in front of the school, the "surface installation" began on Nov. 4 and is expected to be this week.

Both the boys and girls' tennis teams struggled to find wins in the Bay State Conference last year, something that a new home might be able to cure.

"Having the courts at the

school should give players on both teams more opportunities to get some extra valuable court time," said girls tennis head coach Carl Briggs.

Perhaps the biggest advantage of having the new courts will be the ability to have a fair schedule, which could improve the opportunity for advancement after the regular season. In addition, visiting teams will have the ability to visit the newly renovated school facilities as well.

"Practice time for both teams should increase, which can only help the players get better, and it is now also possible, by utilizing both facilities, to reschedule rainouts or to hold tournaments," Briggs added.

Overall, the ability to have pride in a "home court" advantage of sorts could work wonders for the entire Norwood tennis program.

"I am excited about all the possibilities and look forward to the ability to spend more time on the court with my players," said Briggs.



Norwood High School recently unveiled brand new tennis courts on the school's campus. The process is part of revamped athletic facilities at the high school. The tennis teams will now truly have a home court with the addition of these courts. Girls tennis coach Carl Briggs cited increased practice time and the ability to host tournaments as a major improvement for the program. Above, the courts are surfaced and painted in preparation for this spring's tennis season.

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ing a team record by over three seconds.

Metta also qualified for states with her best personal time in the 100-yard free (59.4)

"This team just continues to surprise me all the time," said Goodwin.

The State meets will take place at MIT on Saturday.

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SECTION A - INVITATION FOR BIDS
TOWN OF NORWOOD, MA
TEL: 781-762-1240, EXT 107
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Sealed Bids will be received not later than 11:00 A.M. (Verizon time), on November 28, 2011, in the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following:

- Sale and Removal of the following items:
- One (1) 60" Rear Project Television (Approximately 20 years old)
- One (1) 8' Slate Pool Table

The complete Bid package may be obtained at no cost in the Purchasing Department between the hours of 8:15 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. The items shall be available for review by at the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan Street Norwood, MA 02062. Interested parties should contact Mrs. Catherine Carney, Contract Administrator, Purchasing Department, at (781) 762-1240, Extension 107, with any questions. The items must be removed from the premises on no later than Monday, December 5, 2011.

The Bid must be filled out and signed as directed therein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the Purchasing Department, endorsed with the name and address of the Bidder, and marked, "Sale/Removal of Civic Center Equipment, Contract #NRD-12-02".

A bid bond will not be required for this bid. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible bidder which offers the highest price for each individual item. Bidders may bid for one item or both. The items will be sold as is, with no warranty offered or assumed. The removal of the items shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder(s).

The Bid shall be prepared, considered, and be and submitted on forms furnished by the Town. The sale made in accordance with Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) Chapter 30B. The successful bidder(s) shall make payable to the Town of Norwood in the form of certified check, bank check or money order for the full amount of his/her bid no later than 3:30 P.M. on Friday, December 2, 2011, in the Purchasing Department of Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062.

The Town shall have the right to reject any and all Bids or parts thereof and to waive any defect or irregularities as to form, therein in accordance with M.G.L.

The Town of Norwood notifies that all Bidders will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, creed, sex or national origin or handicapped status in consideration of a sale.

BY: John J. Carroll, General Manager

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Please join us for our Pancake Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, Dec. 3, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. at the Balch Elementary School; 1168 Washington St. Cost is \$4 per person.

TROOP 42 HOSTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Boy Scout Troop 42 Norwood is hosting a Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Nov. 19, 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. at the First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, (corner Rte 1A). Please join us for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausages, home fries, juice and coffee! And don't forget to stop by our Bake Sale and bring home cakes, pies, cookies, & home-baked goods. Discounts for Cub Scouts in uniform. For more information about Troop 42, please stop by our Pancake Breakfast or check out our website at www.troop42norwood.com. No experience necessary - just an interest in having fun!

NHS CLASS OF 1981 30TH CLASS REUNION

Please join the Norwood High School, class of 1981 for our 30th class reunion at the OCC Restaurant, Nahatan St., Friday, Nov. 25, 7:00 - 12:30 p.m. Entertainment provided by a DJ, the cost is \$30 per person,

which includes entertainment/hot & cold buffet. If you know the whereabouts of one your classmates - please contact them with the information listed above. Pay at the door or drop payment into mail - Make checks payable to Norwood class of 1981, Mail to Paulette Alty, 23 Allen Rd, Norwood. Or drop a note, email: palty_779@msn.com.

EVENTS AT THE CIVIC CENTER

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT: Friday, Nov. 18, 6:15 p.m.- 9:15 p.m., Ages 7-11. Leave your child with us and enjoy your evening. \$7 per person. Upcoming activities at the Recreation Department. Please sign up at the Civic Center. Join us on Sunday, Nov. 27 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. for the town's

ANNUAL HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA: Face painting, games, refreshments, performers, live music, horse drawn hayrides, crafts & more. A great family event. \$5 per person. (Geared toward children ages 3-8) on the Common & Walter J. Dempsey Memorial Bandstand.

HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST: Decorate your home as the best and brightest in Norwood! The criteria for judging will be on originality, arrangement,

theme and overall decoration. Judging will take place on Thursday, Dec. 22. Only \$5 per household.

AMERICAN RED CROSS SCHEDULES BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Norwood Masonic Building, 76 Day St. All eligible and new blood donors are encouraged to give blood. Blood donors are needed everyday to ensure an adequate blood supply for patients in need. In December, all presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free appetizer or dessert from Chili's Grill & Bar; prizes are non-transferrable and not redeemable for cash. To make an appointment to donate blood, please call 1-800-RED CROSS, 1-800-733-2767 or log onto redcrossblood.org.

CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE

You are invited to "Christmas on the Square" to be held at the United Church of Norwood on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This year's Fair will feature many handmade Christmas wreaths, centerpieces, arrangements and other beautiful decorative pieces. In addition there will be an abundance of "treasures" for everyone in the church's Welcome Center, including gently used books, games, household items, glassware, and much more. The parlor will have even more Christmas decorations - both used and new. We will also have a large selection of themed gift baskets to be raffled off. "Christmas on the Square" will pro-

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ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF NORWOOD

Pursuant to the provisions of the by-laws of the town of Norwood, notice is hereby given that at the Adjourned Special Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Norwood held on Monday evening, November 14, 2011, it was voted that the meeting stand adjourned to meet at **7:30 PM on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011** at the Norwood High Scholl Auditorium (Performing Arts Center) on Nichols Street. It was further voted that Article 15 through Article 28 be laid on the table and acted upon at the adjourned session of this meeting.

Robert M. Thornton

 Town Clerk and Accountant

Norwood Record, November 17, 2011

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **ROOM 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **December 6, 2011 at 7:30 PM** on the request of **LaRosa Landscaping Corp.** (Case # 11-23) with respect to property located on **850 Pleasant Street**, in a **M-Manufacturing District**.

The application requests:

This Application requests a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 3.1.5 D2 of the Zoning Bylaw to allow sale of road salt to contractors from the yard at 850 Pleasant Street.

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

BOARD OF APPEAL
 Patrick J. Mulvehill, Chairman; Barbara A. Kinter, Philip W. Riley, John R. Perry, Harry T. Spence

Norwood Record, 11/10/2011, 11/17/2011

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **ROOM 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **December 6, 2011 at 7:15 PM** on the request of **Kevin and Cathy Griffiths** (Case # 11-22) with respect to property located on **24 Bornwood Drive**, in a **S-Single Residential District**.

The application requests:

This Application requests a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 5.4.4 of the Zoning Bylaw to allow a 16' x 18' three-season addition with a 16' x 17' deck. Leaving 24.7' rear yard set back where 30' is required on a pre-existing, nonconforming lot having frontage of 76.62' where 90' is required.

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

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FOOD PANTRY SEEKING THANKSGIVING DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS.

Thanksgiving is always one of the busiest times of the year at the Norwood Food Pantry. To help make sure no neighbors in need go hungry at this special time of year, the pantry will be distributing turkey gift certificates. Volunteers are also preparing gift boxes including side dishes and desserts. Any gifts of nonperishable food are extremely welcome as we approach the holidays. Particularly needed are boxed mashed, scalloped, and au gratin potatoes; chili, chunky soups, and chowders; canned meats and tuna; and mac and cheese, pasta, and pasta sauce. Donations of canned fruits and vegetables, juices, and coffee are greatly appreciated year-round. Donations may be brought to the pantry, located at the rear of Grace Episcopal Church, 150 Chapel Street, Thursday mornings between 8:30 and 9:30 or Saturday mornings between 7:30 and 11. Plentiful parking is available, and volunteers are on hand to assist in carrying bags and boxes. Convenient drop-off boxes are also located in the Morrill Memorial Library and Hannaford's Supermarket, both on Route 1A/Walpole Street; Shaw's on Nahatan Street; and Stop & Shop on Route 1/Providence Highway. For those who wish to make a monetary donation, checks should be made out to: Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood, and sent to 150 Chapel Street, Norwood, MA 02062. The pantry is also seeking youth volunteers 12 and over to help carry bags and boxes for donors and clients, as well as adults to assist clients on Saturday mornings. To find out more about opportunities to volunteer, call Debbie at 781-769-5650.

NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL 1976 CLASS REUNION

Norwood High School Class of 1976 is celebrating its 35th Class Reunion, to be held on Friday, Nov. 25, from 7 p.m.-12:00 midnight,

at the Olde Colonial Cafe, 171 Nahatan St. The cost is \$35.00 per person. Please RSVP and send payment ASAP, Checks payable to: Class of 1976 Reunion, Mail to: Donna Francis MacLean, 29 Fieldbrook Dr, Norwood MA 02062. Please pass the word and will look forward to seeing you there! Details on Facebook, Classmates.com, NPA-TV and local newspaper. Feel free to send a message or call 781-762-1980.

NHS DRAMA PRESENTS AMADEUS

The Norwood High School Drama department is proud to present Peter Shaffer's Tony award-winning play Amadeus, Nov. 18 & 19 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. in the beautiful new Norwood Senior High School Performance Center. General Admission is \$10, \$5 for students and seniors. For more information please contact the NHS Fine Arts department at 781-352-3546. Directed by NHS drama instructor John Quinn, the play has been double cast, featuring juniors Leo Blais and Matt Foley in the role of the jealous Antonio Salieri, and senior Phil Gustafson and Junior Eddie Hermon playing the young, brilliant Mozart.

GIFTS FOR KIDS PROGRAM 2011

For over 20 years, the Gifts for Kids Program has helped ease the financial burden for less fortunate families during the holiday season. This year we have been asked to provide gifts for over 1,000 needy children identified by human service providers. Starting Nov. 18, e-mail or call one of the following individuals between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. As the holidays near, we are asking for your renewed support so that we may continue to bring joy to these families in our communities. To sponsor a child: p.m.: Abigail Marsters, abigailmarsters@comcast.net, 781-784-4372, Teri Gorsky, luckygorsk@aol.com, 781-784-1441, Karen Gordon, kwgordon@gmail.com, 781-784-7616. You will be given information about a child along with packaging instructions. Drop off is at the VFW on Robbins Road in Walpole on Dec. 13 and at Our Lady of Sorrows in Sharon on Dec. 15 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. If you wish to make a cash donation, please make your check payable to Gifts for Kids and send to Gifts for Kids, Inc., PO Box 464, Sharon, MA 02067. Gifts for Kids is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and all donations are tax deductible. Please become a GFK sponsor or volunteer, and help spread the word to family, friends and coworkers. Thank you in advance for caring. Check out our website at www.giftsforkidsinfo.com.

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS & ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR

Open House at the Day House, 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Nov. 27. Dec. 4: Mezzo Soprano Grace Allendorf; Dec. 11: Norwood High School Madrigal Singers; Dec. 18: Program TBA. The 6th annual Holiday House Tour begins at the F. Holland Day House, 93 Day St., Sunday, Dec. 11, 2:00-6:00 p.m. See some of the town's loveliest homes dressed up for the Holidays. Tickets are \$20 and available at the Day House, Civic Center and Babels after Nov. 25. For details and additional information please call 781-762-9197 and leave a message, or view our website at: www.NorwoodHistoricalSociety.org.

HELP LIGHT UP THE CIRCLE OF HOPE

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, Dec. 3, on the Town Common. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 11 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation call the luminaries a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each from any Foundation board member, by calling 781-762-3549, or by mailing your check and messages to The Circle of Hope Foundation, 24 Myrtle Street, Norwood MA 02062. The purchaser can designate a short message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on their luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 5:00 p.m. and the Foundation members hope that residents and friends will come out and be a part of the evening's event. This year's event includes a special performance by the NHS Alumni Choir at 6:00 p.m. For more information or to purchase luminary please call 781-762-3549.

EVERGREEN FAIRE AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

The First Congregational Church in Norwood (United Church of Christ) will hold its annual Evergreen Faire at the church on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Highlights of this year's fair include hand-crafted wooden bowls by Ken Lindgren; Happy Hounds Honey beeswax products; American Girl doll clothes; the Unique Boutique featuring a large selection of jewelry, glassware and collectibles; and a marvelous Silent Auction. A catalog listing all the items in the Silent Auction can be picked up at the church office two weeks prior to the fair. There will also be a wonderful selection of handmade quilts, crafts, and sweaters; a large selection of gently-used paperback and hardcover books for all ages; the White Elephant Room packed with treasures for everyone in the family; and a Country Store well

stocked with homemade pies, fudge, and other baked goodies. A luncheon, featuring gourmet sandwiches and corn chowder, will be served from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come and enjoy the Evergreen Faire at the First Congregational Church, located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street. For more information, please call 781-762-3320.

NORWOOD GIRLS LACROSSE REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2012 Norwood Girls Lacrosse season will be held Nov. 17 from 5:30 to 7:00 at Norwood Civic Center. The youth program is open to all girls 3rd through 8th grade. Lacrosse, an outdoor spring sport, is an exciting fast-paced game that combines the athleticism and strategy used in soccer, field and ice hockey, and basketball. The girls are divided into teams by grade and practice twice weekly beginning in late March. Games are played on Sundays in the spring against other towns in the Founders Girls Lacrosse League. New players are always welcome to join in on the fun and play the "fastest game on two feet". The registration fee of \$200 includes several winter indoor clinics and the spring outdoor season. Please contact Milan Horbaczewski at 781-762-2179 for more information.

EYE CARE SPECIALISTS JOIN FOOD DRIVE

Eye Care Specialists and 20/20 Optical Boutique will hold its first annual Food Drive, through Nov. 18, to benefit the Norwood Ecumenical Community Food Pantry, in an effort to fight hunger on a local level. Both Eye Care Specialists and 20/20 Optical are reaching out to their patients and to the Norwood Community to ask for donations to their food drive. Both offices will be accepting donations of non-perishable items and will have boxes available for convenient drop off. Eye Care Specialists which is located at 825 Washington Street, Suite #230 (directly across from Norwood Hospital in the Guild Building) will be accepting non-perishable food items Monday-Friday in our office from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and 20/20 Optical Boutique located at 32 Day Street, will be accepting (non-perishable) donations Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

NORWOOD IRISH MUSIC CLUB

The Norwood Irish Music Club invites you to join them, Saturday, Nov. 26, 8:00 p.m.-11:30 p.m. with music of Erin's Melody. The dances are held at Workmen's Hall, 99 Wilson St., off Rt. 1A, refreshments will be served, and the cost is \$10 per person. Dances are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. All are welcome. Call 781-982-4092 for more information.

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Tuesday, November 8, 2011

1357 phone - Larceny services rendered. Location/address: Juniper Dr. Resident reports missing property.
 1413 phone - Parking violation citation/warning issued. Location/address: Winter St. Sidewalk violation complaint, tickets issues. Extra checks requested, ongoing issue.
 1651 phone - Assist other agency services rendered. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. E/r staff reports subject in the e/r hallway threatening to assault staff, not compliant to their requests, and appears may become violent. N666 reports the subject was placed in restraints.
 1914 initiated - Drunk person *protective custody. Location/address: Norwood Depot - Railroad Ave. Party placed into protective custody, released to friend.
 2056 walk-in - Stolen bicycle *report filed. Location/address: Olde Derby Rd.

Wednesday, November 9

0428 911 - Death at home *report filed. Location/address: Winslow Ave.
 0633 walk-in - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Charles Barber Shop & Men's Styling Salon - Central St. Owner reports his barber sign has been stolen.
 0709 initiated - Community Police services rendered. Location/address: Earle St. + Jefferson Dr. N667 followed up on prior report of kids possibly using marijuana at bus stop. Officer monitored bus stop and also spoke with youths. All in order.
 1007 phone - Well being chk services rendered. Location/address: Brookview Cir. Caller reports her new neighbor was heading towards Rte 1 looking for Rose Court. Wearing camel coat and hat. Officer Located "lost" female, spoke to her drove her to Rose Court where she does live and it was confirmed. Officer spoke to caller, who did not see the female in question. No dementia involved.
 1035 phone - Animal complaint gone on arrival. Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy + University Ave. Caller reports white dog (husky) running in and out of traffic and across Rte 1. NACO notified.
 1631 phone - Fraud *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Dedham Savings Bank - Central St.
 2105 phone - Drunk person gone on arrival. Location/address: Dean St. Caller reported drunk person on the street. Officer checked area, nothing found.

Thursday, November 10

0810 radio - Hit and run *report filed. Lo-

Police Logs

cation/address: Guarino Pastry Shop - Washington St. DPW worker witnessed a box truck hit the mirror on a parked car and kept going. Not sure driver realizes he hit mv.
 1131 phone - Illegal trash disposal services rendered. Location/address: Dean St. Caller reports MA co reg# n34661 just filled up his dumpster and left. Male will be in after work to file report. Bolu put out to cars.
 1414 phone - Illegal trash disposal spoken to. Location/address: Fulton St. Someone dumped trash into callers yard, along property line. Branches, planters, and an umbrella base. Log entry only.
 1504 phone - Unwanted party services rendered. Location/address: Lenox St. Caller reports that there are people in the property that Aren't on the lease. The person that is on the lease is in rehab and no one is supposed to be there. Spoke to female's daughter and she will leave the property.
 1853 911 - Suicide / or threat Police & Fire notified/r. Location/address: Rama Shopping Center - Washington St.
 2012 initiated - Warrant arrest *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Sturtevant Ave. Warrant service. Subject not home but returns to meet the officers outside @ 0915 hrs. Boston PD arrives and transports arrest to Boston @ 1055 hrs Arrest: Gilmore, Jarvis Address: 20 Brookway Ter apt. #353, Boston Dob: 07/20/1990 Charges: courtesy booking

Friday, November 11

0711 phone - B & e of motor vehicle *report filed. Location/address: Prospect St. Caller reports his vehicle broken into and "gps" stolen.
 1154 phone - Susp activity area search negative. Location/address: Guild Medical - Washington St. Caller reports about an hour ago while in parking lot of Guild Medical Center, she watched a w/male looking in mv's and checking door handles, her own included. 30 ish years old, dk hair and blue sweatshirt with yellow lettering. Scruffy looking.
 1622 phone - Susp activity services rendered. Location/address: Fulton St. Caller reports that there is a syringe on her walkway and the front door is off the hinges. Officers checked house they believe that the wind damaged the door.

Syringe disposed of.
 1724 phone - Motor vehicle accident *report filed. Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy + Sumner St. NFD notified. N669 N667 respond. One person placed under arrest. Arrest: Donahue, Joan Address: 111 Hilltop Dr. Walpole Dob: 11/11/1941 Charges: stop/yield, fail to Oui liquor or .08%
 2121 phone - Report of fight *report filed. Location/address: Central St. Caller reports fight in progress. Multiple units respond.
 2131 phone - Unwanted party spoken to. Location/address: Rock St. Caller reports that there is unwanted male in her house. N668 N667 N666 sent. Male left prior to officer's arrival.

Saturday, November 12

0027 phone - Well being chk area search negative. Location/address: Yew Dr. + Juniper Dr. Caller reports 3 young girls and a boy on a bike walking down street with no coats on. N665 responded and checked the area. Goa.
 0817 phone - Vandalism services rendered. Location/address: Orleans Rd. Report 2 cars and home egged. Log entry only.

Sunday, November 13

0045 911 - Noise complaint spoken to. Location/address: Redwood Dr. Caller reported noisy people. Officers spoke with residents, advised.
 0230 initiated - Susp person *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Winter St. + Lincoln St. One under arrest for warrants. Transport assist to Winslow Ave starting 6126.8 @0252. Ending 61261.7 @0255. Arrest: Riley, Bennet J. Address: 131 Winslow Ave. apt. #1 Dob: 07/20/1988 Charges: warrant arrest
 1000 911 - Mischief (kids) could not locate. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. Caller reports male party checking vehicle doors, N664 and N666 responding. N664 reports male party took off and they were unable to locate. N664 reports he spoke with caller no vehicles entered and N664 checked the lot.
 1200 phone - Unwanted party services rendered. Location/address: Roosevelt Ave. Caller states that while attempting to board up residence dog, cats and a persons were found in the home. N667 and

N663 responded. Unwanted parties were told they were no longer allowed on the property. NACO responded for unwanted animals.
 1203 911 - Dispute gone on arrival. Location/address: Holly Dr. Caller states son and grandson arguing in front yard afraid that it would escalate, N666 and N664 responded. Both parties gone on arrival
 1457 walk-in - Assist citizen *report filed. Location/address: Pleasant St. Person in station reporting for third time a hypodermic needle was found on her property. Resident requesting advice, Officer Haldiman returning to speak with her.
 1655 phone - Breaking and entering *report filed. Location/address: Village Rd W. Caller reports there is a male in her house that is unknown to her. Black male dressed in all black. N665 N666 N662 N661. Canton PD to respond with K9 unit. K-9 unit off @ 17:33.
 1834 phone - Assaults *protective custody. Location/address: Olde Derby Rd. Caller reports that her neighbor assaulted her and went back to her apartment. One female placed in pc.
 1834 phone - Assaults *report filed. Location/address: St. James Ave. Caller reports fight between two 14 year old girls. NFD notified. N664 N662 sent.

Monday, November 14

0720 initiated - Warrant arrest *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Winslow Ave. Search warrant. Two under arrest. Starting 7022 @0734. Arrest: Higgins, David J. Address: 60 Winslow Ave apt. #3 Dob: 10/13/1983 Charges: drug, distribute class d, subsq.off. Drug, possess class d, subsq.off. Conspiracy to violate drug law Arrest: Capece, Brittany K. Address: 60 Winslow Ave apt. #3 Dob: 07/05/1988 Charges: drug, possess to distrib class d Drug, possess class d Conspiracy to violate drug law
 1102 radio - Parking violation citation/warning issued. Location/address: Peabody Rd. Officer to check for illegal parking on Peabody Rd. by the h.s. 1 vehcile tagged on side by homes. School side, no signs, nothing illegal.
 1153 walk-in - Fraud assisted party. Location/address: Albemarle Rd. Advised on past fraud.
 2205 phone - Mischief (kids) gone on arrival. Location/address: Hillshire Ln. Caller reports kids throwing the leaf bags around the street. Kids were goa. Bags put on the side of the street.

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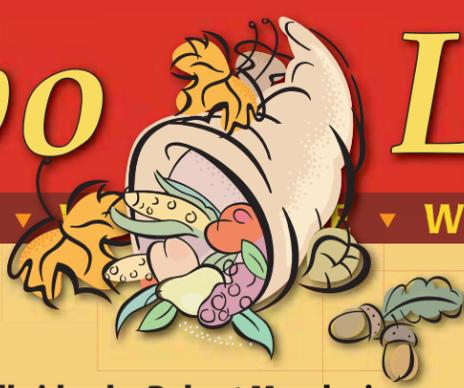
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