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## Budget shortfall discussed concerning rink project

### NPA looks for a presence

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

The Rink Committee heard a budget update at their last meeting, with the projected budget being around \$7.4 million, including the cost to move the tennis courts at the site, near the Coakley Middle School. Project Manager Rick Southgate said it would cost around \$200,000 to move the tennis courts.

Southgate said the budget estimate was conservative and in his experience, many items were in at a much higher cost than how they may end up. That said, Southgate said the increases would offset the amounts reflecting the changes in civil plans.

John Carroll said there was still a gap in funding that needed to be closed before anything could go forward, as \$3.5 million of already-approved funds would need to first be released into a Department of Conservation and Recreation - who sponsor the project - capital spending plan. Paul Riccardi asked if there were any "value engineering" things that could be done to reduce costs.

Southgate suggested "re-

ductions in masonry, changes in siding," and that they could "change the roof," but he would strongly "lobby against it." Southgate also said the refrigeration package was very nice, but could be reduced by \$100,000 - \$150,000.

"Those might be the hard choices that we make. Do we throw away the aesthetics and get a different siding, and preserve the mid-range ice making equipment?" Southgate asked.

Southgate said there were several options, including things asked for by town engineers Mark Ryan and Andy Murphy, that he believed were "untouchable."

Southgate said he would prepare a list of at least 30 potential items to be value engineered that the committee "may or may not have an appetite for."

Carroll said there was also the issue of how to show the project to the public and the Board of Selectmen, but indicated it wasn't going to happen too soon.

"We have more work to do

Rink

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The Friends of St. Nick, along with 2014 Man of the Year George Usevich, presented a \$30,000 check to Dana Farber on Feb. 13.

PHOTO BY SAM NICKERSON

## Friends of St. Nick present check to Dana Farber

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

The Friends of St. Nick, along with their 2014 Man of the Year, Norwood High School Principal George Usevich, presented a \$30,000 check to Dana Farber during a brief Ceremony on February 13.

Founding Board member and Norwood High School '74 class member Dave Thornton opened the ceremony - which was recorded by Norwood Public Access Television - by thanking all of the community members and detailing their efforts during the 23rd annual Friends of St. Nick Luncheon, held on December

12, 2004.

"It's our pleasure, on behalf of the Town of Norwood, to present you with the check," Thornton said to Dana Farber representative Mark Elbach, who graduated from Norwood High School in 2005.

"Thank you so much, we can't thank you guys enough for all the amazing work that you do and everything that goes into this," Elbach said. "On behalf of Dana Farber, we really appreciate all this."

Usevich, who chose to dedicate his Man of the Year award to all educators in Norwood reflected on the luncheon's focus on making education strong in Norwood and how much it has

been able to help Dana Farber Cancer Institute over the years.

"(It's) what St. Nick stands for. I'm proud to be part of this," Usevich said.

Usevich and a number of others present at the ceremony were wearing "Fernando's Fight" t-shirts, in honor of Fernando Morales, Norwood High School '13, who passed away after a long battle with cancer on January 16.

Morales - a Gold Diploma recipient, soccer player, and artist at Norwood High - was featured in a video of Norwood High students past and present thanking Usevich for his work

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Staff Reporter

With another 14.4 inches of snow falling between Feb. 14 and 15 and adding to the region's approximately six feet of snow already on the ground, Norwood's snow budget and resources have been put to the test.

Public Works Superintendent Mark Ryan said they began with a snow budget of \$475,000, and was nearly \$90,000 over budget by the end of January. As of Feb. 8, Ryan said the Town was now looking at a \$1.1 million bill for the snow.

And that total did not include the work for the most recent snowfall that occurred over the weekend. Ryan said he anticipates that storm to cost the Town an additional \$130,000 - \$140,000, which could bring the total to around \$1.5 million.

Ryan said some reimbursement - as much as 75 percent - could be available through FEMA, which pays back some communities if

there is a state of emergency. Ryan said the Town is working with Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to garner reimbursement for the storm on Jan. 28 and 29.

MEMA also coordinated efforts to send a team of National Guardsmen to Norwood for two days to help shovel out fire hydrants.

In addition to plowing during and after storms, Public Works crews and contractors continue to clear crosswalks, sidewalks, and intersections. The most recent round of snow removal - which covered Norwood Center and down through South Norwood - began on Feb. 16, and is expected to continue throughout the week.

This week, with the help of contractors, Public Works will continue to widen roads and remove snow from the front of some of the schools.

"One of the things we have that has been a huge help to us is a roadway snow blower," Ryan said. "It's helped us widen roads in town and

that'll be back in action tomorrow. It's up at the cemetery today, clearing the cemetery roads."

As the snow continues to pile up, some have wondered where the Town plans to put it.

According to Ryan, the Town has utilized three snow farms this season, including the regular lots on Access Road and at the Winter Street landfill.

"This year, we're fortunate enough to have a local property owner dedicate some area for snow at 625 University Ave.," said Ryan, who anticipated there was "more than enough room" for the rest of the season.

The Town's salt supply was thinning quickly, Ryan said, as the salt vendor was busy throughout the state and could not make deliveries, to the point that Norwood hired trucks to go pick up salt. However,

Ryan said the salt supply has been able to handle the most recent storms and is "looking pretty good right now."

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and dedication to their education. Morales also commended the Friends of St. Nick for their generosity, and said he himself had benefited from their donations to Dana Farber, which go directly to treating and finding a cure for cancer.

Morales was voted "most likely to brighten your day" in his class and served as a SADD officer, Homecoming King, and yearbook editor. On the back of the Fernando's Fight t-shirts, which bore his jersey number six, were the words "no complaints." According to Usevich, this became his mantra after his diagnosis when asked how he was

doing.

The Friends of St. Nick was founded in 1992 as a town-wide charitable organization dedicated to capturing the spirit of St. Nick during the holiday season. In their history, they have donated around \$500,000 to the Jimmy Fund and

Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

"The Friends of St. Nick is committed to ringing in the holiday season with good friends, good cheer for a good cause," the organization's website reads. For more information, visit [friendsofstnick.org](http://friendsofstnick.org).

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# Lyman Place to get new gas line

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen granted National Grid permission to install around 150 feet of gas main across Nahatan Street and into Lyman Place during a meeting on February 17.

National Grid Permit Representative Dennis Regan said National Grid sought the Selectmen's consent to install 150 feet of six-inch gas main line in order to reinforce service to the new Public Works buildings on Lyman Place.

Regan said the existing gas main is "only fed one way" but should actually be a "two-way feed."

"This job is a reinforcement for the service to your new building," Regan said, explaining that the gas tank that they'd be running service to is only one-way, but a two-way feed would reinforce service not only to the Public Works building, but also everyone else who is serviced from the same main.

Chairman Michael Lyons asked about the timeline of the project and any disruption to the Town.

Regan said the work would cross Nahatan Street northerly - as opposed to running up and down the street - as the gas main is fed up from Central Street. He said that National Grid crews typically install 80 - 120 feet of gas line per day, and anticipated the project taking around "a week, five days."

Regan said the project would take place during construction season, but would depend on getting the go-ahead from Public Works Superintendent and Town Engineer Mark Ryan.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue asked if the size of the gas line would be the same as the current line, to which Regan said that it would be. Donohue was also pleased with the timing of the project.

"The good thing is you're thinking of this now before a new permanent surface is put down. We won't have a new perm surface put down and then have to dig it up afterwards," Donohue said. "This is good planning. We appreciate your help with this because

what we need is the best service we can get."

Selectman Bill Plasko read a letter from the Public Works department about the project for the record, which expressed support for the project and provided a number of conditions to be followed by National Grid.

The conditions required that no road plates be left overnight on Nahatan Street, all work is only done weather permitting, there is to be no storage of materials or equipment within public way or public parking area, roadway and sidewalk replacement must be done to DPW standards, and there must be coordination with businesses, the Public Works facility contractor and the recreation department.

Regan said these were all acceptable conditions and they would be having a pre-construction conference with Ryan before any work would take place, where they would again agree to those conditions.

Kevin Pentowski, of 35 Plimpton Avenue, asked if they would eventually need a larger line if usage increased, should the Town opt to begin using natural gas powered vehicles.

Regan said these types of fueling situations typically involve an elevated pressure line.

The project request was approved unanimously by the Selectmen.

During the Manager's agenda, Town General Manager John Carroll announced that a design public hearing would be held on Wednesday February 25 at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center to discuss the design of the intersection of Prospect Street and Washington Street.

Carroll said the Town had been working on the intersection design for a "long, long time."

Funding for the project was pledged by Campanelli some years ago, Carroll said, and even though the Town had done a lot of work on it for some time, the meeting fulfills rules and regulations for the Department of Transportation.

Plasko said this was "great news as far as I'm concerned,"

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and that while he was "not big on light intersections ... if there's any place that screams out for correction, it's this place."

Selectman Paul Bishop asked when the project could be started, as they had already had a similar meeting in the past.

Carroll said the design would be done in "very short order." The work, which was dubbed a project within the last two years, was already estimated to be a \$3 million project. The issue was when funding would occur, Carroll said, and the Town would take steps to begin that process as they got "further down the pipe."

Carroll also put forth a letter to be signed and submitted by the Selectmen in order to suggest that a recently passed by-law by the Town of Westwood - which would prevent the under-construction Benchmark Senior Living facility in Norwood from accessing Clapboardtree Street and Westwood utilities there - not be approved by the Attorney General.

The Board agreed to sign the letter.

The Selectmen also explained to representatives from Bamboo Café that the restaurant holds one of six special beer and wine licenses for the downtown area that comes with a number of restrictions, including the prohibition of having "amusement devices" in the restaurant.

Bamboo Café sought a Keno machine to bring in more business, but the Selectmen - based on the opinion of Town Counsel - believe the machine would be considered an amusement device and thus be in violation of the beer and wine license stipulations.



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## OPINION

# Value engineering? Uh Oh...

On February 5th the Norwood Rink Committee met to discuss a few issues and things were moving along innocuously enough. Jack Tolman of NPA TV was suggesting some ideas that would improve his department's ability to record events in and around the rink, and it all made sense. However, when Tolman concluded, a discussion regarding the budget ensued, and things from there got very disturbing.

The project's hired help was explaining the costs of this and that and how they have been able to stay within the \$7.4 million estimate to date of total costs. All seemed well and good until Town Manager John Carroll asked how the group was going to address the "gap" in spending. Gap, what gap?

To the best of everyone's knowledge, except perhaps to those who sit on the rink committee, there should be no budget gap. There was \$5.6 million already allocated and approved for the construction of the rink, and when it became painfully obvious that this would only be enough to cover the costs of the building itself, another \$3.5 mil was pulled out of the state's magic hat to cover incidentals like moving the tennis courts, landscaping and so-called soft costs like architects, owners project managers, contingency budgets, etc. By our math, that comes to a total of \$9.1 mil, more than enough to

cover the \$7.4 mil estimate of costs already established.

When both John Carroll and Selectman Bill Plasko were asked later about the gap, neither could really remember the specific context of it. However, Mr. Carroll did say that the additional \$3.5 mil is not available to the Town yet, and until it is, they can't go ahead and spend it or put the project out to bid, which makes sense. When Mr. Carroll was asked if the \$3.5 mil was never approved, or significantly less than that is, would the rink project still move ahead "no matter what," he said he couldn't answer that.

So, the best we can figure, the mysterious gap referred to at the meeting may be an attempt by some on the committee to figure out a way to build the rink without the additional \$3.5 mil, and this is when the discussion commenced regarding "value engineering" the project, which is not uncommon and essentially means ways to cut costs. What really bothers us is that almost immediately the hired help suggested cutting the "aesthetics" of the building, so as to maintain the mid-range equipment proposed for the project. Things that could be cut that would have a significant impact on the bottom line could be cheaper siding on the outside, landscaping, lowering the actual height of the building and maybe even undermining the current roof plan of the

structure. In other words, make it look like a sardine can in the middle of Hawes Brook Park.

In fairness to the rest of the group at the meeting, they didn't trumpet the ideas, but they also didn't stand up and shout, "We can't do this to the residents of South Norwood!" either.

Some may be bothered by the fact that with spending the \$7.4 mil estimate, the Town would only be getting mid-range quality equipment. However, everyone should be outraged at the prospect that what was once promised to the residents of South Norwood as an aesthetically pleasing building engineered to fit its current bucolic setting could become an ugly eyesore just to make the project work.

It is more than likely that the additional money promised from the state will come through and town officials will keep their word to the residents of The Flats. However, any attempts to reduce the quality of the exterior of the building or the grounds surrounding it would be morally reprehensible and below the dignity of Norwood. The project would be better off value engineered into oblivion. And one final question: If the additional money from the state doesn't come through and it is determined the project can't move forward, who foots the bill for the hundreds of thousands of dollars already spent to date? Just wondering...

## Letters to the Editor

### SELECTMAN PLASKO ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR RE-ELECTION

#### *To the Editor:*

My name is William Plasko, Sr. I am proud to announce my candidacy for re-election to the Norwood Board of Selectmen. In my view, the biggest ongoing issue before local voters is that of leadership. In simple terms, "Who do you TRUST with the KEYS to Norwood's FUTURE?" With 19 years of service in this capacity, I hope you will agree that I've continually demonstrated that I possess the experience, sound judgment, and the insight necessary to continue serving as a member of our town's Executive Branch. I have been consistent in my willingness to listen to all sides with an open mind before I vote in a manner that I believe to be in Norwood's best interest.

My service to the community is both a pleasure and a privilege. I am not motivated by any singular "hot" issues. I don't believe in the politics of fear. I will never pit one area of town against another. We are ONE community. If re-elected, I plan to continue listening to my friends, neighbors and constituents, and do what I feel is the very best for the entire Town of Norwood, in the most cost-effective and efficient manner possible. I will continue to put Norwood first and lead with honesty, integrity and common sense.

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With the recent retirements of several key administrative leaders and longtime employees (and more coming), it's important to maintain continuity. Having personally written many Town Bylaws and Town Meeting Articles, my understanding of the roles for the various town boards and the rules that govern each is unmatched. In this election, I am clearly the candidate with the deepest institutional knowledge on state and local government issues. My work ethic is well known. I'm a "workhorse," not a "show horse," and a key strength is my ability to separate fact from fiction, listen to all sides and be an independent thinker before arriving at reasonable decisions. For me, service to our community is a labor of love and I am happy to serve.

I'm both very proud and humbled to have played a key role in Norwood's achievements over my 19 years on the Board of Selectmen. My philosophy is that all successes are a group effort. Municipal government is complex. The best decisions come from a variety of viewpoints and an honest debate. No one person has all the answers, or is solely responsible for any project. However, I am particularly proud to have played a leading role in upgrading our ambulance service to a full, state-of-the-art Advanced Life Support system, which has greatly enhanced public safety for Norwood residents. I am also proud of my work to add a Human Resources Department to our municipal operations and my role in the creation of the award-winning Norwood Public Access Television.

I hope Norwood's voters will agree that I've been an active and effective member of this vital board. I pride myself on being accessible to, and respectful of all citizens, regardless of their point of view. I have also established good working relationships with my colleagues and they have elected me Chairman on four separate occasions. They've also appointed me to numerous town-wide committees and special study groups. Together, we've recently accomplished a few long-standing goals, including the building of a new Norwood High School, completing the restoration of Town Hall, and beginning the long-overdue reconstruction of our Public Works facility. Going forward, I remain committed to finding strategic opportunities for the Town to promote and grow the commercial portion of our community's tax base to further lessen the tax load on our residents.

I am proud of my extensive record of public service as a Selectman, Finance Commission Member, Town Moderator and longtime Town Meeting Member. I would greatly appreciate your continued support and once again ask for your vote for Selectman on April 6. For more information, please visit my campaign website, [www.MondayApril6.com](http://www.MondayApril6.com). Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

William J. Plasko, Sr.  
Norwood Board of Selectmen

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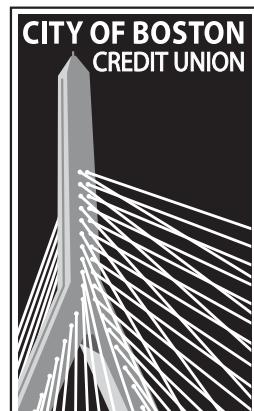
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# Investment in school tech paying off

**Sam Nickerson**  
Staff Reporter

Educational use of technology was the focus of the Feb. 11 School Committee meeting, as Educational Technology Director Joe Kidd showed a video of students and faculty sharing how they used technology in the classroom.

"We wanted to update you ... we spent a lot of money through capital expenditures over the last couple years (on technology)," Kidd said. "We want to show you how it's being used in the district."

Kidd said there would likely be more requests for capital funding for technology over the next few years, as his department moves forward with its three-year technology goals.

Kidd said he and Jack Tolman of Norwood Public Access Television recruited teachers and principals around the district to share what they were using technology for in the classroom for a video.

According to the video, technology use begins very early in Norwood, with students at the Willett Early Childhood Center having access to Smartboards and iPads.

One Willett teacher said the Smartboards - which are projector screens that can be "written on" and controlled on the board itself - were engaging for students as they gathered on the rug for interactive lessons on the calendar, math, and other topics.

Speech-Language Pathologist Michelle McCarthy said she used the iPads "every day" with her students at the Willett.

McCarthy said technology enhanced and revolutionized the ways she worked with nonverbal students. Certain iPad apps have literally "given them a voice" to ask for things that they want

and participate in circle time using the iPads.

Prescott Elementary School principal Brianne Killion said technology was helpful in cutting down on the need for classroom sets of books and had been beneficial to students in preparing them for the new PARCC standardized testing.

Each elementary school in the district has a Chromebook cart, which allows an entire class to each work from their own laptop.

Killion said the Chromebook enabled students to take PARCC practice tests online and teachers to make comments on the work.

The elementary teachers felt the technology use was not only helpful for in-classroom learning, but also helpful in life. The use of technology provides "very important skills to know," such as key-boarding and word processing, as well as researching, editing, and sharing their work, which would come in handy at the middle and high school levels, as well in becoming "successful members of society."

Fourth grade teacher Scott Maffei said his class used Skype to communicate with different experts and take virtual field trips. For example, he said they recently Skyped with a mystery novel author who shared his experiences and tips for writing better.

The video also showed how students at Coakley Middle School were using technology - including Smartboards, Chromebooks, and the language lab - to further their educational experience.

Principal Jackie Mann said adolescent learners had grown up with technology in "every part of

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### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

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. —L.I.

### 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 March 3, 2015 at 7:15: PM on the request of Matthew and Angela Popolo (Cases #15-05) with respect to property located on 12 Old Farm Road, in a Single Residential District.

The application requests:

This Application requests a Variance under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow a single story 12'x16' cabana structure, leaving a 5' side yard setback where 15' is required, pursuant to Sections 4.0.4.1 and 4.1.2.

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# School Tech

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their lives, are interested in it," and are "motivated by it." Technology, she said, helps staff at the Coakley to foster independent learners.

Social Studies teacher Julie Lane said her seventh graders were using the Chromebook carts to explore the industrial revolution. Lane said she encouraged students to send their work to her via Google Docs, where she could make edits and send them back.

Google Forms allowed Lane to show her class pie charts of how students answered each question, which provided them with a chance to "self-check" their work.

At the High School, principal George Usevich said it as important to invest in technology for the

students as well as for the teachers, as the district aligned itself with the state's Common Core Standards Initiative.

Jessica Kaplan of the Foreign Languages department said the language lab allowed students to use audio and visual prompts to improve speaking and listening skills.

Kidd said they were trying to get a lot of "momentum" using technology in the classroom, especially at the elementary schools. The District even dedicated some time during the recent inservice day to technology-related professional development.

"We really wanted to show everybody what's been happening ... Say thank you, but let everybody know that we're

really gaining momentum and we want to keep going forward," said Kidd.

Superintendent of Schools James Hayden thanked Kidd for "his vision" and identified the ultimate goal for technology use.

"The highway is built, we've got some great people with this vision and we want to have the tech to be as common as a pencil," Hayden said. "Where does that begin? It begins with students in the middle school and high school using tech easily, flawlessly, like they would a pencil, to produce excellent outcomes and show what they learned."

The Committee also approved an updated acceptable use policy for technology in the district, which would be added to student manuals and require a parent signature. Hayden said the policy had not been updated since 2003.

## Rink

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first," Plasko said.

Norwood Public Access Television Station Manager Jack Tolman went before the Rink Committee to state the station's interest in the project.

Tolman said he just wanted to start the dialogue, as he wasn't sure of the process and time line, to express interest in working with the committee. Tolman said Norwood Public Access was interested in getting involved in the "wiring for video and audio drops" in order to broadcast events at the rink.

Tolman said that Norwood Public Access was acquiring a new high-definition truck

## Org takes on domestic violence in Norwood

**Sam Nickerson**  
*Staff Reporter*

Norwood officials took steps to help victims of domestic violence by partnering with a well established non-profit in Norfolk County.

Chief of Police William Brooks announced during a Selectmen's meeting on Feb. 3 that the department would be hosting a law enforcement liaison from Quincy-based Domestic Violence Ended (DOVE).

Brooks said DOVE was a "great resource" for individuals who have been victims of domestic violence, as well as for the department itself and that the liaison - Civilian Domestic Violence Advocate Program Manager Maureen Flores

- had already been set up with desk space and a phone at the police station.

In addition to having Flores on a part time basis, DOVE will also be hosting a weekly support group at Norwood Hospital.

Flores said DOVE, which was already working in communities like Quincy, Randolph and Holbrook, was able to expand its programming to Norwood, Dedham, and Milton this year after receiving a grant.

"The more that we all get the word out, it encourages people to report and to talk about it and to tell someone," said Flores. "We are going to

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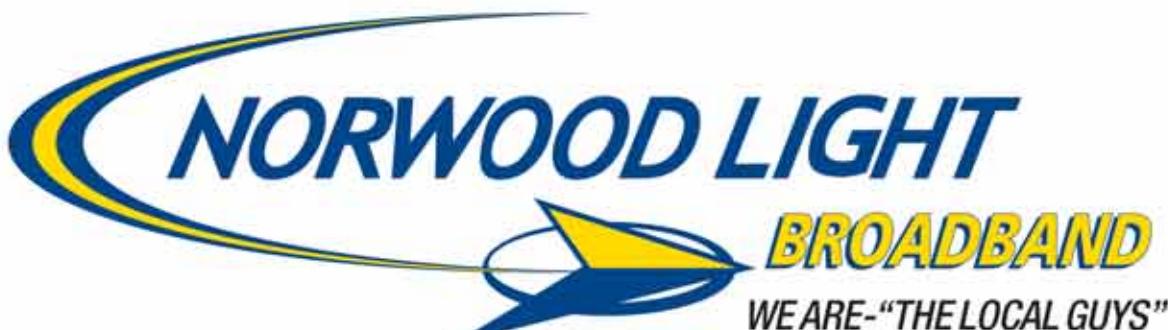
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help those who live with domestic violence ... they don't have to live like that."

Flores said the communities DOVE expanded to were "bench-marked" by the District Attorney's office as "underserved."

Flores said Norwood and Dedham "apparently do have a high number of either assault cases or restraining orders," according to the District Attorney, but she had not yet been in town long enough to have any numbers prepared.

"All of the police departments we were able to offer these services to were just thrilled to be chosen to get this type of service," Flores said. "It's another layer that the police cannot always do, somebody to be able to sit with someone, let them talk about their pain."

Flores said the department liaisons typically go through police reports and reach out to victims named in domestic violence cases to make sure they have access to resources such as safety planning, and financial empowerment.

"It's really common for people that are going through that type of situation, if police are involved, to be very confused about what are the options for the next step that they

take," Flores said. "It is a great service to be able to connect with that person who has experienced domestic violence and say 'these are your options,' which can be fine-tuned down to teeny baby steps or a big jump if, say, a shelter is the way to go."

Flores also sees herself as an important resource to the police, who work long shifts and have to respond to a number of calls.

"I always say to police officers, 'whether you like it or not, you are a social worker. You got into the field because you want to help people,' Flores said. "It's that they just don't have the amount of time."

Flores said DOVE serves as an advocate for the police, explaining why an arrest was made or wasn't made, and helping victims see the police as a viable resource.

Flores also made it clear that she is not part of the police departments in the communities she works in.

"When I am calling someone, that's one of the very first things I say. I'm not a police officer, my onus is to (the victim) and everything is confidential," Flores said.

Flores said she also spends time during the

week at Dedham District Court to be available to those seeking restraining orders or going through court proceedings as a victim.

DOVE was founded in 1978 as a volunteer-run crisis hotline in Quincy, but has since expanded to provide "survivor-centered and trauma-informed" advocacy. Its services include counseling, emergency shelter, outreach, danger assessment and legal help.

According to its website - [www.dovema.org](http://www.dovema.org) - DOVE has served over 3,000 clients, answered over 45,000 calls and sheltered around 5,000 families.

"DOVE strives to educate individuals, families and the community at-large to help change the societal conditions that allow domestic violence to persist," DOVE's website reads.

Selectman and former police officer Paul Bishop was excited to learn that DOVE was expanding into Norwood and thanked all those who were responsible for making it possible.

"The more we educate, the more we have a chance of people coming forward," Bishop said.

## SENIOR NEWS

**BASIC COMPUTER COURSE:** A four-part basic computer course is frequently offered to those who wish to learn how to use a computer. Sign-up at the front desk. New class will be announced soon.

**BINGO:** Every Wednesday, from 12:45 p.m. to 3 p.m. \$5 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1 with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 p.m. to play the new game!

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

**BOOK CLUB:** Our next Book Club will be meeting on Feb. 23 at 10 a.m.

**BRIDGE:** Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library. The Tuesday group has been cancelled.

**COMPUTER CLUB:** The Computer Club meets each Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Library/Computer Room. Computer users at all skill levels are welcome to attend.

**COUNCIL ON AGING:** No COA Meeting will be held in February, will resume in March.

**CRIBBAGE:** Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 p.m. to play cribbage.

**DIABETES WORKSHOP:** The Diabetes Workshop will meet Feb. 26 at 11 a.m.

**EXCEL CLASSES:** Excel classes have resumed. Please sign up.

**GLEE CLUB:** Glee Club meets every Tuesday at 11:15 a.m.

**MASSAGE THERAPIST:** Karen Tracy is here on the first Monday of each month. Please sign up at front desk. Massages are \$30 for half an hour.

**NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB:** The Board of Directors meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center (Except July and August). The Club Membership meets the second Tuesday of each

month at the Norwood Elks Lodge, at 10 a.m.

**OIL PAINTING:** No Oil Painting class is offered in January.

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**SQUARE DANCE:** Please join our Square Dance Class every Tuesday at 9 a.m.

**TAXES:** By appointment only on Fridays. Contact front desk to schedule appointment.

**TRIAD:** Please join us on Monday, Feb. 23. Our speaker will be John Carroll.

**WATER COLOR:** The next session is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 12 at 9 a.m. Payment of \$20 must be made at time of signup.

**WAXING:** Cancelled until further notice.

**WHIST:** Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 p.m. in the library.

**WHIST PARTY:** Whist parties will be held on the fourth Friday of each month 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**TRIPS:** Feb. 26: Foxwoods Casino, \$10 Voucher Lunch, \$10 Voucher to play. Transportation provided \$25 p.p. March 10: Tony Kenny's Irish Cabaret, Luncheon, Show & Transport, Venus De Milo, Swansea. \$85 p.p. April 17: Bingo Bonanza, Wright's Chicken Farm, Northern R.I.

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# Sports

## Despite falling to Walpole, girls basketball team hoping for deep postseason run

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

At 16-5, the Norwood girls basketball team locked up its second consecutive post-season berth quite some time ago.

But despite the record, the possibility of a second consecutive road game to open the playoffs remains possible.

Prior to the season, head coach Alex DaLuz said that his goal for the team was to host (at least) one playoff game. After a 3-1 week, the door is still open, but the margin for error is almost non-existent at the Westwood Tournament this week.

After taking care of Natick 64-52 on Tuesday, the girls traveled to Walpole for a showdown with the Rebels, who had beaten the Mustangs 67-65 in Norwood on Jan. 16. Despite a 24-11 run by the Mustangs to close the game, Walpole completed the season sweep of Norwood and clinched the head-to-head tiebreaker, 77-71.

Meghan Reen had 25 points for the Mustangs, including 19



Guard Meghan Reen, above, has had a terrific all-around season for the Mustangs. Despite her 25-point (19 in the fourth quarter) performance, Norwood fell to Walpole last week, 77-71.

FILE PHOTO

**Girls Hoops**

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## Mustangs assume the role of spoilers



Goalkeeper Denny Drumme, center, celebrated senior night festivities with his family.

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

"Like I told the kids, we're not going to the tournament, so hopefully we can knock some teams off that are on right on the bubble to make it," Mustangs hockey coach Bill Clifford said prior to Wednesday night's game against Natick.

While his prophetic abilities may not have shown through in that night's 5-2 loss to the Red Hawks, he and the Norwood boys hockey team will surely settle for eliminating the Walpole Rebels from post-season contention after Saturday's 2-1 victory.

"It was a redeeming factor for this year," said Clifford, whose team improved to 3-10-4 with the win. "It's a huge rivalry with the kids, and they came up big."

The captains in particular

came up big for the Mustangs, as defenseman Jake O'Rourke scored both goals and goaltender Dennis Drumme stopped 25 of the 26 shots he faced.

Clifford said the team was all kinds of pumped up after the win at Iorio Arena in Walpole.

"They were pretty psyched up. Norwood-Walpole is a big rivalry, and they get fired up for those games," said the coach.

After a scoreless first period in which the Mustangs killed a four-minute major penalty just two minutes into the game, O'Rourke scored at 7:17 of the second from the blue line on a shot that bounced in off a Rebel defenseman. He scored his second of the period on the power play at 14:27, providing Norwood with a huge momentum boost heading into the third.

As it turned out, the Mus-

Hockey

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# Upset bid falls short in showdown against Walpole



Senior forward Kevin Perry, above, is one of two seniors who suited up for the Mustangs for the final time in a 68-62 win against Silver Lake, held on Feb. 17.

FILE PHOTO

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

For three quarters, the Norwood boys hoops team looked to be on the verge of springing a massive upset of their archrivals, the Walpole Rebels.

The Mustangs held a 45-41 lead in the waning minutes of the third quarter, but a decisive 27-4 run sparked the Rebels to a 70-51 home victory on Thursday night.

"We didn't make shots, they did," said head coach Rich Cormier, keeping it as simple as possible in trying to decipher what happened down the stretch.

Norwood (5-15) jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead before Walpole (14-7) began a 7-0 run of its own.

The Mustangs responded with a 3-pointer from Clifton Clark, who had 11 points, to retake the lead. A series of lead changes and ties continued from there throughout the first half, with Norwood holding serve at halftime, 28-26.

Jake Vail took a feed from Chris Bell to make it 37-31 about halfway through the third, giving the Mustangs their largest lead since 6-0. It would be matched at 39-33 when Clark hit an open jumper, before the Rebels whittled away the Norwood lead before tying the game at

39-39.

Again, the Mustangs wouldn't back down. Bell (12 points) hit a 3 to re-establish the lead, and completed an old-fashioned 3-point play on the following possession. Walpole hit a bucket of its own, but Bell responded by elevating for a layup, nearly dunking the ball, and being fouled in the process. Norwood held a 45-41 lead.

From there, however, it was nearly all Rebels. With the score tied at 45-45 entering the fourth quarter, Walpole hit a three-pointer to take its first lead since 23-22 in the second.

The Rebels held a 52-45 lead when Clark sank another 3, giving the Mustangs hope that perhaps they could again withstand a Walpole run. Instead, 18 of the next 19 points in the game went to the Rebels, who were celebrating Senior Night at Walpole High School, sealing the deal.

Norwood also lost on Friday night, this time in heart-breaking fashion, 59-58 in overtime, and then lost to Westwood in the opening round of the Westwood Tournament on Monday, 71-51.

Tuesday's consolation game against Silver Lake, the final high school game of Kevin Perry and Brian Wright's careers, was a 68-62 victory for the Mustangs.

## Norwood wrestlers advance to state championships

**Jake Levin**  
Staff Reporter

Three Mustangs wrestlers are on to the Division 2 state tournament after qualifying in the sectional tournament this past weekend at Reading High School.

Senior co-captains Mike McDonagh and JJ O'Donnell, as well as sophomore Garfield Sales, advanced in their respective weight classes.

McDonough moves on after placing second in the 160-pound class, defeating his opponent 3-2. He will face Chris Zarba of Hopkinton in his first bout at states.

O'Donnell lost to the eventual champion of the 170-pound class in the semi-finals, but won his third place match 7-5 on a pin. His first battle at states will be against David Wrin of Algonquin Regional High School.

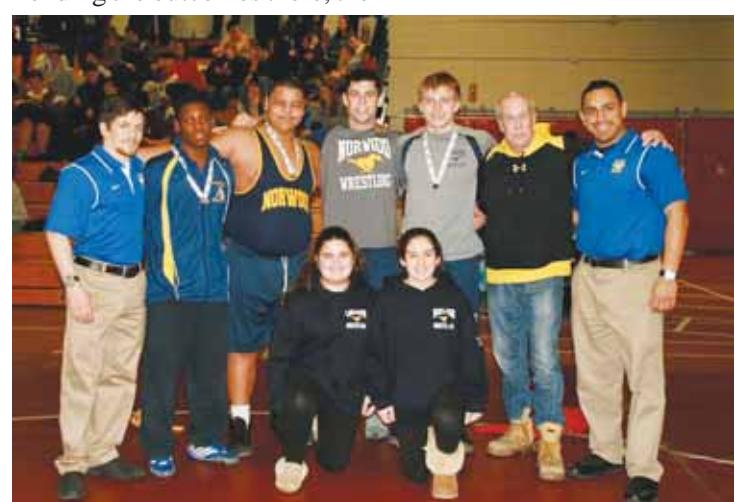
Lastly, Sales came away

with third in the heavyweight (285 pounds) division to advance. He lost initially to the 1-seed before pinning two opponents en route to his third place finish. Up next for Sales is Andrew Salazar of Milford.

The trio will participate in the state tournament this weekend at Beverly High School. Pending the outcomes there, the

wrestlers could move on to all-states the following weekend, which are slated to be held at Salem High School.

Additionally, sophomore Sylvain Appolon participated in sectionals, but failed to qualify for states in the 138-pound division after finishing in sixth place.



Norwood wrestlers Mike McDonough, JJ O'Donnell and Garfield Sales will participate in the Massachusetts Division 2 State Championship Wrestling Tournament.

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## Girls Hoops *continued from page 9*



Meghan Reen streaks down the floor in a grudge match against Walpole.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

in the fourth quarter alone. But throughout the night, Norwood had no answer for Rebels forward Summer King, who led all scorers with 26.

"That's been four years of trying to find an answer for Summer King," said DaLuz after the game. King will be playing college basketball at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. next season. "And I don't know if anyone in the league has one. She's a great player, we definitely designed our defense to stop her, and we couldn't. There's a reason she's a Division I scholarship player."

DaLuz also noted the presence of Kelly Fogarty as an outside threat as a compliment to King with her three-point

shooting ability. Fogarty finished with 17 points in the game.

The Mustangs never had a lead, and the latest the score was tied was at 2-2. Walpole opened up a 19-point lead in the fourth quarter, 66-47, but had to hang on for dear life while Reen put on a performance for the ages.

"Her [Meghan] and Summer King...those are the two MVPs of the league. And it's probably going to come down to a coin flip to see who gets it," said DaLuz. Reen at one point had 15 consecutive points for the Mustangs, knocking down 3s, layups, free throws, whatever it took to get her team back in the game. She also had six steals in the fourth.

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Friday night saw Norwood get back on track easily, to the tune of a 71-45 win over the Dedham Marauders on Senior Night.

It was a well-balanced effort for the Mustangs, with nine players scoring in all. Maura O'Neill led the team with 18 points, while Julia Copponi and Amber Chisolm also reached double figures with 10 points apiece. Copponi, a four-year varsity player, was the lone senior honored.

After her monster performance the night before, Reen had a quiet night with just three points. DaLuz pointed out that doesn't factor in her other contributions distribut-

ing the ball, as well as on the defensive end of the floor. The team has great balance, DaLuz said.

"At one in the season, I asked the girls to raise their hands if they'd scored eight [points] or more in a game. And we had eight girls do it," said DaLuz.

Norwood jumped out to a 10-0 lead, but failed in putting the Marauders away from the get-go, as Dedham responded with a 7-0 run to climb back in. But once the second quarter began, it was all Mustangs for the rest of the night.

"After last night, where we were playing catch-up the

whole time...it's a lot more fun playing ahead," said DaLuz. "We're capable of going on pretty crazy runs."

On Monday, Norwood won its opening round game of the Westwood Tournament, defeating East Bridgewater 65-41. Kaylin Reen, who went scoreless against the Marauders on Friday night, exploded for 27 points, including eight 3-pointers.

The Mustangs played host Westwood on Tuesday, an event held after the Record's deadline. After that, they will play their first post-season game at some point next week, at a location still to be determined.



Junior co-captain Maura O'Neill, a forward for the Mustangs, takes a free throw.

FILE PHOTO

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tangs needed the goal. Walpole cut the lead in half at 3:15 of the third, with one second left on a power play of its own. But from there, Drummey was perfect, in what Clifford described as an "up-and-down, typical Norwood-Walpole game."

Norwood went 1-0-1 vs. the Rebels this season, having tied them 1-1 on Jan. 17 at Ponkapoag.

The Mustangs played Framingham at Bajko Arena in Hyde Park on Monday, a

makeup game that had already been shifted once from Jan. 21 to Feb. 9. The Flyers won, 5-1.

The Mustangs have two games left: a home game vs. Wellesley at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, in an event held after The Record's deadline. The Raiders defeated the Mustangs 1-0 on Jan. 10 at Babson Skating Center. Their final game of the season is a make-up game from Feb. 2 at Brockton on Friday, where Norwood will take on the Boxers at 2 p.m. at Asiaf Arena.



Norwood and Natick players prepare for a faceoff during Natick's 5-2 victory last week. While the Mustangs didn't spoil Natick's season, they managed to eliminate Walpole from playoff contention last week.

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Anita Preble - Free Family Workshop Toddler Biting and Other Behaviors Tuesday, March 10, at the Savage Educational Center - Room 219, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062. From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Developmental issues, reasons for biting, appropriate responses, tantrums - how to cope? Sensory issues related to behavior. This workshop is for families with children from toddler to early elementary years. To register contact Christine Tomasello in the CFCE Office at 781-440-5983 or e-mail t  
ctomasello@norwood.k12.ma.us. The Norwood Public Schools CFCE Programs are funded through the 237 Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care's Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant.

**SDA CHURCH**

On Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. Free Pasta Dinner for the Community. The Norwood SDA is located at 59 Davis Ave. Church services include Bible study at 9:30 a.m. and worship services at 11 a.m. on Saturdays.

**PAINT FOR A CAUSE**

Hale Reservation will be hosting a Paint Night fundraiser to support their 2015 Boston Marathon Team. For the third consecutive year, Hale is an official charity of the Boston Marathon. The team consists of runners all over the country with the common goal of raising funds for "camperships," financial assistance for underprivileged children to spend the summer months at Hale learning, growing and thriving. This event will take place Thursday, March 19 from 7-9 p.m. at Powissett Lodge at Hale Reservation. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.halereservation.org](http://www.halereservation.org). A portion of all ticket sales will support the runners' fundraising efforts. Hale Reservation is a private, non-profit organization that manages over 1,137 acres of woodlands, including four ponds and over 20 miles of trails in Westwood and Dover. Hale is most widely recognized for its summer day camp programs, which annually serve over 4,400 children from over 70 communities in the Greater Boston area. To learn

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more about Hale, please visit [www.halereservation.org](http://www.halereservation.org).

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Kindergarten 2015-2016 School Year at the Willett Early Childhood Center, 100 Westover Parkway 781-762-5902.

**NORWOOD WOMAN'S CLUB  
MARCH 10, 2015 MEETING**

Please join The Norwood Woman's Club on March 10 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church Hall at 24 Berwick St. We will be entertained by another visit from Mr. Roger Tincknell, who will perform "From Ireland to America." Any questions please call Trina Mallet at 781-762-8173.

**3RD ANNUAL FOVA  
YAM BENEFIT**

On Wednesday, March 4, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Norwood High School Library. Come and see artwork from students as well as enter raffles and purchase artwork and jewelry from area artist and NHS alumni. <http://www.fovagnarwood.org/upcoming-events.html>

**LENTEB BIBLE STUDY**

On Sunday, Feb. 22, a Lenten Bible study will begin at the First Congregational Church in Norwood. During Lent we will be looking at the Passion narratives in the four New Testament Gospels and in some non-canonical Gospels. We'll meet in the church parlor at 8:15 a.m., and begin each class with a time of fellowship including coffee, muffins, and bagels. Each of the Lenten classes will end with a time of quiet and meditation, as well as the lighting and extinguishing of the Lenten candles. The Lenten Bible study will run through Palm Sunday, March 29. First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ) is an Open & Affirming congregation welcoming all. We are located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The regular Sunday morning worship service is at 10 a.m. and is followed by a fellowship hour in Pingree Hall. Church school classes and

nursery care are provided during the service. Reverend Dr. John Hamilton is glad to extend pastoral support. For more information, please call the church office at (781) 762-3320.

**NON-PROFIT FAIR**

In collaboration with the Norwood Junior Women's Club, the Norwood League of Women Voters will be hosting a Non-Profit Fair Saturday, Feb. 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Workman's Hall located at 99 Wilson St., Norwood. Not only will this be an opportunity for non-profit groups to network, but this is also an invitation to the public to come in and meet some of the areas non-profit organizations. Light refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

**NORFOLK COUNTY RR  
CLUB MEETS AT LIBRARY  
WED. FEBRUARY 25**

The Norfolk County Rail Road Club (NCRRC) will meet Wednesday, Feb. 25, in the Simoni Room of Norwood's Morrill Memorial Library at 7 p.m. The video program has been postponed from the NCRRC snowed-out January meeting. Viewers will see a combination of stories about the growth and demise of Pennsylvania's Knox & Kane Railroad (K&KRR), the ill-fated Kinzua Viaduct built in 1882-rebuilt in 1900-and which was recognized at one time as "the world's highest and longest railroad bridge," and its incredible destruction by a tornado in 2003. The K&KRR operated tourist scenic trains over the viaduct for a number of years. The story continues about the K&K engine house, including its recently built Chinese-built steam locomotive destroyed shortly after by a ferocious fire, and how that locomotive's fire-blackened hulk was purchased by Connecticut's Valley Railroad in Essex, Conn., and rebuilt into a modern steam locomotive, now the star of the Valley Railroad's Essex Steam Train fleet. The meeting is free and open to the public. Details from Ed Sweeney, NCRRC Program Organizer at 781-762-5587.

**CELEBRATE NATIONAL**

**CHILI DAY WITH A DONATION TO THE FOOD PANTRY**

For such a short month, February certainly has its share of holidays. But if you're one of those people who are always looking for one more reason to celebrate, you'll be happy to learn that Thursday, Feb. 26, is National Chili Day. And fortunately for all of you whose mouths are already watering in anticipation, that steaming bowl of beef, beans, and magic is actually good for you: Packed with protein, fiber, Vitamin A, C, and iron. Plus capsicum that can help clear nasal congestion, regulate blood sugar, boost your immune system, even put you in a better mood by raising endorphin and serotonin levels. At the Norwood Food Pantry, canned chili is a very popular item - especially in cold-weather months like February and March. "It's so satisfying and nutritious," says Executive Director Ruth Taeger. "It really flies off the shelves. And it's wonderful when we have enough for all the families who'd like to take some home for dinner."

Some clients like to make their chili from scratch, so gifts of canned tomatoes and beans are also extremely welcome. The pantry is usually able to provide the hamburger-and-cheese basics; and occasionally a donor will bring in boxes of corn bread mix, which enables them to distribute the perfect side dish for this classic comfort-food meal. "We haven't received too much chili lately," says Bill Discepolo, the pantry's Stock and Rotation Manager. "So we're hoping National Chili Day will inspire shoppers to pick up a can or two - or even a case or two - next time they're in the supermarket, to share with their neighbors in need. A lot of stores have sales at this time of year, so if you watch the papers, you can get some real bargains." Anyone wishing to make a donation can drop it off at the food pantry (located at the rear entrance of Grace Episcopal Church, 150 Chapel St. in Norwood) 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. For those who prefer, convenient drop-off boxes are located in the Morrill Memorial Library and Hannaford's Supermarket, both on Route 1A/Walpole Street, as well as Stop & Shop on Route 1/Providence Highway. Checks and cash donations are always greatly appreciated, as well. Checks should be made out to "Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood" and sent to 150 Chapel Street, Norwood, MA 02062. "We thank you in advance," adds Taeger. "And we want you to know that your generosity will warm a great many people's hearts, as well as filling their stomachs."

**FOOD PANTRY SEEKS ONCE-A-MONTH DRIVERS**

The Norwood Food Pantry is looking for volunteers to pick up bakery goods about once a month at Costco in Dedham. Pickups are to be made Friday mornings after 8 a.m., with goods delivered to the pantry between 9 and 9:30 a.m. the same day. If you can help, please contact Nick Campagna at 781-762-6866 or email ncampagnjr@gmail.com.

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**JOIN THE FOOD PANTRY WALK FOR HUNGER TEAM**

The Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood is once again forming a team to participate in Project Bread's Walk for Hunger. This year's 47th annual Walk will be held Sunday, May 3 - and will provide funding to over 400 emergency food programs in 125 Massachusetts communities. To sign up as a walker or virtual walker or support your neighbors in need with a donation, go to: <http://support.projectbread.org/goto/NorwoodFoodPantry>. Or call team captain Nick Campagna at 781-762-6866.

**CLEVELAND PTA FEBRUARY NEWS**

Trivia Night-Our annual Trivia Night fundraiser is coming soon. It is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Cleveland School PTA, which sponsors wonderful events for our school community as well as supports teachers in their efforts to provide a quality education for our children. Trivia Night will begin at 7 p.m. with team trivia starting at 7:30 p.m. Get a group of friends together and reserve a table for a fun night out that also helps our school. There will be a cash bar, many great raffle prizes, and participants are encouraged to bring snacks for their table. You can reserve a table for 10 for \$175 by contacting Jayne Ford, [jayneford@verizon.net](mailto:jayneford@verizon.net). Tables must be paid in full by Wednesday, Feb. 25. Tickets at the door will be \$20. Tables do sell out quickly, so reserve yours today! Bamboo House Restaurant Fundraiser Any Saturday through the rest of the school year, Dine in at the Bamboo Cafe restaurant at 663 Washington St. in Norwood and 20 percent of the proceeds will go to the Cleveland PTA! You must bring the flyer to receive credit. Flyers are available on the PTA Facebook page. Facebook Page The Cleveland PTA has a new Facebook page that you can "Like" to stay up to date on all of the goings-on at the Cleveland PTA! Please come visit and share: <https://www.facebook.com/facelandschoolpta>

**NORFOLK LIONS YOUTH SOCCER SPRING 2015 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

Norfolk Lions Youth Soccer (NLYS) invites players age 3 (as of Sept. 1, 2014) through high school to register for their Spring 2015 season today. You do not have to live in Norfolk to join in the fun! To register, please visit the newly designed website at: [www.norfolklionssoccer.com](http://www.norfolklionssoccer.com). If you have any questions, please contact [info@norfolklionssoccer.com](mailto:info@norfolklionssoccer.com) or 508-528-8015.

**2015 WINTER CONCERT SERIES AT NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL**

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**Tuesday Feb.10**

0856 phone - Parking violation gone on arrival Location/address: Nahatan St + Fulton St Store owner reports a vehicle on the sidewalk blocking access to clean the sidewalk.

0913 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to Location/address: Oxford Rd Report resident drives his cars onto public way and cleans off snow and leaves snow in the street.

1053 phone - Violation of town bylaw services rendered Location/address: Pleasant St Snow being moved into the street at the Walpole line. DPW responded and plowed the area. Unable to locate the plow operator.

1102 phone - Violation of town bylaw no action required Location/address: Cleveland School-Jean Brown Field - Nichols St Report party dumping snow on the sidewalk that the town just cleared. N664 spoke to sidewalk plow driver, he did not call and the sidewalk is clear. DPW stated a female resident had called them-maybe a wrong location.

1128 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to Location/address: La Plata Motors - Washington St Report snow plowed onto sidewalk that DPW had just cleared. N677 reports matter resolved, snow from a pile on the private lot fell off as a result of town moving its snow.

1440 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to Location/address: Boch Toyota - Bos-Prov Hwy Snow being plowed across Rte 1 to the median. Officers report there is a pile of snow but plow operator is not around. Dealership advised.

1538 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to Location/address: Talbot Ave Off. Costa spoke with the resident about his neighbors shoveling snow into the street. 2013 phone - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Guild St Caller reports an older man walking in the road. Party advised to stay closer to the sidewalk.

2224 911 - Complaint of m/v taken/referred to other Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports vehicle travelling the wrong way on the Highway. Walpole PD notified.

**Wednesday Feb. 11**

0849 phone - Road hazard services rendered Location/address: Kerry Pl Report that a private contractor is using the land at the beginning of the street to dump snow. The dump trucks are lined up on street, impeding access to rest of complex. Dpw notified. N669 reports the contractor will plow and widen The street-DPW canceled.

0954 phone - Lockout police & fire notified/r Location/address: Hemlock St Car, child in same.

0958 phone - Disturbance spoken to Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Report unruly patient in draper lobby. N678 reports he is now in radiology. N662 reports he is calm now.

1325 cellular - Well being chk area search negative Location/address: Walpole St + Winter St Request check of a female walking Rt1A(N), in the street, with a walker.

1452 cellular - Road hazard services rendered Location/address: Callahan School - Garfield Ave Report road becoming impassable due to cars parking on both sides of road and snow banks. N669 reports all running smoothly upon arrival.

1503 cellular - Disabled mv vehicle towed Location/address: Route 95 Hwy + Neponset St Report of possibly a Toyota, silver, small car, flames coming from underneath. NFD sent. N677 reports no fire, maybe overheated, car is now in front of 5 Norton Dr. And owner will get his own tow.

1516 phone - Assist citizen Location/address: Yarmouth Rd Firearm turned in.

1531 911 - Breaking and entering Location/address: Sumner St Homeowner returns to find a break. BCI responded.

1647 phone - Threats Location/address: Certainteed - Pleasant St Caller reports past threats.

1712 phone - B & E of motor vehicle arrest(s)made Location/address: Monroe St Caller reported female party rummaging through vehicle. Suspect followed by victim to hospital. Party placed under arrest. Arrest: Walker, Amy L Address: 90

**Police Logs**

Rock St Apt. #2 Norwood Age: 33 Charges: b&e vehicle/boat daytime for felony Marijuana, possess Credit card, receive stolen

2134 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Highview St Neighbor disagreement over snow removal. N677 spoke to the caller and advised to contact dpw.

2343 phone - Noise complaint services rendered Location/address: Yew Dr Caller reports loud music.

**Thursday Feb. 12**

0054 phone - Citizens complaint no action required Location/address: Cedar St Caller reports that a plow has pushed snow into the street. N677 checks area. No snow in the road.

0618 phone - Animal complaint area search negative Location/address: Washington St+Cedar St Caller reports dogs running the streets, n665 and Naco responded.

1104 phone - Hit and run papers exchanged Location/address: Redbox Automated Retail, LLC - Walpole St Employee of Hannaford's reports his parked, unoccupied car was hit in the lot, witness gave him the plate number of the other car. N661 reports minor damage and exchanged papers.

1422 phone - Animal complaint naco/waco notified Location/address: Lancelot Ct Report of a goose with a broken wing in a driveway behind a snow bank.

1437 phone - Animal complaint naco/waco notified Location/address: Rock St Mother of resident reports there may be an unlicensed dog that was left in the apartment as a result of call#:15-1581 1712 hrs 2/11/2015.

1456 phone - Alarm-burglar building checked/secure Location/address: Roedel - Countryside Ln Dining room motion. 2nd call-keyholder, not on scene, reports it may be the dog. N679 reports where accessible, snow, home is secure, no footprints in snow.

1535 phone - Phone harassment Location/address: M S Walker Company - Everett St Detective Gover will file a report.

1710 phone - Parking violation spoken to Location/address: Winslow Ave Caller reports parking issues between herself and fellow residents. N669 spoke to that resident and they agreed to move their vehicle.

2040 initiated - Susp person arrest(s)made Location/address: Washington St As a result, one w/m placed under arrest. N661 transports him to the station for unmarked units. Arrest: Brown, Richard G Address: 738 Washington St Apt. #21 Norwood Age: 59 Charges: warrant arrest

2352 911 - Susp activity services rendered Location/address: Margaret St Caller reported male party entering through window. Officer reported homeowner looking for water leak.

**Friday Feb. 13**

0859 initiated - Motor vehicle stop spoken to Location/address: Redbox Automated Retail, LLC - Walpole St Units stop MA pc 279cpb in the parking lot near the Dollar Tree store for a B.C.I. Investigation. N496 courtesy transports party back to her Walpole residence s/m 137597 1024 hrs, brief stop to meet with n669, then e/m 133600 1035 hrs.

0937 phone - Parking violation services rendered Location/address: Vernon St YCN vehicles in the street creating traffic woes. Officer reports no violations but asked YCN to move the vehicle into the lot when possible.

1020 phone - Warrant of apprehension area search negative Location/address: Orleans Rd Officers looking for a resident who may be visiting a friend and attempt same.

1117 phone - Citizens complaint spoken to Location/address: Horizon House Publication - Canton St Workers on the roof and the caller is concerned they are in violation of OSHA regulations without safety restraints. Officer spoke with the worker who is aware and following the Procedure. No violation.

1207 phone - Parking violation spoken to Location/address: Folan Ave + Washington St Complaint from a resident about vehicles from the florist shop parking on Folan creating parking issues .Officer advised them.

1225 phone - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Devon Rd Resident received a scam call looking for \$ 4000 to be wired to the IRS. Officer spoke with the resident on the recent scam and they are satisfied. No information given to the caller.

1301 phone - Larceny Location/address: Direct Tire & Auto Service - b Bos-Prov Hwy Deposit stolen from a safe.

1303 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: 47 Chapel St - Chapel St Roommate dispute over missing property. Officers mediate and items returned to each and they are satisfied.

1321 phone - Report of gas leak police & fire notified/ Location/address: Ride-Away - Bos-Prov Hwy Report of a loud bang from roof area and now smell of gas in/out side of building. NFD reports something fell off roof breaking the gas line. NFD shut off same and notified National Grid.

1541 phone - Violation of town bylaw area search negative Location/address: Roosevelt Ave Subject going door to door selling fish and meat from a white van.

1656 phone - Harassment restraining complaint/summons Location/address: Sokos Pizza - Washington St Report of possible violation.

1943 phone - Dispute civil matter Location/address: Norwood Airport Inc - Access Rd Caller reports ongoing issue with other company within the airport. Officer reports civil matter.

2039 walk-in - Susp person area search negative Location/address Nahatan St + Fulton St Party in lobby reports suspicious male wearing what appeared to be a kevlar vest and firearm in the area. Bolo given to the cars, n665 alerts cars responding that male party living in area is a security guard and often wears vest home from work.

2218 911 - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Press Ave Caller reports her neighbors are being very loud. N662 spoke with them and reports they will keep the noise down.

**Saturday Feb. 14**

0406 911 - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Rojo - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports on her way home she stopped for gas and couldn't raise the attendant who appeared to be sleeping and also stated she thought she saw a needle. N677,n669 responded. Attendant fell asleep but there were no needles. Checked out. All in order.

1242 phone - Assist other agency spoken to Location/address: Lansdowne Way Home health care worker worried about client with history of seizures whose not coming to door. Norwood Fire and n679 sent. Windsor Gardens maintenance contacted as well. N679 reports party located was out taking walk.

1303 911 - Kids gathering spoken to Location/address: Olde Derby Village - Olde Derby Rd Apartment complex manager calling in on 911 that teens are Gathering in laundry room area and requesting officer. N679 Spoke to the subjects, they will move along.

1520 911 - Abandoned vehicle services rendered Location/address: Silver St Caller reports an abandoned vehicle blocking the road. N662 Located the owner and the vehicle was moved.

1801 911 - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Norwood Depot - Railroad Ave Concerned resident reports parties outside the train station in very cold weather. N678 reports all is well, parties are waiting for the train.

1926 phone - Hit and run Location/address: Day St Caller reports witnessing a black pick up truck with a plow strike a parked vehicle and drive away. Bolo given to the cars.

2046 911 - Complaint of m/v spoken to Lo-

cation/address: St John Ave Caller reports her neighbor has parked in a shared driveway, making it impossible for her to park her car in the garage. N664 advised parties this is a civil matter and to speak with their landlord.

2114 911 - Disturbance services rendered Location/address: St John Ave Caller reports she can hear her neighbors yelling at each other over a parking dispute. N664 stood by while the vehicles were moved and advised the parties to not speak to each other anymore tonight.

**Sunday Feb. 15**

0234 phone - Auto theft Location/address: Shady Tree Landscaping - Pleasant St Caller reported theft of co ma k85398. Vehicle entered into Ncic. Bolo broadcast to cars.

0746 phone - Assist other agency area search negative Location/address: Harrow Rd DPW reported home owner blocking plow. Officer checked area, nothing found.

0819 phone - Citizens complaint no violation Location/address: La Plata Motors - Washington St Caller reports that plow is pushing snow onto the street. No plow and no snow in the street upon arrival.

1122 phone - Dispute services rendered Location/address: Winslow Ave Caller reports loud yelling. All is quiet upon arrival and both parties spoken to.

1630 phone - Animal complaint taken/referred to other Location/address: Hill St Caller is concerned about a dog that has been outside for a long period of time. Naco notified.

1841 phone - Disabled mv assisted party Location/address: Jefferson Dr Caller reports she cannot get into her driveway and is blocking traffic. N669 and n662 assisted party and were able to get the vehicle off the street.

**Monday Feb. 16**

0639 initiated - Warrant service arrest(s)made Location/address: Washington Stt One under arrest for warrants. P/c: Joseph, Rodriguez Address: 202 Washington St Norwood Age: 29 Charges: warrant arrest

0915 walk-in - Illegal trash disposal Location/address: Flightlevel Aviation - Access Rd Report past dumping of hazardous materials.

1015 phone - Larceny Location/address: Friendly Restaurant Rte1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Larceny of a wallet

1046 phone - Road hazard spoken to Location/address: Summit Ave Report snow plow truck, engine running ,no one in it, blocking road with 3 cars behind it. N662 reports cars can pass, owner shoveling off deck of home he is parked in front of, he will watch and move same if someone cannot get by.

1053 phone - Citizens complaint fire dept notified/resp Location/address: Spruce Rd Resident is afraid roof is going to collapse due to water leak.

1102 phone - Citizens complaint fire dept notified/resp Location/address: David Ter Resident afraid ceiling is going to collapse due to water leak.

1432 phone - Susp activity area search negative Location/address: Plimpton Ave Subject walking back and forth near Guild.

1448 phone - Larceny Location/address: Vico's Ristorante Italiano - Central St Report jacket stolen.

1648 initiated - Violation of town by services rendered Location/address: McDonalds - Broadway St N677 reports snow plow pushed snow into the street. Manager was spoken to and he will have the plow return.

1708 phone - Well being chk services rendered Location/address: Washington St Caller is concerned that she has not heard from her friend for several days and it is unusual. It was determined that the party is currently being held in the House of Corrections.

2337 911 - Larceny arrest(s)made Location/address: Limey's Pub - Washington St Caller reports that a customer walked out with a bottle of alcohol. N677 reports that party returned the bottle and was verbally disinvented. After checks it was determined he has an outstanding warrant. N677 returned with same. P/c: Williams, Silas Dion Address: 3 Ledgewood Rd Wilmington Age: 27 Charges: warrant arrest

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America's national anthem. Join us as Dr. Hylander discusses the burning of Washington, D.C. and the larger issues of the War of 1812. To sign up for this program, funded by the Friends of the Library, stop by the Reference or Information Desk, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, or email norprograms@minlib.net.

#### TITLES ON TAP BOOK GROUP

The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to announce a new book group designed for readers in their 20s and 30s. Titles on Tap is a social book group that explores stories that are shaken, not stirred, and is a casual way to meet up with fellow book lovers for a fun night out. We meet the fourth Tuesday of every month at Napper Tandy's of Norwood at 7:30 p.m. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 24 and our first title to discuss will be the 2014 New York Times Bestseller, "The Winter People" by Jennifer McMahon. Pick up a copy today and come out to meet, dis-

cuss, eat, drink, and be merry! RSVPs are not required, but you may sign up by emailing norprograms@minlib.net, calling 781-769-0200 x110 or 222, or visiting the Information or Reference Desks. Visit our blog titlesontap.wordpress.com or follow us on Twitter @titlesontap to learn more.

#### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER TALKS ABOUT LIVING WITH WILDLIFE

Come to a presentation and discussion at the Morrill Memorial Library on Thursday, March 12 at 7 p.m. with Norwood's Animal Control Officer Henry Cerqueira about living peacefully with wildlife in the suburbs. This event is part of the Spring 2015 Sustainability Series sponsored by Together Yes. Mr. Cerqueira will talk about the importance of co-existing with Norwood's non-human residents such as raccoons, skunks, coyotes, hornets, deer, and other critters that share our ecosystem. He will also explain

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some animal behaviors that may puzzle or annoy us, as well as some that amuse. In addition, Mr. Cerqueira will address our responsibility to the local wildlife and offer advice on solving pesky animal problems. Popcorn and cider will be served. To sign up, please stop by the library Reference or Information Desk, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, or email norprograms@minlib.net.

#### KIDS SCRABBLE CLUB

On Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. The Kids Scrabble Club is looking for more players. Drop in any Tuesday night, from 7 to 8 p.m., for a fun and friendly game of Scrabble in the Children's Program Room. For grade 3 and older, all levels of ability are welcome. No registration required.

#### SCRABBLE CLUB FOR ADULTS

Like to play Scrabble? Match words and wits with other adults every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. year-round at the Morrill Memorial Library. This group of Scrabble enthusiasts welcomes beginners through advanced players, and no registration is required. There is an annual tournament with prizes every May.

Scrabble boards, dictionaries, and score sheets are provided each week. Come check out the Scrabble scene in the library's second floor Simoni Room any Tuesday night. Questions? Call the Adult Services Department at 781-769-0200, x110.

#### THE STITCH DOCTOR IS IN

Fellow knitters and crocheters: are you swamped by swatches? Incensed by increases? Peeved at patterns? In knots over SL1 K2TOG PSSO? Oh, and do you have a gift deadline? We can help! From now through the holidays, the knitters and crocheters of the Morrill Memorial Library will be available by appointment to help with knitting and crochet quandaries. Please bring all of the materials for your project, including needles and patterns. Also, please let us know ahead of time what sort of project you'd like help with, in case we need to look up a new technique. A second pair of eyes can't hurt! Please contact Adult Services Librarian Liz Reed to schedule all appointments and to answer any questions about this service. Liz can be reached at 781-769-0200 x110 or lreed@minlib.net.

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