



Children dyed Easter Eggs at the Civic Center as part of a slate of programs hosted by the Recreation Department. The eggs took on every color and pattern under the sun as youngsters celebrated the holidays. The Department also hosted an Easter Egg hunt for small children at the Willett School and a flashlight Easter Egg hunt at the Balch School for middle school-aged children.

PHOTO BY JOE DIFAZIO



Egg-cellent egg dying part of busy spring

Fishing Derby this Saturday

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

Children got a chance to decorate eggs just in time for Easter in one of many events Norwood hosts for its younger residents in the spring.

"We're always looking for new pro-

gramming," said Jerry Miller, the Superintendent of Recreation. "[This event] is wonderful to see."

The Willett room of the Civic Center was full of color Thursday, as children dyed eggs to take home for Eas-

Spring Events

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Wetland lines could slow Upland Woods project

Safe Harbor protection at risk

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

Outdated site plans are causing a hiccup, which might delay the groundbreaking of Upland Woods.

Selectman Bill Plasko asked the Conservation Commission to work as expeditiously as possible in resolving all outstanding issues with the site at the last Board of Selectman meeting. The Upland Woods project granted the town of Norwood a safe harbor for 40B projects, contingent upon the project starting construction by September 4.

The 262-unit Upland Woods apartment project is part of Norwood's Housing Production Plan, which was certified by the state Department of Hous-

ing and Community Development. The certification is effective for a two-year period through September 4, 2015.

The Chapter 40B law established in 1969 mandates that all towns in Massachusetts meet a minimum requirement of 1.5 percent of developable land area in a town or 10 percent of housing stock be dedicated to affordable or subsidized housing. If the minimums are not met, towns are open to having developers build 40B affordable housing projects that are denser than local zoning bylaw permits. A recent stipulation in the law allows towns to file a housing production plan, which shows the town is work-

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Special Town Meeting to accompany Annual

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

There will be another Special Town Meeting (STM) this year to go along with the Annual Town Meeting, and Plimpton Press, medical marijuana and school department finances will be on the docket.

After causing a long debate at the last STM, the Plimpton Press Overlay District (PPOD) will again be an article on the upcoming STM warrant. The article asks that an overlay district be created that would allow the Plimpton Press building to become a smart growth 40R project. The developer for the project is the Plimpton Press Partnership, a union of Criterion

Development Partners and Creative Development Company. The building they propose to build in the overlay zoning is a 240-unit apartment and condominium complex that will include retail space.

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) withdrew the article last time, at the request of the developers, and STM voted to indefinitely postpone the creation of an overlay district.

The Planning Board originally voted 4-1 in favor of the PPOD because they said it was a much better use of the building and area than its current industrial zoning and the PPOD's ensuing development would reopen

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SECTION A
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Sealed bids will be received up to 10:00 A.M.(Verizon time), May 13, 2014, in the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following Public Project:

**Bid Package "A", Interior Repairs to General Building Area –
Norwood Town Hall**

The complete bid package may be obtained in the Purchasing Department during regular business hours. The bid must be filled out and signed as directed herein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the Purchasing Department, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder, and marked, "Interior Repairs – General Building Area - CONTRACT #PBC-14-03". A pre-bid will be held on May 6, 2014, at 10:00 A.M. at the Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, Room 24, Norwood, MA 02062.

Bids will be valid only when accompanied by:

1. A certified check or bid bond, by a surety company licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts satisfactory to the awarding authority in favor of the Town of Norwood and equal to at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price must be submitted with the Bid.

The successful bidder shall, within ten (10) days of notification of award furnish the Town a performance bond and a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the first year award.

Bids shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with all statutes governing such contracts (MGL Chapter 30 and Chapter 149 as amended). Every General Bid shall be on forms furnished by the Town. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of General Bids, Saturdays, and Sundays excluded.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not properly equipped to undertake and complete the work. The right is reserved to waive any informality and to reject any or all bids or any part of any bid in accordance with the provisions of MGL as amended.

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The Town of Norwood notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that minority business enterprises 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 or national origin in consideration for an award. As part of his obligation of remedial action under the foregoing section, the Contractor and Subcontractors shall maintain not less than 5% ratio of minority employee work hours to total work hours in each job category specified in Section 44F of Chapter 149 MGL.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

Wages are subject to minimum wage rates under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D inclusive, as most recently amended.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to accept any part of a bid or the one deemed best for the Town. Questions can be addressed to Catherine Carney, Contract Administrator, Town of Norwood, at (781) 762-1240, Ext. 107.

BY: William Kinsman, Chairman, PBCC

Norwood Record, 4/24/14

Meet your new Town Planner

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

On May 5, Paul Halkiotis will step in as Norwood's new Town Planner, a role he knows a lot about.

"The Planner position has a big learning curve, and the Planner has to learn his way around the town physically and understand what's going on with a lot of different issues," said Halkiotis. "It will take me a little bit to get up to speed and that will be my first challenge."

Halkiotis grew up in Belmont and went to the University of Massachusetts Amherst for his undergraduate and Masters in regional planning. He was previously the Town Planner in Tewksbury and Orleans and worked in private sector in telecommunica-



Paul Halkiotis will become Norwood's new Town Planner on May 5.

tions. Halkiotis then became the Economic Development Planner in the town of Weymouth.

"I got to work on the redevelopment of the South Weymouth Naval Air Station which was really interesting," said Halkiotis. "I think the work

I did in Weymouth is much closer to the work I'll do in Norwood. It's closer to Boston, [is a] much more mature suburb [and has] a lot of economic development."

His most recent job was as the Town Planner for Marshfield, where he had also served on the Conservation Commission. He has served in that position for ten years and had to navigate several environmental issues such as flooding and sea level rise.

"I've done some interesting work ... [such as] cutting-edge sea level pilot projects to study sea-level rise on the South Shore," said Halkiotis. "I saw the opportunity in Norwood and the salary range

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ing towards its goals, and gives the town a safe harbor to deny 40B projects.

While towns are in a safe harbor, it is expected that they work towards getting to their minimums. At the time the site review plan was approved, two other 40B projects were proposed in Norwood, one called Forbes Hill and Robert Folsom's proposal on Washington Street. Safe harbor allowed these projects to stall.

The Conservation Commission is asking for a peer review of the site plans of Upland Woods because of how large the project is and because they want to close out original site plans that called for a four-story 200,000 square foot office building filed in 2008. The office building didn't come to fruition because of financing,

according to the developer, Campanelli Thorndike LLC.

The Commission needs to have the old plan certified as "no build" before approving a new plan. Part of the peer review entails ensuring that no construction took place. Commission member Joseph DiMaria also worries about storm water runoff causing problems at Upland Road and Prospect Street, which he said is subject to flooding already.

"[I want] a second set of eyes, [I] want to say we've done everything in our power," said DiMaria about assuring that the project meets all acceptable drainage standards.

Another point of contention in a Conservation Commission meeting with the developers earlier this month was wetland lines. Representatives from

Campanelli Thorndike argued that the wetland lines in the original plans could be used under the Permit Extension Act of 2012. This act extends expiration of project permits and approvals to spur economic growth.

Chairwoman of the Conservation Commission, Cheryl Rogers, felt differently.

"[You] must come before us to get an extension and we haven't seen anybody ... this project wasn't there at the time," said Rogers.

The Commission contends that the wetland lines have to be revisited.

"Peer review is taking a little bit of time," said Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue, explaining that she felt that the Commission wasn't given all the proper materials.

The Campanelli Company purchased the property Upland Woods is being built on in 2003. It was a former campus for Polaroid. Two redevelopments have already happened on the site, one for a medical office building and another for the Universal Technical Institute.

Currently, the Conservation Commission is seeking out candidate companies to do the peer review. Campanelli Thorndike had planned to break ground in June.

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DPW says play ball, Light Department asks to sell easement

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

Director of Public Works Mark Ryan appeared before the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to speak on a number of projects the Department of Public Works (DPW) is handling around town.

"The new DPW facilities are full steam ahead," said Ryan about the new DPW yard being built.

The DPW holds meetings about construction of the new facilities every Friday at 9:00 a.m. for neighbors and the general public. Ryan said people are encouraged to come ask town officials and representatives from the developer, Colantonio Inc., questions. Ryan also noted that road work by National Grid in the town center is complete except for some sidewalk paving which is scheduled for completion in the first week of June.

After 26 salting operations, 12 snow plow operations and 5 snow removal operations, the DPW declared the snow and ice season over. Ryan said that all the athletic fields have been opened, prepared and are ready for the spring season. The Highway and Parks Department has begun spring clean up, which includes planting annual flowers and patching potholes.

The DPW is currently putting out bids for two projects, one through the Engineering Department to resurface roads after a harsh winter, and the other is a water main project. Ryan explained the project is for cleaning and lining water pipes. He added that there would be minimal disruption and only a small amount of excavation. Water meters for each house are turned off while above ground services are attached to houses during the project.

The next appointment the Board had was with the Norwood Light and Broadband Department (NLBD). Assistant Superintendent of NLBD James Collins explained an article regarding a transmission easement that is being put on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Norwood Gardens' property was built within an easement that the town has around its power lines in the area. The article is to ask the town if they would abandon part of the easement in exchange for giving the Light Department legal access to the rest of the

easement and cash considerations. Norwood Gardens has always allowed the NLBD access to the easements via its driveways as a courtesy.

"That's a big infringement," said Selectwoman Helen Abdallah Donohue while looking at a map of the easement.

Town Manager John Carroll, using his knowledge of surveying, explained that the issue was very complicated and that the mistake was made on what he thinks was a reasonable assumption. He said the surveyor for Norwood Gardens might have used existing property lines, which wasn't the best way to do survey the land.

"I want to make sure our plan for the town of Norwood is correct," said Donohue about making sure the town has the proper maps.

The NLBD also announced that in order to add more channels and create faster Internet they would be digitizing many analog channels as a way to recapture broadband. Channels two through 27 would remain analog, so that people with a television set older than 2007 would not need a cable box for those channels. It also means that residents with several televisions would need to get a box for each television.

Collins also touched on the telephone pole issues around town and that progress was being made after the Board's letters to Verizon and Comcast. The Board was still displeased with the speed at which poles were replaced and the amount of double poles around town. Selectman Bill Plasko also voiced displeasure about the NLBD being late on a payment of \$15,000 as part of a Norwood Light contract.

Plasko then detailed his continuing work on the 1.5 percent issue with Town Meeting Member Brian Hardiman. In order to be compliant with state 40B law, the town must dedicate 1.5 percent of its developable land area to affordable or subsidized housing. As part of his opposition to the proposed Plimpton Press Project in his neighborhood, Hardiman commissioned an independent study of the 1.5 percent.

Plasko brought to the attention of the Board information regarding residences in Norwood serviced by the federal Community Development Block Grant Program.

Hardiman, who was at the meeting, said to the Board that these residences should be included in the 1.5 percent land area total. Plasko, on the other hand, said that the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) indicated that these residences would not count because of a provision in the deeds of the houses that do not make them permanently subsidized. Furthermore, Plasko added that moving forward, Norwood could change how they service the program in order for future residences to count towards the 1.5 percent.

The Board voted to officially apply these residences to the DHCD to see if they would be considered.

"I'd like to thank you for your work," said Chairman of the Board Mike Lyons to Hardiman.

At the end of the meeting, Lyons announced his wish to have a mini-town meeting about the downtown area and its diminished economic vitality, saying that its been done in the past and that it could be the key to revitalizing the area.

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The proposed work includes cleaning and cement lining approximately two thousand seven hundred (2,700) feet of 6-inch cast iron water main and installing valves, hydrants, fittings and replacement pipe sections on Hawthorne Street, Lincoln Avenue and Vernon Street. Also included is the replacement of approximately nine hundred and fifty (950) feet of 6-inch cast iron water main and with 8-inch ductile iron water main on Davis Avenue. Additionally, water services are to be replaced on Davis Avenue.

The Contract Documents, including Specifications and Drawings, may be examined at the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062 (781-762-1240 x106 or 107) and at the office of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, LLC, 5 Burlington Woods, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803 on and after April 14, 2014, every weekday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., and copies thereof may be obtained at the Purchasing Department upon payment of \$50.00 (checks only) for each set, for which a refund will be made if returned to the Purchasing Department in good condition within thirty days after the opening of bids. No refund will be made for documents received after this period. If a bidder requests drawings and specifications to be mailed out to him, an additional check in the amount of \$15.00 made out to "Town of Norwood" shall be required. This is to cover the cost of mailing and handling and will not be refunded.

Each bid must be accompanied by bid security in the form of certified check, cashier's check, treasurer's check or bid bond in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the value of the bid.

Attention of bidders is called particularly to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum rates to be paid under the contract as determined by the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development under the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26-27H inclusive.

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The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

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OPINION

Just a few things...

Remember when we wrote in this space a couple of weeks ago that both sides involved in the school calendar issue “get” the other’s arguments? Well, we were WAY off! Since watching the School Committee meeting immediately after the referendum vote it is abundantly clear that Ms. Rau and Mr. Badger are clueless. I thought that when Mr. Badger said that if the wording of the calendar hurts even one child “then we have failed,” Ashton Kutcher was going to jump out from behind the curtain with his camera and tell us we have all been “Punk’d.” Is he kidding? If not, then Norwood Schools are obligated to throw away their history books since one African American child may get uncomfortable while learning

of this country’s history of slavery and perhaps one Japanese American kid will fidget a bit on any discussion of Pearl Harbor and of the refugee camps their ancestors may have been shamefully confined to.

Christmas appearing on a calendar is every bit a teachable opportunity as those described above, unless Mr. Badger feels that whole succession from Britain thing based on religious oppression becoming the bedrock of this country’s founding is much ado about nothing. To toss

out hundreds of years of historical significance and tradition when no one even broached the subject is really just a weak and baseless submission to political correctness.

And finally, Ms. Rau’s contention that the referendum vote wasn’t really a good representative sample of Norwood residents’ sentiment on the issue is laughable. That referendum vote was singularly responsible for drawing 300% more people to the polls than the most recent prior election, and what Ms. Rau fails to understand is that those supporting her cause had an equal chance to be heard (anonymously, which refutes the whole “afraid to speak out” argument) at the polls and chose not to. Why? Because either they don’t exist or didn’t care enough to bother. And by the way, it is interesting how Ms. Rau feels so strongly on the matter present day when back a couple years ago when Mr. Badger first raised

the issue she wouldn’t even support him on the motion. Talk about being an opportunist...

On Page 2 of this week’s issue is an article presenting Norwood’s newly hired Town Planner, Paul Halkiotis. We certainly wish him the best in his new position. That being written, we would be remiss without mentioning the gentleman he is replacing, Steve Costello. Steve recently retired from years of distinguished service to the Town of Norwood. This newspaper wanted to do an article on Steve, but he politely declined, indicative of his preference to toil behind the scenes without fanfare or accolades. Over the last couple of years working here he has had to deal with some significant health issues, and did so professionally, even nobly given what fate was bestowed on him. This Town owes a lot to Steve Costello, an excellent Town Planner and even better person. We wish him good health and

happiness in his future. He will be sorely missed at this address...

On the front page of this week’s newspaper is a story outlining problems the Conservation Commission has with the Upland Woods project, specifically water drainage and paperwork concerning a prior plan at the same location, and some out there may be cheering on their efforts, perhaps perceiving this as an opportunity to thwart the oncoming housing behemoth. That would most certainly be false hope. Upland Woods is going to happen, the ConCom’s concerns, though appropriate and in need of being fleshed out, may only delay the project long enough for Norwood to lose any benefit it currently enjoys with its safe haven status, which gives Norwood officials a bit more authority in approving or denying housing projects. Should the ConCom’s efforts delay groundbreaking on the project beyond September 4 of this year, Norwood loses its current protections and it is open season for other objectionable projects to be force fed on residents. It is crucial the ConCom work quickly to accomplish what they need to in order for this not to happen. Of course, there is always the chance that the ConCom, by not adhering to exacting standards, may jeopardize the quality of the lives of residents currently living in the Upland Woods affected neighborhoods, and that can’t happen. It is a bit of a sticky situation, but certainly not an opportunity to stop Upland Woods from happening...

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Potential marijuana zoning reviewed by planning board

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

With Norwood's moratorium on a medical marijuana dispensary almost over, town officials agree it's time to have a plan in place.

Planning Board member Ernie Paciorkowski, who represented the board on a marijuana subcommittee, detailed the plan. The marijuana subcommittee also included members of the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Health, and representatives from the Police Department.

Paciorkowski stated that the plan calls for two medical marijuana overlay districts in Norwood. One will be around Vanderbilt Avenue and one will be around the University Avenue area, near the Westwood town line.

"The police don't want to see them on Route 1," said Paciorkowski.

The zoning plan will have a public hearing at the next Planning Board meeting on April 28 and then will go to Town Meeting. According to Paciorkowski, the Planning Board wants to get the zoning settled before Norwood's moratorium is over, so that the town won't be subject to having a dispensary just anywhere in town. He also said that the zoning had to be large enough so that a potential dispensary would have options, and the state didn't want towns to zone out dispensaries.

"If you don't do this, the

town is wide-open," said Paciorkowski.

On January 31, the Massachusetts Department of Health (DOH) issued 20 Medical Marijuana Dispensary licenses. Neither of the two Norwood applications, The Anita W. Compassion Center, Inc. nor Middlesex Integrative Medicine, Inc., received licenses. The state did not issue all the licenses the law allows, which means that there could be more dispensaries to come.

"I think we still need to continue planning, it doesn't mean we won't get any in the future," said Superintendent of the Norwood Health Department Sigalle Reiss about Norwood not getting a dispensary. "It doesn't really change the trajectory in our planning. I think we still go ahead and look at our zoning."

The Board also elected new leadership, voting Paul Donohue as Chairman, and Alfred Porro as Vice Chairman. The leadership switch comes after the April 7 election in which Joseph Sheehan was re-elected to the Board. He ran unopposed.

The meeting ended with discussion of the Plimpton Press 40R project. Brian Hardiman, a newly appointed member of the Downtown Steering Committee, raised his concern about the issue.

"If a 40R is the town's application, is Norwood reapplying the project?" asked Hardiman.

He was trying to ascertain

whether the Planning Board or Norwood was bringing the project back up at the next Town Meeting.

Paciorkowski said that the developer of the Plimpton Press project has the right to come back to Town Meeting if they wish. He said that the Planning Board voted 4-1 on approving the Plimpton Press Overlay District (PPOD) that would allow the development to happen. If the zoning change passes, then the developer would have to come before the Planning Board for the building itself.

The article to approve the PPOD was on the Special Town Meeting warrant in February, but was indefinitely postponed.

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Students hold mock Town Meeting

Arguments and speeches about town issues were on full display at Town Meeting, but the voices were much younger. Students met at the Police Department earlier this month to hold a mock Town Meeting where they debated several fake warrants. Each student ran for a position of one of the town officials back in March. Some positions were appointed with the submission of an essay as the criteria; it

was open for grades nine through 12.

"If they're elected to be Airport manager they go out to the airport and the person with that position in town government talks to them about what they do everyday, how what they do impacts the town, everything that goes into running a town the size of Norwood," said Jennifer Orlinski, who chairs the Social Studies Department for grades six through 12.



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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
TOWN OF NORWOOD



Norfolk, ss.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norwood, qualified as the law requires to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Auditorium of the Norwood High School on Nichols Street in said town on Monday, May 12, 2014 at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon to meet and act at said time and place on the following articles.

In the event that all business is not completed on May 12th, said Meeting will be adjourned until 7:30 P.M. Norwood High School Auditorium on the following dates: Thursday, May 15; Monday, May 19; Thursday, May 22; Thursday, May 29; Monday, June 2; Thursday, June 5.

ARTICLE 1. To see what sum or sums of money the Town will vote to raise by taxation and/or transfer from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of appropriating such sum or sums for wage increases for all Town employees, including the School Department, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means as a Town Treasurer may use when acting as collector.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contract for the expenditure of funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of public ways under the provisions of Section 34, Chapter 90 of the Mass. General Laws, Ter. Ed., and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise, borrow, or transfer from available funds in the treasury and appropriate for the fiscal year beginning **July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015** for the following purposes, or take any other action in the matter. "All sums voted for salaries are to be expended in conformance with the official budget of the Finance Commission unless otherwise voted by the Town Meeting. All sums voted for New Equipment shall be expended for items listed in the budgets approved by the Finance Commission and voted by the Town Meeting."

- A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS
- B. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY (PUBLIC SAFETY DEPTS.)
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ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to meet overdrafts and unpaid bills incurred for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 and fiscal years prior, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to apply from free cash in the treasury in offset to the amount appropriated to be raised by taxation for the fiscal year beginning **July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015**, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Treasurer (from time to time) to enter into compensating balance agreements with banks in accordance with General Law, Chapter 740, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action in the matter. (On petition of Town Treasurer and Tax Collector)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning **July 1, 2014**, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of a Revolving Fund in Fiscal Year 2014 in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the purpose of funding programs administered by the Council on Aging, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum or sums of money the Town will vote to raise or transfer from taxation or from surplus revenue or other available funds, or borrow, and to appropriate for the costs of capital projects not otherwise provided for elsewhere on this Annual Town Meeting Warrant, including construction, reconstruction and major renovations and repairs to buildings, facilities, and other public works; the purchase of new equipment; and engineering, design and other costs incidental and related to such capital projects; and for other capital projects not otherwise specified;

And further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow said sums required for the aforesaid capital projects; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen or other appropriate authority to expend the aforesaid funds for the specified purposes; or take any other action in the matter.

Any individual with a disability who needs accommodations related to accessibility/communications or other aspects of participation in town meeting or other related programs should contact: John J. Carroll, General Manager, Town of Norwood, 566 Washington Street, Norwood, MA 02062 (781-762-1240) or David Hern, Jr., Town Meeting Moderator, Town of Norwood, 566 Washington Street, Norwood, MA 02062 (781-762-1240). The Town of Norwood does not discriminate on the basis of disability.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in ten public places in this town seven days at least before the time and day of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen on or before the day and time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Norwood this Eighth day of April, A.D. 2014.

William J. Plasko
Michael J. Lyons, Chairman
Helen Abdallah Donohue
Paul A. Bishop
Allan D. Howard
NORWOOD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Lenox Street, improving emergency response to South Norwood. The Board also stated the state would give Norwood incentive payments for the project and it would add units and acreage towards affordable housing minimums. The proposed development would be over 60 percent one-bedroom units, which the Board felt would not add many school-aged children to the town.

Massachusetts's law mandates all towns to have 1.5 percent of their developable land area or 10 percent of total housing stock dedicated to affordable or subsidized units. According to town officials, Norwood has not reached its state mandated affordable housing minimums and because the proposed Plimpton Press project is a 40R project, which includes affordable housing, it would get them closer.

Several neighbors from the Plimpton Avenue area, lead by newly elected Town Meeting Members Kevin Pentowski and Brian Hardiman, have been vocal opponents against the project. Pentowski ran for a BOS seat with opposition to 40Rs as his main platform. Hardiman even financed a \$10,000 private study contending that Norwood has reached the 1.5 percent. An increase in traffic, parking issues and an influx of school-aged children are among their chief concerns.

The STM will also see articles regarding Medical Marijuana by-laws and districting.

All Massachusetts cities and towns have had to create districts in which Medical Marijuana dispensaries can be zoned since the state voted to allow for the medicinal use of Marijuana in the 2012 election. Companies vied for li-

censes earlier this year, but the two groups who competed to set up in Norwood were not awarded licenses by the state. Norwood has a moratorium on dispensaries for now. The Planning Board worries, however, that if a Medical Marijuana Overlay District isn't established by the time the moratorium is over, the state could allow a potential licensee to build anywhere in town.

The School Committee has submitted several articles for STM, most developed in conjunction with the Budget Balancing Committee to help the School Department balance its Fiscal Year 2015 budget. The items, if approved, would allow money transfers in excess of \$250,000 to the school department's budget. One article, separate from the budget balancing measures, asks for an appropriation of \$37,500 for a legal settlement regarding Special Education.

Norwood will also be discussing snow and ice for perhaps the last time for a few months because of an article asking for an appropriation for excess snow removal expenditures. The article asks for \$125,000 for the Department of Public Works going over budget and 217,132 for the School Department.

Each town in Massachusetts is required to have one Town Meeting a year, but is allowed to have as many special meetings as deemed necessary. The Selectmen may issue a warrant for a STM or must call one if requested by 100 registered voters in writing.

Town Meeting is scheduled for May 12 at 7:35 p.m. at Norwood High School. It will continue on consecutive Mondays and Thursdays until it is finished. There will be over 20 articles for the upcoming STM.



From left to right: An Long, Jack Curran and Mike Whitehead in front of all the food donations from last year. COURTESY PHOTO

Food pantry and letter carriers team up

Joe DiFazio
Staff Reporter

Helping the hungry has never been easier; with the Letter Carriers' Food Drive, you won't even have to leave your house.

"This is the largest one-day food drive in the country," said Jack Curran, Vice-President of Local 742 of the National Association of Letter Carriers (AFL-CIO) and Food Drive Coordinator. "Last year, in Norwood and Westwood alone, letter carriers collected 16,730 pounds of food to help the hundreds of families who are struggling with hunger right here in our hometowns. That adds up to about eight and one third tons. And this year, we're hoping to do even better."

The drive will take place on Saturday, May 10. Norwood residents who wish to participate can

leave one or more bags of food by their mailbox on Saturday, marked for the Letter Carrier's Food Drive. The food will then be picked up as carriers go about their regular mail deliveries, taken to a central location for sorting, and then delivered to both the Norwood and Westwood pantries. This event will directly aid the Norwood Ecumenical Food Pantry.

"All types of non-perishable food from peanut butter and jelly to baked beans and brownie mix are welcome," said Bill Discepolo, Stock and Rotation Manager at the Norwood Food Pantry. "But right now, we particularly need canned fruit and tomatoes, fruit and vegetable juices, tuna and other canned meat, cereal, canned pasta and boxed meals like Tuna and Hamburger Helper. The only requirement is that all cans and boxes

must be new and in good condition. Anything outdated or opened has to be thrown away for health reasons."

Norwood is just one of over 10,000 cities and towns across America that will be taking part in the Letter Carrier's Food Drive, which began in 1992. Other postal employees, volunteers and sponsoring organizations, also help letter carriers in this event. Their efforts have resulted in the delivery of over 1.3 billion pounds of donated food to regional food banks and local food pantries since 1992. In 2013 alone, 74.4 million pounds of food were collected.

"We're proud to be part of

Food pantry
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Letter Carrier Jim Morris takes a break from sorting food for a slice of pizza. COURTESY PHOTO

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SECTION A
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Sealed bids will be received up to 11:00 A.M.(Verizon time), May 13, 2014, in the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following Public Project:

Bid Package "B", Interior Repairs to Main Stairwell and Memorial Hall Area – Norwood Town Hall

The complete bid package may be obtained in the Purchasing Department during regular business hours. The bid must be filled out and signed as directed herein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the Purchasing Department, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder, and marked, "Interior Repairs – General Building Area - CONTRACT #PBC-14-04". A pre-bid will be held on May 6, 2014, at 11:00 A.M. at the Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, Room 24, Norwood, MA 02062.

Bids will be valid only when accompanied by:

1. A certified check or bid bond, by a surety company licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts satisfactory to the awarding authority in favor of the Town of Norwood and equal to at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price must be submitted with the Bid.

The successful bidder shall, within ten (10) days of notification of award furnish the Town a performance bond and a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the first year award.

Bids shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with all statutes governing such contracts (MGL Chapter 30 and Chapter 149 as amended). Every General Bid shall be on forms furnished by the Town. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of General Bids, Saturdays, and Sundays excluded.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not properly equipped to undertake and complete the work. The right is reserved to waive any informality and to reject any or all bids or any part of any bid in accordance with the provisions of MGL as amended.

In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this project, General Bidders shall submit with their bid a current list of similar project experience and project references filled out in the enclosed Schedules C and H respectively.

The Town of Norwood notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that minority business enterprises 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 or national origin in consideration for an award. As part of his obligation of remedial action under the foregoing section, the Contractor and Subcontractors shall maintain not less than 5% ratio of minority employee work hours to total work hours in each job category specified in Section 44F of Chapter 149 MGL.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

Wages are subject to minimum wage rates under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D inclusive, as most recently amended.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to accept any part of a bid or the one deemed best for the Town. Questions can be addressed to Catherine Carney, Contract Administrator, Town of Norwood, at (781) 762-1240, Ext. 107.

BY: William Kinsman, Chairman, PBCC

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this powerful effort to help our neighbors in need," said Curran. "One in every six Americans is not sure where their next meal is coming from, including 17 million children and three million seniors over 65. Veterans and military families are often affected too. We see the need every day on our routes, and we feel this is a great way to lend a hand."

The Norwood Food Pantry, located at the rear entrance of Grace Episcopal Church, started in 1989 and will have its 25th anniversary in May. It is supported by several of Norwood and Westwood's churches and synagogue and is affiliated with the Greater Boston Food Bank. Since it began, the pantry has served over 2,500 families.

"The Letter Carriers' Drive is probably the single most important day for our pantry all year," said Norwood Food Pantry's Executive Director Ruth Taeger. "We depend on it to get through the lean summer months, when donations always dip because people are so busy or away on vacation, and into the fall. The people of Norwood ... have always responded to the

Letter Carriers' Drive with a huge outpouring of generosity. And we thank each and every one of you, carriers and donors alike, for caring and sharing."

Those looking to make a food donation to the pantry, outside of The Letter Carrier's Drive, may do so by dropping food items off at the pantry Thursday mornings

between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. or Saturday mornings between 7:30 and 11 a.m. In addition, drop-off boxes are located in various Norwood businesses and organizations including Hannaford's, Shaw's, Stop & Shop and Morrill Memorial Library.



Mei Rodenbush carrying food donations.

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was better. I've known [former Town Planner] Stephen Costello for a long time... it seemed like a great opportunity for me. I'm really excited to start work there in a couple weeks."

Halkiotis will have a few key challenges to face in his new role. As indicated by The

Board of Selectmen's race and lengthy Town Meeting discussions, Norwood has some weariness of Massachusetts' 40B law.

"40B has been around since the 70s and it has been controversial the whole time. Every town that I've worked in and in every community it's a controversial state regulation, and many communities really resent the fact that the state is trying to regulate local zoning," said Halkiotis. "Having said that, without 40B there wouldn't be nearly as many affordable units in this state."

Halkiotis said that the issue is an important one throughout the state. He also points to the failure of the 2010 referendum to repeal 40B as a sign that people understand that the law is necessary for the bigger picture. In Marshfield, Halkiotis said he worked with consultants to create affordable housing units through existing houses and placing a deed restriction on them so that they would stay affordable.

"The program has been fairly successful ... it may be something Norwood is interested in taking a look at," said Halkiotis.

Another issue that has caused some concern in Norwood is the large amount of business vacancies in the downtown area.

"I understand there has been some turnover and va-

cancies in the downtown [area]. It certainly isn't unusual for any downtown. Our whole country is struggling to come out of this recession and tough economic times," said Halkiotis. "Some businesses come and go ... that's something that we can try and work on, but it's not something the government can completely control."

Halkiotis believes Norwood's role is to foster development through making sure businesses have the proper groundwork.

"The town has its role in economic development and that's to try and provide the basic infrastructure for a downtown area, making sure there's enough parking ... making sure its regulations are current in regards to things like signs and that's what we can focus on," said Halkiotis.

Though there may be some tough challenges ahead, Halkiotis said he is excited for his new role, and thinks it will be a positive change for him. He also said his reception has already gone well.

"So far from what I've seen with my dealing in Town Hall ... they've been very welcoming and that's been a pleasant surprise, because it's not what I'm used to dealing with," Halkiotis said. "I'm looking forward to coming on board."

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Tuesday April 15

0841 phone - Susp person spoken to Location/address: Nichols St + Winter St Caller reports a subject walking on Nichols and appears ill. w/m black hooded top and jeans. Officer locates the subject and he reports no issues.
 1155 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Railroad Ave Party in lobby would like her brother out of the home, has drawn up a letter of disinvite. N661, n662 accompany her to home, brother is not there and appears he may already have moved out. Advised her to start the eviction process.
 1735 walk-in - Threats Location/address: Plymouth Dr Walk in party reports threats made to her by a known party.
 1935 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports she saw a Hispanic male wearing a black coat try to break into her car. Boloput out for male. Unable to locate.

ports car scratched.
 1143 phone - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Arnold Rd Resident thinks neighbor may have done something to affect his cable/phone service. N667 spoke to him, no damage done, neighbor not involved, advised to contact Comcast.
 1650 911 - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Lansdowne Way Caller reported missing child. Subject called back and reported child had returned. Officer verified.
 1955 phone - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St st Caller reported possible threats. Officer reported no direct threats made. Party has left for the evening.
 2042 phone - Susp person Location/address: Residence Inn by Marriot - Norwood Pk S Caller reported someone peeping in the window. See summons.

Wednesday April 16

0703 initiated - Animal complaint naco/waco notified Location/address: Washington St + Dean St t N678 reports the Washington St. Turkey is chasing children as they walk to school. Naco notified and responded. N665 Reports Naco unable to apprehend turkey at this time.
 0840 phone - Breaking and entering Location/address: Associates in Internal Medicine - Washington St Report safe missing since 4/14 1800 hrs.
 1057 walk-in - Vandalism Location/address: Washington St Party in lobby re-

Thursday April 17

0447 911 - Death at home Location/address: Washington St Caller reports her aunt is unresponsive on the floor. N678, nfd, n668 responded. N668 notified medical examiner and Cpac. Kraw-Kormack Funeral Home notified.
 1056 phone - Warrant of apprehension services rendered Location/address: Winfield St Units attempt to serve warrant. N668 reports subject not home. 1154 hrs- parents state he is home. Units report he fled 5-10 minutes before their arrival, area searched, he is not in the area.

Police Logs

Bolo to cars for w/m, brown hoodie, grey pants. Court advised at 1445 hrs father reports his son was in Dedham but unable to locate him.
 1114 phone - Assist other agency services rendered Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St E/r treatment room 1. Security, not on scene, reports patient with a knife. N661 reports patient used a pocket knife to cut his wrist-band off, he was not brandishing the knife.
 1130 phone - Susp person spoken to Location/address: Ridgewood Dr Report male subject, hood, brown jacket, digging a hole in the woods. N662 locates him 106 Access Rd., building has flooding problems, he was cleaning out retention basin.
 1344 phone - Motor vehicle stop arrest(s) made Location/address: Nahatan St + West Border Rd Det. Sgt Rinn requested a stop of MA 914vr8. As a result Off. Harkins and Copponi handle same. Two subjects transported to id. As a result one placed under arrest. K9 searched a vehicle here. Arrest: Gonzalez, Cesar Address: 204 Webster Ave Providence, RI Dob: 01/21/1969 Charges: warrant arrest License suspended, op mv with Disguise to obstruct justice Warrant arrest
 1642 phone - Mischief (kids) services rendered Location/address: Callahan School - Garfield Ave Two girls missing from school area on arrival of the grandmother. Officer arrives and girls are fine and on the property.
 1806 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Winslow Ave Caller reported loud music. Officer advised party.
 2022 phone - Motor vehicle accident services rendered Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports she struck something in the road. n667 sent. NFD notified. Owner of the dog came and retrieved it.

Friday April 18

0900 phone - Complaint of m/v services rendered Location/address: Sumner St Party in lobby reports erratic driver, illegal turn, 2 passing viols., red light viol. N667 checked home 161 Winslow Ave., car is not there.
 1044 phone - Larceny Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Patient reports cash missing.
 1159 phone - Warrant of apprehension arrest(s) made Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St N662 placed subject under arrest and transported directly to Dedham District Court. Arrest: Giampapa, Paul G Address: Homeless, MA Dob: 01/23/1965 Charges: warrant of apprehension
 1325 phone - Shoplifting Location/address: Shaws Supermarket - Nahatan St Two teens held by security.
 1358 phone - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Heaton Ave + Washing-

ton St Report w/m, bb cap, "Patriots" jacket, was vomiting in area, then sat up against the building, then left towards Washington St. N665 locates him at Washington/Dean St. at MBTA bus stop bench. N667 reports he ate something at a restaurant that made him feel sick, he is ok and awaiting the bus. Also see call#: 14-5007 1420 hrs.

1420 phone - Well being chk services rendered Location/address: Washington St + Dean St Also see call#: 14-5004 1358 hrs. A 2nd call reports the subject is still vomiting onto public way. N663 gave a courtesy transport to his home. DPW notified to clean area.
 1526 cellular - 209a violation complaint/summons Location/address: Petco - Bos-Prov Hwy Report violation of order by following the plaintiff while in his car. Also see call#: 14-5014 1712 hrs today. Arrest: Sales, Evann A Address: 27 Dean St Apt. #1 Norwood Dob: 10/17/1988 Charges: abuse prevention order, violate
 1545 phone - Report of fight spoken to Location/address: Howard St Report 3 males in the driveway in a fist fight. N661 reports spoke to all parties, deny fist fight, verbal argument over 1 of the subjects drinking habits.
 1653 phone - Threats Location/address: Nichols St Report threatening letter left in his mailbox.
 1712 walk-in - Well being chk services rendered Location/address: Pleasant St Party in lobby requests a check of his son because he believes there is drug dealing occurring at this home. 1) as a result of call#: 14-5009 1526 hrs today n667 placed party under arrest and walked him to booking. Follow up report under 14-247-ar. 2) n667 checked on son and he is ok and officer did not observe any drug activity.
 2104 cellular - Report of gas leak police & fire notified/r Location/address: 566 - Washington St Pedestrian reports odor of natural gas near town hall. Nfd notified national grid.
 2116 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Employee reports someone tried to get into their truck.
 2126 phone - Mischief (kids) area search negative Location/address: Plimpton Park - Lenox St Report kids on roof of red building, threw beer can at passing car and hit roof. Caller did not want to leave information or speak to police. Units checked area-no one around, no can debris in area.
 2153 initiated - Motor vehicle stop arrest(s) made Location/address: Kerry Pl + Dean St As a result of stopping MA pc 5kdt20, Center Auto, with n665 Escorting, tows to station. State K9 responded for search of car for drugs. N678 assisted in booking. Westwood pd officer assisted in booking due to language barrier. Arrest: Piriis, Christopher Lee Address: 6 Third Rd Apt. #27 Wobum Dob: 05/02/1986 Charges: stop for police, fail Speeding Identify self, mv operator refuse License revoked as hto, operate mv with Drug, possess class b

Saturday April 19

0157 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Bahama Dr Caller reports what he states is "drug activity" in a vehicle outside his apartment. He states there are two men in a small gray pick up. N664 and n665 responding. The two males parties were smoking a cigarette and one of the occupants lives in the complex.
 0608 911 - Assist citizen arrest(s) made Location/address: Winslow Ave Caller reports problem at resident and is requesting police Assistance. N667 and n662 responding. N667 returning with one in custody for assault with dangerous weapon. See report. N662 courtesy transport to the station for one female party. 1.1 miles traveled, time elapsed 0650-0652 Hrs. Arrest: Jean-Baptiste, Rudy Stevenso Address: 131 Winslow Ave Apt. #2 Norwood Dob: 10/31/1989 Charges: a&b with dangerous weapon
 0737 radio - Susp activity Location/address: Winslow Ave N667, n662, and n668 at residence for a consented search.
 1156 phone - Threats Location/address: Sweet's Spot Kustoms - Washington St Caller reports threats by phone.
 1501 phone - Harassment Location/address: Lansdowne Way Walk in party reports her husband is posting pictures of her on the Internet.
 1512 phone - Breaking and entering arrest(s) made Location/address: Jefferson Dr Caller reports male broke into her home. Multiple units sent. One male placed under arrest. Arrest: Carr, William Brian Address: 131 Roosevelt Ave Norwood Dob: 04/08/1960 Charges: b&e for misdemeanor Protective custody Destruction of property -\$250, malicious
 2201 phone - Kids gathering services rendered Location/address: Lenox Ave + Shaw St Caller reported suspicious group of kids. Officers reported group just playing a game.

Sunday April 20

0146 911 - Vandalism gone on arrival Location/address: Bos-Prov Hwy + Everett St Caller reported erratic operation of an ideal glass truck, verbal argument with operator. Officer checked area, nothing found. Caller returned to the station to report incident.
 0206 initiated - Susp vehicle arrest(s) made Location/address: Plymouth Dr Arrest: Dunnington, Kendra L Address: 20 Island Brook Rd Wareham, ma Dob: 05/30/1987 Charges: warrant arrest
 0304 phone - Disturbance Location/address: Cambridge Rd Caller reported argument.
 1447 phone - Citizens complaint gone on arrival Location/address: Willett School - Westover Pkwy Report subject riding an atv on property. N669 remained in area awhile-nothing seen or heard.
 1852 phone - Loud party spoken to Vicinity of: Pleasant St Caller reports a loud party, possibly in the empty buildings on Morse St.
 2315 911 - Susp activity gone on arrival Location/address: Driftwood Cir Caller reports someone ringing their doorbell and running away.

Monday April 21

1016 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Nahatan St + Winfield St On double yellow line. N665 properly disposed of same.
 1121 phone - Well being chk arrest(s) made Location/address: Westwood Automotive - Pleasant St Passing motorist stopped and asked a male subject sitting in the rear parking lot of garage if he was ok and subject did not answer him. N679 locates subject and places him under arrest. N669 transports to station. Arrest: Ferrantino, Travis A Address: 44 Mechanic St Apt. #2 Foxborough Dob: 07/17/1991 Charges: drug, possess class b Warrant arrest Warrant arrest
 1417 phone - Suicide / or threat Location/address: Norwood Comprehensive Pain Management - Walpole St Report patient making suicidal statements. Nfd transported for voluntary evaluation.

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Sports

Boys lax wins big against Natick 11-5 through team play



The Norwood boys lacrosse offense maneuvers through a tough Natick defense last week. The Mustangs look to maintain their record as they head into the second half of the season.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

Gillian Smith
Staff Reporter

The boys lacrosse team beat Natick last week 11-5 in a much needed, morale-boosting win.

The Mustangs pushed their way through the game against Natick, putting five goals on the board by the second quarter and maintaining a steady stream of aggressive attacks against Natick.

After a Natick goal at 10:27 to bring the score up to 5-2, Norwood became more aggressive, fighting against a tough Natick defense. Norwood was unable to keep Natick out of the goal as they scored again a few minutes later, tightening Norwood's lead to 5-3.

Displeased with the way the game was going, the Mustangs upped their defense. While Natick spent most of the second quarter by the Norwood goal, the Mustangs defense stopped several shots and brought the ball down into Natick territory, finally scoring again with less than four minutes in the half to secure a 6-3 lead at halftime.

The game continued much the same throughout the third quarter, until the Mustangs found their stride and started rattling Natick, scoring five more points throughout the last two quarters

to secure a solid 11-5 win.

Coach Anthony Roman said he was pleased with the game against Natick. "We really needed that win," he said. "We played well in this game."

Roman said the Mustangs have had to fight tooth and nail for each win this season. "We are playing alright this season," he said. "We've only been blown out by Braintree, which isn't too bad."

Roman said he has been impressed with how Danny Farrell has played so far this season. As a solid and consistent player, Roman said Farrell has been crucial to the success of the Mustangs so far. Also playing well this season are senior Stephen Gross, senior goalie Karl Baer and sophomore defenseman Zac Pungitore. Roman said those four hard-hitting players have worked hard to keep the team above water in many of the games.

Roman said he was most surprised by junior attacker Eric Sullivan, who was brought from midfield this year.

"He has been the biggest surprise of the year," Roman said. "We brought him up and he's had some good plays and good goals."

The Mustangs' season has been tumultuous this year, as they

suffered their first Bay State Conference loss to Braintree just two days before the game against Natick. Braintree dominated the game from the outset, said coach Anthony Roman, and the Mustangs were simply unable to keep up.

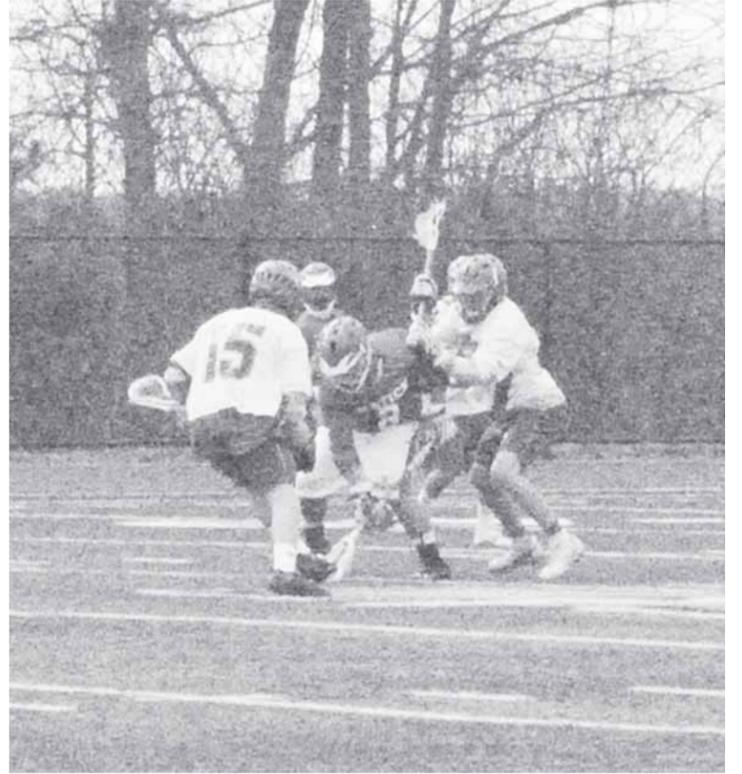
As Braintree soared to a 9-4 lead at halftime, Sullivan and Farrell attempted to stop their fast-paced play, with Sullivan scoring twice and Farrell getting four assists.

The Mustangs look forward to playing Foxboro and Cohasset this week. Both teams will be tough to compete with, Roman said.

"It's never going to be easy for us," he said. "It's not going to be a breeze."

With many members of the team still feeling out varsity lacrosse and many large competitors coming up in the season, Roman said there are several things the team needs to work on. At the top of the list is working together. Roman said if the boys can continue working together on plays and communication, everything will start to fall into place.

"We have to work on staying together and staying aggressive. If we keep playing hard, we will do well."



The Mustangs held a small lead over Natick in the first half of the game, but found their stride in the second, hitting several key shots.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

Boys track falls, 84-52, to Natick

Gillian Smith
Staff Reporter

The boys track team lost a tough meet against Natick last week, scoring 52 points to Natick's 84.

Aaron Cockrane took first place with a time of 11.6 seconds in the 100-meter dash. Norwood's Sam Masse took second, with a time of 12 seconds and Natick's Scott Warnock followed up in third with a time of 12.3 seconds.

The Mustangs only had one contender at the top of the 200-meter dash, as Miguel Solis finished in second place with a time of 24.5 seconds. Natick's Brandon Thornhill and Rory McMahon took first and third with times of 23.5 and 25.6, respectively.

Mustang Clifton Clark pushed past his teammates in the 400 meter dash to secure a third place finish with a time of 54 seconds, falling short to Natick's Lucas Holt and Caleb Winn, who finished with times of 52.3 and 52.9 seconds, respectively. Norwood runners Chris Bell, Mark Ranalli, Andrew Cronin, Liam Ridge and Dylan Cimeno also ran the 400-meter dash, but did not place.

The 800 meter dash proved to be difficult for the Mustangs,

as Natick swept Norwood, with Eric Wester, Ian Carrick and Jack O'Connor taking first, second and third in the event. Norwood's Chris Way made an attempt to catch up to Natick, but finished four seconds behind O'Connor.

Tim Buckley made a bid for first place in the one-mile, but Natick's Mike Maichen out-ran him, taking first with a time of 4:41.6. Buckley finished in second, with a time of 4:42.1. Natick's Graham King rounded out the top three in the mile, with a time of 4:43.7.

The Mustangs continued to push ahead and aimed for a win with the two-mile event, with Mustang John Maloney finishing in third place with a time of 11:04.8. Hurdles proved difficult for the Mustangs, as T.G. Ugochukwu lost to Thornhill in the 110-meter event with a time of 16.1 seconds. Norwood's Nathaniel Espinal found himself in third place in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 6.9 seconds, falling short to Natick's Pat Toomey and Jeff Daneault.

The relays were split for the Mustangs, as Natick took the 4x100 with their team finishing in 47.4 seconds and Norwood

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took the 4x400 relay, with runners Mark Ranalli, Bell, Clark and Buckley finishing with a time of 3:42.7. The shot-put event was slightly more successful for the Mustangs, as Carlos Cardona (35' 9") and Joe Munro (35' 5") took second and third place, respectively. The discus was also a successful event for Norwood, as Cardona (96' 2") and Jared Getgano (73' 3") took first and second place. Mustang Brian Curley took third place in the javelin event, with a distance of 102' 3."

The high jump was a battle for Norwood, as Ugochukwi took second in the high jump with a height of 5' 8," Bell took second in the long jump with a distance of 18' .5" and Ugochukwi took first in the triple jump with a distance of 40' 6.5."

The loss was a let down for the boys, who were coming off a big win against Dedham the week before. The win was much appreciated by the Mustangs, as it was their first one of the season after two serious losses in the beginning of the season. As the boys set their sights on another win, they face Wellesley on April 30 and Walpole on May 7.



Nathaniel Espinal placed third for the Mustangs in the 400-meter hurdles.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

Boys volleyball look to turn season around



The boys volleyball team will go back to the basics and focus on improving its record in the second half of the season.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

Gillian Smith
Staff Reporter

The Norwood boys volleyball team suffered a tough loss last week as Needham swept Norwood 3-0.

After a solid start to the sea-

son with three straight wins, the Mustangs have suffered a serious winning drought, dropping the last six games. Much of the recent lack of success is due to

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Boys tennis look forward to improving their skills



Norwood's Nathan Jones has stepped up into his leadership position both on and off the court, setting a winning example for his teammates.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

Gillian Smith
Staff Reporter

School vacation week will give the boys tennis team much-needed time to work on overall improvement after a tough loss to Braintree last week.

Norwood's strongest player, Nathan Jones, faced a tough opponent in Braintree's senior Farris Muntasser. Muntasser, who has been Braintree's best player since his freshman year, showed up to the match last week with confidence, but Jones was not intimidated, winning the first set.

"I have never had a player take a set off of Farris," said coach John Churchill. "Nathan earning the first set was a huge accomplishment for him and a credit to the progress that he has made with his game."

Last year, Norwood's number one player, Walter Aspinwall, made it to a tiebreak against Muntasser, who was voted one of the Bay State Conference league All-Stars in 2013 for boys' singles. Against Muntasser, Jones dictated the first set and responded

well to Farris' strong play. Jones won the first set 6-4, lost 3-6 in the second set, and held a 3-2 lead in the third set before falling to Farris 4-6.

"Nathan had a great full-out effort, and it played out with him being right there at the end of the match," Churchill said. "Despite the loss, this was Nathan's best match thus far because he really showcased (out of necessity) the range and depth of his game."

Sophomore John McCarey, second singles player, lost to Braintree senior Rich Baker, 0-6 in both sets. Third singles player freshman Rom Goli lost to Braintree's Matt Proulx, senior, 1-6 in both sets. First doubles junior Ryan Kelly and Mike Maffeo lost 0-6 and 1-6 to Braintree juniors Rohen Affarwal and Ahioa Watanabe. Second doubles players Luke Andrews, sophomore, and Yash Aryaputra, freshman, lost 1-6 and 3-6 to Braintree senior Troy Oriola and junior Rami Esrawi.

"There were a lot of good battles that did not show up on the score, but I think we are in the process of mov-

ing forward and developing as a team," Churchill said. "Our doubles game is really weak right now. We need to work on serves, volleys, ball placement and communications. The guys playing doubles right now are just learning the game for the first time."

As the season progresses, Churchill said Jones has accepted the role as team captain and has put

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The Mustangs will work on improving their doubles play in the second half of the season.

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not having a full roster for every game. While most of the games have seen an almost-full roster, coach Lauren Coville said not having the entire team playing together is detrimental.

“Not having the consistency of having all the players together has caused some bumps for us,” Coville said.

Now that the team is looking forward to the second half of the season, Coville said the Mustangs will go “back to basics” and work on several key things that have been preventing them from having successful meets. The Mustangs will start focusing on receiving and returning serves, passing and overall team confidence.

The big thing for the Mustangs to focus on for the second half of the season is communication, Coville said.

“When we show up and communicate, we play well,” she said. “When we don’t communicate everything breaks down.”

Coville said the challenge

for the Mustangs is to focus less on what opponent they are facing and more on working with each as one unit. With so many players out of the rotation recently, Coville said the Mustangs need to work on being more comfortable working together from any position. Communication is key.

“We are going back to the importance of communicating on and off the court, figuring out how to work with everyone no matter what spot they are in and stepping up for the second half,” she said.

Stepping up to the plate and taking the lead both on and off the court this year is captain Ian Quintano. Last year, Quintano played consistently, but was not at the forefront of the team, Coville said. This year, the Mustangs rely on him to serve strong and act as an overall leader.

“His overall energy and enthusiasm carries the team,” Coville said. “When he comes off the court you can feel the

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energy dwindle, so we are going to work on that as well.”

Coville said the Mustangs are still keeping their sights on being eligible for tournament play this season, despite the 3-6 record they currently boast. By working on the fundamentals of the game, she said she is optimistic they will make a good tournament bid.

“The guys are still motivated and have been trained to keep their eyes on the tournament,” Coville said. “There is definitely still a possibility for them to make it, so we are hoping to turn things around in the second half of the season.”

The Mustangs look forward to playing Newton North and Framingham in the second half of the season, teams Coville said the Mustangs should be able to hold their own against. “Those are the games that could truly go either way,” Coville said. “If we play our own game, those could be good competitions. They are certainly big games for us that we are hoping could help us get into the postseason.”



When the Mustangs communicate on the court, they work well together, setting and passing successfully.

PHOTO BY GILLIAN SMITH

SENIOR NEWS

ALTERATIONS AND MENDING: Bring your alterations to the Senior Center on the first Monday of each month between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Please attach your name and telephone number to each garment.

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 3:00 p.m. \$5.00 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1.00 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 2nd Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library. The Tuesday group has room for new players if you’d like to join them.

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets each Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in the library/computer room. Computer users at all levels are invited to attend.

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

DIABETES WORKSHOP: Will be held on Thursday, April 24.

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 1st Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. The Club Membership meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Norwood Elks Lodge, at 10:00 a.m.

OIL PAINTING: Oil Painting class is offered Thursday, April 24 at 9:30 a.m.

SCRABBLE: Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Come and join us for a game.

SHINE: Our SHINE Counselor, Carol, is here to help you with your medical insurance needs on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointment.

SQUARE DANCE: Please join our Square Dance Class every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

TRIAD: Please join us on Monday, April 28. Our speaker will be from The Social Security Office.

WAXING: Next waxing session will be held on Monday, May 26. Please sign up at the front desk.

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

WHIST PARTY: Whist parties will be held on the 4th Friday of each month 1 to 3 p.m.

TRIPS:

May 20: North Shore Acappella, Luciano’s Lake Pearl, drive on your own, Lunch, Show \$55.00 per person. Arrival Time 11:30 a.m.

June 12: The Temptations, Venus De Milo, Swansea, Transportation, Lunch, Show \$74.00 per person. Arrival Time 11:30 a.m.

Mini-Bus Trips

Tuesday, April 29: No Trip Scheduled.

APRIL EVENTS

TRIAD Meeting, Monday, April 28, 1:00 p.m. Kristen Alberino, Public Affairs Specialist at 1:00 p.m. Ron Goldman, Entertainer, Friday, April 25 at 1:30, cost \$5.00, Saxophone, Trombone, Piano.

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in a lot of effort to support his teammates.

“This is a team sport and Nathan has really embraced his role as team captain and has supported the rest of the team,” he said.

Jones has had several wins this season, including two consecutive W’s against Milton and Dedham. In the meet against Milton, Jones’ first singles win gave the

Mustangs their only point in a 4-1 loss. Against Dedham, Jones defeated Brendan Flis in two sets, but the Mustangs only managed to get seven total points in that meet.

“Nathan has been making wise decisions on the court, and he has stuck to his game plan,” Churchill said. “Nathan has won against Brendan before,

but I think Nathan did so with noticeably more maturity this time than he had previously.”

The team looks forward to the April break and will focus on multiple areas of improvement. After the break, the Mustangs will face Natick and Weymouth to close out the month of April.

SCHOLARSHIPS BEING OFFERED

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BLUE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Norwood Rotary Club is offering a \$1000 Post-Secondary scholarship to a Blue Hills Regional School graduating Senior who resides in Norwood. The scholarship is given in memory of Roy Smith, Past President of the Norwood Rotary Club and founder of the scholarship program for residents of Norwood to obtain a post secondary, vocational education. The scholarship is based on such factors as academic accomplishments, financial need, community involvement, extracurricular school activities, and work experience. The applicant receiving the award will be notified in May. The award will be given when the student submits

grades showing successful competition of the first semester. Applications must be returned on or before May 7, 2014 to the Norwood Rotary Club, P.O. Box 763, Norwood MA, 02062. The application may be downloaded from the Norwood Rotary Web site norwoodrotary.org or picked up at Blue Hills Regional School Office or Norwood Memorial Library.

BALCH SCHOOL PTO GRADUATE AWARD

The Balch School is currently accepting applications for the Balch school PTO Graduate Award. This award is presented to two deserving graduates of the Balch Elementary School. Application forms are available at the Norwood high school guidance department and at the Balch School office. The application deadline is May 8. Please call

the school office at 781-762-0694 with any questions.

PRESCOTT SCHOOL GRADUATE AWARD

The C. J. Prescott School PTO will present two special achievement awards in June at the fifth grade musical. The awards will be given to an outstanding girl and boy who attended the Prescott School in fifth grade, are presently residing in Norwood, and are graduating from high school in June 2014. The awards will consist of a \$500 check, a certificate to each winner, and their names to be inscribed on plaques, which will hang permanently in the Prescott School. Application forms are available at the Prescott School and at the Norwood High School guidance office. Applications must be returned to the Prescott School by Friday, May 2.

“INGREDIENTS: THE LOCAL FOOD MOVEMENT TAKES ROOT” FILM AT THE LIBRARY

Together Yes wraps up its spring film series on Wednesday, May 21 at 7 p.m. at the Morrill Memorial Library with a screening and discussion of “Ingredients: the Local Food Movement Takes Root.” Rich and inspiring, this award-winning documentary unearths the roots of the local food movement and digs into the stories of the chefs, farmers, and activists transforming our broken food system. Through interviews with world-class chefs and sustainability-minded farmers, this beautifully photographed film introduces the viewer to the verdant farms and pioneering restaurants where good food is produced and served. Please sign up for this evening of film and discussion at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext. 110 or 222.

JOB INTERVIEW WORKSHOP AT THE LIBRARY

Want to nail your next interview? Come to a fun, free workshop at the Morrill Memorial Library on Monday, May 19 at 7 p.m. with career counselor Debbie Lipton to learn specific ways to sharpen your interviewing skills. By the end of the evening you will have the tools necessary to demonstrate why you are the person a potential employer should hire! Debbie Lipton is Principal of Lipton Career Management. She works as a career

counselor, job search coach, and certified professional resume writer (CPRW) in the Norwood area and has been successfully assisting job seekers for more than 20 years. Debbie has extensive experience working with mid-career professionals who have been downsized or who want to transition to a new career. She has also worked with individuals who are recently entering or re-entering the job market. Debbie graduated from Northeastern University with a Master of Science in Human Resources Counseling and earned her B.A. degree in Psychology and English at Brandeis University. Sign up for this valuable, interactive workshop at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext. 110 or 222.

LIBRARY OFFERS INDIVIDUAL GENEALOGY HELP

Local genealogy expert Joe Petrie will return to the Morrill Memorial Library on select Wednesdays in May to give a personalized, two-hour help session to patrons interested in researching their family tree online in greater depth. Joe will be conducting these individual hands-on sessions in the second floor Simoni

Room of the library on the following dates: May 14, 1-3 p.m.; May 21, 10-12 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.; and May 28, 10-12 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. To register for one of these help sessions with Joe, stop by the library Reference Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext. 110. The slots will be filled on a first-come, first served basis.

CELLIST DARIA JANSSEN TO PERFORM AT THE LIBRARY

The Morrill Memorial Library’s spring Musical Sundays series concludes with a stunning performance on May 18 at 3 p.m. by young Daria Janssen, cello soloist, chamber musician, piano accompanist, and teacher. Daria began her cello and piano studies at age seven in Ukraine. She has since won numerous international musical competitions and currently holds degrees from the Longy School of Music, Emerson College, and Boston University. Her extensive repertoire includes works from Dvorak, Haydn, Shostakovich, and Saint-Saens. Sign up for this free concert, made possible through the library Endowment Fund, at the Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext.

110 or 222. The library is handicapped accessible.

JUMPIN’ JUBA CONCERT AT THE LIBRARY

The popular Musical Sundays concert series at the Morrill Memorial Library continues with the band Jumpin’ Juba on Sunday, April 27 at 3 p.m. Jumpin’ Juba will entertain the audience with an assortment of New Orleans swamp-rock, classic boogie-woogie, folk, R&B, Memphis rock ‘n roll, old-time jazz, and a playful use of everything from calypso to country. Sign up for this enjoyable afternoon of eclectic, energizing music at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext. 110 or 222. These concerts are made possible through the Library Endowment Fund. Poetry Open Mic Night at the library. The Morrill Memorial Library’s Outreach Dept. will host its third Poetry Open Mic Night on Monday, April 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. to celebrate National Poetry Month. Each participant may read or recite up to two pages of poetry at the microphone. The poem(s) may be the individual’s own work or that of a favorite poet. The recommended age group is fifth grade through adult, but voices of all ages are welcome. Please sign up for this entertaining evening at the Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, ext. 110 or 222. The library is handicapped accessible.

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DEATHS

DRINKWATER

Alice F. (MacAleese), 87, of Norwood, on April 18. Beloved wife of the late Clifford "Kippy" Drinkwater. Devoted mother of Jack C. Drinkwater of Hull, Nancy McGonagle of Bridgewater and Diane Zimmerman of TX. Also survived by three grandchildren Lisa Olsen, James McGonagle and David Drinkwater and two great grandchildren Timothy Olsen and Daniel Santangelo. Former mother-in-law of Janis Drinkwater of Bridgewater. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

GATELY

Francis C., 81, of Norwood, on April 15. Beloved husband of the late Eleanor T. (Muller) Gately. Devoted father of Linda M. Gately of Norwood, Deborah A. Tait and husband Ian of Brownfield, ME, Karl F. Gately and his wife Teresa of Weymouth, and Francis X. Gately of Mansfield, also survived by five grandchildren, Andrew, Nicole, Megan, Matthew, and Danielle and many nieces and nephews. Brother of the late James Gately and

Madeline Sparks. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment private. In lieu of flowers donations in his name to Franciscan Hospital for Children, 30 Warren St., Brighton, MA 02135.

GROVE

Denise Biagini, 65, of Norwood, on April 17. Beloved wife of John M. Grove of Norwood. Loving mother of Amy Nicholson and her husband Todd of Franklin, and Christopher Grove and his wife Annika of Brooklyn, NY. Cherished Grammy of Emma Caroline Nicholson, Andrew Todd Nicholson, and Flynn Christopher Grove. Devoted sister and best friend of Lynne Fitzpatrick of Warren, MI. Funeral arrangements by the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, Walpole. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross, PO Box 4002018, Des Moines, IA 50340-2018.

JDEY

Georges N., 77, of Norwood, on April 17. Be-

loved son of Naim and Margueritte (Trad) Jdey. He was the beloved husband of Mariam (Audi) Jdey of Norwood, the loving father of Margo and her husband, George Boufaissal of Norwood, Jack Jdey and his wife, Nicole of Walpole, Jocelyn and her husband, Juan Samulonis of Norwood, Sue and her husband, John Santos of Norwood, the dear brother of Salim Jdey and his wife, Angelique of Lebanon, and Samira and her husband, Sami Saad of Milford, the cherished grandfather of Rabeeh, Rema, George, James, Jasmine, Joseph, Jisele, Mya, and John and the dear uncle of several nieces and nephews. Georges was an electrical engineer and worked for many years for Middle East Airlines. Burial will follow in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Georges' memory to the Georges N. Jdey memorial fund, c/o Jack Jdey, 628 Main Street, Walpole, MA 02081 or at giveforward.com (search for 'Jdey Memorial Fund'). Arrangements are under the direction Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

Spring Events

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ter. The event was one of a slate the Recreation Department planned for Easter this year. The other events were a flashlight egg hunt at the Balch Softball Field for elementary school children, a bunny run hosted by the Charles River Running Club and an Easter egg hunt for small children at the Willet School.

The tradition of painting eggs actually goes farther back than you think. According to the Pennsylvania Ethnic Heritage Studies Center at the University of Pittsburgh, decorating eggs is an ancient tradition that dates as far back as 60,000 years ago to Africa. The tradition of dying eggs for Easter originated with early Christians in Mesopotamia.

While not quite as old a tradition, the Recreation Department will also be hosting the 25th annual South Norwood Fishing Derby and Rubber Ducky Race on Saturday, April 26 at 3:00 p.m. Hawes Pond will be filled with over 300 fish for children ages 15 and under to compete in catching fish. Prizes donated from various local businesses, including Norwood Bank, are awarded for largest fish and first fish caught. The South Norwood Committee provides hot dogs and soda and helps host and run the event.

Selectman and South Norwood Committee member Helen Abdallah-Donohue calls the event one of the best days of the year. Miller agrees with her.

"I [always] look forward to it," said Miller.

For smaller children, the event incorporates a rubber ducky race at 4:30 pm. Duckyies are available at the event for five dollars.

Earlier that day, the "Touch a Truck" activity will be happening at the Municipal Parking Lot across from the Civic Center. This event allows children of all ages to get close to vehicles utilized by the Airport, Police Department, Fire Department and Department of Public Works. The event begins at 9:30 a.m. and will run to 12:30 p.m.

The Norwood Little League Opening Day and Parade has also been moved to that Saturday due to adverse conditions at Kelley and Wall fields. With all the events happening, it will be a very busy day in Norwood.

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