



Ellen Schmidt and Jake Kensinger perform at the Fireside Coffeehouse held at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church on Sunday, Jan. 22.

PHOTO BY VINAYA SAKSENA

Beautiful noises coming from church

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

A small room in a church on Berwick Street was filled with the sound of live music and the people who came to enjoy it on Sunday, but it wasn't worship music being performed.

Every other month for the past year or so, the Emmanuel Lutheran Church has been the site of a live music event that has drawn performers and audience members from all over the Boston area, and in some cases farther a field. And while it was started by a member of the church, the Fireside Coffeehouse is far from being limited to religious or spiritual fair, musically.

The event is hosted by Christiana Gerstner, a former Norwood resident who remained involved in the church after moving to Needham. Gerstner, a singer-songwriter herself, performs at the start of these events with a different musical partner each time, while offering the rest of the

event as a forum for other local talent.

The idea for the Fireside Coffeehouse came after Gerstner helped organize a similar event at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church to benefit Small Can Be Big, an organization that attempts to prevent homelessness in Massachusetts. Gerstner also held the release party for her debut album, "My Own Little Heaven," at the Church, and the aforementioned benefit show led her and others to think, "we should do this more often," Gerstner said.

The Fireside Coffeehouse caters specifically to duos and trios. Gerstner said although there are plenty of open mic events in the Boston area, many of them predominantly feature solo performers.

"It's the only open mic in the area that caters to duos and trios," Gerstner said. "We thought it would be nice to be different. And there are so many duos and trios out there."

At the Fireside Coffeehouse, most acts are allowed

to perform two songs. The only exception is for each event's featured act, which is allowed to perform a half-hour set.

A \$5.00 donation is the price for entry to the Fireside Coffeehouse, where coffee and refreshments are also provided. Gerstner said the money generated goes to the church's music fund, which is mostly used to purchase sound equipment, like the small P.A. system that is provided for performers at the Coffeehouse.

The Fireside Coffeehouse is run entirely by volunteers, and so its website notes that new volunteers are always welcome. The site asks those interested in performing to send an email to firesidecoffeehouse@gmail.com, noting that the event roster fills up quickly.

The Fireside Coffeehouse takes place every other Sunday at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, located at 24 Berwick St. More information can be found online at <https://sites.google.com/site/firesidecoffeehouse>.

Norwood Theater receives historic sign approval

Gil Haylon
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board unanimously approved three proposed plans on Monday evening, including a proposal for the restoration of a roof sign above the Norwood Theater.

In an effort to restore and renovate the Norwood Theater to its 1927 roots, the theater needed approval to construct a 4 foot by 36 foot light-up sign above the theater. As Norwood does not allow roof signs, Costas Apostolopoulos of Tribeca Builders came before the planning board for approval.

"We'd like to make the building just as it was in 1927 when it opened," said Apostolopoulos.

Apostolopoulos assured the board that a structural engineer has been involved throughout the planning process, and brought along Stuart Pitchel of SRP Signs to offer details to the board.

Pitchell detailed the use of LED lights in the sign and noted the design details from the 1927 theater that will be included in the renovated theater.

"I think this proposal looks great the way it is," said Joseph Sheehan of the Planning Board.

Judith Howard of the Norwood Historical Commission attended the public hearing as well, complimenting Apostolopoulos on his work and supporting the efforts of Susan Lewis of the Norwood Theater.

Dover resident Susan Lewis bought the theater for \$925,000 in 2010, vowing to open the theater under the name it was given in 1927 when it was built as the Norwood Theater.

"I want to publicly thank Ms. Lewis for preserving and renovating this building," said Howard. "I also want to compliment [Mr. Apostolopoulos] and the contractor for doing such a beautiful job. It makes the Historical Commission very

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Norwood soldier killed in line of duty

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

Flags have been flying at half-mast in town, in memory of a well-liked former resident who died last week while serving in Afghanistan.

U.S. Army Spc. Keith D. Benson died in Paktika Province, Afghanistan on Jan. 18 while serving as a combat medic in Operation Enduring Freedom. He had been assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, 172nd Infantry Brigade, stationed in Grafenwoehr, Germany.

A statement from the Department of Defense said the cause of Benson's death was under investigation. He was a 2002 graduate of Norwood High School.

Norwood High School Prin-

cipal George Usevich described Benson as a "solid student" and a "real gentleman." He noted that Benson had shown a strong musical inclination during his high school years, and was a member of the school's Concert Chorale.

"He was a true son of this school on the hill," Usevich said. "Condolences to his family. He will be deeply missed."

Veterans Agent Ted Mulvehill declined to comment on Benson's passing, noting that his family had requested privacy.

According to his obituary from the Gillooly Funeral Home, Benson was the son of David Benson of Mansfield and Kathleen (Short) Benson of Norwood; brother of Kyle

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Larisa Stein D.M.D.

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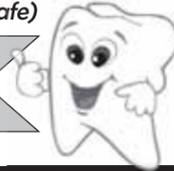
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NEWT'S VOWS OF CONVENIENCE

By last Friday, the day before South Carolina, voters were expected to give Mitt Romney win number two, and word spread about the flap in Iowa. The final cow had been counted. Rick Santorum was officially declared the winner.

Romney won the Granite State. Santorum took the Hawkeye State. South Carolinians, fiercely committed to saying, "No, thank you" to anyone who attempts to tell them how to think, let alone vote, had the chance to break a tie in the Palmetto State.

Giving the victory to someone other than Romney or Santorum would definitely set the Republican race ablaze. In a surprise to nobody, voters there provided the fire.

They solidly backed Newt Gingrich, a RINO (Republican In Name Only) if there ever was one. Gingrich was rocketed to victory by a televised launching pad called the previous Thursday evening's debate.

It opened with what was alleged by Newt to be a grenade thrown by the moderator, CNN's John King. When King asked Gingrich about his marital infidelities, the latest version of which was updated by Gingrich wife number two, Gingrich grabbed the salvo and tossed it back at King, with an admonishment about elites in the media.

I have news for Newt. He may have set off an explosion in the auditorium and throughout South Carolina, but his charge will be a dud nationally.



Frank Reflections/ Frank Sullivan

John King, a Dorchester native, is about as fair-minded as they come.

He ranks right up there with Boston's own Dan Rea, host of Nightside with Dan Rea, on WBZ AM 1030, in terms of intelligence and balanced perspective.

In an interview that aired last Thursday on ABC's Nightline, Marianne Gingrich, wife two, told of how she finally confronted Newt about his roaming gavel. The former speaker didn't necessarily tell Marianne that she was out of order.

Instead, he allegedly put some interesting spin on his marriage entitlement program. He told Marianne he wanted to have an "open" marriage. When Marianne rose to object to his set-asides, Newt declared a prolonged recess from his marriage vows.

Eventually, the second marital term ended. Newt went on to marry wife number three, Calista Bisek, whom Gingrich met when she was a congressional staffer. That Newt had the audacity to accuse John King of being out of order showed his familiar chutzpah.

In the Presidential Debate arena, where media often hunt for easy targets, John King asked a question that was definitely fair game. Newt first incorrectly lectured King about the question's content and then about its timing. Gingrich was incorrect on both counts, despite the bounce he received, especially from women voters.

Face it folks, ever since Wyoming (home of women's suffrage), in 1924, first elected Nellie Tayloe Ross as its Governor, politicians have increasingly realized that the fairer sex had best be listened to.

Forego the importance of women at your own peril. Each candidate eagerly courted women in South Carolina, where Nikki Haley is one of only six current female US Governors.

Haley, a solid Mitt Romney supporter, but not an overwhelmingly popular chief executive, had hoped to lead voters to a resounding endorsement of Romney. Voters looked down the menu.

Was Newt helped by the way in which he cleverly served them red media meat? Sure. However, Newt won due to female voters who were not so much hungry for a heaping helping of Newt as they were tired of bland "Mitt" loaf.

Romney can't avoid the deer-in-the-headlights look he develops whenever his opponents or, surprise, a moderator, asks him a question requiring a clear-cut response.

How in the world could Romney not know that a question about his tax returns was coming? He provided the syrup in the New Hampshire debate. He gave the waffles in South Carolina.

Mitt, I know you are just a "regular" person. Could you not afford to attend Arthur Murray studios? You are mostly "right" in your ideology. However, you have two left feet when you have to effectively dance with debate moderators and the inquiring public.

Whether or not John King opened the debate with the question or closed with it, its content and timing were appropriate. Does King owe Newt an apology? Of course not. Should Newt tell King that he is sorry? No, but he should thank King for keeping his prolonged blind date with voters going. They see him, but they don't know him.

Voters will soon enough divorce themselves from whatever love affair Newt arranges.

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Selectmen approve Norfolk Asphalt

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously Tuesday night to approve expansion of operations at Norfolk Asphalt, a week after receiving a proposed order of conditions for the approval, which itself came a week after the selectmen voted to close the public hearing on the matter.

Some of the Board, particularly Helen Abdallah Donohue, had questions about the conditions drafted by fellow Selectman William Plasko and the heads of town enforcement agencies. In the end, however, the entire Board, including Donohue, voted in favor of approving

Norfolk Asphalt's request.

Donohue said she thought it had been good for the Board to have a couple of weeks to consider the matter, including the conditions Plasko had helped draft, which remained unchanged since the Board received in draft form at its last meeting. Included in the discussion were communications from other boards with their thoughts on the matter, including the Conservation Commission, who wrote that they had decided to accept the conditions Plasko had presented to the selectmen.

Plasko said he felt the situation had turned out to the town's advantage, as approving Norfolk Asphalt's request for permission to expand its capacity had allowed the town

to impose conditions that it would not have been able to otherwise. He noted that the company had already backed off from its original proposal, requesting 35,000 gallons of storage capacity instead of 60,000.

Among the items approved as part of the decision on Norfolk Asphalt was a noise by-law, which prohibited activity on the site that would create "loud, annoying [or] unusual sounds" between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., except in an emergency. When questioned about the facility's weekend hours, Norfolk Asphalt President Jerry Lorusso said the business would be

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Plasko Jr. steps down

Selectmen want School Committee position on ballot

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

A School Committee member accused of sexually assaulting a woman has resigned from the Committee, and town officials have begun taking steps to place his vacant position on this year's election ballot.

School Committee member William Plasko Jr. submitted a letter announcing his resignation to the office of Town Clerk Robert Thornton at the end of last week. In a written message sent



William Plasko Jr.

to the Board of Selectmen, Thornton asked the Board how they wanted him to handle the issue, noting that the position

could be placed on the ballot for this year's election if the selectmen gave him instructions no later than Friday.

After discussing the matter during their regular meeting on Tuesday night, the selectmen voted unanimously to instruct Thornton to place the position on the ballot. The motion was made by Selectman William Plasko- the father of the outgoing School Committee member.

Plasko Jr.

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Free Speech and Cheap Talk

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We also agree that government is over-regulating many businesses. From local to federal, micromanaging our private lives is becoming more common. We also despise the gridlock in Washington, the petty games at the State House, the dishonesty of career politicians and the corrupting influence of money, lobbyists and corporate influence.

All that said, we still believe in this country. We still believe in the system.

We bring all this up because, in a week that should be dominated by talk of Tom Brady and the Super Bowl, the water cooler chatter is all about Bruins goalie Tim Thomas and his refusal to take part in a team visit to the White House. Thomas, in refusing a presidential photo op to celebrate last year's championship, explained that it wasn't a snub of President Obama as much as a generalized protest about Washington in general. As he sees it, politicians of both parties have trampled upon the constitution and the rights of individuals.

Thomas' statement, brief as it is, doesn't delve into much more than that broad swipe. He is entitled to his opinion, heck, we should encourage everyone to speak their minds and exercise the right of free speech. We are all probably making far too much about a matter that is best dealt with by his teammates.

But his anti-government viewpoint is one we are observing with more alarming frequency. From the Tea Party to the Occupy movement we are seeing more and more anger, less than is truly constructive. Whether they are railing against some perceived departure from the strict constructs laid out by the Founding Fathers (as does the former) or planting seeds for anarchy or socialism (in the case of the latter) the common thread is a desire to tear down what we have, not to necessarily rebuild it.

These folks, on either end of the spectrum, are far from patriots. A true patriot would improve, not destroy. They would work within the system, not against it.

This country has survived and prospered because - as much as we may not always believe it - most of our public servants are trying to do what's best for their constituents and country. There are bad apples, and we may not always agree with political views or specific initiatives, but more often than not we find people trying to do the right thing.

Our message to critics of American government: talk is cheap and anger is easy. Working beyond mere rhetoric is the real job to tackle, from the streets of Norwood to the halls of Congress.

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Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor:

I am writing in response to an article dated Dec. 29, 2011, entitled 'Three Norwood Massage Businesses Without License'.

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We at Essentials Day Spa would appreciate you clarifying the facts for your readers.

Elizabeth Burgess
Essentials Day Spa

SENIOR NEWS

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CRIBBAGE

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PROPOPE

The Propope group will meet on Wednesday, February 15, at 1:00 p.m.

REMINISCENCE

The Reminiscence group will meet on Wed, Feb. 8 at 10:00 a.m. Our Reminiscence Group is changing its name and the focus of our group to include current events. Please speak to Doug if you have any ideas. Thank you!

SCRABBLE

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The next Friends' dance will be Feb. 17, with the D.B Band providing the music. 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

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Benson of Norwood; and grandson of Anne Benson of Norwood and the late Henry D. Benson, Lillian D. Short, and Col. John J. Short. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

A graveside service will be held at Massachusetts National

Cemetery in Bourne on Friday, Jan. 27 at 11:00 a.m., the obituary said. Relatives and friends invited to the service, and Benson's family will receive visitors at the Gillooly Funeral Home, located at 126 Walpole St., Norwood, on Thursday, Jan. 26, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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School Committee approves slightly higher budget

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The School Committee began mulling financial matters both short-term and long-term last week, setting the course for preparation of next year's school budget and eventually consideration of other financial concerns facing local schools.

The Committee, minus the absent William Plasko Jr., voted unanimously on Jan. 18 to accept a "working budget" off of which to base budget discussions in the coming weeks. It also received and discussed a prioritized list of capital projects from Dana Cotto, Interim Director of Buildings and Grounds.

Superintendent of Schools James Hayden presented a working budget of \$37,004,000, which Committee Chairman Paul Samargedlis noted was just slightly above the current budget. Samargedlis suggested that the Committee look into the possibility of a "phased-in" budgetary increase, in which any increase in the budget be introduced gradually.

"I would say it's better than last year's, because last year's was probably the worst," Samargedlis said.

Committee member Richard Kief expressed reservations about how the working budget might affect public perception, noting that it nowhere close to a final budget. James Gormley added that any numbers put out now would be somewhat arbitrary given that, for one thing, the governor's budget - and its potential effect on the local school budget - was not a known entity.

The School Committee also reviewed a list of capital improvement projects in need of attention, though no formal action was taken on the matter. Hayden noted that while they would mean additional costs in the short term, the projects - particularly the installation of energy efficient lighting in the Balch and Odham Elementary schools - would ultimately prove worthwhile.

"There's money spent," Hayden said of that particular project. "But there's long-term electrical savings."

In a letter to the School Committee on the subject, Cotto said the project had been divided into three categories based on priority: Priority One projects were to be completed between fiscal years 2013 and 2014, Priority Two projects in fiscal years 2016 and 2017, and Priority Three to be com-

pleted after Fiscal Year 2016. Priority One projects (excluding \$5,763,000 for a new HVAC system at Coakley Middle School) were expected to cost a total of \$2,226,345, with Priority Two and Three projects estimated at \$1,164,000 and \$1,330,000, respectively.

Topping the list, priority-wise, was the replacement of two 25-year-old boilers in the Callahan School, at an estimated cost of \$341,345, Cotto reported. Also included on the Priority One list were replacement of asbestos floor tile at the Oldham School, purchase of four modular classrooms currently being leased at the Coakley School and the aforementioned light and HVAC replacements.

Topping the list of Priority Two projects were the insulation of the perimeter of the Willett Early Childhood Center gymnasium and removal of asbestos tile in the school, at costs of \$50,000 and \$100,000, respectively. Priority Three was topped by redesigning and revamping the principal's office at the Balch School, at a cost of \$35,000; and installation of wireless clocks at the Willett Center and each of the five elementary schools, at a total cost of \$100,000.

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open on Saturdays, but not Sundays.

Donohue, however, expressed confusion over an agreement approved by Building Inspector Mark Chubert, which suggested that the company take one of three actions if more than three trucks were found waiting on the property. Those actions consisted of

creating additional spaces for the trucks within thirty days, presenting the town with plans to create those news spaces within the same amount of time, or creating additional spaces within sixty days if the problem is not resolved.

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Navigating the College Financial Aid Process

By J. Keith Motley, PhD, UMass Boston Chancellor

As a parent, I faced down a mountain of college-related paperwork when my son went to school. And in the not-so-distant future, I expect to do it again and again for my daughters. Even for those of us who work in higher education, the processes and the paperwork required for college and financial aid applications for our kids can seem overwhelming the first time around – and even the second or third times around.

It's the right time of year to think about college aid and applications, so I asked our Office of Undergraduate Admissions for some tips for prospective and continuing college students and their families.

Taxes First, FAFSA Second

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a form that families of new and continuing students should fill out each year to determine their eligibility for financial aid for higher education. Our Admissions and Financial Aid offices usually encourage parents and guardians to complete and submit the FAFSA as early in the year as possible.

In 2012, however, students and families should complete their income tax returns *before* they file the FAFSA in order to take advantage of IRS Data Retrieval, a tool that pulls tax return data directly from the IRS to use in your FAFSA application instead of filling out two similar forms. But before students and families can retrieve their adjusted gross income for FAFSA filing, they must allow two weeks from the date they file their taxes to use IRS Data Retrieval.

Financial Aid Deadlines

Every year, colleges and universities award millions in financial aid, usually on a first-come, first-served basis, so it's important to know the deadlines for financial aid applications.

UMass Boston, for example, awards more than \$132 million to qualifying students and this year has a March 1 priority financial aid application deadline for new students in the fall 2012. These students and their families should file taxes in early to mid-February to be able to use the IRS Data Retrieval tool and still meet the March 1 deadline.

Continuing UMass Boston students have a May 1 priority financial aid deadline.

Admissions Deadlines

Now is also the time to double-check admissions deadlines, which can vary widely. Our College of Nursing and Health Sciences, for example, has an application deadline of February 1 for its nursing program, while the deadline for other programs and general undergraduate admissions is April 1 for freshmen and July 1 for transfer students.

I hope these suggestions and reminders have been helpful. The IRS Data Retrieval tool should especially lighten the burden of paperwork for families filling out the FAFSA this year.

For more information about admissions and financial aid at UMass Boston, please contact us at 617.287.5000, or visit www.umb.edu.



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BOH hears from Home Market Foods, updates smoking policy

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The Board of Health got an update on Monday from a business that has been the subject of complaints about foul odors, and voted to update a policy on what town employees and residents may inhale.

Corinne Schultz, Environmental, Health and Safety Manager for Home Market Foods was joined by Compliance Specialist Suzanne Pisano of GeoInsight in addressing neighborhood complaints about unpleasant odors and noises emanating from the company's local facility. The Morgan Drive-based facility, which manufactures prepared frozen meals, has been the subject of complaints from neighbors over the alleged smells for months.

Schultz said Home Market Foods had looked into ways to alleviate the smell, which she described as a "cooked meat odor," and determined that a coalescing air filter (CAF) system would have to be installed. The problem with doing that, she said, was that in the pilot study that led to that conclusion, it was also determined that the device would create a byproduct: large amounts of water.

According to Schultz, the company's existing water treatment plan does not have sufficient capacity to handle the additional water that would be generated by the CAF. For this reason, Home Market Foods is looking to expand the ca-

capacity of the plant, and has been in touch with both the Board of Health and the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Schultz said the company had received a draft order of conditions for a CAF permit from the DEP, and had sent its comments on the draft back to the agency for review. She said the company was in the midst of preparing its comments to the DEP on the proposed changes to its wastewater treatment plan.

Schultz explained that the water coming from the facility contained contaminants that must be removed – something that would occur at the treatment facility – before it can enter the sewer system. She did not say when comments on permitting for the facility would be sent to the DEP, but said the company was on track to satisfy the demands of a timeline that had been drafted in cooperation with the Board of Health and the DEP.

In recent weeks, the Board of Health had also received a complaint about noise originating from the Home Market Foods facility, something that had not been a problem in previous months. Schultz said this could be attributed to ventilation equipment on top of the building that was used to draw in cold air during the winter months to offset demands on the facility's refrigeration system.

It [makes noise] on a very intermittent basis," Schultz said. "It is not a sustained method of operation of our facility."

Members of the Board indicated that their concerns were addressed for the time being, with Chairwoman Joan Jacobs saying it was good to be able to keep the public informed. The Board plans on continuing to monitor the situation.

The Board of Health also voted to add a provision banning "E-cigarettes" to the local law banning smoking in public places and workplaces. The change, which was approved unanimously by the Board, extends the ban to "any electronic device not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, composed of a mouthpiece, heating element, battery and/or electronic circuits that provides a vapor of liquid nicotine to the user, or relies on any liquid, or solid nicotine," regardless of its product name.

The Board also discussed, but did not vote on, a regulation banning the sale of tobacco products to minors. A list of Massachusetts municipalities that have enacted regulations banning tobacco sales in pharmacies was also distributed and discussed, provoking some debate on the Board.

"I don't think we should be targeting just pharmacies," said Board of Health member Kathleen Bishop. "I think we should become a cigarette-free town."

Health Superintendent Sigalle Reiss said she understood the concerns behind Bishop's opinion, but that enacting such a ban would likely lead to a major legal battle for the town.

Committee changes name

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

The town entity formerly known as the Farmers Market Subcommittee has undergone a change of both name and focus, as its former chairwoman previously hinted it would.

At its meeting last week, the former subcommittee for-

mally changed its name to the Farmers Market Advisory Board. The Board had previously operated under the guidance of the Board of Selectmen and the Downtown Steering Committee, hence the "subcommittee" designation it operated under until now.

Jean Taylor, who had chaired the group during its

time as a sub-committee, had previously announced her intention to relinquish her chairmanship but remain a member of the board, and last week, she made that decision official. The Farmers Market Advisory

Farmers Market
Advisory Board

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Palmerini celebrates 90th!

Aunt Josephine Palmerini was honored with a Birthday Party at the OCC in Norwood for her 90th Birthday, given by all her nieces and nephews. Shown here she is surrounded by her siblings: far left are Rose Ross, Mary Jones, Rego Palmerini; on her right are Jennie Ippoliti, Betty Leggeri and Jim Palmerini.

COA getting a little help from its Friends

Vinaya Saksena
Staff Reporter

Town officials have given the green light to the purchase of a new bus for the Council on Aging (COA), at no cost to that department.

At its most recent meeting, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept a check for \$58,904 from the Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging. According to Friends President Bill McCoy, the money was given to fund the purchase of a new bus for the Council on Aging, to replace one of the busses currently used by the Council to transport seniors to and from events.

McCoy said the new bus will be purchased from Norton-based Quality Van Sales, and will likely take eight to ten weeks to arrive. He said the bus will have twenty seats, and will be the same size as the bus it is replacing, but with "a lot of improvements."

The new vehicle will be an El Dorado bus with a Ford chassis, McCoy said. And while most of the body will be made of fiberglass, he said, the vehicle would be equipped with

a heavy-duty rubber "Romeo Rim" rear bumper.

The only condition the Friends attached to their donation was that the bus feature lettering on its side indicating that they had donated it. The selectmen readily accepted this condition.

McCoy said funds for the bus were raised via several dance events put on by the Friends, including a Christmas dance last month, in addition to the \$5.00 monthly membership donations the group collects. In recent years, he said, this has allowed the group to help the Council on Aging fund improvements to their facility, such as the purchase an intercom system, for which the Friends raised \$20,000.

In all, McCoy said, the Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging have spent approximately \$350,000 to help improve the Norwood Senior Center and other COA property. He noted that the organization is volunteer in nature, and that none of its officers get paid for their work, with its activities made possible entirely by donations.

"We're fortunate that people

have stood by us," McCoy said of the Friends. "We have a lot to be thankful for, and still we have a lot to do."

McCoy said he would like to see the Friends' membership increase from its current roster of slightly over two hundred members. As an example of what could be done with expanded membership, he said the group would be able to buy a bus like the one about to be donated to the COA every eight to ten years.

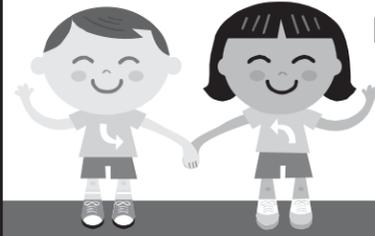
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happy and we hope it makes the town happy.”

According to Apostolopoulos the theater is scheduled to open this summer, and Howard noted that it will likely open Aug. 31, the day the original theater opened in 1927.

Along with the lit sign above the building, a marquee with snap-on letters above the entrance will detail show times, while the original facade of the building will be constructed as it was in 1927.

The Planning Board approved the proposal unanimously on the condition that a few minor issues in the plan are constructed up to date, as the proposal indicated a mesh net behind the sign that is not planned to be part of the project.

The Board also limited the hours that the sign can remain lit, with no opposition from Apostolopoulos. The sign will be shut off by 11 p.m. or half an hour after the last show ends on a show night, whichever is later.

The Planning Board also heard from Brian Clay from Clay Chevrolet/Hyundai, who wanted to subdivide his lot at 361 Providence Highway, separating the Chevrolet and

Hyundai dealerships.

“Manufacturers like to have two separate addresses,” said Clay. “Also, if we wanted to sell one [dealership] down the road, this would make it easier.”

Subdividing the lot would also allow for another sign to be placed along Route 1.

The Planning Board questioned if parking requirements would still be met if the lot was subdivided.

“To me this seems kind of messy,” said E. William Bamber of the Planning Board.

After some discussion, the Planning Board unanimously approved the subdivision, adding a note to examine the parking requirements. They also asked that a building inspector visit the site to look at that issue.

Finally, Monkey Sports came before the board for their property at 911-949 Providence Highway, in the hopes of renaming the plaza and adding signage to the location.

David Nilson of Leading Edge Construction spoke on behalf of Tom Arnold, the owner of Monkey Sports. Nilson asked to rename the plaza Monkey Sports Plaza and asked for additional signage including an electric sign along

Route 1.

The electric sign would be approximately 75 square feet, and would advertise Monkey Sports’ specials as well as local sports announcements.

“We’d like to put announcements about Norwood teams,” said Nilson. “I know that hockey and lacrosse for example have sign-up dates. We think it’s a great opportunity to become a part of the community.”

The Planning Board had concerns about whether other tenants in the plaza would want to have signs, and warned Nilson and Arnold that they would not approve further signs for the tenants.

“I have a feeling that we’re going to have proposals for further signs from your tenants, and we’re not afraid to say no,” added Bamber.

Nilson indicated that the electronic sign would likely be a shared sign by the tenants of the plaza.

The Planning Board approved the sign proposal on the condition that the electric sign only be changed at a maximum of once per minute, with no use of special effects.

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Sports



Tommy Munro rips down a rebound in a game earlier this week. The Mustangs have battled through ups and downs this season.

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Boys' Basketball fighting through up and down season

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

An up and down season continues for the Norwood boys' basketball team.

A season riddled with big wins, devastating losses and some mind boggling blown leads along with big time response wins continued this past week.

Natick beat Norwood 63-60 last Tuesday night.

Later on in the week, needing a big game in order to stay in contention for a Bay State Conference title, head coach Rich Cormier's team answered the bell as they continued to do all season, beating Walpole 49-46.

Norwood had a double-digit lead multiple times in the Natick game, including entering the fourth quarter up 58-48.

The team then shot 1/15 in the final frame and couldn't stop Natick's shooters (they hit nine

threes on the night including three in the 4th).

"Our luck ran out last night," said Cormier in regards to the Natick game. "We have managed to win some games even when we haven't played well or hard for all four quarters, but that ended last night. We were outcoached and outplayed on both ends of the court."

"We needed to make a basket in the 4th to break up their run, but we couldn't find the bottom of the basket. We had plenty of good takes to the hoop but we couldn't finish and in the end, our lackluster effort throughout the game nipped us in the butt."

Tommy Munro had a great game with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Needing one of their now routine "response games", Norwood got it with the Walpole victory.

The game was close throughout with Walpole up

just one at the half.

"We are obviously happy to get the win but we did not play well for the full 32 minutes," explained Cormier. "We tried to shoot ourselves in the foot with turnovers and poor free throw shooting (10-21) but our defense was able to put it together in the second half."

Norwood only allowed six field goals in that half (two in the 4th quarter). Walpole was hot from behind the arc all night and kept themselves right there with timely three pointers.

Most importantly, it was a total team effort with eight guys scoring and working together on the defensive end.

"In the first half, we gave up too many open looks but in the second Walpole made

Boys' Track works through growing pains

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

The Norwood boys' indoor track team entered this season unsure of what to expect.

Head coach Russ Booth spoke of a young team before the season started, and simply hoped that the team would progress throughout the year.

A tough season full of growing pains continued on Thursday, Jan. 18 with a 77-18 loss at the hands of Walpole, which has built a very strong program.

"Nick Way has been our best runner so far this season in the 600. He works incredibly hard and he is an extremely positive role model for our young runners to emulate," said a complementary Booth.

Way qualified for the state championships in the event by running in a time of 1:30.

The only wins Norwood had that night came in the high jump and the shotput.

Jason Matovu has been very strong for the Mustangs overall for the entire season. He participates in four events and he scores points in at least two of them every week.

During the meet he won the high jump and he placed third in the long jump and the 55 dash.

"He is another kid who is at practice every day and works very hard. He constantly wants to get better and he has really started taking a strong leadership role on the team, which is what we need from some of our juniors at times," said Booth.

Dan DiTomasso won the shotput with a throw of 40' 7".

"Pretty good for him," said Booth. "He is coming back from an injury he suffered during football and we are just now starting to get some good training in with him. He is a captain of the winter and spring teams and he does a great job staying positive and offering ideas to help the team get better."

Moving forward, despite the losses this season, Booth hopes his team will continue to strive towards finishing strong.

"We have had a tough go of it this season but we are looking forward to Dedham this week. It should be a good week of practice leading up to the meet so we are excited to see our times continue to drop."

Girls' Basketball faces crucial stretch

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Crunch time is inching closer and closer.

Now sitting at 3-6 with January rapidly closing, the Norwood girls basketball team is facing a stretch of "about five very winnable games," according to first year head coach Alex DaLuz.

Last Tuesday, the girls were faced with another blow out loss to Bay State Conference power Natick, 78-39.

Amy Duggan, as she has pretty much all season, led the team with 17 points.

The frustrating part for DaLuz and the team is that they were actually in the game early on. Natick led 17-13 after the first quarter, and only led by 10 at 34-24 heading into halftime.

The Mustangs actually cut the lead to 40-33 at one point in the third, but Natick then went on a devastating 38-6 run.

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Girls' B-Ball
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Heather Folan handles the puck in a recent game. The girls' hockey team suffered their first loss of the season against Canton this past week.

PHOTO BY ZALINA MCGUIRE

Girls' Hockey suffers first loss of the year

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Saying all good things must come to an end would be a bit melodramatic in regards to the Norwood girls' hockey team losing its first game of the season.

Still sitting atop their division in the Bay State Conference with Walpole, the team's prospects for a fantastic finish to this season despite diluted expectations entering it are as bright as they have been all year.

However, with that being said, their 7-5 loss to Canton on Martin Luther King Day, a defending league champion itself, was a bit alarming.

The girls now sit at 7-1-1 in the league and 8-2-1 overall after beating Weymouth 6-4 on Saturday night.

Despite the loss to Canton, with whom they share a home rink, there were plenty of positives despite the lack of a desired outcome.

Trailing 2-0 after the first period, and 3-0 early in the second, all while after nearly scoring just 20 seconds in on a two-on-one, the Mustang girls fought back.

Emily Kelly got her team on the board just under three minutes in to the second period with a beautiful rush up ice. Canton however, was firing on all cylinders offensively and made it 4-1 with 4:42 left in the frame.

Kelly then answered the bell again, this time scoring on a breakaway and crashing in to the net after the puck just minutes later to make it 4-2 and seemingly give Norwood momentum heading into the final period.

Nevertheless, as they did all day, Canton had an answer and scored again, this time with just under a minute left in the second period going up 5-2.

The third period was a wild one in which five total goals were scored.

Canton would make it 6-2 early before Norwood would begin to climb back into the game as the clock ticked down to 6:23 remaining.

Kelly netted her third goal of the game and a hat trick while Norwood was shorthanded. Moments later Katie O'Brien made it 6-4 after Norwood head coach Bill O'Donnell called a

much needed time out.

Just when it seemed like Norwood might actually be able to mount the absurd comeback, Canton potted the closing goal with 3:30 to play.

Norwood's fifth and final goal came off the stick of Kacie Smith with 3:10 remaining.

The Mustangs would actually earn a 5-on-3 power play opportunity after Canton was called for both high sticking and hooking in the final two minutes, but Norwood could not capitalize.

Moving forward, the girls face tough games this Monday, Wednesday and Saturday night, all of which will have heavy implications on their quest for a good seed in the tournament and a potential league championship.

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The girls' basketball team hopes to put together a winning streak in an upcoming five game stretch.

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"We played desperately to cut it to seven, and then we totally ran out of gas," said DaLuz.

In another "response" game on Friday night, Jan. 20, the Stangs fell to a terrific Walpole team, that is now 9-1, by a 43-33 final.

"We played extremely hard from start to finish. Coming off a disappointing 39-point loss to Natick, the goal was to compete hard for a full 32-minute span, and we did that," said a proud DaLuz.

Amy Duggan had 12 points, 7 rebounds and 7 steals. Kelly Duggan also filled up the score sheet and had a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

DaLuz was also quick to mention the play of Shannon Reen.

"She has been playing extremely hard. What she contributes doesn't show up in the box score, but she

keeps plays alive with her hustle and is a pesky defender," he said. That pesky defense and bright attitude could be a strong point of emphasis on the rest of the team moving forward here if they want to have any shot at clinching a spot in the tournament once March comes.

The stretch of winnable games begins this week with a game against Weymouth Tuesday. Despite being just three games under .500 time is starting to be a factor for this season, and DaLuz hopes some of the glimpses he has seen from his squad begin to be consistent.

"We hope that effort on Friday is a springboard into a stretch where we have a lot of winnable games and, hopefully that spring board can start to be used this week."

Boys' B-Ball *continued from page 9*

some tough shots against us," said Cormier.

Steve Martinez had a great game on both ends with 12 points, 5 rebounds and 4 steals.

Tommy Munro was the anchor once again with 8 points, 17 rebounds, 3 blocks and 3 assists. Daron English scored 9 off the

bench, including a timely three pointer in each half.

The team faced a tough road test when they traveled to Weymouth on Tuesday. Tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 27 they return home to face Milton. During that game Friday, Norwood will also doing a coaches vs. cancer fundraiser at the game.

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Girls' track readies for Dedham

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Much like the boys' indoor track team, the Mustangs girls' team entered this season unsure of what they had or how good they would be.

The goal has always been to try and continue building the program, and that requires a lot of tough times before the good ones.

So far, as the calendar quickly approaches February, the Mustang girls' indoor team is still looking for its first win of the season.

The squad now sits at 0-4 going into a meet with Dedham this week.

"We are a young team overall, and that inexperience has hurt us at times," explained head coach Matt Curran. "We have seen improvement in athletes' performances though, and that's important."

The leader of the team in Curran's opinion has been Danielle Singler, who is having a tremendous season in the high jump, leading the league at 5-3. She is also in the top 10 in the 300.

Jackie Sobchuk, has im-

proved over last year in the shotput, throwing 28 feet and approaching the qualifying mark in the same event for the MIAA Division 2 meet.

For any team, health is often a huge part of just how successful a season is going to be, and track is no different. This year, the girls' have also been hit with the injury bug.

"We have had a several injuries that have taken away what we thought would be our depth," explained Curran

Perhaps the most encouraging part for Curran is being able to see some of his other athletes step up and take up different roles.

"Even though we've been hit with injuries there's been many athletes that have stepped up to give their best effort," he said.

According to Curran, Jess Murphy, a sophomore, has been the most consistent long jumper, jumping 15 feet, and has shown improvement in the 55m dash and 300.

In the distance events, Caroline O'Day in 600 has led the with Allanna Keady leading in the longer events.

Farmers Market Advisory Board

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Board will now be chaired by Ernest Paciorkowski.

According to Taylor, the focus of the Board will also be different from that of the former Farmers Market Subcommittee, with one of its primary purposes being to address grievances about the farmers' market. She noted that while the manager of the farmers' market would perform this duty on a day-to-day basis, the Advisory Board would be there to address any problems people have with how the event is managed

"This particular board will be the grievance board also," Taylor said. "Usually, the market manager handles it fine. But just in case."

Taylor also said she could confirm the first vendor to become involved with the soon-to-be-re-launched farmers' market. She said that Fresh Catch, a fish vendor, was the first to submit a completed application.

Taylor noted that, although the event runs from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., Fresh Catch was only looking to operate on site from 3:00 until 6:00, in the

interest of keeping their product fresh. She previously told the Norwood Record that other vendors had expressed an interest in participating, but had not yet submitted their applications.

The Downtown Steering Committee is scheduled to meet on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 4:00 p.m. at Town Hall, at which time Taylor is expected to give an update on the Farmers Market Advisory Board's activities. She said the Board's next meeting was expected to take place on Feb. 15.

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The boys' hockey team sits at 9-2-3 after a 6-1 win over Brockton. The Mustangs remain undefeated in league play, with a 6-0-3 record in the conference.

PHOTO BY KEVIN STONE

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Donohue questioned how the parking regulations could be enforced. Plasko said he understood this concern, but he and other members of the Board noted that no parking was allowed along that stretch of Pleasant Street anyway, and so trucks remaining in place there for long periods of time would be in violation of parking restrictions.

Public Works ideas addition the works

The selectmen also heard

Plasko Jr.

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A staffer in Superintendent of Schools James Hayden's office said Hayden had no comment on Plasko's resignation from the School Committee. When reached Wednesday morning, Plasko said he had decided to resign because he felt he could no longer devote the time and attention needed to his School Committee duties, adding that he saw resigning at this time as a way of giving voters more control over the outcome.

"It's a timing issue," Plasko said. "By making this decision now, it allows the position to be placed on the ballot. I felt a decision had to be made now, so that the voters would be able to" have control over how the position is filled.

Filling this position in this year's election would allow Plasko's replacement to serve for just under two years- the remainder of Plasko's term. And despite the difficulties he had faced recently, Plasko said he wished to part on a positive note.

"I'd like to thank everyone for their support over the years," he said. "I enjoyed working with everyone on the board."

Plasko was arrested in October of last year on charges of indecent assault and battery and breaking and entering in the nighttime to commit a felony, after a woman contacted the Norwood Police Department alleging that Plasko had removed a screen from her home, entered the home and sexually assaulted her. Plasko, who plead not guilty to the charges in Dedham District Court that month, is due back in court on Feb. 27.

a presentation by Wesson and Sampson Team Leader Jeff Albert and Chief Architect David Steeves on plans for improvements to the town's Public Works headquarters. Public Works Director Mark Ryan had previously said that the Department's current headquarters, constructed in 1949, no longer met its needs. Albert showed the selectmen several slides depicting problems with the existing facility and examples of what could be done about it from similar facilities his company had worked on in recent years.

He said a nearby property on Lenox Street recently purchased by the town, along with some renovations to the existing site, would likely eliminate the need for office and equipment space at Town Hall or the Norwood Civic Center.

Albert estimated that the project itself would cost \$7.7 million, on top of the \$1.2 million in spending for study and planning expenses that town officials had suggested be voted on at this year's annual town meeting. The selectmen voted unanimously to place the question on the town meeting ballot.

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Request for Proposals
Town of Norwood

Sealed proposals shall be received up to 11:00 A.M. (Verizon time), February 9, 2012, in Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following service:

"Planning Consultant for a Strategic Plan for the Vanderbilt Area Commercial District"

The Town of Norwood, through the Planning Board and the Community Planning and Economic Development Department, is seeking to engage a planning consultant for the purpose of preparing a Strategic Plan for the Vanderbilt Area Commercial District. The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to:

- Identify Town actions that can encourage private investment, such as land regulations, tax policies, infrastructure investment and marketing strategies
- Raise the profile of the area with real estate brokers, regional development entities, and State economic development agencies
- Identify any state programs that might apply such as brownfields assessment, district improvement financing, MassWorks infrastructure funding and other, some of which may be expedited with the Chapter 43D status
- Coordinate the actions of the private property owners in the area and the Town toward a shared vision

A copy of the Request for Proposals may be obtained from the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 (781) 762-1240, Extension 106 or 107 or request a copy of the RFP by emailing the Town's Contract Administrator at Ccarney@norwoodma.gov.

The proposal must be filled out and signed as directed therein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed as follows: "Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062, endorsed with the name and address of the offerer, and marked "Strategic Plan Consultant - NGM-12-06". The proposer shall submit an original and two (2) copies of the sealed proposal as well as an original and two (2) copies of the pricing pages. THE PRICING PAGES SHALL BE SEALED IN A SEPARATE ENVELOPE AND MARKED "PRICING PAGES - Strategic Plan Consultant." The fee is not to exceed \$30,000.

Proposals shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 30B. Every proposal shall be on forms furnished by the Town of Norwood. Proposals submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of proposals, Saturdays and Sundays excluded.

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BY: John J. Carroll
General Manager

Police Logs

Tuesday, January 17

0908 phone - Unwanted party services rendered. Location/address: Village Rd E Officers assist constable after a verbal dispute during the eviction. Resident gathered some property and left.

0949 phone - Assist other agency spoken to. Location/address: Citizens Bank - Nahatan St. Black female in bank waiting for person who no longer works there. Officer's advised her and she is waiting outside now.

1318 walk-in - Hit and run spoken to. Location/address: Plymouth Dr. Couple in station to report hit & run. Mv not with them and is at repair shop in Roslindale. They may or may not be back. Minor damage.

1354 phone - Vandalism services rendered. Location/address: Folan Ave. Damage caused by the tenant's son, officer advised on civil process.

1400 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. Phone stolen from the employee working in the emergency room.

1605 phone - Report of fight gone on arrival. Location/address: 19-24 block - Coach Ln Report of 2 males fighting, both white, the with darker skin is aggressor, across from # but not , they left while still gathering information from caller. Units checked the area.

1627 cellular - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Washington St. + Dean St. Report 3 kids using an electric wheelchair, none appear to be handicapped. N662 spoke to them and confiscated the chair.

1725 phone - Susp vehicle gone on arrival. Location/address: Gay St. + 2nd St. Report of a tan car in the intersection, unoccupied, may have rolled from driveway. N667 reports it is not there upon arrival.

1825 phone - Citizens complaint Police & Fire notified/r. Location/address: New Golden Abacus - Bos-Prov Hwy Report pipe broke, flooding restaurant.

2107 phone - Susp vehicle group moved. Location/address: Lansdowne Way Report 2 people in car since 1800 hrs. N663 reports MA pc 982nb6, check ok, 1 lives in bldg, sent on their way.

2229 walk-in - Missing person *report filed. Location/address: Nichols St. Bolo to cars, areawide 3, teletype. Walpole, Dedham, Boston area E-18, Foxboro-check parking lots. CT State Police casino unit and Mashantucket PD assist. Norwood hospital-not there. N. Dartmouth police located who was involved in mva accident in Fall River. Daughter notified and cancelled in leaps.

2343 911 - Confused person Police & Fire notified/r. Location/address: Alandale Pkwy

Wednesday, January 18

0139 phone - Alarm-burglar building checked/secured. Location/address: Lewis, Elizabeth - Ledgeview Dr. Shed to garage perimeter. N664, N667 responded, checked the property and all doors. Everything in order. Resident satisfied.

0206 initiated - Parking violation citation/warning issued. Location/address: Jacobsen Dr. + Dean St. 2 cars in parking violation. Both tagged.

0409 phone - Unwanted party services rendered. Location/address: Village Rd E Caller states someone has broken into his apt. and they are upstairs. N663, N661 responded, apt. checked. No one there. All doors and windows were secure. Caller satisfied.

1051 phone - Vandalism *report filed. Location/address: Railroad Ave. Caller reports someone threw a rock through his storm door.

1411 phone - Report of fight group moved. Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St. Rumors of a fight after school in area of cemetery and dump. School called back, believe fight may be at Balch School. N/s advised. Large gathering at Fr Mac's. All kids dispersed.

1412 walk-in - Breaking and entering *report filed. Location/address: Nahatan St.

1844 911 - Disturbance spoken to. Location/address: Norwest Dr. Caller reported yelling in the apartment next door. Officers spoke with residents, two teenagers being loud during dinner. No problems found.

1848 initiated - Juvenile offenses spoken to. Location/address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St. Officer spoke with kids on skateboards in the gazebo.

2016 phone - Disturbance services rendered. Location/address: Engamore Ln. Caller reports neighbors fighting. Officers on scene report children being loud, no argument occurred.

Thursday, January 19

0459 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to. Location/address: Lenox St. + Nahatan St. Truck dropping and picking up. Resident complaint. Driver advised.

0829 walk-in - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Guarino Pastry Shop - Washington St. Employee received letter in mail stating that all employees are pi's and that they should stop doing that. Signed, but, legible. Spoken to, advised, no crime.

0853 walk-in - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Dean St. Female neighbor keeps entering her apt without permission. Report all ready taken by Off. Kehoe. Advised.

1344 phone - Disturbance *report filed. Location/address: Ocean State Job Lot - Bos-Prov Hwy Father of terminated employee causing a disturbance. May be intoxicated.

1411 phone - Noise complaint services rendered. Location/address: Jefferson Dr. Loud music.

1436 phone - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Michael J. Connolly and Sons - Morse St. Employee of Connolly Busses reports a carload of people taking pictures of the busses. She approached them and they said "trust me" for their reason. Officer spoke to them, family visiting from Brazil and had never seen busses like that before, taking pictures for home.

1531 phone - Vandalism services rendered. Location/address: Lansdowne Way Resident reports she found her tire damaged and flat. Officer reports the damage appears to be from striking a curb.

1605 phone - Mischief (kids) gone on arrival. Location/address: People's Federal Savings Bank - Lenox St. Kids riding bikes in the lot and employee would like them removed.

1615 phone - Drug law violation *report filed. Location/address: Coakley Middle School - Washington St. Report filed and information passed on to N491 N423.

1632 phone - Hit and run *report filed. Location/address: Norwood Depot - Railroad Ave.

1707 walk-in - Fraud *report filed. Location/address: Village Road W Walk-in reported loan scam.

1717 phone - Domestic *report filed. Location/address: Norwest Dr. Caller reports that his girlfriend is dk and he wants her removed. N664 N665 sent. N664 reports verbal domestic.

1724 phone - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Village Rd E Caller reports male is being too friendly with her daughter.

1725 walk-in - Well being chk spoken to. Location/address: Pleasant Pl Walk-in reported family member upset and distraught, left on foot possibly towards Forbes Ave. Bolo broadcast to cars. Officers checked area, nothing found. Party returned home. Officers checked on resident, checked ok.

1730 911 - Susp vehicle services rendered. Location/address: Norton Dr. Caller reported suspicious white pickup. Officer reported white Nstar pickup working in the area.

1741 phone - Drunk person *protective custody. Location/address: E Cross St. + West Border Rd. Caller reports that there is a dk male at Froggy's starting a fight with all the other kids there. N667 N662 N665 sent. One male placed in pc and transported to his residence.

1919 911 - Susp vehicle area search negative. Location/address: Norton Dr. Caller reported suspicious pickup pc MA 71x270. Officers checked area, nothing found. Officers checked residence of vehicle's owner, no one home. Area to receive extra checks.

2215 phone - Lost and found *report filed. Location/address: Cottage St.

Friday, January 20

0024 911 - Medical emergency transported to hospital. Location/address: Jefferson Dr.

0500 initiated - Complaint of m/v services rendered. Location/address: Sumner St. N669 monitored traffic for oversized vehicles on Sumner St. No violations.

0927 phone - Assist citizen spoken to. Location/address: Jake and Joes Sports Grille - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports her mother has her keys and will not give them back, both are in Jake & Joes lot. Misunderstanding keys in rightful hands.

0957 phone - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: M W Tux - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports she was followed home last night after closing the store.

1207 phone - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Lifeworks - Bos-Prov Hwy Head of lifeworks, reports a client indicated that he has a gun and could take care of anyone who broke into apt. Off to file report.

1350 phone - Phone harassment spoken to. Location/address: Coach Ln. Caller reports sp call about her daughter and dr's appts. Mother is going to check with dr's to see if they did call.

1428 phone - Motor vehicle accident gone on arrival. Location/address: Railroad Ave. Dk female hit tree in driveway. She is out of the car and is unfamiliar to everyone there. Driver left prior to officers arrival. Bolo to cars and south tactical.

1753 phone - Threats *report filed. Location/address: Washington St. Caller reports female stopped by her house unannounced and threatened her.

2253 phone - Malicious damage *report filed. Location/address: Starr Program - Winter St.

Saturday, January 21

0041 911 - Medical emergency transported to hospital. Location/address: Tremont St.

0130 initiated - Susp person spoken to. Location/address: Jack Madden Ford - Bos-Prov Hwy Male party on premises. N666 speaks with same. States he is staying in area and out for walk. Advised that he should not be on property after hours.

0751 911 - Medical emergency transported to hospital. Location/address: Vernon St.

0815 phone - Fraud *report filed. Location/address: Lenox St. Report CVS asked resident for ss# for prescriptions, they have not done this in the past. N661 reports nothing compromised at this time, resident given identity theft brochure and will recall police if something happens. After further investigation, report filed.

1406 911 - Accidental 911 confirmed accidental. Location/address: Chatham Rd. Open line, female stated all ok but kept pushing numerical keypad. N677 reports all ok, assisted living home.

1440 phone - Motor vehicle accident no action required. Location/address: Mylod St. Report car into front stairs of home. NFD sent. N663 reports no contact to home, no damage, operator able to drive away.

1450 phone - Animal complaint area search negative. Location/address: Berwick St. Report white dog running loose.

1739 phone - Domestic *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Plymouth Dr. Caller reports that her husband pulled her hair. N665 N663 respond. N665 places one under arrest. Arrest: Janica, Johnny Address: 118 Plymouth Dr apt. #2b Dob: 06/16/1988 Charges: a&b**

1854 walk-in - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Guarino Pastry Shop - Washington St. Walk in party reports issue with male that frequents Guarinos Bakery.

N666 to file report.

1854 phone - Unwanted party services rendered. Location/address: Washington St. Caller reports that he wants his friends removed. Officers spoke to all males. He was upset that his friend smoked a cigarette in his apartment.

2213 phone - Domestic *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Rock St. Caller reports his brother punched him in the face. One placed under arrest. Arrest: Miller, Chadwick C Address: 22 Hillside Ave Dob: 07/15/1974

2250 phone - Assist other Police Depart services rendered. Location/address: Winter St. Westwood and State PD looking for male who walked away from Westwood Lodge. N664 to assist.

Sunday, January 22

0716 phone - Confused person spoken to. Location/address: Lansdowne Way Caller reported her television told her a party she knew was in danger. Officers to check well being of calling party. Party checked, ok.

1408 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to. Location/address: Buckminster Dr. Report private contractor doing construction work. N677 spoke to them, done for the day.

1443 cellular - Citizens complaint no action required. Location: New Pond Report of a commercial airplane flying low in area. Dispatch confirmed with Norwood Airport tower this is ok, waiting to do a flyover for patriots game.

1950 walk-in - Dispute assisted party. Location/address: Bahama Dr. Walk in requests police presence to retrieve her son from his grandparents house. 669,661 dispatched. 669 reported party left with his mother without incident.

2040 phone - Well being chk *protective custody. Location/address: Cedar St. Caller requests well being check on his mother who may be intoxicated. NFD notified.

2123 phone - Unwanted party gone on arrival. Location/address: Cameron Rd. Caller reports unwanted male party at the house. N665 N668 N667 respond.

Monday, January 23

0703 911 - Medical emergency Police & Fire notified/r. Location/address: Mountain Ave.

0816 phone - Breaking and entering *report filed. Location/address: VFW 2452 - Dean St.

0943 phone - Threats *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Washington St. Det. Stapleton while at court added new charge to person for intimidation of witness.

1101 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Rojo - Bos-Prov Hwy Cardholder reports several gas charges on the same day. Officer met with the victim and the business will follow up with him 1/24/12. Under investigation.

1201 911 - Medical emergency transported to hospital. Location/address: Elda Dr.

1228 phone - Vandalism *report filed. Location/address: Ledgeview Dr. Someone turned outside water on and it ran for 10 days, flooding home. Water bill reached \$1600.00

1245 phone - Phone harassment services rendered. Location/address: Roosevelt Ave. Caller reports fax machine keeps calling her home. She spoke to someone who answered the phone, but, calling did not stop. Officer spoke to someone at Blue Cross office in Quincy in an attempt to have them stop.

1413 phone - Breaking and entering *report filed. Location/address: Pleasant St. House entered today.

1501 phone - Larceny services rendered. Location/address: Coventry Ln. Officer B. Riley advised resident on a check of hers that was cashed before she received it.

1718 phone - Assist other police depart services rendered. Location/address: School St. Officer reports larceny occurred in their town and the suspects live at School St. Officers checked area with negative results.

2010 phone - Report of fight *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Wilson St. Caller reports there is a fight between two teenagers. N677 N664 sent. N668 responds. N677 places one under arrest. Arrest: Richwine, Samuel D Address: 121 Wilson St Dob: 03/06/1993 Charges: a&b Destruction of property -\$250, malicious.

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Deaths

BENSON

Keith D. Army Spc., 27, of Norwood was killed in Afghanistan on Jan. 18. He was serving proudly as a combat medic. He was the beloved son of David Benson of Mansfield and Kathleen (Short) Benson of Norwood; loving brother of Kyle Benson of Norwood; cherished grandson of Anne Benson of Norwood and the late Henry D. Benson, Lillian D. Short, and Col. John J. Short. He is also survived by and will be missed by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Complete notice to follow. Gillooly Funeral Home.

GRIMM

Angela G. (Buczi), 83, of Walpole, formerly of Norwood, Jan. 18. Beloved wife of Anthony Grimm. Loving mother of Yvette and her husband Dan Shakespeare of Walpole and James and his wife Mary Beth Grimm of Wellesley. Cherished grandmother of A.J., Ryan, Meagan Grimm of Wellesley, Matthew, Michael and Sean Shakespeare of Walpole. Sister of Mathilde Garai of Santa Rosa, CA. Funeral from the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, 48 Common Street, Walpole. Interment was in Highland Cemetery. Donations may be made to: Jimmy Fund, c/o Dana Farber, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

HUES

Oulton A., 73, of Norwood and Edgartown, Jan. 15. Husband of Jacqueline V. (Revnoff). Father of Oulton A. "O.J." Hues, Jr. and his wife Amy of Norwood. Grandfather of Alexander and Nicholas Hues. Brother of Lynda Scartissi of Abington and Anita George of GA. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Farley Funeral Home, 358 Park St., Stoughton. Donations in Oulton's memory may be made to Martha's Vineyard Hospital Development Office, PO Box 1477, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557.

JONES

Billy Ray, 80, of Norwood, Jan. 16. Born in Gordo, AL, one of 11 children to Sam and Cecil Jones. He was a baker by trade at Stop and Shop and Wonder Bread, Local 328 and served in the US Navy. He was also a long time member of the American Legion and Woodmen of the World. The beloved husband of Ann Harding Jones of Norwood formally Lincoln, ME. Also the proud father of daughter Shirley-Ann Weir and her husband Daniel of Norwood and son

Bruce Alan Jones and his wife Pauline of Elk Grove, CA. He was the beloved grandfather of Brent and Bradley Weir of Norwood and Ashley Ransow and her husband Daniel Ransow of Norwood. He was the dear brother of the late Nannie Sue Jones, Fannie Lou Jones, Nannie Mae Gray, Robert Jones, Jimmy Jones and Tom Bradley Jones. Also the dear brother to Betty Jo Miller, Sue Yarbrough, Doris Casteel, and Wanda Smith all of Alabama. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, special in-laws and friends. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street. Interment was at Highland Cemetery. Donations in lieu of flowers to the Disabled American Veterans, P. O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301, ATTN: Gift Processing or The Old South Church, 645 Boylston St., Copley Square, Boston MA, 02116 or First Congregational Church, P.O. Box 131, 19 School St., Lincoln, ME 04457.

PETRILLO

Egidio E., of Norwood, formerly of Roslindale, Jan. 17. Beloved husband of Angelina (Pisano) Petrillo. and devoted father of Anna M. Pitocchelli and her husband Frank of Walpole; Anthony J. Petrillo and his wife Daniela of East Walpole; Gina T. Gaita and her husband Anthony of Norwood; Dona E. Giglio and her husband Joseph of Canton and Emilio J. Petrillo of Norwood. Brother of the late Elena Fonzo, Armando and Firmino Petrillo. Loving grandfather to 11 grandchildren and 2 great grand daughters. Funeral arrangements by the Joseph Russo Funeral Home, 814 American Legion Hwy, Roslindale. Interment was at St. Michael Cemetery, Roslindale.

SMITH

Kenneth J., of Norwood, Jan. 17. Beloved husband of Donna Sharp of Norwood. Loving father of Ronald and Jarrett Smith of Quincy. Brother of Theresa Brill and her husband Joe of Quincy and the late Gregory Smith. Kenneth was born and raised in Quincy where he lived all of his life until recently moving to Norwood. He was a graduate of Quincy Vocational High School. He was formerly employed at Interpolymer in Canton for over 25 years. He will be missed by all his family and friends. Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. Donations in memory of Kenneth may be made to Robert Brill Memorial Baseball Scholarship fund,

87 Woodcliff Rd, Quincy, MA 02169.

WHITE

Rashedy J. "Ricky" (Maloo), 90, of Asheville, NC formerly of Norwood and Clearwater FL, Jan. 19. Ricky was born in Norwood and graduated from Norwood High School Class of 1939. She was the Beloved wife of the late John C. White. Devoted mother of John "Jay" C. White III of Palmyra, ME and Leslie (White) Bradshaw of Swannanoa, NC. Cherished grandmother of 5 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Sister of the late Nassif Maloof, Celia Maloof, Alice Maloof and Evelyn Maloof. Daughter of the late Elias N. and Effie (Nackley) Maloof. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Interment was in Highland Cemetery.

Condolences Extended To:

Edwin P. Boughter, on the loss of his father, Thomas W. Boughter, of Walpole, on Jan. 20.
Eleanor Sheldon, on the loss of her brother, Edward P. Hoey, of West Roxbury, Jan. 17.
Thomas Campbell, on the loss of his mother, Sabina (Lyons) Campbell, of Sakonnet Bay Manor, Tiverton, RI, Jan. 16.
Lena Morrissey, on the loss of her brother, Egnazio Annese, of Dedham, Jan. 14.

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REGISTRATION FOR NORFOLK LIONS YOUTH SOCCER

Registration for Norfolk Lions Youth Soccer Spring 2012 now being accepted - Registration is ONLINE only. All games are played in Norfolk on Sunday afternoons. NLYS is open to boys and girls age 3 (by Sep. 1, 2011) thru grade 12. You do not have to live in Norfolk to join in on the fun! During our spring season, we will be placing U9 (grade 2 & 3) players onto ALL Girl and ALL Boy teams. Visit the website www.norfolkionsoccer.com to register. Registration DEADLINE is Feb. 1 - (after Feb. 1, players will be added to a Wait List and will only be placed onto a team, with a \$50 Late Fee, should a space on a team become available) - Avoid disappointment and Register Early! Financial Assistance is available - for more information contact Craig Koch at 508-520-0163.

MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUPS FOR CAREGIVERS OF ELDERLY OR DISABLED

Norfolk Adult Day Health Center in Norwood offers a free monthly support group for caregivers whose loved one is a senior or an adult with a disability. Meetings are open to the public and to caregivers of all ages. The Norfolk ADHC meetings are at 595 Pleasant St., on the last Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 31. For more information about respite care or to RSVP, please call 781-769-4495. The adult day health center's programs are part of the Community VNA of Attleboro. The center offers a home-like medical adult day health program with health care supervision. Complex medical needs such as tube feeding, tracheotomy care, injections, medication management and incontinence are addressed by our nursing staff. Nutritious meals and snacks, social and recreational activities and many onsite convenience services are provided. A physician's order is required for all of our participants. Contact the Support Group Facilitator with questions

or to register at 781-769-4495.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Community VNA is pleased to host a monthly support group designed for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 7, at the Community VNA, 10 Emory St., Attleboro. The meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month from 1:30-2:30 p.m., directed by Joyce Colletto R.N. For additional information please call Joyce Colletto at 508-222-0118, ext. 1374

HAVE YOU TESTED YOUR HOME FOR RADON?

January is Radon Action Month. Radon is the number one cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. The EPA estimates that exposure to radon in the home is responsible for an estimated 21,000 lung cancer deaths annually. People who smoke and are exposed to radon, have a much higher risk of developing lung cancer. Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas and is found in homes all over the United States. Radon comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock and water. Radon gas typically enters through cracks and openings in the foundations of buildings and gets trapped inside, where it can build up. Testing is the only way to know if you and your family are at risk from radon. The EPA and the Surgeon General recommend that all homes be tested for radon. Testing is inexpensive and easy to do. If you have elevated levels of radon in your home, this problem needs to be fixed with a radon reduction system. Radon reduction systems are effective and relatively inexpensive. For more information on radon or to purchase a test kit, go to the Norwood Health Department website at www.norwoodma.gov and click on Health News. You can also visit the Health Department, located in the lower level of Town Hall or call 781-762-1240 ext 176. For up to date information from the Health Department, follow us on [twitter@norwoodHD](https://twitter.com/norwoodHD).

SOUTH NORFOLK ALLIANCE MEETING

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill—South Norfolk affiliate will hold its monthly meeting in Cafeteria B of the Lorusso Building at Norwood Hospital at 7 p.m. on Thursday Feb. 2. Mental illness is a label for a variety of diseases of the brain. Often it strikes in late adolescence, devastating the afflicted person and the family. The Alliance is composed of such families who find mutual support and join together to advocate for their loved ones. The Alliance welcomes all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones. In case of inclement weather the meeting will be cancelled if the Norwood schools have closed. For further information call 508-668-2941.

A MORNING OF FUN FOR PRESCHOOLERS

The 12th Annual Early Childhood Fair, sponsored by Coordinated Family & Community Engagement Grant Mass. Department of Early Education and Care, Norwood Public Schools, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 4. There will be Preschool Activities & Crafts, Jungle Jim - Balloon Sculptor, Burt the Raccoon Puppet, Concert by Rick Goldin, Crafts & Activities from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Music with Rick Goldin 11:00-11:45 a.m. Located at the F.A. Cleveland Elementary School, 33 George F. Willett Parkway. All activities are free! There is NO pre-registration required for this event. If you have any questions please call Jeanne Morrison at Norwood Public Schools - 781-440-5983 or by email at jmorrison@norwood.k12.ma.us.

NORWOOD MUSIC FUNDRAISER

The Norwood Parents Music Association is hosting a fundraising event at the Norwood Elks club on Friday, Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m. "Are you smarter than your parents Trivia Night" with a twist, parents against students with a life line for an extra dollar a question. Hosted by the Norwood PMA, at the Norwood Elks, 152 Winslow Ave. Tickets: \$10 for students, \$20 for Parents. Please contact monicatribuna@verizon.net with any questions. The Norwood PMA is a nonprofit organization supporting the Norwood Music programs through fundraisers and other events in conjunction with the Director of Fine Arts, Catherine Connor-Moen. If you would like to learn more about the Norwood PMA or the Norwood Music program, please visit them at www.norwoodpma.org or <http://www.norwood.k12.ma.us/subsite/nhs/page/fine-arts-department-997>.

NVHS DAY AT THE CHATEAU RESTAURANT

Treat yourself and help raise money for animals. The Chateau Restaurant in Norwood will donate 20% of all food and beverage proceeds on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 11:15 a.m. until close, to Neponset Valley Humane Society. Diners must present the *coupon* in order for NVHS to benefit. Please visit our website, neponsethumane.org or call 781-769-1990 or email nvhumanesociety@gmail.com to get the coupon. Neponset Valley Humane Society is an all-volunteer 501c(3) dedicated to helping companion animals and feral cats.

FRIENDS OF NORWOOD CHEER FUNDRAISER

The Friends of Norwood Cheer are having a fundraiser for the Norwood High School Co-ed Cheerleaders. They are State Champs and received a National Bid to compete in Florida in February. The event will be held on Fri., Jan. 27, 7:00 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 193 Dean St., with food donated by the Colonial House and the Chateau restaurants. Music by the Lenox Street Band and friends. We will have raffles as well. The admission cost is \$10. Tickets are available at the door or can be purchased by calling Nancy Gillis Cawley at 781-603-2519 or Joanne McGowan Cuddy at 617-678-0824.

SUNDAY BUNDAY FREE BREAD

You are welcome to come and receive a free loaf of homemade bread the third Sunday of every month at 500 Washington St., 2nd floor. When the weather permits the booth will be in the parking lot. There is no fee for the bread. We know times are hard and we would like to do what we can to help families in need. Blessings from the Norwood Seventh Day Adventist Church.

RABIES CLINIC

North East All Retriever Rescue will be holding a Rabies Clinic on Saturday, Jan 28, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Norfolk County Agricultural High School, 400 Main Street in Walpole. Appointments are not needed, and the cost is \$15 per Rabies shot. Both one and three year vaccines will be available, but a previous vaccination certificate will be required for the three year vaccine. Other vaccines and services will be available. Dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers. Vaccinations will be administered by Dr. Seema Dabas of Norfolk County Veterinary Service. Proceeds from the clinic will be used to benefit NEARR, a nonprofit, 501c(#), charitable, all-volunteer group that re-homes retrievers in the North East.

T.O.N.Y. AWARDS BANQUET

Orient Masonic Lodge in Norwood is proud to announce the list of nominees for this year's Ten Outstanding Norwood Youth awards for 2012. Now in its 42nd year, the T.O.N.Y. awards has continued to annually recognize Norwood residents in grades 10-12 who make significant contributions of time, effort, and talent to volunteerism, church, and other charitable causes. This marks the 17th year the Norwood Masons have been involved in running the program and hosting an annual awards banquet in honor of the nominees. The banquet will be held on Jan. 30, at 6:30 p.m. at the Norwood Masonic Building, 76 Day

St. The 2012 T.O.N.Y. Nominees: Tom Little, Christopher Little, Kurt Bullard, Owen Smith, Anu Ravi, Tea Pasholli, Katherine Mueller, Adam Sicklick, Michael Cerullo, Megan Higgins, Andrew Stover, Michael Epstein, Melissa Chisholm, John Campbell, Rachel Obeid, Casey Noonan, Amanda Rano, Mellisa Varitimos, Samrana Bertrand, Vittoria Spada, Ashley Jean, Molly Smith. Any questions, please contact Tim Lephew 781-636-8790, tlephew@gmail.com.

NRMC VALENTINE PARTY

The 10th annual Valentine's Day Dinner Dance happens to actually fall on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, the second Tuesday of the month. Those interested in signing up may do so at the Jan. meeting or you can call Joe Cattafe at 781-769-4995 or George Wallace at 781-326-9273. The cost is \$30 per person and Feb. 7 is the deadline. A minimum of eight people is needed to reserve a table.

TEAMWORK TRIVIA NIGHT

Fundraiser with DJ Mr. ED will be held on Friday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Norwood Elks. \$20 per person and tables of 10 for \$200. Team Captains can sign up at the Civic Center with President Jerry Miller or send names and payment to Jerry Miller, 12 Leyton Rd., Norwood. Sign up as a class, friends, teammates, brainiacs and other NHS Alumni supporters. Raffles, Door Prizes and 1926 Bricks! Defending champs are the Nee Family!!

NORWOOD LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Walk-in Registration dates have been set for Norwood Little League, beginning Saturday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 23, 5:30-8:00 p.m. and Saturday March 3, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. All registrations will be held at the Civic Center. On-line registration is not available for players who are new to Norwood Little League. Note: There will be an additional processing charge of approx \$6.50 for 1 player, \$8.50 for 2 players and \$10.00 for 3 or more players. Due to the Town of Norwood increase in Field User Fee's from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per child we have been forced to raise the registration fees to \$185.00 from last year's \$175.00 for a single player. Discounts for multiple players remain the same as prior years. A second player receives a \$75.00 discount. A third player receives a \$100.00 discount. There is a family cap of \$380.00, so for any families with 4 or more players you will not be asked to pay for more than 3 players.

SPRING TRAVEL SOCCER REGISTRATION

The deadline to register for the Spring 2012 Intramural Program is Feb. 17. Please sign up early to ensure a spot on a team, and to avoid a late fee. <http://www.norwoodsoccer.com>.

NORWOOD IRISH MUSIC CLUB DANCE

The Norwood Irish Music Club invites you to its first dance of the new year, Saturday, Jan. 28 from 8:00-11:30 p.m., with music of the Wild Rovers. Dances are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at Workman's Hall, 99 Wilson St. (off Rt. 1A), cost is \$10 p.p. and all are welcome. Please call 781-982-4092 for more information.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE NORWOOD PLANNING BOARD

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41 Section 81K- 81GG and Section 3.6.2 of the Norwood Subdivision Regulations (Standards of Adequacy), the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 6, 2012 at 7:15 P.M. in Room 12, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street concerning an adequate access plan to improve a private portion of Roxana Street at or near 61 Roxana Street to a standard that is suitable for access to vacant land owned by Barbara A. Mulvehill, 61 Roxana Street, Norwood, Ma. The applicant is John Weddleton, 7 Trailside Way, Norfolk, Ma. A plan entitled "Adequate Access Plan - Roxana Street in Norwood, Ma." dated December 14, 2011 by Landmark Engineering of N.E., Inc. is on file in the Planning Board Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

E. William Bamber, Clerk

Norwood Record, 1/19/12, 1/26/12

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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

SIGN-UP FOR WINTER STORYTIMES

Registration has begun for the Children's Winter Story times at the Morrill Memorial Library. There are weekly storytimes for children ages infant thru 5 years, as well as a monthly evening pajama storytime. Older children may join the Scrabble Club, Origami Club, Duct Tape Club, or the NYRA Book Club, or enjoy the Yoga Program or Valentine's Crafts and Cards. Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog will be visiting, and we will be celebrating her birthday. Stop by the library for more information and to register for these exciting programs. You may also view the programs online at norwoodlibrary.org.

RORY RAVEN, MINDBENDER & MENTALIST

Acclaimed mindbender and mentalist Rory Raven will come to the Morrill Memorial Library on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. to present an evening of Brainstorming: An Act of Mentalism! Brainstorming is an interactive mind-reading stage show in which minds are read, spoons are bent, and volunteers can test their own "powers." Rory Raven has entertained and mystified audiences at theaters, colleges, libraries, companies, and private events for over a dozen years. Neither a psychic nor a magician, he claims to offer "a new and compelling experience unlike anything you've ever seen." Register for this intriguing free program, funded by the Friends of the Library, at the Reference or Information Desk.

MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Tom Hanks is the featured actor for our Monday Night at the Movies film series at the Morrill Memorial Library from January through April. The movies are shown on the first Monday of the month and begin at 7 p.m. Our Film Fest includes, "Sleepless in Seattle", with Meg Ryan and Rosie O'Donnell, which will be shown on Monday, Feb. 6, followed by "Forrest Gump", with Robin Wright, Gary Sinise and Sally Field, on Monday, March 5. "A League of Their Own", with Geena Davis, Madonna and Garry Marshall, will wind up the series on Monday, April 2. Please sign up for these free films at the library Reference or Information Desk or call. This film series is made possible through the generosity of the Friends of the Library. Complimentary popcorn is provided by Regal Cinema, Bellingham.

GOT AN EREADER? THE LIBRARY CAN HELP

If your first question when you unwrapped your new eReader was "Can I borrow eBooks from the library with this thing?" then read on. Bring your device to the Morrill Memorial Library on Wednesday,

Feb. 8 at 7 p.m., and Technology Librarian Brian Samek will introduce you to our eBook catalog, explain eBook formats, show you how to reserve and check out eBooks, and answer questions about YOUR eReader. Please sign up for this free class, and let us know which eReader you are bringing, e.g. Nook Color, Kindle Fire, Sony Reader, Android phone, etc., when you sign up. To attend the class you must be able to log in to your Minuteman Library Network account at <https://library.minlib.net/patroninfo>. Ask a librarian for help if you are unable to log in.

YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE QUESTIONS ANSWERED

If you have questions about any aspect of health insurance, come to the Morrill Memorial Library on Thursday, Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. for a free seminar conducted by Karen Candido. The following types of insurance will be addressed in this informational seminar: Medicare, POS, PPO and HMO. Topics will include the appeals process, carve-outs, riders, filing claims/bills, and coordination of benefits. Karen Candido has worked for a number of different providers in the health insurance industry for over 10 years. She currently handles billing

issues for doctors and works with all types of insurance including Medicare, Medicaid, BCBS, United Healthcare, Cigna, Aetna, and others. Please sign up or call for this program.

"QUEEN OF THE SUN" MOVIE SCREENING

The Morrill Memorial Library and the nonprofit organization Together Yes will holding a free screening of the award-winning film Queen of the Sun: What are the Bees Telling Us? on Monday, Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. This engaging and uplifting film provides an alternative look at the global bee crisis and takes us on a journey through the catastrophic disappearance of bees and the mysterious world of the beehive. It tells a dramatic story of the heartfelt struggles of beekeepers, scientists and philosophers from around the world, revealing both the problems and the solutions in renewing a culture in balance with nature. Sign up for this 5-star film (according to Box Office Magazine), called "remarkable!" by Roger Ebert.

Whenever sign-up is required for a program, please come to the Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or x222. These are free programs and are funded by the Friends of the Library. The Morrill Memorial Library is accessible to people with disabilities. For more information, visit the library website at norwoodlibrary.org.

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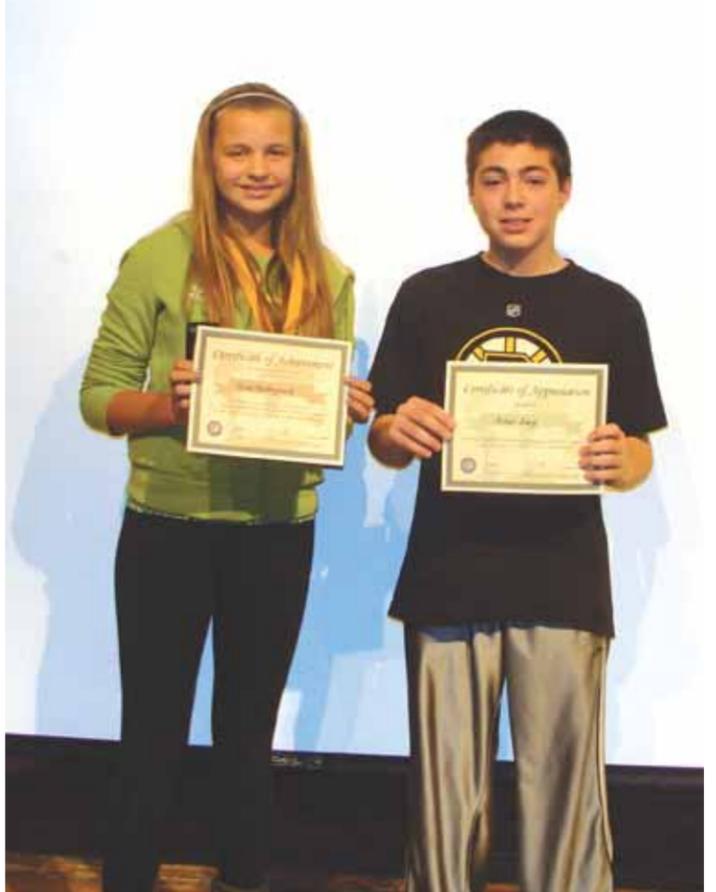
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Citizen Monthly Winners

Dr. Philip O. Coakley Middle School recently honored students for the Citizen of the Month. These exemplary students showed the Character Counts trait of "Helpfulness" in the month of December. Grade 8: Daniel Chiaravalloti, Laura Ailing, Jake Giovannucci; Grade 7: Meghan Reen, Kara Zumbahlen, Giuliana Schallmo; Grade 6: Victoria Mullen, Victoria Simon, Meg Pagliuca; Special Subjects - Art: Cameron Chambers. Missing is Victoria Simon.



Geography Bee winners

Maria Horbaczewski, a 7th grader at Dr. Philip O. Coakley Middle School, won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee on Dec. 23, and a chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship. Michael Dooley, a 6th grader, came in second place. The school-level Bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the 24th annual National Geographic Bee. This year's Bee is sponsored by Google. If Maria qualifies for the state level, she has the opportunity to compete in the national finals, moderated by Jeopardy host Alex Trebek.



Geography Bee finalists

The Coakley Middle School, Student Finalists, school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee on Dec. 23, were: Grade 6: Declan Kohlsaar, Michael Dooley, Mark Spring. Grade 7: Anthony Petruzzelli, Stephen Tribuna, Maria Horbaczewski. Grade 8: Daniel Curley, Griffin Plaag, Vignesh Mahalingam.

COURTESY PHOTOS.

Special Registration session

The Board of Registrars wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that a special registration session has been set for the March 6, 2012 Presidential Primary Election.

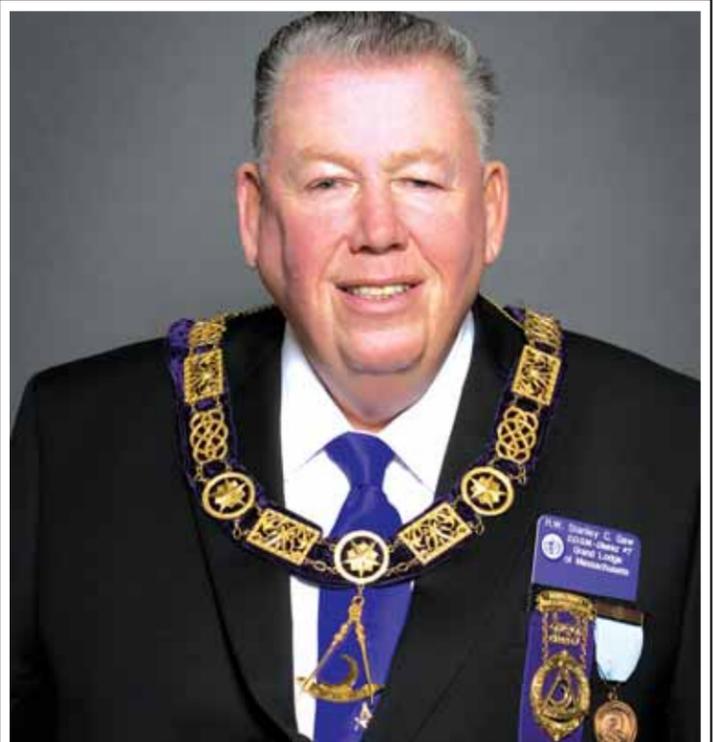
An evening special reg-

istration session will be held at the Municipal Building, Room 32 on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. this is the FINAL REGISTRATION SESSION prior to the Presidential Primary Election.

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

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

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



Gaw a Deputy Grand Master

Stanley Chester Gaw of Norwood was installed a District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts at the fraternity's Boston headquarters and will preside over seven lodges in the 7th Masonic District for the year. The 36,000 Freemasons and 232 lodges in the Commonwealth are organized into 32 Districts, each led by a District Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts is the oldest Grand Lodge in the Western Hemisphere and the third oldest in the world. It was chartered in 1733, following the establishment of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717 and Ireland in 1725. In 2008 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts marked its 275th Anniversary. Raised in Boston, he graduated from Roslindale High School. Gaw is the President of Unitrol Co. Inc., Norwood. He and his wife, Marion, have an adult daughter.

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