



The Norwood Board of Selectmen discussed the South Norwood Commerce Center at its Nov. 29 meeting.

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Selectmen ponder South Norwood Commerce Center acquisition

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen acknowledged Norwood residents Steven and Toni Eoscos' request to purchase the South Norwood Commerce Center, and said the group has been investigating the acquisition for some time.

The Eoscos submitted a letter to Selectmen Chairman Michael Lyons on Nov. 17, asking the Board to consider the

Endicott Street property acquisition to develop assisted living housing.

"Such development would not impact the neighborhood in the same way as general apartments," the Eoscos wrote in their Nov. 17 letter. "We are hoping that any future development 1) does not compromise the enjoyment of our Endicott Street homes and that 2) it is respectful to the natural environment on this site as well as to the historical significance

that this area once held."

The Eoscos, Endicott Street residents, noted additional general apartments could pose a risk to the local community.

"We do not see how Endicott Street has the capacity to sustain being the major entrance and egress for the volume of traffic 300+ apartments would generate," the Eoscos wrote in their letter.

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Selectmen discuss Asphalt storage concerns

Continue public hearing to January

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Staff Reporter

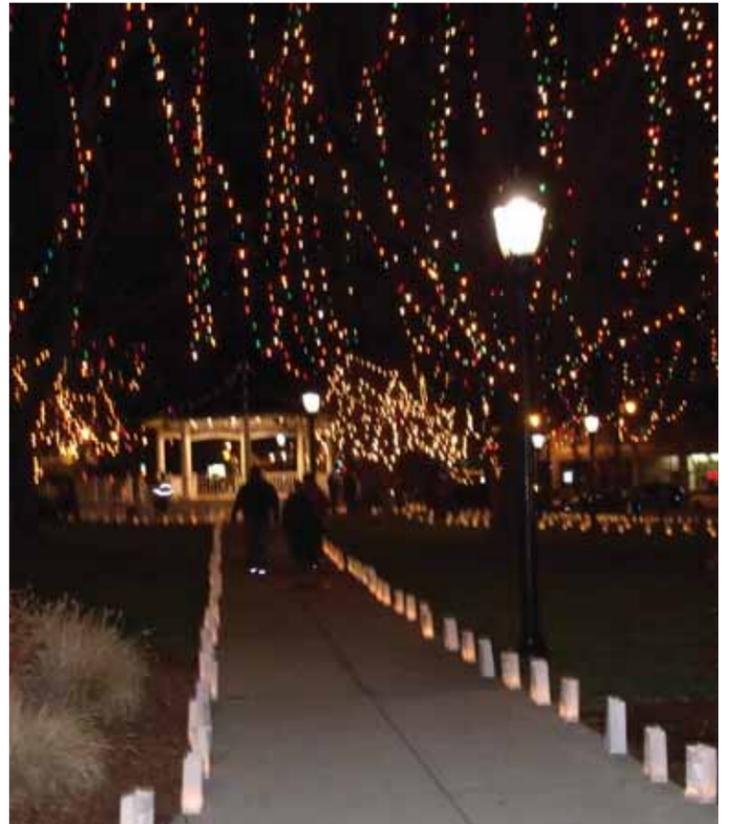
The Norwood Board of Selectmen hosted a public hearing at its meeting Tuesday as Norfolk Asphalt Co. requested to amend its existing Volatile Inflammable Fluids (VIF) license for aboveground storage of liquid asphalt and fuel oil.

Norfolk Asphalt representatives asked the Board to consider altering the VIF license to

allow Norfolk Asphalt's storage facility's storage capabilities to increase its storage capacity from 24,000 gallons to 60,000 gallons.

The site, located at 601-635 Pleasant St., houses 24,000 gallons of liquid asphalt in three tanks currently. Norfolk Asphalt requested the Board approve the proposal to store two 25,000-gallon liquid asphalt tanks and

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The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation hosted its 11th Annual Luminary Night on Saturday, Dec. 3 at the Town Common Gazebo.

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Luminary Night lights up Common

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Luminaries filled the Town Common on Saturday evening, in a symbol of life, hope, remembrance and the season to many as the Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation hosted its 11th Annual Luminary Night.

More than 1,000 luminaries filled the Common as the Circle of Hope Foundation celebrated its most successful Luminary

Night to date.

"It's Norwood people helping Norwood people," Board member Kathy St. Cyr said.

Luminaries were purchased leading up to the Dec. 3 event, and each featured a short, individual message.

The event included a performance by Amici Cantores, a Norwood High School alumni

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Norfolk Asphalt Co. joined the Norwood Board of Selectmen at a public hearing Tuesday evening to discuss aboveground fuel tanks at its 601-635 Pleasant St. location. The hearing will continue Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

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Norwood Farmers Market Subcommittee plants seeds for growth

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Farmers Market Subcommittee has its work cut out as the group has begun its search to find new vendors while completing the transition of the existing market to the Town Common next year.

Subcommittee Chairman Jean Taylor discussed the group's progress at the Downtown Steering Committee's Dec. 1 meeting.

Taylor said the subcommittee has decided the farmers' market will continue Tuesdays next year tentatively scheduled to begin June 17. The market would run until Oct. 30.

"It's always been ours," Taylor said of the market's Tuesday operations, "and rather than change it, we decided to keep it on a day that's familiar to Norwood residents."

However, the farmers' market will extend its hours from noon to 6 p.m. in 2012. The market operated from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the past.

Taylor emphasized the group would like to begin the Town

Common farmers' market with seven vendors, including those who sell fish and bread. The subcommittee has begun reaching out to vendors in the hopes of filling the farmers' market.

The town anticipates the farmers and vendors who made up the market's enrollment this year and in previous years will relocate to Westwood next year as the Westwood Board of Selectmen approved a motion to welcome those vendors unanimously in October.

The subcommittee has contacted the Federation of Massachusetts Farmers Markets (MFM), a nonprofit organization committed to partnering with farmers, consumers, and communities to foster, improve and sustain farmers market in the Commonwealth while working to enhance regional farm viability, consumer nutrition and community social and economic development.

MFM Executive Director Jeff Cole said he provided the subcommittee with research regarding the success of the Commonwealth's farmers' markets at different days and times

along with a list of potential vendors.

"The terms of conditions of a farmers' market now is completely different from what it was in 1996," Cole, a former Norwood Farmers Market vendor when the market was located in the Town Common in 1996, said. "Those conditions are no longer the case."

Cole emphasized every farmers market has similarities, but each town must develop its market based on its unique circumstances.

"What works in Market A might not work in Market B," Cole said. "Each market needs to find the right mix of things to be successful."

Cole noted the Norwood Farmers Market presents the opportunity to incorporate the town's sense of community with its central location in the Town Common.

"No successful farmers markets are purely sales venues," Cole said. "They're community events."

Taylor said the subcommittee
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group consisting of singers with a wide range of musical backgrounds. The group performed seasonal hits during the evening, and has performed sacred and secular music genres without accompaniment in the past.

Hot chocolate and candy canes remained available to attendees as they gathered to celebrate a memorable event in the heart of Norwood Center.

The Circle of Hope Foundation was created to honor the memory of Norwood resident Michelle Kennedy, who lost her life to a battle with leukemia. The Norwood community joined together to support Kennedy during her battle, and

the foundation continues in that spirit.

The Circle of Hope has assisted Norwood families with various expenses depending on their needs: rent, mortgage, utilities, food, medical bills and equipment, house ramps, prescriptions, gas cards and airline tickets to treatment centers. The foundation has provided a quarter-of-a-million dollars in assistance since its creation.

"Every penny is going to help Norwood families, 100 percent," Circle of Hope Foundation President Tim McDonough said.

St. Cyr noted attendees have braved frigid weather to celebrate Luminary Night in the

past. However, this year's event offered tolerable temperatures.

"Every year, it is the coldest day of the year," St. Cyr said of past Luminary Nights. "We got lucky this year."

The Circle of Hope Foundation, a nonprofit organization, operates through volunteer efforts. The organization hosts fundraisers throughout the year while receiving corporate, private and public donations as well.

Those interested in supporting the organization's mission can send donations to: The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation, 24 Myrtle St., Norwood, MA 02062.

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The Eoscos noted general apartment housing could impact the Norwood Public Schools as well.

"Knowing that Norwood has only a six percent affordable/low-income housing rate, we are at risk of having a developer use this huge land parcel (27 acres) for development of a dense apartment complex," the Eoscos noted in their letter. "This would definitely impact Norwood's school enrollment

figures."

Selectman Bill Plasko said the town has been interested in acquiring the property for the past three years, and has been in discussions to get the property since 2009.

"More recently, we've become aware the property may be available at a more reasonable price," Plasko said during the Board's Nov. 29 meeting.

However, environmental concerns remain one of the issues in acquiring the property.

"There's still contaminated material on site that hasn't been removed," Plasko said.

Plasko noted the town would like to handle the property in a way that makes it suit-

able for housing.

"We are exploring it," Plasko said of the Endicott Street property. "If we can find property that's acceptable, I would buy it first and figure out a use for it later."

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue emphasized acquiring the property has become a viable prospect recently.

"It's changed a lot," Donohue said. "Things are becoming more realistic about the project."

The Board discussed the matter further in executive session during its Nov. 29 meeting.

"We have been and are addressing it," Plasko said.

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Friends of Center introduces new downtown manager

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

New Friends of Norwood Center Downtown Manager Kim Weineck outlined the group's goals and objectives at the Downtown Steering Committee's Dec. 1 meeting.

Weineck noted her primary focus remains helping the Friends develop a mission statement.

"Basically, the priority is getting a nice, cohesive vision so we can answer the question 'What is the Friends of Norwood Center about?'" Weineck said.

Weineck, a North Attleborough resident, was named the Friends' Downtown Manager last month. She has served as Gallery Director of Norwood's Custom Art Framing & Gallery 9 for the past three years.

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

Weineck has worked as a freelance artist, designer and instructor in North Attleborough, launched her own art gallery in Walpole and earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Massachusetts College of Art.

"Being a merchant herself, she understands that mentality," Friends President Jeanne Babel said, referring to Weineck's experience as a vendor.

The Friends have hired Weineck to work on a part-time basis, and she will work between

15 to 20 hours weekly.

Weineck said she intends to remain accessible to Norwood residents and merchants, working at least one full day in public areas while hitting the town's streets as well.

"I'll be a connecting possibility for people," Weineck told the Downtown Steering Committee.

Babel said at least 10 candidates interviewed for the position.

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

Downtown Steering Committee Chairman Jean Taylor said she was thrilled with the Friends' downtown manager hiring.

"I think you're going to be fantastic," Taylor told Weineck at Thursday's Downtown Steering Committee meeting.

Weineck noted the Friends will continue fundraising efforts as the group grows, continues to grow. In addition, the Friends plan to host a launch event, possibly in April.

Babel noted Weineck boasts extensive event planning and social media experience to help her succeed as the group's downtown manager.

The Friends will continue to listen to views and opinions from the local community as it attempts to help the downtown area flourish.

"We're open to any ideas that anyone has," Babel said.

The Friends have followed the example set by the Dedham Square Circle, a Dedham nonprofit organization created in 2006 to preserve the town's history while rejuvenating its business and economic development.

Babel said the Friends, a five-



Kim Weineck

member group, will meet at least once a month.

Babel noted the Friends have been approved by the Commonwealth as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The group has set up a bank account to receive donations, and continues to make strides within the local community.

"We've set up some of the organizational things so we can move on," Babel said.

Babel noted the Friends will need a group effort to continue to be successful, and encouraged downtown vendors to work together to remain viable.

"We want them to all be on the same side," Babel said, referring to the downtown merchants.

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

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

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tee plans to explore ideas to involve the community, including allowing vendors to accept SNAP food stamps.

"We have a lot of people in Norwood that could really benefit from that," Taylor said. "It's something we still have to look at more."

In addition, the subcommittee could consider weekly entertainment in the Town Common to compliment the market.

Town Planner Steve Costello said the eight-member subcommittee would continue to discuss its options as it prepares for next

year's farmers' market.

"We're all working diligently to get farmers to the Norwood Town Common," Costello said.

Costello noted the subcommittee members' roles continue to remain fluid.

"We're still in the process of sorting out what committee members are doing," Costello said. "It's important the committee organizes as to who does what."

Costello said the subcommittee planned to meet Dec. 7.

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Seniors to take the bus

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Staff Reporter

COA will remain at 7

The Norwood Council on Aging will maintain its status as a seven-person committee as the group defeated a motion to reduce its membership to five members. The COA voted 4-3 to remain a seven-member council.

The COA announced its decision at its Dec. 1 meeting, but COA Chairman Fred Picard said the group first considered the measure in October in an effort to improve its efficiency.

However, the group ultimately decided to continue its current membership.

"It gets to be like a dictatorship when you get to five [members]," Picard said. "We wanted to get feedback from all of the Senior Center."

Finding new members could become a challenge for the council in the future as well.

COA members can serve at most four years on the council according to town by-laws, and four members will finish their terms in May: Picard, Vice Chairman Tony Mastandrea, Treasurer William Clifford and member Fran Howard.

Picard said the COA typically follows a two-three-two member

replacement pattern, but recent council resignations have led to four members terms reaching their conclusion simultaneously.

"They didn't really follow the pattern that was supposed to be followed," Picard said.

Picard said the four members' terms would conclude May 5.

Mastandrea said at least 15 people have been contacted about filling future vacancies on the council, and Picard noted at least three people have shown interest.

Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging President Bill McCoy said he believes seven board members are too many.

"You get more impact from five people than you do from seven," McCoy said.

The Norwood School Committee has seen a reduction in its membership recently.

Norwood resident Gerri Slater took a step toward reducing the School Committee from seven members to five by submitting a petition to add an article to last month's Special Town Meeting (TM) warrant. TM voters approved the measure at its Nov. 14 gathering.

Picard said the discussion

surrounding the School Committee remained unrelated to the COA's membership talks.

The Friends of COA said Dec. 1 they would provide the Senior Center with a 20-passenger school bus.

"We always said when they needed a new bus, we would provide one," McCoy said.

McCoy said the bus is the first of its kind to be purchased for the town.

"We're happy to do it," McCoy said. "It's something we're doing for all the seniors," McCoy said.

The COA accepted the Friends of COA's donation unanimously.

McCoy noted it could take between two and four months to order and build the bus.



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OPINION

Is Norwood really "Needlewood"?

Bartley King was before the Board of Selectmen Tuesday evening to report on his Police Department's monthly activities. Chief King, usually handled with kid gloves by Selectmen, found himself in the very unusual position of defending police efforts when it comes to drug enforcement.

Once Chief King concluded his report, which included a comment by the Chief that heroin use was on the rise, Selectman Paul Bishop, a former Norwood Police Officer, said he had heard the term "Needlewood" by others when referring to Norwood, and was not happy about it.

"I think we have a bigger situation in Norwood," Bishop said. And his comment that "Either all of these diabetics are coming out of the closet or we have some other problem" would normally be humorous if not so on target.

This newspaper has mentioned through numerous editorials that drunks, druggies and syringes are publicly proliferating these streets more and more, and people need to stand up and take notice. When strangers ask residents on the streets and in shopping centers for money to "take the bus" how many believe they really need public transportation? When police logs are littered with calls for people asleep on residents' lawns and sidewalks, how many of them do you think just concluded a double shift? And as Bishop so astutely pointed out, these are not diabetic syringes being found all over town. And if the Chief is correct when he states that syringes are really being found in only a few select areas, how many cops are walking the streets in those neighborhoods? The answer is none.

The only time you will find

a Norwood Cop on foot is if he is on a paid detail. And there is no shortage of those. Again, as this newspaper has stated time and again, it wasn't that long ago that Norwood Police men and women were riding bikes and walking beats, meeting and greeting residents and businesses, many times getting acquainted on a first name basis. How many cops can you name now? You can throw around terms like Community Policing, but unless cops are out among those who comprise the community, it is just a shallow term.

Heroin sales and use may not be unique to Norwood, but it appears that it is a bigger problem in Norwood than surrounding communities. Logistics and demographics can explain away some of it, but not all of it. And it is true that bud-

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Letters to the Editor

TRUE "DEATH WITH DIGNITY"...NOT LEGALIZED SUICIDE

To the Editor:

My father-in-law recently passed away at the age of 93. He spent two years in a nursing home prior to his death, which was difficult for all of his family members, especially to watch him going downhill physically and mentally. However, at no time did anyone consider intervening and "helping" him to die. As difficult as it was, he was visited and cared for by his children and family, and when the time came for him to naturally pass from this world, he was surrounded by love and prayers and the constant vigil of his family. That was true death with dignity. He was blessed to have had a good life, and was immensely blessed in death as each of his children and relatives had a chance to share their love and say goodbye. His wife had received the same blessings 15 years before, as did both of my parents when their time came to end their Earthly life.

Facilitating one's death by injection, medication or otherwise is not death with dignity. It is intervening where there is no right to do so. Isn't there enough killing in our society already? Just consider all the young teenagers and young adults committing suicide, and how tragic that is. By passing a bill legalizing suicide, it is reinforcing the misconception

that one's life is not valuable enough; that taking one's own life is a viable, yet so incredibly painful for others, option. Legalized suicide should not happen here in Massachusetts or anywhere.

It is a very slippery slope from a loving family member to decide when to "pull the plug" to a doctor or insurance company deciding that a life just is not worth the cost of saving or the care involved. It happened with Terry Schiavo. Her parents and siblings fought hard to keep her alive, and in the end, a single judge decided that she should die by starvation. How barbaric.

Suffering, as painful as it is to watch or endure, is part of everyone's life. Helping others in their suffering makes each of us less self-absorbed, more compassionate, and much more appreciative of life and the blessings of it. We will all suffer, we will all die at some point, but how much better it will be when we, or those we love, did not do anything to hasten our death, but tried to protect the life that we were given until our natural death.

Betty Marsh
Norwood

TAKES EXCEPTION TO SABER

To the Editor:

(RE: Nov. 23 Norwood Record)

I take strong exception to Jackie Saber's gratuitous and

unsubstantiated smear of the Occupy Wall Street movement. O.W.S. is not only composed of young people (who in any case have often been in the vanguard of necessary change), it's all kinds of people who are now living on the edge thanks to the financial meltdown.

They're not a mob, they're people employing a constitutional right of assembly, in a surprisingly well-organized and disciplined manner, as Ms. Saber might find out if she stopped shooting from the hip.

We admire large demonstrations for democracy and equality under the law in Egypt or Tunisia, but the powers that be get uneasy when it happens in the U.S.

And who are the real greedheads, Ms. Saber? How about the over-entitled bank executives who melted down the financial structure of the west while manipulating and gaming the real-estate bubble, all the while siphoning off vast rewards for themselves - even after they were bailed out on the taxpayers' dime?

My only beef with O.W.S. is its aversion so far to enunciating clearly needed goals such as: Writing it into the constitution that corporations are NOT people and cannot be permitted to buy up the electoral process. Or breaking up the "too-big-to-fail" financial institutions.

Barry Levine
Norwood

PBCC moving on Town Hall

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

The Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC) interviewed two architectural firms as the group continues to make progress toward future Town Hall renovations.

The PBCC discussed the Town Hall with Danvers, Mass.-based Gienapp Design Associates and Boston's Bargmann Hendrie + Archetype Inc. at its Nov. 29 meeting. Weymouth, Mass.-based Gale Associates declined a PBCC interview, citing a lack of preparation time.

PBCC Chairman Ted Callahan said the group will name a finalist this week, but noted a difficult decision lies ahead following each architectural firm's interview.

"Both candidates made excellent presentations," Callahan said.

The PBCC named Compass Project Management as a finalist for the Town Hall project's Owner's Project Manager at its Nov. 22 meeting. The OPM would complete design and construction of any Town Hall renovations.

Callahan said Compass representatives have been invited to attend the PBCC's Dec. 15 meeting to negotiate a possible fee to complete the work.

Gienapp Design completed an on-site study of the Town Hall's masonry exterior to examine the existing conditions and determine the cause of ongoing water infiltration into the exterior of the building. Gienapp Design presented its results to the PBCC this summer.

Gienapp Design owner Dale Gienapp noted the company performed an initial assessment of the Town Hall's overall condition, finding several issues with the building.

Callahan said the PBCC's search to replace former member Dick Kief remains ongoing.

Kief resigned as a PBCC member effective Sept. 1. Callahan said the group has reached out to possible candidates, but has yet to find a suitable replacement.

"This is a very special type of job that requires specific expertise," Callahan said.

Kief has served as a liaison between the school committee and the PBCC since the high school construction project began. In addition, Kief served the group during a separate term more than 20 years ago.

Callahan noted the ideal replacement for Kief would possess management skills and an architectural or construction background.

"All you're trying to do is build and repair buildings," Callahan said. "Unless you have someone with expertise in that area, you're a fish out of water."

Callahan said anyone interested in becoming a PBCC member could get a firsthand account of the group's affairs by attending its meetings held every other Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

"It's a good way to get acquainted with what we do," Callahan said of the group's meetings.

The PBCC will continue to operate with six members until it finds Kief's replacement.

Most of Elmway mural saved

Daniel Kobialka
Staff Reporter

Norwood's MonkeySports Superstore opened its doors to customers Friday with a familiar facet of its Elmway Farms location intact.

Leading Edge Construction Services President Dave Nilson said the construction management company maintained 95 percent of the historic mural at the 949 Boston Providence Hwy location.

"Trying to save the mural was the challenge," Nilson said. "We had to repaint a lot of the light blue area."

Nilson, the building's project manager, said it took roughly

five weeks to complete leakage and other repairs on the building, and two weeks to finish the painting.

In addition, Nilson noted an anti-graffiti substance was utilized in the repainted areas as well.

Maintenance remains critical in helping to keep the mural intact in the future.

"Any time you paint a building...it needs to have maintenance," Nilson said. "This building sat here for three years without maintenance, which is one of the reasons it failed."

MonkeySports, a baseball, hockey and lacrosse retailer, will utilize temporary signage as it continues its growth in the

Norwood community. Norwood's Mystic Scenic Studios had painted the building's mural three years ago.

MonkeySports representatives faced signage and mural questions from the Norwood Planning Board during a September meeting.

Nilson noted the group has focused its efforts on fixing building leaks and preserving the mural simultaneously.

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gets have been cut and Norwood cops need to be doing more with less, but budgets have been cut in every town and everyone is doing more with less, so those excuses are becoming more and more hollow.

Chief King defended his decision to have patrol cars sitting at Route 1 locations enforcing traffic laws instead of chasing heroin users and sellers when questioned by Selectman Donohue. No doubt it's the same defense for the patrol car idling by the Town Common daily for hours at a time. The guess here is that Norwood residents would prefer Norwood cops being out and about in their neighborhoods instead of "monitoring" the situations from their patrol cars.

Norwood has a growing substance abuse problem. And it is a very fair question to ask if the Norwood Police Department is doing enough the right way to curtail it.

APOLOGY: *Two weeks ago in an editorial I made a comment that given enough time, all School Committee members would be arrested. This was in reference to two of them having been arrested in the last few months. It was in poor taste and the Norwood School Committee as a whole is undeserving of such a characterization. It demeans the hours of hard work they put in to better Norwood schools and for this I apologize.*

Dennis Cawley

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one 10,000-gallon fuel oil tank. Tim Higgins, Vice President of Development for real-estate developer Edgewood Development Co., said Norfolk Asphalt began meeting with the Norwood Fire Department in August to review safety regulations.

"Our concern is the tank farm," Norwood Fire Prevention Officer Anthony Greeley said. "That's where the hazards are." Greeley noted the alterations corresponded to state regulations.

"It meets the code criteria," Greeley told the Board. "They adhere to all the qualifiers."

Norfolk Asphalt President Jerry Lorusso said the change would reduce the number of trucks entering the Pleasant Street site.

"It allows them to take in fewer trucks," Lorusso said. "With enough capacity, we can plan the incoming trucks for tomorrow and the next day."

Lorusso told Selectmen the last delivery the facility received was 15 years ago.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue questioned Norfolk Asphalt's request, noting the Board's priority is to protect the public good.

"This application makes me sick," Donohue said. "It shows me how perfectly this use is not right for the site."

Donohue emphasized abutters could be at risk because of their proximity to the tanks.

"We're not in the wilderness," Donohue said. "We're not in an extensive industrial area."

Higgins said the closest abutter would be approximately 600 feet away from the site, and that the nearest property was not a residence. In addition, Higgins cited examples of other nearby businesses storing hazardous materials on-site.

"We're not asking for something that hasn't been granted

before," Higgins told Selectmen.

However, Donohue noted no Norwood facilities store their tanks above ground.

"All of them are stored underground," Donohue said. "Is that what we're going to do, make Norwood, Massachusetts into a tank farm?"

Selectman Allan Howard said Norfolk Asphalt should be treated like a new company because the site has not been used in more than a decade.

"This company has been inactive for 15 years," Howard said. "I feel we need to see real world experience for your company at the capacity you are currently licensed for."

Higgins suggested the Board consider a hearing continuation so more information could be presented to Selectmen regarding the health and safety of the request.

Selectmen Chairman Michael Lyons said the Board must address all concerns relating to the request, and noted a hearing continuation may be necessary to have all questions answered.

"My concerns are health and safety," Lyons said. "I'm not comfortable approving anything until I have more information."

Selectman Paul Bishop emphasized a continuation could benefit all parties involved.

"I think it'd be incumbent upon us to continue it," Bishop said. "It'll give everyone an equal opportunity."

The Board accepted a motion unanimously to continue the hearing on Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

In other business...

Norwood Police Chief Bartley E. King Jr. told Selectmen the town faces a heroin concern as he submitted a monthly report of the department's activities to the Board.

"We have a heroin problem

in Norwood," King said. "The problem is not unique to Norwood."

King noted heroin remains cheap and readily available, but the department is addressing the problem.

"We are reaching out to the people using heroin and trying to help them," King said. "At the same time, we are trying to find the distributors, which is a little more difficult."

Bishop said he felt disheartened after recently hearing someone refer to Norwood as "Needlewood," and noted syringes have been appearing regularly on public property.

"I think we have a bigger situation in Norwood," Bishop said.

Bishop stressed the problem stretches far beyond simply syringes on Norwood streets.

"Either all of these diabetics are coming out of the closet or we have some other problem," Bishop said. "I believe that problem is heroin."

Donohue emphasized the issue remains a universal problem.

"We have to concentrate more on it," Donohue said. "It's not just a Norwood problem. We have these syringes and stuff in the streets and in the schoolyards."

King said the department continues to do what it can to eliminate the problem.

"We're making due with what we have," King told the Board, "and I think we're doing a pretty good job."

The Board had scheduled a public hearing with restaurant Thai Cilantro regarding its failure to provide services under its liquor license Tuesday.

However, no Thai Cilantro representatives attended the hearing.

The Board accepted a motion to table the hearing to next month by a 3-1 vote. Bishop voted against the measure.

Selectmen began the hearing at its Sept. 27 meeting as Thai Cilantro, located at 712 Washington St., had appeared closed for several weeks, and were considering whether to remove the Thai restaurant's liquor license.

Thai Cilantro owner Annie Sann told Selectmen the restaurant faced economic difficulties, which had resulted in its temporary closure. Sann said the restaurant had remained closed for roughly a month-and-a-half at the Sept. 27 meeting.

The Board agreed unanimously to continue the hearing at its Nov. 8 meeting.

Sann told Selectmen she had found a buyer to purchase the location, but a purchase and sale agreement had yet to be completed last month. The Board accepted a motion at its Nov. 8 meeting to continue the hearing Dec. 6.

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Sports



After falling one game short of the state finals last year, the girls' hockey team is looking forward to another successful season.

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Girls' Hockey reloads after record year

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

When you come up one goal short of playing for a state championship on the same ice as the Boston Bruins, odds are you are going to come back hungrier than ever.

For that reason alone, teams should fear Norwood's girls' hockey program this year.

While the roster is not quite set, head coach Bill O'Donnell is looking forward to the season.

Norwood returns just two seniors (captain Hayley O'Rourke and goalie Nicole Casey), but the camaraderie built on such a young team is something he believes will help immensely over the course of a season.

"The returning players all have enjoyed playing hockey for Norwood High School and all that playing a hockey

season entails," he explained. "A car wash, pasta dinners, going to a college women's ice hockey game. They really just seem to enjoy each other's company in addition to the on-ice success. The new players have exhibited an enthusiasm which is great to see while doing off-ice conditioning and at our on-ice practices."

The fact that such enthusiasm still oozes from the program is a credit to O'Donnell. With the team being so successful over the past two years (30-6-4; 19-2-2 last season), it would be understandable if the girls got a bit complacent. However, that has not been the case.

Of course, repeating a 19-2-2 season will be beyond difficult, and repeating as Bay State Conference champs will be even harder, but the bad taste of missing an opportunity to play for a

state title last season may just be enough motivation for a young team to repeat its recent success.

"It's like any start of a new season," explained O'Donnell. "There's going to be some challenges, but everyone is working hard. The key is to always try and turn those challenges into an opportunity. That's what we'll be looking to do all season."

The team dropped the puck on their season Monday, hosting Mount Saint Charles Academy in Norwood.

While the game won't count towards their final record, it is a way for the team to get ready for another exciting season.

The Mustangs will not see the ice in game action again until Dec. 14 when they visit Newton North for their first Bay State matchup of the season.

Face-off is set for 7:00 p.m.

Floor Hockey taking off among Norwood youth

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Anyone who has had the opportunity to grow up and play floor hockey during gym class, whether it was elementary, middle or high school, knows how great it can be.

The standard games of kickball and capture the flag cannot compare to the thrill of 45 minutes to an hour of up and down, tape-to-tape floor hockey action with one's classmates.

The Norwood Recreation Department has found a way to continue that fun and excitement on a weekly basis by creating a floor hockey league for kids.

A new season kicked off last week, with over 350 children participating on over 25 teams.

Recreation Administrator Howard Weinstein explained why he believes the league is such a hit in Norwood.

"It's been around for years. I played when I was growing up in the '70s," he said with a chuckle. "I think we have a built a fantastic tradition of parents playing floor hockey when they were kids, and now their kids are playing," he said.

Games take place Monday through Wednesday

from 3:35 to 6:30 p.m., with four games taking place each day.

The beauty of the league is that any child can play. With the Boston Bruins making hockey relevant for a completely new generation in these parts again, the ability the league has to further introduce hockey to the kids is a fantastic opportunity, whether it is on the ice or on hardwood floors.

Weinstein explained how open and fun-oriented the league truly is.

"All the teams are coached by volunteers," he said. "They put together most of their teams and they have no issues with us placing a kid that wants to play on their team. The league is just about fun."

The league keeps weekly standings, bringing the element of competition in, albeit slightly, just to add some excitement for the kids.

"As long as they are all having fun...that's truly what it's all about," said Weinstein.

The Recreation Department also has "Chicks with Sticks," a floor hockey league specifically for women, running this winter. Games are played from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday nights.

Boys' Track readies for season start

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Much like the girls' indoor track team, the opportunity for the boys' team to finally have a facility it can be proud of and actually call home should do wonders, not only the growth of the sport, but for the success of the program overall.

When discussing the upcoming season, head coach Russ Booth was more than happy that his squad finally

had a consistent place to train and practice in.

"This pre-season is already night and day compared to the past couple of years," he said. "The fact that the kids' training is already better than it has been in years past is big. The new facility is just fantastic and it's nice to be able to actually have a place to call home for the season."

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This year's boys' basketball team returns its four leading scorers from last year's team and hopes to take the next step forward under head coach Rich Cormier.

FILE PHOTO

Boys' Basketball sets roster, readies for Bay State Conference

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Last week, the *Record* gave readers a little taste of the upcoming basketball season for the Mustang boys' team.

This week, with a set roster now ready to go, and the season quickly approaching as scrimmages are already tipping off, here is a more in-depth look at what to expect this season on the hardwood.

The final roster was set at 14 guys with six seniors, seven juniors and one sophomore. It is a veteran group with a good amount of experience and various strengths.

According to head coach Rich Cormier, those strengths will be keys for the team this season.

"Our team strengths are cohesiveness, depth and work ethic. We have a number of guys who can put the ball in the basket, but if we are to find success it will come from outworking our opponents and winning all the little battles within the game," he said

Seniors Sean O'Neill and Tom Munro will lead the 10 returning players onto the court this season for Norwood.

Steve Martinez, Tommy Bartucca and Troy Sousa-Semper top off the senior class, while juniors Daron English, Richie Saad, Patrick O'Rourke, Dan Flahive and Nick Pietrzak will fill out behind them. Rounding out the roster will be sophomore Charlie Crockett, juniors Rodney Jean-Marie, Bryan Gearty and senior Kenny Stokes.

Cormier believes he has a good balance of size, quickness and shooters on his ros-

ter, while the most important aspect to his team's season may be the fact that they are returning their top four scorers from 2010-2011.

O'Neill, Sousa-Semper, Munro and English all return with the hopes of duplicating their scoring success, while Martinez and Bartucca should provide excellent defense. Munro, Jean-Marie, Flahive and Crockett will anchor the frontcourt.

The most important aspect in any team sport is co-

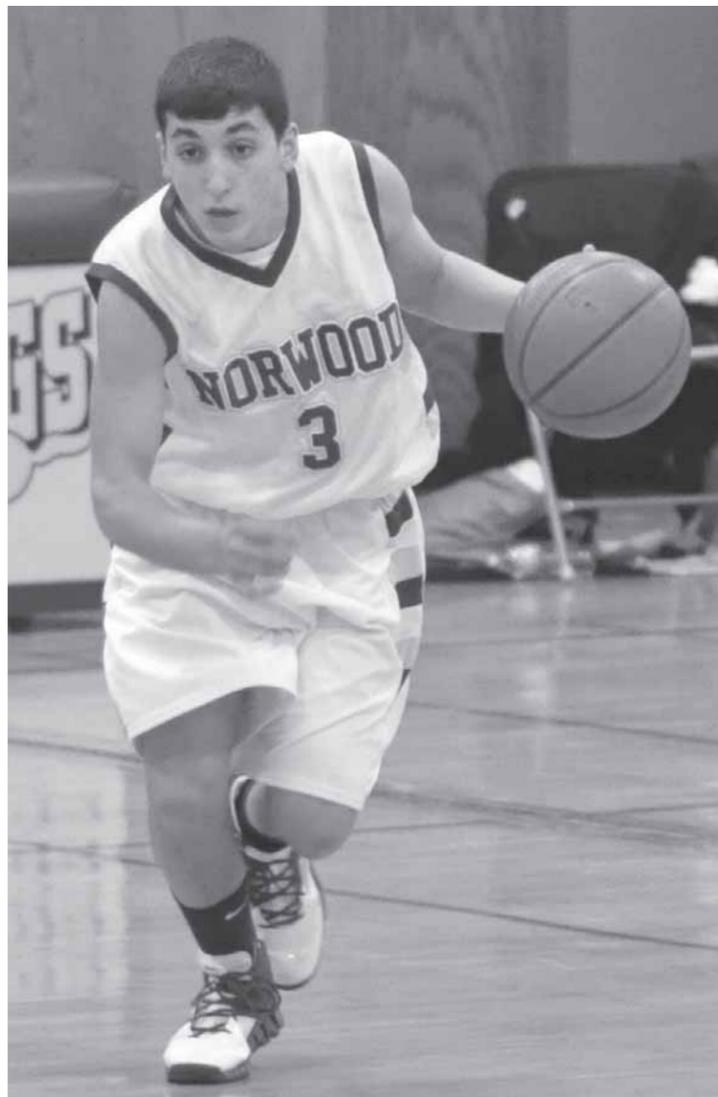
hesiveness and the ability of everyone to understand their role.

Cormier talked about his team's chemistry entering the season.

"From 1 to 14 on this team, every player brings a strength to our team and each player will have a role. I cannot promise to use a 14-man rotation but we feel that each player on this roster has

Boys' B-Ball

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Tommy Bartucca will be a senior leader for the Mustangs as they start the season.

PHOTO BY ZALINA MCGUIRE

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Having just a short season (the Mustangs went 2-3 last season) allows the team to host later tryouts.

"Other sports are making their cuts," explained Booth. "So during tryouts, once those teams finished making their decisions, we are able to get athletes that may not have made another team that come in here and can help us out in different events."

The ability to pluck a bunch of different athletes away from other sports is what makes track so unique and so appealing to a variety of people, including the coaches.

The question then becomes, are they looking for any specific type of athlete?

"Not really," said Booth. "The good thing with track is that we can look at a bunch of different athletes and try to fit them in to different events. Some people are explosive, some people are built a bit lanky, and some are just fast. Everyone kind of has their own place on the team. We're always looking for help."

With it not even being a week into the season yet, and teams still coming together both literally and figuratively across the state, expectations are a bit unclear right now. Nevertheless, Booth was not afraid to begin thinking ahead a bit with the season opening soon.

"I firmly believe this team can win at least three meets," he said. "We could

possibly get four as well but it's definitely going to be tough with the conference we compete in."

Steve O'Brien will be one of the captains leading the way this year for Norwood. A returning hurdler, Booth expects big things from O'Brien, who is coming off a strong soccer season in which he helped make some history by bringing Norwood to its first ever state tournament appearance.

Joe O'Connor, also a returning senior, is coming off a strong cross-country season during the fall, and is expected to be a leader for the Mustang runners this season.

Shamarie Wells, a transfer from Milton High School, who would have been their top sprinter this season, comes from a program consistently known as a perennial powerhouse when it comes to track and should bring a bit of aggressiveness and some knowledge of a successful program to Norwood.

Overall, the boys' indoor track team is young entering this season. However, with the new faces and ability to now train and practice in a legitimate facility, the Blue and Gold track attack may be making a lot more noise than originally expected this season.

The Mustangs get things rolling right away with their first meet of the season Dec. 15 on the road in Milton.

Boys' Basketball Calendar

- Dec. 16 Newton North 6:30
- Dec. 20 at Milton 6:30
- Dec. 23 at Bishop Feehan 6:30
- Dec. 28 Hanover (at Rockland) 5:30
- Dec. 29 Rockland/Dennis-Yarmouth TBA
- Jan. 3 Brookline 6:30
- Jan. 6 Braintree 6:30
- Jan. 10 at Dedham 6:30
- Jan. 13 Wellesley 6:30
- Jan. 17 Natick 6:30
- Jan. 20 Walpole 5:00
- Jan. 24 at Weymouth 6:30
- Jan. 27 Milton 6:30
- Jan. 29 Bishop Feehan 5:00
- Jan. 31 at Framingham 6:30
- Feb. 3 at Needham 6:30
- Feb. 7 Dedham 6:30
- Feb. 10 at Wellesley 6:30
- Feb. 14 at Natick 6:30
- Feb. 16 at Walpole 5:00
- Feb. 19 at Westwood 7:00
- Feb. 21 Arlington/King Philip (at Westwood) 5:00/7:00

Girls' Track looking to hit the ground running

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

As an athletic team, when you do not have a place to really call "home," victories are not really a consistent way of life.

For the girls' indoor track team at Norwood High School, the past three years have not really been conducive to a winning environment.

However, with the new additions to the school, this year may be a bit different.

With numbers in the program already increasing (there are now 60 athletes on the roster as opposed to the usual 40), head coach Matt Curran believes there is a new energy residing throughout athletics in the school.

"Our numbers are up and there seems to be a new enthusiasm for the sport. It seems the

attitude with the new school is rubbing off on athletics," he said.

Danielle Ringler, Rebecca Dyckes, Marykate Galvin and Caroline O'Day will lead the way as captains this year for Curran's squad.

Curran highlighted a big year from Ringler last season as one of the hopeful building blocks for the team this year.

"Last Indoor season Danielle had a breakout season in the high jump and sprints," he noted.

Senior leadership in any sport is key, and this team is no different.

Senior Jackie Sobchuk in the shot put will be expected to step up in a bigger role this season being a four-year vet on the team. She will be joined by Kim Crockett and Ashley Felix.

Courtney Fernandes, a junior, will lead a young group of hur-

dlers. Newcomers to the team are also expected to include sophomore Jessica Murphy, who had a solid spring season last year as a freshman, and freshman Nicole Marchant should add depth to the sprinters.

Improvement is key. The ability to get better every day is what most (good) teams try to focus on. Curran's squad should be no different, as he expects to make some noise from the shadows this year.

"As a team I expect us to sneak up on a few teams, and as the season moves on and we gain more experience I expect us to give opposing teams a challenge," he said. "I definitely expect us to improve on last year's record."

The first meet of the season is set for Dec. 15 when the Mustangs will face Milton.

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a chance to contribute on any given night off the bench," he said.

"I look forward to seeing these guys compete day in and day out at practice with one another to make ourselves the best team possible in order to reach our goals."

Those goals will be lofty ones for such a veteran team. Having been around the block for a few years now, these veteran Mustangs are hoping for big things when the season tips off next week.

"We will strive to win the Herget title and return to the state tournament," stated Cormier. "The five returning seniors have really set the tone over the first three days (of pre-season) and their excitement has rubbed off on our younger guys."

"We will meet next week to solidify our team goals but I have no doubt that our goals

will be set high this year and with some hard work, sweat, probably a little blood and hopefully some luck we will achieve what we set out to do this season"

With such a veteran heavy team, the sky could be the limit for the Norwood ballers this year. Win or lose though, Cormier believes he has built the right TEAM, and that may be the most important thing this season.

"Most importantly, I know that whether we win or lose, we will do it together and always work to minimize our weaknesses while maximizing our strengths," he said.

With scrimmages scheduled for this week, the season tips off for real on Friday, Dec. 16 when Norwood hosts perennial powerhouse Newton North in their first game inside the new gym. Tip off is at 6:30 p.m.

Deaths

HANSEN

Eunice I. (Thelander), of Norwood, formerly of Westwood, Nov. 30, beloved wife of the late Edward R. Loving mother of Steven E. Hansen of Shrewsbury, Kristin M. Haroian of Salem, NH, and the late Karen E. VanHerwarde. Devoted grandmother of Sean, Meghan, Rebecca, Carl, Edward, Thomas, and Jeremy. Dear sister of the late Betty Hansen. Funeral arrangements by the Folsom Funeral Home, 649 High St., Westwood. Internment was in the Old Westwood Cemetery. Donation in Eunice's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472. www.folsomfuneral.com

KEOHANE

Philip W., 59, of Norwood. Beloved son of Eleanore (McGuire) Keohane of Norwood and the late Timothy Keohane. Dear Brother of Elizabeth Burkett of Norwood, Mary Ellen Keohane of New Bedford, Timothy Keohane & his wife Jane of East Aurora NY, Helen Davis of Revere, Marion Shanahan & her husband Matthew of Norwood and the late James Keohane, Eleanore Reynolds & Katherine Maguire. Uncle to many nieces & nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Brady & Fallon Funeral Home, Jamaica Plain. Donations may be made in Phil's memory to the American Cancer Society American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham MA 01701.

KLINE

Sylvia M. (Marcus), 91, formerly of Norwood, Hyannis, and Hull, Dec. 4. Beloved wife of the late Max. Cherished mother of Lisa and Jeff Aframe of Sharon and the late Jeffrey Kline. Dear grandmother of Daniel, Jennifer and

Kimberly Kline, Seth and Craig Aframe and 12 great grandchildren. Dear sister of Esther Lieberman of Worcester and the late Charlotte Rosenwald. Funeral under the direction of Levine Chapels, Brookline. Internment was in the Beth El Cemetery, West Roxbury. Memorial Observance at the home of Lisa and Jeff Aframe, Thursday, from 1:30-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Remembrances may be made to the charity of your choice.

McVANE

Marilyn M. (Bernard), 77, of Norwood, Nov. 29. Beloved wife of M. Joseph McVane. Sister of Diane Bernard of Norwood and the late Joan R. Nolan. Loving aunt of Richard Nolan of Norwood, Linda McGrath, Laura Spadoni both of Walpole and Karen McCarthy of Norfolk and their loving spouses. Also survived by 11 great nieces and nephews. Step mother of Marilyn McVane of Franklin, Michael McVane, III of Plymouth, David McVane of Cohasset, and Brian McVane of Hingham. Funeral arrangements by the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home 48 Common Street, Walpole. Internment was in Saint Joseph's Cemetery, West Roxbury.

RITCHIE

Love Hathaway (Godfrey), of Norwood, Dec. 2. Beloved wife of the late Bradford S. Ritchie; loving mother of Bonnie Ritchie of Norwood, Jill Ritchie and her partner Ed Shaughnessy of Melrose, and the late Bradford S. Ritchie; cherished grandmother of Kimberly Ann Leanos of Norwood, JoAnne Miller and her husband Brett of Northborough, Taryn Falcone of Canton, Caroline Falcone of

Norwood and Michael Falcone of Franklin. She was the dear great-grandmother of David James and Bradford Hazell; Katherine Miller; Rebecca Love, James and Joseph Leanos. She was also the loving sister of Parker and Buddy Godfrey and the late Maurice Godfrey. Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. Internment was in Highland Cemetery. Contributions in her memory may be made to All Nations Worship Center, 429 Main St., PO Box 291, Walpole, MA 02081.

ROEHR

Robert William Roehr, 82, a resident of Norwood for many years, Nov. 26 at the Deutsches Altenheim in West Roxbury after a long illness. He was born in St. Louis, MI, son of the late Chester H. and Margaret (Roach) Roehr. Robert graduated from Washington University College in St. Louis after graduation he joined the United States Army during the Korean War and was honorably discharged as a Corporal in 1953. When he returned from the war he continued his education at the University of Illinois and earned his Masters degree in Library Science. He became the St. Louis Public Library Director for 15 yrs, served as the Asst. Library Dir. for Ohio State for one year, then joined the Pueblo Colorado Main Library as Director. He retired from that position to move to MA to become the Asst. Library Dir. for the Weymouth Public Library. Mr. Roehr was a member of the American Library Association. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother the late Chester H. Roehr Jr. Robert is survived by his sister Jule M. Salladin of Norwood and his niece, who was like a daugh-

ter to him, Margaret "Meg" Salladin also of Norwood. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Internment will be in St. Louis, MO. at a later date. Donations in Robert's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA. 02472.

TELCH

Camilla "Nellie" (Vitello), of East Longmeadow, formerly of Norwood, Nov. 29 at home where she lived with her niece, Valerie Booth, and her sister Rose Schultz. She was cared for by her great niece, Amie Ryan. She is survived by her grandchildren: Ronald Brown of CA, Richard Brown of Norwood, Robyn Gearty and her husband Daniel of Norwood and Robert Telch of Medway; brother, Lawrence Vitello and his wife Margaret of Roslindale; sisters, Mary Alexander of West Roxbury and Rose Schultz of East Longmeadow; 7 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-granddaughters; She also leaves behind great-nieces, Amie Ryan and Ericka Cornichuck and their husbands and children. She was also aunt, great aunt, great great aunt to many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents, Antonio and Lena (Camarro) Vitello, son, Frederick Telch, daughter, Marilyn J. Lazarovich, brothers, Francis, Albert, Joseph, Ralph, and James Vitello and her sister, Anna Georgio. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rte. 1A). Internment was in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. Memorial contributions in memory of Camilla Telch may be made to Bay State Hospice, 50 Maple Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

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25th ANNUAL TOYS FOR TOTS HOLIDAY PARTY

Please join us for our 25th annual Toys for Tots holiday party, Saturday, Dec. 10, Concannon's Village & Pub, 60 Lenox St. at Nahatan St. 7:30 p.m. 'til Midnight. Please bring an unwrapped, nonviolent new toy for a deprived tot. Raffles, including a 50/50 Dancing to a Live Band, cash bar, door donation: \$5 with a gift, \$10 without a gift. Gifts will be collected at the event by U.S.M.C. Representatives. Please call Trudy at 781-762-5265 /e-mail: trudyawal@aol.com or Facebook or Anne 508-339-6974 for more information. All proceeds to be donated to a local charity.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Brighten your holiday season with the joyous sound of the Neponset Choral Society. <http://www.ncschorus.org>: <http://www.ncschorus.org/>. Now in its 63rd season, the 60 voice choir under the direction of Michael V. Turner presents Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Handel's "Dixit Dominus", with orchestral accompaniment, Saturday, Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 116 South Street, Foxboro. Tickets are \$20, \$18 for seniors & students. For advance purchase and \$2 discount, call Carolyn Guiod at 508-668-3407.

MORSE HOUSE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The George H. Morse Meeting House, Museum and Education Center, 1285 Washington Street, will be open for A Special Holiday Open House on Sunday, Dec. 18 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Home made refreshments will be served and there is no charge for admission. The Morse Committee will be accepting donations of non-perishable canned goods or food items to help our local food pantry this holiday season.

AN EVENING OF SUSTAINABILITY, COMMUNITY AND FILM

A movement is growing to recreate more just and sustainable communities and re-invent economies based on a new paradigm - an economics of happiness. The Economics of Happiness describes a world moving simultaneously in two opposing directions. While government and big business push for a globalized economy based on high technology and increased trade, people all over the world are working from the grassroots to nurture smaller scale, ecological, local economies. The Economics of Happiness shows that we can solve our most pressing environmental, economic and social crises while simultaneously improving our quality of

life. Please join Together Yes on Jan. 18, at 7:00 p.m. at the Morrill Memorial Library for film screening and discussion. Together Yes, Inc., the sponsoring organization for the screening, is a grassroots, non-profit organization located in Norwood. Together Yes, Inc. is dedicated to promoting sustainability and community building. It is produced by The International Society for Ecology and Culture (ISEC), a non-profit organization dedicated to the revitalization of cultural and biological diversity, and the strengthening of local communities and economies worldwide. No admission charge. Donations accepted. The Economics of Happiness: www.theeconomicsofhappiness.org; The International Society for Ecology and Culture (ISEC): www.localfutures.org Together Yes, Inc.: <http://www.tgyes.org>.

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, Dec. 27. 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.

NORWOOD YOUTH FOOTBALL POSITIONS OPEN

Norwood Youth Football and Cheer Board & Committee positions available for the 2012 season. Please submit letter of interest to NYF&C, PO Box 124, Norwood, MA 02062 or email to norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com by January 24. Any questions please call: 781-424-5935 or norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com.

NO ALL NIGHT PARKING

It shall be unlawful for the

driver of any vehicle, other than one acting in an emergency, to park said vehicle for a period of time longer than two (2) hours between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. of any day on any street or in or upon any Town-owned off-street parking facility from Nov. 15 through April 1 of each year without authorization from the Board of Selectmen or their designee. The fine is \$20 for each offense. This regulation is needed to keep streets clear for D.P.W. snowplows.

FOOD PANTRY AND NORWOOD LIGHT PARTNER

Norwood Light Broadband (NLB) is partnering with the Ecumenical Food Pantry to raise funds to help Norwood residents in need this holiday season. NLB will donate \$50 to the Food Pantry for every customer who switches their Cable TV, Internet and/or Telephone service from Comcast or Verizon to the Town's Broadband network in December. NLB will also donate \$20.00 to the Food Pantry for every current NLB customer who upgrades their service. To find out how you can help this holiday season, call Norwood Light Broadband at 781-948-1120 or go to www.norwoodlight.com. You can also make a donation directly to the Food Pantry! www.norwoofoodpantry.org.

NORWOOD WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The Norwood Woman's Club will have their next meeting on Dec. 13 at 12:30 p.m. Our program will feature Sgt. Dan Clark "The Singing State Trooper". We are collecting toiletries for the Veterans Hospital please bring them to the meeting. We meet at Emmanuel Lutheran Church Parish Hall at 24 Berwick St. A light lunch will be served. We welcome new members. You need not be a resident of Norwood to join. For more information please call Trina at 781-762-8173.

NIGHT AT THE ROADHOUSE

If you dine or take out at the Texas Roadhouse in Walpole from 4-10 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 13, WITH A FLIER, the Roadhouse will donate 10 percent of your bill to the Norwood Boy's Lacrosse Program. The Roadhouse said that if customers bring the Record, which mentions the fundraiser, you can also participate in the fundraiser. There will also be a raffle table from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. where we will be raffling off a gift basket, which includes a gift card to the Roadhouse. The fundraiser is being held to buy uniforms, equipment, and other items essential to building a successful lacrosse program.

MADRIGAL BANQUET OFFERS RENAISSANCE PERFORMANCE

Don't miss your opportunity to attend the annual Madrigal Banquet on Friday, Dec. 9. The evening will excite and entertain the music enthusiast with Renaissance vocal and instrumental music, dance, and theater by the Norwood High School Madrigal Choir. This year's theme is "Kissing the Blarney Stone". The event will be held at the Norwood Elks Lodge on 152 Winslow Ave. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the festivities begin at 7 p.m. - cash bar. A family-style dinner will be served during the performance. The cost of admission is \$35 per person. To purchase your tickets, or reserve tables of 10, please contact the fine arts office at 781-352-3546. This event is sponsored by the Norwood Fine Arts Department along with the Norwood Parents Music Association. All proceeds benefit Norwood music students.

CHILDREN'S GRIEF PROGRAM

On Saturday, Dec. 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Community VNA Hospice Care is hosting a bereavement program. Kids' Club is open to children ages 5 to 13 years offering them help to deal with the personal loss of a family member or friend. This program at Community VNA, 10 Emory Street in Attleboro is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required; please call 800-220-0110, extension 1370 or 1373. Kids' Club is funded under grant support from the TJX Foundation. Community VNA offers Kids' Club throughout the year.

Community VNA Hospice Care offers grief support to anyone in the community who has had a loss through death, not just for those who were cared for by hospice. Grief professionals, who specialize in loss for adults and children, provide suggestions and sources of support. They are a resource also for those seeking guidance on how to support others who are grieving.

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS & HOUSE TOUR

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF NORWOOD PUBLIC HEARING - LOCAL TAX LEVY

The Board of Selectmen has scheduled a public hearing on **Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 8:00 p.m.**, in the Harry B. Butters Chambers, Room 34, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, Norwood, concerning the percentages of the FY 2012 local tax levy to be borne by each class of property in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56, as amended by Chapter 369 of the Acts of 1982, and Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1983.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Michael J. Lyons, Chairman

The Norwood Record, 12/08/2011

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **ROOM 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **December 20, 2011 at 7:15 PM** on the request of **Jennifer and Nathan Pallang (Case # 11-24)** with respect to property located on **49 Florence Avenue**, in a **G-General Residential District**.

The application requests:
This Application requests a SPECIAL PERMIT under Section 5.4.4 to allow a farmer's porch measuring 8' x 13' x 42' to a pre-existing, nonconforming home having a 5.78' side yard setback. The porch will be in line with the existing setback and includes the existing lot frontage and width of 60'.

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

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

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WEBBER

Kenneth E., 85, of Norwood died on Nov. 30. World War II US Marine Corps Veteran. Beloved husband of Janet A. (McKeown) Webber. Devoted father of Susan Sullivan and her husband Paul of Norfolk, Scott Webber and his wife Dorothy of Norwood, Kate Harris and her husband Matthew of N. Attleboro and Daniel Webber of PA. Brother of the late Elliot Webber, Doris Duley, Horace Webber, Preston Webber, Phyllis Smith, Russell Webber, Edgar Webber and Margaret Webber. Brother in Law of Annette Webber

and Florence Webber both of Norwood. Cherished grandfather of Benjamin Webber, Meghan Webber, Alexander Webber, Kevin Harris, Rachael Harris, Hannah Sullivan and Jesse Sullivan. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Internment was at Highland Cemetery with military honors. Donations may be made in his name to the Norwood High School Scholarship Foundation P.O. Box 112 Norwood, MA. 02062.

Condolences Extended To:
Stephen Drugas and his wife

Diana on the loss of his father, Nicholas "Nick" Drugas, of Somerville, Nov. 28.

James McHugh on the loss of his sister, Mary T. (McHugh), Flanagan, of Roslindale, Nov. 28.

Mary Wigandt on the loss of her father, Edward, P. Morrissey, of West Roxbury, Nov. 29.

Ellen T. McLaughlin on the loss of her mother, Mary C. (Doherty) McLaughlin, of West Roxbury, Nov. 24.

Kevin J. Malley and his wife Lucy on the loss of his mother, Patricia A. (Fraher) Malley, of West Roxbury, Nov. 14.

Police Logs

Tuesday, November 29

0951 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. Patient's wallet missing.

1015 phone - Malicious damage *report filed. Location/address: Jefferson Dr. Report 3 tires slashed.

1110 phone - Debris on road services rendered. Location/address: Subway Hill - Washington St. Passing pedestrian reports some syringes on sidewalk in front of extra space storage and town light dept storage facility. N667 properly disposed of same.

1128 phone - Animal complaint taken/referred to other. Location/address: Winter St. Passing pedestrian corals a dog that was running loose. N.A.C.O. notified. After further investigation, caller is in the City of Brockton, given Brockton Police number.

1131 phone - Warrant arrest *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St. N662 places subject under arrest on warrant of apprehension and transports directly to Dedham District Court.

1625 walk-in - Harassment *report filed. Location/address: Sunrise Assisted Living - Saunders Rd. Employee in lobby reports harassment by another employee.

1747 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Golden Living Center (formerly Emerald Court - Washington St. Patient reports her personal items stolen.

2251 phone - Susp vehicle spoken to. Location/address: 23 block - Warren St. Report gold colored car, maybe a Camry, engine running, lights on, 3hrs.,unk. Number of occupants. N665 reports boyfriend dropping girlfriend off, all ok.

Wednesday, November 30

0735 911 - Harassment spoken to. Location/address: Tremont St. Caller reports she is being verbally harassed with vulgar language by neighbor upstairs. N679, N669 responded. 2nd flr. Tenant denies speaking with neighbor. Both parties advised. caller satisfied.

0839 phone - Death at home *report filed. Location/address: Chapel St.

1204 phone - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Town Hall - Washington St. Subject is leaving notes at town hall.

1215 phone - Susp vehicle area search negative. Location/address: Edgehill Rd. Near 274.

1255 phone - Parking violation services rendered. Location/address: Brookview Cir. Owner at 383 Wash will move a dmv in a few hours.

1442 911 - Open door/gate services rendered. Location/address: Garden Pkwy Neighbor reports open door to home of new neighbors. No one home and everything appears in order.

1503 walk-in - Traffic light problem services rendered. Location/address: Everett St. + Washington St. Traffic light out. Officer reports lights appear fine.

1920 phone - Drunk person group moved. Location/address: Baker Ave. Caller reports possible dk male party wandering the neighborhood and sitting on stairs of house at Baker Ave. N669 and N668 responding. Male party not dk and moved along.

AFTERNOON DANCE

There will be no afternoon dance in December.

ALTERATIONS AND MENDING

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

BASIC COMPUTER COURSE

A six-part basic computer course is frequently offered to those who wish to learn how to use a computer. Sign up at the front desk.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Hellenic Health Care will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month.

BOCCE and HORSESHOES

Our Bocce Courts and Horseshoe Pits are open as long as the weather cooperates.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club is scheduled to meet on Monday, Dec. 19 in the library.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Senior Center Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 11:30 a.m. with surprise entertainment to follow.

COMPUTER CLUB

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

Thursday, December 1

0648 911 - Breaking and entering *report filed. Location/address: Kelley's Filling Station - Pleasant St.

0859 phone - Dispute services rendered. Location/address: Town Hall - Washington St. Subject who has been harassing employees is inside Town Hall in Selectmen's office.

1500 phone - Trespassing *report filed. Location/address: Nassau Gardens - Bahama Dr. Caller reports male party was on property and he has a letter of disinvite. Letter had not been served to male yet. Officer located male and served him letter in hand.

1700 initiated - Serve warrant area search negative. Location/address: Vernon St. Attempted warrant service for resident. Negative results suspect not at home.

1835 911 - Disturbance spoken to. Location/address: Dairy Fine - Fulton St. Caller reported owner of business yelled at them. Calling party left on foot. Officer spoke with both parties, matter settled.

1914 911 - Noise complaint spoken to. Location/address: Jefferson Dr. Caller reported loud music. Officers spoke with resident, advised.

1940 phone - Well being chk *report filed. Location/address: Cambridge Rd. Walpole PD requesting well being check on 4 yo. Spoke to all parties. Walpole PD notified.

Friday, December 2

0017 walk-in - B & e of motor vehicle *report filed. Location/address: Lenox St. Party in lobby reports her vehicle was broken into while she was at music studio. N662 spoke with party then returned to location with N661 to check area for purse that was taken.

0041 911 - Susp activity services rendered. Location/address: Sunnyside Rd. Caller believes someone attempted to open the side door. Officers checked area, nothing suspicious found.

0100 phone - Noise complaint gone on arrival. Location/address: Monroe St. Caller reports neighbor outside yelling. N662, N665, N664 responded. No one outside upon arrival. No one answered door. All is quiet.

0742 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Prospect St. Caller reports daughter's bicycle stolen over night. N661

0842 911 - Domestic *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Norwest Dr. Caller states argument with boyfriend over her motor vehicle and its where abouts and refuses to leave her home. N661, N662 responded. As a result after speaking with both parties, N661 returned with 1 under arrest. Arrest: Lopez, Jesus A. Address: 912 Norwest Dr. Dob: 10/02/1987 Charges: a&b Assault and battery, aggravated

1045 phone - Citizens complaint *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St. School found a knife in his locker, N669 sent, to file a report.

1219 911 - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: (Bldg 34) - Endicott St. Caller reports scrap metal stolen from his business, N661 sent to file a report.

1547 phone - Assist Fire Dept services rendered. Location/address: Autumn St. Gas leak handled by NFD.

1645 phone - Susp activity spoken to. Location/address: Wilson St. Caller reports that there is

a white male in a short brown jacket that is trying to get into houses. Spoke to male he is a solicitor. Party checks out. Advised to register at the PD.

2016 911 - Well being chk *protective custody. Location: Bahama Drive Caller reports that he is worried for the well being of a male who is sitting down on the sidewalk. N667 and N665 sent.

2051 phone - Noise complaint services rendered. Location/address: Endicott St. Caller reports her neighbor is being loud. Spoke to all parties. Matter resolved.

2123 phone - Drunk person *protective custody. Location/address: Press Ave. Caller reports dk male on her stairs. One male placed into pc.

2346 phone - Unwanted party *protective custody. Location/address: Lewis Restaurant & Grille - Central St. Caller reports unruly female throwing chairs in Lewis'. As a result, N662 returned with 1 in protective custody. St. Mil: 42081.9@ 23:54 / end. Mil: 42082.3 @ 23:56

Saturday, December 3

0149 911 - Harassment spoken to. Location/address: Savin Ave. Caller reports her daughter being harassed by 2 males outside the house via cell phones. N679, N666 responded. Area was checked, there was no one outside the home. Officer spoke to 1 male by phone who had been texting back & forth earlier with daughter and advised. Message left for other party. Caller satisfied.

0855 walk-in - Assaults *report filed. Location/address: Lewis Restaurant & Grille - Central St. Walk in party reports assault that took place.

1055 phone - Susp vehicle spoken to. Location/address: Norton Dr. + Longmeadow Rd. Caller reports sp vehicle, N661 spoke with and id person as pi.

1222 phone - Malicious damage *report filed. Location/address: Countryside Ln. Caller reports that someone slashed her tires.

1355 walk-in - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Winfield St. Caller reports someone took money from his checking account.

1450 phone - Susp activity services rendered. Location/address: Pleasant St. Caller reports jewelry box is moved. N664 sent. Spoke to female and she will call if anything is missing.

1950 phone - Vandalism *report filed. Location/address: Bahama Dr. Christmas lights have been cut.

1957 phone - Susp person area search negative. Location/address: Elliot St. Caller reports male in black sweat pants and blk top with white stripes acting strange and is now walking in direction of H.S.

Sunday, December 4

1059 911 - Report of fight *report filed. Location/address: Weld Ave. Multiple callers report subjects fighting and some with baseball bats.

1115 911 - Assist citizen services rendered. Location/address: Courtyard by Marriott - River Ridge Dr. Resident reports someone tried to enter her room last night she also reports this has been happening for five months. Officer spoke with her and the call is unfounded. No

wants or missing person issues at this time but would appear to have some mh issues.

1211 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Cadillac Village of Norwood (also SAAB) - Bos-Prov Hwy Sales reports a vehicle with four wheels removed.

1300 phone - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Union St. Caller reports her aluminum ladder stolen.

1358 phone - Susp vehicle services rendered. Location/address: Wedgewood Dr. White vehicle (pu) parked between with a male & female inside for some time.

1534 phone - Susp activity *report filed. Location/address: Rock St. Subject passed out behind the dumpster. NFD responded. Subject fine and advised.

2328 911 - Mischief (kids) gone on arrival. Location/address: McDonalds - Broadway St. Caller reports kids bagging on the window at McDonalds, N666, N664, and N668 responding. N666 reports the two kids were goa and area searched.

Monday, December 5

0204 initiated - Serve warrant *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Washington St. One under arrest for probation warrant. Arrest: Proia, Joseph D. Address: 465 Washington St. apt. #31 Dob: 10/08/1985 Charges: warrant arrest

0445 911 - Animal complaint services rendered. Location/address: Pleasant Pl. Caller reported strong order from basement. Norwood Fire responded. Officer on scene determined odor caused by animal in a crawl space under the house. Messages left with aco.

1028 phone - Domestic *arrest(s)made. Location/address: Terry's Barber Shop - Washington St. Sounds of disturbance on 911 and a male voice "Terrys Barber Shop" heard before hanging up. Arrest: Bolivar, Clark Stanley Jr Address: 220 Nahatan St apt. #apt 7 Dob: 11/20/1966 Charges: a&b with dangerous weapon Destruction of property +\$250, malicious

1058 walk-in - Larceny *report filed. Location/address: Everett St.

1457 phone - Disturbance *report filed. Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St. 2 girls involved in past fight, 1 girl in office.

1655 phone - Susp vehicle services rendered. Location/address: Hemlock St. + Access Rd. Report car parked on corner for 2 days. N677 reports MA pc 7319yo, legally parked, owner works on Access Rd, having car trouble and needs to use the hill to help start the car.

1812 walk-in - Assist citizen *report filed. Location/address: Keegan's Norwood Jewelers - Washington St. Party in lobby reports receiving multiple text messages while at work.

2017 initiated - Assist other police de gone on arrival. Location/address: Everett St. MBTA personnel reports that a male in Westwood tried to jump in front of the train. Westwood PD notified. N664 checks area with Westwood PD. Unable to locate male.

2128 initiated - Serve warrant services rendered. Location/address: Vernon St. Attempted warrant service for resident. Male was not at home.

2151 initiated - Serve warrant *report filed. Location/address: Edgehill Rd. Warrant service for male at above address. Units respond. unable to serve warrant at this time.

SENIOR NEWS

CRIBBAGE

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

DIABETES WORKSHOP

The next workshop is scheduled for Dec.29.

FOOT DOCTOR

Dr. Cormier is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 20 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$25.00. Please call for appointment.

FRIENDS DANCE

The December dance will be held on Friday, Dec. 16, from 7:00 to 10:30 p.m. Music will be by Dave Valerio.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club will meet on Tuesday mornings at 11:15 a.m.

GLEE CLUB CHRISTMAS SHOW

Join the Glee Club for a holiday musical treat on Friday, Dec. 16 at 1:00 p.m.

HISTORY TALK

The next History Talk will be on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 1:00 p.m.

INDOOR WALKING

Monday through Friday 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the School Gym.

JOURNALING WORKSHOP

If you are interested, please sign up at front desk.

MESSAGE THERAPIST

Karen Tracy is here on the first Monday of each month. Please sign up at front desk. Massages will now be \$30.00 for half an hour as of Monday, Jan. 9.

MINI FIX-IT SHOP

The Workshop will be open from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Please, no televisions.

NEW YEARS EVE DAY DANCE

The dance is being held on Saturday, Dec. 31, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$40 per person, being held at the Apollo Function Hall.

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB

The Board of Directors meet the 1st Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. The Club Membership meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Norwood Elks Lodge at 10:00 a.m.

PROPOPE

The Propope group will meet on Wed., Dec. 21, at 1:00 p.m.

REMINISCENCE

The Reminiscence group will meet on Wed., Dec. 14 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!

SHINE

Our SHINE Counselor, Carol, continues to assist you on Tuesdays from 10:00-2:00. We also have an additional SHINE Counselor, Pat, available on Mondays in Nov. Please call 781-762-1201 for appointments on either day.

TRIAD

There will be no Triad in December.

TRIPS

Feb. 21 - Mardi Gras Day, Luncheon and Show, Lantana, Randolph, Drive on your own-\$43.95 pp. May 15 - Broadway Tonite, Luncheon and Show, Luciano's Wrentham, Drive on your own-\$43.95 pp. June 4-6 - Cape Cod & Nantucket, Three day/two night trip-\$399.00 pp/ Double.

WATER COLOR

The next session is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 15 at 9:00 a.m.

WAXING

Angela is here on the last Monday of the month.

WHIST

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

WHIST PARTY

Please note whist parties will be held on the 4th Friday of each month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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Three lessons will be read: from the prophets, the New Testament letters and the Gospels. A sermon will explain the lessons; leading us through the days of preparation for and the celebration of the Christ Child's birth. Following the prayers of the people, Holy Communion will be shared with all. At 11:15 a.m. we will follow the basic structure of Lutheran worship but in a contemporary music mode. Worship will include: spoken words of worship; a blend of contemporary, folk, multi-cultural and traditional hymns. Lessons from the prophets and the gospels will be read and will serve as the basis for the message from the pastor. Following the prayers of the people, Holy Communion will be shared with all. On December 18, at the beginning of worship, we will continue our Advent preparation as we light the fourth candle on the wreath. Then we will hear the long-anticipated telling of the Christmas story by our Sunday School students. This is a story we know well but one that is retold annually in the lives of all Christians. On Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve there will be three Candlelight worship services. At all of the services the Christmas

Candle in the center of the Advent Wreath will be lit, "Silent Night" will be sung with congregation candle lighting, special music will be presented by Emmanuel's musicians and vocalists, Pastor Saling will present a message, and Holy Communion will be celebrated. At 5 and 7 p.m. there will be family worship services with a special story for children. The 7 p.m. service will follow the basic structure of Lutheran worship but in a contemporary music mode. At 10:30 p.m., the Formal Liturgy of the Angels will be held. This service is the highest liturgy of the season. On Sunday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day, we will have our traditional Christmas Day worship at 10 a.m. Please come as you are, a Christmas Story for all ages will be told, and Holy Communion will be celebrated in a Carol setting. Lessons and Carols will be sung at our services on Sunday, Jan. 1. These services will be held at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. with a Fellowship Hour between the services. Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services. Epiphany and the Baptism of our Lord will be the highlight of our worship services at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 8. There will

be a procession of the Three Kings, we will hear the story of the Wise Men, the Christmas tree will remain lighted, Epiphany Carols will be sung, Pastor Saling will deliver a message and Holy Communion will be celebrated at both worship services. Sunday school will resume at 10 a.m.

ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Saint George Church of Norwood announces its Choir Christmas Concert on Dec. 18 at 4:00 p.m. The liturgical choir of the Orthodox Church will perform carols from the Western and Eastern traditions. Everyone is welcome to attend. Located at 6 Atwood Avenue, extra parking at the Balch School. On Saturday, Dec. 24, the Matins & Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ, Christmas, begin at 5:00 p.m. All our services and information about the church can be found on-line at www.StGeorgeNorwood.org

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORWOOD SCHEDULE

First Baptist Church of Norwood Sunday schedule is 10:30 a.m. in the main sanctuary.

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

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