

Norwood loses old school politician

Tom Riolo passes away at 79

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Following the recent passing of Norwood native and local politician Thomas A. Riolo, those who were close to him and worked with him remembered his dedication and service to the Town of Norwood.

Riolo served as a Selectman in Norwood for 18 years - from 1981 to 1999 - and a member of the School Committee for a year later on, but his involvement in Norwood goings-on had begun long before that.

Born the youngest of four brothers to Italian immigrants who settled in an Irish neighborhood, Riolo knew something about forging relationships and building community early on.

Riolo's father used money he received from serving in World War I to purchase the family home at 102 Hill St.

According to his wife, Janice Sloan Riolo, Riolo's father walked his children to school each morning and escorted his non-English speaking mother around town on her errands.

As a young boy, Riolo worked at the old Guild Variety Store with Duke Folan. After the store closed, Riolo would join prominent Norwood men to talk politics over a piece of pie.

"He made friends he kept for his entire life," Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue said.



Thomas A. Riolo

This instilled a love of politics and people in Riolo. He began his public service career as a Town Meeting member, and was elected to the Planning Board in 1967 - a position he held for 14 years.

Educated at Boston College and Northeastern University, Riolo - a class of 1953 Norwood High graduate - worked for Metropolitan Insurance for 30 years.

"He loved taking care of the Town of Norwood," Sloan Riolo said. "He used to say that if he could pick it up and hug it, he would."

During his tenure as a Selectman, Town General Manager John Carroll said Riolo did not have a big political agenda, but simply tried to help the "little person" get access to Town Hall.

Former Selectman Tim McDonough said Riolo was a "consummate politician," who

Tom Riolo

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School Committee eviscerates teacher positions in budget

Predictions include 29 kids in some classes

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The School Committee learned their state reimbursement increased by \$263,164, but was still forced to cut 26 existing staff positions, 21 of which are teachers, to meet its budget during a meeting on March 11.

The Budget Balancing Committee said on March 10 that the Schools' budget was \$39,353,830 for fiscal year 2016, down \$2.5 million from the School's preliminary budget of around \$41.8 million.

In order to make up the \$2.5

million deficit - which included a loss of a \$115,926 state kindergarten grant - the School Committee approved \$196,900 in operational reductions and \$97,100 in additional reductions, while personnel reductions accounted for the remaining \$2,256,187.

The elementary schools lost seven teachers, nine positions were lost at the middle school, seven at the high school, and three district-wide staff were eliminated as well.

"When your operating budget is 80 percent personnel, this is how it lays out. We still need to open schools in September,"

Superintendent James Hayden said. "This is the part that rips my heart out."

Hayden said the aim at the elementary level was not to touch any of the first grade staff positions, who were helping children learn to read for the first time. Instead, cuts came from grades 2-4 and amounted to \$629,150 in savings.

Each of the cuts was accompanied by an increase in class size. For example, cutting one second grade teacher at the Balch School increased grade

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Residents were treated to a "Bard's Feast" on March 15 at the Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel Highland Cemetery, featuring an afternoon of traditional Irish music and storytelling by Susan Miron and Norah Dooley. Photo by Paul Eldridge

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Land dispute at airport leads to chemical spill

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Two tenants at Norwood Memorial Airport have taken a land dispute to court and have also made their case to the Norwood Airport Commission.

During the Norwood Airport Commission Meeting on March 11, FlightLevel Aviation president Peter Eichleay said Boston Executive Helicopters was wrongly attempting to use land leased by FlightLevel in connection with its planned fueling operations.

Eichleay also said two individuals from BEH - he suggested BEH president Chris Donovan and BEH employee

Robert Silva - had tipped over barriers put around part of Lot G by FlightLevel, spilling chemical pollutants into the ground.

BEH, which leases the adjacent Lot F, has sought to become a fixed base operator at Norwood Airport - FlightLevel is currently the only FBO at the airport -

The land currently occupied by BEH was previously leased by Swift Aviation, which folded shortly after its hangar collapsed in 2011. During a July 2013 Airport Commission meeting, Eichleay said BEH claimed it could use part of FlightLevel's Lot G to facilitate its fueling operation due to a

1996 agreement.

Eichleay said the agreement references an allowance by Eastern Air Charter - later acquired by FlightLevel - enabling Swift Aviation to use the "most westerly edge" of Lot G as a taxiway, but operations were "strictly limited to Swift's own maintenance business."

Eichleay said BEH was not a party to the agreement, which included Eastern Air Charter, Swift Aviation and landlord Boston Metropolitan Airport, and that the rights to the use of Lot F were "rescinded" when Swift Aviation folded.

According to Eichleay, Boston Metropolitan Airport, Inc. - which also owns BEH's Lot F - said BEH does not have any claim to use of Lot G. Eichleay said they had insisted BEH, through an attorney, cease try-

ing to use Lot G several times, but never received a response. Eichleay also said Donovan asked to use the land in an email sent in January 2014.

Subsequently, Eichleay said, BEH "undertook to tear up and replace a large swath of our Lot G ... then put barricades around it." The barriers remained until FlightLevel's attorney requested they be removed in a letter.

Eichleay claimed that following the heavy snowstorms at the end of January, BEH used a plow truck to block FlightLevel from its fuel farm there.

FlightLevel responded by involving Norwood Police and putting up "aviation grade barriers" ballasted by water and glycol propylene, which keeps the water from freezing.

by her clients. She said in addition to the judge ordering the barriers be removed, there was to be no fueling by BEH on Lot G and no fueling on Lot F by FlightLevel.

She also said the judge was aware of the tipping incident on Feb. 13 and there was still an active criminal investigation into the incident.

Eichleay had requested the Airport Commission "put an end to pursuing any further relationship with BEH," but the Commissioners did not feel it was an appropriate response.

Airport Commissioner Hylie Hutchens said he thought they decided at the February meeting that the issue was "beyond our purview" and should be decided in court as a "neighbor to neighbor" dispute.

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Boston Executive Helicopters and FlightLevel Aviation are embroiled in a land dispute at Norwood Airport. Here, FlightLevel's counsel, Nick Burlingham, points to the areas in question on a map for the Airport Commission.

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The night after the barriers had been placed, Eichleay said, 11 out of the 16 barriers had been uncapped and tipped over, spilling the contents onto the ground in Lot G. FlightLevel put its environmental spill plans into action, hiring a company to clean the spill.

Shortly after, a court ordered a temporary injunction - sought by BEH - for FlightLevel to remove the barriers, which it did, though Eichleay believed "they got it wrong."

BEH's attorney Kathy Kelly said the issue was still before the court and had been brought

Odstrchel echoed that sentiment, saying they "were not real estate attorneys" and could take action on many issues, but only pending the court's decision.

The Commission also elected not to view surveillance footage of the tipping incident captured by FlightLevel's security cameras, due to the ongoing investigation. At Commissioner Michael Sheehan's suggestion, it did allow Airport Manager Russ Maguire to read the police report of the incident

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Needham vice principal to replace Usevich at NHS

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Norwood Public Schools announced Jonathan Bourn as its nominee to take over as principal at Norwood High School during a meeting on March 11.

Bourn will begin his tenure as principal on July 1, 2015, following the retirement of George Usevich, who has spent nearly a quarter century in the position.

Bourn is currently an assistant principal at Needham High School, where he has worked with 1,600 students, primarily freshmen and juniors. He said he was focused on closing out the year in Needham, but was "very excited to get to the task" ahead of him.

"I feel quite privileged to be nominated to be principal for Norwood High School," Bourn said. "I must admit, I drove by the High School on Sunday with my wife and family, and that really just kind of started the energy coursing through my veins about wanting to get to work."

Prior to his position at Needham, Bourn was an assistant principal at 600-student Abington High School for four years. He also taught in Brockton for seven years, and Forestville High School in Maryland for a year. Bourn, a Walpole resident, holds a Masters in Curriculum and Instruction from Boston College.

Superintendent of Schools James Hayden called Bourn a "veteran educator" whose passion was instruction and "really getting to know his students."

Hayden said Bourn has experience evaluating and supervising teachers, developing a "new teacher instruction program" and master schedule, dis-

ciplining and counseling at-risk students, and serving on New England Association of Schools and Colleges committees.

"I would like to thank first the principal search committee for working very hard to find a highly qualified candidate such as Jonathan," he said, noting the committee selected Bourn from a pool of over 50 applicants.

The Committee consisted of Assistant Superintendent Alec Wyeth, School Committee member Jim Gormley, Finance Commissioner Tom Maloney, and a number of High School staff, students, and parents.

"We're certainly going to miss George, but we welcome you and look forward to what you're going to bring to us here in Norwood," School Committee chairman John Badger said.

School Committee Michal Bergeron spoke of the "challenges and rewards" awaiting those who work in education and said, "we're delighted to have you here."

Bergeron said Norwood had a "fine school system" and emphasized the need to make sure the Town was aware of that.

School Committee member Courtney Rau Rogers said that several of the Committee members had had Usevich as either their principal or vice principal, so the "changing of the guard" was new for everyone.

Rau said she was "happy to work with" Bourn and "happy to see a new member of the high school staff come aboard. She mentioned the importance of a smooth transition as well.

"I'm sure (Usevich) will be very helpful to you in the transition. Norwood High School is his baby," Rau said.

Bourn said he had already



Needham Asst. Principal Jonathan Bourn will take over as principal at Norwood High School.

begun working with Usevich, and looked forward to continuing to do so. He said he was aware that he was taking over for "a legend," but was excited to begin his own legacy.

Bourn said he would certainly "carry on some of (Usevich's) legacy, and also move Norwood Public Schools forward" through challenges that "every high school faces in moving forward in the 21st century."

As one of three finalists for the position, Bourn met with families and visited the school to meet students and faculty.

Bourn thanked the students, parents, and staff for their feedback and said, "It was very powerful for me to see those constituents ... see folks I will be working with." He said Norwood was "the ideal spot," and highlighted its "sense of culture."

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OPINION

This is serious, but how serious?

The screaming front page headline of this week's newspaper regarding the School Committee claiming they will need to cut so many teaching positions to meet their budget is completely appropriate given we are only reporting what was said at the meeting, and the seriousness of the presentation by the group. However, this writer is more than a little bit irritated at having to do so because, in all likelihood, most of these teachers will be here next September. The irritation stems from the understanding, after having covered these school meetings for over 20 years, that the School Committee is using the press as a tool to scare the public as a means to an end. They are frustrated, perhaps rightly so, that the town's appropriation percentage of their total budget to the schools is subpar, and they are counting on outraged residents and TM members to do their dirty work for them. We feel so used.

The School Committee makes the claim that they need upward of \$41 mil just to maintain the current level of services the schools are providing now. The Budget Balancing Committee has given them about \$39 mil to work with. So, on the surface, it would appear the School Committee's claim of unfair play has some merit. According to the schools, salary increases and special education costs have risen and, when your payroll represents 80% of your total budget, it's easy to understand how very little control they have over costs when most of their payroll

is contractually obligated and their special education spending is state mandated. That being written, as in all things the devil is in the details and the School Committee has presented far too little for their dire predictions to be taken as seriously as they would wish.

The Budget Balancing Committee and the School Committee are, historically, always at odds. The fix for the perennial claims by the School Committee of not being given enough money was supposed to be the Committee of 21 specifically formed to be the buffer between the two committees and a unified front for Town Meeting when explaining the schools' problems. And when asked to explain the obvious disappearance of said committee, representatives from both town government and schools hem and haw and shrug their shoulders and murmur something about problems with the consultant and conclude with, "well, I'm not really sure what the status of the Committee of 21 is."

It was clear early on that members of the School Committee weren't thrilled about opening up their books to outsiders. And it was also clear that Town Meeting and reps from general government either didn't trust the dire claims of school representatives, or didn't believe School Committee members had the aptitude to put a reasonable budget together. Either way what would have been best for the kids was

the Committee of 21. So much for what's best for the kids.

What's easy to believe is that the schools need more money. Special education costs are skyrocketing and there is no ambiguity in payroll contracts calling for mandatory step increases. What's also easy to believe is that if the School Committee had to work with exactly the amount of dollars currently allocated by the Balanced Budgeting Committee, 26 employees won't be standing in the unemployment line in September. Some may, and even one would be too many. That's the damnable part of it.

In an unrelated note, we here at The Bulletin Newspapers were sorry to hear of the passing of Tom Riolo. No one and we mean nobody loved this town more than Thomas Aquinas, and we use his middle name because he used to love to use it when referring to himself. Tom was a character, and we mean that in the best sense of the word. He would talk out of the side of his mouth sometimes, like W.C. Fields, and usually in a conspiratory tone, like he was divulging the secrets of the Pentagon Papers when, in actuality, he was discussing very innocuous things. He had a flair for the dramatic, but was more down to earth than most, and he was the guy to go to when you wanted to get something done in Town. The world is a less interesting place without him around, and our condolences go out to his family and friends.

Letters to the Editor

IT JUST DOESN'T BELONG IN SOUTH NORWOOD

To the Editor:

2015 is a time in society that requires due diligence. Within that framework, other core characteristics are essential. Going back to the beginning of the RINC Drama, Oh no!! Not that again! Desired by a few bullies in a town where crucial planning for the greater good is mandatory and obviously missing. Easy to get the monies from Representatives Rogers and Rush, but not easy to provide an appropriate site.

The crux of the matter is that the skating rink does NOT belong in South Norwood. The skating rink does not belong on converted school to recreation land. The skating rink does not provide benefits to 100 percent of the town residents. I say MOVE IT or LOSE IT. The rhetoric will continue, however, if you pay attention to the winter season and the destruction it's caused for homes and businesses, skating rinks are very low on the list of community needs. Good Schools, good teachers, comprehensive town services, planning a successful downtown center, open and transparent planning by those that govern. Absolutely nowhere is a skating rink essential to the greater good and a major mistake and poor decision making is in play, with South Norwood the scapegoat. How dare you continue to bully your way to be part of the continued problem? I say STOP! Find another piece of land. Although I recognize the word "land" is definitely a four-letter word, I invite town government to do the right thing and move it or lose it.

Madeline Eysie
Town Meeting Member,
District 6

COMMITTEE ATTRIBUTES CREDIT INCORRECTLY

To the Editor:

I would like to clarify a claim made by The Committee to Elect William Plasko, Sr. made in the March 12 issue of the Record. The Committee claims that "Under Bill's leadership, Norwood created a vital strategic plan to ensure a two-year 'safe harbor' reprieve from unwanted 40B projects." Mr. Plasko was the Chair of the Board of Selectmen when the Town qualified for safe harbor so strictly speaking this statement is true. However, the Town qualified for this safe harbor due to a Housing Production Plan produced by an outside consultant under the direction of the former Town Planner, the late Mr. Costello. Mr. Plasko is no more responsible for this safe harbor than he is responsible for the filling in of any particular pothole which the DPW fixed during his tenure. Mr. Costello is due the credit for the safe harbor, not Mr. Plasko.

Conor Kenney
Jamaica Plain Former
Norwood Town Meeting Member
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A PROJECT NOBODY NEEDS

To the Editor:

Without regard or respect to the wishes of the residents and businesses of South Norwood, proponents want to sandwich a bare bones, one sheet of ice, Eastern Massachusetts Regional Ice Skating Rink and Recreation Center in this highly congested and heavily trafficked neighborhood that is only about one-half mile long filled with multi-family homes, 17 dead end streets, and is on the main artery for ambulances between Norwood Hospital and surrounding towns. None of the proponents live in this area of town and never told the residents about their proposal until this town's state representative was able to tack on language and funds to a bill for the proposed rink at Jackson Square in Jamaica Plain. He was able to attach another \$3.5 million to the Environmental Bond bill

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Rink nears end of design phase

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Ice Rink Committee is nearing final design phase tasks and will soon be presenting designs to Town Government and the public.

During a meeting on March 19, the committee approved the primary color for the rink, which John Lloyd of designers DiLullo Associates referred to as a natural, sandstone color.

Lloyd had also presented several alternatives, including splitting the paneling into two sets - upper and lower - which could allow for a two-color scheme, and a "candy stripe" option.

Project Manager Rick Southgate said the paneling material was "not your typical warehouse panel," but was of "high quality" with "good trim edges."

The Committee viewed several images of the rink, but the final renderings were still being developed, and were "out another week" from a vote. At that point, they would be ready to go before the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and the public.

The Committee identified April 7 as a potential date to go before the Selectmen.

Lloyd said they had updated the plan to include an audio/visual closet in the proposed meeting room to accommodate Norwood Public Access.

Sharkey said Norwood Public Access station manager Jack Tolman was pleased with the design and would be able to park a television van in a designated space outside of the rink in order to hook up and broadcast from inside the rink without any exposed cables.

Lloyd said space was found by economizing space in the restrooms, noting that they didn't lose any fixtures, but

took advantage of extra square feet and created more storage.

The updated plan also centered the bleachers at center ice, which Lloyd said might be "a bit more appealing."

Overall, he said, the update fixed congestion near the lobby and the entrance areas and now "flows better." They had yet to decide whether the lobby would include modular seating or fixed benches, but had added some counter space along the walls.

The Committee also discussed the recent collapse of nearly a third of the roof at the Metropolis Skating Rink in Canton, when Norwood Nuggets Youth Hockey was holding a practice.

Overall, Bill Naumann said youth programs had rented 197 of their 584 total hours of ice time at the Canton rink, and had lost around a third of it. Nuggets staff and league officials were still searching for a solution.

Naumann said Norwood High School hockey teams - as well as Canton, Westwood, and Blue Hills programs - would likely have to make up for around 240 hours of home ice time next season that was previously secured in Canton.

The Committee discussed the possibility of avoiding roof collapses at the rink in South Norwood with structural engineer Carmine Guaracino.

Guaracino said the design would reflect the minimum standards of the International Building Code, which the Massachusetts Building Code references. Guaracino said he reviewed collapses in recent years, including a similar situation in 2011 caused by "extreme weather events."

He said that most of the incidents happened at "older buildings that were built prior to 1970, in the 1960s," which were designed with a "lesser snow load."

The Metropolis Rink roof

in Canton was built with Timber trusses. Guaracino said steel was a much better material and included inherent safety factors in its design. Steel is more ductile, he said, and is more likely to "bend, not break."

Carmine said 1.5 - 2 feet of snow on the roof could likely put the building at or exceeding prescribed loads. Code puts the minimum standard of snow at 20 pounds per square foot, but Guaracino said the pre-engineered metal building company could be asked to increase the load for the roof at increased cost.

The most vulnerable spot for a snowdrift load, which could far exceed the minimum standards, was anywhere there was a change in elevation. The proposed design for the Norwood rink includes such a change in elevation, similar to one at Norwood High School, which Paul Riccardi said

yielded 15-foot drifts.

Mark Ryan said he had concerns about that roof type and believed "at a minimum, (to) add another five pounds per square foot, maybe up to 10."

Southgate pointed out that this would not include a planned increase of five pounds per square feet for solar panels. When John

Carroll asked about the local history of prefabricated rink-roofs collapsing, he also recounted that the rink at Kimball Union Academy in New Hampshire - a pre-engineered, steel trussed-building built in the 1960s - had once collapsed "with fatalities."

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Actress Marcia Estabrook will bring history to life in her dramatization of slave woman Ellen Craft at the Morrill Memorial Library on Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Ms.

Estabrook will give us a glimpse into the fascinating true story of this fair-skinned Civil War fugitive who escaped to freedom in Boston in 1849 by impersonating an infirm white gentleman accompanied by her real-life husband William, posing as her dotting slave. In historically accurate and finely detailed costume, the actress will assume the personality of Ellen Craft in this highly entertaining, interactive, and educational program presented by the Friends of the Library. Ms. Estabrook founded Characters Educational Theater in 1982 and has given thousands of performances throughout the U.S., the Virgin Islands, and the Bahamas. To register, please stop by the library Reference or Information Desk, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, or email norprograms@minlib.net. This event is funded in part by a grant from the Norwood Cultural Council and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

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SHARING SOCIAL MEDIA SAFELY AT THE LIBRARY

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into the record.

The Commission asked if the chemicals spilled when the barriers were tipped over were hazardous materials. Maguire said they qualified as a pollutant that actually should have triggered a spill response, because the chemicals could contaminate storm water pathways and had to be prevented from entering wells.

Sheehan said "enough was enough" and that both parties settle their dispute. He inquired

about the Commission having more oversight about placement of barriers and whether it could require only concrete barriers be used.

Maguire said he'd never had problems with either type of barrier in the past at the airport.

After the police report was read for the record, the Commission opted to take no action on the issue.

Later in the meeting, the Commission extended BEH's 2014 commercial permit for another month, allowing it to operate while the FBO request process continues.

The Commission debated whether to approve the permit through the end of the fiscal year, but Sheehan said depending on the outcome of the criminal investigation, it may be wiser to continue the provisional extension, based on the assumption that it would be easier to "not issue a license than attempt to revoke it."

The Commission also said that it still felt BEH had not satisfied its requests for

financial information needed to meet requirements for leasing of space on the West Apron.

Maguire said that the airport overspent its budget of \$30,000, and had incurred \$152,055 of snow removal costs. The airport only had slight weather damage, with some edge lighting being knocked over, and Maguire anticipated a maximum of \$75,000 in reimbursements from FEMA for the snow removal costs.

He said all but \$46,515 had been paid to the contractor, but they may have to wait for Special Town Meeting in order to secure the funds.

Maguire concluded the meeting by saying that a MassDOT economic impact study found that Norwood ranks second among general airports, providing indirect and direct benefits to 394 employees and bringing in \$52 million worth of economic benefit to Norfolk County.

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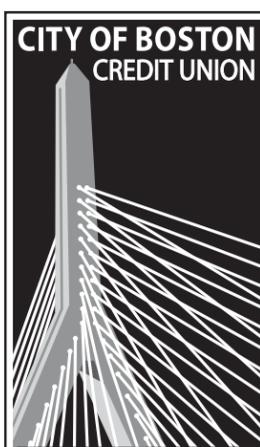
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Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

—M.M.G.

Norwood woman running marathon for pediatric cancer

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Some run the Boston Marathon because they want to win. Others wanted to get in shape and prove to themselves they could do it. And many, like Norwood's own Brianna Donovan, run for charity.

This year, Donovan, 32, will be running the Boston Marathon on April 15 with the Mass General Hospital Team to raise money for pediatric cancer clinical research.

Donovan is a nurse at Mass General, and works in the adult medicine department. On April 15, she'll join around 100 other runners on the team, who run to raise money that funds laboratory research related to the pediatric hematology-oncology program at MassGeneral Hospital for Children, as well as supportive care, art and music programs, as well as parent, teen, and sibling support groups.

Donovan was selected to the team out of a field of around 140 or so hopefuls.

"Just being a member of the Mass General team, I kind of wanted to give back a little bit to the hospital and raise money," Donovan said. "Running is something I'm passionate about, so if I'm going to run the marathon, why not run for charity?"

Donovan, who will be running her first marathon, said she's been training since December, and participates in team activities with the Heart-



Norwood resident Brianna Donovan, a nurse at Mass General Hospital, will run the Boston Marathon with the Mass General team, which raises money for pediatric cancer research and support.

COURTESY PHOTO

break Hill Running Company in Newton, where the Mass General Team is based.

Every Saturday, she said, they go on runs, often going for 20 miles at a time. And the team isn't waiting until the marathon to begin making a difference. The training kick off event was a toy drive, where each runner brought a toy to donate.

Donovan already has a half marathon under her belt and has run several small races since getting into the sport around six years ago. Her goal is to finish in around five hours, and has been able to work at a pace of around 9 to

10-minute miles.

Last year, the Mass General team raised around a million dollars, and Donovan hopes to exceed that goal this year as well.

"Money raised goes to support cancer research and patient care programs at the hospital," she said. "Each runner can pick the amount they want to commit to raising. My commitment is \$8,000."

Donovan said she is at the halfway point of her goal, and has an upcoming fundraiser on April 11 at Shamrock Pub in Norwood, which will feature appetizers, entertainment, and raffle prizes. Donovan has also

been raising money through the sale of Boston Strong Christmas ornaments and putting on a "Super Bowl squares" event.

Of course, this year, the Marathon coincides with the trial of 2013 Boston Marathon bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev. The significance of the Marathon is not lost on Donovan.

"I'm just proud to be a Bostonian, proud that I was selected to run this year. It was a devastating event," Donovan said. "I worked at the hospital during the entire week of the bombing, it was surreal."

After work during that week, Donovan and others from the hospital would go down to Copley Square to see the memorial that was growing each day by the finish line.

"It was a sense of community bringing everybody together," Donovan said.

Donovan said she still "can't even believe that it happened," but has been warmed by how Bostonians and others from around the world have since come together to support Boston.

Donovan said it was unfortunate that the trial began so close to the

Marathon date because it was a reminder that a terrible thing did happen and was now "fresh in our heads again."

She mentioned the story of MGH nurse Jessica Kensky Downes who, along with her husband Patrick, was critically injured in the bombing as inspiration, and recently testified in the Tsarnaev trial.

Donovan said the nurses all supported Downes by putting in extra hours so that she could stay home and rehabilitate.

She anticipates crossing the finish line being an emotional moment, but is still looking forward to the challenge and all of the excitement beforehand.

"It's not going to break us down, it made us stronger," Donovan said.

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two class size from 18 to 24.6 students. At the Prescott, eliminating a fourth grade teacher put class sizes at 29, as opposed to 19.3 students.

At the Coakley Middle School, a teacher was cut from each of the core subjects - English, math, science, and Social Studies - and a split seventh and eighth grade team was created. Class sizes would be around 25

students each for the team.

The cuts also eliminated sixth grade foreign language education, a guidance counselor, and a librarian from the Middle School. As a result, the library would not be operational and guidance counselor caseload will increase to 375 students per counselor. In total, the middle school cuts brought \$568,784 in savings.

The high school also lost a single teacher from each of the core subjects, as well as a library secretary and in-house suspension monitor. The school will not be able to provide advisors for clubs and activities or summer guidance either, but savings amounted to \$479,331.

The district wide cuts included three instrumental music teachers, eliminating the elementary school instrumental music program. Along with the previously approved hire down savings due to two retirements and the \$1.3 million Circuit

taking in," Rau said, which she felt was "very dramatically illustrated" in the elimination of the 26 "actual people's jobs."

"Community is not a tax bill and a number of homes," Rau said. "The services in community that make it a good place to live and the foundation of that is public schools."

Hayden said it was "only the first go," and the Schools needed to meet the Budget Balancing Committee's deadline at the end of the month to submit a balanced budget to go to print.

"I think we need to present the Budget Balancing Committee with a realistic budget so they can see what the implica-

look further into athletic fees and costs.

Bergeron said he was firmly against increasing fees, and voted against exploring any of them, noting that he didn't want to have fees stand in the way of participation or have young families move out of Norwood.

"I don't want to discourage them. I don't want to make it more difficult," Bergeron said.

Montesano said he felt similarly to Bergeron, but would rather see some fees increase if it meant they could "get some teachers back." He reluctantly brought up the possibility of eliminating freshmen teams.

Rau likened increasing the



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"Twenty-six people who came to work today will be told they don't have a job next year."

- Chairman John Badger

Breaker Estimate, system-wide savings accounted for \$578,922.

The Committee voiced its displeasure with the need to make the cuts.

"Twenty-six people who came to work today will be told they don't have a job next year," chairman John Badger said.

Vice chair Courtney Rau Rogers said the Schools' preliminary figure of \$41,788,091 was a "level services budget," meaning it was the amount needed to fund the same level of service to students that Norwood Public Schools provided during Fiscal Year 2015.

Badger said the increases were almost entirely due to salary increases and special education costs.

Hayden said around \$44 million would be needed to provide "top notch" schools, and the \$39,353,830 figure they had been given was "backwards progress."

"The town as a whole is not meeting the needs of its residents based on the revenues its

tion is and what would happen if we have to adhere to this particular number," said Michal Bergeron, who made the motion to approve the cuts. "They need to realize what the consequences are of the budget at this level."

Joe Montesano noted that the Town side of the budget did not seem to have to cut jobs as often or as much as the school side.

The Committee approved the budget reductions by a vote of 4-0-1, with Jim Gormley absent.

The Committee also explored several other options to find savings, including fee structure for buses, athletics, arts, and other activities.

The members opted not to pursue exploring bus fees or eliminating bus services for certain grade levels for fear of attendance drops during cold weather and strain put on parents and students.

The Committee did, however, appear willing to have Hayden

fees to unfair taxes, since there was no increased benefit as a result - which could ultimately drive families to pursue private education instead.

"What happens when we increase these fees, it's unfairly taxing certain sections of the population simply because they're choosing to sending their kids to public school," Rau said.

The Committee opted not to explore preschool tuitions, charging for full day kindergarten, or closing a school in the district to pursue savings.

Rau said it was a "slippery slope" before it becomes "untenable" for Norwood Public Schools to provide an adequate education.

"It's going to be people legitimately upset with us as a committee for cutting the things that make their students successful and strong...upset with this Town for not realizing that the backbone of this community is its public schools," Rau said. "Public schools make us a town and a community."

Tom Riolo *continued from page 1*

was "really from the old school." Riolo was both a friend and mentor to McDonough, who worked on Riolo's first campaign for Selectman.

Other than his church, Sloan Riolo said Riolo's favorite place was Town Hall. She said he even brought her into the Selectmen's chambers the day after their wedding.

There, she took a photograph of him in the chairman's seat, which Riolo would later occupy. Sloan Riolo recalled the time Riolo helped residents get a billboard with a gun ad removed from South Norwood in 1990.

"They knew you could call Tom Riolo and, no matter what it was, he would call you back to fix the problem," Sloan Riolo said.

Riolo's populist brand of politics won over colleagues and opponents alike.

"Tommy and I had differ-

ences on different town matters, but always got along," Selectman Bill Plasko said. "He often came to me for advice on municipal law and by-laws. When I got elected in 2000, it was Tom that I had to beat for the seat."

Riolo even had an ear in Washington. After joining the Girl Scout trips to D.C., Riolo remained in contact with Ted Kennedy for years.

Riolo's other love was baseball. He was instrumental in youth baseball and maintained an encyclopedic knowledge of baseball trivia.

Carroll said Riolo was probably one of the few youth coaches to coach three future professionals, including Bill Travers, Skip Lockwood, and Richie Hebner.

"Tommy was an old fashioned gentleman. He was caring, he was kind, sensitive, and he always wanted to help others," Donohue said.

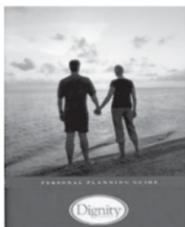
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Sports

Norwood baseball team hoping for breakout season Mustangs looking to build off deep postseason run in 2014

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

One more win was all that stood between Norwood its first baseball state championship since 1943.

With six starters returning, and 12 players with varsity experience in all, head coach Kevin Igoe sees no reason why the team can't stay in the championship discussion this year.

"It was an honor to represent Norwood in the [Division 1] state championship," said Igoe, who is set to begin his fourth season as head coach of the Mustangs. Igoe is also the offensive coordinator of Norwood's football team. "It's an experience we'd like to repeat on a regular basis. Although we were disappointed in not reaching our ultimate goal, it solidified our belief that Norwood possesses championship-caliber talent."

Losing 6-1 to the Leominster Blue Devils in the title game hurt, but Igoe said his team could do nothing but tip their caps to a team that perfectly executed their small-ball style of attack: sac-



In 2014, the Mustangs surpassed all expectations, winning five consecutive post-season games during a deep playoff run. Head Coach Kevin Igoe hopes to build off last season's successes as the team prepares for opening day.

rifice bunting.

"Looking back on it, we knew they were going to bunt," Igoe said. "It was no secret. They just executed per-

fectly. "We had the book on it, we knew it was coming. We just didn't expect them to do it as well as they did."

Among the returnees from

last year's championship runners-up are its four captains: outfielders Jake O'Rourke and Denny Drummey, catcher Kevin Hines and shortstop

Paul Galvin. Some other players Igoe expects to make con-

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Baseball

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Girls lacrosse team benefits from senior leadership as program continues to evolve



Norwood girls lacrosse coach Caitlin Harrington is encouraged by her team's veteran leadership and deep roster of multi-sport athletes.

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

If there's one thing the girls of Norwood lacrosse won't be lacking this spring, it's experience in big games.

This year's squad has plenty of it.

Third-year head coach Caitlin Harrington returns a team full of players that have not only qualified for the post-season in each of the previous two lacrosse seasons, but a team of multi-sport athletes with playoff experience on several other Mustangs teams, including field hockey, basketball and hockey.

Captained by Sammy Hayes, Lisa Moynihan and Kacie Smith, other returning players include Maura O'Neill, Hannah Benson, Val Quinlan, Casey MacDonald,

Hannah Gillis, Coley Hayes, Julia Copponi and Shannon Gillis.

Norwood went 11-7 in 2014, a slight improvement over its 9-7-2 record of 2013. The No. 7-seeded Mustangs defeated No. 10 Canton, 20-12, in the first round of the Div. 1 south sectionals before falling to No. 2 Notre Dame Academy (Hingham) in the quarterfinals, 20-7.

"I've come to expect to make the tournament," said Harrington, a Norwood native (class of '04) who also coaches a club team based out of Framingham called the Mavericks. She played collegiately for Tufts University as a walk-on. "I didn't expect to have home-field advantage against

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Girls Lax

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Norwood softball team eager to get to work

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Carol Savino is 5-for-5 in taking her Norwood softball teams to the post-season, and she's feeling good about continuing to bat 1.000 this year.

Entering her sixth season in the dugout for the Mustangs, it's Savino's 52nd as a high school softball coach in Massachusetts overall. And she has no plans to slow down any time soon.

"It's a passion, it's something I love doing," said the 70-year-old Savino. "And the way I look at it, as long as I have my health, I'm going to do it."

Big on fundamentals, she's racked up nine post-season wins in her Norwood tenure, as well as back-to-back undefeated regular seasons in 2010 and 2011.

"We work hard on 21 outs," said Savino, referring to the length of the game. There's seven innings in a high school game, with three outs per inning.

Thus, the magic number of 21 outs, assuming you play error-free softball.

"If you don't give up more than three outs per inning, you can play good softball," she said.

Ever the tactician, Savino is able to break down everything into a numerical form, it seems.

"A bad throw is an extra out," said Savino. "It's not just the out. If that person reaches base, they're 60 feet closer to home plate."

Last year, the Mustangs went 15-5 in the regular season, drawing the No. 9 seed in the Div. 1



Head softball coach Carol Savino welcomes back the majority of her starters from a 2014 campaign that finished 15-5 in the regular season before falling to Bridgewater-Raynham in the quarterfinals.

south sectional. They defeated the No. 24 Durfee Hilltoppers, 4-0, in the preliminary round and the No. 8 Bishop Feehan Shamrocks, 11-4, in the next round. Norwood ultimately fell to the eventual Div. 1 state champions, top-seeded Bridgewater-Raynham Trojans, 2-0, in the quarterfinals. But the Mustangs were able to keep the Trojans off the board until the fifth, when they were able to string together three consecutive hits, which wound up being the difference.

"They didn't make a lot of mistakes," Savino said of last year's team. "And their success rallied around the fact that they didn't make a lot of mistakes."

Norwood returns the majority of its starters, including captains Erin Garczynski, Katie O'Donnell and Kara Shea. Garczynski, an all-star catcher since she was a freshman, is committed to Southern New Hampshire University for next year. Along with O'Donnell on the mound, they form a returning battery for Norwood.

The entire infield is also back intact, featuring Taylor Reed at

first, Siobhan Reen at second, Kristen Flynn at third and Alyssa Chamberlain at short.

The outfield will feature Shea in right, Kasey Michael in left and Emily Flavin in center. Flavin is the lone new starter on the team, although she comes with plenty of varsity experience already. Shea is coming off of an ACL injury during soccer season, but Savino expects her to be ready by the middle of April at the latest.

Kristina Michael rounds out the lineup as the designated player, giving Savino a team loaded with experi-

ence. She believes that because the Mustangs spent so much of last season focused on defense, she can try to focus a little bit more on hitting this season.

Weather permitting, Norwood will open its 2015 season on Wednesday, April 1, at Cleveland School (the Mustangs home field) vs. Brookline at 3:45 p.m. But with the fields still impacted by the massive amounts of snow over the last month and a half, that could change, according to Savino.

FILE PHOTO



The squad is scheduled to begin their season with a home game against Brookline on April 1.

FILE PHOTO

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Canton for the first round of the playoffs."

After splitting with the Bulldogs (10-7-1) in the regular season, Norwood prevailed in the grudge match in the border war for Harrington's first post-season win as a head coach.

On top of getting that first playoff win, another milestone for the Mustangs was defeating the Wellesley Raiders for the first time ever, something Harrington called an "amazing achievement" for the 2014 team.

Having so many returning players also means Norwood will be able to work on tightening its tech-

nical game this year, according to Harrington, and focus more on tactics.

Harrington also said that not many players will fly under the radar because of how experienced they are.

"With such a talented older group, you really want to look at who shines through from the freshmen and sophomores," said Harrington about the difficulty of projecting a 'sleeper' player on this year's roster. "Our one freshman last year was Coley Hayes, and I'm excited to see what she'll bring to the team this year. We also have some freshmen trying out, coming straight from our very strong Norwood Youth Lacrosse

league."

The Mustangs open their season on Monday, March 30 on the road at Braintree at 4 p.m. as part of a three-game road trip to kick things off. By a quirk of the schedule, they will also have their home opener vs. the cross-division Wamps, on Friday, April 10, also at 4 p.m.

Before the games begin, Harrington has a message for all of the Mustangs fans out there: come give this team a look.

"Girls lacrosse isn't a new sport, but a lot of people haven't had the chance to watch it and really understand the nuances of the game," she said. "It is very fast paced and exciting, and I think this team is going to be very special, so don't miss out!"

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The ramblin' man tackles a wild month in sports

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

As we embrace yet another exciting month of March in the sports world, where post-season tournaments take place at all levels, here are my takes on some recent happenings.

* I went to the TD Garden on Sunday and caught the boys Div. 2, Div. 1 and Super 8 championship games. The crowds were more vibrant, particularly for the latter two games, than your typical NHL game in Florida or Arizona, where crowds have been hovering around 10,000 people all year long.

* In terms of Norwood interest, the Div. 1 boys champions, Hingham, defeated the Mustangs 6-2 on Dec. 15, and the Div. 2 girls runner-up, Wellesley, defeated the Mustangs in each of their two meet-

ings this season. Also, the Div. 2 boys champs, Westwood, will be searching for a rink to raise its banner next season. They too were left homeless by the implosion of Metropolis Rink in Canton.

* In the Super 8, St. John's Prep (Danvers) defeated the heavily-favored, four-time defending champion Malden Catholic, 2-1, for its first Super 8 title. The win for the Prep leaves Xavierian as the lone Catholic Conference school without a Super 8 crown.

* If you're a fan of the public schools, you may be surprised by the answer to the question, "Which is the only public high school in Massachusetts with a winning record in the Super 8?" The answer? The Weymouth Wildcats, at 4-3 all-time. Of course, Hingham and Reading are still the only



Jake Levin

publics to win the whole tournament.

* It seems odd that there are two teams from Massachusetts participating in the NCAA men's basketball tournament, and neither one is Boston College or UMass-Amherst. Instead, there is more of a lower-tier Beanpot feel, with Harvard and Northeastern both qualifying.

* Amazingly, this is the fourth-consecutive trip for the Crimson, which has won a game in each of the last two NCAA

tournaments. They've now won 20-plus games each year since 2009-10. On the other hand, it's the Huskies' first trip since 1991. They were tournament regulars in the 1980s under Jim Calhoun, but have just six 20-win seasons since he left for UConn in '86. The lone other New England school in the Big Dance: the Providence College Friars.

*The single game that I want to see most in NCAA tournament is Wichita State vs. Kentucky in the Elite Eight. Think about it: the Shockers exact revenge on the Wildcats for ruining their perfect season last year, on an even bigger stage, with all of the same perfect marbles on the line, and then some.

*I'll be rooting vehemently against Kentucky, for all the one-and-done damage John Calipari has wrought upon the college game. I'm picking Wisconsin to

win the tournament, and while that may be more with my heart than my head, the Badgers are a true program, where players generally go and stay for all four years, unlike that system down in Lexington, Kentucky.

* Elsewhere in the New England post-season picture, the Rhode Island Rams, as well as UConn, will be competing in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT), Vermont is in the College Basketball Invitational (CBI), and the two New Hampshire D-I schools, UNH and Dartmouth, qualified for the CollegeInsider.com (CIT) tournament.

* One more thought, on football: I really hope Roger Goodell noticed four players, all 30 years old or younger, retire this month, and shreds his "18-game regular season" memo in his office, and never speaks of it again.

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tributions are second baseman Connor Flynn, pitcher Sean Mellen, pitcher/outfielder John Ryan and third baseman Danny Sullivan. The lineup will be based around O'Rourke and Hines in the Nos. 3 and 4 spots, two players with the ability to smash the ball, whereas the rest of the lineup is full of line drive hitters.

The Mustangs finished last regular season with a mediocre 11-9 record before catching fire in the post-season, winning five games before succumbing to the Blue Devils. Igoe can pinpoint the game where Norwood turned it around.

"We ended up beating Braintree to get in [to the post-season]," he recalls. The Wamps, 17-3 last year, played in baseball's version of the Super 8, also falling in the championship game. "[That] certainly wasn't one we circled on the calendar as a definite win. That win gave us confidence to believe we could beat anyone."

Igoe admits last season was up-and-down, as evidenced by his lowest regular-season win total in his three years behind the bench (the

Mustangs won 15 and 16 games, respectively, in each of his first two seasons). Yet once everything clicked, Norwood was able to win more post-season games (five) than in his first two years combined (three).

"We knew we had great pitching, we knew we had great defense," said Igoe, whose overall record entering 2015 is 50-21, good for a winning percentage of .704. "And if we caught fire, which we did, once we started hitting, we were really dangerous."

Dangerous, indeed. The Mustangs edged Mansfield, 2-1, in the first round of the tournament before blowing out Brockton, 8-0. Norwood would then shutout Attleboro in the sectional semifinals, 2-0, and edged New Bedford for the south title, 4-3. The Mustangs would win one more game, yet another one-run contest, 2-1 vs. Andover in the state semifinals.

The run for Norwood's first baseball championship since the World War II era begins on Wednesday, April 1 at 3:45 p.m. at Brookline. The Mustangs' first home game is a week later, on April 8, also at 3:45 p.m. vs. Weymouth.

Some other games of note for Norwood include its second game of the season, which is at Braintree on April 3. The Mustangs take on the Super 8 champions Newton North on May 6, also on the road.

Igoe expects the most out of his talented group players and expects them to play to their fullest potential. It's a championship-or-bust mentality for his team.

"Our expectation every

year is to win the championship," said Igoe. "Short of that, it's back to the drawing board. If our staff didn't have high expectations for our team each season, we wouldn't coach."



The Mustangs' first pitch of the 2015 season will be on April 1 at Brookline.

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Police Logs

Tuesday March 10

0048 phone - Disturbance services rendered Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Hospital requests assistance with an out of control patient in the ER. N665 reports patient was under control upon arrival and no assaults occurred.

0139 initiated - Report of gas leak could not locate Location/address: Riverside Community Care - Pleasant St N669 reports strong odor of gas. NFD notified and responded.

0613 911 - Report of gas leak fire dept notified/respo Location/address: Hipsaver Inc. - Industrial Way Caller reports strong odor of natural gas in the air outside. NFD responding. NFD reports nothing found.

0633 911 - Report of gas leak fire dept notified/respo Location/address: Riverside Community Care - Pleasant St Caller reports strong odor of natural gas in the air as she was driving by. NFD responding. NFD reports slight odor of Natural Gas in the air. National Grid notified and responding.

0659 phone - Report of gas leak fire dept notified/respo Location/address: Allen Rd Caller reports strong odor of gas. NFD responded and could not locate smell.

0757 phone - Report of gas leak fire dept notified/respo Location/address: Gay St + Sunnyside Rd Multiple calls from this neighborhood and Willow/Lenox St. neighborhood. NFD notified. National Grid locates leak on Pleasant St. at Norfolk Asphalt Plant.

0844 phone - Hit and run Location/address: Rose Ct Report parked, unoccupied car was hit in the parking lot.

0908 phone - Phone harassment spoken to Location/address: Roosevelt Ave Female resident reports party keeps calling asking for a male. N665 spoke to resident, spoke to collection agency and informed them that the male party does not live here.

0924 other - Juvenile offenses Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St SRO Paul Murphy investigating incident at Norwood High School.

1030 phone - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Audubon Rd N667 stands by while personal belongings are retrieved per Norfolk Probate Court Order.

1107 phone - Warrant of apprehension arrest(s)made Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St N662 places subject under arrest and transports directly to Dedham District Court.

1415 walk-in - Assist citizen civil matter Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Party in lobby reports she was accused by staff of giving her mother, a patient in August 2014, a needle, thus causing Health Care Proxy and guardianship issues. N667 spoke to party, nothing criminal, all civil matters.

1420 phone - Animal complaint Naco/Waco notified Location/address: Oxford Rd Report of a black and yellow dog running around.

1438 phone - Citizens complaint taken/referred to other Location/address: Railroad Ave + Hill St Report railroad gates malfunctioning. Keolis notified. N665 stood by until they remained in the up position.

1607 other - Drug law violation arrest(s)made Location/address: Morrill Memorial Library - Walpole St As a result of a B.C.I investigation, n496 places one subject under arrest. N664 transported one male party to the station. Arrest: Bennett, Scott Address: 220 Nahatan St Apt. #4r Norwood Age: 47 Charges: drug, distribute class b

1631 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Elks - Winslow Ave Resident walking his dog comes across a syringe. N665 retrieved that syringe and will prop-

erly dispose of it.

2051 911 - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: West St Caller reports there is a man living out of a van in her driveway. N665 reports no one is living in the van and that the landlord is aware that it is parked there.

2153 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Chateau Restaurant - Bos-Prov Hwy Past B&E to a vehicle.

Wednesday March 11

0526 911 - Report of gas leak fire dept notified/respo Location/address: Meadow St Caller reports strong smell of gas in her home. N679, NFD responded. NFD and gas company handled same.

1014 cellular - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Washington St + Hoyle St Report of a w/m, 5'7", white t-shirt, jeans, no shoes, walking southbound then got in MA pc 61np75. Units stop same Washington/Lenox-spoke to him, appears ok, gave no explanation for not wearing shoes.

1143 other - Warrant service arrest(s)made Location/address: Winslow Ave Units attempt service. N664 places subject under arrest and transports him to the station. Arrest: Ramsdell, Roy D Address: 131 Winslow Ave Apt. #2 Norwood Age: 49 Charges: warrant arrest

1217 phone - Message delivery services rendered Location/address: Limey's Pub - Washington St N662 delivers a letter per the board of selectmen.

1311 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Winslow Ave Report syringe in rear of house near fire escape. N667 properly disposed of same.

1417 phone - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: Lenox St Wife reports her husband called her and told her people were at the home stating he won the lottery. N677 spoke to husband and the wife arrived on scene and will handle same.

1427 initiated - Mischief (kids) spoken to Location/address: Bond St + Walpole St N667, en route to traffic assignment, comes across kids throwing snowballs at cars. N667 reports kids were having a snowball fight amongst themselves and some snowballs accidentally went into street-sent on their way.

1436 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Norwest Dr Report loud music for 2 hours. N662 reports music turned down.

1500 phone - Civil dispute civil matter Location/address: Railroad Ave Tenant reports landlord evicting him in 2 days. N662 spoke to tenant-all matters are civil and he was advised.

1618 cellular - Citizens complaint spoken to Location/address: Dean St Car Wash - Dean St Report car stuck in car wash and may be damaged. NFD sent. N665 reports the car is freed and manager and owner will work it out to fix any damage.

1619 walk-in - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Cedar St Party in lobby to rescind a letter of disinvite. The Norfolk Probate and Family Court order was attached to the letter of disinvite as it only rescinded 1 of the 2 names listed.

1639 phone - Citizens complaint spoken to Location/address: Alandale Pkwy Resident in lobby reports kids yelling profanities at her. N663 spoke to resident and she is satisfied.

1648 cellular - Motor vehicle accident Location/address: Upland Rd + Prospect St Report 3 car mva. NFD sent. Don and Wally's tows MA pc 2th90. N678 courtesy transport to

Queensboro Ct., s/m 45706.1 1714 hrs, e/m 45707.3 1723 hrs.

1730 phone - Mischief (kids) spoken to Location/address: Walpole St + Geraldine Dr Report of a group of kids walking in the lane of travel. N667 moved them over to the side of the road that has a sidewalk.

1745 walk-in - Larceny Location/address: Lenox St Resident in lobby reports he sent by federal express, 2 envelopes of cash as a result of a scam that he won the lottery.

1752 initiated - Illegal trash disposal state dpw/norwood dpw no Location/address: Municipal Lot - Cottage St N667 reports a snow blower left in the parking lot.

2150 phone - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Hill St Report door to apartment is open, no one answering, medical condition. N665 reports she is fine, NFD obtained a refusal.

Thursday March 12

1141 911 - Report of gas leak police & fire notified/r Location/address: Nichols St Odor of gas inside home. NFD, National Grid handled same, N664 stood by for traffic.

1214 phone - Susp activity gone on arrival Location/address: Wolpex - Beech St Caller reports two males sitting in a black mini van.

1510 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: 34 - Walpole St On sidewalk. N665 properly disposed of same.

1527 911 - Report of fight Location/address: Pleasant St Report of a fight in driveway. NFD sent for injury. N662 reports simple assault and will file a report.

1557 phone - Susp activity services rendered Location/address: Seven Hens - Washington St Employee reports a female party attempting to have other patrons purchase her cigarettes. N662 reports there is an ongoing issue with this party handling. N662 advised the clerk to call back if she returns and to issue a letter of disinvite.

1720 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Elks - Winslow Ave Officer disposed of multiple syringes.

1956 phone - Susp person gone on arrival Location/address: Devon Rd Caller reported suspicious person ringing doorbell.

2150 911 - Assaults Location/address: Dean St Report of an assault that

just occurred.

2302 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Buckminster Dr Dispute over noise. Officer spoke with parties, advised.

Friday March 13

1207 walk-in - Larceny Location/address: Plympton Park - Lenox St Walk in reports materials stolen from shop.

1340 initiated - Message delivery legal service made Location/address: Glendale Rd N665, n494 serve a letter of disinvite on resident.

1415 phone - Animal complaint naco/waco notified Location/address: Junior High South (Coakley Middle School) - Washington St Report opossum lingering around at one of the doors. Naco reports it is ok and will be left alone.

1557 walk-in - Assaults Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Party in the lobby to report past assaults that occurred at the hospital.

1853 phone - Susp vehicle area search negative Location/address: Lynwood Dr Resident reports there is a vehicle parked in front of her home for the last half hour. N662 reports no vehicles matching the description are in the area and the resident was spoken to.

2110 phone - Liquor law violation Location/address: Bay State Wine and Liquor - Walpole St Employee reports a b/m party used a fraudulent Florida License and fled in a black Audi.

2226 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Willow St Resident reports neighbor being loud. N661 reports they are going to sleep now.

2228 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Mountain Ave Resident reports neighbor in his van listening to loud music. N662 reports no music upon arrival and that party was spoken to.

Saturday March 14

0046 phone - Susp vehicle Location/address: Codman Rd Caller reports suspicious vehicle driving in circles through Codman Rd, Eaton Rd, and Cameron Rd.. At one point a male had gotten out of car going through yards with flashlight. Officers stopped MA.reg# 6316pg that fit description leaving area and spoke to oc-

cupant who states he was on his way home. No other vehicles in area.

0314 911 - Assaults Location/address: Rt. 1 s/b side - Morse St + Bos-Prov Hwy Call from State Police for a female thrown out of a car with head injury. N677, n662, n678, NFD responded. Transported to hospital, female being uncooperative. Female is a missing Juvenile out of Arlington. N677 stoodby at hospital. Locate done on female. Dcf responding to take female into their custody.

1156 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Roosevelt Sve Caller reports that he found a syringe on the ground near his home. N665 sent and recovers syringe.

2028 phone - Susp activity services rendered Location/address: Fulton St Report of a group of kids walking in a neighbor's driveway. N679 reports one of the individuals lives at that address. N679 provided one courtesy transport for a male party to 159 Cottage St.

Sunday March 15

0613 initiated - Motor vehicle stop arrest(s)made Location/address: Washington St + E Hoyle St Ma reg 728vv4. As a result n661 returning with one under arrest. N677 is also transporting a pc to the station. Don and Wally's towed vehicle. Arrest: Hagins, Christopher S Address: 53 Forest Ave Ext Natick Age: 35 Charges: speeding OUI liquor or .08%, 2nd offense Negligent operation of motor vehicle Sist

1441 911 - Animal complaint services rendered Location/address: Gay St Caller reports that his dog was attacked by another dog. Naco notified. N677 spoke to both parties and they will Resolve the matter.

1742 other - Harassment services rendered Location/address: The Antique Roadhouse, Washington St N661 follows up on a complaint, but the business is closed. N661 will follow up at a later time.

1809 911 - Drunk driver arrest(s)made Location/address: George Willet Pkwy Report of a possibly intoxicated driver. As a result, n668 places one male party under arrest and n667 transports him to the station. P/c: Connolly, Michael F Address: 15 Canterbury Dr Norwood Age: 56 Charges: ouiliquor or .08%, 2nd offense Negligent operation of motor vehicle Alcohol in mv, possess open container.



Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns a 10-bay auto repair service center in Hyde Park and an 8-bay center in Middleboro. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

2015 Dodge Charger SXT Rallye AWD

During the month of February I was involved with the NEMPA winter test drive of 4x4s and all-wheel-drive vehicles and there are plenty of them.

This 2015 AWD Charger can hang with the best of the best. The car has a very sporty look and feel, yet is a practical vehicle with all-wheel-drive and all-season tires. The car rides and handles like a sports car. The interior seats four with comfort and the layout is very driver friendly in every way. First, there is a large 8.4-inch multifunction touchscreen loaded with features and easy-to-use navigation. Heat and audio controls are easy to operate with knobs and buttons, as well as steering hub controls.

There are firm, multiadjustable front ventilated and heated seats and firm, body contour rear heated seats. And, do not forget about the heated sport steering wheel. Did I mention a factory remote car starter that I used every day I had the car?

A 10-speaker sound system with subwoofer and 552 watts of power, LED interior lighting, HID projection headlights, lane departure with keep lane assist, adjustable pedals with memory, 19-inch all-season tires with alloy rims, plus a lot more, is available.

Powered by a 300 horsepower, 3.6 liter, V/6 engine via an 8-speed automatic that keeps the engine at a low RPM at any speed, helping to deliver the great fuel economy of 18 city and 27 highway. The body lines and paint finish are those of a high-line import. Style and design, especially the front and rear taillights, are a throwback to the 1960s.

One complaint a lot of previous owners had was noise over bumps from the front suspension. The engineers did a makeover and there was no noise over bumps at all. This is a true four-season car. Base price: \$32,995, destination fee: \$995. With options as tested, retail sticker price: \$40,580.

Boston's own Junior Damato, "The Auto Doctor" has agreed to field auto repair questions from *Bulletin* and *Record* readers. Please forward your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get your questions answered.

last summer. How does this project help the environment? This proposed rink is in the wrong location and everyone knows it. The total of \$10 million will not be enough as used materials are the plan of the day by the architect and the RINC Committee.

If the Governor wants to build a state of the art Eastern Massachusetts Regional Ice Skating and Hockey Rink in Canton to replace the recently damaged one there, there are \$10 million dollars budgeted for Norwood that the Commonwealth and DCR can use.

Judith Howard
Norwood

PLIMPTON PRESS APPROVAL WOULD HAVE SOLVED THINGS

To the Editor:

Thank you for clarifying the reason why the Norwood Record published the same letter from Kevin Pentowski, a candidate for Planning Board, in two consecutive editions of the paper. Perhaps, the Record in the interest of fairness can offer the opportunity for other candidates for Planning Board for the same editorial space granted to Mr. Pentowski.

Your explanation also helped me understand why upon reading the letter a second time it sounded so much like prior letters this candidate has authored. It contained the same references we have heard before; same Kennedy assassination-style conspiracy theories; same bludgeoning of individual reputations including the owner of Regal Press, a business that has operated successfully in this town for nearly 40 years. And yes, we heard again about a private consultant hired by a local resident to provide a report that reflected exactly what the local resident wanted and paid for. It was comforting to see that the letter lacked other terms we've heard during the 40B discussions. For example, at least there were no references to people residing in apartments as being "low life." That is progress, I do admit.

The letter also fails to recognize that the 40B debate should have been over by this time had Town Meeting accepted the Plimpton Press 40R proposal last year. At that meeting, a majority favored the proposal but it failed to garner the two-thirds majority needed to move forward. It is likely that 40B developers are waiting in the wings to propose and, if re-

jected, litigate future 40B developments, even if the Town claims a 1.5 percent exemption.

Thank you again the opportunity to express my opinion on these topics. Please feel free to publish the letter twice if you so wish.

Robert Donnelly
Norwood

THORNTON BACKS PLASKO

To the Editor:

It is with great pleasure that I strongly endorse William J. Plasko for re-election to Norwood's Board of Selectmen in the April 6 town election. As the Town Clerk and Accountant for the town, I had the pleasure of working closely with Mr. Plasko over the past 36 years. Bill was an energetic member of the Board of Selectmen who first hired me as its Town Clerk and Accountant way back in 1979. The fact that he was still working so diligently for the Board of Selectmen and the town he loves so much when I retired last month speaks volumes to me about his dedication and work ethic.

Over the years, I have had the pleasure of working with many different members of the Board of Selectmen either directly on that board or on the many subcommittees that are required to keep up with the heavy workload.

There is no doubt in my mind that Mr. Plasko has been one of the hardest working Selectmen I have ever seen in my 36 years of service. Besides his unwavering attendance to handle the many decisions which come before the selectmen on "Tuesday evenings," Bill has also been the driving force as a volunteer on the many subcommittees who work so many extra hours on complex matters that cannot be handled in regular board sessions.

In order to see the results of Mr. Plasko's labor over the years, one need only drive around Norwood and observe the following. Bill's involvement in the town's "Committee of 21" groups and other subcommittees over the years has resulted in his "fingerprints" being evident in the impressive Public Safety Building, the glistening new High School campus and the state of the art DPW facility currently under construction in our town. Because of Mr. Plasko's efforts over the years, the town of Norwood has very low average residential tax and utility bills compared to neigh-

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boring towns and recently received a Bond Rating increase to AA+. We also have strong Public Safety and Public Works divisions, which result in our streets being both safe and clean.

I hope that you will join me in thanking him for his tireless efforts on our behalf by voting to re-elect Mr. Plasko on Monday, April 6. Thank you!

Robert M. Thornton,
CPA Norwood

WHY I SUPPORT BILL PLASKO

To the Editor:

I have worked with Bill for many years and I have to tell you I have not always agreed with his conclusions/votes. For example: I voted against the Plimpton Press apartment complex, the location, not the rink, to be built in South Norwood, etc.

So why is Bill the best candidate for re-election to our Board of Selectmen? I offer you the following qualities: smart, leadership, work ethic, honest, availability, institutional knowledge, experience, love of Norwood, and temperament. Bill is also the can do guy and gets it done. These are a few of the qualities I look for when I publicly endorse a candidate. We, Norwood, cannot afford to lose Bill Plasko.

Judy Langone Norwood
Finance Commissioner
Norwood Housing Authority
Commissioner

WHY I AM VOTING FOR BILL PLASKO

To the Editor:

I'm voting for Bill Plasko for Selectman in April. Here's why. No one works harder to learn the details of laws and facts so that our actions are soundly based and comply with the rules. No one works harder to identify additional options so our town can achieve its goals and be sustained on appeal. Let me illustrate with a couple committees Bill and I have served on. When the DPW facility committee convened, the general view was that the project was too expensive and could only be paid for through an over-ride. When the committee was done, we had a detailed cost justification and innovative financing with no over-ride. The proposal got 90 percent approval from Town Meeting. When the 1.5 percent Task Force convened, the general view was that affordable apartments were unacceptable but could only be avoided if we

achieved a 1.5 percent threshold on acreage. The task force decided we had reached that threshold - just barely - but would need a safety margin to survive a legal challenge before a state agency with a track record of denying such claims. The committee's third option of purchasing conservation property will provide that safety margin.

This is the Plasko way. Bring together a diverse group, help them settle on a shared set of facts, and let them come up with creative ways of getting the best outcome possible.

Compare what Bill has done to what Mr. Drummey has said. On the DPW facility, Mr. Drummey says he would make sure such projects move quicker and cost less. How? Mr. Drummey does not say.

On affordable housing, Mr. Drummey promises there will be "NO more affordable housing complexes." How

can he make that stick with the state agencies? Mr. Drummey does not say.

By process of elimination, Mr. Drummey's only strategy appears to be relentless, uncompromising toughness. How is that a strategy for success? This month a Republican Congressman, talking about the Homeland Security funding fiasco, said "beating on the table and yelling doesn't turn [a vote total that will lose into a vote total that will win]." If you read Mr. Drummey's campaign literature, you see beating on the table and yelling but not a path to success.

For all these reasons, I'm voting for Bill Plasko. Even if you favor Mr. Drummey's positions, Bill's track record of hard work on the details, innovative thinking on the options, and coalition-building give you a better chance of getting the best possible outcomes.

Jean Hall
Norwood

St. Jude's Novena
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered.
In gratitude for helping me.
—P.B.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin
(Never known to fail!)
Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.
Grateful thanks. —P.B.

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 **April 7, 2015 at 7:30 PM** on the request of Carroll Construction Corp. (Case # 15-07) with respect to property located on **Lot 10 Maxwell Avenue, Assessor's Map 19, Sheet 2, Parcel 4 & 6**, in a **G-General Residential District**.
The application requests:
This application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow a reduction in required lot width through the building from 90 feet to 71 feet as shown as Lot 10 on a plan filed herewith, pursuant to Section 4.1 of the Zoning Bylaw.
And, any other relief the Board deem necessary.
Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed during normal working hours, Monday – Thursday between 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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The application requests:
This application requests a VARIANCE under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow a reduction in required lot width through the building from 90 feet to 77 feet as shown as Lot 9 on a plan filed herewith, pursuant to Section 4.1 of the Zoning Bylaw.
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THE FRIENDS OF NORWOOD CENTER MEETING

The Friends cordially invite you to an open meeting on Wednesday April 8, At the Norwood Civic Center, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. to help with planning, RSVP to norwoodcenter@gmail.com. Light refreshments will be served. Who's Invited? Norwood Center Merchants, Norwood Residents and anyone interested in the revitalization of Norwood Center! We want to hear from you! Learn about the non-profit group "Friends of Norwood Center," share your ideas for FNC activities, and join the discussion of how we can raise awareness, all with the goal of creating a more vibrant Norwood Center!

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB NEWS

On Tuesday, April 14 is the date for the next Norwood Retired Men's Club meeting. Tickets for the May breakfast meeting will be on sale and it will be your last chance to sign up for any of the other summer activities: Golf, Bocce, Horseshoes. Guest speaker for this meeting will be someone to discuss the topic of hearing loss. Breakfast is still kept at \$3 and will be held at 8:30 a.m. on the regular meeting day, Tuesday, May 12. Following breakfast, our guest speaker will be the new director of the Senior Center, Keri McCarthy. You don't have to be a Norwood resident to join the club, but you must be at least 60 years of age, and be retired or semi-retired. Just show up at the Norwood Elks at 9:30 a.m. on a second Tuesday of the month and someone will greet you. There's plenty of parking. Jim Schmidt 7 8 1 - 7 6 9 - 2 4 4 2 weanone@norwoodlight.com

NORWOOD LEAGUE CANDIDATES NIGHT

The League is hosting a Candidates Night on Monday March 23, in Memorial Hall at the Norwood Town Hall. The forum will begin at 7:30 p.m. All Candidates for local town-wide offices have been invited to attend. All candidates both those with opposition and those without, will have the opportunity to address the audience and answer questions posed by the League of Women Voters and audience members. This Forum is open to the public and all citizens are en-

couraged to attend. The League of Women Voters of Norwood is a non-partisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League of Women Voters welcomes new members who are interested in making a difference in their community. For more information about the League, contact President Carol MacLeay 617-510-1139.

RETIRING AFTER 50 YEARS IN THE NORWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A school/community committee has been formed to plan a retirement party for Principal, George Usevich, who is retiring after 50 years in the Norwood Public Schools. The 'End Of The Line' celebration will be held on Thursday, May 7, at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel, in Norwood. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m., with a sit down dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$50 per person and can be purchased by contacting Gail Weinstein at 782-352-3522.

IT'S A GRAND MONTH FOR THE SHARIN' OF THE GREEN!

Every year, the whole Boston area goes green in honor of St. Patrick's Day. And finally, it looks like Mother Nature is beginning to cooperate a bit too - tantalizing us with patches of green here and there amid the melting mountains of snow. The Norwood Food Pantry hopes you'll get in the spirit, too, by making a donation of something green - or something just a tad Irish - to share with your hungry neighbors. Want some ideas? How about some split pea soup to warm up a nippy evening? Or a few cans of asparagus, that mouth-watering harbinger of spring? How about spinach pasta? Or some soothing green tea? Or a few boxes of Thin Mint Cookies, purchased from your favorite Girl Scout? (They taste green and come in a green box, after all.) Since the pantry also has a fresh produce table, you might want to consider a gift of cabbage or green onions. Broccoli or snow

peas. Honeydew melon or green grapes. Or, perhaps some bagged salad with (what else?) green goddess dressing. Don't put anything perishable in a donation box, however. Drop it by the pantry (behind Grace Episcopal Church on Chapel Street) Saturday morning between 8:30 and 11 a.m. The St. Patrick's favorite month is also a great time for a gift of canned corned beef or corned beef hash. Maybe some sauerkraut for a Reuben sandwich. A box of Lucky Charms. Raisins to make Irish soda bread - or just snack on. And that much-vaunted Irish staple, potatoes - bagged, canned, or instant garlic mashed! The possibilities are limited only by your imagination. And of course, the pantry always deeply appreciates green folding money...or perhaps handier, checks. (Make checks payable to "Ecumenical Food Pantry of Norwood, Inc." and mail to 150 Chapel St., Norwood, MA 02062.) "Whatever you give," says Ruth Taeger, the pantry's executive director, "you can be sure it will make a big difference to one of the 250+ families we serve - and make the blustery month of March a whole lot easier for them to get through."

GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS "PLANT THIS WITH THAT"

On Tuesday, March 31, the Norwood Evening Garden Club will host landscape designer, Laura Bibler. Knowing what plant combinations work well together is the key to harmony in the garden. With spring upon us, the subject is a timely one. Bibler will take us through a photographic survey of effective pairings including perennials, shrubs and bulbs. A graduate of the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study in landscape design, Bibler serves as a corporate trustee for the Trustees of Reservations and is on the landscape committee for the Crane Estate in Ipswich. If you've ever wondered which plants go best with what, come to the Carriage House behind the First Baptist Church, 71 Bond St., Norwood on Tuesday, March 31, at 6:45 p.m. and find out. The public is invited to attend for a

small donation. Refreshments will be served. A member of The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, New England Region, and National Garden Clubs, Inc., members of the Norwood Evening Garden Club have been providing education and public beautification in Norwood and its surrounding communities since 1996. The Club, open to novice and expert gardeners, draws its members from Norwood, Walpole, Westwood, Dedham, Medfield, Randolph, and Stoughton. For information about the Norwood Evening Garden Club, contact Susan Pearson at 508-668-4039 or visit www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.com.

ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL MEETING

The Alliance will hold its monthly meeting in Cafeteria B of the Lorusso Building at Norwood Hospital at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 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 South Norfolk Alliance is composed of such families who find mutual support and join together to advocate for their loved ones. We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones. In the event of inclement weather, decision on the meeting will follow the decision by the Norwood schools.

INTERESTED IN COACHING?

Anyone interested in coaching football for Norwood Youth Football & Cheer, please send a quick email of interest to norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com no later than April 30. We must receive an email from every coach interested, even if you've been coaching for us in the past. New coaches always welcome! Send email to norwoodyouthfootballcheer@gmail.com.

ANNUAL NORWOOD DIAMOND CLUB TRIVIA NIGHT

The 10th Annual Norwood

Diamond Club Trivia Night to benefit the Jack Crimmins Scholarship is on March 27 at the Norwood Elks, 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person or tables of 10 for \$150 Light Appetizers, cash bar. Contact Ed Hickey @ 617-759-3472, Bill Marchant 781-762-5411, Tracey Black 781-223-7694

THE OLDHAM SCHOOL ANNUAL SPRING CHILDREN'S FAIR

The Oldham School will be holding its annual Spring Children's Fair on Saturday March 28, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Families throughout the community are invited to come to the Oldham School and enjoy a day of fun. The fair features arts & crafts, games, cakewalk, bouncy houses, silent auction, raffles, spin art, food, and fun! Come join us in celebrating the end of a very long winter! Proceeds raised by this event support student enrichment activities and a variety of school improvement projects. The Oldham School is located at 165 Prospect St. in Norwood. For more information email oldhampto@gmail.com.

RAIL BUFF GROUP MEETS AT LIBRARY

"Trains and Tunes" is the topic of Foxboro rail fan-videographer Paul Beck, as he presents a program of experimental media modules and railroad film clips, creating a relationship to various styles of music, at the monthly meeting of the Norfolk County Rail Road Club (NCRRC) in the Morrill Memorial Library's Simoni Room, Wednesday evening, March 25, at 7 p.m. "Matching popular music and classical and semi classical themes to films of familiar old railroad scenes to create a new and exciting visual and audio experience is a form of tribute to our local and long-gone New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad that once spread its rail network throughout Southern New England," according Beck, a rail buff who is a retired Emerson College audio visual specialist and a recognized authority on videography techniques and equipment. The meeting is free and open to the public. Details, contact Ed Sweeney, NCRRC Program Organizer, at 781-762-5587.

CAREY

Anna Eileen (Mahan), 92, formerly of Norwood, on March 13. Beloved wife of the late George J. Carey Late Boston Fire Dept. L-4. Loving Mother of John P. Carey retired District Chief Boston Fire Dept. Dist. 8 of Kingston, Elizabeth Nulick of Connecticut, George J. Carey Boston F.D. E-52 of Plymouth, and Brian A. Carey Boston F.D. W-12 of Braintree. Sister of the late Claire, Catherine, Thomas, John, Michael, Richard, and Joseph. Also survived by 11 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the MacKinnon Funeral Home, Whitman. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Anna's memory to Cranberry Hospice 36 Cordage Circle Suite 326 Plymouth, MA 02360.

DINOZZI

Richard S. (Dino), 66 formerly of Norwood, on March 9. Beloved son of Guido and

Anna (Coppinger) DiNozzi. He will be remembered for his culinary skills, particularly his unsurpassed gnocchis and sauce. He helped design the Eaglebrook Saloon, where he offered unusual dishes such as bison and snakemate stew, and joked with customers while tending bar. He prepared Italian specials in the north end and at Lewis' in Newton. He owned the Pelican Seafood restaurant in Norton, where he held a free Thanksgiving feast every year. For the past 12 years he was a custodian at Mansfield High and worked part-time at the Catman Café preparing pizzas and specials. He was fun to be around and had a smile for everyone. He formed lasting friendships with childhood companions, who met over the years to play cards, for bicycling trips in Alaska, Canada, and northern Massachusetts, and to attend sporting events or just talk over

a beer. He was an avid gardener, and grew tomatoes, herbs, and vegetables for his table and to share with friends and family. He is survived by his wife, Anne, of Wrentham, and by his son, Nicki and his wife, Christine, and two grandsons, Christopher and Danny, of Woonsocket, R.I. He is also survived by his sister, Frani DiNozzi, of Fayston, Vt. A memorial to celebrate his life will be held Saturday, March 21, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Eaglebrook Saloon. Please bring your memories of him to share with his family and friends. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood.

EDGERLY

Peter DeFord, 70, of Norwood, on March 13. Beloved husband of Lisa J. (Baker) Edgerly. Son of the late Peter D. and Susan Revere (Chapin) Edgerly. Brother of the late Lee

Androwski. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Peter was a direct descendant of Paul Revere. A funeral home service will be held on Thursday Evening March 19, 2015 5:30 p.m. at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St., Norwood. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, March 19, from 2-6 p.m. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to Care Dimensions 75 Sylvan St. Suite B-102 Danvers, MA 01923.

CONNOLLY

Peter J. DN, 84, a lifelong resident of Norwood, on March 12. Korean Conflict US Army Veteran. Beloved husband of the late Rita (Petroni) Connolly. Loving brother of Barbara A. (Connolly) Killory and her husband John of Norwood. Daughter of the late Patrick and Mar-

garet (Curran) Connolly. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Peter was a retired Postmaster for the E. Walpole, MA Post Office. He was also a Norwood K of C Member, life member of the Norwood Elks and a member of the Norwood Retired Men's Club. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

KARWASHAN

Samia (Ibrahim) of Norwood, on March 13. Samia was born in a small village, Ain Albardeh in Syria, on Nov. 29, 1941 and came to America in 1975. She was able to juggle work and raise

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six children. She loved to bake and watch her beloved Boston sports teams. Beloved wife of Hunain Karwashan; loving mother of Souses Karwashan and her husband Antoin of Seekonk, Rosette Karwashan of E. Providence, Claudette Karwashan of Norwood, Janette Karwashan of West Roxbury, Margaret Lampasona and her husband Anthony of Franklin and Michael Karwashan of Norwood; cherished grandmother of Ellias, Samantha, John, Antoinette, Nicole, William, Catherine, Jade, Anthony, Vincent, Jagger, Angelo and Rocco. She is also survived two brothers and a sister in Syria and many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment will be held in Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

McDONALD

Anne Cecilia, 55, of Norwood, on March 6. Beloved daughter of the late Thomas F. and Ethel (Gardner) McDonald. She was the loving mother of Brendan Donoghue of Norwood and the

dear sister of Robert McDonald of Norwood. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

MILLER

Darrell G., 94, of Norwood, on March 8. Beloved husband of the late Margaret (Foor) Miller; loving father of Rodger F., and his wife Patricia, of Salt Lake City, Utah, Kevin L., and his wife Marcia, of Dedham, Karin L. Taylor, and her husband Michael, of Walpole, and the late Nancie Anne Miller. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Aileen Damerow, and her husband Morgan, of Lacey, Wash., Ian Miller of Salt Lake City, Utah, Adam Miller, and his wife Shey, of Weatherford, Texas, Alyson Taylor of Walpole, and Gregory Miller, and his wife Carolyn, of Milton. Great-grandfather to Haley Demerow. Funeral arrangements by the Folsom Funeral Home, Dedham. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations to the Dedham Community Greenhouse, PO

Box 4011, Dedham, MA 02027, or the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, NY 10018 would be appreciated.

MOWRY

Mary "Susan" (Kilsdonk), 67, of Norwood, on March 3. Beloved of the late Joseph and Jeanne Kilsdonk of Moorhead, Minn. Loving mother of Donald D. DeVincenzo, Jr. of Norwood and Melissa J. and her husband, Jason DeGroff of Berlin, Conn. Proud and cherished grandmother of Alaina, Kaylin, Megan and Lauren DeGroff. Dear sister of Skip Kilsdonk and his wife, Cheryl of California, Chris Kilsdonk and his wife Carol of Minnesota and Terry Andersen. Also survived by her aunt Mary Lee Warnok as well as many nieces and nephews. Former wife of Larry T. Mowry of Norwood, and longtime friend of Father Joseph McDermott. Born in Fargo, N.D. and raised in Moorhead, Minn. She was a 1965 graduate of Mt. Saint Benedict High School. Susan was an avid reader, talented cross-stitcher and artist, a great cook and a one of a kind baker! Always

adoring of her pets, especially "Christian" and of all of God's animals and creatures. We enjoyed her off the wall sense of humor, was a diehard Packers fan and could play a mean game of Scrabble. Sorely missed and forever in our hearts and memories! Services will be private. Donations in her name can be made to Norwood Hospital and a local animal shelter of one's choice. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

RIOLO

Thomas A. of Norwood, on March 15. He was a Selectmen for Norwood for 18 years. Beloved husband to Janice (Sloan). Beloved father to Liza Ann and Matthew Riolo. There will be a Mass. at St. Catherine's Church at 10:30 a.m. on March 21. Funeral procession will meet at Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. at 9:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Thomas A. Riolo Scholarship fund, at Sovereign Bank, 75 Washington St. Canton. Condolences and remembrances will be at the Riolo Family home in Norwood on March 22, from 1 to 5 p.m.

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