



Boston Executive Helicopters and its president, Chris Donovan, have been embroiled in a dispute over its application to become an FBO at Norwood Airport.

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Airport Commission offers path to FBO for BEH

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Airport Commission unanimously voted on a matter that could lead to Boston Executive Helicopters becoming a Fixed Base Operator at Norwood Airport during its June 15 meeting.

The motion, made by chairman

Mark Ryan, detailed that BEH be approved for an FBO license in Norwood, given the following conditions: in lieu of a personal guarantee, BEH provides the Airport Commission with an "irrevocable letter of credit in an amount and under terms acceptable to the condi-

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Details of medical marijuana host agreement detailed

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen voted 3-2 earlier this month to sign a community host agreement with medical marijuana dispensary Middlesex Integrative Medicine.

While entering into such an agreement with a medical marijuana dispensary does not increase a municipality's likelihood of having that company come to town - dispensaries must go through an extensive application process with the state before they are approved to open, and are often exploring locations in several towns - the agreement allows the town to receive some sort of benefit in the event one does open.

In a prior meeting, Selectman Tom Maloney said it was a way for the Town to choose its business partner.

Middlesex Integrative Medicine, which lists its address as 155 Federal St. in Boston, has identified 76D Astor Drive in Norwood as a possible location for its dispensary. The Selectmen voted on April 19 to enter into an agreement with the company, while the details were negotiated primarily by Selectman Bill Plasko.

"You might want them not to come to town at all, but if they're going to come to town, you want to get something back from it," Plasko said when



Selectman Tom Maloney

the Board voted to enter into an agreement with Middlesex Integrative Medicine.

For Middlesex, the agreement was signed by Edward Bartlett, Jr., treasurer of Middlesex Integrative Medicine.

"The purpose of this Agreement is to assist Norwood in addressing any public health, safety and other effects or impacts the RMB may have on Norwood," the agreement reads.

Under this agreement, should Middlesex be approved by the state and should it choose to operate within the Town of Norwood, it would pay the

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3-alarm fire leads to Hawes Brook chemical spill

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The abandoned warehouse destroyed by a three-alarm fire on Davis Avenue, which triggered a chemical spill into Hawes Brook late on June 15, will be coming down.

The former soap factory and prior tannery - which has been vacant for many years and designated as "no entry" for 10 years - was completely engulfed in heavy fire early on June 16, to the point where firefighters could not enter the building. The fire eventually collapsed the second story of the building.

"The building was fully involved

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Norwood Firefighters battled a 3-alarm blaze at an abandoned building on Davis Ave. last week. The damage to the building resulted in chemicals from the building's industrial past leaking into Hawes Brook, resulting in a mass fish kill.

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tion, BEH provides evidence of insurance commensurate with insurance carried by current Norwood Airport FBO FlightLevel Aviation, BEH provides an updated fueling plan prepared by a professional engineer with fire protection setbacks that meet Norwood Fire and FAA requirements, and that counsel for both BEH and the Commission enter into negotiations for the lease of Lot A and Lot B on the West Apron with the same terms as leases with FlightLevel.

The motion also included the condition that all pending legal matters between BEH, the airport and town officials be resolved. During the meeting, Ryan defended the Airport Commission's position in the litigation that it had always acted fairly and honestly.

"We completely reject, and we are confident the courts will find the same of all of BEH's unfounded and untrue

allegations, with an emphasis on allegations," he said.

According to Ryan, the lease offer, which totals 23,572 feet, doubles the previous offer of airport space made to BEH in the past.

The motion was not met without surprise and hesitation by the Commission.

"The fact of the matter is we never asked for another fixed base operator," Commissioner Kevin Shaughnessy said. "In the past, this airport has not been able to support two fixed base operators ... I am going to second this because I want to move on."

The motion was voted for unanimously by Ryan, Kevin Shaughnessy and Michael Sheehan, the members present for the meeting.

"The lease area offered would allow BEH to park multiple Cessna Citation Sovereign jets, which is the largest sized aircraft capable of using the Airport," Ryan said. BEH officials said they were cautiously optimistic about the development and looked forward to working with the Airport on the matter.

"We appreciate the actions of the NAC as we get closer to operations ... We hope that these conditions are the final hurdle," BEH president Christopher Donovan said.

Ryan tied the ongoing dispute between BEH and the Airport Commission to concerns over BEH's hangar construction - which the Commission supported unanimously when it was presented - in anticipation of applying for an FBO license.

According to Ryan, the Commission advised BEH to "double check the setbacks requirements imposed by the FAA as well as local and state fire codes so to ensure that they have a successful project," and felt that BEH did not heed the

Commission's advice.

While the Commission commended the hangar construction, saying it was a beautiful building, they said it was so large that BEH would be unable to conduct aircraft fueling without violating the setback requirements. This led to the Commission offering BEH a portion of "the only Airport-controlled" tie down area, the West Apron, to resolve the matter.

BEH countered and asked for the entire West Apron, which Ryan said the Commission wanted to keep under Airport control as another tie down location for aircraft owners. The Airport Commission then made an offer on a West Apron area that was 60 percent larger than the previous offer, which BEH accepted.

However, Ryan said BEH ownership was asked to submit a personal guarantee as a condition, something he said is standard practice for property leasing as a means to protect the Town financially should BEH dissolve or go bankrupt.

When BEH had concerns over some of the requirements and did not submit certain documents, the Commission eventually revoked the previous lease offer.

Now that the Commission has extended a new offer that would allow for BEH to sell fuel to other aircraft operators at the airport, both parties seem to be moving towards the end of a multi-year stalemate. That said, Ryan's opinion was that the negotiations had not been easy.

"The NAC has bent over backwards for BEH making one accommodation after another to try to make things work," Ryan said. "However, BEH has continuously taken a stubborn approach that prohibits any forward progress."

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Residents on social media and in other forums have raised questions about how they are allowed to decorate grave sites at Highland Cemetery. Above, flat markers in the veterans' section are lined with flags.

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Social media questions Cemetery's do's and don'ts

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Norwood residents and those with loved ones buried at Highland Cemetery in Norwood have taken to social media after confusion arose about what loved ones are allowed to do at each grave site.

It began with a Facebook post by a Norwood resident:

"Can anyone please tell me why I spent time and money planting flowers at my father's grave site only to have them removed? It is in the military section of Highland and it's outrageous," the post read.

Afterwards, a number of other residents chimed in with similar or other problems related to a loved one's grave, as well as what may or may not be allowed.

"There's always something," a resident involved in

the discussion who asked not to be named when contacted for a follow-up, said. "I remember there were some issues with vehicles, and I know the chapel (needs a renovation) too."

The resident said she had been unable to get a hold of anyone at the cemetery department in the past, but had not tried recently.

While Cemetery Superintendent Paul Ranalli is on vacation, we spoke with Public Works Superintendent Mark Ryan to find out just what is and what is not allowed at the cemetery.

"I can say with confidence that the Cemetery crews do not purposefully remove plants or bushes without trying to notify a surviving family member," Ryan said.

Ryan did say that the Cemetery Department adopted a Rules and Regulations docu-

ment in 2013 that dictates what can be planted or left at grave sites in various parts of the cemetery.

Prior to that, many of the same rules were only loosely enforced before, and are done so now in order to ensure professional and consistent operation of the cemetery, Ryan said.

According to Ryan, not all parts of the cemetery are subject to the same rules.

For example, in the Veteran's section - which was dedicated to deceased veterans in 1973 - There are single grave lots for veterans that are free of

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OPINION

Dangerous Times

We live in dangerous times; that much is certain.

The mass shooting in Orlando is even scarier than what Boston experienced during the marathon bombing. The use of an explosive device, one crafted in consultation with foreign cells, is probably a less common occurrence in the future than a lone wolf with a gun.

It is still unclear, despite ISIS taking credit, whether the Florida shooting was coordinated or merely a rationalization by a psychopath with sexuality hang-ups.

All it takes for an attack is a crowded club, street or shopping mall, and an unhinged individual ready to seek the glory of Allah, or at least use that as an excuse. It was so much easier when impressing Jodie Foster was what set off American psychos.

What do we do? It is hard to answer. What we shouldn't do is let major disagreements undermine needed baby steps of progress. The argument over assault weapons bans will likely remain an impasse and a debate that spins itself into vapor. A national database to alert gun sellers to terrorism suspects and those on a no-fly zone might be a fine idea, but there are practical and First Amendment concerns. And what about privacy concerns, and legal barriers to reporting mental health issues?

Total prevention is impossible, but let's start with more specialized drills for law enforcement. Let's add more terrorism experts to the BPD and further improve communications with the FBI.

Let's look to Israel to learn more about its state-of-the-art screening techniques, profiling fears be damned. Let's stop the security theater at MBTA stations, public buildings and sports venues and assess what strategies actually work. We guarantee you that rifling through a college girl's duffel bag at the entrance to the Orange Line is not a best use for half-a-dozen transit cops. It is a cliché, but: If you see something, say something.

While we all pray for the victims, we may want to put in a good word for ourselves too. We will need it.

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POT SHOP DECISION OUTRAGEOUS

To the Editor:

In regards to the Norwood Selectmen authorizing a pot shop in town, this will be the last article I will write regarding this decision. It's hard for me to believe that you have a former Norwood Police officer on the board authorizing this harmful operation. I guess they do not read newspapers to see all of these articles on how bad this substance is that have been in the news lately. We have another selectman who cannot wait to see the sign go up. I have no idea what his agenda is! And of the new Selectman? I thought he was smarter than that.

The excuse these officials give is we are going to get one anyway. I am glad these people are not running my company; I would be out of business. Only in government can you get away with something like this.

If the Selectmen think they are going to get \$300,000 from this operation they must be smoking weed themselves. It will never happen. It will be like the slots in Plainville. They promised the state all this money and the state will be lucky if they see half of what they promised. You would think that the three board members who voted for this pot shop would know better. You really should wonder if these types of people should be running our

Town. It's apparent that the people of Norwood could care less if this shop opens in our Town. It is really a shame there is so very little opposition to this pot shop. The world today is so different, no one cares what happens. Years ago this type of article would never have reached the discussion stage. I feel bad for the Norwood police, who will have to put up with all the problems this is going to create. When the trouble starts, we can send out these three selectman that are responsible for this outrageous decision.

Peter F. O'Brien
Norwood

SABER'S COLUMN DISGUSTING

To the Editor:

Ms. Jackie Saber, I could not help but notice your piece in the last edition of this newspaper regarding the Terror in Orlando. You stated, "If anybody in the club was packing heat legally, maybe the outcome would have been different." Are you serious? Are you blaming the victims of the attack for their deaths? Your statement disgusts me. It is offensive to the victims and their families that such words would come out of your mouth, blaming them for not carrying a concealed weapon. It also disgusts me that you blame President Obama; one who you claim does nothing about this attack.

President Obama has been in an active fight to stop these mass shootings, where your side of the political spectrum opposes his actions. The real question we must ask in this situation is, WHY IS A MILITARY GRADE AUTOMATIC assault weapon being sold LEGALLY to citizens? These machines are made for one reason: To Kill. These weapons have no place on the streets of our country, especially in the hands of a man who was investigated by the F.B.I., not once, but twice. Do tell why Americans need an automatic weapon? How many more moments of silence are needed before something is done. You are blaming the victims for the deadliest mass shooting in American History. There are plenty of ways to go about this atrocity, but the way you went is not only disrespectful, it is ignorant. That is just my opinion, but here are the facts. Since the 2004 Assault Weapon Ban expired, there have been 47 mass shootings, 411 people killed and 0 successful attempts to reinstate the ban. Why blame the victims? Is it their fault that ignorant legislators wanted to "stand their ground?" The title of your article was "WHEN WILL IT END?" Ms. Saber, maybe next time you point your finger you will start to see reality.

Michael Dooley
Norwood

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The Town of Norwood Concerts on the Common Committee is pleased to announce our 23rd annual Sunday Evening Concerts series for 2016. This year there will be nine concerts beginning on Sunday, July 3 and ending on Aug. 28.

Kicking things off on July 3 is Dan Gabel and the Abletones, followed by the Westwood Swing Band on July 10 and the Roy Scott Big Band on July 17. The annual PopsNight will be held on July 24, with music provided by the Sharon Concert Band. Pops Night is sponsored by Chestnut Hill Realty and David Spiegel. July closes out with perennial crowd favorite the Oberlaendler Hofbrau Band.

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CPA proponents eye Nov. election

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

While Town Meeting approved Norwood adopting the Community Preservation Act on May 9, the Act has not yet become law in Norwood.

In order for the Town to join the other 161 municipalities around the state that have adopted the Community Preservation Act, the measure must also be accepted by voters. In this case, because policies dictate that the Town Meeting vote and ballot votes must happen within a certain amount of time, the matter will be taken up as a ballot question during the presidential election in November.

Because state policies also dictate that the Town officials - in this case, the Planning Board and Town Planner - are limited in how they can support the measure, chairman Debbie Holmwood, who has been spearheading the effort, is reaching out to Norwood residents to join a committee independent of the Planning Board that would advocate for the Act.

So far, Holmwood said she has heard from nine people who have not really been involved in too many Town affairs before and are interested in the Community Preservation Act. The committee will be distributing educational material and getting the word out about the act to the public between now and the election.

"I completely respect if you don't want to tax yourself," Holmwood said during a recent Planning Board meeting.

Before the election, Town Planner Paul

Halkiotis said he is working on drafting the ballot question - based on a sample from the Community Preservation Coalition - which must be reviewed by Town Counsel and the Town Clerk with an August deadline in order to get it printed on the Norwood ballot.

Halkiotis is also working to draft a Town bylaw that would dictate how the required Community Preservation Committee - which would review applications for Community Preservation Act funds and make recommendations on how they are spend - would operate.

According to the Community Preservation Coalition, "the Community Preservation Act is a smart growth tool that helps communities preserve open space and historic sites, create affordable housing, and develop outdoor recreational facilities."

Under the Act, funds are raised by "the imposition of a surcharge of not more than 3 percent of the tax levy against real property" and Registry of Deeds recording fees. Norwood Town Meeting voted for a 1 percent surcharge, with exceptions for the first \$100,000 of property value, as well as for low income families and seniors.

Essentially, the average homeowner would be charged \$33 or so and around \$540,000 would be generated in this fashion for Community Preservation activities.

The state also maintains a fund that makes matching distributions to the Community Preservation funds in communities that have adopted the act. This year, the matching rate is at 19 percent.

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charge, though the family pays the interment cost. In this section, Ryan said, only flat markers are allowed in order to keep the area a "simple, uniform and solemn place."

The Cemetery Rules and Regulations state that the Veteran's section permits only flush (flat) markers, no plantings of any kind, and a United States flag is the only above ground item to be located at the grave.

Ryan also noted that the entire cemetery is subject to Section 5.17 of the Rules and Regulations, which states "no balloons, hats, trinkets, beads, etc., on or around monuments or flush markers."

Section 6 of the Rules and Regulations is concerned with what plantings are allowed.

For example, flowerbeds by a grave site may not exceed a size 12" in front of the monument and as wide as the monument. There is also a regulation against new shrubbery, though old, unkempt shrubbery can be removed by the Cemetery Department free of charge.

This section also states that temporary potted plants or cut flowers may be placed to commemorate holidays or anniversaries, though the Cemetery Department may remove the decorations within one week, or they interfere with maintenance.

The Cemetery Department is also allowed to remove any shrubs, plantings or other floral decorations that are not properly maintained or are overgrown. And flowers that are placed at the grave during a burial service are removed three days after the burial.

Ryan said there are still a number of restricted items on a handful of veterans' grave sites, as well as other grave sites, which must often be moved in order for cemetery upkeep to be done.

"Personally, I believe that this is a result that family members just do not know what is, or is not, acceptable," Ryan said. "In the coming weeks, we will be contacting family members and letting them know that the intent of the Veteran's section was to be a simple, uniform, and solemn area for our veteran's and that the items will need to be removed."

The complete Cemetery Rules and Regulations are available for viewing on the Town's website.

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on arrival," Fire Chief Tony Greeley said.

Knowing that the chemical spill could not be fully investigated until the building was demolished, the Selectmen had planned on June 17 to direct the Building Inspector to make sure the building came down. Town Manager John Carroll estimated this would cost around \$50,000.

"We looked at the situation, we are sure that the owner of the site was basically incapacitated, would not reply to any efforts on the part of the town for him to remove the building, which had to be removed," Carroll said.

But before the Selectmen needed to authorize the vote, the Environmental Protection Agency assumed control over the site and its handling.

"Their obligation has to do with hazardous materials. Ours was more extensive, not only hazardous materials, but the building itself," Carroll said. "It's almost impossible to remove hazardous materials without removing the building."

Carroll said the building owner was notified, but had not responded "in due time."

The presumed owner of the site – an address lists an owner of 59 Davis Ave. – once operated Analab Inc., the soap making company and other companies out of some of the Davis Avenue commercial buildings. According to the Assessor's office, the taxes on the prop-



The Neponset River Watershed Association has been documenting the fish kill caused by chemicals leaked into Hawes Brook during the fire on Davis Ave. last week.

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erty appeared to be paid up, and listed numbers for the address and the presumed business owner's office at the site were out of service.

While the cause of the fire is still unknown, state Fire Marshals and Norwood Fire Investigators do believe human activity - intentional or not - was likely. And while the building is unoccupied, officials said homeless individuals could have found a way into the building.

According to Norwood Fire records, the Davis Avenue area has now seen three fires, including a previous fire at the same building in April.

Norwood firefighters received help from Walpole, Westwood, Foxboro, Sharon, Dedham, Needham, Canton, Wrentham and Stoughton Fire Departments, and those on scene were able to prevent the massive fire from spreading to other nearby buildings. Crews were able to put down the flames early on June 16, though the fire smoldered until June 17.

"I can't guarantee that I can put that fire out completely until that building is razed," Greeley said.

The day after the fire, residents and environmental officials noticed a large number of dead fish in Hawes Brook and along the Neponset River, for which the brook is a tributary. Neponset River Watershed volunteers noted that the color of the water in Hawes Brook and in the part of the river that flows through Canton was red.

This mass death is believed to have been caused from chemicals discharged from the former soap factory during the fire, as the building is located close to Hawes Brook. A 55-gallon drum found inside of the building contained what is believed to be a relatively non-toxic dye, fire officials said.

"We immediately con-

tacted MassDEP, though at this point the fire had been ongoing for eight hours or more. DEP called in the US EPA and Mass Division of Fish and Wildlife," Neponset River Watershed Association director Ian Cooke said. "Unfortunately, during that time, water was still being applied to the site, and while we had argued that the runoff should be directed into the sewer, the officials managing the site decided it should continue to go into the brook."

According to Cooke, the Environmental Protection Agency used a vactor truck to remove contaminated standing water by the site.

"It remains to be determined whether there may be any residual component of the pollution lingering in the sediments that may need to be remediated," Cooke said, noting that the spilled chemicals are still unknown and details about how far the spill traveled are spotty. "Apparently, sample results will come back to EPA early next week, which should shed additional light on the situation."

Fire officials have said there would be an "Arson Watch" reward for information about the cause of the fire.

After the incident, the Norwood Health Department cautioned residents against using Hawes Brook, and has been posting signs warning of contamination, along with the Conservation Commission and the Public Works Department.

"Due to the recent fire on Davis Ave., there is a possibility of contamination in the Hawes Brook," the Health Department said. "As a precaution, we are asking that you do not use the water for swimming, wading, drinking, irrigation, do not allow pets to enter and no fishing until further notice."

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The Women's Community Committee, Inc. (W.C.C.) held their 63rd annual baby-sitting course recently at the Coakley Middle School. Twenty-four students attended the after-school course and received their Babysitting Certification from the Committee.

The Educational Committee of the WCC, Inc., under the direction of Chairperson Ruth Martowska, had the following volunteer instructors for the course: Paul Ronco, Norwood Firefighter; Paul Murphy, Norwood Safety Officer; Jill Driscoll, RN, Oldham School; Irene Ingemi, nursery school teacher; Judith Martowska, professional babysitter and Sandra Discepolo, former teacher.

Materials and related expenses for the course were paid for with proceeds from the WCC Thrift Shop, an all-volunteer, non-profit community service organization. The Thrift Shop is located at 1091 Washington St. in South Norwood.

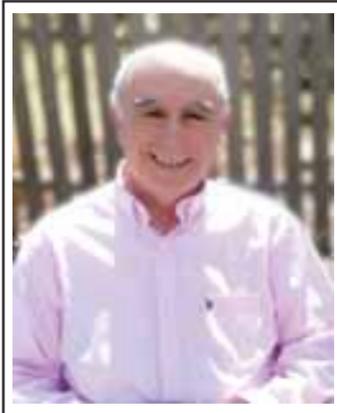


Participants in the 63rd annual baby-sitting course put on by the Women's Community Committee proudly show off their certificates.

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\$\$\$ more or fewer

Pity the poor taxpayer in Boston. Pity the family not poor enough to qualify for Section 8 housing, but trying to hold it together as it struggles to pay the rent. Pity the poor seniors on fixed income. It's too bad City Hall does not care about such struggles, as city coffers are drained for sundry expenses.



My Kind of Town/
Joe Galeota

Congrats certainly go out to the 37 valedictorians from the city's public high schools. Some of them have overcome language issues, relocation from foreign countries, broken homes and other travails to accomplish greatness. But the question here is why are there 37 high schools in a city, with a declining student population, that used to have only 20. Remember, for every high school there has to be a headmaster (this term applies also to schools' female leaders), whose salary starts at around \$100,000. And there probably are assistant headmasters and guidance counselors whose salaries, when based on seniority, eclipse those of starting principals. No wonder Mayor Walsh wants to increase public education by another \$5 million.

Assistant district attorneys in Suffolk County pull in a yearly salary of under \$60,000. One might be tempted to think that with their law school education and the burdens of aiming for conviction of lawbreakers their sal-

ary should be in excess of \$100,000 – the average for firefighters and police officers (with overtime details). Instead of aiming to put more police on the street, Suffolk County needs more and better-paid assistant DA's to attract some of our law schools' best.

Speaking of underpaid, these post-doctoral researchers working in biological research fields for cures to various diseases pull down, on the average, between \$60,000 and \$70,000. One would think that with their doctorates and the need for such researchers their salaries would be at least six figures.

To my mind of thinking, day-care providers for small children and for the elderly in nursing homes should be more

highly paid. You may hear a lot of noise that teenagers flipping burgers should receive \$15 an hour, but their responsibility comes nowhere near that of those caring for our youngest and oldest: many teenagers are trying merely to make spending money for their next pair of jeans or sweatshirts while the adults in day-care and nursing homes are struggling to provide for their families.

Whether or not Brigham nurses receive a pay raise – their average annual take is \$105,000 – is not so much a concern of mine as it does not affect Boston taxpayers directly, unless one factors in health care costs for insurance companies. (Similarly, union painters make \$60 per hour with benefits.) No wonder so many Boston taxpayers feel that there is nobody on the City Council to speak for them.

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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 **July 19, 2016 at 7:30 PM** on the request of 83 Morse Street, LLC (Case # 16-12) with respect to property located on **83 Morse Street**, in a **M- Manufacturing District**.

The application requests:

This application request a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 6.2.6 Sign Type of the Zoning Bylaw to allow open Electronically Activated: Signs whose alphabetic, pictographic, or symbolic informational content can be changed or altered by means of computer driven electronic impulses. Electronically activated changeable signs require a special permit from the SPGA as set forth in the Section 6.2.21.

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, 8:00 am to 4 pm.

BOARD OF APPEAL
Philip W. Riley, Chairman; Patrick J. Mulvehill, Thomas Brady, Barbara A. Kinter, John R. Perry

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Oakdale Farms of Rehoboth will again be bringing its local and organic produce to the Norwood Farmers Market each Tuesday throughout the summer season.

PHOTO BY SAM NICKERSON

Farmers Market underway

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Farmers Market returned to the Town Common for the season earlier this month, bringing with it many familiar faces.

Among the returning vendors are Wards Berry Farm out of Sharon, Rehoboth's Oakdale Farms and Freitas Farm, baked

goods vendor Amego Inc., Noble Originals and Jordan Brothers Seafood. They are joined by Boston Pops popcorn, bakeries Fraulein's Bakery and Vermarje International. There has also been a rotating cast of handcrafted bath and jewelry vendors.

"I'm just on my lunch break and I decided to walk

Market

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First Congregational confirmation



(Left to right): Erik Danehy, Kevin DeMuth, Kayla Rowan, Catherine Murphy, Jason Amis, Charles Bierden.

The First Congregational Church (UCC) in Norwood recently confirmed six young people at a special worship service. The confirmands participated in all parts of the service, including leading the congregation in prayers and reading individual statements of faith. A reception with refreshments followed the service.

The newly confirmed were Jason Amis (Norwood), Charles Bierden (Westwood), Erik Danehy (Norwood), Kevin DeMuth (Walpole), Catherine Murphy (Norwood), and Kayla Rowan (Norwood).

First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ) is an Open & Affirming congregation welcoming all. We are located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The regular Sunday morning worship service is at 10 a.m. and is followed by a fellowship hour in Pingree Hall. Church school classes and nursery care are provided during the service. Our Transitional Interim Pastor, Rev. Dr. Tom Zoelzer, is glad to extend pastoral support. For more information, please call the church office at (781)762-3320.

Market *continued from page 8*

over," said Cathy, who visited the Farmer's Market in her medical scrubs. "I didn't plan to buy anything, (but) I picked up a quart of strawberries."

The organizers have continued to pair the weekly market with family-oriented musical entertainment and activities for kids at the gazebo. Kids Day at the market, featuring DJ Ed Regal, will take place on August 9.

For adults, there are events such as a canning

primer, sponsored by Together Yes and the Norwood Community Garden. This free presentation – which took place on June 21 and will happen again on July 12 – focused on familiarizing interested parties with the equipment and processes needed to start water bath canning food in order to keep food fresh for longer.

On July 26, August 23, and September 13, Norwood

Hospital's Nutrition and Wellness clinic will be at the market with a Chef's Table event.

This year, the Norwood Farmers Market – which is sponsored by Blue Hills Bank – will be at the Town Common until October 4 every Tuesday from noon until 5:30 p.m. To stay up to date with Farmers Market events and updates, visit www.norwoodfarmersmarket.com.

Host Agreement *continued from page 1*

Town of Norwood an "annual inventory fee based on the number of pounds of marijuana and marijuana-infused products sold through or by the RMD." In this case, the fee will be \$200 per pound for the first 1,000 pounds sold each year through or by Middlesex via its Norwood location. After the first 1,000 pounds, the fee would increase to \$250 per pound, though the maximum annual payment cannot exceed \$300,000 each year.

That said, the annual payment cannot be less than \$150,000 during each year of the agreement. Payments would be made monthly, beginning six months after Middlesex begins sales in Norwood. Installments that are not paid would then bear an interest rate of 12 percent.

To ensure accurate payments, the company is required to provide the Town of Norwood with access to its inventory and sales records, which are also supplied to the Department of Public Health.

If or when Middlesex is granted its final certificate of registration from the state - allowing it to open its facility - and it chooses to open its doors in Norwood, it will make a non-refundable initial payment to the Town in the amount of

\$15,000, which will be applied to the third-party site plan reviews, project management, inspections, police detail and legal expenses in Norwood.

The agreement also requires that Middlesex work with the Norwood Police Department regarding its security needs and plans. This includes periodic meetings, regular communications and cooperation during investigations.

The agreement also calls for the company to create a tax-exempt organization by the end of the first fiscal year in which Middlesex is licensed by the state. Plasko referenced this "nonprofit organization" during the June 14 Selectmen's meeting.

Middlesex would be required to contribute 10 percent of its net income each year to the organization, which would fund programs and education efforts in Norwood and in "other communities where MIM conducts its business."

The agreement also prohibits Middlesex from seeking any taxes on real or personal property located in Norwood. According to the agreement, Norwood has sole discretion over use of the payments from Middlesex Integrative Medicine.

Though the agreement is to be reviewed before the end of three years of Middlesex operating in Norwood, the agreement is terminated if Norwood, the state, or both, adopt a sales or excise tax on medical marijuana, if Middlesex permanently ceases operations in Norwood or its license is revoked by the town or state, or via the Town, if Middlesex fails to pay its annual inventory fee and Norwood provides a 90-day notice and payment deadline.

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Sports

Legion bats simmering as summer arrives

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Last Wednesday was teetering on must-win territory for Norwood Post 70, sporting a 1-3 record with an offense that wasn't striking fear into many opponents.

Norwood walked out of Medfield with a 9-7 win over Post 110 in nine innings, getting the all-important victory but doing so in a fashion that had manager Paul Samargedlis thinking his team had turned the corner.

"To avoid even a tie, after having an effort like that on the mound and swinging the bat pretty good...I know this league is going to be bunched," Samargedlis said after the game. "No one's running away with it. I don't think anybody is going to be 15-5."

Chris Petraca pitched the first seven innings for Post 70, struggling a bit by allowing three runs out of the gate in the first inning but settling down and putting Norwood in a position to win in with a 7-4 lead in the seventh.

With two outs, Medfield put a runner on with a Norwood error, followed by a walk to send the tying run to the plate. Josh Petrucci skied a ball to right field, taking Jake O'Rourke back to the wall.

Battling the sun and the wall, O'Rourke collided with the top of the railing trying to make the catch and fell to the

ground. He was ultimately okay and stayed in the game, but the ball had fallen to the ground as well, enabling Petrucci to circle the bases and tie the game at 7-7.

Rather than fall apart after a stunning shift in momentum, however, Norwood kept the game tied into the ninth, playing under the conditions it would be the last inning, no matter what, due to a lack of lights at Medfield High.

Pinch hitter Cam Ryan led off the top of the ninth for Post 70 and reached on an error, advancing to second on a sac bunt from Brian King.

Eddie Duggan singled Ryan home for the 8-7 edge, and after stealing second and third himself, came home on a Connor Flynn single.

Jovan Gomes, who also worked the eighth inning in relief of Petraca, slammed the door on Post 110 to secure the win for Norwood.

"Petraca deserved a better fate," Samargedlis said of his starter, with the thinking he'd pitched well enough for the win. "I think he got tired; he pitched a little for senior Babe Ruth last year, but he throws on the side. He's ready. His curveball was on."

Will Bento, playing against many of his high school classmates at Medfield, finished 2 for 5 with an RBI double in the third inning, which gave Norwood its largest lead of the night to that point at 6-3.



Jovan Gomes has stepped up to be a reliable arm for the Post 70 pitching staff, a group in desperate need of arms due to injuries and workloads from the spring.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

Paul Galvin was fantastic out of the leadoff spot, finishing 2 for 3 with a walk and a hit by pitch, scoring runs in both the first and second inning, driving in a pair and finishing with three stolen bases.

Loss at Needham

Norwood exploded for 23 runs in wins over Westwood and Foxboro on Sunday and Monday, respectively, but had a setback against Needham Post 14 on Friday night in an 8-5 loss.

Post 70 held a 3-1 lead after

four straight hits in the top of the third inning, as Ben Shields, Mike Flynn, O'Rourke and Danny Sullivan all reached base safely. But Post 14 exploded for six runs in the bottom half of the inning, sending 11 hitters to the plate in all to build a 7-3 lead.

Galvin started for Norwood, allowing seven runs (five earned) on six hits while striking out eight and walking five (one intentionally) in five innings of work.

"I felt like I was pounding the zone the whole night. Our offense is hitting well, we'll all

come full circle eventually," Galvin said after the Needham game, correctly predicting the breakout Post 70's offense would experience over the next two games.

Norwood is now 4-4, with a game at Norfolk Post 335 last night after the Record's deadline. They're next in action at Walpole Post 104 tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. at Bird Middle School before beginning a four-game home stand next week to close out the month of June.

Fmr. assistant coach Allen in at helm of Mustangs Boys Hockey, brings winning pedigree

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

He may be well-traveled, but that doesn't mean he hasn't been traveling well.

When Chuck Allen steps behind the bench to draw up X's and O's for the Norwood boys hockey team next winter, he will officially have started his fourth high school hockey coaching job in the last nine seasons.

In each of those previous three stops, however, Allen has

done almost nothing but win. He's either returned programs to an elite level (Medford, 2004-09), turned them into a steady tournament team (Somerville, 2009-14) or introduced them to postseason play for the first time ever (Bishop Fenwick, his most recent stop).

"If you look at Medford and Somerville - I'm not saying I'm the best coach in the world, but we turned the programs around," Allen said. "Since we left, they've gone downhill."

Indeed, Medford (who's also nicknamed the Mustangs) went to back-to-back Super Eight appearances under Allen in 2005 and 2006, finishing the regular season undefeated in the latter with a 17-0-4 mark. Medford, a powerhouse of a program in the 1990s (they are still one of only five public schools to play in a Super Eight Championship Game, '93), has continued to qualify for the state tournament post-Allen, getting there each year save for one since his depart-

ture - but merely by winning the Greater Boston League and thus earning an auto-bid; Medford has only one season with a winning record since Allen left.

Allen is 116-106-26 overall for his career, good enough for a .523 winning percentage.

Following his exit from Somerville, he was helping out Norwood in the winter of 2014 as an assistant under Bill Clifford when he got a call from Arlington Catholic coach Dan Shine about an opening in

the Catholic Central League.

"I told him I was taking the year off, hanging with my kids," Allen recalls of his lighter workload as an assistant. "He goes, 'You want to get back into the rink? Can I give your number to an AD?'"

Allen knew immediately Shine was referring him to the Bishop Fenwick job, which became open midseason due to the resignation of Dan Lynch seven games into the season.

Allen

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Post 70 Legion Baseball notebook

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Some tidbits about what's happening around the clubhouse for the Norwood Post 70 American Legion baseball team as they near the halfway point of the regular season, with a record of 4-4. Keep in mind, since Norwood is hosting this summer's state legion tournament, the team already has an automatic postseason bid...

* The roster breakdown for the 2016 team sees, as always, a majority of players who spent the spring playing baseball at Norwood High School. But on the same token, Norwood residents who attend high schools in other towns, as well as 19-year-old high school alums, are eligible for the team. This year there are 12 players who played for the Norwood High varsity this season, two NHS alums and one player each from Xaverian, Blue Hills Regional Tech and Noble & Greenough.

* Additionally, there is a player from Medfield High on Post 70 this season: catcher Will Bento, who became eligible for the team after seeking a waiver from District 6 to play for a different team in the league.

* With so many Norwood High players on the team, perhaps the biggest question for Post 70 heading into the summer was how the team would hit. The Mustangs scored just three runs over their final five games of the season and were shut out three times - including the 1-0 playoff loss vs. Attleboro in extra innings. But through eight District 6 games, Norwood is averaging close to

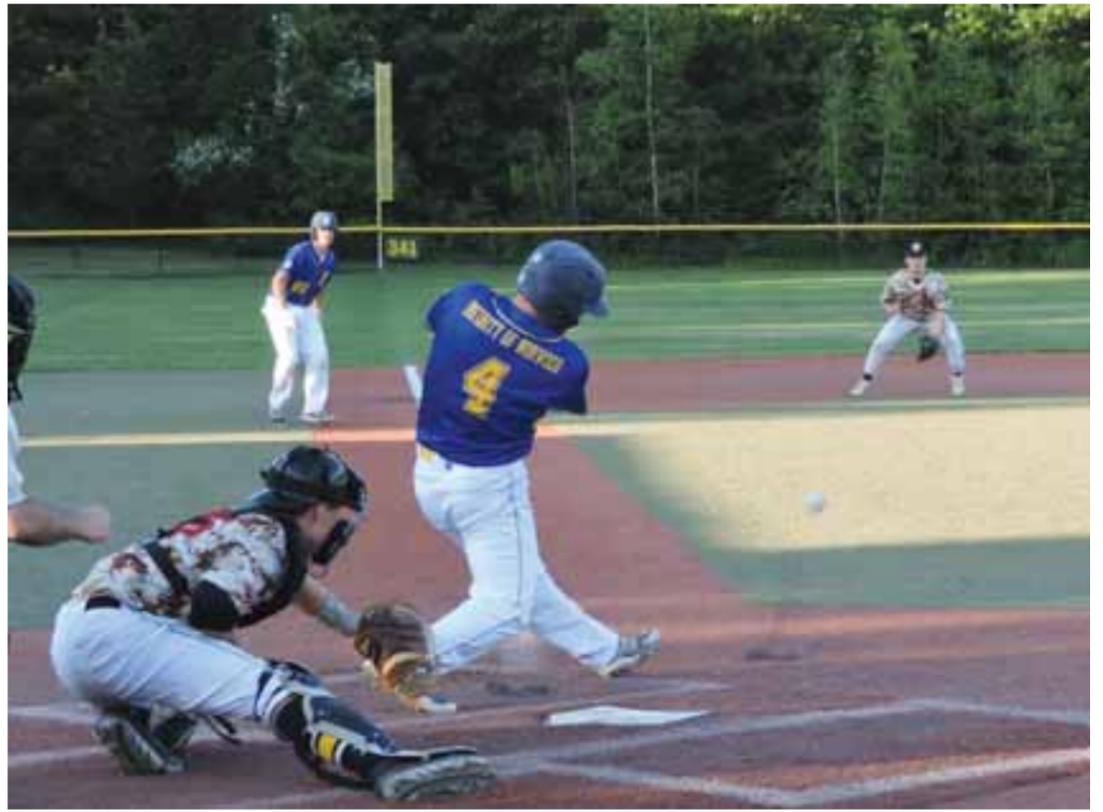
seven runs a game, racking up 54 runs through games played Tuesday; they've hit double digits three times already.

* One possible explanation for the resurgent offense? "Metal bats," Norwood short-stop/pitcher Paul Galvin said. "Going from wood to metal in the playoffs, it's tough for us with such little time to make the adjustment but now we're getting the swing of it."

* Galvin played in the Massachusetts Baseball Coaches Association (MBCA) Senior All-Star Game at BC High on Tuesday night, pitting 15 players from the South section vs. 15 players from the North. "It means a lot being recognized that way, especially with someone like [Sean] Mellen, being in that class," Galvin said. "It's a lot of fun that I'm finally getting recognized." Galvin was one of two Bay State Conference players to appear in the game, joining Braintree outfielder Erik MacDonald.

* Mellen, who is playing baseball at Northeastern University next season, will be shut down from throwing for six weeks. He pitched in just one game this summer, on top of the 51 1/3 innings he threw for the Mustangs in the spring. "I'm fine," Mellen said. "I was just shut down by Northeastern. I'm not hurt or anything, I'm healthy. Come this fall, it's a lot of pitching. Almost every day you're throwing, every day you're working out, so it's a lot on your elbow and your shoulder."

* Mellen figured the orders would come down at some



Jake O'Rourke takes a cut in a game last week vs. Medfield Post 110. His return to playing baseball in Norwood is on hiatus due to obligations with the US Army, but he'll be back for the postseason.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

point to take it easy on his arm for the summer, so he wasn't blindsided by the news. But he still wishes he could be doing more for Post 70. "It's definitely frustrating not being able to pitch because I want to help my team out, help my friends out trying to get a win," he said. "We're kind of short on arms - especially in legion where we're playing three or four times a week. I feel bad hanging them out to dry."

* Norwood manager Paul Samargedlis said the team will wait and see on Mellen's status for the postseason, which will start roughly four weeks after Northeastern first shut Mellen down.

* Jake O'Rourke, a Norwood High graduate in 2015, said at the end of last summer he hoped to be back playing legion baseball this summer one last time. Sure enough, the outfielder/first

baseman is back in the fold, but with a twist: he left last Saturday for Fort Knox, Ky. to fulfill his duties with the army as part of the ROTC program at The Citadel, a military school in Charleston, S.C. where he wrapped up his freshman year last month.

* "I definitely missed baseball," O'Rourke said. The former Norwood baseball and hockey captain will be back just in time for the District 6 playoffs. "Going to the high school games at the end of this season when I was back from school was kind of tough. I've been itching to get back out there, it's good to be back."

* O'Rourke was originally due to be gone from June 1-17, but was re-assigned by the army due to a numbers crunch. "It's hard to take most kids that tell you ahead of time they're going to be gone that length of time, but he's been with me four

years," Samargedlis said. "He's committed. We're loyal to the players; the army, that's what we're about. We're playing baseball for the American Legion."

* When asked how he thought O'Rourke would fare upon returning from his service, Samargedlis said "He'll probably be a little lighter."

* Cam Ryan was a key member of Norwood's 2015 Division 1 State Championship, slotting in the rotation behind Mellen and Johnny Ryan as a very reliable third starter. But he was unable to pitch this past high school season due to a sore elbow, and will be undergoing Tommy John surgery in early July. So when he took the mound Sunday night vs. Westwood Post 320, it was for both the first - and last - time in 2016. He made his start count, going five innings and picking up the win in a 12-9 Norwood victory.

Jr. Legion finds winning ways

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Wins are suddenly coming in bunches for the Norwood Post 70 Junior American Legion team, now winners of four in a row following Tuesday night's 3-2 edging of Hudson.

The 1-3 start is a distant memory thanks to a revived offense, and while Norwood only scored three runs on Tuesday night, they excelled with plenty of timely hitting.

"We finally started hitting, that three-game losing streak we were coming out with four hits a game," Norwood manager Dan Harrington said after Norwood improved to 5-3 on

the summer. "Now we're getting 10-plus hits a game, it's a lot different. Tonight we didn't have 10 hits but we still hit the ball hard."

Post 70 scored once each in the third, fourth and fifth innings to build a 3-0 lead, the third run possible thanks to right fielder Paul Murphy legging out an infield single with two outs. Murphy came around to score on catcher Paul Manning's RBI double for what amounted to the game-winning run after Hudson struck back with two scores in the top of the sixth.

"Murph scuffled out of the gate, but he's a machine now," Harrington said. Murphy also drove in Norwood's first run of the

game, finishing 3 for 3 - the only Post 70 hitter to collect three hits in the game. "He's on fire. We got him a new bat - I don't think it's the bat, I think it's the player - but it's funny how you can turn it around mentally with changing up something like that. And he hustles and he works hard."

Michael Dooley made his first start of the summer for Norwood, collecting the win while pitching very effectively into the sixth inning before running into trouble. Dooley allowed one run on just two hits - one in the top of the first, one to the very last batter he faced before

JR. Legion

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Michael Dooley made his first start for Norwood, going six innings in a win over Hudson.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

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New Norwood High Boys Hockey Coach Chuck Allen has spent over 10 years coaching youth hockey in Eastern Massachusetts, and was most recently at the helm of Bishop Fenwick's program.

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He took over on Jan. 1, 2015 and guided the Crusaders to a 4-6-3 mark down the stretch, falling short of the postseason.

However, in his lone full year at Fenwick, Allen guided the team to a 9-9-2 finish in the regular season. It was the first time the Crusaders had finished .500 since moving up to Div. 1 competition for the 2011-12 season, and thus their first tournament berth as a Div. 1 school in team history.

"Last year, our first full season there, we changed the culture around and bought into what we were doing," Allen said. "Fenwick, they were happy they were in a game. But now we changed that culture; now they're mad when they lose. They believe they can win."

So with a penchant for turn-arounds, what does Allen ex-

pect from a Norwood program that's coming off an 0-19-1 season?

"The way I look at it, that's behind us," Allen said. "The only way they can go is up. I'm not being overconfident but I know what our track record is with rebuilding programs."

"I'm happy and excited, it's an opportunity I couldn't refuse because of the location and to try and rebuild that program to where it used to be."

Allen, a 1980 graduate of Malden Catholic, manages rinks for the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) by day. His three rinks where he spends the most energy on are Connell Rink in Weymouth, Reilly Memorial Rink in Brighton...and Bajko Rink in Hyde Park, where Norwood will be a partial tenant again this coming season.

A four-time recipient of the Mulloy Sportsmanship Award, Allen is looking to instill values into the Norwood program that could make them the recipient of the award one day.

"The biggest compliment we always get is how classy our team is - win, lose or draw," Allen said. "They represent Norwood High School when they put that shirt on, when they're around the rink, when they're in school, when they're around town. Anywhere they go, that's where they represent. You try to instill that in them; once you get your system down, you don't have to worry about them."

Norwood's nonleague schedule is still a work-in-progress, with Hingham, Duxbury and Pope Francis dropped for next season. Allen said his current plan is to turn

the usual single game with Brockton into a home-and-home series, and add a home-and-home series with the Masnfield Hornets out of the Hockomock League. Norwood is tentatively set to open the 2016-17 season at Braintree, the top seed in the Div. 1 tournament last winter.

The Mustangs also don't have any captains named yet, in part due to the coaching change. But Allen says he likes having his players earn their captaincy on the backend of the offseason, rather than the front end.

"I have a different philosophy on captains," he said, adding he encourages his players to be multi-sport athletes rather than specialists in one. "You want these kids to earn their captaincy. You can see who does what offseason; you want to see who takes control. You find that out very easily."

Allen said Clifford called

him to congratulate him on his hiring, and said he still had some things to hand over to the new coach.

"I know he has a lot of stuff he has to hand over to me," Allen said. "I'm not sure what he has, but I guess I'll find out."

Knowing how bleak the last two winters have been in Norwood, Allen doesn't want to come bashing in to town and make promises of a return to postseason play right away.

He'll take the long view instead, and a realistic one at that.

"My expectation for any team I coach is they'll be in great shape, they'll be very competitive and they'll be prepared for every game," he said.

"There's never a perfect hockey game, ever. Kids are going to make mistakes, but is it mental or is it physical? Kids will know their roles on the team."

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being pulled - while striking out two and walking five on 95 pitches.

Mat Rice entered in relief of Dooley with one out and a pair of runners in scoring position, but allowed only one of the inherited runners to score on a groundout to second base. He ended both the sixth and seventh inning by striking out Hudson hitters to earn the save.

"He came in at a tough spot, with runners at second and third," Harrington said. "Gave up one run when we were playing for an out, which is exactly what he was supposed to do and came up with a couple of big strikeouts."

Michael James played

down with the junior team for the night, capitalizing on his eligibility as a 16-year-old. A versatile player with plenty of speed in the outfield, James' bat has been getting better and better since the high school season, turning into one of the top power threats in either Norwood lineup.

"MJ will play seven days a week," Harrington said. James finished 2 for 4 with a double and a run scored.

Norwood's Jr. Legion team hosted Franklin last night in an event held after the Record's deadline, and will wrap up a four-game home stand by once again welcoming Franklin to town at 7:30 p.m. at Balch School Field.

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Library Events

FUN BEACH READS

Are you looking for a book to read this summer at the beach, lake or even the backyard? Join librarians Beth Goldman and Margot Sullivan at the Morrill Memorial Library as they make recommendations and suggestions for summer reading or reading at any time! You might hear of something new and different to read. This program is always a fun, informative and educational book review session sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Beth and Margot review 12-14 books each from all kinds of genres, interests, classics, new fiction and non-fiction books or whatever sparks their interest as they look at the books here in the library. There's always a few theatrical moments as Beth and Margot really love doing these "Reads". You won't get sand in your shoes but do not forget the sunscreen! The program held in the air conditioned Simoni Room is on Thursday, June 23 at 10 a.m. and repeated again at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments are served and all are welcome! No registration is necessary. Any questions? Call 781-769-0200 x110

SUMMER MUSICALS ON THE BIG SCREEN RETURN

Movie musicals are back at the Morrill Memorial Library this summer, beginning Monday, July 18 at 6:30 p.m. with the 1969 classic "Hello, Dolly!" starring Barbra Streisand. A total of eight popular musicals will be shown this summer on consecutive Monday evenings through Aug. 29, concluding with our only Wednesday night screening on Aug. 31. The summer schedule of musicals is as follows: "Hello, Dolly!" (Monday, July 18), "Little Shop of Horrors" (Monday, July 25), "Easter Parade" (Monday, Aug. 1), "West Side Story" (Monday, Aug. 8), "Gigi" (Monday, Aug. 15), "Mary Poppins" (Monday, Aug. 22), "The King and I" (Monday, Aug. 29), and "Moulin Rouge" (Wednesday, Aug. 31). All films begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. in the air-conditioned Simoni Room, and complimentary popcorn is provided by Regal Cinemas in Bellingham. A CD of the soundtrack to that evening's musical will be raffled off before each screening. To

sign up, please call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, e m a i l norprograms@minlib.net, or visit the library Reference or Information Desk.

EVENING SHOWING OF "THE FINEST HOURS" AT THE LIBRARY

The Morrill Memorial Library will hold an evening screening of the new hit film, "The Finest Hours," on Wednesday, July 6 at 6:30 p.m. "The Finest Hours" is a historical drama chronicling the true account of the 1952 U. S. Coast Guard rescue of the SS Pendleton after it broke apart during a nor'easter off the coast of Chatham, Mass. Based on the book of the same name by Michael Tougias and Casey Sherman, the film stars Chris Pine, Casey Affleck, and Ben Foster and runs approximately two hours. To sign up, please call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, e m a i l norprograms@minlib.net, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk. Complimentary popcorn is provided by Regal Cinemas in Bellingham.

SENIOR NEWS

ARTS & CRAFTS: Offered every first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m.

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 12:45 to 3 p.m. \$5.00 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1.00 with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 p.m. to play the new game!

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

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

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m.

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

DIABETES WORKSHOP: The Diabetes Workshop June 23 at 11 a.m.

FOOT DOCTOR: Please call the center for the dates in June that the foot doctor will be here.

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

HANDCRAFTERS: Handcrafters meet every Monday from 1-3 p.m. Line Dance Classes are held each Tuesday. Class will be held from 1-2 p.m.

MAH JONG: Mah Jong players meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m.-noon. Learn to play Mah Jong -Thursday and Fridays @ 1 p.m.

MASSAGE THERAPIST: Karen Tracy is here on the first Monday of each month. Please sign up at front desk. Massages are \$30.00 for half an hour.

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

POETRY CLUB: Is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m., facilitated by Nancy from the Library. (June 15).

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

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

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DEATHS

EAKLE



EMALINE, M. (Joseph) of Norwood passed away on June 16, 2016 at the age of 86. Devoted mother of Denise Moses and her husband William of Pittsburgh, Pa. Loving sister of Robert M. Elias and his wife Dorthie of Belmont. Cherished aunt of Christian Elias and his wife Kristina of Belmont and Lisa Gelormini and her husband Joe of Lexington. Great-aunt of Tyler, Alexa, Madison and Avery. Daughter of the late Abraham Joseph and Nadeema (Hajaar) Joseph-Elias. Emaline lived in Norwood for 78 years and was a 1948 graduate of Norwood High School. She was also a member of the St. George Orthodox Church Ladies Sodality. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St., Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood.

GIARRUSSO

Yvette M. (Latraverse) of Norwood, June 11, beloved wife of the late John G. Giarrusso. Mother of Gregory Giarrusso and his wife Renee of Lincoln, R.I., and Jeffrey Giarrusso of South Walpole. Sister of the late Oscar Latraverse, Loretta Bateman and Bertha Kelly. Also survived by five grandchildren and one great-grandson. Her funeral and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers expressions of sympathy may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 480 Pleasant St. Watertown, MA 02472.

LOFTUS

Thomas P. of Walpole formerly of Norwood passed away on June 11, 2016 at the age of 74. Beloved husband of Nancy J. (Mahar) Loftus. Devoted father of Kate E. Loftus of Allston and Christopher T. Loftus of Norwood. Son of the late Thomas F. and Rita C. (Gannon) Loftus. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and his best buddy "Seamus." Thomas grew up in Worcester, graduating from St. Peters High School and then went on to graduate from MCLA formerly N. Adams State College in 1964. Thomas was a retired Guidance Counselor for the Walpole School Dept. He was a highly decorated US Navy Airman receiving 12 Air Medals during the Vietnam War. He served in Vietnam from 1965-1969 and then served in the US Navy reserves for a total of 23 years, retiring as a Lt. Commander. He was also a member of the Norwood ELKS. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD, Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. in St. Timothy's Church Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to a Veterans charity of your choice.

McNAMARA



WILLIAM E. of Plainville formerly of Norwood passed away on June 15, 2016 at the age of 80. Loving husband of Mary "Mitzi" J. (Smiddy) McNamara. Devoted father of Joan M.

McNamara of Foxboro, Lisa M. Cammarano of Foxboro and Peggy Beller of California. Brother of Joan Violandi of Vermont. He was a special cousin of Kathy Gee. Cherished grandfather of William Cammarano, Caroline Cammarano and Madeleine Cammarano. Son of the late William E. and Norma E. (Girardi) McNamara. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and his devoted companion "Daisy." William was a retired 32 year Boston Police Officer and a US Army Korean War Veteran. Visiting Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. in Norwood. A funeral home service from Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood. Burial will be immediately following the funeral home service at Highland Cemetery in Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute P.O. Box 849168 Boston, MA 02284-9168 or to the Animal Rescue League of Boston 10 Chandler St. Boston, MA 02116.

SOPER

Earl W., 89 of Norwood, Friday, June 17. Son of the late Harry and Margaret (Rooney) Soper. Beloved husband for 64 years of Josephine "Dolly" (Russo) Soper. Devoted father of E. Richard Soper and his wife Lisa of Fairfax Va., Gayle Tramontozzi and her husband Lou of Marlborough, Paul Soper and his wife Dawn of Phoenix Ariz., and Ronald Soper of Norwood. Loving grandfather of Alexandra, Ross, and Adam Soper. Brother of Irvin Soper of Newport Beach, Calif., and the late Harold Soper. Late retired Engineer for New England Telephone and NYNEX, and member of the New England Telephone Pioneers. Graveside service Thursday June 23 at Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne at 12:30 p.m. Expressions of sympathy in his memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

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Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition (MBCC) will be holding its annual statewide Against the Tide swim, kayak, walk, and/or run fundraising events again in 2016. The morning events consist of several components: competitive and recreational swims, recreational kayak, fitness walk, and USA Track & Field certified 5K/10K runs. Participants of all ages and abilities can choose 1, 2, or 3 of these exciting activities. The event also offers an Aquathon "Splash and Dash" component, where participants "splash" in the competitive 1-mile swim and immediately "dash" in the 5K or 10K run (chosen by the participant). Participants may register as an individual or as part of a team. Registration is \$40 per non-student per event activity and \$25 per student per event activity. The Aquathon is \$80 for non-students and \$50 for students. We encourage all participants to fundraise beyond these suggested minimums, as all proceeds support the Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition. Prizes will be awarded to the podium finishers and top fundraisers. The statewide Metro-Boston Against the Tide will be held for the 24th year at DCR's Hopkinton State Park on Saturday, June 18, 2016. The statewide Cape Cod Against the Tide will be held for the 17th year at DCR's Nickerson State Park on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016. Both statewide events start at 7 a.m. and end at noon. Please visit www.mbcc.org/swim or call 617-376-6222 for more information and to register.

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