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The latest renderings provided by Peabody-based Weston & Sampson show the proposed new Department of Public Works (DPW) yard at Lyman Place seen from Washington Street, above, and a different view below of the same buildings from Nahatan Street. The \$14 million project is scheduled to go to Town Meeting in the fall for bonding authorization.

COURTESY IMAGE



Carroll draws battle lines for DPW funding

Scott MacKeen
Staff Reporter

"I want this in the worst way"

Town Manager John Carroll says he will fight for funding for the Department of Public Works (DPW) project, one way or another.

Speaking during last week's Capital Outlay Committee meeting, Carroll used forceful language in campaigning for the project, saying he will advocate for funding, whether it

be through a borrowing article at Town Meeting or a voter override referendum.

"We're preparing a battle plan. I want that public-works yard in the worst way," said Carroll of the proposed \$14 million project to bring modern DPW facilities to Lyman Place and Lennox and Winter streets. "We're going to make you nau-

seous with this. We haven't convinced anybody to any great degree [of the need]."

The project is currently in the design phase before the Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC), which will discuss the proposal at its meeting Thursday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Under the current schedule,

which the PBCC received from its consultant Compass Management two weeks ago, the project will be put out to bid in late September, and Town Meeting will be asked in early November to approve a borrowing plan.

However, should Town Meeting deny that plan, Carroll said he will fight for other ways

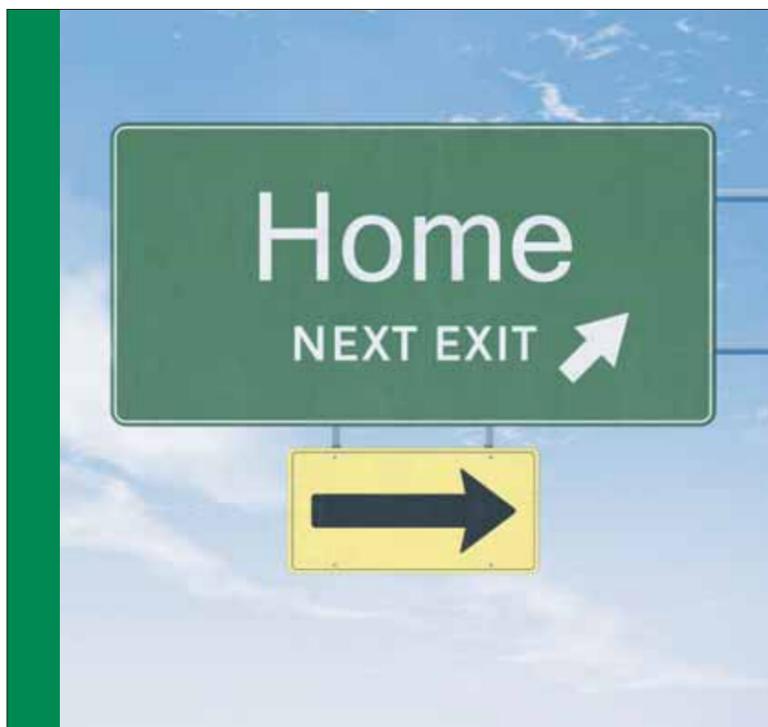
to fund the project.

"If we have to do a debt-service override in November, we will do it. I don't care if it's 50.1 percent to 49.9 percent. We're going to win," he said.

Carroll addressed the need for new DPW buildings, saying the existing public-works yard on Lyman Place was built in 1949 and is badly outdated. For example, the current buildings

DPW

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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 **February 19, 2013 at 7:15 PM** on the request of **STEWART NORWOOD HOSPITAL (Case # 13-06)** with respect to property located on **800 Washington Street**, in a **GB-General Business District**.

The application requests:

This Application requests a **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 3.1 (USE REGULATIONS) to allow the construction of a Medical Office Building, Accessory Parking Garage, Building Lobby Addition, and adding an additional Floor to the Existing Hospital Building. A **SPECIAL PERMIT** under Section 5.3 (NONCONFORMING STRUCTURES) 5.3.1 to reconstruct, extend or structurally change and existing non-conforming structures (Building Lobby Addition and adding an additional Floor to the Existing Hospital Building) all as shown on plan entitled, "Steward Norwood Hospital, Inc., Norwood Massachusetts, Site Plan of Propose Improvements" Scale 1" = 40' dated November 29, 2012 drawn by Stantee Planning and Landscape Architecture P.C. 141 Portland Str., Boston, MA 02114, as may be amended.

The Application requests **VARIANCES** under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to allow a maximum building height greater than the 35' allowed under the Section 4.1.1. To allow a floor area ratio greater than .5 allowed under Section 4.1.1 (TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS) and to allow the construction of an accessory parking garage not meeting the dimensional requirements of Section 6.1.7 (PARKING STRUCTURES.)

Together with such other Special Permit(s)/Variance(s) as the ZBA deems appropriate to allow the proposed construction as shown on the submitted plan entitled; Steward Norwood Hospital, Inc., Norwood, Massachusetts, site Plan of Proposed Improvements" as may be amended.

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

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HI GUYS, ABUNDANT TABLE

The AT is the gathering of an incredible group of wonderful volunteers who serve a full-course menu to their guests every Wed. and Fri. evening in Pingree Hall at the Congregational Church. Their guest numbers are on the rise and the AT continues to seek volunteer services from kind, compassionate, mature and responsible individuals who would be welcome to join the team. During Thanksgiving, AT served 405 meals Nov. 21 and 22. On Wed., the 21, a Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings was served to the regular guests, 30 meals delivered to homebound friends. The dinner was prepared by employees from Mercer of Norwood. On Thanksgiving Day the volunteers gathered and packaged 108 dinners for delivery to elderly shut-ins, serviced by Hessco Elder Services. Christmas Day, members of Temple Kol Tik Vah gathered and prepared a full lasagna dinner; and bagged 100 dinners to go to Hessco seniors as well. During the last six months, AT has added a delivery component to their program, and are delivering to 30 individuals in the Norwood-Westwood area. If anyone would like to assist with the Friday night deliveries, please call 978-501-1264. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated. A big Thank You to Aislynn and her wonderful crew for doing God's work! AT Director Aislynn states that the group is eternally grateful this Thanksgiving and Christmas season and all year long for their amazing local donors, corporate sponsors, and weekly volunteers. Aislynn also states, "With-



Jackie Saber

out you, we would never be able to serve with such care and success!"

CONGRATULATIONS
Congrats to David Eysie on his appointment to Detective on our terrific NPD. Congrats also to Anthony Greeley as the newly appointed Fire Chief on our outstanding NFD.

SKATING RINK
When it is decided that there is no other place for something to be located, it seems as though So. Norwood is always the place to locate it; an unspoken dumping area. Remember the 'Skate Park?' A disaster that residents knew would happen! If the large tract of land between the Jr. High North and Vernon St. has now been deemed 'conservation land,' why not 'un-conservation' it? It certainly isn't a bad thing to do...it's just bringing it back to its original state and will give many children a place to enjoy their sport of skating. The South School traffic and the business traffic on Washington Street is horrendous. It's as bad as the back-ups on 1-A and the Center at times. It also creates tremendous hardship for the side-street traffic in So. Norwood.

CHRISTMAS A petition signed with approximately 200 names was given to our town's School Committee. It simply asked that the word, "Christmas" be put back on the school calendar instead of the generic term, 'winter recess.' The silly statement that we must be respectful to all religions in our town implies that we are not. We are, and have always been respectful to all religions in this town. Like it or not, there is only ONE reason for the season in December, it's CHRISTMAS. It is also a Federal and State holiday. I have two copies of the 2012-2013 school calendar. The first one states...'schools open after Christmas recess.' The second was revised to 'winter re-

cess.' Why are we afraid to stand and speak to the truth?

600 MORE APARTMENTS
No one that I have spoken to is in favor of any more apartments in our town, whether they are 40 B's or not. Isn't there someone that we can hire to fight the issue for us? If you listen to a fire/police scanner, you might agree that the NPD/NFD have more than enough serious issues to deal with. Why allow for more? At the former Stop & Shop property that sat in ruin for many years, it was suggested by many townspeople that we purchase or take by eminent domain the property and purchase the two banks that were up for sale in order to build... a police station, Registry Office, town offices, and badly needed DPW space. We only listened to one former Selectman. He was wrong. It's too late to change anything now.

BITS AND PIECES
Students in a Colorado high school are allowed to recite our 'Pledge of Allegiance' in Arabic and Spanish. That makes for great Americans doesn't it? A political group in Mass., backing Obama, sent out thousands of voter registration applications with PRE-PAID envelopes to welfare recipients. The news has reported that as of the first week in Feb., 47,000 of the mailings have been returned to sender... address unknown! Aren't you sick of financially supporting liars and cheats?

IS IT THE TRUTH?
Go to video.today.msnbc.msn.com/today. In the interview with Matt Lauer, it is stated that an AR-15 rifle or so-called assault weapon was not used in the horrific murders in the school in Connecticut. It is also stated that the murderer was denied the purchase of a rifle weeks earlier after a background check. The police found a rifle in his car, not in the school. The murderer entered the school with four handguns. Who do we believe? The news today tells us what they want us to believe. They do not report 'just the facts ma'am.'

Question: Do you think any president of the U.S. should pander to specific ethnic groups, or rather, should all Americans be treated equally under the law?

"The best presidents bring out the best in the country"
Presidential historian

Norwood Light Broadcast celebrates decade of success

Scott MacKeen
Staff Reporter

Norwood Light Broadband (NLB) is celebrating a decade in business, and is now providing the fastest Internet speeds in Norwood, according to its manager, Darryl Hanson.

"Thanks to the loyal support of thousands of Norwood residents and businesses during our first 10 years, we are thrilled to offer the fastest Internet speeds without any rate increase," said Hanson.

Hanson and other members of NLB met with the Board of Selectmen at Tuesday night's meeting to discuss their 10-year anniversary and ongoing service upgrades offered to customers.

Thanks to state-of-the-art equipment and expert technical support, NLB is now capable of outperforming Comcast and Verizon in Norwood and providing "superior access" to all of the services available over the Internet, such as Netflix, Hulu, online gaming and more, said Hanson.

"We're keeping up with the technology. Our technicians take great pride in helping the town of Norwood and our customers," he said.

Hanson said NLB recently doubled its Internet speed to all customers at no cost, adding that they are also offering a quadruple-speed upgrade package for a one-time service fee of \$34.95.

He said NLB, which launched in December of 2002 to provide competitive digital-cable and high-speed Internet service to Norwood residents, has many people to thank for its growth and success over the years.

"We thank the board and the town of Norwood, our customer-services representatives and our technicians. Most of all, we obviously thank all of our customers," he said.

Since 2002, NLB has added many new channels, high-definition TV, video on demand and telephone service, he said.

Town Manager John Carroll praised the company, saying, "It's quite an accomplishment that a small, town-owned cable TV company is able to provide the fastest Internet speeds and the lowest prices to their loyal customers who have supported

them over these 10 years."

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue echoed those sentiments, noting that NLB has the added advantage of having its technicians in town and already nearby for customers who experience trouble with their service.

"You're always there," she said. "The good news is that you do keep getting better."

For more information on NLB pricing and package options, call (781) 948-1115 or visit www.norwoodlight.com.

Police Department news

Police Chief Bill Brooks gave an update on the department's monthly activity, which included responding to an uptick in residential break-ins, continuing discussions on the new marijuana law and premiering its new show on Norwood Public Access Television (NPA-TV).

Brooks said the break-ins have actually been occurring over the course of the past three months or so, and said he has responded by having officers canvass neighborhoods for signs of suspicious activity and deploy plainclothes officers to high-incident areas as part of its Anti-Crime Unit.

Recently, every officer received a map of town showing where the break-ins were occurring, said Brooks, and the strategies have been working.

On Jan. 25, officers arrested two Dedham men and charged them with breaking into a home on Fulton Street. Officer Anthony Lopes and detectives are investigating whether the pair can be tied to other Norwood breaks.

"This was really outstanding work by everyone really working together," said Brooks.

Another arrest occurred on Feb. 4, when two men found trespassing on the railroad tracks near Rama Plaza on Washington Street were found in possession of a backpack full of pry bars, gloves, walkie-talkies and a hand-drawn map of a nearby building. Brook said they were probably targeting Mystic Scenic Studios on Lenox Street.

"In this case, they prevented an obvious break in progress," he said.

Brooks also talked about the premiere of "Norwood P.D. Blue," a new monthly show on

NPA-TV spotlighting the work of the Police Department and its history. The show replays on NPA-TV on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 9, at 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 10, at 3:30 and 7:30 a.m., and 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., and Monday, Feb. 11, at 12:30 and 8 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

Residents can submit questions for the "Ask the Chief" segment at police@norwood.gov, which may be answered during next month's show.

"It's our effort to make people comfortable with the department," said Brooks of the show. "The first episode was so nicely done, and we think it's a positive for the department."

Selectman Bill Plasko asked the chief about the status of the medical-marijuana law and what Norwood is doing about it. Brook said he met last Friday with Town Planner Steve Costello, Health Director Sigalle Reiss and others to discuss possible options the town could pursue to regulate medical-marijuana dispensaries in Norwood, and said he would be presenting detailed options to the board in the coming weeks.

While Town Counsel John Flynn had previously stated his option that the town can prohibit dispensaries because there is no bylaw for them, Plasko said now that the law has passed the legal advice is that the town cannot legally ban the facilities but can regulate them by passing a new bylaw.

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To The Editor:

I have obtained a copy of the amended tax increment financing (TIF) agreement between Campanelli Bros. and the Town of Norwood dated November 20, 2009. This amended the original TIF from 2004.

The agreement (contract) between the Town and the Developer explicitly states that the TIF is solely for the development of office, industrial, and commercial space. Jobs are mentioned-40B or residential housing is not.

Further, the agreement states that the developer and their successors and assigns-if the property is sold-are bound likewise by this agreement.

This means that contractually the property for the duration of the agreement (20 years) must be for commercial development.

Again, Representative John Rogers has agreement in hand and is confirming this absolutely in Boston. I am no lawyer, but this is pretty straightforward.

Denis Drummey
Member - Norwood
Economic Development
Committee

AN EASY FIX FROM A YOUNGSTER

To the Editor:

This may or may not surprise you, but I am 10 years old. Anyway, in Volume 6, Issue 4, In the article entitled "Banning Christmas?", Theresa McNulty asked why there was (supposedly) a fear of Christmas between public officials. There is not (any of that). But, the problem would have been solved simply and effectively if they just added Christmas to the school calendar. That way, everyone gets what they want. The former gets assured that they have nothing against Christmas, and the latter gets to keep the "Winter recess" on their calendar. So, this somewhat silly argument can be easily solved.

Ben Ramsey
Norwood

SCHOOL DECISION DISCRIMINATORY

To the Editor:

I want to thank you for the excellent article in your Jan. 24 newspaper entitled, "Public Enemy #1? - Banning Christmas." We have received much support from Norwood townspeople with regard to this issue.

I am puzzled as to why John Badger would state that we, the over 200 petitioners, were "offering up sensational commentary." The letters which all members of the School Committee received about reversing their motion from Winter Recess back to Christmas Recess are available for all to read.

Chairwomen Courtney Rau mentions her desire for an "inclusive approach" on the School calendar. Well, over 200 Norwood residents are now feeling excluded. We applaud the inclusion of "Chanukah" on the Norwood Public School calendar, but why was "Christmas" omitted? We feel that the present calendar is discriminatory. Our petitioners want the Greek as well as the Orthodox Easters to be included as a holiday on the calendar.

We extend our congratulations to you on your Page 4 "OPINION, a little of this and that..." Your statements pertaining to "reinstating the word Christmas in the School Department's vernacular" are so well stated.

We also wish to thank your two reporters who met with Anne Kane and me on Jan. 21. We appreciated the time and courtesy, which they extended to us.

Theresa McNulty
Norwood

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Town departments state their cases for money

Scott MacKeen
Staff Reporter

Meeting for the first time since last March, the Capital Outlay Committee heard proposals last week for new school security and technology items, Police, Fire and Public Works department vehicles, and the possibility of a new school.

School Superintendent James Hayden laid out the capital needs of the School Department, which as reported by the Record last week includes \$975,000 in building security and repairs, \$387,000 in food-service equipment, and \$544,000 in technology upgrades and replacements.

Hayden also said that the five-year enrollment forecast for the schools, coupled with the possibility of the large-scale housing development at Upland Woods, creates the need for a fifth elementary school in Norwood at some point.

"I don't have a lot of empty classrooms right now," he said.

The issue was discussed only briefly and no monetary figures for a new school were mentioned.

Asked by Capital Outlay Committee Chairman Tom Maloney to prioritize his list for the school district, Hayden said that his biggest concern is security, which his administration has especially been discussing since the Newtown tragedy. The next-biggest priority is technology, he said.

"Our biggest priority is to make sure that our children are safe. That's been the focus over my tenure, and especially over the last few weeks," said Hayden. "Let's make them safe and let's give them the technology. We feel that these are two important, vital things. If we don't get anything else, we need help with these."

The security items include \$100,000 for intrusion door locks at the elementary schools, which would allow teachers in all classrooms to lock their doors from the inside in the event of a crisis. The high school and middle school already have intrusion locks. Another \$56,000 is being sought for system-wide upgrades to the electronic door locks.

On the technology side, the requests include \$178,000 for continued network upgrades and \$170,000 to replace old computers at Coakley and the elementary schools. Also included is \$134,000 for personal devices for students and \$61,000 for elementary-school interactive classroom teaching devices.

Technology Director Joe Kidd said that in a couple of years, the MCAS tests will be

administered online, and computer labs must be expanded and old computers replaced.

"It's something we really need to plan out," he said.

Hayden said the schools did not receive any additional technology funding in the current fiscal year.

"We're looking to assure that we can continue to run state-of-the-art programs," he said. "This is to keep us rolling in the right direction. Technology is key to me because we're all about learning. We need to put technology in the hands of our children."

Hayden said the schools may at some point allow students to bring their own devices to school, but must also provide the same level of technology to

all students and "set up a highway" of wireless compatibility across the district.

School Building and Grounds Director Paul Riccardi discussed the School Department's need for \$341,000 to replace the Callahan Elementary School's oil boiler with a gas one, saying it will result in a 30 percent savings. He said the school's annual oil bill is around \$40,000.

"We could get reimbursement from the state of up to 49 percent," he said.

Asked about the savings, Riccardi said it would take between five and eight years (or three and four years with state reimbursement) to recoup the cost of the boiler through sav-

ings.

"Natural gas has always been a better buy for the customer for the past 10 to 15 years," said Riccardi.

Riccardi also mentioned \$320,000 for floor tile replacements at the Oldham, saying they have asbestos and must be replaced over the summer.

"It's not a danger to the kids," he said, adding that the asbestos is contained within the tiles. "But it's a public-relations time bomb, when parents see those tiles and hear the word asbestos."

Police Chief Bill Brooks, Public Works Director Mark Ryan and new Fire Chief Anthony Greeley also discussed their capital needs with the committee.

Brooks said three police cruisers need to be replaced; however, Town Manager John Carroll said that expenditure is usually deferred to the fall. Special Town Meeting back in November allocated \$144,000 to replace three other cruisers.

Ryan requested \$457,000 for new DPW equipment, including \$370,000 for a new sewer vehicle.

"That vehicle gets used six days a week to clean out sewers. It's 10 years old, but it's worn out," he said.

Greeley requested \$30,000 to replace around 50 air-pack bottles, and \$63,000 to replace the deputy chief's decade-old Ford Crown Victoria with an SUV with modern equipment.

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OPINION

A done deal?

This column has spent significant space fairly recently pointing out the largesse of Town Meeting. Having printed a newspaper here for almost 20 years, only in the last five or so has it become more and more obvious that as TM members age and pass the batons to new members, the conservative nature of this town is softening. Used to be this town flipped nickels like manhole covers. Not anymore.

Some will argue that the town's reticence to spend is why taxes are still lower than most surrounding towns, keeping Norwood a desirable place to live, while others point to decaying infrastructures as the end result of TM's penny pinching mentality. The feeling here is that when all the pluses and minuses are tallied up, residents should still feel pretty good about the decisions their representatives have made.

This year Norwood's Town Meeting will again face difficult choices pertaining to spending, and as usual, members will need to sift through all of the requests and determine which ones fall into the "Need to Have" and "Nice to Have" categories. The former being spending that just can't wait, the latter being projects that would be beneficial to the town and maybe even save some money, but given priorities of other requests just won't

make the cut this year.

Where the proposed new DPW project will fall remains to be seen, but this newspaper was very surprised when Capital Outlay Committee Chairman Ernie Paciorkowski referred it to as "a done deal" recently. A done deal? This is a massive construction and spending proposal that will directly impact Norwood taxpayers. To refer to it as a done deal means town officials are either confident they can get whatever they want from TM whenever they ask, or they believe anyone with an ounce of sense will determine the project is a has to happen, can't wait, need to have dire situation. Either way, it appears at least one town official is taking this project's approval for granted, which in this newspaper's opinion is a big mistake.

Town Manager John Carroll made a comment to the Capital Outlay Committee that "I want this in the worst way," and anyone who knows Mr. Carroll knows his words weren't selfishly motivated. Carroll believes this project is as necessary as any proposed spending has ever been, and he may be right. But timing is everything and the real question is whether this is the right time. We have some doubts, but like everyone else are keeping an open mind as to the dire necessity.

The pictures on Page 1 of this

week's issue clearly depict a REALLY NICE DPW facility. So nice that right now the projected cost is around \$14 mil. That's a lot of money. So, from a practical perspective, one should immediately ask whether or not it needs to be that nice. Are there possible cuts that will save significant monies and still accomplish the goals of keeping equipment clean and dry and employees productive but not to the point of being overly comfortable? In other words, does every component of the proposed project have to be in there or are they included because "what the hell, we are doing the project anyway and it would be really nice to have?"

These are the questions that need to be asked, and proponents of the project need to be able to not only justify the need, but also place a quantitative value on the savings in productivity this new structure will provide wherever possible.

We don't know the answers yet, but we do know that with the present day work required on buildings and grounds and the potential huge residential projects in the offing requiring the subsequent need to build schools to educate these newcomers, the DPW proposal certainly shouldn't fall in the "done deal" category as Paciorkowski so cavalierly expressed. There is still a lot of work to do.

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only allow the DPW to store seven of its 26 vehicles under cover. A new facility will garage all of the vehicles and extend their service life by 30 to 40 percent, saving the town money, said Carroll.

The project also would result in a brand new salt-storage facility, mechanics and wash bays and administrative offices at Lyman Place, and additional storage at the Winter and Lennox street sites.

"We really need that public-works yard," Carroll. "It's not a sexy project like the high school. We're going to have a great deal of difficulty persuading town officials. [But] I'm not going to let anybody talk us out of it."

"Everything we have here is not something we want, it's something we need," said DPW Director Mark Ryan.

Planning Board Chairman Ernie Paciorkowski, who serves on the Capital Outlay Committee, said his feeling was that the project would have no trouble passing at Town Meeting.

"As far as being a Town Meeting member, I think everyone thinks this is a done deal. I think this will fly through," he said.

However, another member of the Capital Outlay Committee had a different view, saying residents may be wary of carry-

ing too much debt.

"The DPW is a beast of a project," said Joseph Greeley, who is also a Finance Commission member.

Greeley noted that another big potential borrowing project is also on the horizon: replacement of the HVAC system at the Coakley Middle School.

"Coakley is the next big project we've been hearing about for years," said Greeley. "The money's got to come from somewhere. We can't dip into the same pocket for both projects."

School Superintendent James Hayden, who presented the schools' capital-needs expenses at the meeting, said an estimate from three years ago put the Coakley work at around \$5.7 million. However, the town could be eligible for up to 50 percent state reimbursement. Meanwhile, the DPW project is estimated to produce around \$1.1 million in debt in the first year.

Greeley's concerns echoed those of Finance Commission Chairwoman Judith Langone at the Special Town Meeting in November, when she cautioned the town of the effect of taking on too much debt. That Town Meeting approved \$2.9 million in borrowing for renovation work at Town Hall, which is

expected to begin next month.

Greeley said he didn't think Town Meeting would be able to make an informed decision on the DPW project without first knowing how the Coakley project will impact the debt situation, something Carroll disputed. Greeley suggested the possibility of packaging the two projects together into a single bond issue.

There was also discussion as to how much the town can actually borrow while still holding to its principal of a five-percent cap. Capital Outlay Committee Chairman and Finance Commission member Tom Maloney said that with the various projects the town would be taking on approximately \$5 million in debt, when it should take on no more than \$4.2 million. However, he argued that \$2 million of that total should be eliminated from the equation because it represents old debt from the high school project.

"You'd have \$1.2 million left," he said.

Carroll pointed out that the most important question is whether the overall borrowing requests will fit into the fiscal year 2014 budget.

"The DPW project alone is \$1.1 million," he said.

Following the discussion, the committee set March 21 as its next meeting, at which time they plan to vote on capital expenditures to bring to the Annual Town Meeting.

He etched his mark here

Scott MacKeen
Staff Reporter

Not too many people can say they left behind their physical mark on a community, but that is something Andrew "Andy" Mazzola spent his life doing.

Mazzola, longtime president of Norwood Monumental Works on Washington Street, died last Friday after a battle with leukemia. He was 85.

Mazzola was known for his love of Norwood, where he operated the monument business he took over from his father in 1964.

Carmine Mazzola started his business in Quincy back in 1922, lost it in the Great Depression and reopened in Norwood after World War II.

A.J. Mazzola, the third-generation of his family now running the business, remembers when he was a teenager coming home from football practice and he would always see his dad in the shed, working.

"He would say, 'I need you to give me an hour.' It was always, 'Watch me. This is how it's done.' It was the school of hard knocks. He made sure I worked here," said A.J., who is now 44 and has been managing his family's company for the past few years. "He instilled a good working habit into me. He had been around cutting stones since he was seven years old. He truly loved creating beauty out of stone."

His hard work, dedication and craftsmanship can be found in several towns, cities and states. But he mostly left his trademark in Norwood, the town he loved, his son said, adding that his father often worked three jobs, including working for the town of Norwood for a time.

"He was deemed by a lot of people in this town as the hardest-working man in Norwood," he said. "He did a lot for the town. That was kind of guy he was. If anybody needed anything, they usually came here first. Andy was always willing to lend a hand."

A.J. said many people of various ages have told him they felt Andy Mazzola was one of the nicest people they'd ever met.

"It seems that everyone is generally sad. They remember him as this strong man," he said.

On his online guest-book page at Gillooly Funeral Home, Jim Frawley wrote: "Andy was one in a million. His caring and compassion for those he loved and cared for was inspiring. I was privileged to know him and will miss my dear friend."

"What a wonderful man he was, always caring and ready with a smile to brighten the day," Mary Beth Cronin McLaughlin remembered.

Paul Ranalli, foreman at Highland Cemetery, said Norwood Monumental Works does about 90 percent of the gravestones at the cemetery. He remembered Andy Mazzola as a man who trained his son "the old-school way" in stone cutting, and who was deeply passionate about his work, his family and his town.

"He was vintage. He was a good man. He did a lot for the Highland Cemetery," said Ranalli.

In addition to running his business, Mazzola also enjoyed golfing, cribbage and his "west-erns." He was a lifelong member of the Norwood Elks Lodge #1124, as well as a brother of the Knights of Columbus Norwood Council 252. He served in the Army Air Force



Andrew "Andy" Mazzola

as a military police officer in Germany during WWII and the allied occupation.

In addition to his son A.J., Mazzola also leaves behind his daughters, Susan Leak, Karen Mazzola, grandchildren Stephanie Collins, Sandi Hannah, Renee Belanger and Ryan Mazzola, sisters Eleanor Axtell, Priscilla Coffey and Beverly McCafferty, five great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 8 a.m. from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington St. Interment will follow at Highland Cemetery.

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—J.R.G.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
By Michael J. Lyons, Chairman

Norwood Record, Jan. 31, 2013, Feb. 7, 2013

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DEATHS

BARRETT

Marie P. (O'Malley) Of Milton, on Jan. 30. Beloved wife of The Honorable Charles F. Barrett. Loving mother of William C. Barrett of Norwood, Kathleen M. Barrett-Lewis of Milton, Janice Vanty Barrett of Virginia Beach, John R. Barrett of Westminster, Richard J. Barrett of Canton and James P. Barrett of Arlington. Sister of Joseph P. O'Malley of CA, Ellen T. Dillon of Milton and the late John F. O'Malley. Survived by 12 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Interment Milton Cemetery. Funeral arrangements by the Dolan Funeral Home, East Milton. In lieu of flowers, gifts can be made in memory of Marie Barrett, to the Dr. John Schorge Research Fund. Please make gift payable to Mass General Hospital, mail to MGH, Attn: Heidi Bergmeyer, 165 Cambridge St. Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114.

BRISSETTE

Teresa E. (Kehoe) of Norwood, on Jan. 29. Beloved wife of Thomas Brissette; loving mother of Julie Riker and her husband Thomas of Stoughton, Thomas Brissette and his wife Andrea of Norwood, and Shirley Brissette of Norwood; cherished grandmother of Emily and Sarah Riker and Dylan Brissette; devoted sister of Kathy Denning of Brockton. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment will follow the service in Highland Cemetery, Norwood.

DANIELS

Madeline (Hyland) 83, of Norwood, Grew up and attended public schools in Norwood. She received a B.A. from Boston University and a M.S.W. (Master of Social Work) from Boston College. She spent 5 years as a medical social worker at St. Vincent's in Manhattan and returned to Boston for several years work at Mass General and also Children's Hospital. In 1983 Madeline founded an adoption agency (Cambridge Adoption and Counseling Associates) and helped arrange about 250 adoptions over the next dozen years. She still receives Christmas cards from the families she had helped create. Mrs. Daniels is survived by her husband of 43 years, Gerald Daniels, and her daughter Pamela Bourque, her son Philip and her son-in-law Michael Bourque and her two grandchildren, Alexis and Jake Bourque. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Madeline's memory to St. Catherine of Siena School, 249 Nahatan St., Norwood, MA 02062.

ELLARD

Francis I. "Frank", 90, formerly of Norwood, on Jan. 29. He joined the army as a teenager and served as a sergeant in the European Theatre during World War II, earning a Bronze Star for bravery. He returned to the states and lived in Boston, Norwood and Quincy, working as a Boston Police Officer and then as a bank courier. He was active in his communities, serving as a former Commander of the American Legion William G. Walsh Post in Dorchester, and as a member of the Boston Police Department Emerald Society, the VFW and the Norwood Elks. Beloved husband of the late Grace M. (Ferrera) and devoted husband of Lucinda Morrissey-Ellard of Quincy. Loving father of Mary Leonard and her husband Bert of NH, Thomas Ellard and his wife Kathleen of Norwood, Veronica DiMarzio and her husband Ed of Abington, Laurie Alley of Walpole, Jean Ellard of Quincy, and Joyce Sheehan and her husband Joseph of Walpole. Stepfather of Richard Morrissey and his wife Mary Ann of Braintree, Cindy Morrissey and her husband Greg Disotell of CA, Brian Morrissey and his wife Bessie of Hingham, and Diane Campo and her husband Anthony of Milton. Brother of Mary Pyne of Chatham, and the late Eleanor Trainor, John, Edward and George Ellard. Grandfather of Leah, Renee, Courtney, Tommy, Nick, Eddie, Dina, Marc, Frank, Veronica, Joe, Grace, and Dani. Also survived by 6 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Born to Edward and Mary

Ellard. Frank was devoted to his family and friends and cherished the times spent surrounded by his family at a table laden with fine food and drink. Frank leaves behind a treasure chest of memories and a legacy of love and laughter for all who knew him. Funeral arrangements by the Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy. Burial in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Frank may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or American Heart Assoc, 20 Speen St. Framingham, MA 01701.

LUONGO

Antonetta (Zungolo) of West Roxbury, on Jan. 30. Beloved wife of the late Rocco Luongo. Loving mother of Barbara Ann Page of Norwood, Rocco J. Luongo and his wife Anne of Dracut, Ronald A. Luongo and his wife Cheryl of Marshfield and the late Robert Luongo. Devoted grandmother of Teri, Jeffrey, Brian, Michael, Rocco M., Tony, Lili, Raun, James, Ashley and Christine. Also survived by 20 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Loving sister of Frank Zungolo of Mattapan and the late Grace M. Zungolo. Funeral arrangements by the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, West Roxbury. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Antonetta's memory to The Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, www.pbtfus.org or to ALS. www.alsa.org

MAZZOLA

Andrew Joseph, "Andy," 85, President of Norwood Monumental Works, on Feb. 1. Army Air Force as an Military Police Officer in Germany during WWII and the allied occupation. Andy was a lifetime member of the Norwood Elks Lodge Lodge #1124 and past exalted ruler from 1964 - 1965, as well as brother of the Knights of Columbus, Norwood Council 252. Andy enjoyed golfing, cribbage, and his "westerns." Andy was the second-generation president of Norwood Monumental Works since 1964. His hard work, dedication and craftsmanship can be found in several towns, cities and states. But he mostly left his trademark in Norwood, which he loved. He was deemed by many as the "hardest working man in Norwood." He truly loved creating beauty out of stone. A love he has passed on to his son, AJ, third generation president. Born in Norwood. Beloved son of the late Carmine D. and Elena (Pantano) Mazzola. Beloved husband of the late Barbara A. (Concannon) Mazzola. He was the loving father of Susan B. Leak, Karen E.

Deaths

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"This is one volunteer opportunity that doesn't require a large time commitment," says Ruth Taeger, Executive Director of the pantry. "Deliveries hardly ever take over an hour. Yet they're vitally important - and deeply appreciated by all those folks who might not otherwise be able to get the food they so urgently need."

If you think you might be able to help, please call Barbara at 781-762-7053 to volunteer or find out more. Or visit the pantry, which is located in the basement of Grace Episcopal Church at 150 Chapel Street, Saturday mornings between 8:20 and 11 a.m. to discuss the possibilities...or to make a donation of non-perishable food.

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THE DIVORCE/ SEPARATION GROUP,

An eight-week support group for divorced or separated people covering the emotional stages of divorce and offering healing and support, will be offered at the First Congregational Church in Norwood beginning on Wednesday, February 13, 2013. The group will be led by a professional counselor specializing in divorce issues, and participants are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

The First Congregational Church is located on the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The series will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm and the cost is \$90. Pre-registration is requested. To reg-

ister or for more information on the series, please call the church office at (781)762-3320.

NORWOOD YOUTH SOCCER SPRING INTRAMURAL REGISTRATION

The Norwood Youth Soccer deadline to register for the Spring 2013 Intramural program U5 to U9 is Feb. 17. A \$10 late fee becomes effective after this date. All players who register late will be placed on a wait list, and will not be guaranteed a spot on any roster.

If you registered and need to complete payment, please be sure to do so prior to the deadline, or you will be wait listed.

Please visit www.norwoodsoccer.com and click "Registration" for more information. Please Register online at www.norwoodsoccer.com

CLEVELAND SCHOOL ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

The Cleveland School PTA is hosting its annual Trivia Night Fundraiser, on Friday March 1, at 7pm. Stump! Trivia is returning, and we have many great raffle and silent auction items available that night including sports tickets, youth sports registration fees, local restaurants, and regional attractions. Tickets are available, \$20 per person or book a table by 2/27 for \$175. For tickets, more information, or to donate, please contact Jayne Ford jayneford@verizon.net.

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FEBRUARY 17TH DEADLINE FOR NYS SPRING INTRAMURAL REGISTRATION

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Sports



The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) recently unveiled a new postseason structure for football.

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MIAA unveils new football postseason format

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

It's a new day in Massachusetts high school football.

More importantly, it's a new day for Norwood football.

While the process has been on going for years now trying to get the MIAA to change the way the high school football playoffs are ran, final appeals and decisions on where certain teams will be competing next season have almost been wrapped up over the past week or so.

For starters, instead of 19 total championship games between Eastern, Central and Western Massachusetts, there are going to be six divisions, with six championship games all taking place at Gillette Stadium starting next season.

This is probably the best part of the new divisions of high school football, based solely on the fact that every kid playing football in the state will now be able to dream of winning a state title on the field where the Patriots play. In year's past, within three or four games you probably already knew if your team had a shot to play for a title. However, you

never knew whether that year was going to see you playing in Gillette or at one of the local colleges. Clearly, this wasn't fair to some of the athletes looking to achieve a dream scenario.

One of the worst elements of this change though, will be the lack of tradition being maintained for Thanksgiving Day games.

While games and some ri-

valries will still go on, most of them may not have the same effect for most towns if their team is not in postseason contention. Sitting players or possibly even calling up large chunks of JV teams to maintain your healthy playoff position is going to take away from the

MIAA

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Coach John Sarianides and his squad will be part of Division 3 Southwest, including teams such as Hopkinton, Stoughton and Milford.

PHOTO BY KEVIN STONE

Girls Hockey fights to 8-8 tie with rival Dedham

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Just when you thought the Norwood girls hockey team was indestructible and was going to make a long tournament run, they have a week like they did last week.

Not only did the Mustangs only pick up one point while not winning a game, they gave up a total of 13 goals in two games, a very uncharacteristic problem that will quickly need to be fixed before the tournament starts in roughly three weeks.

To start the week, the lady Mustangs ended up tying Dedham in an 8-8 hockey game.

"It obviously wasn't the result we went in for, but by the end of the game we were celebrating the tie. A true team effort on the goal scoring output," said assistant head coach Molly Barefoot.

In the combined 16 goal outburst, it was three goals and an assist from Emily Kelly, two goals from Sammy Hayes and a goal and three assists from Kacie Smith to help lead the way.

Assists from Lisa Moynihan, an assist from Jenny O'Donnell and an assist from Katie O'Brien also helped fill up the stat sheet.

Last but not least were the two goals and two assists from senior Karyn Colomey including, the game-tying goal with 5.1 seconds left to help Norwood hold off what would have been an extremely detrimental loss at this point in the season.

Following the near fiasco against Dedham, the girls then fell to Bay State rival Wellesley at 5-2 in a fairly ugly game, although the score may be a bit misleading.

"Unfortunately the game was closer than the score reflects," admitted Barefoot.

The biggest goal against the Raiders was scored by Jenny O'Donnell, who also played well at both ends of

the ice, doing a nice job of forechecking as well as making the back check every shift. Colleen Glaser and Shannon Gillis were also strong on defense for Norwood in the loss.

Perhaps the best part of a loss like this was the timing of it.

With roughly two weeks left of conference play remaining in the season, such an experienced squad now knows the routine. It's moments like that where you always hear of-a team turning things around just in time for a playoff push after an unexpected turn of events, such as the games last week.

No matter what the sport, as long as you are peaking as a team and playing your best when the playoffs roll around, nothing in the regular season matters. And while these girls were never satisfied with the tie and don't usually see the positives in a loss, that is the sign of a winning program.

While some confidence in this team might be shaken after last week, their's is not, and that's all that matters.

"We will continue to work hard as we face our final two weeks of Bay State play," said Barefoot.

"This group doesn't view any loss as a 'good loss', but a strong team will take a look at what went wrong and work as a team to better themselves for this last stretch and the playoffs."

In other words, now that the losses and poor defensive performance should be out of the way...let's drop the puck.

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The new postseason format for MIAA football is a two-year pilot program that will test the new format before making it official.

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rare New England tradition of 10 AM football on Thanksgiving. However, the question then becomes would you rather beat your rival on turkey day, or play for a state title? Most towns will probably deal with the lack of tradition for a chance to begin building new tradition.

As for Norwood, the Mustangs (as of now) will be placed in Division 3 Southwest. What does this mean? It means that only Walpole and Norwood will remain together out of the Bay State conference. Norwood is now slotted in with teams such as Milford, Stoughton, Hopkinton, North Attleboro, Medfield, Oliver Ames and Hingham along with some others to complete the 12

team bracket.

More of an impact is going to be placed on early season games now as well. No longer will teams be able to ease in to their season. Instead, all and any win that can be gained early will be crucial.

Now, it's not fair to expect this change to bring sudden success to the Mustang program based on some of the struggles that the squad went through last year. However, the level of competition is much more level for the Mustangs than it has been in recent seasons. The Mustangs, if all goes well, SHOULD be one of the better teams in their "division" based solely on experience and talent. Teams such as Milford, who will be under a new head coach

are going to have a lot more to learn and go over. The familiarity that Norwood's stable program has established should work much like the most recent NHL season has so far.

The more you know already, and the less change that your program has to make, the better off you will be. Everyone is going to be starting at the same point this year with a bit of curiosity and the element of the unknown.

The bottom line is, the Mustangs now have a fair shot at stepping on the field at Gillette Stadium once November rolls around again, and that's not something that could be said over the past few years.

Let the new era in Massachusetts High School football begin.

and could only manage two victories. The Redhawks have now won the regular season Bay State Conference title for 11 straight years and it showed in their performance against Norwood.

Mark Saulnier came up with a first period pin at 195, which has been the norm for the outstanding Norwood grappler his entire career. Heavyweight Javier Cardona wrestled into the third period before turning his opponent and pinning him for Norwood's other big highlight on a night that was otherwise empty.

"As a wrestling team, we are all focused on the upcoming tournaments, starting with the sectionals this Saturday," said head coach Dan McQuade.

This is one of the hardest tournaments this Mustangs will see all season. It is long, grueling, and truly tests their ability to stay focused for a long period of time while trying to keep their bodies in the right condition throughout every match.

McQuade believes Norwood could make a little noise and surprise a few people throughout the Massachusetts wrestling season over the next few weekends.

It's also a time where team goals start to disappear and individual performances are encouraged. During sectionals, it is truly every wrestler for himself, an old cliché that never really rings true in high school sports until now.

"This is the time of year

Cheerleading sets for competition

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

Remember us?

That's what the Norwood cheering team must be saying as of late.

While football season leaves them in the spot light a bit more than basketball season does, the defending state champs are still around, and it's almost time to start paying attention to them again.

With competitions slated for the next few weeks, and a second straight bid to nationals lost during the fall, this spring is a bit of a redemption tour for both the lady and male Mustangs.

"This team has been hard at work retooling a new routine for the winter season. After a disappointing score at States and missing a National Bid by less than 1 point, they are determined to redeem themselves," said head coach Lisa Verrochi in a recent interview.

When the squad lost out on another national bid during the fall campaign, it would have been easy and understandable if they sort of folded and just accepted the fact that this may not be a repeat type of year.

However, Verrochi has maintained a strong work ethic within this group, and a state title is still not only possible but is now an expectation heading into the winter competitions.

That state title does not come easy though, and often requires a lot of change and

risk taking during different routines. This squad is fully aware of that and is going all out to try and make the necessary adjustments.

"This new routine's we've tried to develop have much more difficulty than in the fall. The stunts are more challenging, tumbling is varied and we are performing two pyramids," explained Verrochi.

"These are some big changes for us in hopes of obtaining the score necessary to gain back our State Title and earn a National Bid to Florida," added Verrochi.

The team is competing this Saturday at the Medway Invitational, and next Wednesday 2/13 at the Bay State Competition. Both competitions reveal an opportunity for this version of the Norwood cheer squad to recapture some of the spirit and karma they developed while making an amazing run to a state title last year.

Only time will tell whether they can do it again, but one thing is sure, the Mustang cheering squad is going to make themselves be heard loudly and proudly, and the city should be ready to take notice.

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Wrestlers eyeing state tournament

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

It's been another tough season for the Norwood wrestling team.

The team has struggled all season with a tough schedule and lack of depth and experience, but the Mustang grapplers continue to take to the mat as the season winds down and sectionals are set to begin next week.

Tournament time in the wrestling community is one of the more exciting times, with the best wrestlers in the state hoping to advance all the way to the New England's in March.

This past week, the Mustangs hosted a very solid Natick team on Wednesday

and any experience that has been gained can now be put to good use, and hopefully a strong end to the 2013 season can propel the Norwood wrestling program into more of a recruiting roll for next year.

McQuade also mentioned some of the other less experienced wrestlers who will be taking on the bear that is sectionals.

"Also focused on the upcoming sectionals are JJ O'Donnell (126), Mike McDonough (152), Richard Gallagher (220), Greg Williams (120) and the rest of the guys, most seeing sectional action for the first time and gaining more experience in the process."

when each individual wrestler can set their own goals, and go try to accomplish them," explained McQuade. "I'm hoping our two senior captains can achieve them. Mark Saulnier (195) and Javier Cardona (285) have been working hard and appear ready for this weekend."

The biggest problem for Norwood all year has been a lack of depth in the program as well as a lack of experience throughout the entire lineup. And while the Mustangs went winless in their team matches during the season, a lot of wrestlers have gained experience in some pressure situations that they may not have been ready for.

Well, this is now the biggest pressure situation of all,

Boys Basketball back on track after injuries

Kevin Stone
Staff Reporter

It hasn't been perfect, but it's been effective.

Since getting their true team back after a long line of injuries, the Norwood boys basketball team is rolling.

Last week, the Mustangs got a huge win over Framingham on Tuesday, then Dedham later on in the week for their fifth straight win. While the tournament is still a possibility, the only thing that will get them there is continuing the team brand of basketball that they have been playing since getting some of their key players back.

"This game was a great team win," said head coach Rich Cormier. "We came out with great energy and probably played our best defensive game of the season."

Pat O'Rourke led the way for Norwood with 12 points and nine rebounds. Dan Flahive added 10 points, three rebounds and drew two important charges.

"Richie Saad and Rodney Jean-Marie also had strong games (along with O'Rourke they too are returning from injuries). We had contributions from a lot of guys. Our bench played terrific minutes for us with solid games from Jake Ryan, Tom Eckhardt and Nick Pietrzak," added Cormier.

The key for Norwood's latest run to move them to 5-9 is health, as it would be for any team looking to make a surprise late season push.

"It is certainly nice to be at full strength (Pat and Richie are still not 100 percent but are playing through it)," admitted Cormier. "But we need to take our season one game at a time. We have won four in a row but our only focus is on Dedham Friday night who beat us at our place by three in a game that began our injury string," Cormier said following the huge Framingham win.

"Hopefully we can keep the energy level we had Tuesday night for the rest of the year and good things will follow," Cormier said.

And keep it going they did.

The game against Dedham was one of the better basketball games as it was back and forth for three quarters-with Norwood actually down two after the first quarter, up five at halftime, and down one after three quarters before finishing the game in an absurd 17-2 run sparked by a three pointer from Chris Bell.

Chris had his best game this season for Norwood with 15 points, eight rebounds and six assists. Flahive put together another solid game with 11 points, six rebounds and five assists.

Captains' Saad and O'Rourke continue to play steady basketball for Norwood since coming back as Saad netted 12 points, three assists, two steals, while O'Rourke chipped in 10 points, four dimes and five blocks. Jake Ryan and Rodney Jean-Marie both



Nick Pietrzak drives to the basket, as Charlie Crockett clears some space in the paint.

PHOTO BY GIL HAYLON

played excellent defense and continue to provide a spark off the bench for Norwood as well.

"I hope last night was a turning point being our fifth win in a row but more importantly, our first road win," said Cormier following the win.

Dedham actually recaptured the lead in the third quarter of this game, giving Norwood a chance to fold at that point on the road.

O'Rourke went down with another ankle injury (this time his other ankle) but was able to return to the game to start the fourth quarter.

Norwood then responded

with a great defensive effort and some timely three-pointers by Chris Bell, Flahive and O'Rourke down the stretch to close things out.

"I am not sure that we are necessarily rolling as we still need to put it together a full 32 minutes (and our record is

still 5-9)-we really have only done that once-versus Needham," cautioned Cormier.

They may not have put a full 32 minutes together yet, but they are surely making the last few games of this season interesting down the stretch.

Boys Basketball Schedule

Dec. 11 vs. Bishop Feehan L 44-42
 Dec. 14 vs. Milton W 43-39
 Dec. 18 at Brookline L 57-43
 Dec. 20 at Braintree L 56-52
 Jan. 4 vs. Dedham L 53-50
 Jan. 8 at Wellesley L 51-39
 Jan. 11 at Natick L 67-37
 Jan. 15 vs. Walpole L 51-33
 Jan. 18 vs. Weymouth L 73-56
 Jan. 22 at Milton L 60-45
 Jan. 23 vs. Hampden Charter W 72-21
 Jan. 25 vs. Framingham W 71-68 (OT)
 Jan. 29 Needham W 55-40
 Feb. 1 at Dedham W 54-40
 Feb. 3 at Bishop Feehan L 73-50
 Feb. 5 vs. Wellesley L 55-57
 Feb. 8 vs. Natick 6:30
 Feb. 10 at Hampden Charter 11:00
 Feb. 12 at Walpole 6:30
 Feb. 14 at Newton North 6:30
 Feb. 17 at Westwood 7:00
 Feb. 19 at Westwood (Opponent TBD)



Charlie Crockett scores a hoop against Wellesley Tuesday night. The Mustangs would fall to the Raiders in a tight game.

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Mazzola, and Andrew James Mazzola "AJ." Loving grandfather of Stephanie Collins, Sandi Hannah, Renee Belanger and Ryan Mazzola, and five great-grandchildren, dear brother of Eleanor Axtell of California, Priscilla Coffey of Sharon and Beverly McCafferty of Scituate, and the late Livia DiBona, Gilda Radzwill, C. William Mazzola, Eva DeVito, Esther Zambella, Louise Kelter, Gladys Serafenelli and Uncle of many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment will follow at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contribu-

tions may be made in Andy's memory to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Donor Services, P.O. Box 4072, Pittsfield, MA 01202 or www.lls.org/waystohelp or to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241 or www.heart.org or Massachusetts Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, MGH Development Office, 165 Cambridge St., Ste. 600, Boston, MA, 02114.

MICHIENZI

Helen E. (Porcaro), 84, of Norwood died on Jan. 28. Beloved wife of the late Lt. Thomas J. Michienzi, Norwood Police Dept. Devoted mother of

Thomas J. Michienzi Jr. and his wife Karen of Attleboro, Debra J. Watson and her husband Thomas of Foxboro and Janis E. Murphy and her husband Brian of Norwood. Loving sister of the late Joseph, George, Carmine, Louis, Anna, Margaret, Mary and Elvira. Cherished grandmother of Kevin A. Michienzi, Thomas J. Michienzi III, Meredith Lee Murphy and Brian J. Murphy. Daughter of the late Domenic and Consiglia (Manganiello) Porcaro. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral, Norwood. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215-5450.

SLATTERY

Joseph T., 47, Natick firefighter of Norwood, on Jan. 27. Beloved husband of Maureen E. (Flaherty) Slattery with whom he shared 13 years of marriage. A six-year resident of Norwood he was born in Natick, the son of Joseph F. and Jeanette M. (Gay) Slattery. Mr. Slattery was a dedicated Natick firefighter for 15 years, most recently as Driver on Engine Number 3, and was a Fire Department Dispatch Operator for the prior 11 years. He was a proud member of Firefighters Local Union # 1707, and was a member of the Natick Firefighters Relief Association,

the PFFM and IAFF. Joe was passionate in his devotion for the firefighter profession and was known for his total commitment and enthusiasm for fire training and education to improve his own skills and those of his fellow firefighters. He was a devoted father to his children and volunteered at their Parish and School of St Catherine of Siena in Norwood. In addition to his wife and parents he is survived by his three cherished children, Liam J. Slattery, Caitlin M. Slattery, Brendan C. Slattery, all of Norwood, one sister, Donna M. Cohen and her husband Ron of Natick, two brothers, Daniel P. Slattery and his wife, Donna, of Natick, Michael J. Slattery of Brighton, his father and mother-in-law, Charles "Bud" and Patricia (O'Connor) Flaherty of Quincy, brother and sister-in-laws, Daniel Flaherty and his wife Kirsten of Quincy, Susan Murray and her husband Michael of Milton, Cheryl Flaherty of Quincy, nieces and nephews Shannon, Lainey, Mike, Kimberly, Jeffery, Eryn, and Brian, Luke, Danny, Olivia and Grace. Burial will follow in St. Patrick Cemetery. Funeral arrangements by the John Everett and Sons Funeral Home, Natick Common. Expressions of sympathy may be made in his memory to: The Slattery Children's Education Fund in care of the Dedham Savings Bank P.O. Box 9107 Dedham MA 02062.

SWEENEY

Edward J., 92, of Norwood, on Jan. 29. World War II U.S. Army Veteran. Member of the Norwood American Legion Post, Norwood K of C, Norwood Elks and a member of the Boston Boot and Shoe Club. Edward was a retired Salesman for the Reuping Leather Co. He was very active in the Norwood Senior Center and very active in the the Norwood Nuggets Youth Hockey. Beloved husband of the late Delite A. (Anderson) Sweeney. Devoted father of James M. Sweeney and his wife Jean of IL, Patricia Sweeney and her late husband Phil Cota of VA, Nancy Chamberland of VT, Kevin R. Sweeney and his wife Brenda of Norwood, Edward J. Sweeney Jr. and his wife Lorraine of Norfolk, Stephen C. Sweeney and his wife Karen of Norwood and Mark C. Sweeney and his wife Janet of Norton. Son of the late Edward J. and Harriet (Carey) Sweeney. Cherished grandfather of 19 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Dear friend of Virginia Mitchell. 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 the Norwood Senior Center 275 Prospect St. Norwood, Ma 02062.

School Lunches

Norwood Elementary Schools, St. Catherine K-5, Willett Kindergarten:

- Feb.11:** Chicken Nuggets, sweet potato fries, dinner roll, or pizza lunch, served with carrot pack 100% apple juice.
 - Feb. 12:** Presidential Pasta, Monroe's meatballs, Grant's green beans or Grover Cleveland's cereal lunch, served with black beans salad, mixed green & fresh orange.
 - Feb.13:** Fish & Chips, breadstick, or pizza lunch, served with red pepper strips, Cole slaw, 100% fruit punch.
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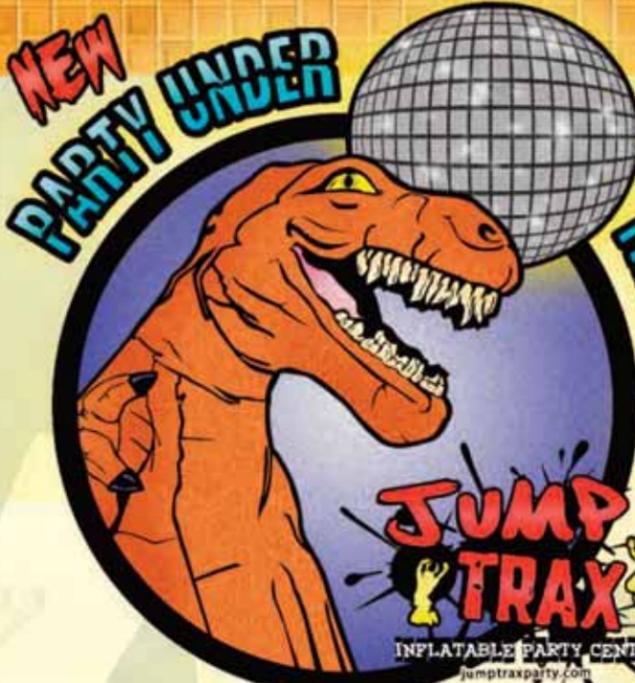
- Feb.11:** Chicken Nuggets, spicy spiral fries, carrot coins, fiesta corn salad, dinner roll, fresh apple.
 - Feb.12:** Chicken fajita, seasoned chicken, onion, peppers, ww tortilla, black bean salad, pear cup.
 - Feb. 13:** Mozzarella Sticks, warm pizza sauce, breadstick, Caesar salad, marinated veggie salad 100% grape juice.
 - Feb.14:** Honey Rib-u-Que on a roll, criss cross my heart fries, corn on the cobb, tomato & cucumber salad
 - Feb.15:** Norwood Own pizza, Garden salad, Peach cup.
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Norwood High:

- Feb. 11:** Chicken Nuggets, spicy spiral fries, carrot coins, fiesta corn salad, dinner roll, fresh apple. Vegetable of the day all lines Fiesta Corn salad, special pizza of day Olive wrap of the day Mardi Gras Wrap.
 - Feb.12:** Chicken fajita, ww tortilla, onion, peppers, Vegetable of the day all lines, Black Bean salad, special pizza of day Hawaiian, wrap of the day Mardi Gras Wrap.
 - Feb.13:** Mozzarella Sticks, warm pizza sauce, breadstick, Caesar salad, 100% grape juice. Vegetable of day marinated veggie salad, special pizza of day Veggie r, wrap of the day Mardi Gras Wrap.
 - Feb. 14:** Honey Rib-u-Que on a roll, criss cross fries, corn on the cobb, Strawberries & cream. Vegetable of day Tomato & basil salad, special pizza of day Meatlovers, wrap of the day Mardi Gras Wrap.
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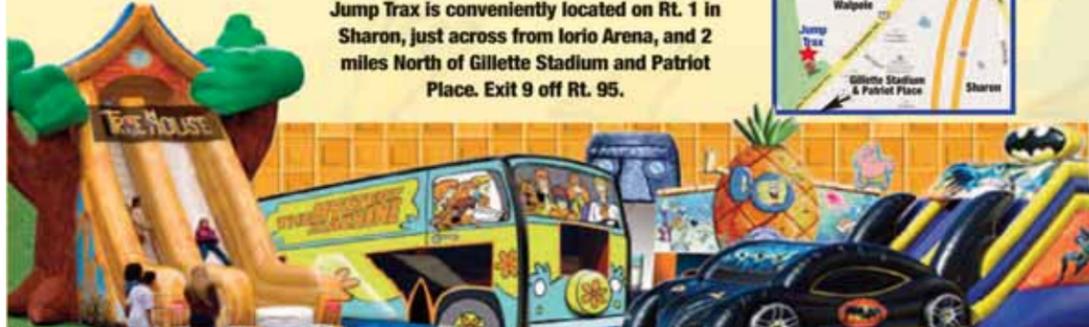
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0127 phone - Suicide / or threat Location/address: Garfield Ave Party was located and transported to hospital.

0753 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Dunkin Donuts - Nahatan St Caller reports syringe on ground in lot facing Mobil. N661 sent and located and disposed of same.

0802 phone - Breaking and entering Location/address: Francesco Demolition - Carnegie Row Foreman reports locks were cut on gates and attempt was made to steal scrap metal.

0838 phone - Assist citizen fire dept notified/respo Location/address: McKinley Rd NFD responds for water leak in the house.

0851 phone - Serve summons services rendered Location/address: Saunders Rd Subject moved to Austin and located there for service.

0856 phone - Serve summons services rendered Location/address: Austin St Service made with the parent for the juvenile.

0934 911 - Death at home Location/address: Lansdowne Way Hospice patient.

1100 phone - Larceny Location/address: St Catherine of Siena School - Nahatan St Larceny

1458 phone - Citizens complaint spoken to Location/address: Monroe St + Railroad Ave Motorist concerned with the lack of traffic supervisor at the intersection with school ending at the Callahan. Officer reports traffic supervisor on scene upon his arrival.

1704 initiated - Susp person spoken to Location/address: Broadway + E Cottage St N661 stops a bicyclist riding in middle of street. N661 spoke to him, advised.

1747 walk-in - Larceny Location/address: Jefferson Dr. Walk-in reported larceny of a package.

1920 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Andrus Pl Caller reported loud music. Officers spoke with resident, advised.

2049 phone - Susp activity Location/address: Spruce Rd Cleaners, cleaning out cellar, placed what they believe is a hand grenade, outside near shed. NFD sent. State Police Bomb Squad removed same.

Wednesday Jan. 30

0943 phone - Susp person services rendered Location/address: Neponset St Resident reports w/male 6', dk clothing walking in area came across lawn and looked in window but, continued toward E Cross St. Off Harkins familiar with individual who is a meter reader.

1119 phone - Complaint of m/v citation fine Location/address: Howard St Caller reports mv parked completely on sidewalk in front of her house.

1133 phone - Breaking and entering services rendered Location/address: Grover - Wheelock Ave Homeowner arrived home to second fl window open, she believes items have been moved around house. Victim of break last week, broken window blew open. Officers checked interior, everything appears in order.

1427 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Ridgewood Dr + Access Rd Suspicious male in dark grey hoodie, baseball cap. He was in area earlier today and is now back. Officer familiar with subject who works in area. Officer checked with employer, checks out.

1440 phone - Threats Location/address: Respite House - Beacon Ave Subject threatened via phone.

1706 phone - Breaking and entering Location/address: Westview Dr Report door kicked in sometime today. State police assisted with perimeter until home was searched.

Thursday Jan. 31

0033 phone - Susp activity area search negative Location/address: Lansdowne Way

Caller reports while walking his dog, a male party in dark clothes and hoodie was looking in cars with flashlight. N664,n661 responded and checked area.(tx reg# bs3x709) door found open to one vehicle. Everything appears to be in order, n661 secured vehicle.

0149 -911 - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Golden Living Center (formerly Emerald Court - Washington St Transfer call from state police reporting female resident stated she believed someone was trying to break into building. N661,n664 responded and spoke with staff as well as resident. She was confused but well. Area checked and secure.

0316 phone - Well being chk services rendered Location/address: Alandale Pkwy Caller broke up with girlfriend and she did not take it well and he is concerned for her well-being. N662,n678 responded and spoke with girl and parents.

0528 phone - Wires down other Location/address: Chapel St + Savin Ave Caller reports neighbors wires down and arcing. Nothing found by n678

1040 phone - Domestic spoken to Location/address: Balch School - Washington St Caller reports domestic outside Balch with operator of Uhaul Truck and woman and baby outside of truck. Officers spoke to caller and also couple. They were arguing about how to load truck. No other issues.

1151 phone - Alarm-burglar services rendered Location/address: Ellis Ave ADT reports side motion .

1306 phone - Citizens complaint services rendered Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Two people in radiology arguing. Matter resolved.

1448 phone - Illegal trash disposal Location/address: Good and Evil Convenience Store - Vanderbilt Ave Illegal trash dumping in trash bin.

1752 phone - Report of fire police & fire notified/r Location/address: Yew Dr Caller reports her neighbors house in on fire. N678 n661 sent. Norwood fire responded. Smoke caused by burnt food.

1824 phone - Susp activity Location/address: Savin Ave Caller reported possible past attempted break and entry.

1833 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Hazelwood Dr Caller reported seeing a suspicious vehicle several hours ago in neighborhood, requested to speak to an officer. Officer reported vehicle not suspicious.

1849 walk-in - Susp activity Location/address: Jacobsen Dr Caller reported suspicious person has approached him several times to purchase his trailer.

2127 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Chateau Restaurant - Bos-Prov Hwy Two vehicles broken into. N678 sent.

2230 phone - Assist other police depart taken/referred to other Location/address: Rose Ct Dedham pd looking for MA reg#733tw3 left the scene of a mva in Dedham possibly dk. Bolo put out to cars. N661 n663 sent. Vehicle was located it had extensive front end damage and airbags were deployed. No answer at the residence. Dedham pd notified.

2302 phone - B& E of motor vehicle Location/address: Sky Restaurant - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller report someone broke into her vehicle. N661 sent.

Friday Feb. 01

0717 initiated - Fire alarm services rendered Location/address: Press Ave Caller reports fire alarm sounding for past several hours. NFD notified and states new owner having problems with alarm and notified alarm co. Who will be coming out to rectify. N662 responded and checked the exterior of home. All appears to be in order.

0847 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Buckminster Dr Caller reports a black suv parked out front of apt, with broken front window & golf club under vehicle. Vehicle is not hers, but, she states it's been there for several days.

0951 phone - Susp activity services rendered Location/address: Richland Rd Sp vehicle in the lot . Officers and BCI determine he was parked there with permission from the

homeowner

1145 walk-in - Recovered mv Location/address: K St Backhoe on Concannons property. Stolen out of Canton, Canton pd to handle.

1429 phone - Susp activity gone on arrival Location/address: Washington St Caller reports male is shooting at cars with hand motions as they drive by. Goa.

1436 walk-in - Vandalism Location/address: Engamore Ln Resident in station to report vandalism to vehicle overnight.

1517 radio - Susp activity building checked/secured Location/address: Hazelwood Dr Anti crime units notice screen broken. Check of home, appears wind blew it. House checks ok and secure.

1612 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Rock St Caller reports sp activity around the time of a house alarm next door. N669 sent and spoke to male party.

1656 phone - B & E of motor vehicle Location/address: Engamore Ln Car b&e.

1733 initiated - Susp activity Location/address: Whitewood Cir. Officers off with sp parties.

1809 phone - Susp person gone on arrival Location/address: Broadway Worker reports he believes there is an underage male in the store possibly in possession of alcohol. Area checked for male and could not locate.

1932 phone - Disturbance Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Caller is er staff reporting female making disturbance in er, n667 and n664 responded. N667 returning one in custody pc.

2158 phone - Assist fire dept area search negative Location/address: Hill St Female hit her lifeline button. When NFD arrived she reported some type of noises from in front of her house. Area checked with negative results.

2245 phone - Under age party services rendered Location/address: Stearns Dr Caller reports kids in a car in the empty lot next to her house and she believes they may be drinking. N664 n667 sent. Area checked with negative results.

Saturday Feb. 02

0119 phone - Loud party spoken to Location/address: 48 Lenox St - Lenox St Caller reports loud party. N669 n661 sent. Officers spoke to residents.

0232 initiated - Susp vehicle arrest(s)made Location/address: Thompson Rd Arrest: Myers, Andrew Stephen Address: 32 Lavender Ln Walpole Dob: 05/03/1995 Charges: unlicensed operation of mv

1236 phone - Susp vehicle area search negative Location/address: Whitewood Cir Report ma pc 28tw78 was parked in driveway for an hour, male and female in same. N663 checked for car-go, spoke to caller, people never exited car.

1441 phone - Susp vehicle spoken to Location/address: Juniper Dr Report ma pc 77np7, stopped in front of house diagonally across from Juniper Dr., male exited, smoking a cigarette and texting, eventually left. N664 locates car, this is family home, had child in car and did not want to smoke in car.

1639 radio - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: In the area of St Joseph Ave - Washington St Citizen reports to n678 that there was a male party running down the street with a face mask on. N678 to check the area. N678 spoke with individual who was out jogging. advised no to wear full ski mask because it was making citizens nervous.

1755 radio - Prisoner fed services rendered Prisoner fed by n679

1846 phone - Well being chk Location/address: P J Mulvehill Realty - Washington St Caller reports male party laying down on lawn appears to "passed out". N679 and n664 sent to investigate. Male party is intoxicated and placed into protective custody.

2016 radio - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Atwood Ave N678 report suspicious white male, blk hoodie, blk sweatpant (white stripe) walked behind a house when he saw n678. N678 and n409 checking the area. Male party located. He was the son of the resident of the house in

question.

2215 radio - Susp activity complaint/summons Location/address: Washarama - Washington St N409 reports suspicious activity. N679 sent to assist. As a result 4 summons issued. 3 for minor in possession of Alcohol and 1 for procuring alcohol for minors.

2339 911 - Assist citizen police & fire notified/r Location/address: Plymouth Dr Caller reports burning smell from outside his apartment for the last 20 mins. N669 and NFD sent to investigate. After a brief investigation it was determined someone had burnt popcorn in one of the adjacent apartments.

Sunday Feb. 03

0515 911 - Breaking and entering Location/address: SW Sector - Atwood Ave Caller reports he heard a noise in his basement and found a Hispanic male there. Male fled the scene, N678,n669,n661,n662 responded.

1223 phone - B& E of motor vehicle Location/address: Engamore Ln

1556 phone - Drunk person Location/address: Cedar St Report visitor for 2nd floor apartment is drunk and causing a disturbance. One male placed in pc.

2009 radio - Fireworks spoken to Location/address: Nichols St + Vernon St N679 reports fireworks erupting at the intersection of Nichols and Vernon, n679 located party responsible, n678 also responded.

2310 initiated - Susp person arrest(s)made Location/address: Washington St N440 off with two sp males. Two placed under arrest. Naco notified to remove dog. Center to tow MA reg#3zsh70. Arrest: Squires, John F Address: 176 Prospect St Norwood Dob: 09/10/1969 Charges: railroad track, walk/ride on Burglari-ous instrument, possess Arrest: Angier, Stephen Address: 336 Broadway Apt. #3C Everett Dob: 02/02/1960 Charges: railroad track, walk/ride on Burglari-ous instrument, possess

Monday Feb. 04

0048 initiated - Vandalism arrest(s)made Location/address: Hannaford Market - Walpole St One under arrest for malicious damage.

0050 phone - Susp activity gone on arrival Location/address: Heaton Ave Caller reported male being dragged in the street. Officers questioned three parties in the area, nothing suspicious found.

0821 phone - Assist other agency services rendered Location/address: Fern St Canton pd request notification of individual who may have been involved in hit & run accident. No one home when Officer checked. Will try again. 02/04/2013 1148 Canton pd was able to get in touch with subject. All set.

1023 walk-in - Larceny Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Female left purse at hospital yesterday and now it is missing.

1243 phone - Larceny spoken to Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Caller reports he is patient at hospital and his pants, wallet, and Iphone are missing. He was transported from Sharon and items are there. Advised.

1415 phone - Susp activity services rendered Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St Possibility of fight at h.s. Between a couple of kids. Counselor to one of them called but, did not know the whole story. Officers advised. No signs of a fight.

1659 initiated - Motor vehicle stop arrest(s)made Location/address: Washington St + Howard St As a result of stopping MA pc 281kr4, n663 places subject Under arrest and transports to station. N669 reports Properly licensed person took car. Arrest: Foley, Andrew Address: 14 Killeen Rd Walpole Dob: 05/19/1988 Charges: warrant arrest

1710 phone - Mischief (kids) gone on arrival Location/address: Elm St Report 2nd incident in a week's time, teenager, black hat, rings doorbell and runs away. N661 sent but re-assigned. N669 eventually checks area-subject is goa.

2115 phone - Disturbance Naco/waco notified Location/address: Walpole St Resident of old derby vlg. Reports screeching noise from outside to the left side of complex. Naco. Reports Fisher Cat noise during mating season. N663 reports it ran off upon seeing officers.

SENIOR NEWS

AFTERNOON DANCE: This month's dance with John Rampino will be held on Friday, Feb. 8th at 1:30. Cost is just \$5.00.

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

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

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 1:00 to 3:00p.m.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Hel-lenic Health Care will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month, at noon. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon. The Walpole VNA will now be doing blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of the month at noon.

BOOK CLUB: The Book Club will be meeting on Monday, Feb. 25, at 10:00a.m.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Tuesdays at 9:15 and Thursdays at 9:30 in the Library. The Tuesday group has room for new players if you'd like to join them.

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

COUNCIL ON AGING: There will be no COA meeting in February. The next COA meeting will be Thursday, March 7th at 1:00p.m.

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

DIABETES WORKSHOP: The Diabetes Workshop will meet on Thurs, Feb. 28th at 11:00a.m.

FOOT DOCTOR: Dr. Cormier is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 12th and February 26th, from 9:00a.m. to noon. Cost is \$25.00. Please call for appointment

FRIENDS DANCE: Friday, Feb. 15th at 7:00p.m. The DB Band will be playing for you enjoyment.

GLEE CLUB: The Glee Club meets on Tuesdays at 11:15a.m.

HISTORY TALK: The next History Talk will be on Thursday, Feb. 7th and February 21st, at 1:00p.m. It will be an ongoing discussion of the War of 1812.

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

PING PONG: Our ping-pong table is available for anyone to play. Just ask at the front desk.

PROPOPE: The Propope group will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 20th at 1:00 p.m.

SCRABBLE: Our Scrabble players meet in the library every Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Come and join them for a game.

SHINE: Our SHINE Counselor, Carol, to help you with your medical insurance needs on Tuesdays from 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointment.

TRIAD: The Triad meeting this month will be on Monday, February 25th at 1:00p.m..

WATER COLOR: The next sessions are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 14th at 9:00 and 12:30p.m. Payment must be made at signup.

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

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

Lunch and a Movie: Friday, Feb. 28th, 1:00p.m. \$5.00 Hope Springs with Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones

PLEASE NOTE: THE TRIPS FOR MARCH AND APRIL HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION.

March 15: Women of Ireland, Venus DeMilo, Swansea, MA, Transportation, Luncheon and show \$74.00 pp

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Didn't quite make it

Norwood Firefighters responded to a vehicle accident at the Morse Street Bridge Monday afternoon. One person was injured in the crash and was transported to Norwood Hospital with minor injuries. Traffic was tied up for about 1 1/2 hours while a tow truck pulled the stuck vehicle out from under the bridge.



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Library Events

ELLEN SCHWARTZ & ROGER BRUNO PERFORM LOVE SONGS AT THE LIBRARY

Romance will be in the air on Sunday, February 10 at 3 p.m. as the Musical Sundays series continues at the Morrill Memorial Library. Ellen Schwartz and Roger Bruno, the popular duo known as "Too Human," will present an encore performance of love songs and "good music with a lot of heart."

Ellen's earthy, soulful voice perfectly complements Roger's unique percussion style and stirring vocals, resulting in music with a jazzy, bluesy feel and great on-stage chemistry. Former songwriters in L.A., these New York natives have performed widely in New York City, Washington D.C., Saratoga Springs, Hartford, and Worcester, and have produced two live CDs.

Please register for this free concert, made possible through the support of the Library Endowment Fund, at the Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. The library is accessible to the physically challenged.

FICTION TO FILM SERIES AT THE LIBRARY

The final movie in our "Fiction 2 Film" series—"Sideways"—will be shown at the Morrill Memorial Library on Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. Adapted from Rex Pickett's 2004 novel of the same name, this award-winning film follows Miles (Paul Giamatti), who is distressed about his lack of success as a novelist, and Jack (Thomas Haden Church), an equally undistinguished actor about to be married. In a last-ditch effort to sow their wild oats before the wedding, Jack and Miles take off on a road trip to California's wine country.

Please sign up at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. We recommend that you read the book before we watch the film. Funding for the movie license is provided by the Friends of the Library, and complimentary popcorn is donated by Regal Cinema, Bellingham. The library is handicapped accessible.

"STORY OF STUFF" PARTY AT THE LIBRARY

Come to the Morrill Memorial Library on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. for an evening of short films and discussion based on the inspirational "Story of Stuff" project by author Annie Leonard. The organization Together Yes, dedicated to promoting sustainability, will show eight brief films narrated by Leonard and documenting what happens to the stuff we buy, where it comes from, what it costs in terms of economics and environment, and what we can do about it. After watching these informative documentaries, we will have a brief discussion and enjoy some light refreshments. Sign up for this free event at the library Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. The library is accessible to the physically challenged.

PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AT LIBRARY

President Lincoln (as portrayed by Phillip A. Chetwynd) is passing through Norwood on Tuesday, Feb. 12 and has agreed to hold a press conference at the Morrill Memorial Library. President Lincoln said he would first outline how difficult the Civil War has been and how his administration has seen the country torn apart. The President said he would be pleased to entertain questions from the local newspaper and the public. He plans to be here at 7PM and is most pleased that the Friends of the Library and the Norwood Arts Council are covering his expenses. Please call 781-769-0200 x110 to register for this visit or stop in at the library. Phillip A. Chetwynd began reenacting Abraham Lincoln in 1988 after studying the Civil War and Lincoln's presidency, his family life, and his political views. He has appeared all over the country in schools, colleges, libraries, museums, centennials, conferences, historical societies and many other functions as well as the White House.