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Norwood honors its Veterans



Norwood veterans turned out for the annual Veterans Day festivities on Nov. 11. The day began with a Mass at St. Catherine's Church followed by the Veterans Day Parade, which stepped off from Balch Elementary School and ended at the the Town Common. Ceremonies were also held at the Dempsey Bandstand following the parade. All American flags in town were flown at full-staff from sunrise to sunset.

PHOTO BY PAUL ELDRIDGE

Planning Board discusses preliminary CPA plans

Christopher Roberson
Staff Reporter

During last week's General Election, Norwood was one of 10 new communities to adopt the Community Preservation Act (CPA) by a vote of 60.9 percent to 39 percent.

"Now the work begins," said Planning Board Chairman Debbie Holmwood during the board's Nov. 14 meeting. "I want everybody to get involved."

Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said he has already drafted the CPA bylaw, which will be needed to form the CPA Board.

He said the bylaw is currently being reviewed by Town Counsel Brandon Moss and will then go to the Board of Selectmen before being voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2017.

Halkiotis said a nine-member CPA Board would include one representative from the Planning Board, the Board of Selectmen, the Housing Authority, the Conservation Commission and five at-large members.

"That's the beginning of it," he said.

In addition, Holmwood said she would like one of the at-large members to be an attorney.

Halkiotis said the CPA Board will also need to establish an application process for project proposals.

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"There needs to be contracts, schedules, there needs to be calendars," said Halkiotis, adding that residents' tax bills will also need to be changed to reflect the CPA's \$33 yearly surcharge.

Holmwood also said that she spoke with Stuart Saginor, executive director of the Boston Community Preservation Coalition, about conducting CPA training sessions for Norwood officials.

In other news, the board voted to increase its budget request to \$212,949 for fiscal year 2018 — \$90,000 more than what was allocated for the current fiscal year. The breakdown of the proposed increase included \$55,000 for an assistant town planner, \$30,000 to update the Open Space and Recreation Plan and \$5,000 to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

"The budget clock has started ticking," said Halkiotis.

He said the town's Human Resources Department recently conducted a study, which looked at the staffing of Planning Boards in 14 communities similar to Norwood.

The study revealed that Norwood's Planning Board has the fewest number of staff members with Halkiotis and Administrative Assistant Claire Murphy who is retiring on June 30, 2017.

Therefore, one of Halkiotis' suggestions was to hire an assistant town planner and keep the administrative position at

part time for an increase of \$55,000. The other options he presented included hiring an assistant planner and elevating the administrative position to full time for \$85,000, hiring an assistant planner and eliminating the administrative position for \$25,000, increasing the administrative position to full time with no assistant planner for \$30,000 or to maintain level-funding.

Vice Chairman Ernie Paciorkowski said he understood the need for more staff.

"We're understaffed right now, we're 14 out of 14, we're last right now — a second planner is deserved," he said, adding that for years the Planning Board has settled for level-funding.

Clerk Alfred Porro said administrative support is a necessity.

"You don't want to hire a planner and now he's doing administrative work," he said.

Holmwood agreed with Porro.

"Paul needs help, he can't do it all, we need to go to bat for him," she said, adding that in addition to an administrative assistant, having high school interns or recent retirees could also be a consideration.

"I think that's a selling point to FinCom," she said.

Also, Holmwood cited the merit of having an enforcement officer to ensure that developers adhere to the board's decisions.

"I drive around town and they don't do what we spent two hours talking about," she said.

Regarding the staffing options, Holmwood wavered from her colleagues and cast her support for hiring an assistant planner and eliminating the administrative position for an increase of \$25,000.

"We would get more of our money's worth with an assistant town planner," she said.

Halkiotis also said the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan has timed out after six years and needs to be updated.

He said the total cost for updating the plan would be \$20,000, according to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. However, Halkiotis said he will find out in March 2017 if Norwood was approved for a grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency. Should that be the case, the cost to the town would drop to \$5,000.

Lastly, Halkiotis said the town's Open Space and Recreation Plan needs to be updated and bears a \$30,000 price tag.

"It can't just be a photocopy of the old plan, we have to change some things," he said.

Halkiotis said a current plan must be in place to be eligible for grant funding.

"Everyone does them, all the towns do them," he said.

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Selectmen grant Castle Island Brewing CV license and pouring permit

Christopher Roberson
Staff Reporter

Castle Island Brewing will now have a bit more than just two-ounce beer samples for its customers following unanimous approval from the Board of Selectmen for a common victualers license and pouring permit.

During the Nov. 15 meeting, owner Adam Romanow, joined by his business partner Matthew DeLuca, described the advantage of having a pouring permit.

"It would allow people to come to the brewery and drink a beer on the premises," he said. "This is an additional revenue stream for us and a marketing tool."

Romanow said the new licensing will enable him to add "10 to 15" new jobs.

Chairman Allan Howard also made sure that Romanow and DeLuca understood the level of responsibility that comes with having a pouring permit.

"We are very concerned with our alcohol establishments over-serving," he said. "You have to be conscious of that because we're mean guys when we have to be."

In response, Romanow said any beer that has more than eight percent alcohol will be served in an eight or 10-ounce glass. He also said that there will not be any televisions either.

"We don't want this to be a sports bar, that's when people tend to overstay their welcome," said Romanow.

Romanow also assured the selectmen that everyone on his staff has completed ServSafe training and are TIPS-certified as well.

"We have too much on the line to run it any other way," Romanow said of the brewery, which he opened at 31 Astor Ave. in December 2015.

However, Romanow said he intends to work with catering companies for food service, as the brewery is not set up for food preparation.

"The food truck idea is something that most breweries do three to five days a week," he said.

Selectman Paul Bishop raised concerns about food service on the days the trucks are not at the brewery. Therefore, he asked that the availability of "prepared munchies" be added as a condition of approval.

"We're very happy that you chose to come to Norwood, but we want to make sure we protect everybody," said Bishop.

Having recently visited the brewery, Howard complimented Romanow and DeLuca on the cleanliness of the establishment.

"One thing I observed was how clean the place was; it was sparkling," he said.

In other news, Town Clerk and Accountant Thomas McQuaid updated the board on the town's financial status.

"We have good news on free cash," he said.

McQuaid said the town increased its free cash balance to \$4.34 million this year to earn an AA Plus bond rating. He said last year's balance was \$2.15 million and the free cash balance in 2010 was \$1.08 million.

Although \$1.3 million is pulled from free cash every year to balance the town's budget, McQuaid said that money has still been saved by not granting full departmental budget requests.

"The big thing is the budgets we turned back," he said.

McQuaid then discussed the condition of Norwood's Stabilization Fund.

"It's our real rainy day fund," he said.

McQuaid said the fund currently holds a balance of \$3.37 million. Although this represents an increase from \$3.02 million last year, the fund peaked in 2013 at \$5.14 million.

McQuaid also said Stabilization money is treated differently from other accounts.

"If it's in the Stabilization Fund, it's invested a little more aggressively," he said.

Lastly, McQuaid discussed

the components of Gov. Charlie Baker's Municipal Modernization Act.

"This was the Baker Administration's attempt to streamline things for municipal administrators," he said.

McQuaid said that a new public records law will take effect on Jan. 1, 2017 and will require "one or more records access officers." He said the law also mandates that municipalities respond to records requests within 10 business days rather than 10 calendar days.

McQuaid also said a five-member Board of Trustees is needed for the town's Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) account, according to a law which took effect on Nov. 7.

Therefore, he suggested that town adopt Chapter 32B Section 20A of the Massachusetts General Laws to "establish a legal trust" for OPEB.

"I'd really like to see this board take the lead on that," he said.

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To the Editor:

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*Tom & Valerie Brannelly
Norwood*

HUTCHENS FAMILY SAYS THANKS

To the Editor:

The Hutchens family expresses our sincere gratitude to the first responders to the tragic aircraft accident on July 16, 2016. Also, our heartfelt thanks for all the kind expressions of sympathy for our loss on July 20.

*Diane Hutchens & Family
Norwood*

REGARDING LAST WEEK'S CHAPEL STREET ARTICLE

To the Editor:

They say a picture is worth a thousand words. The photo of 82-84 Chapel St. shows only one side of this building. Only the raised flat portion of this land is visible. My home of more than 25 years is down a driveway abutting but below and behind Mr. Angelo's property.

“Attorney Hilliard is arguing that (the plaintiffs) don't even have standing to bring the case.” We disagree. If these plans become reality, they will cause over-sized problems to our neighborhood in traffic, drainage, and other as yet unforeseen issues.

Atty. Hixon was wrong when he said “there was never any widespread community opposition toward the project.” Our neighborhood group hired legal counsel and 16 families were present at the ZBA hearings about Mr. Angelo's special permit to build eight one-bedroom condominium units. All of those 16 neighboring families are property owners, tax payers and citizens of Norwood. All 16 and more oppose the ZBA granting Mr. Angelo special privileges. ZBA Chairman Riley statement that Mr. Angelo's development project would bring “\$150K per year in new property taxes” sounds too optimistic. Anyway, what about the current property taxes that the neighbors and abutters pay to the Town of Norwood and their responsibility to abide by Town Zoning Bylaws?

Zoning Bylaws special permits are granted based on the proposed change “not being substantially more detrimental than the existing non-conforming use to the neighborhood.” Does “existing non-conforming use” refer to the restaurant being only two feet from the sidewalk when the required setback is 20 feet? Mr. Angelo did not ask for a further variance for his new parking lot(s), new retaining wall(s), street parking space(s), two foot set back from the sidewalk, and “temporary” storage space. Apparently, none of these changes require a special variance. It is only the increased and changed footprint of the building itself that requires special permission by the ZBA.

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A rendering of the 18 townhouse-style condominiums, which will be built at 60 Lenox St., the former site of Concannon's Village Pub.

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Concannon's property finally sold in \$1.5 million deal

Christopher Roberson
Staff Reporter

After 18 months on the market, the property at 60 Lenox St., which was home to Concannon's Village Pub for 42 years, was recently sold to John Marini, owner of Marini Management for \$1.5 million.

Going forward, Marini said he intends to build 18 townhouse-style condominiums, known as Lenox Village.

Split between two buildings, there will be four three-bedroom units and 14 two-bedroom units on the 1.4-acre parcel. According to the project's renderings, the av-

erage size of each unit will be 857 square feet.

Marini said each two-bedroom unit will have a one-car garage and each three-bedroom unit will have a two-car garage.

Marini said he has also worked out a preliminary price plan.

"They're going to sell in the \$500,000 range," he said, adding that he is currently accepting applications from prospective owners.

Marini said construction

began in October and is scheduled to be completed late in the fall of 2017.

Marini also constructed the 51 residences at nearby Lenox Station in 2005.

"I'm a builder, I'm always looking for land and I love Norwood," he said.

However, Marini's original request for 20 units triggered a zoning variance as only 14 units are permitted under the town bylaws.

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After going before the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) twice in May, Marini was given a special permit for 18 units.

Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said the two-unit reduction was a fair deal for both the ZBA and Marini.

"I think it was a reasonable variance, a reasonable request," he said. "They got what they could live with, it was a good compromise."

Halkiotis also said he was impressed with the property's \$1.5 million price tag.

"That's a lot of money for a little over one-and-a-third acres, definitely location, location, location," he said.

Stephen Woelfel, a vice president at Colliers International, the seller of 60 Lenox St., said he was pleased with the sale price, adding that very few negotiations were needed.

"We were happy to get that number and it was certainly for the right buyer," he said, adding that "300-400" companies were initially interested in purchasing 60 Lenox St. "We put together an extensive marketing plan."

However, Woelfel said Marini took the most proactive approach to acquire the land.

"John Marini was the most aggressive to close," he said. "John was the right fit to purchase it."

Woelfel said one big draw is that Lenox Village will only be a four-minute walk to the Norwood Depot Commuter Rail Station.

Therefore, he said the development will lend itself more towards "recent retirees and empty nesters."

Selectman Paul Bishop

said he will support Marini just as he supported Concannon's owner Thomas Concannon.

"Concannon's Village has served our community well over the last 40-plus years, the Concannon family can be proud of the service given to our town," said Bishop. "Now we can look forward to Canton developer John S. Marini bringing a complex to Norwood that we all can be equally as proud of and that will serve the housing needs of the community."

However, Selectmen Chairman Allan Howard said he disagreed with the project.

"The town doesn't need any more multi-family units, we already have 6,000 in Norwood," he said. "The units they're putting in there are for a bedroom community."

Howard said four families, who used to live on his street, moved out of Norwood to find senior housing elsewhere.

"What we need is over-55 housing," he said.

Howard said if more condominiums are going to be built, a more suitable location would be in the wooded areas around Technology Way and University Avenue.

"That's a big area up there, to buy a condo in the woods would be dreamland," he said.

However, Howard said the chances of that happening have grown slim as developers only seem to be interested in dense housing.

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Norwood names citizens of the month for October



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Abundant Table to close for good

Christopher Roberson
Staff Reporter

Open Door still going strong

Despite the impending closure of The Abundant Table at the end of the year, Pastor Kevin Smith of the United Church of

Norwood is only expecting a moderate increase in the number of guests served by his Open Door ministry.

"If the numbers do increase,

I expect more of a rising tide than a sudden flood," he said, adding that numbers have fluctuated between 20 and 45 guests in prior years. "When the weather is nicer and travel is easier numbers tend to rise and when the snow falls and travel becomes more difficult the numbers decrease. If jobs are plentiful the numbers tend to fall. As the economy constricts the numbers rise."

Smith also said Open Door volunteers always overcompensate for how much food is needed at any given time.

"Everything we need we have on hand in quantity," he said.

Although there were some

early discussions with officers from The Abundant Table about transition plans, Smith said that line of communication has since gone silent. He said The Open Door began after The Abundant Table left the United Church of Norwood "some eight years ago" and began operating out of the First Congregational Church.

"Stuff happened eight years ago - before my time - that caused pain on both sides," Smith said of The Abundant Table's departure from the United Church of Norwood.

However, he said both ministries always strived to serve the less fortunate residents of Norwood and the surrounding

area.

"What matters is that both The Abundant Table and The Open Door went on to meet the needs of folks that needed a hand or just a friendly place to share a meal," Smith said.

With the motto: "No one sits alone," Smith said The Open Door has thrived without ever holding a single fundraiser.

"The kindness of the church, friends, volunteers and the occasional stranger is our support structure," he said.

Smith said that over the years, The Open Door has grown to be much more than a soup kitchen.

"We want to feed folks - but if feeding was all we were about we could give them vouchers to McDonalds," he said. "When we share a meal in a common room we share a presence."

At the end of September, Abundant Table President Aislynn Rodeghiero received written notification from the Board of Trustees of the First Congregational Church instructing the organization to leave within 60 days.

Rodeghiero said she was told by the board that the eviction resulted from a "personality conflict."

However, board Chairman Ed DeJesus said that was not the case and that First Congregational could no longer meet the needs of The Abundant Table.

"They deserve a space better suited to their needs," he said.

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Leah, a daughter of the House of David, travels to Bethlehem and is inside the inn when Mary and Joseph knock at the door; a Shepherdess in Bethlehem bears witness to the host of angels and the miracle of what lays in the manger; and finally Anna, the Seeress in the temple declares the identity of the baby when He comes for baptism.

As Jesus' light comes into a world of darkness, this inspiring and joyous presentation illuminates the doubts and triumph of each of the women as her hope and faith is renewed in God, herself, and life. Admission is free and open to the public; one bag of canned groceries is requested from each family as a free-will donation to the Ecumenical Food Pantry. This event will be on Dec. 3 at 3 p.m. located at Grace Episcopal Church.

HELPLIGHTUP THE CIRCLE OF HOPE

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, Dec. 3, 2016 on the Town Common. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 15 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation say the luminaries are a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year, more than 1,600 luminaries were lit on the town common. Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each from any Foundation board member, by calling 781-762-3549, or by mailing your check and messages to The Circle of Hope Foundation, 24 Myrtle St., Norwood MA 02062. Luminaries can also be purchased at the Norwood Civic Center and Murph's Place in Norwood. The purchaser can designate a short message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on their luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 5 p.m. and the Foundation members hope that residents and friends will come out and be a part of the evening's events which include the luminaries, music, entertainment and refreshments.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is a non-profit organization established to support Norwood residents who need assistance due to a catastrophic medical occurrence. Last year the foundation gave more than \$90,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The foundation was established in 1998 in memory of Michelle Kennedy, a young Norwood resident, who suffered with leukemia. During Michelle's battle the entire Norwood community, many of whom did not know Michelle, joined together and it is in that spirit that the Circle of Hope Foundation plans to continue. For more information or to purchase a luminary please call (781) 762-3549.

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The nomination forms are available at the Library and the Civic center or by requesting them from the committee at the above address. Co-Chairs: Mary Connolly Dave Laronde Tel: 781-769-5564.

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Sports

Are they doing the Bay State Shuffle?

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Norwood High School Athletic Director Jon Longley held a "League Affiliation Presentation" on Monday night in order to gain feedback on the state of the Norwood athletic program within the Bay State Conference.

Longley had issued surveys to all Norwood High coaches – varsity head coaches, varsity assistants, junior varsity and freshman – and received a 70 percent "yes" rate based on the following question: Are you in favor of changing from the Bay State Conference (BSC) to the Tri-Valley League (TVL)?

"The coaches put a lot of thought into their answers, and I know in the last few months I've had a lot of good dialogue with the coaching staff," Longley said to a crowd of roughly 100 people.

Longley noted at the beginning of the meeting that Norwood has not applied for a spot in the soon-to-be 11-team Tri-Valley League – a figure it will reach once Dedham High School joins at the completion of the current school year.

By the same token, three schools have already applied

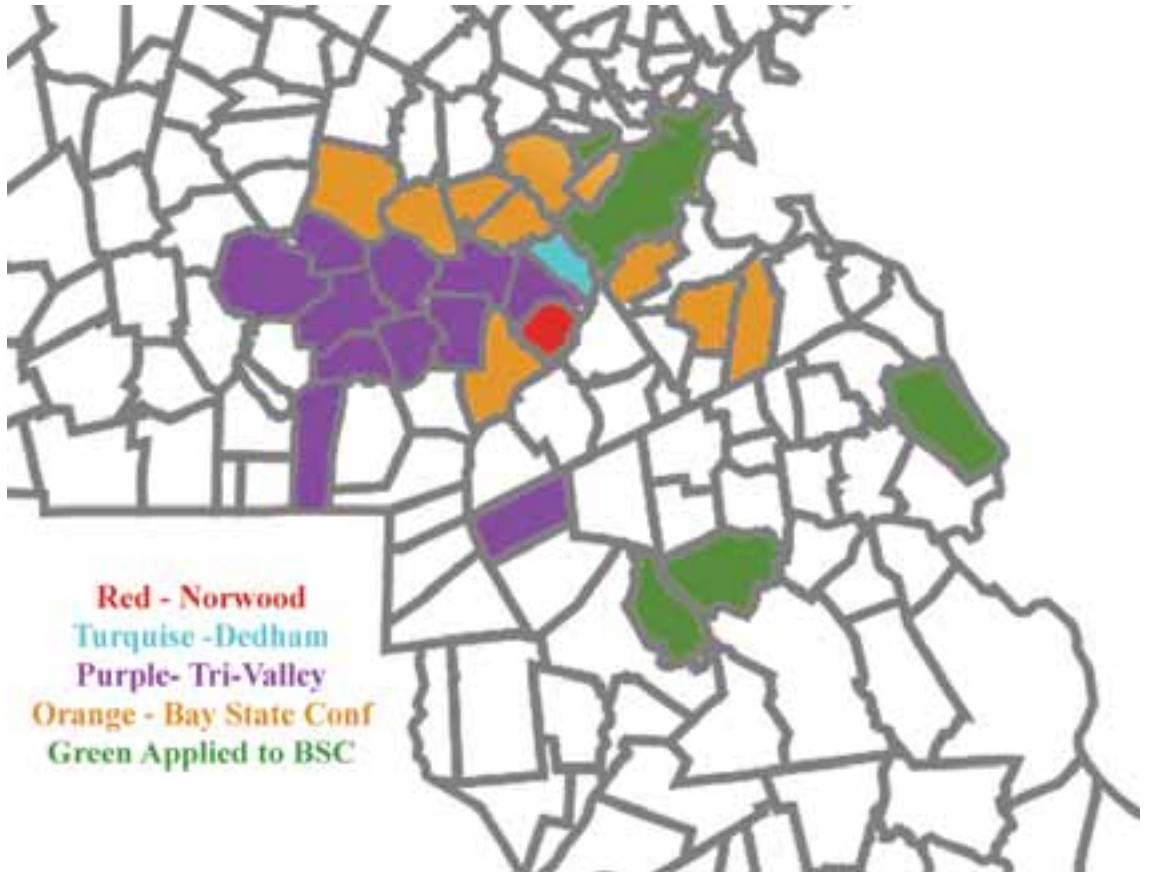
for the spot in the BSC soon to be vacated by Dedham: Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School, Marshfield High School and the Boston Latin School.

With student enrollment one of the main factors driving Norwood's exploration into the TVL, news of the three schools' interest in the BSC would further put Norwood High's current student population of 967 into focus.

Bridgewater-Raynham, which currently houses its teams in the three-member Old Colony League, had a student population of 1,528 in the 2015-16 school year. Marshfield, which currently houses its teams in the five-member Atlantic Coast League, had a population of 1,341 in 2015-16.

Boston Latin, which is currently a member of the 11-team Dual County League, had 2,439 students last year – 1,649 between grades 9 and 12 – and would enter the Bay State's Carey Division if it joined, thereby sending Braintree (1,573) to the Herget.

"It's not the only factor, there are lots of varying factors that contribute to a successful program," Longley said regard-



Dedham's departure, coupled with rumors of Norwood's exit, have sparked a true Bay State shuffle, which could have an effect on conferences from the New Hampshire border all the way down to Cape Cod. The Bay State Conference, highlighted in Orange, threatens to become even more spread out if Marshfield, Bridgewater-Raynham and/or Boston Latin join the league; the three towns in which those schools reside in are highlighted in green.

GRAPHIC BY JEFF SULLIVAN

ing student enrollment. "We continue to have work to do whether or not we're in the Tri-Valley League."

Over the last three school years (2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-

16), Norwood's cumulative record in all BSC events is 287-602-22 – a .323 winning percentage. Only field hockey, girls basketball, baseball and softball have posted winning

records over the duration of that stretch.

Three quotes from coaches (given anonymously) were seen

BSC

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Blue turns to grey: Reen a Greyhound

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Meghan Reen made it official last week, signing her National Letter of Intent (NLI) to continue her basketball career at Assumption College next year.

After giving her verbal commitment to the school in Worcester last November, Reen said she had no second thoughts when the time came to put the pen to the paper and become an official member of the Assumption Greyhounds, Class of 2021.

"I knew that Assumption was a perfect fit not only for athletics, but for school in general," Reen said. "I

loved it there. I realized it was the right fit from going to practices and games and seeing the atmosphere during them. The coaches and players were awesome and I could see myself going there 100 percent."

Reen, a senior point guard for Norwood, said she received interest from a few other schools, but through it all knew Assumption was where she wanted to be.

"Making my decision was the hardest part, but it was the best part," she said. "You work so hard and put in so many hours with AAU and high school seasons that you can't believe that

Reen

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Meghan Reen will be playing basketball collegiately at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass., an NCAA Division II school which competes in the Northeast-10 Conference.

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as part of the presentation; one was in favor of a move to the TVL, one wanted to stay in the BSC and one was unsure of what to do.

"I wish there was an undecided option," said one coach. "I'm not sure that switching leagues would be a solution to our problem because the Tri-Valley League is also a very competitive league...Finally, Norwood has a long tradition of being a member of the Bay State [Conference]. I feel that many people in the town will be opposed to it."

"Too many time-honored traditions," said another coach. "I do not believe changing leagues due to class size is a valid reason for changing, as

Norwood High graduate who currently attends Elon University in North Carolina.

As a member of the baseball team, Ryan won a state championship in 2015 on a Mustangs team that went 9-7 within the BSC (10-10 overall) before ripping off six straight wins in the Division 1 state tournament.

But he also was a member of the soccer program, which won just three conference games in his four years at Norwood High.

"I'm a little torn by it," Ryan said of the potential realignment. "In terms of baseball, we always kind of took pride in being in the Bay State Conference. We never shied

Norton nips Norwood, 21-14



Steve Kalil, pictured above, had quite the game against Norton, but was unable to help close the gap and bring a victory to Norwood.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

The Norton Lancers ran out the clock on Norwood Friday night, dealing the Mustangs their seventh straight defeat by a score of 21-14.

It was the closest margin of defeat Norwood has faced during the seven-game losing streak, which matches last season's seven-game skid following a 3-0 start.

Still, Mustangs head coach Jim Tighe was relatively upbeat after the game, citing some big time performances from Tony Ortega

and Steve Khalil.

"He had a monster game," Tighe said of Khalil, a senior captain who starts on both the offensive and defensive lines for Norwood. "He's just dominating up front. He almost took control of the game at some point. From the middle of the second quarter into the fourth quarter, he was just dominating."

Ortega's big night included a pair of long touchdown runs, each tying the game at their various jun-

ture. The junior tailback broke a 32-yarder to tie the game at 7-7 on the first play of the second quarter, while a 78-yard dash evened things at 14-all on just the second play of the third quarter. He finished with 166 yards on the ground, the most by a Mustang since George Mason's 196 yards on Sept. 10 vs. Framingham.

But wrapped around Ortega's first touchdown were a pair of special team

Football

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Norwood AD Jon Longley, pictured above, will have help from NHS principal Jonathan Bourn and the Norwood School Committee in deciding Norwood's conference affiliation going forward.

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they fluctuate each year."

"I think that Norwood is starting to have a difficult time competing at a high level in the Bay State [Conference]," said the coach in favor of the move. "I think there are a lot of factors that play to that, but the largest one being school size. The Tri-Valley League average school size is closer to what we see here in Norwood."

Rivalry records vs. Walpole and Dedham were also given by Longley, compiling all varsity events vs. the Rebels and Marauders from the last two school years.

Norwood went 12-57-4 across all sports vs. Walpole (a .174 winning percentage), but 41-25-4 against Dedham (.621).

Someone who played in a great deal of those contests was Cam Ryan, a 2016

away from the better competition of the bigger schools.

"However, most of the school's teams would benefit a lot from the switch over. As much as I think baseball should stay in the BSC and can do well in the BSC, [Jon] Longley has 30 or so teams to worry about, so he's going to do what's best for the majority of the teams."

Longley indicated he'd like to hold another public forum on the matter at a later date.

The final say on whether or not Norwood stays in the league it has called home since 1958 will be a joint decision between Longley, Norwood High School principal Jonathan Bourn and the Norwood School Committee.

No move out of the Bay State Conference could take place until the fall of 2018 at the earliest.

Historic Volleyball season reflected upon



Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Norwood Girls Volleyball Wrap-Up By Jake Levin
Winning double-digit Bay State Conference games, bypassing the Sullivan rule and winning a tournament game.

Those were just a few of the

accolades for Norwood's girls volleyball team this season, a group which head coach Paul Nimblett won't forget any time soon.

"It's always great to win, but it's even better to do it with a great group of players," Nimblett said. "This year was definitely a special group of players and we had

some great memories I will cherish forever."

The Mustangs, seeded sixth in the Division 2 South region, lost to the No. 3 Dennis-Yarmouth Dolphins in the quarterfinals last Tuesday, 3-0.

But along the way Norwood

Volleyball

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Meghan Reen scored her 1,000th point for the Mustangs in a game last season vs. Walpole.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

day actually came and you made a decision, but it was the best feeling.”

Reen has been a star since she set foot on campus for the Mustangs, with unparalleled consistency. She averaged 15 points per game as a freshman in 2013-14, with her scoring increasing incrementally to 16 points per game as a sophomore and 16.7 as a junior last year.

Additionally, Norwood has gone a step further as a program in each of Reen's first three seasons. The Mustangs made the tournament her freshman year, hosted a tournament game her sophomore year and finally won a tournament game last winter.

“I am so happy for Meg making it official with Assumption,” Norwood girls basketball head coach Amy Lepley said. “She is one of the hardest workers I know and deserves this so much. This is only the beginning for her, as I know she has a very bright future ahead of her.”

Reen's contributions have always involved more than just scoring for the Mustangs; last season, she filled the stat sheet out by averaging seven rebounds, five assists and 3.5 steals per game.

“A ‘Meghan Reen’ type player is every coach's dream, so it truly has been a privilege to coach her,” Lepley said.

Alex DaLuz, who

coached Reen her first two years at Norwood before he left to take the boys basketball head coaching job in his native Seekonk, said that Reen's instincts are unmatched and that Assumption is getting a star.

“Meg is an amazing talent and has one of the highest basketball IQs around,” DaLuz said. “I think she made a great decision choosing a school that heavily-courted her where she should be able to play right away.”

“Selfishly, I'm glad she's staying local so I can continue to watch her play.”

Assumption competes in the NCAA Division II Northeast-10 Conference, which has four other schools located in Massachusetts: Stonehill College (Easton), Bentley University (Waltham), Merrimack College (North Andover) and American International College (Springfield).

With her college decision now officially out of the way, Reen can now set her focus on her senior season for the Mustangs, which begins on Friday, Dec. 16 at home vs. the Braintree Wamps.

But she said she knows she wouldn't have gotten to this point without plenty of help along the way.

“My teammates, coaches and family were all a big help in making my decision,” Reen said. “I wouldn't have done it any other way.”

(16-6) more than tripled its win total from a season ago (5-16), and won as many games this season as the previous three combined.

Perhaps most impressive all, the Mustangs finished 11-5 in Bay State Conference play, the first time the program has won double-digit league games since 2002.

The postseason win over No. 6 Falmouth was the first of its kind in Nimblett's tenure in Norwood, as was a regular season win over Natick.

“It feels really good knowing we backed up the regular season with a tournament win,” Nimblett said.

“This has been a few years in the making,” he continued. “I kept telling the girls after we lost in last year's first round [vs. Duxbury], ‘now you know how it feels to get here, let's surpass 10-10 and really go after it next year.’ And this year, that was the goal from the preseason. I had the senior leadership, with play-

ers who were gamers, who wanted to win and fought every single night to do so.”

A core group of seniors led by Krista Bradley, Meghan Reen, Aly Copponi and Emma Fleming, as well as junior Kiki Ryan, took their share of lumps as underclassmen.

The payoff of some trying seasons was a Division 2 All-State team spot for Ryan, who was also a Bay State Conference first team all-star along with Reen and Bradley. Copponi received a BSC honorable mention.

“It's been a long time since the program has had this kind of success,” Nimblett said. “I'm really happy they could cap their Norwood volleyball career off with this type of season.”

Bradley served at 90.3 percent for the Mustangs, while recording 229 service points and 86 aces—all tops in the Herget Division. Her aces total was good enough for sixth in the state amongst Div. 2

teams.

Ryan had 214 kills, second in the Herget, and finished in the top 10 in blocks (40), service points (121) and aces (55).

Bradley and Reen had 113 and 104 kills, respectively, each in the top 10 in the Herget.

Ryan heads the group of returning players, and figures to be the key cog in avoiding a regression for Norwood next season.

“I feel like this was definitely a program-changing season,” Nimblett said. “We're losing some talent, but we have a core group of players coming back and I know they'll play in the offseason and get even better for next season.”

“They were able to be part of something special this year, and I know they'll want to continue this success for the future. We play in a tough league, and I know they'll come ready to compete next season.”

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blunders by Norwood, one of which resulted in a touchdown, another which set one up.

McKinley Kearsley put Norton ahead 7-0 with a 69-yard punt return off a three-and-out by the Mustangs, and Kearsley returned the kick after Ortega's touchdown 71 yards all the way to the Norwood 10, enabling Mat Junkins to run it in on the Lancers' first play from scrimmage on the drive.

“We made some fundamental mistakes and special teams hurt a little bit,” Tighe said. “But on a positive note, the kids played hard. We played a little bit better on offense and we moved the ball.”

Norwood forced two turnovers in the second quarter, with Reuel Toney coming up with a fumble recovery and Coleman Ivory with an interception.

The Mustangs defense continued to play well into the fourth quarter, forcing a Norton three-and-out at the very beginning of the frame to give themselves a chance to take the lead.

Facing a third-and-5, however, Norwood lost a fumble, giving the Lancers the ball at the Mustang 28. Three plays later they'd take the lead for good on a 1-yard sweep left by Andrew Raneri, 21-14, a score which held for a final.

“We're back to work, getting ready for Thanksgiving,” Tighe said. “Dedham gave us fits the first time and I'm sure it'll be the same. It'll be a dogfight and we're looking forward to it.”

Norwood will host the Marauders on Thursday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m. It will be the final meeting between the schools on Thanksgiving Day as Bay State Con-

ference rivals, although the matchup will continue into next season and beyond as a nonleague game, whether Norwood joins Dedham in the Tri-Valley League or not.

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SECTION A - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID TOWN OF NORWOOD, MA

Sealed bids will be received up to 11:00 A.M. (Verizon time), **December 5, 2016**, in the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following Public Project:

Rooftop Unit Replacement (RTU-4) - Norwood Public Safety Building

The complete bid package may be obtained in the Purchasing Department during regular business hours or may be downloaded online by registering at: <https://bids.norwoodma.gov>. The bid must be filled out and signed as directed herein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the Purchasing Department, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder, and marked, “**Rooftop Unit Replacement (RTU-4) - CONTRACT #NFD-17-01**”. A pre-bid will be held on **November 29, 2016, at 11:00 A.M.** at the Norwood Public Safety Building, 135-137 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

Bids will be valid only when accompanied by:

1. A certified check or bid bond, by a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts satisfactory to the awarding authority in favor of the Town of Norwood and equal to at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price must be submitted with the Bid.

The successful bidders shall, within ten (10) days of notification of award, furnish the Town a performance bond and a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the first year award.

Bids shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with all statutes governing such contracts (MGL Chapter 30 and Chapter 149 as amended). Every General Bid shall be on forms furnished by the Town. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of General Bids, Saturdays, and Sundays excluded.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not properly equipped to undertake and complete the work. The right is reserved to waive any informality and to reject any or all bids or any part of any bid in accordance with the provisions of MGL as amended.

The Town of Norwood notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, creed or national origin in consideration for an award.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

Wages are subject to minimum wage rates under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D inclusive, as most recently amended.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to accept any part of a bid or the one deemed best for the Town. Questions can be addressed to Catherine Carney, Contract Administrator, Town of Norwood, at (781) 762-1240, Ext. 106 or 107.

BY: John J. Carroll, General Manager

ABDELNOUR

Gary P. of Norwood, Nov. 7, age 53. Beloved husband of Lisa (Whalen). Cherished son of Ernest and Roberta Abdelnour. Devoted brother of John and his wife Maureen of Pembroke, Daniel and his late wife Karen of Jamaica Plain and Marina Abdelnour of Norwood. Son-in-law of Sarah and Thomas Whalen. Loving uncle of Anthony Abdelnour and Daniel McLaughlin and also survived by many other nieces, nephews and friends. Funeral was from the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, 22 Oak St., HYDE PARK. A Mass of Christian Burial was at Most Precious Blood Church Hyde Park. Interment will be private at family's request. Gary was a Marine Corps veteran, an active Mason at Orient Lodge Norwood and he was involved in the Big Brother organization. Gary was also an avid fisherman.

ADAMONIS

WALTER S. a lifelong resident of Norwood passed away on Nov. 5, 2016 at the age of 95. Beloved husband of 68 years to Genevieve (Mazukina) Adamonis. Devoted father of Nancy J. Greeley and her husband John J. of Reading and Beverly A. Bonner and her husband James J.

of Norwood. Brother of the late Edward Adamonis and Jean T. Adamonis. Cherished grandfather of Walter E. Greeley and William E. Greeley. Son of the late Joseph and Anna (Taraskevich) Adamonis. Walter graduated from Boston Trade High School. He was a member of the former St. Peter's Catholic Church in Norwood and was the first baby baptized at the church which his father helped build. An avid card player earning more than 500 masterpoints, Walter was a member of the Puritan Bridge Club in Braintree. He enjoyed mushrooming, fishing, picking blueberries, clamming, world traveling, and the love of his family. Walter was a mechanic at Bird & Son and co-owned Installation Mechanics Co. Inc., both in Norwood; and later worked for Royal Zenith Co. in New York. Visiting hours were at Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, Mass. Funeral was at the Funeral Home. A Mass was at St. Mary Parish E. Walpole, Mass. Burial was at Highland Cemetery in Norwood, Mass. with US Air Force Military Honors. Walter was a WWII US Army Air Forces Veteran and a Korean War US Air Force Veteran. He was a flight engineer with a rank of T/Sergeant, ferrying airplanes around the world. He wrote three books in his 80s to preserve those memories: I Flew the Fireball, My Memories of WWII and My Memories of the Korean War.

BOUCHARD

John R. "Jack" 89, of Naples, Fla. (formerly of Marco Island, Fla. and Barnstable, Mass.) passed away peacefully on Nov. 3, 2016. Born June 27, 1927 in Norwood, Mass., he was the son of Nelson and Diana (Lamore) Bouchard. Jack enlisted in the Naval

Air Corps in 1945, immediately following high school graduation. After his honorable discharge from military service, he completed his Engineering Degree at Northeastern University in Boston, class of 1953. Jack is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Phyllis (McKeever) Bouchard, his sons Paul of Williamsburg, Mass., Rick of Sagamore, Mass., and Glen of Petionville, Haiti, his daughters Cheri Jardine and husband Jim of Norton, Mass., and Sue Will and husband Cary of Canton, Mass., his 13 grandchildren & 17 great-grandchildren, his sister Joan (Tom) Collins of Norwood, Mass., and many loved nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Barbara (Jack) Mulvehill also of Norwood, Mass. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Jack's Life Celebration that will be held on Saturday, Nov. 19 in the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, 48 Common St, Walpole, MA from 9 - 11 a.m., followed by funeral service. Interment with military honors will follow the service in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Memorial contributions in Jack's name may be made to "Lutheran Life Community Foundation", The Arlington of Naples, 7900 Arlington Circle, Naples, FL 34113 or to "Avow Hospice," 1095 Whipoorwill Lane, Naples, FL 34105.

CARROLL

Peter Brian "Pete" of Watertown passed away suddenly on Nov. 3, 2016 at the age of 78. Son of the late Peter J. and Mary (Keefe) Carroll of Dorchester. Brother of Dick and Diane Carroll of Norwood and Ellen and Stan Schwartz of New Hampshire. He was a one of a kind uncle of Richard, Christine and Jim Carroll of Norwood, Denise and Kevin Flaherty of Norwood and Liam Schwartz of Cambridge. Great uncle of Richard and Eddie Carroll and Ally and Tommy Flaherty of Norwood. Pete was a graduate of Northeastern University and a 40-year employee of Polaroid Corp. He was an avid BC sports fan and a member of the BC Pikes Peak Club. Pete was also a 50-year season ticket holder of the Boston Red Sox and Boston Bruins. He was a lover of jazz music and a longtime member of the Boston Jazz Society. For many years he was a counselor at the Poland Springs Cady Camp in Maine. Pete's zany sense of humor will be sadly missed by his family and his many, many beloved friends. At the request of the family all services will be private. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood.

CORDOPATRI

Lucia, Natalina "Lucy" (Pitaro) of Norwood passed away on Nov. 6, 2016 at the age of 87. Beloved wife of the late Francesco P. Cordopatri. Devoted mother of Ralph Cordopatri of Norton, Nancy Cordopatri of Norwood and the late Francis N. Cordopatri. Mother in Law of Ellen (Galvin) Cordopatri of Walpole. Loving sister of Stella Rotiroti of Canada, Luigi Pitaro of Norwood and the late Domenic, Rose, Joe, Grace, Nicola and Teresa. Cherished grandmother of Nicholas and Lindsay Cordopatri. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Lucy was a member of the Norwood Italian Lodge and the St. Catherine of Siena Church Lady's Sodality. Funeral was from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. A funeral mass was at St. Catherine of Siena Church Norwood. Burial was at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Catholic TV P.O. Box 9196 Watertown MA 02471 or to the Walpole Scholarship Foundation in memory of Francis N. Cordopatri, 3 West St. Suite #9 Walpole, MA 02081.

DEATHS**FRUCI**

JOAN P. (Drumme) of Norwood passed away on Nov. 8, 2016 at the age of 82. Beloved mother of Barbara E. Walsh and her husband Thomas E. of Norwood, Robert F. Fruci and his companion Lisa of Arizona, Michael J. Fruci and his wife Donna of Norwood, Patricia A. Dickson and her husband James of Norwood and William P. Fruci of Dedham. Sister of the late Mary E. Jennings. Daughter of the late John E. and Mary J. (Costello) Drumme. Cherished grandmother of five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Joan was a member of the Women's Auxillary for the Norwood American Legion Post #70 and Treasurer for the Norwood Debonnaires. A funeral home service was held at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St., Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to ALS Assoc. Massachusetts Chapter, 315 Norwood Park South, 1st Floor Norwood, MA 02062.

MORINI

ROBERT E. of Needham passed away on Nov. 4, 2016 at the age of 63. Beloved husband of Dayna (Paganis) Morini. Son of Florence M. (Bertoldi) Morini of Buzzard's Bay and the late Enrico Morini. Son in Law of Harry Paganis of Peabody and the late Patricia (Georgiou) Paganis. Loving brother of Ermando Morini and his wife Ruth of Holliston and Dennis Morini of Wareham. Uncle of Lora B. Morini of Boston and Kevin Goncalves of Wareham. Robert was a graduate of South Easton Technical High School and was a member of the Woburn Sportsman Assoc. A funeral mass was held at St. Catherine of Siena Church 547 Washington St., Norwood. At the request of the family all other services and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute P.O. Box 849168 of to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

PALLEIKO

Benjamin "Ben" of Newbury, N.H. and Westborough, Mass. died peacefully on Nov. 12 at the age of 75, after a decade of actively living with multiple myeloma. The courage and character he showed in dealing with his illness and approaching the end of his life was in keeping with how he always lived, and to the end he pro-

vided great comfort to his family rather than asking for any in return. Ben was born in South Norwood to the late Benjamin S. and Genevieve (Domohowski) Palleiko, in a home built by his grandfather, and grew up in Norwood. He earned a BS and MS in Electrical Engineering from Tufts University, and an MBA from Babson College. He was an engineer, both by training and mindset; he was analytic, intellectually curious about everything and solution-oriented. His professional career spanned over 45 years, including 16 years in the MIT Technology Licensing Office from which he retired in 2012. Outside of work, his lifelong passion was for flying and airplanes, and he was both a private pilot and enthusiastic attendee of any event related to aviation. Ben loved adventures of any type and traveled widely around the world on many trips that are fondly remembered by all who accompanied him. Ben was a good and kind man who created a large and loving extended family. He enjoyed 12 wonderful years with his wife Jeanne (Lindholm), with whom he shared many of those travels and also time at their home at Lake Sunapee. He was the proud father of three children by his former wife Mary Anne Palleiko of Scituate; son Ben and his wife Pam of Hopkinton; daughter Susan and her husband Richard Roberts of Roswell, Ga.; and son David and his wife Heather of Millbury. He was the beloved grandfather of Ben, Daniel and Andrew Palleiko; Sarah and Matthew Roberts; and Allison and Christopher Palleiko. Ben was the brother of Virginia and her husband Tom Mullane of Plainville, and had numerous other family members whom he loved and was loved by in return. Ben's life was celebrated and a funeral was at the Kraw-Kornack funeral home at 1248 Washington St. in South Norwood, next to his first home. He will be interred in the family plot at the Highland Cemetery in Norwood. His family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made in his name to the Annual Fund of the Boston Museum of Science or the Lake Sunapee Protective Association.

PIGOTT

WILLIAM J. Jr. of Norton formerly of Norwood passed away on Nov. 3, 2016 at the age of 67. Beloved companion of Catherine E. Gedgudas. A Celebration of His life was held at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St., Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to Massachusetts General Hospital Lunder 9 Cancer Unit 55 Fruit St. Boston, MA 02114.

WALLACE

Salme Annikki (Kuusela), of Norwood, passed away Nov. 7, 2016, at 96. Beloved wife of the late Joseph P. Wallace. Loving mother of the late Martha C. Wallace. "Sal" is survived by her daughter Laura C. Koufopoulos and her husband Peter. Also her four grandchildren: Laureth (Janice) Curran, Christopher Wallace-White and his wife Laura, Timon Koufopoulos and his fiancée Anne Stewart, and Thea Koufopoulos and her fiancée Steven Mullen. Three great-grandchildren: Catherine Aguir, Dee (Julianne) Curran, and Chelsea Mullen. Three great-great-grandchildren: Shayla, Anthony, and Sophia. A talented artist and vocalist, Sal participated in many community theatre productions and chorales in Norwood, Walpole, and Boca Raton, Fla. At the request of her family all services will be private. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in her memory to the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062.

Legals**SECTION A - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID
TOWN OF NORWOOD, MA**

Sealed bids will be received up to 11:00 A.M. (Verizon time), December 1, 2016, in the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood, MA 02062 for the following Public Project:

"Furnish and Install a Roof Harness System at the Norwood DPW Facility"

The complete bid package may be obtained in the Purchasing Department during regular business hours or may be downloading online by registering at: <https://bids.norwoodma.gov>. The bid must be filled out and signed as directed herein, sealed in an opaque envelope addressed to the Purchasing Department, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder, and marked, "Roof Harness System, CONTRACT #NPW-17-03". This is a re-bid of NPW-16-03.

No bid bond is required for this bid. The successful bidder shall, within ten (10) days of notification of award furnish the Town a performance bond and a payment bond in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the award.

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BY: John J. Carroll, General Manager

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