

Ringling In The Season!



(Above): Santa and Mrs. Claus came to Norwood on Sunday to ring in the holiday season. (Left): Juliana O'Neil shows off her new tattoos. (Below): Lillie Smith, 7 months, ponders her own little gift left for mom.

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Coakley Vice Principal resigns

Questions raised regarding employee credit union funds

Krystal Grow
 Staff Reporter

Stephen Shinnick was supposed to temporarily fill the void when Coakley Principal Marjorie Tessier retires in January, but the troubled school will now be without backup as the Assistant Principal announced his retirement Monday afternoon.

Shinnick, Manager/CEO of the Norwood School Employees Credit Union started in 1994, sent a brief letter to Superintendent John Moretti stating he would be leaving the school on Dec.20th, a move that has shocked the middle school and left the school committee and administration grasping for straws and searching for answers.

Also, acknowledged by school superintendent John Moretti, there is an ongoing investigation by the National Credit Union Association and the Norwood Police Department after the

Shinnick

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Neighbors not convinced

Planning Board holds off on high school decision

Krystal Grow
 Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board was on the cusp of granting a special permit for the construction of the new Norwood High School Monday night, but declined to grant their final stamp of approval, preferring instead to wait for a final draft of site plans they expect to review this Friday.

Project Manager Tim Bonfatti said the plans presented Monday night in-

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Tales of Tyot

New book explores early Norwood history through newspaper columns

Krystal Grow
Staff Reporter

Back before text messages, telephones, television and the Internet, people stayed informed and connected by picking up a newspaper. While that may still be true to a far smaller degree, two members of the Norwood Historical Society have dug into their extensive archives to compile a book that explores the town's history through its earliest text — the local paper.

Heather Cole and Ed Sweeney are the editors of "Remembering Norwood: Win Everett's Tales of Tyot," which was recently published by the History Press of Salem. The book is a fascinating glimpse into the times and a telling take on the early personality and character of Norwood, which was often referred to as Tyot or Tiot, depending on how Everett felt like spelling it.

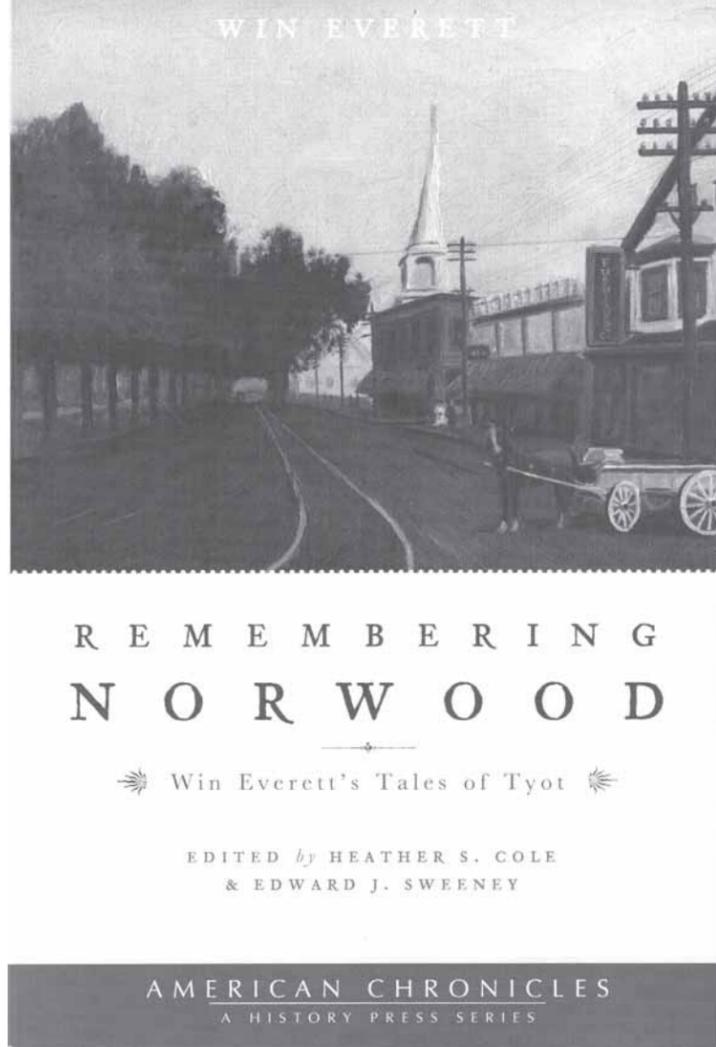
Everett was a reporter and columnist for the Norwood Daily Messenger from 1931 to 1938. As the historical society's volunteer archivist, Sweeney said he saw enormous potential in the stories and articles Everett had written.

"They are very interesting and well-written articles," he said. "I spent more time reading them than I did organizing them sometimes. I thought it would be great to publish all this material, but we'd have needed an encyclopedia sized book to get it all in."

Over the course of nine months, Sweeney and Cole sorted through the collection and through fierce and precise editing, pared the collection

down to 30 articles and columns to publish in one book. "It was definitely a back and

forth process," Cole said. "We would pick our favorites and then go back and see if it fit in. We wanted to cover as much of Norwood's history as possible, but there were a few we knew we were going to include just because they were so well written."



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Everett, a true storyteller at heart, was known to embellish certain stories and sometimes blurred the line between fact and fiction in his columns, but Cole said his minor slips in ac-

curacy only add to the charm of his writing. "He does take some creative freedoms with

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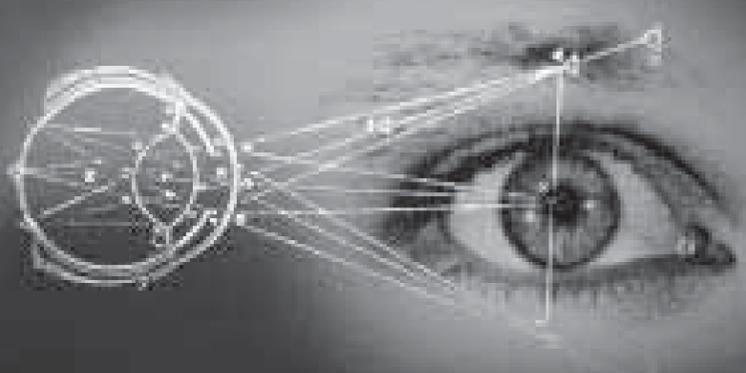
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Editorial

Time to answer the call

Children don't appreciate that your taxes have just been raised again. They don't understand how difficult it is in today's economy to meet your financial obligations and they most certainly have no concept of key economic indicators, global recessions and consumer price indices. They know toys. They want them and they deserve them and it is our responsibility to provide them at least once a year.

The innocence of youth implies that for a short period in one's life the burdens of responsibility fall on others. Through our own failings this small window of carefree living is far too short for some, virtually non-existent for those who wake up in the morning hungry, cold or worse, alone.

The United States Marine Corp is asking for your help. You know these guys, The Few, The Proud, Semper Fi, John Wayne. These are the guys that take the hill, eat nails and most importantly force our enemies to fight from a distance and in the shadows because no one wants to face them mano a mano...

Well, these tough guys do more than just help to maintain our freedom...they work to make sure every child experiences at least a little joy during Christmas through their Toys for Tots program. Their goal, lifted directly from their website is to "deliver, through a shiny new toy at Christmas, a message of hope to needy youngsters that will motivate

them to grow into responsible, productive, patriotic citizens and community leaders".

The marines seem to think that for those in need a shiny new toy is more than just something to play with. They think it sends a message that someone cares about them and that they matter to the rest of us when it appears that the world seems to be moving along just fine without them.

Well, the marines are in big trouble. Because of the economy they are at risk of failing their mission of providing that shiny new toy for every boy and girl that desperately needs one. Contributions during October and November are way down, and with only a few short weeks left before their deadline they are looking for reinforcements. Just as they know few would deny them ammunition on the battlefield to fight our enemies, they are hoping Americans will come through again with a different kind of ammunition, far less deadly but equally as important to the cause.

One important event coming up in Norwood is an opportunity for residents to answer the Marines' call. A Toys for Tots party at the VFW Post 2452 and the Ladies Auxiliary will be holding on Saturday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m., 195 Dean St. Local band British Invaders will be performing and refreshments will be served. There will also be hourly raffles. Admission is \$5 with a new unwrapped toy or \$10 without. The

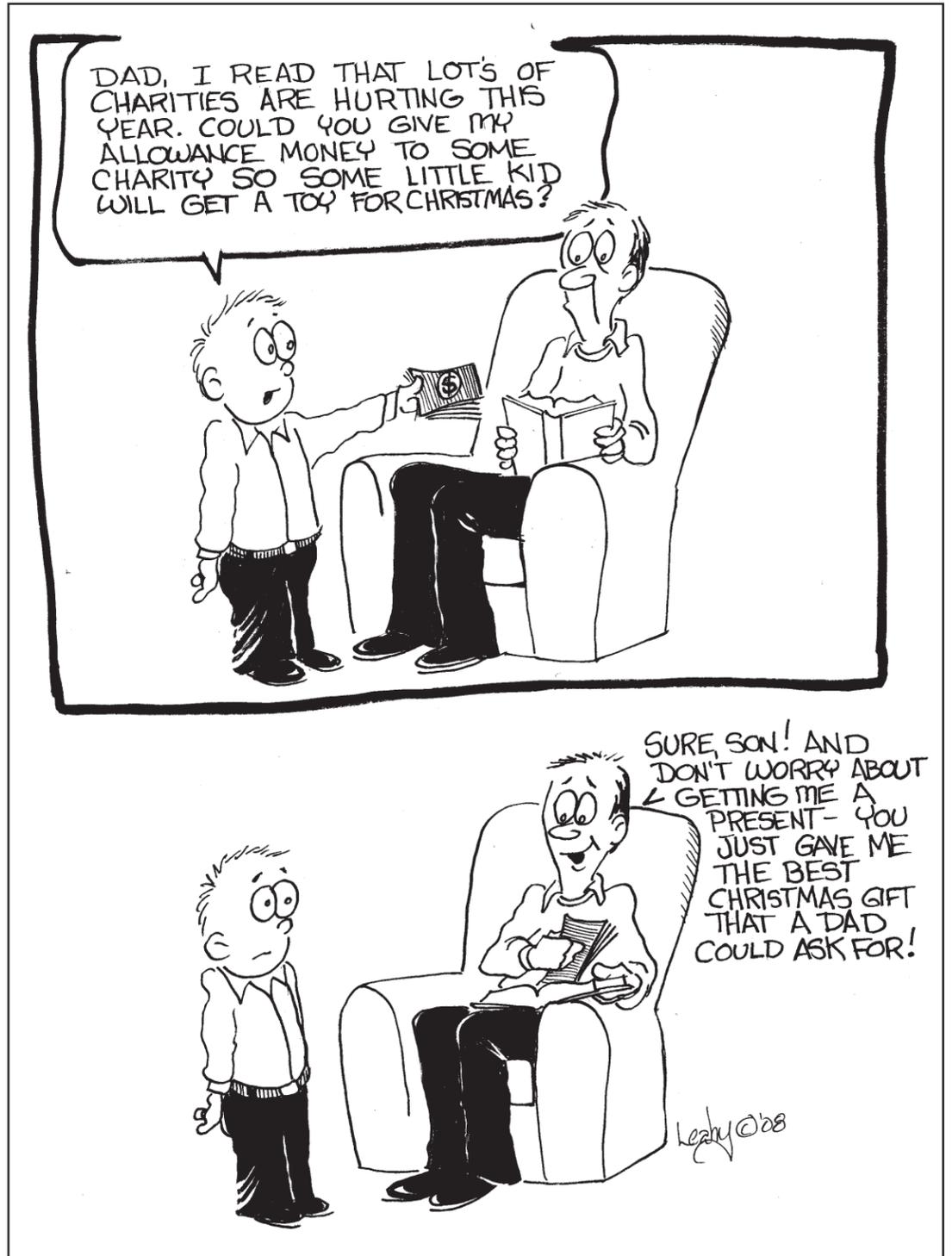
VFW is also an official location to drop off toys from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday thru Friday during the collection period. Another location listed is Sullivan Tire at 175 Everett St. in Norwood, behind Burger King. Their hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday and 7:30

a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you can't make the event but still want to help, please seek out a location and drop off a new, unwrapped gift, or two or ten. Most malls and shopping areas also have locations to just that. Each toy you contribute will be, at a minimum, one more smile for one

more child. Your act of kindness could be the difference of December 25th being just another day of the year for one needy little person or the magical day you remember having as a child.

The United States Marine Corp is asking for your help. Are you going to say no?



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cluded changes made per requests from members or the Planning Board and members of the community who attended the last hearing on Nov. 17 and a walk-through of the site.

Engineer Andrew Chagnon said the modified plans addressed multiple concerns, including the height of light poles, which have been reduced from 30 to 20 feet, additional parking spaces for staff and students, and increased landscaping and greenery to provide better screening for abutters.

"I believe that this plan covers the changes we discussed at the last meeting and during the site visit," Chagnon said.

But Peabody Road resident Pete Belanger disagreed. "I don't think you've addressed my concerns at all," he said. "There will be an endless flow of traffic on my street. It's al-

ready nearly impossible to get out of my driveway, it's going to be extremely difficult and I cannot live with this plan as it is now."

Belanger said he also wanted to see more greenery surrounding the staff parking lot on Peabody Road to prevent car headlights from shining into his property.

Mary Beth Clancy of Belmont Street agreed there should be more landscaping and planting done, and asked the board and the engineers to consider reducing the 24 foot wide entryway into the parking areas.

"My driveway is only a few feet away from the stop sign (on Belmont Street). This plan is increasing the traffic, but not slowing it down at all. People don't always stop at that sign, and 24 feet is a very wide open-

ing. I think it's a very unsafe situation," she said.

Clancy also said she was concerned that the project scope and budget agreements were still being worked out when there were so many concerns and objections from the neighborhood about the general layout of the building.

"My overall concern is that budget negotiations are still going on when we haven't even worked out the most basic public safety and landscaping issues yet. Public safety seems like it would be the most important issue," she said.

Chagnon said the goal of the entire plan was to improve conditions at the high school, and said that he and the architects believed that the parking and traffic arrangements were a marked improvement from the existing conditions at the cur-

rent high school.

"Our goal is to pull student traffic away from that property (on Belmont St. and Peabody Rd.), and the staff parking lot is meant to pull traffic off the street before it even gets to that property, so you won't even see it," he said. "I think what we have proposed is a vast improvement to the conditions as they are now."

While the planning board was mostly in agreement that the plans were solid, having a decision already drafted to approve the plans and grant the permit, some members of the board wanted to wait to see the last remaining concerns of the community addressed and corrected on paper in a new set of plans they could officially review before granting their official approval.

While the board cannot technically do anything that would stop the project from

moving forward, they are charged with making sure developers, architects and engineers are adhering to town zoning bylaws and regulations.

The board considered granting a conditional approval, but member William Bamber said it was better to approve the plans when they clearly reflected exactly what the board and the community wanted.

"I'd rather we get this done right. Thing move a lot faster when you do them all at once," he said. "I want to see the plans corrected before we grant the permit. We've gotten into trouble in the past by granting conditional approvals without seeing final plans."

The board agreed to meet again tomorrow, Dec. 7, at 5 p.m., to review updated site plans and grant a special permit for the new high school. The meeting will be held in room 24 of Town Hall.

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This year's game had a tremendous honor at its start, as two of the last surviving members from the '33 team, DHS, Joe Pagliuca, and NHS, John Howard, were recognized as honorary captains along with the current captains for the mid-field coin toss. When announced, Joe and John walked onto the gridiron as they had so many years ago to the cheers of the crowd. Our Town's Veteran's Agent, Ted Mulvehill, presented American flags to each, and Lt. Brian Murphy, NPD, gave Joe and John a gift of 1933 coins.

Joe Pagliuca, #3, class of '35, was right half back on offense and linebacker on defense, and is a member of the



Jackie Saber

Hall of Fame. Joe is a veteran of WWII Army Signal Corps and was employed by the Dedham School Department.

John Howard, #6, class of '34, was left end on offense and defensive end on defense and is a member of the Hall of Fame. John is a veteran of WWII Army Air Corps and was Deputy Fire Chief, NFD.

If you haven't seen it, tune in to your local access channel for an hour's chat with Joe and John, hosted by Brian Murphy. (To be shared with Dedham's local access channel). It was a real memory jogger to see what was going on in the world in

1933 as the two football heroes were tearing up the gridiron in their younger days. Their memories are keen and their stories are funny and interesting. Brian also made them television stars at the Fox News Channel with Gene Lavangie. They were supposed to talk for only a few minutes, but it lasted much longer.

Joe and John are still very active. John hits the links every year, and meets Joe every Thursday as they bowl at the Norwood alleys.

Joe and John are both widowed, each being married for more than 60 years. Joe has two children, 7 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. John has two children, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Pagliuca and Howard families would like to personally thank Lt. Brian Murphy, NPD, (as it was his idea to honor the two athletes), Ryan Walker of NPA-TV, who produced the show, and Jack Tolman who helped set it up. Ryan also came to the luncheon, and to Fox 25 to film the experience. Also, when he learned more of what Brian was doing with the coins, Kappy, at Kappy's Coins and Stamps on Washington Street, donated the two coins, 1933 "Walking Liberty" half dollars. A third coin



John Howard and Joe Pagliuca embraced by Lt. Brian Murphy, NPD.

Brian bought was the one that was actually used and will be given back to the school as part of a framed collection. Both Athletic Directors, Brian McDonough, from Norwood, and Tom Arria, from Dedham, presented Joe and John with a jacket/pullover. Also thank you to the Norwood school department for their support and cooperation. It was an unexpected and tremendous honor for two 'great guys.'

I have never met Mike Stoller, Sports Reporter for the Norwood Record, but would like to thank him for the fabulous article he wrote about Joe and John.

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Town sets tax rate

5% increase for Norwood homeowners, commercial rates decrease

Krystal Grow
Staff Reporter

Selectmen unanimously voted on a new tax rate for Norwood property owners Tuesday night, approving a 5 percent increase in property taxes, reflecting approximately a \$105 increase to the average taxpayer

The average residential tax bill will increase to \$8.46, while commercial property owners can expect to pay \$16.07 per thousand annually.

The rates are determined by the value of the property, and with the current economic climate, members of the board were expecting the worst from

Town Assessor Paul Wanecek's presentation.

The current rate, Wanecek said, is based on property values from 2007, which are still reasonably high compared to current valuations. "Norwood is still below the state average for annual tax bills," he said. "But the residential values will continue to come down, as will the amount we can shift onto commercial properties."

The annual shifting of the tax levy allows the town to transfer some of the residential tax burden onto commercial and industrial property owners.

In Norwood, the board voted to allow a 1.5 percent shift to commercial properties.

Selectman Jerry Kelleher said that while the town was asking more of local business owners, Norwood was still offering lower rates and making smaller increases than many neighboring communities.

"We need to keep our base of small businesses, and promote Norwood as a good place to do business," he said. "We are trying to be as creative as possible, and while we don't want to be at the bottom of too many lists, this is a good one to be at the bottom of."

Board member Bill Plasko said he was expecting a much bleaker assessment of the

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association completed their semiannual audit. In a statement released by Moretti, he confirms that Shinnick's involvement with the credit union is a part of the investigation.

Police records show that Norwood officers were called to the middle school Monday after auditors reported, "issues had surfaced" following their review of the credit union's accounts.

Moretti said the Norwood School Employees Credit Union has approximately 250 members, and is available to school staff and administration on a voluntary basis. It is not known what the issues raised by the investigation amounts to in terms of funds.

The Norwood School Committee called an emergency meeting Tuesday night to discuss the details of Shinnick's resignation and plot a course of action.

Chairman Paul Samargedlis said Shinnick had been placed on paid administrative leave, and that the committee had would begin focusing on how to fill the newest vacancy at the Coakley.

"We need to give this some serious thought given Mrs. Tessier's retirement," Moretti said. "I need to consult the committee and members of my administration and come up with a short and long term plan."

Moretti has been working with the school committee on a major reorganization of the middle school, complete with schedule and curriculum changes in an attempt to increase MCAS scores and improve student performance.

A statement issued by the committee said that the investigation was in no way connected to Shinnick's position as assistant principal or the school's budget and finances,

but limited to credit union business.

Please refer to this story online at www.norwoodrecord.com for a copy of the Norwood School Employees Credit Union's latest report.

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DPW preps for winter

Vehicle maintenance, salt and sand use majority of annual budget

Krystal Grow
Staff Reporter

Winter is right around the corner, and the Norwood Department of Public Works is prepping for another season of heavy snow and hard work.

DPW Superintendent Joe Welch said he and his crew have already begun prepping their equipment to handle the harsh weather on the way. "We've been getting the sanders ready, attaching the plows and checking the calcium tanks and sidewalk plows," he said. "There's a lot of work to do

before we're ready to get out there."

This year, the DPW has a \$275,000 budget for snow and ice removal. Last year, Welch said the department went over their \$255,000 budget, but said it's difficult to predict exactly how much money it takes to cover winter weather. "We can't predict the budget," he said. "We don't want to appropriate too much, but it's hard to tell exactly how much we need."

Fluctuating gas prices and an increase in the cost of salt and sand are just some of the

factors that make it hard to pin down a solid number when it comes to covering costs. That, and the fact that the DPW can't predict exactly how much it will snow in a single season, though early speculations are pointing to a harsh winter ahead.

While gas prices have dropped significantly in the last month, Welch said the DPW is locked into a solid rate for diesel fuel despite the recent drop in price. "The cost of fuel has gone down, but diesel fuel has

Winter Prep.

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Unfunded benefits an issue

Krystal Grow
Staff Reporter

After recovering from a mild case of sticker shock, the Budget Balancing Committee tackled how to manage about \$132 million in unfunded post employment benefits to retired town workers.

Financial Consultant Dan Sherman said Monday night that while the numbers may be

daunting, the town is at no obligation to put any money down right now, but it is essential for them to at least look at the figures and begin to plot a course for the future.

"The selectmen have handed this down to us," said committee Chairwoman Judith Langone. "It is important for us to know how Norwood is doing on this and to know what kind of a shock

we may be in for in the future."

Sherman said in a detailed report that the town basically made a promise to fund employee health care, dental and life insurance after municipal employees retire, and now has to find a way to back up their promises.

"We have to measure it all

Unfunded benefits

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town's tax rate options, and was pleasantly surprised with the numbers. "I think this is the best

we can do for our residents right now, given the limits of the law and the economic times. We need to keep this down every dollar we can. I consider this a very modest increase," he said.

Towns and cities are usually limited in how much they can raise tax rates by Proposition 2-1/2, which restricts local governments from raising the rate any more than 2-1/2 percent higher than they previous year.

But Wanecek said there are some exceptions to the rule, which is why Norwood was able to raise the rate double what the law permits.

The current value of the average single-family home in

Norwood has decreased by about 1 percent while commercial properties continue have increased by 6 percent. Wanecek said the only residential property that has seen any increase in value are apartment buildings and multi-family homes.

Tax bills for FY09 will be mailed to local residents and business owners at the end of December. Those with questions on valuation or possible exemptions should contact the assessor's office by Feb.1 for abatement information.

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Sports

Football downs Dedham, 47-14, in holiday battle



It was the last hurrah for the Norwood senior football class, which went out with a bang after helping defeat visiting Dedham, 47-14, at Murray Field on Thanksgiving Day.

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Mike Stoller
Staff Reporter

Junior superstar running back Jhorgy Antoine surpassed the season 1,500 yard rushing plateau, senior Steve Cottens' final high school game was as good as it gets, and Norwood closed its campaign with a thunderous 47-14 win over archrival Dedham in the annual Thanksgiving Day gridiron battle on Thursday at Murray Field.

Antoine scored a whopping five touchdowns, four on the ground and one through the air, while rushing for 225 yards on 28 carries during the Bay State Conference matchup. He reached 1,500 yards rushing for the season on an 11-yard run at the 9:49 mark of the fourth quarter.

Cottens had two interceptions, a 53-yard kickoff return, and a 42-yard reception, among other exploits, while contributing in all phases of the game for 166 all-purpose

yards.

The most crucial of all his plays came with 1:17 left in the first half as Dedham was making a bid to wipe out a 12-0 deficit. The Marauders had already made it 12-7 on a spectacular 57-yard run by senior star quarterback John O'Connell, when Cottens picked off an O'Connell pass on the right in Dedham territory and cut across to the left, before finally being brought down at the 11-yard line. On the next play, Antoine spun his way through for his second touchdown of the day, while also adding the conversion to make it 20-7.

"We knew we were in for a dogfight," said Norwood head coach Buzzy Curran. "We got the two touchdown lead, we missed both extra points. They came down and beat us on [the QB run]."

"The next score was critical," continued the coach. "We didn't get it done [on fourth down offensively on our next possession] and then

Stevie Cottens got the pick and we got that third touchdown before the half to make it 20-7. That was key. Then we stopped them. So it worked out okay. I was happy with the end result."

The real end result was of course a bit bittersweet for the Mustangs, who registered a remarkable 9-2 record, but will not advance to the postseason. Dedham, meanwhile, finished at 1-10, but improved vastly as the season progressed.

"It's been a great year," said Curran. "It would have been nice if we could have gone to a bowl game or some sort of a tournament game. I think this team earned the chance at 9-2. [But] the Bay State [Conference] is like [the college football Bowl Championship Series] where if you lose one game, you're in trouble, two and you're probably not going to advance. And that's the nature of the business. And we understand that... But it's a little bitter-

sweet that we're not playing another game, because I think we could contend with anyone that's playing in the playoffs."

Certainly, the Mustangs had one of the most ferocious ground games in the BSC, led by Antoine, who capped an amazing season with Thursday's dominant outing. On Norwood's first possession, the junior sensation exploded for a 50-yard run that brought the ball to the Dedham five, before barreling through on first and goal to give the Mustangs a 6-0 lead.

From there, Antoine continued to score at least one touchdown in every quarter, while eventually passing the coveted 1,500 yard rushing plateau for the season.

"He reached 1,500, he played well, he's a good kid," said Curran. "He's earned it. We look forward. I have him for another year."

Antoine even caught his first touchdown pass of the campaign, when senior quarterback and captain Brian

Williams rifled a beautiful 20-yard pass into the left corner of the end zone to make it 35-7 late in the third frame.

"That was great ball that Willy threw," said Curran. "It was a well designed play. I have to give credit to our assistant coaches. "It was a great call."

The Mustangs also got some solid play in their secondary by junior Mike Goodwin, who intercepted a pass early in the second quarter to set up a three-yard touchdown run by senior standout Chris Colantonio. Cottens also figured big on the drive, hauling in a 42-yard pass by Williams.

"Oh yeah, we had some turnovers, that's the name of the game, to take care of the ball," said Dedham first-year head coach Keith Comeau. "We had a couple of interceptions and a fumble, and it's hard to overcome those..."

Football

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The Norwood cheerleading team was rocking to the beat during last Thursday's Thanksgiving battle against visiting Dedham.

PHOTO BY ZALINA MCGUIRE

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[But] my guys never gave up, never stopped working, and that's the most impressive thing about this team, because it's very easy to stop working hard when you're 1-10."

Colantonio's score made it 12-0, and after the Marauders got on the board with O'Connell's big run, both teams turned the ball over on fumbles.

"We responded with a long touchdown, we got a turnover, [but] then we turned the ball back over to them, and that

kind of killed our momentum," said Comeau.

Throughout the contest, the Marauders were rewarded with some solid defensive play by Chris Pezzulo, Rob Zarthar, and Billy Grenham, while Norwood was aided by the efforts of Chris Foley, Moses Acloque, Mike Verrochi, Anthony Colantuoni, and senior captain Jesse Shaughnessy.

Before the game, both teams recognized two former legendary athletes, who

played at opposite ends during the 1933 contest between eventual league champion Norwood and Dedham. On the 75th anniversary of that game, Norwood's John Howard and Dedham's Joe Pagliuca were back at midfield as honorary captains for the coin toss before the big 10 a.m. kickoff. Both men are 93 years old.

Also of note is the fact that this year's game could be the last one between the rivals if Dedham decides to bolt the BSC in favor of either the Hockomock or Tri-Valley Leagues.

"I would be disappointed for Dedham if they left and disappointed for Norwood as well," said Curran, whose troops were awarded the Frank Wall and Sal Toti Tro-

phy, given to the winner of the annual grudge match between the teams. "I don't think that anyone of those kids that put on the Dedham uniform today wants to do anything else except play Norwood on Thanksgiving next year at Stone Park, the year after wherever we're gonna be, and then three years from now at our new home field."

The coach was referring to the fact that the Mustangs will need to find an interim home field for the next two seasons if the override to remodel the high school is passed.

Five Mustangs recently were named as BSC All-Stars. Shaughnessy, Foley, and Acloque all made the First Team, while Cottens and Verrochi took Second Team

honors.

The Mustangs also were aided but the return of offensive line coach Jay McGuire, a former Norwood assistant who left to take the head job at Dedham, before returning to the Mustangs this season.

"He was with me nine years year ago [when] we both assisted [here]," said Curran. "This is his first year back, and obviously it's been a huge addition. We're very happy to have him, and he told me today that he's coming back, and we're all coming back. We're ready to go. I wish it started Monday to be honest with you."

The seniors finishing their football careers with Norwood include: Brian Underhill, Stephen Cottens, Brian Williams (captain), Pat Cavanaugh (captain), Mike Verrochi, Brenden Greene, Steve Mahon, Chris Colantonio, Tim Kelleher, Stephan Bottex, Jake Rubenstein, Matt Costa, Woodley Laurule, Alistair Brockmeyer, Matt Davenport, Philip Kiy, Matt O'Connor, Michael Breen, Jesse Shaughnessy (captain), Chris Foley, Mike Fabbrucci (captain), Mike Frasca, Corey Savini, Ryan Kalcos, Pat Hickey, and Moses Acloque.

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Turkey Trot brings out the best in local runners



Norwood's annual Turkey Trot brought out runners of all ages last weekend. "We had 546 runners, which is up from last year," said Nora Glynn of the Norwood Athletics Boosters Club, which provides jackets, letters, and scholarships, among other amenities for all teams at Norwood High School. This was the 22nd running of the race and 546 runners took part.

COURTESY PHOTOS

Mike Stoller
Staff Reporter

Norwood was flooded with participants from many Massachusetts towns who competed in the 22nd Annual Turkey Trot on Nov. 22-23. The four-mile race starts and finishes behind Clay Chevrolet in Norwood.

"The race raises money for all the Norwood High School athletic teams," said Nora Glynn of the Norwood Athletics Boosters Club. "This is the major event for the Norwood Athletics Boosters Club, which provides jackets, letters, scholarships and some extras for all the teams at Norwood High School."

Glynn gave special thanks to Norwood Printing, Reebok, Norwood Bank, Vanderbilt Club, Republic Plumbing, Mr. Frank's Honey Dew Donuts, and Dunkin Donuts. She also lauded the effort of Turkey Trot director Jim Henry, who did an "outstanding job," said Glynn.

"This is the 22nd running and we want to thank the town and all of our sponsors," she added. "We had 546 runners

which is up from last year."

Norwood's Maria Conley was the female masters overall winner among the 40-and-over crowd, finishing in a time of 28:14, while Jason Cakuros, of Milton was the top male winner, crossing at 21:28.

South Weymouth's Robert Chasen took the honor of male senior winner among the 50-and-over group, while Elizabeth Keane, of South Boston, placed first among the females. Chasen finished in 23:45, Keane in 30:33.

Waltham's Ryan Agnew was the overall winner, crossing in a time of 20:58. He was followed by South Boston's Louis Raffetto at 20:53 and Maynard's Mark Mayall at 20:59.

The top three female winners were Walpole Mimi Fallon, Reading's Meaghan Shaw, and Stoughton's Kara Yifru. Fallon finished in 24:02, while Shaw and Yifru crossed at 25:41 and 25:51, respectively.

Norwood High sophomore dean and longtime teacher



Cathy Shachoy finished first among her fellow mentors.

"She has been a faithful runner in the Turkey Trot for a lot of years," said Glynn. "I have been involved with the race for the last six years and she has been to them all."

Other highlights included

Steve Cline, Robert Stanton, and Billy Glynn topping the Norwood High School male students with times of 24:07, 24:32, and 25:21, respectively; and Kathleen O'Day and Caroline O'Day leading the NHS female students with times of 33:55 and 35:16.

Caroline O'Day finished atop the board in the 14-and-under female group, with Walpole's Jill Kamphaus placing second and Norwood's Cayla Kalinowski slotting third. Hopedale's Nick Bird and Aaron Mauranis finished 1-2 in

Turkey Trot

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SENIOR NEWS

Appointments must be made in advance for all clinics at the Senior Center. Call (781)-762-1201.

UPCOMING TRIPS

Sparkling Lights, Wednesday, Dec. 10, Chicopee. Price is \$69.95 and includes lunch, two shows and bus tour of Bright Nights.

Lincoln Park, Tuesday, Dec. 16.

GALA HOLIDAY PARTY

A holiday party will take place

on Thursday, Dec. 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dinner will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by entertainment by Slava Samadarov on the keyboard with singing, and tap dancing.

FRIENDS OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Friends of the Council on Aging is holding a membership meeting on Friday, Dec. 5, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided. Membership dues are \$5.

GLEE CLUB

The Senior Center Glee Club will be having a Christmas party on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 1:30 p.m. Please bring canned goods for the Norwood Food Pantry in lieu of a cash donation.

MOVIE MARATHON

There will be a movie marathon on Friday, Dec. 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special holiday movies will be shown all day.

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the male group, while Norwood's Peter Kelly ranked third.

In the 15-19 female group, Norwood's Meredith Hoban crossed the line first, followed by fellow local Kathleen O'Day and Westwood's Jamie Doyle. The male group was led by Franklin's Matt Henry, followed by Norwood's Stephen Curley and Robert Stanton.

Among other NHS students competing were Sean Keady, Rob Sheehan, Billy Rydewski, Peter Fiske, Josh Dykes, James O'Connor, Molly Smith, Peter Kelly, and Jake Ranalli.

"There may have been a few more," said Glynn.

The 20-29 female group saw Norwood sweep, with Gina Sansone, Meredith Sheehan, and Allison Packard doing the honors. For the males, Woburn's Mike Killam, Jamaica Plain's Scott Wisnaskas, and Stoughton's Daniel Yifru topped the board.

Mara Lappin, of North Easton, Beth Kitzis, of Newton, and Amanda Carnes, of North Eastham, were the top three in the 30-39 female group; North Eastham's Joe Navas, Dedham's Lee Danforth, and Bridgewater's, Frank Nelson finished in that order for the males.

The 40-49 females were led by Walpole's Linda Sutherland. She was followed by fellow

townsman Jen Egan and Sherborn's Lisa Van dore. For the males, Needham's Terry McNatt, Hopkinton's Keiron Tumbleton, and West Roxbury's Jack Sullivan took top billing.

Regina Tsanotelis, of Milton, and Norwood's Elaine Ryan and Maryellen Dawson topped out for the 50-59 females, while the males were led by Milton's Nick Tsanotzus, Canton's Harvey Blonder, and Westwood's Cachelin.

Leading the 60-69 females were Weymouth's Betsey Knapp, Lincoln's Gunhild Claus, and Norwood's Lorraine Preveza. And leading the males were Quincy's Robert Hanna, Needham's Rich Doff, and Woburn's Richard Paulsen.

For the 70-99 males, Don Murray, of Milton, and Needham's Harold Becker were the top two, while the females were led by Jane Goodwin, of Dedham, East Weymouth's Anne Marie McDonald.

The day also featured a Kids Fun Run, a 100-yard dash for children, ages 3-10, where the participants run in different age categories.

"We want to thank the community for all its support," said Glynn.

For a complete listing of all runners and categories, go to www.coolrunning.com.

St. Catherine's goes 1-2 at B.C. High Tourney

Mike Stoller
Staff Reporter

Point guard Steven Lynch proved to be a scoring machine when the St. Catherine of Siena senior boys' travel team, a contingent of seventh and eighth graders, opened its season in the Paul Hunter Memorial Tournament at B.C. High on Nov. 22-23. Overall, the Hawks went 1-2 in the tourney.

Lynch poured in a team-high 12 points in the first game as the Hawks held on to defeat a stubborn Hanover squad, 31-28, after jumping out to an 11-0 lead. Also contributing were center Tim Sullivan and swingman James Coughlin, who had six and five points, respectively.

Lynch also led the group with 10 points in the second joust, though St. Catherine's fell a bit short to Scituate in overtime, 34-32. Aaron Drummey chipped in with eight points, while Bryan Gearty and Nick Terrell tossed in four apiece.

"[We] held a lead throughout, but the resilient boys from Scituate tied the game at the end to force overtime," said Hawks' head mentor Tom Maloney.

In the third contest, held the following day,

St. Catherine's dropped a 29-20 decision to South Shore Parochial School League rival St. Ann's of Quincy, 29-20. Coughlin struck for six points for the Hawks, while Drummey knocked in four. Joe McKinnon and Nick Cmaylo each grabbed five rebounds.

"Though the outcome was disappointing, the coaching staff was heartened by the defensive intensity," said Mahoney, who lauded the play of reserve players Tim Bosse, Colin Gearty, and James Payne. "The trio's efforts, especially in the second half, kept the game close."

St. Catherine's plays in the aforementioned South Shore Parochial League. The Hawks began league play this past Tuesday at Trinity Academy of Brockton. They will host St. Paul of Hingham in their home opener this Saturday in the St. Catherine's gymnasium.

The entire team includes eighth graders Tim Bosse, James Coughlin, Nick Cmaylo, Aaron Drummey, Bryan Gearty, Colin Gearty, Steven Lynch, Joe McKinnon, James Payne, Tim Sullivan, and John Walsh, and seventh grader Nick Terrell.

Head coach Tom Maloney is assisted by Ed Lynch and Brian Gearty.

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out to find out exactly how much that promise is worth," he said.

As it stands, that promise is looking like an easy \$132 million, but Sherman and Town Accountant Bob

Thornton said that the price tag could be reduced significantly if the town acts quickly and sets up a trust fund to begin saving money for the inevitable costs that are in store.

"By setting up a trust fund to be used only for post employment benefits, you would build interest that could help defray some of the cost, while also improving your bond rating and preparing for the future," Sherman said.

"It's like a marathon here, and we need to make the first steps," Thornton said. "If we do nothing, we will undoubtedly have a huge amount to appropriate in future budgets."

Sherman said it was in the town's best interest to consider creating a trust fund that they can slowly build up to eventually fund retirees' benefits, otherwise, Norwood's future taxpayers will be in for a significant increase. "There would be no cost sharing from generation to generation," he said. "If you don't act on it, future generations of taxpayers will be left with the bill."

Creating the fund will also decrease the total bill to about \$65 million, a main reason Thornton said it was essential for the committee to take action to save as much money as possible.

"This is clearly very complicated, and it affects all of us," he said. "We at least know now what the numbers are, the question is, do we

start actually funding it. If we do nothing, we're looking at \$132 million. If we start, we're only looking at \$65 million."

While the town is not technically required to begin immediately funding the account, they are required to disclose the information to auditors, and to show that they are in the process of working out some sort of solution to fund post employment benefits for town employees.

Langone said the committee needed to act quickly to prove the town is taking the matter seriously, and to begin funding the account as soon as possible. "Just getting the community to recognize this will help us," she said. "This is an obligation, and we have the ability to start making some small steps to fulfill that obligation to our employees."

Langone said the Finance Committee recommended that \$200,000 be taken from the FY10 budget to create a trust fund account designated only for post employment benefits. Sherman agreed that the sooner the town starts funding the costs, the better. "The longer you wait, the wider the gap will get," he said.

Thornton agreed that while it may seem like a small dent in the potentially huge cost, it was important for the town to take steps toward progress. "We have to recognize that we will gain from starting to earnestly fund this," he said.

Luminary Night to light up common

The Town Common will be aglow with the hopes and wishes of hundreds of local families as they come out in support of one of the town's most somber and beautiful yearly events.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation, now in its tenth year, has quietly raised over \$130,000 in their history to help families cope with the heavy financial and emotional costs of serious illness.

Foundation President and former Norwood Selectman Tim McDonough said that while the organization rarely seeks publicity or recognition, they hold annual fundraisers to try and educate and inform people as to what they are all about. "We're always trying to get the word out and let people know that we're here to help them," he said. "But we receive heartfelt letters from people thanking us. That's what keeps us going."

The Circle of Hope was founded on a promise member Lee Kennedy made to her daughter 10 years ago. Michelle Kennedy was struggling with her own cancer when the family organized a fundraiser. The event was so well attended that Michelle made her mother promise that someday she would do the same

for others in need. "She was just so impressed she made me promise to try and help others," Lee said.

Sadly, Michelle passed that year, but Lee helped form the Circle of Hope Foundation to keep her promise to help those in need.

Ten years later the foundation is still running strong and McDonough said the need this year has been greater than ever. "We're growing every year, but this is the most need we've ever seen," he said. "We're definitely taking in more donations, but we're giving out more too, which I guess is a sign of the times."

Members of the foundation met with the Board of Selectmen recently to announce their plans for the annual Luminary night, and said what a special and important night it was not only for the group, but also for the community. Board member Bill Plasko said it was his favorite night of they year. "It's a very spiritual evening," McDonough said. "It's a special event that really sums up what we are all about."

On Saturday night from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., glowing white bags will line the common, each displaying a special message of hope or thanks. "It's really poignant for people to walk around the common and see

other people's messages and to see their own. It's a solemn night, but it's a hopeful night as well," said McDonough.

"It's very touching," Kennedy said. "It's a beautiful night with everything all lit up. It's like sending Christmas cards to people who aren't here anymore. It's such a wonderful town wide event."

Luminary bags can be purchased for \$5 at the Civic Center office or the night of the event. One hundred percent of the proceeds go back to families and individuals in need.

"This is neighbors helping neighbors," Kennedy said. "Every penny that comes in goes back out. You don't always know that with some of the bigger charities and organizations, but this is strictly Norwood based. This is truly for the community."

The Circle of Hope offers assistance on an anonymous basis, another way they are silently helping those in need. "There are a lot of ways we help people," Kennedy said, "but when they are at their last hope, we are still here."

For more information on Luminary Night and the Circle of Hope Foundation, contact Tim McDonough at 781-762-6163.

Selectmen question Fire Department hiring procedures

Krystal Grow
Staff Reporter

Editor's Note: *Because of the earlier deadline last week, due to Thanksgiving, last week's Board of Selectmen meeting is being reported in this issue.*

Members of the Board of Selectmen have reviewed a letter from a potential candidate for a position with the Fire Department refuting the hiring policies of Chief Michael Howard.

According to the letter, the candidate, whom the board declined to name, said he was first on the list of candidates, but was passed over for the job. It was allegedly awarded to the third candidate on the list of prospective employees.

Board member Bill Plasko said that before the board considered taking any action on the claims made in the letter, they would need more information from the Fire Chief.

"I would like a full list of candidates and a detailed ac-

count of their hiring practices," he said.

Selectman Tom McQuaid agreed.

"This letter is from a candidate who was passed over for the job, and he wants to know why," he said. "I also think we should ask for a write-up of the Chief's hiring procedures."

Town Manager John Carroll requested that the board also approve Police Chief Bartley King's request to fill a vacancy in the Police Department. The board tabled the request, however, until they received more information on the Police and Fire Department's hiring and employment practices, which are similar.

However, Carroll said the candidate at the Police Department has already been given a conditional offer of employment, meaning that barring any issues with a physical exam or background check, he is essentially guaranteed the job.

"It appears we may have a dispute here," Selectman Jerry Kelleher said, "but we don't

have enough information to really do anything about it yet."

The board voted to send a request for detailed hiring procedures from the Police and Fire Departments, and will further discuss the issue when they receive that information.

In other business on Nov. 25, the board met with DPW Superintendent Joe Welch, who reported that he and his crew were busy wrapping up all contracted construction projects for the year and preparing for the winter.

Welch said that the construction and installation of underground water mains along University Avenue were officially finished for the season.

"The contractors were excellent," Welch said of the P. Gioso and Sons construction firm, which was awarded a \$6.1 million Massachusetts Water Resources Authority project. That effort will provide Norwood with a backup water supply and will connect the town to the Southern Extra High Distribution and Storage

plan, which already includes Westwood, Dedham, Canton and Stoughton.

Welch said fall leaf and brush pickup would continue through the end of the week, but that the DPW usually sends out one or two extra trucks to pick up any extra leaf bags. With the holidays quickly approaching, Carroll said a 30-yard dumpster will be placed at the town landfill to accommodate all those old Christmas trees, empty boxes and rolls of crumpled wrapping paper.

McQuaid recommended that residents bring their discarded paper to the Abitibi recycling bins at local schools. Abitibi pays the schools for the amount of paper they recycle, and McQuaid said it would be a great way for the town to contribute to the school's efforts.

Carroll said that Waste Management has a two-week tree pickup after the holidays, but that he and the company would aggressively advertise

and promote the extended holiday services to make sure everyone is accommodated.

"We want to make sure this goes smoothly," he said. "I will repeat the details at upcoming meetings and we will be putting something in the papers to let people know how things will work."

Members of the board voted to open Town Hall on Dec. 26 in response to a request from the AFSCME Clerical Union to close the building.

"This comes up every year, and we have usually voted to keep Town Hall open, but allow employees to take the day off, if they have the time, even if that means closing an office for the day," Plasko said. "I think that's reasonable as very few people will be looking for services that day."

Carroll said that was how they handled the request last year, and it worked out well.

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only changed by about a dollar a gallon," Welch said, adding that the rate is determined by the size of the vehicles and the amount of time they are used.

"In the event of a snowstorm, the contractors come in and log out so we know how much they travel and how long they are in service. The fuel cost is factored into that," Welch said.

There are 34 total routes in Norwood that require plowing, sand and salt in inclement weather, and the spike in salt prices may have an added im-

pact on this year's costs. "The price has escalated by about \$7 or \$8 a ton from last year," Welch said.

Vehicle maintenance could also further strain the yearly budget, as the various trucks and street clearing equipment are often parked outdoors in bad weather due to the lack of space and garage storage at the current site behind the Civic Center. "We haven't found anything as of yet," Welch said of the site search. "In a perfect world, we'd have the equipment replaced, but we don't al-

ways get the appropriations to cover it, so we just have to do the best we can with what we have."

The DPW site is currently split between three different locations, making it difficult to coordinate projects and keep track of equipment. But Welch is confident that the crew at the DPW will be able to handle the work ahead despite the fragmented physical layout of the department and the tricky winter budget.

"We can only work with what we have," he said, "but we manage to make it every year, and this year won't be any different."

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sometimes funny picture of the people he met and the things he saw in town."

Sweeney and Cole both said Everett's articles offer a twofold insight into early Norwood history, as many of his pieces were reflections on the past themselves.

"He was very much in touch with people then who had lived through the very early parts of the town's history, but he wrote it as a journalist too and documented the things they experienced," Sweeney said.

"It's a really interesting take on the town's history," Cole said. "The articles not only show what was happening in Norwood at the time, but it's an insight into the economy and a general take on society. It's interesting to me how Norwood history was a microcosm of what larger cities were going through, from the transition from agriculture to industry to the Great Depression. It's amazing how much history there really is here."

Cole and Sweeney will be at the Day House, headquarters of the Norwood Historical Society, this Sunday, Dec. 7, from 1-4 p.m., signing copies of "Remembering Norwood." They will also hold a book signing at Barnes and Noble in the Walpole Mall next Saturday, Dec. 13, from 1-3 p.m.

"We are delighted to bring this back to the people of Norwood and to preserve Win Everett's work," Sweeney said.



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Chinese Immigrant and Author Visits CMS

On Wednesday, Nov. 3, Chinese immigrant and author Ji-Li Jiang came to the Coakley Middle School to speak to the 7th graders about her 1997 memoir, "Red Scarf Girl." This is the second year in a row that Ms. Jiang has come to the middle school.

The purpose of her talk was to share the story of her life in communist China when she was a girl of 12 to 14 years of age. She speaks to young people all across the United States, so that they can hear what it was like for a person of their age to live during the Cultural Revolution, a terrifying time in China's history.

Ms. Jiang was born in Shanghai, China, in 1954. She was 12 years old when the Cultural Revolution started. Entranced at first by the excitement of being a part of the new order, she soon realized that Chairman Mao and his Red Guards brought fear and repression to many citizens of China, including her family.

During her talk Ms. Jiang said that over one thousand people died or were tortured during the Cultural Revolution. People were targeted if they refused to follow the rules of



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the Red Guards. Ms. Jiang told us that certain clothes couldn't be worn, certain furniture couldn't be owned, and you could only have a minimal amount of money. To try to protect their family, the Jiangs hid or disguised their personal treasures and burned memorabilia

such as family photographs so that their political and social past would not get them into trouble. Even though they took such actions, Ms. Jiang's father was still arrested.

In schools, children were forced to write Da-zi-bao's about their teachers (a Da-zi-bao is a poster-sized sign placed around the school that states awful untruths about people). As all these things were happening, most of Ms. Jiang's classmates started turning their backs on her, and neighbors and old friends wouldn't talk to her or her family anymore. This was because her grandfather had been a landowner. Back then in China, if you were related to a landowner or thought to be a Rightist, you were put into a "black" category and it was considered that your family had something wrong with their background. Those who were in the accepted "red" category had a clean family background. Ms. Jiang also told the 7th graders that the government didn't do anything to stop the harassment. Some people were



Author Ji-Li Jiang and student reporter Elizabeth Ruggiero

arrested just for writing letters to their own government about what was happening

When Billy Ryan, a 7th grader at the CMS, was asked what he thought of Ms. Jiang's performance, he said: "It was awesome! I really liked it because it was a very inspiring talk!" Mrs. Mullen, a 7th grade English teacher who arranged for Ms. Jiang to speak, was asked why she invited the author. She replied by saying, "Hearing Ji-Li is a privilege and

it helps students to realize how lucky and fortunate we are to have what we have right now."

When Ms. Jiang was asked what her lesson was to the students, she said, "Understanding people around the world is the route to peace." Ms. Jiang's purpose for the book was to bring awareness that the Cultural Revolution in China did happen, and that things like this are still happening today.

Elizabeth Ruggiero is a 7th grade student at CMS.

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THE NORWOOD FOOD PANTRY...

Many families have come upon difficult times with the need for food having increased. If you would like to donate to The Norwood Food Pantry to help others, you may send your check to: Norwood Food Pantry, Grace Episcopal Church, 150 Chapel St., Norwood, 02062. Their phone number is (781) 769-0425. Clients may pick up food every other Saturday from 8:20-11 a.m.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY...

Congratulations are sent to a favorite Norwood couple, Jim and Kathy Ranalli, on the occasion of their 18th Wedding Anniversary. Heard the celebration was terrific. Many more happy years!

CIRCLE OF HOPE...

Luminary will light the night on Our Town's Common, Saturday, Dec. 6 beginning at 5 p.m. (rain date, Sunday, the 7th). The foundation was established in loving memory of Our Town's Michelle Kennedy, in an effort to offer financial aid to the people of Norwood who are stricken with a catastrophic illness. No monies are received by any of the Board of Directors who have kept the extraordinary foundation working throughout the years.

You may purchase a luminary (\$5) designating a message of your choice which will encircle the Common, lighting a

glowing path of hope and remembrance during this special season of love and peace. You may purchase a luminary prior to, or on the evening of the event. If you would like to make a donation, please send it to: Circle of Hope, 24 Myrtle St., Norwood, MA 02062 with your message, or you may see Lee Kennedy at the Civic Center to fill out a form, or call (781) 762-3549 for more information or to purchase a luminary.

TABLE TALK...

Tom Cumming's, Table Talk, local access program is terrific. His panel are individuals from committees that serve Our Town. Their information is invaluable. I wish the program could be recorded every week. Check the NPA local access guide for broadcast times. Love your show, Tom!

IN MEMORY...

Our Town send it's condolences to Capt. George Geary, NFD, and his family, due to the passing of his mother, Charlotte (Harney) Geary.

We also send our sympathies to Walter Hayes, NFD retired, and his family, due to the passing of his mother, Louise (Hennessy) Hayes.

HEY, JOEY YELAPI...

The next time you see me at Hannaford's, make sure you get my attention. Nick told me he had a nice conversation with you. I must have been zooming the aisles as usual with tunnel vision!

NORWOOD RETIRED MENS GOLF LEAGUE...

This year was the 23rd year of the league at The Norwood Country Golf Club. Fred Donohue has been at the helm managing the league for more than 20 years.

This year's winners in the finals were...Class A, singles: Fred Savoie, defeated Joe Hilton. Class B, singles: John Howard defeated Bill Louie. Team champions: Fred Savoie and B.J. Devine, defeated, Joe Hilton, and Ed Hynes. Approximately 70 retired golfers play in the league for 20 long weeks in good and bad weather.

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Hope you had a great Thanksgiving, bye, JS.

Sabpeter22@hotmail.com
"The most terrifying words in the English language are: I'm from the government and I'm here to help." ...Ronald Reagan

Deaths

BUCCILLI

Joseph A. of Norton, formerly of Norwood and Quincy, Nov. 29. Beloved husband of Frances M. (Ivatts) Buccilli. Devoted father of Donna F. Flannigan of Stoughton, Diane T. Abbate of Taunton, and David J. Buccilli of Mansfield. Brother of Mary Vinci and Amelia Martell both of Quincy. Also survived by his cherished 6 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers donations in Joseph's memory may be made to the Memorial and Honor Program at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942. Funeral arrangements by the Sherman & Jackson Funeral Home, Mansfield.

IPPOLITI

Francis S. of Norwood, died suddenly in Newton, Nov. 24, age 47. Born on February 18, 1961 in Norwood, he was a graduate of St. Catherine of Siena School and Norwood High School, class of 1979. He was the beloved son of Renzo A. and Jennie (Palmerini) Ippoliti of Norwood; loving brother of Ann Marie Callahan of CT, the late Lawrence A. Ippoliti and the late Paul F. Ippoliti; and uncle of Marcy, Shaun, Stacey and Andrew. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and several good friends. He will always be remembered as a devoted son and loving caregiver to his parents. Burial will be held privately at Highland Cemetery, Norwood at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed to St. Catherine of Siena School, 249 Nahatan St., Norwood, MA 02062 or the American Diabetes Assoc., 330 Congress St., 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02210. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood.

Weekly Property Transactions

BUYER	SELLER	ADDRESS	PRICE
11/10/08-11/14/08			
NORWOOD			
Guindeira, Arthur R	Lennon, Michael C	221 Rock St #F3	\$168,200
Mecann, Arthur	J Cleary Inter Vivos T	89 Earle St	\$356,000

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LETTERS FROM SANTA

The Willett Early Childhood Center has agreed to help Santa with his mail this year. "Operation Santa" has been formed to help Santa receive his mail faster. This will ensure Santa has enough time to answer your child's letter with a handwritten response straight from "the North Pole." For a \$5 donation, Operation Santa will express mail your child's letter to the North Pole. Your child will receive a handwritten response from the jolly old man himself. All proceeds from your donation will be given to Norwood's own Circle of Hope Foundation, which directly supports Norwood families facing financial hardships while dealing with serious illness. Forms are available at the Willett Early Childhood Center, Norwood Recreation Department, or by e-mail at tolman@norwoodlight.com and should be returned to the Willett Early Childhood Center by December 8th. We cannot guarantee Santa will have time to respond after this date. Checks can be made out to the Circle of Hope, 100 Westover Parkway, Norwood.

BERRY BENEFIT

Come show your support for Kevin and Kim Berry at a benefit on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 5 p.m. until closing, at the Norwood VFW on Dean Street. Kevin was born and raised in Walpole and married his wife Kim Miller, a lifelong Norwood resident. Kevin received a severe electric shock while honeymooning in September leaving him with major nerve and muscle damage. There will be food, a disc jockey, two bands (the Black Bottle and the Laura May Band), a raffle and auction items. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Donations can be made to The Berry Contribution Account at any Bank of America branch. If you can't make the event but would like to make a pledge, please call Linda at (617) 943-0510.

NORWOOD WOMEN'S CLUB

The Norwood Women's Club invites residents to their meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at 12:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Parish Hall, 24 Berwick St. This meeting will feature Mel Simons. If you liked Mel's "Old Time Radio Shows," you are sure to enjoy his holiday show. If you are not a member and would like further information, call Trina Mallet at (781) 762-8173.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

The Norfolk County Detachment is looking for former Marines to join their league. The league meets every third Tuesday, at 7 p.m., at V.F.W. Post 2452 on Dean Street. If interested, call Phil Cuff at (781) 762-3218.

REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE HOLIDAY PARTY

The Norwood Republican Town Committee is hosting a holiday party on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m., at 49 Beech St. All are invited, especially new members. Please bring a new unwrapped toy to be donated to a less fortunate child. RSVP to Lynne at (781) 769-1567 or (781) 799-8156 or e-mail pat02062@yahoo.com.

LIGHT UP THE CIRCLE OF HOPE

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites residents to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, Dec. 6, on the Town Common. Hoping to continue a

Norwood tradition begun seven 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. Luminaries can be purchased for \$5 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. 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 event. 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 \$25,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The foundation was established ten years ago 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 Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation plans to continue.

MERCURY RECOVERY PROGRAM

The Norwood Health Department is announcing a new program to keep mercury out of the trash. In addition to the two collection days a year held in May and September, residents can now bring their mercury containing devices to the Health Department during business hours at no cost. Mercury comes from a number of sources that may be found in your home and can contaminate outdoors or down drains and pollute the environment. Items accepted at the Health Department include thermostats, mercury switches, thermometers, button cell batteries, flow meters, barometers, cooking thermometers and elemental mercury. Also, for every fever thermometer brought in, the Health Department will provide a free digital thermometer. For more information, contact the Health Department at (781) 762-1240 or visit www.norwoodma.gov.

FOXWOODS TRIP

A Foxwoods trip is planned for Monday, Dec. 15, to benefit the Norwood American Legion. If interested, call Fran Macaulay at (781) 686-4346 for more information. The cost is \$24 per person.

MORSE HOUSE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The George H. Morse Meeting House, Museum and Education Center will be open for the holidays on Friday, Dec. 12, from 3-6 p.m., and on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 1-4 p.m., at 1285 Washington St. Walpole artist Frances Palmieri will be having a special showing of her work. Refreshments will be served. There is no charge for admission. The Morse Committee will be accepting non-perishable canned goods or food items to help our local food pantry this holiday season. For information, call Dale (781) 762-7291 or Marie at (781) 769-5287.

BLUE HILLS REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOOSTERS CLUB STORE

The Blue Hills Regional Technical School Boosters Club store will be open for holiday shopping on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 1-4 p.m. at 800 Randolph St., Canton. For more information, e-mail Bhboosters08@aol.com.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Morrill Memorial Library Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at the library, 33 Walpole St. The meeting will be held in the Trustees' Room. The public is invited to attend.

TOYS FOR TOTS

The VFW Post 2452 and the Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a Toys for Tots Party on Saturday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m., 195 Dean St. Local band British Invaders will be performing and refreshments will be served. There will also be hourly raffles. Admission is \$5 with a new unwrapped toy or \$10 without.

A VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

The Norwood Historical Society announces its seasonal holiday tours of the Fred Holland Day House Museum, on Sundays, Dec. 7, 14, and 21, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited to enjoy "A Victorian Christmas Celebration," the area's loveliest display of high-style Victorian seasonal decoration, with historical exhibits and musical entertainment. Tour the three-story mansion, take in a concert of holiday music in the Great Hall, enjoy refreshments; learn about local history and Christmas traditions of the Victorian era. The F.H. Day House is located 93 Day St. in Norwood. Admission: \$4; children under 12 and NHS members free. Special events: Book Signing, Dec. 7, with Patricia Fanning, Heather Cole and Ed Sweeney; concert of renaissance music by the Norwood High School Madrigal Singers Dec. 14, at 2 p.m.; and vocal performance by mezzo soprano Grace Allendorf, Dec. 21, at 2 pm. For additional information, call the Norwood Historical Society at (781) 762-9197 or visit www.norwoodhistoricalsociety.org.

LYNCH PROVIDES UPDATE

The League of Women Voters of Norwood will be holding a legislative update forum, featuring Congressman Stephen Lynch, on Thursday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m., at Norwood Town Hall. The public is invited.

PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA

The North East All Retriever Rescue (NEARR) is sponsoring pet photos with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 13, from noon to 4 p.m., at 1 Wilson St. For \$10, you will get on 4x6 photo of your pet with Santa and digital photos will also be available at snapfish.com. All proceeds benefit NEARR.

CARTRIDGES FOR KIDS RECYCLING DRIVE

The Coakley Middle School is sponsoring a four-week "Cartridges For Kids" recycling drive, through Dec. 19, at a drop-off box in the main office. The drive will include empty inkjet and laser cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, video games and consoles, digital cameras, iPods, DVDs, GPS systems

and Palm Pilots.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES

The Norwood Adult ESOL Program (English for Speakers of Other Languages) is offering ongoing free English classes, Tuesdays through Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at 190 Vanderbilt Ave. All levels welcome. For more information, call (781) 769-5848 or e-mail plalli@norwoodesol.org.

ADVENT PLAY

The Junior High Youth Group of the First Congregational Church will be presenting an Advent play, entitled "Dreams of Christmas: The Rest of the Story," by Donald Neidigk, on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. This is a retelling of Matthew's account of the Nativity in a fun, dramatic environment. Traditional carols will be sung as the congregation participates in this interactive service. The First Congregational

Church is located at the corner of Route 1A. For more information, call the church office at (781) 762-3320.

A HANUKKAH CELEBRATION TO REMEMBER

The South Area Solomon Schechter School is sponsoring "A Hanukkah Celebration to Remember," on Sunday, Dec. 14, 2-4:30 p.m., at One Commerce Way. The event will feature music by Shirav and Lisa Yves, a live auction and traditional holiday food. Admission is \$18 per adult, \$5 per child. Family maximum is \$50. Open to all. Advance reservations requested. This event is handicapped accessible. For more information, e-mail bhoffman@sassds.org or call (781) 769-9400.

FINE ARTS CONCERTS

The Norwood Fine Arts Department has announced the following concerts in December, at 7 p.m., at the Coakley Middle School. On Tuesday, Dec. 9, performers will include the Coakley Middle School

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Police Logs

Monday, Nov. 24

1006 phone. -Drug law violation, arrest(s)made. Location/address: Norwood High School - 245 Nichols St. Off. responds for a student with class D found in the locker. As a result, one under arrest and transported. Juvenile arrest. Age: 16. Charges: drug, possess class D.

1132 phone. Assaults, report filed. Location/address: 121 Nahatan St. Mr. Eaton reports his neighbor just entered his yard and assaulted him.

1133 phone. Larceny, arrest(s) made. Location/address: Residence Inn By Marriot - 275 Norwood Pk. S. GPS stolen in the last ten minutes from a vehicle. As a Result, Off. and Det. return with one under arrest. Arrest: Sherman, Matthew L. Address: 33 Alden Dr., Norwood, MA. DOB: 09/12/1990. Charges: B & E motor vehicle, larceny over \$250.

1144 phone. Phone harassment, report filed. Location/address: 205 Winslow Ave. Off. will file a report.

1201 phone. Assist other agency, services rendered. Location/address: Norwood High School - 245 Nichols St. Walpole P.D. to serve 209A at h.s. Off. to stand by.

1330 walk-in. Larceny, report filed. Location/address: 31 Coach Ln. Bank fraud.

1440 phone. Illegal trash disposal, services rendered. Location/address: 106 Westover Pkwy. Caller reports a male in a silver truck dumping brush onto Town property. Off. locates the subject and advised him of the private property and the brush was cleaned up.

1706 phone. Unwanted party, services rendered. Location/address: 2 Garfield Ave. Caller reports that his sister called the father saying that her husband who is unwanted was at the residence. Husband not at residence. Officer assisted party with restraining order.

2001 phone. Breaking and entering, report filed. Location/address: 371 Washington St. 17.

2223 initiated. Drunk person, protective custody. Location/address: 1060 Washington St. @ 5 Sturtevant Ave. N664 checks on person. As a result, N664 places 1 subject in p.c. and transports to station. N679 assists. P/C: Arias, Mauricio. Address: 1062 Washington St., Apt 1, Norwood, MA. DOB: 02/16/1988. Charges: protective custody.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

0447 911. Medical emergency, transported to hospital. Location/address: 44 Dean St. D. Female having trouble breathing. N663, NFD responded. NA1 transported.

0703 911. Medical emergency, transported to hospital. Location/address: 301 Neponset St. 20. Caller having chest pain. N665, NFD responded.

1110 phone. Lost and found, services rendered. Location/address: Citgo - 960 Bos-Prov. Hwy. Small change purse, \$5 bill and coins with a Service Credit Union Visa debit card. Credit union contacted in New Hampshire and they have left word with cardholders husband via the bank.

1140 phone. Alarm-burglar, building checked/secured. Location/address: 20 Hillshire Ln. Checked secure, homeowner called, her brother was there about 10 minutes prior, must have set it off. She is satisfied.

1235 walk-in. Missing person, services rendered. Location/address: 24 Plantation Cir. Woman in station to report her 17 y.o. son is missing. Teen returns home prior to CJIS entry. Off. responds and speaks with all.

1328 phone. Well being chk., services rendered. Location/address: 301 Neponset St. Gerald Blair requests well being check on Edw. Reitzel at 301 Neponset St., #20. Mr. Blair is picking him up and no one is answering the door. Off. Gains access with manager and the resident is not home. Note left.

1451 phone. Assist citizen, services rendered. Location/address: Junior High South (Coakley Middle School) - 1315 Washington St. Child stranded at the junior high, transported home.

1534 phone. Well being chk., services rendered. Location/address: 35 Centennial Dr.

7. HESSCO unable to get in contact with Bronislawa Shlayn, 62 y.o. female. Requests well being. Maintenance let officer in and no one home, paperwork left on table indicates she may be at Ellis Nursing Home.

1901 phone. Illegal trash disposal, services rendered. Location/address: 466 Nahatan St. Caller reported party dumping trash into his receptical. Officer reported resident satisfied.

1928 911. Disturbance, spoken to. Location/address: UTI (Universal Tecnology Institute) - 1 Upland Rd. Caller reported verbal disputer with student over small baggie possibly containing narcotics. Officers reported no drugs found. School to handle dispute internally.

1938 phone. Assist citizen, report filed. Location/address: 34 Day St. Caller reported father of her child will not return him. Officer reported nothing illegal happened. Child to be returned home.

2024 phone. B & E, report filed. Location/address: 425 Prospect St.

2027 walk-in. Assist citizen, spoken to. Location/address: 102 Village Rd. E. Walk-in requested advice on breaking a lease.

2107 phone. Animal complaint, gone on arrival. Location/address: Westview Dr. Report cat stuck in catch basin. N.A.C.O., DPW sent. N677 spoke to neighbor, cat comes/goes as it pleases, not stuck.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

1151 phone. Warrant arrest, arrest(s)made. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800 Washington St. Warrant of apprehension served. Off. transports to Dedham court. Det. will fill the report.

1215 phone. Missing person, services rendered. Location/address: 112 Normandy Dr. 6 year old left school at dismissal without waiting for his ride. Last seen wearing a bright yellow jacket. Off. responding and the the boy was located a few minutes after and is with his mother.

1325 phone. B & E of motor vehicle, report filed. Location/address: 367 Washington St. Resident reports his car was unlocked and items removed last night.

1514 phone. Mischief (kids), spoken to. Location/address: Nahatan St. Caller reports group of kids on Nahatan St, females flashing motorists. One of the flashers was wearing a blk. & white plaid hoodie. Officer spoke to several kids including one wearing described hoodie, all denied actions.

1514 phone. Susp. activity, report filed. Location/address: 38 Monroe St. E. Person representing gas company came to his door this morning at 7:30, daughter answered but, did not let him in. When he called gas company, no one was in area checking on things.

1529 phone. Kids gathering, services rendered. Location/address: 160 Nahatan St. @ 20 Broadway St. Kids left the civic on foot and may be gathering for a fight. Off. reports all in order and a number of kids in the up-town area today.

1634 phone. Serve summons, services rendered. Location/address: 46 Jefferson Dr. Subject not home.

1644 walk-in. Larceny, report filed. Location/address: McDonalds - 32 Broadway St. Walk-in reported cell phone was stolen from above address. Party reported possible suspects at Norwood Civic Center. Officer spoke with possible witnesses. Nothing found.

1924 911. Well being chk., investigated. Location/address: 6 Ivy Cir. 911 call from state police requesting well being check on resident of 6 Ivy Circle. N665 and N663 sent. N665 reports resident would not come to door. Resident then turned off lights and motioned to officers that she was ok thru window.

2034 911. Dispute, spoken to. Location/address: 999 Washington St. @ 416 Lenox St. Caller reported verbal argument. Officer spoke with party, checked ok. No domestic occurred.

2036 phone. Juvenile offenses, gone on arrival. Location/address: Prescott School - 66 Richland Rd. Caller reported juveniles at-

tempting to light fires in the woods. NFD notified. No fire found.

2059 911. Motor vehicle accident, report filed. Location/address: 140 Railroad Ave. Caller reported mva. NFD responding. Vehicle occupants fled vehicle towards Washington St. Officers caught up with one occupant. Transport to 12 Rosedale. Center Auto to tow pc MA 19ps37. Summons: Phaneuf, Wayne C. Address: 170 Prospect St., 59, Norwood, MA. DOB: 12/09/1977. Charges: leave scene of property damage. P/C: Fitzgerald, David M. Address: 96 Main St., Foxborough, MA. DOB: 07/28/1977. Charges: protective custody.

2110 phone. Noise complaint, spoken to. Location/address: 12 Philbrick St. 2. Loud music. Checked ok.

Thursday, Nov. 27

0013 phone. Noise complaint, services rendered. Location/address: 106 Westover Pkwy. Two cars outside with kids. Off. reports all quiet on arrival.

0110 phone. Noise complaint, services rendered. Location/address: 20 Pond Ave. @ 58 St. James Ave. Group gathering outside in the street. Off. reports a very small group and they are leaving.

0127 phone. Drunk driver, services rendered. Location/address: Day St. White Jeep pulled over on the street and may be dk. Off. spoke with the driver who was not dk. And was waiting for a friend.

0156 phone. Shoplifting, services rendered. Location/address: CVS Pharmacy - 136 Nahatan St. Employee reports 4 black females in the store and a shoplifting in progress. Two females left the store and observed placing items in the van. Offs. respond with Sgt. Off will file a complaint application. Juvenile arrest. Age: 15. Charges: shoplifting by concealing mdse.

0806 phone. Power outage, services rendered. Location/address: 40 Savin Ave. Power outage on Savin Ave./Melville Ave. ELD notified.

0918 911. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 66 Austin St. Chest pains, NFD handled.

1152 911. Medical emergency, transported to hospital. Location/address: 8 Cambridge Rd. Woman in home fell, needs help getting up. NFD handled.

1225 911. Medical emergency, gone on arrival. Location/address: 36 Access Rd. Party reports that a male has fallen and might be in need of medical attention. NFD notified and responding. N664 off. dispatched and responded. Goa. Checked area and unable to find. NFD had cleared.

1713 phone. Complaint of m/v, spoken to. Location/address: Walpole St. @ Wilson St. Caller Peter Farrell reports an older female almost caused a collision with he and his wife. She appeared to be confused. Off stopped vehicle on Upland Rd. by Clapboard Tree St. Officer spoke to her, she appears to be ok.

1723 walk-in. Lost and found, no action required. Location/address: 37 Cottage St. Traffic supervisor, Angela Malvone found a woman's pocketbook in her back yard and turned it into station. Pocketbook and contents in trash bag, as contents are very wet from rain. Angela called owner and left message at her home in Mansfield.

1816 phone. Disturbance, spoken to. Location/address: 102 Village Rd. E. Disturbance between male and female inside building. Officers spoke to residents who denied anything was going on. All appears to be ok.

2032 phone. Drunk person, area search negative. Location/address: 319 Dean St. @ 767 Neponset St. Caller reports blk. p.u. truck all over the road. Driver appeared to pull over on Dean St. and stop. Possible plate of 880819 or 880839. Area checked, nothing showing.

2038 walk-in. Assaults, report filed. Location/address: 714 Neponset St. Female in station to report her mother's boyfriend assaulted her 3 hours ago at her home in front of company. Under investigation.

2043 phone. Assist citizen, spoken to. Location/address: 758 Norwest Dr. Monica

Bonanno is at ex husband's to pick up her son, he is not letting son go with her. Office spoke to all involved, advised to go back to court tomorrow to resolve custody issue.

2125 radio. Assist other agency, field interrogation. Location/address: Nahatan St. @ Broadway. Off. stops David Derosches for Dedham P.D. Fio'd Mr. Desroches has been advised by hospital security that he is no longer wanted on the property, if he returns he will be trespassing.

2133 911. Mischief (kids)\gone on arrival. Location/address: 67 Spruce Rd. @ 24 Brierwood Ln. Caller reports kids on the corner setting off sparklers.

2141 phone. Message delivery, services rendered. Location/address: 384 Walpole St. Sharon p.d. requests message delivery to James Shea for him to contact them. No answer at door. Sharon advised.

2212 phone. Well being chk., spoken to. Location/address: 25 Buckingham Rd. Larry Fernald wants well being check on ex wife. She sounded irrational when they spoke earlier. N663 spoke with party. States that she is fine.

2249 911. Medical emergency, transported to hospital. Location/address: 24 Morningside Dr. Caller states elderly female cannot stop vomiting. N663 sent. NFD notified. NFD handled, transporting patient. Officer cleared.

Friday, Nov. 28

0012 cellular. Susp. person, area search negative. Location/address: Sixth St. Report 2 w/m's, both blk. hded. Swtshts., walking up/down street 3-4 times.

0839 phone. Serve summons, spoken to. Location/address: 44 Jefferson Dr. Unable to serve, person no longer resides there.

0904 phone. Lost and found, spoken to. Location/address: White Hen Pantry - 884 Washington St. Party left wallet at store. N661 went to residence on Oxford Rd. and left message. Wallet in dispatch.

1138 phone. Missing person, services rendered. Location/address: 160 Lane Dr. Caller would like to report her husband missing. N664 sent. N664 checks library. See report. Missing entered into CJIS.

1404 walk-in. Assaults, complaint/summons. Location/address: 105 Jefferson Dr. Walk in party reports past assault. N670 to file complaints. Summons: Desroches, David. Address: 13 Greenwood Ave., A, Dedham, MA. DOB: 08/06/1982. Charges: threat to commit crime.

1405 phone. Susp. activity, gone on arrival. Location/address: Hillcrest Rd.

1546 phone. Animal complaint, taken/referred to other. Location/address: 703 Pleasant St. Caller reports there is a dog in her yard trying to attack her. N667 sent. WACO notified. N667 reports dog lives at 695 Pleasant St., W.A.C.O. to handle.

1602 phone. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 108 Fulton St. @ 8 Myrtle St. Report subject fell on sidewalk, NFD handled, N661 reports medical issue-no defects in sidewalk.

1613 walk-in. Fraud, report filed. Location/address: 55R Davis Ave.

1627 phone. Breaking and entering, report filed. Location/address: 25 Buckingham Rd.

1653 911. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 96 Plymouth Dr. 2C.

1753 phone. Complaint of m/v, services rendered. Location/address: 566 Washington St. @ 220 Nahatan St. Report may be a Camry, maroon, drove over traffic island making left from Washington to Nahatan St., continued down Nahatan. Bolu to cars. N677 checked-no damage to island, no debris left behind, checked for mv-go.

1804 phone. Missing person, report filed. Location/address: 160 Lane Dr. Subject returns home. N665 confirms same, report filed under 08-2346-of.

1819 cellular. Well being chk., spoken to. Location/address: 279 Block u-turn - Bos-

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Prov., Hwy. 2-calls for male/female standing in median strip of highway, 1 states appear afraid to cross street, 1 states appears to be a domestic-male dragged female. Units stop MA pc 27ws91, female is sick, vomiting, male holding up same, did not wish medical treatment.

1909 911. Citizens complaint, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 65 Codman Rd. Basement flooding, transferred to NFD.

1918 initiated. Dispute, spoken to. Location/address: Windsor Shell - 491 Walpole St. N668 comes across customer/clerk argument. N668 spoke to all parties, lottery ticket issue, satisfied, sent on way.

2139 other. Warrant arrest, services rendered. Location/address: 373 Norwest Dr. Units attempt warrant arrest and 209A service. Also tried 730 Norwest Dr. (complex recently changed numerical addresses. N661 reports subject moved out, unk address.

2317 cellular. Dispute, report filed. Location/address: Lewis Restaurant & Grille - 92 Central St. Report couple arguing w/a 3rd female. N662 spoke to all parties, report filed.

2345 phone. Domestic services, rendered. Location/address: 501 Norwest Dr. Caller reports a man and female yelling inside. Officers unable to gain access for the lights are now out and they will not come to the door. Off. will file a report.

Saturday, Nov. 29

0107 phone. Medical emergency, report filed. Location/address: Martini's - 659 Washington St. Off. requested NFD for a subject injured outside. Offs. respond. One subject transported to the hospital.

0201 phone. Mischief (kids), services rendered. Location/address: 1188 Washington St. @ 3 St. George Ave. Motorist approaches off. and reports his car was hit with eggs. Area check negative and no damage to the car.

0240 phone. Missing person, report filed. Location/address: 103 Winter St. Off. will file a report and the resident was entered as missing.

0520 911. Medical emergency, services rendered. Location/address: 41 Brookview Cir. Off. assisted NFD.

0641 911. Susp. vehicle, spoken to. Location/address: (cell: 661 Washington) - 635 Washington St. @ 7 Cottage St. Passing motorist reports a man asleep/passed out behind the wheel. N665, N664, and NFD sent. N665 reports car is in a parking space and man was resting waiting for bakery to open. All ok.

0855 phone. Be on the lookout, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location: [WAP]. Bolo for "P.J. Hayes" backhoe, off duty Walpole officer reports driver not recognize as employee and is not usual driver of same, last Washington St. inbound. Walpole P.D. locates same in Walpole and will handle same.

1059 911. 911 hang up, spoken to. Location/address: Mansfield, James - 8 Leyton Rd. Upon call back-busy. N669 spoke to resident, was calling for smoke in house but realized it was his food on the stove that burnt. NFD notified.

1353 phone. Domestic, report filed. Location/address: 118 Cottage St. Report domestic, wants

boyfriend removed, caller is outside. (Parties known to P.D., multiple unit response). N679 reports verbal argument, states of Florida and New Jersey will not extradite for warrants, male gathered belongings and sent on his way.

1403 phone. Susp. person, report filed. Location/address: Norwood Airport Inc. - 101 Access Rd. Report 2 subjects on grounds, taking pictures, no airport I.d.'s. N667 reports subjects left before arrival, report filed.

1607 phone. Report of gas leak, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 35 Orleans Rd. Caller reports his boiler made a popping noise and smoke came out if it and he can smell gas in the street. NFD notified. N679 sent.

1637 phone. Shoplifting, arrest(s) made. Location/address: Stop & Shop - 1415 Bos-Prov Hwy. Caller reports two female shoplifters. Store to take out complaints for shoplifting. As a result, N679 places one under arrest for outstanding warrant. Arrest: Dzhura, Svetlana S. Address: 10 Bayberry Dr., Apt. 4, Sharon, MA. DOB: 04/20/1970. Charges: shoplifting by asportation, warrant arrest.

1709 phone. Susp. person, gone on arrival. Location/address: 1095 Washington St. 3. Caller reports two sp. people 30 y.o. hispanic female wearing leather jacket and 30 y.o. hispanic male 6 feet tall.

2004 phone. Lost and found, report filed. Location/address: Balch School - 1168 Washington St. N664 reports bike left in lot. See report.

2036 phone. Susp. activity, report filed. Location/address: 112 Plymouth Dr.

2150 phone. Missing person, report filed. Location/address: Community Living Program - 103 Winter St. Missing juvenile returned home. N663 sent to confirm.

2255 phone. Noise complaint, group moved. Location/address: Longmeadow Rd. Caller reports group of people being loud in the street. N665, N664 sent.

Sunday, Nov. 30

0102 911. Noise complaint, spoken to. Location/address: 45 Davis Ave. B. Caller reported loud party. Officers spoke to residents, advised.

0144 911. Susp. person, gone on arrival. Location/address: 146 Plymouth Dr. C. Caller reported someone peered into the residence through a window. Officers checked area, nothing found.

0355 phone. Well being chk., spoken to. Location/address: 69 Alandale Pkwy. Caller requested well being check on resident Michael Kubryk. NFD responded. Officers reported party checked ok.

0817 phone. Susp. activity, spoken to. Location/address: Vanderbilt Club - 45 Vanderbilt Ave. Caller reports that a green van has been parked and running in the parking lot of the Vanderbilt Club for over two hours. A sleeping person was seen in the van. N665 and N661 responded. Found vehicle and spoke to owner who was waiting for the gym to open. Both units cleared.

1001 phone. Medical emergency, taken to family/guardian. Location/address: Norwood Hospital - 800 Washington St. Caller states section 12 is "running loose"

in hospital. Subsequent 911 call identifies individual at Hoyle and Everett St. N667, N664 sent. N667 apprehends and returns to hospital.

1031 911. Assist citizen, report filed. Location/address: (cell: 661 Washington) - Linden St. Caller reports that her son that is psychotic has been out of control and making threats to her. Was in a Dodge Neon at the rear of the hospital.

1035 phone. Dispute, report filed. Location/address: 342 Prospect St. Caller reports that the father of her child will not return child to her. N661 to investigate. N661 and N668 went to this address and spoke to the residents. After intervention by Sgt. the child was returned to the mother.

1056 other. Susp. activity, spoken to. Location/address: Norwood Gardens - 86 Hampden Dr. Report of a male trying to open cars in the Norwood Gardens area. N665 anf. n/s off. to check the area. Checked the male. All is in order. Cleared.

1222 phone. Well being chk., spoken to. Location/address: 118 Plymouth Dr. A. Caller states his ex-wife is not returning his calls regarding custody of their son. Requests well being check. N665 sent, reports mother and child are fine.

1240 walk-in. Missing person, report filed. Location/address: 1266 Washington St. Walk in states she received a phone call that her son is missing in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She called the police department in Albuquerque, New Mexico and was told that she would have to file a report at Norwood P.D. Off. spoke to female and filed a report.

1250 walk-in. Sex offenses, services rendered. Location/address: 449 Pleasant St.

1318 walk-in. Missing person, spoken to. Location/address: 1266 Washington St.

1819 phone. Breaking and entering, report filed. Location/address: 112 Gay St. Caller reports past B & E. N664 sent.

1846 phone. Medical emergency, Fire Dept. notified/respo. Location/address: 35 Centennial Dr. Caller from CT states her elderly mother is having seizures. N679 sent. NFD notified.

1933 911. Disturbance, services rendered. Location/address: 47 Chapel St. - 47 Chapel St. Caller states someone is banging on her door. N663, N665 sent. N663 checked area. No one around.

2140 phone. Breaking and entering, report filed. Location/address: 25 Buckingham Rd. Caller reports she found footprint and blood in home after B & E. N679 to file supplemental report.

2201 phone. Drunk person, protective custody. Location/address: 100 Hampden Dr., 2C. Caller reports her husband is dk. and left in his mv with a butcher knife. MA reg#472cpb, bolo. put out to cars. N666, N661 to check area. NFD notified for evaluation. N666 places one female in pc and released to a friend. P/C: Driscoll, Christine Delaney. Address: 100 Hampden Dr., 2C, Norwood, MA. DOB: 10/31/1961. Charges: protective custody.

Monday, Dec. 1

0124 phone. Susp. activity, gone on arrival. Location/address: 94 Hampden Dr. A. Caller reported party in bushes by resident's win-

dow.

0840 phone - Vandalism. report filed Location/address: 12 St Catherine Rd Resident in reporting his Christmas lights were cut over the weekend. Off Veag will file a report.

0921 walk-in - Assist citizen spoken to Location/address: 70 Pellana Rd Subject in station looking for advice on home situation, Before it escalates. Advice given.

1230 phone - Susp activity investigated Location/address: Coakley Middle School - 1315 Washington St School Credit Union official reports issues have surfaced after an audit. Det. Sgt Rinn to investigate.

1450 phone - Breaking and entering. report filed Location/address: 161 Devon Rd Caller reports they interrupted a housebreak and a man fled the home. Call is at least 30 minutes old. Off EA Farioli and Harkins respond. Det. Brown re-

sponds.

1718 phone - threats. report filed Location/address: 91 Pleasant St Caller reports his ex girlfriend threatened him.

1748 phone - fraud. report filed Location: 38 Coolidge Rd.

1841 phone - Breaking and entering. report filed Location/address: 700 Lansdowne Way 207 Storage bin. Refer to incident: 08-2377-of

2028 phone - Suicide /or threat. report filed Location/address: 25 Chapel St. Party caller reports subject made several cuts to his Arm. NFD notified.

2318 phone - Drunk driver gone on arrival Location/address: 99 Roosevelt Ave @ 125 Jefferson Dr. Caller reports dk female getting into white pickup truck. N665 n669 n668 check area. Caller then reported vehicle to be on Monroe St. N665 spoke to operator not impaired. All in order.

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honor chorus, 8th grade chorus, 7th grade band, 8th grade band, and 7th and 8th grade orchestra. Also, the new men's chorus will make their first public performance. Free admission. Wednesday, Dec. 10, features the Senior High concert band, orchestra, Madrigal singers, women's chorale, concert chorale, Celtic strings, and wind ensemble. Admission is \$5. On Tuesday, Dec. 16, a concert features the Coakley Middle School honor chorus, 6th grade orchestra, 6th grade band, 7th grade chorus, and 6th grade chorus. Free admission. The public is invited to all performances. All admissions benefit student programs in Norwood.

BALCH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Bring your holiday gift list to Barnes and Noble Booksellers at the Walpole Mall on Wednesday, Dec. 10. Shop any department all day, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to benefit the Balch School. Simply request a voucher at any register before your purchase is rung up. There will also be a story hour in the children's department at 4 p.m., where guest readers from the Balch School will read specially selected children's books.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

The Annual Balch School Pancake Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., in the Balch School cafeteria. For only \$4 per person you will receive a delicious breakfast of pancakes with butter and syrup, sausage, fresh fruit and your choice of juice, milk, coffee or tea. Enjoy the 5th graders singing holiday songs prior

to Santa's big entrance. For a small fee, have your picture taken with Santa and make holiday crafts and ornaments.

GINGERBREAD FAIR

The United Church of Norwood will hold its annual Gingerbread Fair on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the corner of Washington and Nahatan Streets. The fair will feature Joan Ripley of Belmont with her handmade Christmas and holiday wreaths, centerpieces, arrangements, ornaments and much more. In addition, there will be a large selection of gently used books, videos, and puzzles as well as jewelry and a special kid's shop. There will also be a bake table and a large selection of raffled gift baskets and a luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information, visit unitedchurchofnorwood.org.

WASTE SITE CLEAN UP

The Norwood Health Department has secured a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to encourage and facilitate community involvement in the clean-up activities at the former Zimble Drum and former Winslow Tannery located on Endicott Street. The meeting is scheduled for Dec. 3, at Memorial Hall in Town Hall.

STAMBANDET SCANDINAVIAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT The Emmanuel Lutheran Church will host Stambandet, a Scandinavian vocal ensemble, on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. Presenting a Swedish Christmas through music, traditions and pageantry, the singers wear folk clothing representing their particular heritages, Swedish,

Finnish and Norwegian. A narrator will invite the audience into the traditions of a Swedish family and set the stage for different groups of songs, each reflecting a particular time of the Christmas season. A highlight comes when St. Lucia and her attendants appear out of the darkness, dressed in white and carrying candles. They will bring us all light in the darkest time of the year. Come share with us a respite from the busy season and a treat, musically and visually, to remind all of the true meaning of the Advent and Christmas seasons. Coffee, a Swedish punch and cookies will be served following the concert. Tickets, \$15 for adults and \$5 for youth ages 5-15, will be available at the door the day of the performance. Emmanuel Lutheran Church is located at 24 Berwick St. For more information, call (781) 762-9457.

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MADRIGAL BANQUET

The Annual Madrigal Banquet will take place on Friday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m., at the Elks Hall on Elks Way. The evening will feature Renaissance vocal and instrumental music, dance and theater by the Norwood High School Madrigal Choir. A family-style dinner will be served during the performance. The cost of admission is \$35 per person. To purchase your tickets, or reserve tables of 10, please contact Catherine Connor-Moen, director of Fine Arts for the Norwood Public Schools, at (781) 440-5916. This event is sponsored by the Norwood Parents Music Association. All proceeds benefit Norwood music students.

Changes to Veterans' Salutes

Veterans and active-duty military not in uniform can now render the military-style hand salute during the playing of the national anthem, thanks to changes in federal law that took effect this month.

"The military salute is a unique gesture of respect that marks those who have served in our nation's armed forces," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. James B. Peake. "This provision allows the application of that honor in all events involving our nation's flag."

The new provision improves upon a little known change in federal law last year that authorized veterans to

render the military-style hand salute during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, but it did not address salutes during the national anthem. Last year's provision also applied to members of the armed forces while not in uniform.

Traditionally, members of the nation's veterans' service organizations have rendered the hand-salute during the national anthem and at events involving the national flag while wearing their organization's official head-gear.

The most recent change, authoriz-

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SENIOR COUNCIL

A meeting will be held on Thursday, Dec. 4, at 1 p.m.

FOOT CLINIC

Dr. Cormier will be at the senior center on Tuesday, Dec. 9, and Tuesday, Dec. 30, from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$25. Please call for an appointment.

REMINISCENCE HOUR

Reminiscence hour will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The topic is old movies, actors and actresses.

SHINE

The new SHINE counselor, Dennis, will be available for appointments on every Thursday to answer any questions you may have regarding your health insurance. Please call ahead.

CRIBBAGE

The seniors meet every Monday at 1 p.m. in the senior center library to play cribbage. If you would like to join, arrive at the center early to be sure you get a table.

PROPOPE

PROPOPE will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 1 p.m.

INDOOR WALKING

Please come and join your friends Monday through Friday in the school gym anytime between

the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Please let the front desk know when you will be walking and sign in and out. We urge you not to walk alone.

MINI FIX-IT SHOP

Mike Bassile, Bunny Conrad and Bob Brown will be available on the second and fourth Monday of each month. This is a free service except for parts you may need to purchase. Please, no televisions.

TRIAD

There will be a TRIAD meeting on Monday, Dec. 15, from noon to 1 p.m.

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB

This month's meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 16.

ALTERATIONS AND MENDING

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

POOL TABLE

Come play a game of pool with our soon-to-be expert senior pool sharks. Instructions are now being given from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday in anticipation of our upcoming pool tournament.

FITNESS ROOM

Come and exercise in our new fitness room. We currently have two treadmills, a recumbent bicycle and a recumbent elliptical machine.

REGULAR PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Mondays: flex, firm and chi, 8 a.m., \$2 per class. Stretch and tone, 9 a.m., \$2 per class. Tai chi, 10 a.m., \$2 per class. Gentle exercise, 11 a.m., \$2 per class. Handcrafts, 1 p.m. Indoor walking club, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the school gym.

Tuesdays: square dancing, 9 a.m., \$2 per class. Aerobics, 9 a.m., \$2 per class. Yoga/Chi, 10 a.m., \$2 per class. Line dancing; advanced 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.; beginners, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Whist, 12:45 p.m. Mary Lennon's line dancing, 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesdays: flex, firm and chi, 8 a.m., \$2 per class. Stretch and tone, 9 a.m., \$2 per class, bingo, 1 p.m., walking 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the school gym. Thursdays: gentle aerobics, 9 a.m., \$2 per class. Flexibility, 10 a.m., \$2 per class. Contract bridge, 9:30 a.m. Scrabble, 1 p.m.

PLAQUE DONATION

If anyone would like to make a contribution for a plaque for Edith Holmes, donations will be taken up through the Handicrafters.

SENIOR BOWLING

Every Thursday at the Norwood

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ing hand-salutes during the national anthem by veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel, was sponsored by Sen. Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma, an Army veteran. It was included in the Defense Authorization Act of 2009, which President Bush signed on Oct. 14.

The earlier provision authorizing hand-salutes for veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, was contained in the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, which took effect

Jan. 28, 2008.

This is another way for us to honor the Colors, friends, so let's snap off that hand salute....TWO!

For further information, questions or assistance with any veterans benefits or services, please call the Town of Norwood Department of Veterans' Services, (781) 762-1240 extension 208, or visit us on the web at www.norwoodma.gov

For the latest news releases and other information, visit VA on the Internet at <http://www.va.gov>

Sports Center, 9:30 a.m. This is a mixed league and three strings are played for \$5.25.

SENIOR SUPPERS

Caritas Norwood Hospital offers a Senior Supper Program - consisting of soup, entree and a drink - in the cafeteria, Monday through Friday, from 4:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$4.95.

WIDOWED SOCIAL GROUP

Meets at Grace Episcopal Church, 150 Chapel St., every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Contact Rita Carpenito at (781) 762-6018.

MESSAGE FROM OUTREACH

There will be more information coming about the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program coming. Please call the Senior Center if you want to be added to the list of people to be contacted with the rates and details for the 2009 heating season.

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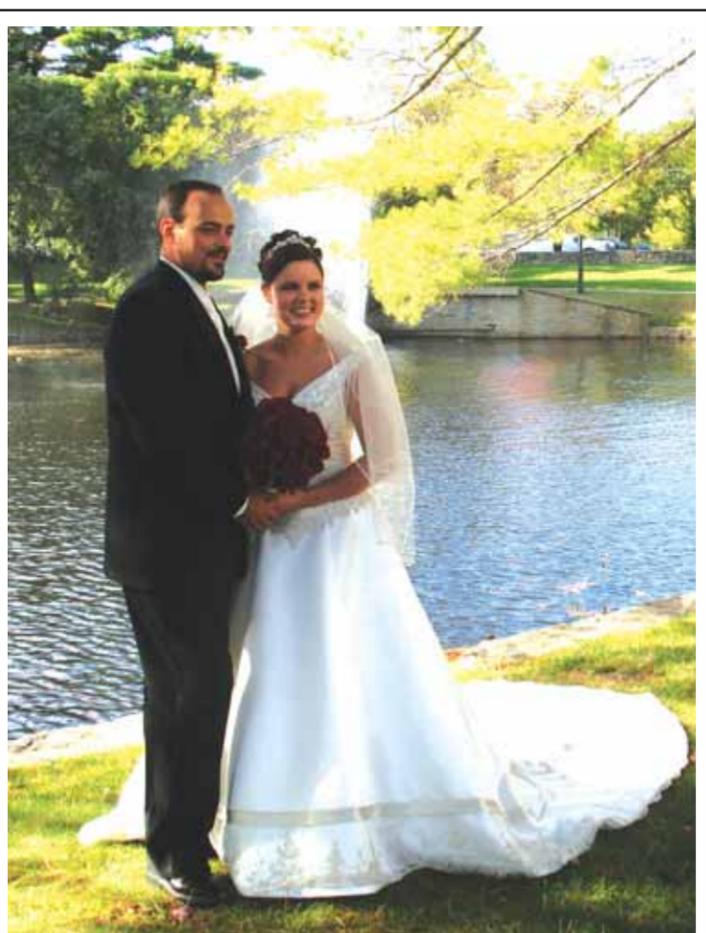
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The bride is the daughter of Martin and Theresa Flynn of Norwood. The groom is the son of Donald Fernandes and the late Gail (Long) Fernandes of Norton.

Maids of Honor were Erica McCahon and Tracey Flynn of Norwood, sisters of the bride. Best Man was Donald Fernandes, father of the groom. The bridesmaids, friends of the couple, were Megan Smith, Maureen Lindsey and Doreen King.

The groomsmen, friends of the couple, were Dana Smith, Bryan Lindsey, Greg King, Jay Haire and Brandon Lefebvre. The flower girl was Selina's niece, Ayla McCahon. Her nephew, Aidan McCahon was the ring bearer.

Guests from Ireland, Chicago, Georgia, New Jersey and New York as well as throughout New England celebrated with the couple.

The couple honeymooned in Aruba and reside in Norton MA.

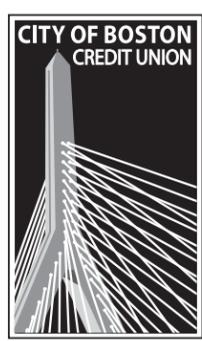
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