

# THIS WINTER IN WESTWOOD

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### Westwood Commission on Disability News

Members of the Westwood Commission on Disability and Executive Secretary Michael Jaillet recently gathered to honor and thank Commission member and founder Benjamin Beale for his generous service to the Town and its disabled citizens. Mr. Beale has retired from the Commission 21 years after undertaking to start such an organization in furtherance of the United Nations Year of the Disabled Person in 1982.

As part of the UN-sponsored initiative, Ben formed a committee of citizens who were committed to the advancement of the human and civil rights of disabled citizens. Soon thereafter the Commonwealth passed legislation authorizing communities to form Commissions on Handicapped Affairs. Westwood was amongst the

first communities to adopt this legislation and formed a Town Commission in 1985.

For many years, Ben served as Chairman of the Commission. Through his leadership and the committed efforts of those who have served on the Commission with him, the community has grown in the awareness of the needs and the talents of our disabled neighbors. Awareness activities included participation in the Old Home Day Fair and in other town events. Town buildings were surveyed for public access by disabled people and lifts were installed in Town Hall and the main Public Library. The availability of handicapped parking was improved in public and private parking lots. These and other projects were accomplished with a spirit of

willingness and cooperation and were completed before they were required by various laws including the Americans with Disabilities Act. Ben had the style of leadership that brought people together to do the right thing for the right reason. Throughout each project, Ben provided a helping hand and enthusiastic support. The Town of Westwood thanks him for his generous service to our disabled citizens.

Present members of the Commission include Anne Berry Goodfellow, Jane Forsberg, Jan Randlet, Sue Rogers, Pat Carty Larkin, Fran MacQueen, Jude O'Hara, Suzanne Comer, Nuala Barner, and Jette Meglan.



*From left: Jude O'Hara, Ben Beale, Mike Jaillett and Anne Berry Goodfellow.*

# Public Library News

## Town-Wide Reading Project: One Town-One Book Focuses on Two Novels

The Westwood Public Library will launch **Westwood Reads**, a community-wide reading project, in January 2004. Patterned after similar efforts across the U.S., this program features two novels, *Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress*, by Chinese author Dai Sijie, for adults, and *The Arkadians*, by Lloyd Alexander, for children. Library Director Thomas Viti notes, "Our goal is to have as many people in Westwood reading and discussing the same two books. Reading and conversation are central to our lives — these are the most important ways we have of communicating ideas and learning new things." The Westwood Reads selection committee chose these two titles because, as Viti puts it, "We feel that they have something important to say, a message for us to consider."

The one town-one book concept was begun by the Washington Center for the Book in 1998 and has been popular in many areas of the country. Cities as large as Chicago and towns as small as Greenfield, Massachusetts have brought their communities together through reading. Closer to home, the Walpole Public Library organized town-wide reading projects in 2001 and 2002.

The Westwood Public Library will purchase hundreds of copies of both books and make them available throughout Westwood. Local book clubs will receive books for their members, and Starbucks and other locations will have books to hand out to patrons. The Library plans to give copies to each of the public school libraries as well.

Programs to facilitate discussions of the books and several special events will also focus on the two books. The Library's web page, [www.westwoodlibrary.org](http://www.westwoodlibrary.org), will carry the schedule, related reading lists, and photos of programs. The first event is planned for late January. The Library will rely on a variety of funding sources to underwrite the project's expenses. The Westwood Educational Foundation, the Friends of the Westwood Public Library and the Board of Library Trustees have pledged money for the project. Viti said that the complete schedule will be announced shortly.

# Department of Public Works News

## Storm Water Runoff

### *What is storm water runoff?*

Storm water runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent storm water from naturally soaking into the ground.

### *Why is storm water runoff a problem?*

Storm water can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants and flow into a drainage system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water. Anything that enters a drainage system is discharged untreated into the water bodies we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking water.

### *The effects of pollution*

Polluted storm water runoff can have many adverse effects on plants, fish, animals, and people.

- Sediment can cloud the water and make it difficult or impossible for aquatic plants to grow. Sediment also can destroy aquatic habitats.
- Excess nutrients can cause algae blooms. When algae die, they sink to the bottom and decompose in a process that removes oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic organisms can't exist in water with low dissolved oxygen levels.
- Bacteria and other pathogens can wash into swimming areas and create health hazards, often making beach closures necessary.
- Debris — plastic bags, six-pack rings, bottles, and cigarette butts — washed into water bodies can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic life such as ducks, fish, turtles, and birds.
- Household hazardous wastes like insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, used motor oil, and other auto fluids can poison aquatic life. Land animals and people can become sick or die from eating diseased fish and shellfish or ingesting polluted water.
- Polluted storm water often affects drinking water sources. This, in turn, can affect human health and increase drinking water treatments costs.

For these reasons it is so important for all residents to try not to pollute the environment!

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Westwood Community Newsletter  
580 High Street  
Westwood, MA 02090

Barbara M. Friedman, *Editor*

# *News About The John J. Cronin Public Service Award*

The John J. Cronin Public Service Award will be presented each year to an individual who has demonstrated exceptional service to the Town of Westwood. This award is named for the late John J. Cronin, Town Treasurer, who for many years selflessly gave of his time for the betterment of the community both as an elected official and in numerous volunteer activities. To recognize this same spirit of community involvement, as exemplified by John Cronin's life, the Town will select an individual annually for this award which will be presented to the recipient at the Annual Town Meeting.

## **Nominations for the John J. Cronin Public Service Award**

When submitting a nomination for this award please consider the criteria which the nominee should possess and use these as guidelines in your description: leadership, exceptional service to the community, years of dedication, strong work ethic, integrity, cooperation, diversity of service, volunteerism, impact on the town, and dedication to the Westwood community.

The name of any individual who has served the community may be suggested to the Selection Committee which is composed of Anthony J. Antonellis, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, John J. Cronin Jr., Ralph Buonopane, Historical Commission, Thomas Viti, Library Director, and Michael Jaillet, Executive Secretary.

## **Nominations are to be submitted by February 26, 2004 to:**

John J. Cronin Public Service Award Committee  
Town Hall  
580 High Street  
Westwood, MA 02090

Phone Number: 781-326-4172      Fax Number: 781-329-8030

Email Address: [selectmen@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:selectmen@townhall.westwood.ma.us)

*In your nomination please provide all of the information listed below.*

1. Full name of nominee \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. The nominee's single most important contribution  
Describe the nominee's most outstanding contribution to the well-being of the community.  
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3. Achievements and Contributions  
Provide a 25-30 word summary of the nominee's achievements and or contributions to the community.  
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\_\_\_\_\_
  
4. Your full name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Date of Submission \_\_\_\_\_

*All information will remain confidential with the Selection Committee*

# Did You Know . . .

- **The Westwood Board of Health has a regulation entitled *Westwood Board of Health Private Well Regulations*.** The regulation is intended to protect public health and the general welfare of the residents of Westwood by ensuring that private wells producing water for human consumption and irrigation purposes are constructed and maintained in such a way that will protect the quality of the water obtained from these wells. Information packets are available at the Board of Health office for any resident who is considering installing a private well on their property. For those residents who are selling their homes, the regulation requires that a water quality test be conducted for both drinking water and irrigation wells and the results forwarded to the Board of Health office prior to a change in ownership of the property on which the well is located. The full text of the regulation is available on the Board of Health web page at [www.townhall.westwood.ma.us](http://www.townhall.westwood.ma.us). For more information please call Linda Shea, Health Director at (781) 320-1026.
- **The Westwood TRIAD Council** is an active group of senior citizens in the community, members of municipal public safety and human services departments and representatives from the TRIAD Unit of the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office. **TRIAD was formed in March of 2000 to offer programs and services in order to enhance the quality of life for Westwood seniors.** TRIAD offers programs that aid the senior population. The Beacon Light is a light bulb that replaces your existing porch or post light bulb and is used in the event of an emergency. By

turning your switch twice, it activates the bulb so that it flashes. The flashing light helps public safety officials find your home quickly. The Beacon light may be purchased at the C.O.A. for \$4.95. File of Life helps store medical information so it is accessible to emergency personnel. Contact the Council on Aging at (781) 329-8799 for more information.

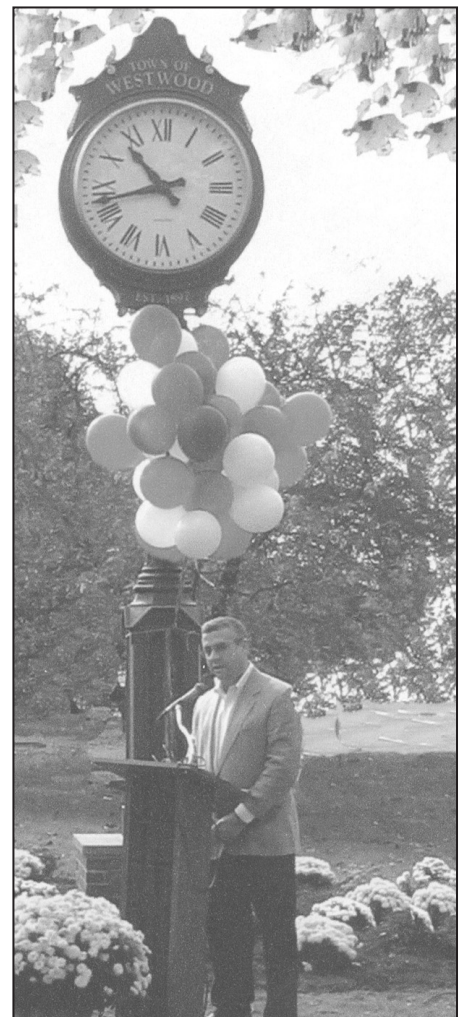
The "Are You OK?" Reassurance Line is a service provided by the Norfolk County Sheriff's Department. A telephone call is made daily to the home seven days a week to make sure the occupant is okay.

Westwood TRIAD is looking for members. If you would like to become involved with this group, the council meets at 2 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Senior Center, 60 Nahatan Street. Please call the Council on Aging at (781) 329-8799 to receive a brochure.

- **The Westwood Elementary School Coalition's 10th Annual Dinner Dance and Auction will be held on Friday evening, March 26, 2004 at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge.** This special event marks the 10th year anniversary of Westwood parents working together to raise funds benefiting all five elementary schools and the Parent Teacher Organizations. Thanks to community support in 2003, \$89,000 was distributed to our schools. The event, titled "10 Years For Our Children," will include food, dancing to a Latin beat, an auction and more. To donate auction items or make a monetary donation call Regina Leonard at (781) 762-7102. Ad space in the event brochure will reach over 1000 families. To advertise or become a corporate sponsor call Karen Wise at

(781) 769-1349. For general event information call Amy Cook at (781) 329-7484.

- **All Westwood Community Newsletters** may now be accessed online at [www.townhall.westwood.ma.us](http://www.townhall.westwood.ma.us).
- On Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003 the **Town dedicated the new Town Hall Clock** in memory of Joseph Gallagher, who served the Town for 25 years as Assistant Executive Secretary in 1961, and Executive Secretary and Purchasing Agent from 1966 through 1984. Joseph Gallagher, Jr. spoke at the event.





## Westwood Residents in the Armed Services Committee News

In November 2002, the Westwood Board of Selectmen authorized a committee to develop a database of Westwood residents who served in the armed services. The committee consists of:

Joseph D. Clancy (*Chairman*)  
Thomas Brown  
Timothy Foley  
William E. Holbrook  
Paul E. Mullen  
Joseph F. Sheehan

James M. Sullivan (*Veteran's Agent*)  
Christopher C. Henes  
Michael A. Jaillet  
Lura S. Provost  
Paul J. Sheehan

The Committee's first objective was to list the individuals who entered military service from a Westwood address during World War II. Individuals who moved to the town after military service and those who served during other times will be on subsequent lists.

This honor roll was completed from various state and local lists of veterans from that period. Most of the data was over 58 years old and was either typed or hand-written. Each source was invaluable and yet each one was incomplete. It would be greatly appreciated if the general public would review this material and send any corrections to:

Mr. Joseph D. Clancy  
Westwood Residents In The Armed Services Committee  
c/o Westwood Town Hall  
580 High Street  
Westwood, MA 02090

### WESTWOOD HONOR ROLL

#### WORLD WAR II — 12/7/41 - 12/31/46

#### VETERANS WHO ENTERED THE ARMED SERVICES FROM WESTWOOD

Abbate, Frances P	Baker, Paul W	* Booth, Edwin Bray
Abel, Edward B	Baker, William B	Borman, Alvah K
Aksell, Sture G. E	Baldwin, Harry B	Bothwick, Edwin H
Alcott, John E, Jr	Baldwin, Patricia R	Boudreau, James R
Alden, Chas F, Jr	Barker, Donald	Brann, Charles O
Albright, Merrit W	Bates, Leonard E	Breen, Francis J
Allen, Lesley D	Bauer, William T	Brewer, Leighton
Alward, Francis J	Bayley, Robert	Bridgess, M. Philbrick
Anderson, Clarence E	Bayley, William F	Briggs, Albert J
Anderson, Elsie A	Beal, H. Wendell	Briggs, Charles F
Anderson, Eric A	Bean, Marion N	Briggs, Dudley
Anderson, Harvey	Beaumont, Robert W	Britten, Robert W
Anderson, James W	Beaumont, Wilfred	Brooks, Judith B
Anderson, John W	Bedard, Charles L	Brooks, Robert
Anderson, Robert A	Bedard, Edward F	Brooks, Philip A
Anderson, Samuel J	Bedard, Lewis A, Jr	Broughall, William T, Jr
Anderson, Thomas E	Bedard, Lewis A, Sr	Brown, Frank
Annis, George S	Bennet, Arthur W	Brown, Kenneth P
Antonelli, Daniel J	Benson, Robert G	Brown, Clarence F
Arbarchuk, John	Berquist, Harold	Bryan, Charles
Ashworth, Elaine J	Berrigan, Thomas A	Buchanan, Marion E
Augustyniak, Edmund E	Berringer, William L	Buchanan, Robert J
Aveni, Joseph A	Bigelow, Curtis B	Bunker, Robert B
Babcock, Harold W	Bigelow, George M	Burbank, Charles R
Bagley, Frederic H, Jr	Bishop, Harold G	Buonomo, Frank
Bailey, Horace C	Bishop, Lawrence W	Burton, Norman
Bailey, Austin J	Bishop, Richard	Butler, Ansel R
Bain, Andrew F	* Bishop, Robert R	Butler, Roland E
Baker, Allen N	Black, Athorne	Callahan, Frank X
Baker, Edward S, Jr	Blizzard, Brian T	Campenella, Mark
Baker, George W	Bonanno, Leo S	Campenella, Michael J

Carr, Robert K  
 Carr, Thomas E  
 Chandley, George L  
 Child, Josiah H  
 Childs, Stephen, H  
 Christensen, Harold A  
 Clark, E. Leroy  
 Clark, Pauline M  
 Cobb, Charles, W  
 Cohan, Dorothy H  
 Colpitts, Aubrey K  
 Comeau, Oliver  
 Conlan, Joseph F  
 Connell, Philip P  
 Constantine, Thomas T  
 Cook, Ernest S  
 Coullahan, William  
 Cresser, Rawland  
 Croatti, Armando  
 Crocker, Frank W  
 Crocker, Roy  
 Cronin, Francis D  
 Cronin, Joseph F  
 Cronin, Robert L  
 \* Crotty, John A  
 Cummings, Norman S, Jr  
 Curren, Robert A  
 Currier, George A  
 Cushing, Priscilla  
 Cutler, Eric  
 Czerwonka, Paul, W  
 Dabney, Thomas N  
 Damico, Gerald N  
 Danforth, William E  
 Daniels, John B  
 Dargan, Edward M  
 Darling, Kenneth, B  
 Daviney, George A  
 Davis, Edward J  
 Day, George W  
 Day, John W  
 De l'Etoile, Leon V  
 De l'Etoile, Norbert L  
 Deane, Coleman K  
 DeFanti, Ernest R  
 DeFanti, Paul A, Jr  
 Delancy, Robert H  
 Delaney, Edward J  
 Delaney, James B  
 DeLoria, Eugene J  
 DesRoches, Robert F  
 Dimock, Robie W  
 Donovan, Maurice J  
 Doyle, Allan G  
 Doyle, William B  
 Drake, Bradford B  
 Drake, Fred M  
 Drake, Kenneth F  
 Drake, Winslow F  
 Dresser, Kenneth B  
 Drolette, Ralph G  
 Duckworth, Charles W  
 Duckworth, John S  
 Duckworth, Mary S  
 Dufault, Robert C  
 Dunbar, Charles E  
 Dwyer, William P  
 Earley, John H  
 Earley, Thomas  
 Eckebrecht, Heinz  
 Engelhardt, Henry R  
 Eckhardt, Henry E  
 Fabbo, Louis A  
 Fairweather, Winifred Elaine  
 Fandel, William H  
 Fardy, George D  
 Fardy, Richard F, Jr  
 Faeh, Geraldine F  
 Fearing, George R, Jr  
 Fearing, George R, III  
 Ferdinand, Harold H, Jr  
 Ferdinand, Kenneth  
 Ferdinand, Theodore J  
 Ferguson, George A, Jr  
 Field, Harry H, Jr  
 Finochette, Alexander  
 Fisher, Alexander N  
 \* Fisher, Eugene C  
 Fisher, Joseph R  
 Flahive, Joseph E  
 Flanders, William J  
 Flodin, Carl C  
 Fogg, Sumner S  
 Follett, Andrew V  
 Forbes, Allan, Jr  
 Forbes, Henry A C  
 Forbes, James M  
 Forbes, Robert B  
 Fordham, Alfred J  
 Fortnam, Edwin H  
 Fortnam, Herbert R  
 Foss, Charles H  
 Frain, Richard E  
 Frain, Robert  
 Frain, Wilfred  
 Franklin, William H  
 Frederick, Ralph M  
 Frederick, William  
 Fuller, Thomas  
 Gallishaw, Frank D  
 Gallup, Edward L  
 George, Harlow B  
 Gerald, Arthur H, Jr  
 Gerald, Francis  
 Gerulskis, Anthony A  
 Gerulskis, Francis P, Jr  
 Gibb, William, Jr  
 Gillespie, Edward H  
 Gillis, Andrew V  
 Girling, Claude  
 Glaser, Paul W  
 Glaser, Robert A  
 Glennon, James M  
 Goodrich, Dana W  
 Graf, Norman G  
 Grant, Donald M  
 Gray, John R  
 Greene, Aaron B  
 Greenleaf, John W  
 Griffin, John J C  
 Griffin, Julian F  
 Griffin, Thomas J  
 Guise, Edward  
 \* Gustafson, Robert  
 Gulae, Edward R  
 Haggis, William C  
 Haire, Joseph J  
 Halbrend, Olav M  
 Haley, Everett G, Jr  
 Hall, David F  
 Hall, Frederick  
 Hamblen, David M  
 Hamilton, Clement T  
 Hanlon, Edwin L  
 Hanlon, James W  
 Hanlon, Robert W  
 Hannaford, George  
 Hanson, Frank H, Jr  
 Hanson, Howard J  
 Harkness, Robert B  
 Hayley, William  
 Haynes, Charles B, Jr  
 Head, Ralph A  
 Head, Theodore W  
 Henderson, William O  
 Hersey, Ralph B, Jr  
 Heston, Robert G  
 Hill, David  
 Hill, John M  
 Hill, Martin E  
 \* Hill, Roy A  
 Hines, John F  
 Hooper, Frances W  
 Hooper, Henry L  
 Hopkins, Elbert E  
 Hopkins, Frank W  
 Hosking, Raymond D  
 Howard, Charles, Jr  
 House, Carl  
 Hoye, Paul S  
 Hueston, Walter E  
 Hunt, Harold E  
 Hutchins, John L  
 Ingalls, Charles J  
 Ingelhardt, Henry R  
 Jackson, Clara  
 Jackson, Harry S  
 Jacobe, Albert L  
 Jacobs, Robert  
 Jarvis, Reginald E

Jensen, Vernon C E  
Johnson, Joseph V  
Johnson, Lee P  
Johnston, John  
Jordan, Richard H  
Kavanaugh, Francis E  
Keirstead, Elmer R  
Keith, Claude O  
Keith, Albert M  
Keith, Lloyd M  
Kelleher, John F  
Kelley, Milton H  
Kelly, George  
Keltie, Edward J  
Kennedy, Charles H  
Kennedy, Thomas A, Jr  
Kerley, A Sue  
Killelea, Mary E  
Killelea, Roger E  
Kinraide, Robert  
Kinraide, Doris L  
Kramer, George  
Knapp, Clara B  
Knapp, Thomas G  
Knight, Oscar L, Jr  
Knoll, H J  
Knox, Bradford H  
Klobucher, Robert F  
Knowlton, Herbert W  
Lacey, Daniel W  
Lacey, Lawrence N  
Laing, John B  
Landon, Horace Z  
Langenheim, William J  
Langley, Elmo N  
Larrabee, Evelyn R  
Laurud, Carl  
Lavers, Charles W, Jr  
Lawrence, Paul W  
Lawson, Charles  
Leaf, Edgar A  
Leaf, Walter J, Jr  
LeBlanc, Daniel R  
LeClair, William L  
LeClair, William L, Jr  
Lee, Charles B  
Lee, Frances H  
Lee, George C, Jr  
Lee, Nelson B  
Lee, Robert L G  
Leeson, Robert  
Leonard, George H, Jr  
Leonard, Hobart W  
Leonard, John J  
Lincoln, John, Jr  
Lindsen, Ellen  
Littlefield, George A  
Loizeaux, Paul C  
Loring, Ernest F  
Loring, Howard E

Loring, James W  
Loring, Lindsley, Jr  
Lowe, Raymond H  
Lowell, John  
Lowell, Ralph, Jr  
Luce, Kenneth A  
Lydon, John  
Lyman, Arthur T, Jr  
Mabee, George S  
Mabee, Verne W  
MacDonald, George R  
MacMakin, William P  
Magaletta, Alfred  
Magaletta, Francis C  
Magaletta, Amilio  
Mahoney, Daniel E  
Mahoney, Edmund D  
Malboeuf, Paul  
Malkins, Joseph G  
Manson, Francis  
Margeson, George M  
Maus, Francis J  
Marvas, Hartwell G  
Marvas, Elliott N  
Mather, Philip B  
McCalmet, Paul T  
McCarthy, John J, Jr  
McCawley, Donald  
McGilly, George  
McLain, Lawrence J  
McLaren, Elizabeth  
McLaren, Helen  
McLaren, Henry P  
McLaren, William P  
McLeod, Phillip A  
McMillen, Donald B  
\* McMillen, Raymond E  
McNally, Paul  
McNally, Robert  
McNally, Richard J  
McNamara, James F  
McNamara, John T, Jr  
McNamara, Paul J  
McNamara, Roger P  
Melville, Karl W  
Melville, Richard  
Messenger, Robert E  
Miller, Frank L  
Mitchell, Arthur  
Mitchell, Charles E  
Mitchell, Charles  
Mitchell, Louise O  
Mitchell, Robert R  
Moclair, John E  
Moore, Ralph B  
Moore, Sidney L, Jr  
Moore, Thornton L  
Mordini, Vincent  
Morin, Helen P  
Morin, Oswald G, Jr

Morfey, Wallace G  
Morland, Harold L  
Morris, Howell  
Morrison, Roderick C  
Mosley, Thomas  
Moulton, James A  
Munson, Harthon T  
Munson, Harlow T  
Murdock, Charles W  
Murdock, Hugh M  
Murdock, James L  
Murphy, Charles J  
Murtagh, Donald B  
Myers, John W, Jr  
Myers, Frederick  
Nelson, Milton B  
Nelson, Waldo  
Nickerson, Donald C  
\* Nicol, William F  
Norwell, Bruce  
Noyes, Francis  
Nyland, Arthur W  
O'Bocki, John T  
O'Donoghue, Nicholas  
O'Hare, Harold J  
O'Hare, Joseph  
\* O'Toole, Andrew P  
O'Toole, Helen  
O'Toole, Margaret A  
Oles, Janina A  
Oszajca, John P  
Packard, Ernest F  
Packard, Herbert  
Paine, John T  
Paine, Roger L  
Palmborg, Robert A  
Panske, Bernard F  
Panske, Paul T  
Parker, Haskell J  
Parlee, Harold N  
Parsons, Charles A A  
Patterson, Joseph G  
\* Peavey, Irving A  
Penrose, Edward T  
Perkins, James H  
Perkins, Harold  
Perkins, Larison N  
Phillips, Donald B  
Phillips, Robert B  
Phillips, Robert H  
Piedziwick, Chester A  
Pierce, Francis C, Jr  
Pierce, Robert  
Pineau, John E  
Pollock, Henry M, Jr  
Pond, Harold P, Jr  
Pond, Richard H  
Portman, Abraham  
Potter, Grace E  
Potter, George O

Potter, Norris W, Jr  
 Pritchard, John M  
 Probert, Walter H  
 Quigley, George K  
 Randall, Dorothy E  
 Randall, Elizabeth M  
 Raymond, Robert L, Jr  
 Rea, Alexander J  
 Rea, Wilson  
 Redmayne, Richard B  
 Reed, Daniel G  
 Reeves, Richard B  
 Reigeluth, John B  
 Reynolds, John J  
 Rheault, Andrea  
 Rheault, Charles A, Jr  
 Rheault, Robert B  
 Rice, George T  
 Rich, Franklin  
 Richards, John S  
 Roach, Bernard L  
 Roach, David A  
 Robbins, Edward A, Jr  
 Robertson, James  
 Robinson, Edna M  
 Robinson, George  
 Romines, Walter H  
 Romines, Arthur L  
 Rorrie, Algot  
 Rorrie, Thomas  
 Rose, George S  
 Ross, Robert L  
 Ross, Thomas W  
 Russell, George T  
 Russell, Robert P  
 Ruth, Alice M  
 Sachs, Werner  
 Saunders, Chesleigh  
 \* Saunders, George B, Jr  
 Sawyer, Chester B  
 Schiano, Charles H  
 Scroeder, Arthur A  
 Scoble, Paul G  
 Sexton, Edward D  
 Sexton, John W  
 Sexton, Joseph A  
 Sharp, William  
 Sheehan, Joseph F  
 Sheehan, William E  
 Shelton, Fred W  
 Simpson, Harold  
 Silvernail, Oscar J  
 Sinclair, Gardner P  
 Small, Gordon W  
 Smith, Alfred E  
 Smith, Jack  
 Smith, Marjorie  
 Smith, Richard E  
 Smith, Roy C  
 Smith, Walter L, Jr  
 Smith, Walter L  
 Soderberg, Harold  
 \* Sorensen, Carl C, Jr  
 Spencer, Edward  
 Spencer, George E  
 Spiller, Francis C  
 Sprunger, Paul B  
 Stairs, Raymond L  
 Stankiewicz, Chester  
 Stankiewicz, Joseph C  
 Staples, Edmund B  
 Stone, Richard E  
 Stowers, Charles H M  
 Stricker, George J  
 \* Sullivan, Wilfred  
 Swanson, Carl  
 Swanson, John  
 Swanson, Robert  
 Sweetland, Eugene W  
 Swinford, Finis  
 Symmes, Donald P  
 Talbot, Donald J  
 Talbot, Edward  
 Talbot, Lloyd A  
 Taylor, Ernest G W  
 Taylor, Kenneth H  
 Thompson, Augustine R  
 Thompson, Gordon  
 Thompson, Leslie E  
 Thompson, Roderick E  
 Tilenis, Joseph L  
 Timm, William E  
 Tolman, Everett D  
 Towne, George W  
 Travers, John  
 Tremblay, Joseph R  
 Tronti, Biagio J  
 Tulloch, James L, Jr  
 Tulloch, John L  
 Tully, Agnes B  
 Tully, Frank C  
 Tully, Thomas P  
 Tuohy, Edward L  
 Turner, Arthur J, Jr  
 Turner, William  
 Tuttle, Howard W  
 Underwood, Richard M, Jr  
 Updegraph, Charles L  
 Upvall, Charles P  
 Urann, Robert M  
 Vanderwal, Lester B  
 VanWagenen, Albert  
 Vaux, Joseph  
 Viano, Paul  
 Viau, Donald A  
 Viau, William E, Jr  
 Vinson, Albert J  
 Vinson, Leonard M  
 Wade, George F  
 Walker, Marion S  
 Walker, Norman M  
 Walker, Richard L  
 Walker, Wilfred J, Jr  
 Walla, Quentin  
 Ware, Abbot K  
 Ware, Nathaniel  
 Wassalhoeft, Robert J  
 Watson, Howard G  
 Wayshville, Alphonse  
 Wayshville, Charles A, Jr  
 Webb, Russell N  
 Weed, Weston E  
 Weidul, Ernest  
 Weinfield, Richard  
 Weir, Donald D  
 Weir, Robert C  
 Weir, Walter D  
 Wells, Quentin C  
 Weltz, Raymond E  
 Westcott, Frederic M  
 Westhaver, Albert L, Jr  
 Westhaver, Chapman R  
 Westhaver, Dewey H  
 Whalen, James P  
 Whalen, Joseph F  
 Whipple, Robert  
 Whitman, James G  
 Wickstrom, Carl A  
 Wiggin, James H  
 Wilcox, Robert J  
 Wilcox, Rollin C, Jr  
 Wilkins, Albert W  
 Williams, Rees C  
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# *Westwood History*

## **The History of the Islington Community Church**

The formation of the Islington Community Church originated when Springvale Hall built by Judge Alonzo Wentworth on Carroll Avenue, opened for a worship service on Dec. 21, 1873. On July 20, 1875, 19 residents of Springvale met to form The Belch Society of Springvale, the first organized congregation that was reorganized as the Islington Congregational Church in 1878. On June 23, 1882 a 30' by 45' chapel was dedicated. This church was built at a cost of \$2,000 on the corner of Washington Street facing East Street on land that had been donated by Judge Alonzo Wentworth, who also led the successful effort to rename Springvale to Islington. Thomas Silloway, the church's architect, closed the ceremony by reading a hymn he had written for the occasion.

The church grew slowly and somewhat turbulently, drawing its members from various Protestant denominations. The first part-time minister, Rev. Charles B. Smith, served until 1891 and was succeeded by Rev. Warren Bickford. In 1904, with

only five members, the church was closed for a time because of a lack of funds. In 1916, when it became evident that the chapel was too small for the congregation, the church was rebuilt facing Washington Street and enlarged to its present size. In 1918 Mr. Philo Noon, a member of the church, led an organizational change from a "Congregational Denomination" to a "Community Church" that offered membership to any follower of Christ; the plan that is still in effect today. In 1922, after two years of having theological students from Boston University serve as weekend ministers, Rev. Edwin Prince Booth, who remained affiliated with the church until his death in 1969, was installed as the first part-time minister under the new philosophy. In 1948 the first full-time minister, Rev. Douglas Brayton, was installed. In 1963, Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, chose the Islington Community Church for a precedent-setting preaching appearance of a Roman Catholic prelate in a Protestant church. Reflecting its sharing and community

spirit, the Islington Community Church previously had served as a temporary Rectory for St. Margaret Mary Parish and as a site for Masses during the construction of Saint Denis Catholic Church.

The congregation continued to grow. In 1967 the church organ was moved to the parish house, the old church was demolished, and a new church was erected once again on the Corner of Washington Street facing East Street. On Oct. 1, 1967 the new church was dedicated and the ceremony closed once again with the reading of the hymn Thomas Silloway had written for the original chapel dedication in 1882. In 1994 the church accomplished a major milestone by naming Rev. Carol Alwood-Lyon its first female minister. Today, as the Church approaches the 130th Anniversary of its beginning, the Town recalls the enduring ecumenical and community contributions of the Islington Community Church to the people of Westwood.



**Islington Congregational Church.  
Westwood, ca. 1890s**

From: "*Historic Dedham*", issued by  
The Transcript Press, Inc., 1920.

# Police Department News

## First Annual Open House a Huge Success

On Saturday, Nov. 8, 2003 the Police Department held their first annual Open House to highlight safety issues and to provide an opportunity for Police Chief Chase to meet the residents of

Westwood. According to the 2500 town residents who attended, it was a great success even without the 80 pizzas and 25 dozen Krispy Kreme donuts!

In addition to various safety displays free gun locks were distributed to those who needed them. The following photos show some of the activities that day.



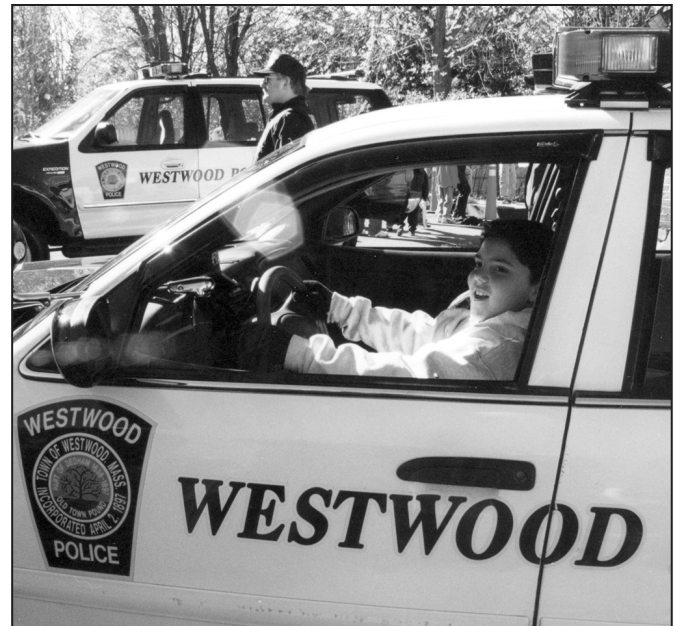
*John Bish fingerprints a young Westwood resident. Over 300 children received Child ID Safety kits, which include the child's fingerprints and a photograph.*



*This retired police motorcycle is owned by a Norwood resident who brought it for youngsters to try.*



*Buckle Bunny and Traffic Turtle attracted many to the car seat and seat belt safety displays.*



*Hundreds of kids were able to bring home a photo of themselves driving in a Westwood Police cruiser.*





*Retired Officer Wayne Chandler of the Rocky Hill CT Police Department poses in a period-correct uniform with his 1938 Ford.*

*This 1946 Chevrolet, formerly owned by the Framingham Police, was one of 19 antique police cars on display.*



*A crowd gathers to watch the Rollover Simulator, which demonstrates the value of seat belt use.*



*Sgt. Eric Anderson of the Massachusetts State Police demonstrates the Seat Belt Convincer, which simulates how much impact there is in even a low-speed (5 mph) collision.*

# TOWN BULLETIN BOARD

## TOWN AND SCHOOL EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS

Dec 24-Jan 2 Schools Closed for Winter Vacation  
Dec 25 Town Hall Closed for Christmas  
Jan 1 Town Hall Closed for New Year's  
Jan 4 Fisher School Open House and Exhibit  
**World War II: At Home and Overseas**  
2-4 p.m.; Fisher School, 830 High Street  
Jan 13 **Chamberlain and His Influence on the Civil War**  
Presented by Charlie Donahue  
7:30 p.m.; Fisher School, 830 High Street  
Jan 19 Schools and Town Hall Closed for  
Martin Luther King Day  
Feb 1 Fisher School Open House and Exhibit  
See Jan 4th

Feb 10 **The 1940s and the Role of the Veterans in Westwood**  
Joseph Clancy  
7:30 p.m.; Fisher School, 830 High Street  
Mar 7 Fisher School Open House and Exhibit  
**Three Generations of Westwood Life**  
Wayne and Susan Beal Dyer Collection  
2-4 p.m.; Fisher School, 830 High Street  
Mar 9 Antique Wallhangings  
Jean Goff, Babels Paint Co.;  
Jim Burke, Waterhouse Wallhangings  
7:30 p.m.; Fisher School, 830 High Street

*All Fisher School Programs are free.  
Fisher School is handicapped accessible.*

## PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS

### Main Library Programs for Preschoolers

Jan 26-Mar 1 **Activity Time**-Ages 2 & up with caregiver  
Mar 22-May 3 Mondays, 10:15-11:00 a.m.  
Jan 20-Mar 2 **Parent/Child Storytime**-Ages 2½ and up with caregiver  
Mar 23-May 4 Tuesdays, 10:15-11:00 a.m.  
Jan 21-Mar 3 **Storytime**-Ages 3½ and up  
Mar 24-May 5 Wednesdays, 10:15-11:00 a.m.

*Children must be the appropriate age by the first day of each session. These sessions of storytime will be drop-in; no registration is required. There are no sessions during public school vacations, holidays or snow days.*

Jan 23-Mar 5 **Babies & Books**-Under 2 years with caregiver  
Mar 26-May 7 Fridays, 10:10-10:30 a.m.  
Registration is not required.

### Main Library Programs for School Age Children

Jan 20-Mar 2 **Wishing Well**-Ages 5 and up  
Mar 23-May 4 Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Registration begins Dec.1.

### Special Programs at Main Library

Feb 7, Mar 6 **Storytelling Saturdays**-Ages 2½ and up with families.  
April 10 Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Registration begins 1 month prior.  
Jan 5-Feb 9 **Quilting Class**-Grades 3-5  
Mondays, 3:45-5:00 p.m.  
Make a hand quilted project with Carol Devlin  
There will be a \$10 materials fee.  
Registration begins Dec 1.

Jan 22, May 20 **A Story for Every Season**-All ages  
Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.  
An Early Childhood Council, Council on Aging and Library CPC Program  
Registration will be required, please call the COA.

Feb 25-Mar 31 **Babysitting Clinic**-Students must be in grades 6-8  
Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m.  
Participants must attend all sessions for certification.  
An Early Childhood Council, library and community program.  
Registration begins January 5.

*For further special and school vacation programs, please visit or call the Children's Department.*

### Main Library Social Hours

Jan 8, Feb 5 Early Childhood Council/Library Program  
Mar 4, April 1 Thursdays, 9:30-11:00 a.m.  
Social and educational hours for families.  
Registration begins two weeks prior to programs

*Social Hours are also held at the Recreation Department.  
Call 461-0070 for dates and times.*

### Islington Branch Programs

Jan 22-Mar 4 **Storytime**-Ages 3½ and up  
Mar 25-May 6 Thursdays, 9:30-10:15 a.m. Registration required.  
TBA **Young Readers Book Club**-Grades 2-4  
Tuesdays, 3:30-4:15 p.m. Registration is required.

*For further information, please call the Main Library Children's Department at 781-320-1042, the Islington Branch at 781-326-5914, or visit the web site at [www.westwoodlibrary.org/home](http://www.westwoodlibrary.org/home).*

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