



THE WIN WAY

SAUGUS NEWSLETTER

Summer 2024

WIN GETS AN 'A' FOR AIR QUALITY

COMPLIANCE IS CRITICAL, SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT

The 2023 Air Monitoring Report for our Saugus waste-to-energy facility confirms that it continues to be in compliance with all permits. The full report can be viewed at bit.ly/3Wjplae.

The 2023 air quality report notes that test results were in compliance with air quality guidelines. "The results demonstrate that even under the worst-case meteorological conditions, the emissions from the WIN Waste facility will not cause adverse effects on air quality," according to the report.

While this is an annual report, air quality is monitored 24/7 by continuous emissions monitors that are calibrated daily. Annual testing is conducted as well as third-party quarterly audits. The results are examined by the Board of Health's consultant, Tech Environmental, to ensure that the testing is conducted in accordance with EPA-approved methods. Tech Environmental reviews more than 70 regulatory submittals and test reports relative to the waste-to-energy facility and adjacent monofill and presents the Board of Health with their conclusions based on that information.

In the case of any operational issues, the report notes that "the WIN Waste Innovations team has consistently reported all deviations to the MassDEP, the Town Board of Health and Tech (Environmental), filed the required reporting documentation, taken targeted mitigation measures to address operational deficiencies and addressed staffing roles through incident reviews in order to improve future performance results."

We welcome and appreciate the report's conclusions and comments, and look forward to continuing the cooperative, transparent process by which we monitor and protect air quality.

SUPPORTING SENIORS, STUDENTS



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BEAR CREEK POPULAR STOP FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS

Sunday morning bird walks at Bear Creek Wildlife Sanctuary remain a popular activity for birders and others interested in monitoring the migratory birds that inhabit the sanctuary. On one especially productive walk in late June, there were 42 species identified.

They were: Mallard, Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon), Mourning Dove, Chimney Swift, Killdeer, Spotted Sandpiper, Willet, Herring Gull, Great Black-backed Gull, Common

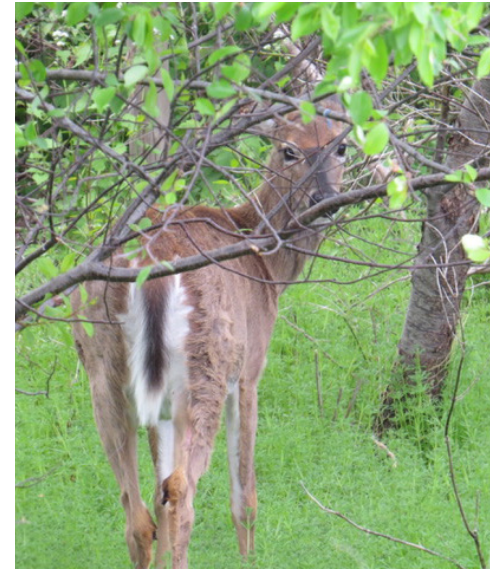
Tern, Double-crested Cormorant, Snowy Egret, Great Egret, Great Blue Heron, Glossy Ibis, Osprey, Red-tailed Hawk, Northern Flicker, Willow Flycatcher, Warbling Vireo, American Crow, Common Raven, Tree Swallow, Northern Rough-winged Swallow, Barn Swallow, European Starling, Gray Catbird, Northern Mockingbird, American Robin, Cedar Waxwing, House Sparrow, House Finch, American Goldfinch, Savannah Sparrow, Song Sparrow, Bobolink,

Red-winged Blackbird, Brown-headed Cowbird, Common Grackle (Bronzed), Common Yellowthroat, Yellow Warbler and Northern Cardinal.

Upcoming events include:

Migratory Shorebird Monitoring:
Sunday, August 25, and Sunday, Sept. 1, Hastings Street, Revere, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

If you are interested in attending any of these, please email comms@win-waste.com



TAKE A LOOK INSIDE THE MONOFILL AT WIN WASTE

bit.ly/4cbTTAM



FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

A gift basket, shown at left with Ava and Layla Najem and made by Norma Giraldi of WIN Waste, helped raise money for the North Shore Cancer Center at the annual Father-Daughter dance at Veterans Early Learning Center. The dance was run by teachers Kristy Baker and Kelly Donahue.



SAUGUS STUDENTS HONORED AS UNSUNG HEROES



Front row, from left, Unsung Heroes Reese DelMuto, Pedro Amarilla and Gwen Thurston; back row, from left, WIN Waste Plant Manager Elliott Casey, Unsung Heroes Jordan Chantha, Kathryn De Souza and Luis Fung Chen, and Brooke Miles of WIN Waste.

Seven Saugus Public Schools students received the Unsung Hero Award from the Saugus Business Education Collaborative (SBEC) in a ceremony sponsored by WIN Waste Innovations.

The 2024 Unsung Hero Award recipients are: Saugus High School - Jordan Chantha and Kathryn De Souza; Saugus Middle School - Luis Fung Chen and Victoriaannah; Belmonte STEAM Academy - Reese DelMuto; Veterans Early Learning Center - Pedro Amarilla and Gwen Thurston.

"We are proud to honor these exceptional students for the positive role they play in their schools," said

Elliott Casey, manager at WIN Waste Innovations in Saugus. "They are a credit to their school, their family and their community."

The Unsung Hero Award is based on a variety of factors including academic effort, character, maturity, personality, standing among peers and staff, school citizenship, and contributions to the entire school community.

The students received a star-shaped trophy and citations from Massachusetts Rep. Donald Wong, Sen. Brenda Crighton, and Saugus Board of Selectmen Chairperson Debra Panetta.



SUPPORTING SAUGUS SENIORS



WIN Waste is pleased to enjoy a long-term partnership with the Saugus Senior Center. WIN Waste sponsored a sock hop in June and an ice cream truck at the summer cookout in July.



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COMING EVENTS WE ARE PROUD TO SPONSOR

August 16 - Summer Luau at the Saugus Senior Center, **August 17** - Row Row Row in Revere, **September 7** - Saugus Founder's Day
Our Community Partnerships are a WIN-WIN!

CAMPERS HIT THE ROAD



WIN Waste provided transportation for TrueVine Church's summer camp. Each day, 30 youth attended a religion class in the morning, followed by a field trip to various attractions. From left, TrueVine Youth Leader Kris Victor, Pastor Brandon Allison, Kids & Women's Ministry Director Miryam Allison and Stephanie Mastrocola, WIN Waste Community Relations Specialist.

\$10 MILLION INVESTED IN SAUGUS PLANT

In May, WIN Waste completed a planned outage in which we invested \$10 million in maintenance of our facility to ensure continued reliability as the region's waste-disposal solution. We had more than 100 contractors doing work that focused on the refuse crane, cooling water pipes, and included inspections and replacement of a range of equipment while also testing all safety devices. We continue to invest in the maintenance of our facility so that we can maximize its efficiency and reliability as we divert waste from landfills and use the converted waste to power 16,000 homes with renewable energy.