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**UPDATE** 

## For-profit theater plans move forward at Warwick

By Amy Saltzman

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### The story

Residents have been wondering for quite sometime whether movies will return to the former location of the Warwick Theater. In the last year, both for-profit and nonprofit models have been presented to the current developers of the property, Warwick Place LLC. And both potential tenants had

plans for a theater-and-restaurant combo.

### **Update**

At last week's Planning Board meeting, Paul Lynch, attorney for developer Warwick Place LLC, presented some minor changes to a plan to build a for-profit model at the location, leading some to believe it's a done deal. And it seems as though it almost is, although Lynch told the Reporter

a lease has not yet been signed with the tenants, whose names he would not disclose.

Lynch was before the Planning Board to get approval on some elevation changes for the windows and doors. Later this month, Lynch will go before the Zoning Board in the hopes of getting approval for a 40-seat outdoor dining area in the courtyard. The plan also includes a restaurant, 108-seat theater

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A view from Anderson Street of the back side of the Warwick Place development, which, it seems, will bring movies back to Marblehead. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY KRIS OLSON

**HEALTHY LIVING** 

## From tower to table

## Vertical garden redefines concept of eating locally

By Alessandra Bianchi Special to the Reporter

The salad days of summer are here, but before you tuck in to that artful mound of greens, ask yourself a question: Do you know where your produce comes from?

Despite an increasing emphasis on eating healthfully, organically and locally, most consumers would be surprised to learn that the majority of fruits and vegetables we eat today have traveled an astonishing 1,500 miles before arriving on the end of our forks.

Like an increasing number of people, local residents Lolli and Bob Leeson find that proposition unpalatable. Recently, the Mill Pond couple sat down to lunch on a bounteous salad made from three kinds of tender lettuce, minutely chopped bell peppers, arugula, cucumber, kale, chard, crumbled goat cheese, chopped walnuts and diced dried figs — immaculately dressed in a light, lemony vinaigrette. With the exception of the last three ingredients, everything in their salad was vineripened and sourced so locally, it would turn even the most ardent co-op member or backyard farmer green with envy.

The distance from the Leesons' farm to table? About 15 yards — or, more specifically, the distance from their sunny living room window to their kitchen table. In warmer months, this distance shrinks again, when

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Ask Lolli Leeson, 'How does your garden grow?' and she'll respond, 'Vertically, of course!' COURTESY PHOTOS

**LEGISLATION** 

## All eyes on 42

By Kris Olson

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Will Section

survive? The answer that

emerges on Beacon Hill to that question is being closely watched by environmental and energy industry groups who have formed an unlikely alliance and marshaled their resources in recent days in an attempt to defeat a provision in a currently pending energy bill that has been decried from the outset by some as a "sweetheart deal" for the would-be purchaser of the Salem power plant.

**England Power Generat**ing Association took out ads in both Boston daily newspapers, urging residents to contact their legislators and demand Section 42 be removed from House Bill 4225, which aims to improve the Green Communities Act, the 2008 state law designed to encourage more renewable energy in the state.

On Tuesday, the New

The ad calls Section 42, which requires utilities to enter into a 15-year contract with any company that shuts down and cleans up a coal or oil plant, "an unfair deal" that will "cost Massachusetts families and businesses billions

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**TOWN BUSINESS** 

## Selectmen fill one seat, seek candidates for others

By Kris Olson

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of Selectmen gratefully welcomed Pearl Street resident Liz Mitchell to the Old and Historic Districts Commission Wednesday, July 11.

plenty of work to do to fill other vacancies on town The Marblehead Board boards and commissions, and its members are urging residents to investigate and consider applying for the various volunteer opportunities.

In many ways, Mitchell

But the board still has is exactly the type of can- — that will bear directwill come forward for the commission. other vacancies, one with expertise — in Mitchell's case a 23-year career running her own interior de-

didate the selectmen hope ly on her service on the

In her letter of interest for the position, Mitchell noted that she had served on the Collections Comsign company along with mittee, House Commitextensive volunteer ser- tee and Board of Trustees vice on historical matters of the Lee Mansion and is an active member of Historic New England and the Decorative Arts Trust in Philadelphia, all of which should inform her service on the commission, which is "charged with ensuring the historical appropriateness of buildings and

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