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HONORING THE LYNN ENGLISH STATE CHAMPIONS



The Lynn School Committee and Superintendent of Schools Dr. Patrick Tutwiler honored the 2019 Division 1 state champion Lynn English High School boys basketball team at its March 28 meeting. For more photos, please see Page 3.

Nicholson seeks re-election to Lynn School Committee

Jared Nicholson has announced his candidacy for re-election to the Lynn School Committee.

Following is his announcement:

I am excited to announce that I am running for reelection to a third term on the Lynn School Committee.

I ran for School Committee four years ago because of how important having great schools is to Lynn's hopes for growth and because I want to send my future kids to great Lynn public schools. That passion still drives me. On top of that, the District faces challenges from shifting external circumstances. I believe I can continue to help the District navigate those challenges as a member of the Committee.

Beacon Hill is working on the biggest overhaul of education funding in decades. State education officials are guiding implementation of enormous reforms to English language learner education. The City of Lynn faces serious financial shortfalls. And state finance officials have expressed skepticism about the city's ability to pay for the new schools that we so desperately need.

I believe that drawing on my experience on the Committee, my legal training and my business background, I can continue to be helpful to the Lynn Public Schools as we face these external pressures.

As we face these pressures, we continue to make progress on important issues.

Our new Superintendent,



Jared Nicholson

Dr. Patrick Tutwiler has hit the ground running.

Last year, for the first time in several years, the Lynn Public Schools was fully funded by the city in the eyes of the state.

We all know the value of meaningful activities after school. We have added three wrestling teams and a girl's lacrosse team. Our "STEAM" (science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics) extracurriculars are more and more connected to what's going on around the city.

We are building more pathways for students to college and jobs. For example, we have built a successful program for students around the district to learn job skills after school at Lynn Tech. Another example, Lynn Tech is adding an HVAC shop this fall.

Other highlights include social-emotional learning, school nutrition, positive behavior inter-

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Bluefort named Business Woman of the Year by Lynn Area Chamber of Commerce

Nicole Bluefort, a practicing attorney, philanthropist, and community leader, has been named the 2019 recipient of the Lynn Area Chamber of Commerce's Business Woman of the Year Award, an award given each year in recognition of one's commitment to public service, philanthropy, and community.

This year, the Lynn Area Chamber of Commerce, a member-driven organization that provides businesses the opportunity to increase and strengthen their business relationships in the greater Lynn area, nominated three female business owners from across Massachusetts. Nominations came from Nahant, Lynnfield, Swampscott and Lynn.

Bluefort strongly believes in giving back to society and the community that has long supported her, and her vast philanthropic work and volunteer activities reflect this commitment



Nicole Bluefort

and unwavering passion. She regularly assists in neighborhood community service projects, doing her part whenever possible to better the community and surrounding areas in which we all live. She serves as a volunteer for

the Volunteer Lawyer's Project of the Boston Bar Association, where she provides free civil legal assistance to low-income residents of the North Shore and Boston Area, and as a tutor and mentor for children in local neighborhoods.

"I am honored to have been nominated for this award, and even more humbled to have been named the 2019 recipient," said Bluefort. "My passion for philanthropy and mentorship, and my commitment to this community, are central to who I am. I'm thankful each day that I'm in a position to have such a positive impact on this community."

Attorney Nicole Bluefort is known for her aggressive representation as an experienced trial attorney leading a six-person law firm with offices in Lynn and Boston. With a practice focused

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BRING ON THE SPRING

Yes, we know that the calendar told us that spring officially began with the vernal equinox on March 20. And yes, the crocuses have been in full bloom, bringing a welcome burst of color to the otherwise-dreary New England landscape at this time of year.

But those of us who call Eastern Massachusetts home know all-too-well that the actual spring season does not get underway until well into April and May, thanks primarily to the sea-breezes that wash over us with air that has been cooled by ocean temperatures that are only in the high 40s.

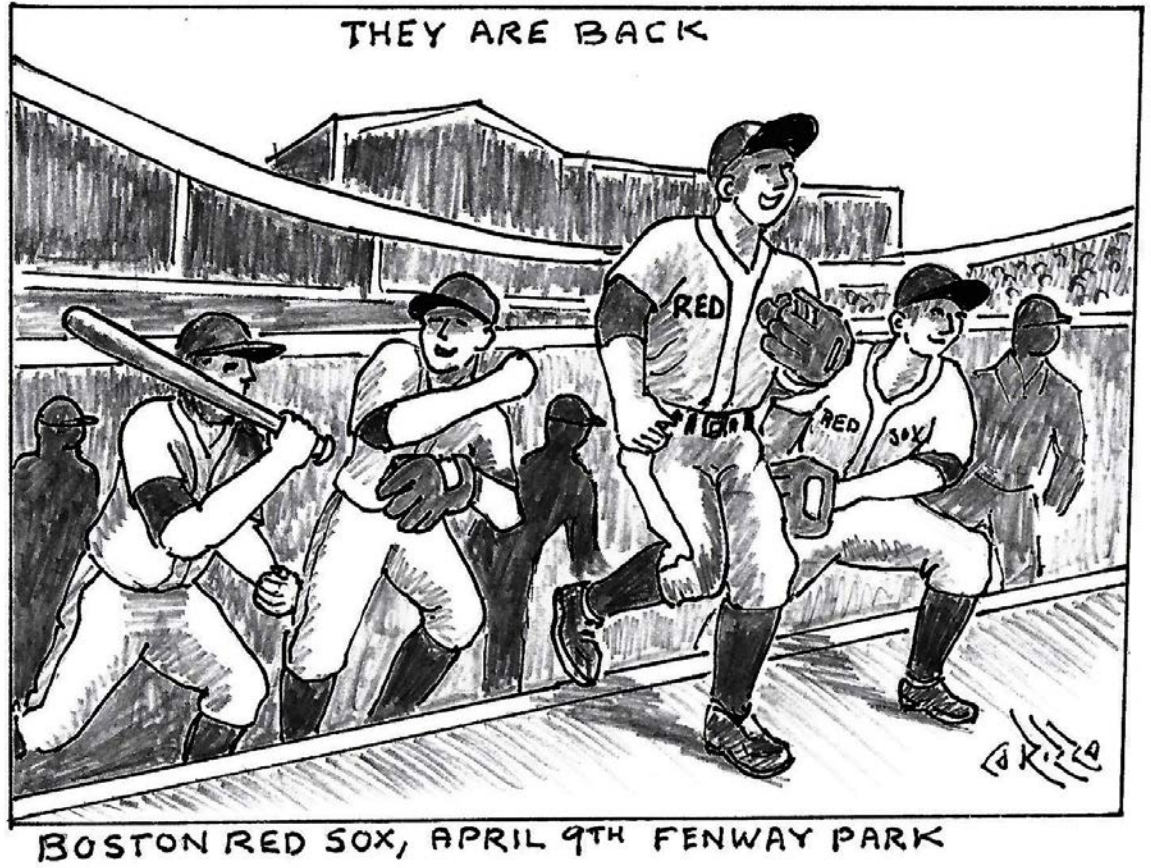
Still, with the winter of 2019 in the rear-view mirror, we can't complain too much about the weather.

The past winter season was easy on our backs because of the lack of snow that needed to be shoveled. Power outages were almost non-existent compared to the past few years. And coastal flooding, the bane of residents in our low-lying areas, thankfully did not occur, despite the potential that existed with the extraordinarily high tides in January, February, and March because of those super moons.

Still, we know that spring can bring its share of nasty and troublesome weather events. The bombogenesis (the term refers to a weather system that essentially explodes when the barometric pressure drops 24 millibars within 24 hours) that occurred with the coastal storm that came up the Atlantic Seaboard this week thankfully stayed out to sea.

But this near-miss served as a reminder that we may not be so lucky the next time around.

Still, with mild temperatures in the forecast for the first half of April, we can't complain -- and, like hope, our thoughts of warmer weather spring eternal.



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ventions, advanced course offerings, civics curriculum, financial literacy, teacher diversity and more.

I have listened to many parents, students, teachers, administrators and community members about problems they had and worked to help find solutions

and connect them with resources.

It has been an honor to serve with my School Committee colleagues and work with the Lynn Public Schools team and our partners to improve public education in the City of Lynn. I look forward to many conversations

about this work and ideas from other Lynnners over the course of the campaign.

Lynn, and specifically the Lynn Public Schools, have both exciting momentum and ongoing challenges. I plan to continue to work on meeting those challenges to help our kids reach

Bluefort// CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

on family law, criminal defense, probate, and general litigation, she has also served as an Adjunct Professor at North Shore Community College's ABA Approved Paralegal Program, where she taught Civil Litigation, Legal Research, and Field Placement. A graduate of Boston College with a Bachelor's degree in Communications and Hispanic Studies, she went on to earn her Juris Doctor from Northeastern University School of Law and a Master's degree in Public Health from Tufts Uni-

versity School of Medicine. After graduating from law school, Bluefort completed a two-year term as a judicial clerk for the first African American to be appointed to the Massachusetts Appeals Court, Judge Frederick Brown. Nicole is featured on billboards throughout the North Shore and Boston, has appeared on major networks such as CNN, ESPN, and FOX, and has commented on various legal issues in Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly. She has been named to the North Shore

Community College's Board of Trustees by Governor Charlie Baker, the Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly Top Women of Law 2018, the National Bar Association's Top 40 Under 40 - Nation's Best Advocates, and has received The Network Journal's "40 Under Forty Achievers" Award, the President's Marathon Challenge Award for Community-Based Research, and the Denise Carty-Bennia Memorial Bar Award.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE HONORS STATE CHAMPION LYNN ENGLISH



School Committee member Jared Nicholson, a former wrestling standout at Division 1 Princeton University, congratulated Lynn English Head Coach Antonio Anderson, a former basketball star at Division 1 Memphis, on the Bulldogs' state championship season.

NEWS Briefs

AWARD NOMINATING PERIOD TO CLOSE ON APRIL 12

The Lynn Historical Commission's 9th annual Significance Awards nominating period closes at noon on April 12.

Each year, the LHC seeks input from the Lynn community to identify worthy candidates to receive the Significance Award.

The seven-member mayoral appointed Commission selects awardees at its May 7 meeting, 6:30 p.m., Room 402 at Lynn City Hall, and the meeting is open to the public, as always. The awards will be bestowed at the body's June 4 meeting, in City Hall, at a location to be determined soon. The categories for nominations are in the Residential, Commercial, Public/Open Space, and a Devotion Award given to an individual. "We seek worthy examples of preservation of private and public structures and sites which reflect the rich history and heritage of our City," said Calvin Anderson, chairman of the Significance Awards since its inception. "My co-chair, Wendy Joseph, and I have list of suitable nominees, but we encourage input from the citizens to help scour our city for hidden gems." Past awardees have included the Caledonia Building on Union Street, the Edison Building in

Washington Square, High Rock Park and Tower, the Gannon Golf Course Clubhouse, 9 Portland Street, the Essex Media Group, Michael Russo Plumbing, and Karen Malione, for her devotion to the restoration and for obtaining National Historical Site recognition for the Lydia Pinkham Home.

EARTH FEST ON APRIL 27

North Shore Community College (NSCC) invites North Shore area residents and friends to join in Earth Fest 2019 at Lynn Woods on Saturday, April 27. The free event is from 8:30 a.m. to noon, rain or shine, at the Lynn Woods Reservation, Pennybrook Road entrance.

Featured will be the annual Lynn Woods spring cleanup. Free pizza and beverages will be served at noon to all those who help with the cleanup. In addition, there will be live music and a reptile show.

Lynn Woods Reservation is the second largest municipal park in the United States and is considered on a national level to be a significant natural For further information on the event or to volunteer, contact Jacob Rockwell at jrockwel@northshore.edu.



Lynn Mayor Thomas McGee joined Lynn English administrators and his fellow School Committee members in honoring the school's state champion boys basketball team at the last School Committee meeting. From left, are Vice Principal Gary Molea, Principal Thomas Strangie, Vice Principal Heather Fabiano, Vice Principal Jennifer Mancaniello, Mayor Thomas McGee, and Director of Athletics Dick Newton.

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10th Annual AOH Road Race

A sunny morning with a slight chill in the air was unable to stop the 500 runners in the 10th Annual AOH Road Race on March 24. A lot of energy permeated the air waves as the runners got ready to hear the start of the race from Co-Race Director Michael Mannion.

Jarret Harrigan, #394, moved out in front at the start of the race and never looked back. He finished with a time of 17:14 minutes to win the male division. Kylynn McKinley, #7747, won the female division with a time of 20:42. Both runners were well prepared from their personal training schedule.

As Jarret explained about his race, he said, "This day was a bit windy at first, but coming toward the finish line with help from a nice tail wind was good. I felt fine and trained hard to get back into shape".

Female winner Kylynn said, "This was the first time I participated in this race. At the beginning I was able to move over the first hill that gave me the momentum for a quick finish."

Co-Race Director Margaret Mannion commented on this race as she said, "The proceeds benefit our Scholarship Fund for graduating high school seniors. This is our 10th year having this road race; it stills continues to have great participation. We have raised close to \$100,000 that not only helps our scholarship program, but also, benefits our charitable causes. We thank everyone who took part in this annual event".



The 10th Annual AOH Road Race begins.



Third-time racers Emily Oliver and Kim Parker with nine-time road racer Colleen Peterson.



Lady Volunteers with two Racers: Runner Joanne Lawrence, Michelle Flynn, Runner Caryl Olson, Maria Lang and Janet Costello.



A family affair of racers: Mairrin Miller, Co-Race Director Margaret Mannion, Cory Mannion, Shane Miller, and grandparents Paul and Pauline Coulon.

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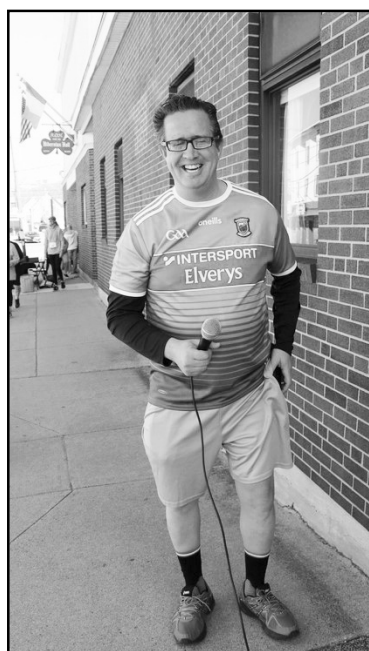
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The 401 Green Machine of Lynn, Jack McManus, running in his 8th years along with Sharon McManus, Paul Smith, and Kate Smith.



Co-Race Director Michael Mannion is moments from starting the road race.



Jarret Harrigan, #394, took an early lead and won the road race with a time of 17:14 minutes.



Kylynn McKinley, #7747, finished with a time 20:42 minutes to win the female division.



AOH Race Volunteers - (Front): Judy Nelson, Aileen Pagano, and Marie Kasle; (Back): Kathleen Savage, Donna Twomey, Co-Race Director Margaret Mannion, Janel Aucillo, and AOH Irish Woman of the Year Ann McLaughlin.

Scholarships being offered by Metro Credit Union

Metro Credit Union announces the opening of online applications for 2019-2020 academic year scholarships, raising educational possibilities for its members. Thirteen scholarships, for \$1,000 each, will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an accredited undergraduate program.

“Metro is committed to education, and we are very excited to launch the second Scholarship Program at Metro,” said Robert Cashman, Metro President and CEO. “Right now, college is the most expensive it has ever been. We are proud to reward hard-working students in our community achieve their goal of higher education.”

The application deadline is April 15, 2019, at 4 p.m. EST.

To be considered for the scholarship awards, all applicants must fill-out and submit an application form online. The application and complete details can be found at www.scholarsapply.org/metro-cu/. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of goals and aspirations, unusual personal or family circumstances, and an outside appraisal.

More information about Metro’s Scholarship Program can be found at metrocu.org.

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Race Volunteers – Edward Flynn and Frank Donahue with AOH Scholarship Chairman Gus Costello.

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THE LYNN JETS ICE HOCKEY TEAM END OF SEASON CELEBRATION

The Lynn Jets ice hockey team, consisting of players from Classical, English, and Tech, celebrated a successful season under the

direction of Head Coach Mike Roberts.

The Jets, featuring one of the highest-scoring lines in the state,

won the Lynn Christmas Tournament and qualified for the State Tournament.

Coach Roberts gave special

recognition to the eight graduating seniors who helped turn the program into a perennial contender for the NEC championship and a state tournament qualifier.

Roberts also thanked the Parents Boosters for their support, presenting a special appreciation award to Kathleen Clougherty.

It was truly a special event

with a family style chicken parmigiana dinner and dessert, outstanding trophies, and a feeling of togetherness throughout the hall among players, coaches, and parents.

Among the dignitaries in attendance were Lynn English AD Dick Newton, Lynn English Principal Gary Molea, and Lynn Classical AD Bill Devin.



The new captains of the 2019-20 Lynn Jets hockey team were announced at the awards banquet. The team leaders, pictured with the coaches, are, from left, assistant captain Christian Alquinta, captain Luke Rao, assistant captain Matt Devin, and captain John Macdonald.



Lynn Jets Co-Most Valuable Players Brian Clougherty and John DiFilippo are pictured with the Jets coaches at the banquet.



Mikie Roberts, son of head coach Mike Roberts, took a chair for a photo with Jets Co-MVP Brian Clougherty at the banquet.

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Coach Mike Roberts presents flowers to Kathleen Clougherty, in appreciation of her efforts with the Lynn Jets parent boosters organization.



Assistant Captain Christian Alquinta Jr., with his parents, Christina Alquinta and Christian Alquinta Sr.; Assistant Captain Matt Devin with his parents, Lynne Devin and Classical Director of Athletics Bill Devin.



Lynn Jets goaltender Jack Gallant had the dual achievement of having an award – the Jack Gallant Sportsmanship and Perseverance Award – named in his honor and being the first recipient of the award. He is pictured with assistant coaches JR Plourde, DJ Pinkham, Joe Gunning, and Brian Boisson, and head coach Mike Roberts.



Coach Mike Roberts, with the Lynn Jets' highly productive first line of Brian Clougherty, John DiFilippo, and Andrew Patrie, who received special plaques that will be placed on the walls in the Lynn Jets locker room at Connery Rink.



Coach Mike Roberts is pictured with the major individual award recipients at the banquet. Front row, from left, are Jack Gallant (Jack Gallant Sportsmanship and Perseverance Award); Troy Petkevich (Comeback Player of the Year); Paul Papageorgiou (Unsung Hero); Andrew Patrie (Offensive Player of the Year and 30-Goal Milestone Plaque); and Owen Downey (Defensive Player of the Year). Back row, from left, are Coach Mike Roberts, Matt Leonard (Student-Athlete Award); Aidan Seitz (Jet Engine Hustle Award); Brian Clougherty (Co-MVP and 150-Point Milestone Plaque); and John DiFilippo (Co-MVP, Hobey Baker Character Award, and 100-Point Milestone Plaque). Missing from photo: Tristan French (Most Improved Player).

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LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS****GIGUERE NAMED TO THE FALL 2018 DEAN'S LIST**

Eric J. Giguere of Lynn has been named to the Dean's List at Western New England University for the Fall Semester 2018. Giguere is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.

Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution founded in 1919. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

STUDENTS ON HONOR ROLL AT ST. JOHN'S

St. John's Prep recently announced the names of students who earned academic honors for the second quarter of the 2018-2019 school year. Students who qualified for the Headmaster's List earned grades of A- or above in all courses; students who qualified for the Principal's List earned grades of B+ or above in all courses; and students who qualified for the Honor Roll earned grades of B or above in all courses.

The following students were named to the academic honors list for the second quarter 2018-2019.

Headmaster's List
Caleb Marsters '22
Darryl Matvichuk '19
Abraham Mieses '19
Anthony Smart '24
Jake Thomas '22
Principal's List
Henri Gjoka '21
Lewis Hopkins '24
Honor Roll
Tyrese Francis '20
Kenneth Nguyen '19
Noah Schott '20

LYERLY NAMED TO FALL 2018 DEAN'S LIST AT UNIVERSITY OF THE SCIENCES

Ta'teanna Lyerly of Lynn, has been named to the Fall 2018 Dean's List at University of the Sciences. Selection for this

award is based on completing and passing all assigned courses with no grade below a "C" and attaining an academic average of at least 3.4 for courses taken in the fall of 2018.

Lyerly of Boston, MA, is a Medical Laboratory Sciences student.

University of the Sciences has prepared students to be leaders and practitioners in the healthcare and science fields for nearly 200 years. Key to its distinctive education is a tradition of hands-on research and experiential learning that is evident in every graduate who has walked its campus. Since its founding in 1821 as Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, the first college of pharmacy in North America, USciences has grown to more than 30 degree-granting programs from bachelor's through doctoral degrees in the health sciences, bench sciences, and healthcare business and policy fields. Discover how USciences students are proven everywhere they go at uscience.edu.

NICOSIA GRADUATES FROM NORTHERN VERMONT UNIVERSITY

Jordan A. Nicosia of Lynn, completed the degree requirements at Northern Vermont University in the summer or fall 2018 semester for Bachelor of Arts, Business. December 2018 ceremonies were held on NVU's Johnson and Lyndon campuses to celebrate the graduates' accomplishments. [Insert student(s) below] Northern Vermont University is a two-campus institution of higher education that combines the best of our campuses' nationally recognized liberal arts and professional programs. At Northern Vermont University, our goal is to guide curious, motivated, and engaged students on their paths to success and their places in the world. NVU Online offers flexible, affordable, high-quality options for learners pursuing their bachelor's degree. Learn more at NorthernVermont.edu.

ENDICOTT ANNOUNCES DEAN'S LIST STUDENTS

Endicott College is pleased to announce the Dean's List students for fall 2018. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grade below a "C",

have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester. The following students have met these requirements: Daniel Calnan, English, son of Joseph Calnan and Michelle Calnan

Jacob DeFillipo, Biology & Biotechnology, son of Timothy DeFillipo and Bobbie-Jo DeFillipo

Courtney Gallo, Psychology, daughter of Carmen Gallo and Kelly Gallo

Michaela Hamill, Libl Studies/Education, daughter of Donald Hamill and Laurie Hamill

Michelle Sencabaugh, Graphic Design, daughter of Derek Sencabaugh and Judith Sencabaugh

Jared Serino, Computer Science, son of Kristina Serino

Jillian Yamartino, Exercise Science, daughter of John Yamartino and Maureen Yam About Endicott College Located in Beverly, Massachusetts on 235 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers doctorate, master's and bachelor degree programs in the professional and liberal arts. Founded in 1939, Endicott provides an education built upon a combination of theory and practice, which is tested through internships and work experience. Studying at the Beverly campus, regionally, and internationally are approximately 2,800 undergraduate and more than 2,300 adult and graduate students. For more information, visit www.endicott.edu.

STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM BOSTON UNIV.

Receiving degrees were Lynn students, Joseph W. O'Donnell, Master of Science in Computer Science w/Specialization in Data Centric Computing; Katerin S. Rodriguez,

Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education.

Founded in 1839, Boston University is an internationally recognized institution of higher education and research. Consisting of 16 schools and colleges, BU offers students more than 250 programs of study in science and engineering, social science and humanities, health science, the arts, and other professional disciplines, along with a number of multi-disciplinary centers and institutes integral to the University's research and teaching mission. With more than 33,000 students, BU is the fourth-largest private

university in the country and

a member of the American Association of Universities (AAU), a nonprofit association of 62 of North America's leading research-intensive institutions.

ON DEAN'S LIST AT BU

Three Lynn residents have recently been named to the Dean's List at Boston University.

Students recognized for this honor include: Patricia C. Asuncion Santana, Christina M. Hallisey, Brandon T. Von

Each school and college at Boston University has their own criterion for the Dean's List, but students generally must attain a 3.5 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale), or be in the top 30 percent of their class, as well as a full course load as a full time student.

BUCKLIN RECEIVES DEGREE FROM WESTERN NEW ENGLAND UNIVERSITY

Andrew T. Bucklin of Lynn graduated from Western New England University with a Master of Laws in Elder Law & Estate Planning on February 15, 2019.

Celebrating its Centennial in the year 2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

AUSTIN PREP HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

The following student was named to the Honor Roll at Austin Prep for the second Quarter.

Honors
Steven Galatis

AQUINO TOURS WITH HAMILTON COLLEGE HILL SINGERS

Ismael Aquino, of Lynn (01904), a member of Hamilton's College Hill Singers, performed in Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Charleston, and Tampa during the 24-member group's spring break tour.

Under Visiting Assistant Professor of Music and Interim Director of Choral Activities Danan Tsan, the program featured music from the western canon and around the world. Selections included Cum Sancto Spiritu by Hyo-Won Woo (Korea), Norwegian Alleluia by Kim Andre Arneson (Norway), Sleepsong by Rolf Lovland and arranged by Desmond Earley (Ireland), Daemon Irreperit Callidus by Gyorgy Orban (Hungary), and Earth Blessing by J David Moore (American Indian), among others.

Aquino, a sophomore majoring in Hispanic studies and psychology, is a graduate of Lynn Classical High School.

Originally founded in 1793 as the Hamilton-Oneida Academy, Hamilton College offers an open curriculum that gives students the freedom to shape their own liberal arts education within a research- and writing-intensive framework. Hamilton enrolls 1,850 students.



Bryant Vides-Perlera

GRADUATES FROM MILITARY TRAINING

U.S. Air Force Airman Bryant Vides-Perlera graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Vides-Perlera is the son of Yasira Perlera of Lynn, Mass., and Jose Vides of Roslindale, Mass. He is a 2018 graduate of Lynn Vocational Technical Institute, Lynn, Mass.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

PLANNING BOARD APPROVES MARIJUANA SHOP

CHELSEA - A retail marijuana shop on Webster Avenue near the Home Depot is one step closer to opening in Chelsea.

The Planning Board approved a site plan for a 10,000 square-foot retail marijuana facility at 121 Webster Ave. by The Western Front, LLC.

The pot shop still needs additional approvals from the state's Cannabis Control Commission as well as the local Zoning and Licensing Boards before it can officially open its doors. But local officials have praised the plans for the facility, which is filing for a license to operate under a state economic empowerment provision.

The economic empowerment provision helps provide for minority populations that have faced the brunt of marijuana prohibition punishments achieve social and economic justice, according to Timothy Flaherty, the attorney representing the Western Front team.

The Western Front's board includes a number of Massachusetts business and community leaders who have addressed social justice issues in the past, including board chair Marvin Gilmore.

Gilmore has a long and storied history in the Boston area and beyond. He co-founded Unity Bank and Trust, was a major real estate developer in the Southwest Corridor of Boston, owned the storied Western Front nightclub in Cambridge, and was awarded the Legion of Honor, among other awards, for helping storm the beaches of Normandy in World War II.

Economic empowerment applications get priority for consideration at the Cannabis Control Commission, Flaherty said.

As for the proposed site at 121 Webster Ave., Flaherty said as a stand-alone building in an area with adequate parking, is an optimal site for a retail marijuana facility.

All marijuana products will be shipped in pre-packaged from a wholesaler, and the facility will feature a host of security measures, from cameras the Chelsea Police can immediately access to a what Flaherty called a mind-boggling number of alarms.

Chelsea police officials were satisfied with the security measures for the building, accord-

ing to John DePriest, the City's planning director.

Inside the shop, plans also call for a future workforce development area and a work bar where consumers can gather before entering the retail sales floor.

The sales area will be like "a cross between a jewelry store and a spa," said Flaherty.

The facility will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days per week. There will be a total of about 25 employees, with eight to 10 working at any given time.

"The goal is to hire 100 percent Chelsea residents," said Flaherty.

All those employees will be trained and certified by the Cannabis Control Commission.

"I'm impressed by the group before us and their commitment to social justice," said Council President Damali Vidot.

District 3 City Councillor Joe Perlatonda also said he was very impressed with the organization and happy that they are committed to hiring Chelsea residents.

ORDER SEEKS TO ABOLISH LIBRARIES BOARD

EVERETT - A measure proposed by Councilor Richard Dell Isola Jr. to amend the City's administrative code would effectively abolish the Everett Libraries Board of Trustees.

The measure wasn't an open and shut decision, though, as it invited significant pushback from the local community, who turned out in large numbers on Monday night to speak on behalf of the public library system.

The Everett Libraries are governed by a Board of 13 Trustees nominated by the Mayor. Their extensive responsibilities include setting library policy, approving expenses, overseeing special funds, vetting candidates for Library Director and maintaining all library buildings. Trustees often advocate for public libraries and their importance to the local community.

"The Board of Trustees is a very important role," resident Patty Cheever told Council. "It was troubling to a lot of people that this change was being made without public input."

Resident Samantha Lambert, also a Library Trustee, said, "Libraries are more than buildings, they are contributions to the character of our city. Libraries offer our cities places of respite in times of need, a haven where people can find their own con-

COCINAS PROGRAM LOOKS TO PROMOTE HEALTHY EATING WITH TRADITIONAL FOODS



PHOTO BY DEREK KOUYOUJIAN

Jose Barriga (center) discusses the Malanga with Bessie Pacheco and Alicia Castillo on Monday during the Cocinas Saludables Seminar program in Chelsea this March. Participants in the two-week class meet at the Chelsea Collaborative and travel to Stop & Compare Supermarket in Bellingham Square to discuss healthier alternatives in cooking traditional Latino dishes. The class continues on April 1 where participants will cook a traditional meal using the new techniques and ingredients. Right, Grisalda Valesquez examines a package of garlic.



clusions."

Lambert urged the Council to consider input from the Board of Trustees, and also mentioned the many library resources that benefit local families that otherwise would not be available to them, like coding classes and programs for people with special needs.

Gerly Adrien, Everett resident and former candidate for state representative, also loaned her voice in support of library trustees, calling them "powerful advocates for our city."

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio motioned to postpone the vote on this issue for another two weeks until the next Council meeting. She also agreed that there should be robust community input until that point.

Councilor Anthony DiPierro asked to amend the motion to include a detailed presentation on the "reason and rationale" behind every change to the current administrative code.

Councilor Peter Napolitano mentioned that the last time there were changes to the city code six years ago, there had been a comprehensive presentation.

He urged the Council to "give the powers that be the time they need to get a decent presentation together."

City Solicitor Colleen Mejia said she would need at least two weeks to get together the presentation requested by Council. At the close of the committee meeting, a date had still not been set, but Council President Dell Isola Jr. said that the Council would advertise the meeting in the newspaper as well as on Everett Community Television in order to ensure the opportunity for public participation

SOCIAL CENTER PIZZA AND COMEDY FUNDRAISER

EAST BOSTON - East Boston Social Centers to Hold Annual Pizza and Comedy Fundraiser April 11.

The East Boston Social Center will hold its Annual Spring Fundraiser, a Pizza and Comedy night at Prince Restaurant in Saugus, on the evening of Thursday April 11, - doors open at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you and

sharing a great night of laughs, pizza and friendship.

The East Boston Social Center is a 501(C) 3 non-profit multi-service agency that has served the children, families, and senior citizens of East Boston since its founding over 100 years ago, in 1918.

Net proceeds from this event will support the Social Centers' programs, which serve over a thousand members of the East Boston and Greater Boston community each year. The Social Centers provide fully licensed and accredited Early Learning and After School programs for children ages 2 months through 14 years, free after-school programming for at-risk teens, a Summer Program, as well as nutritional and social and recreational programming for seniors, and community space for advocacy, self-help and community groups.

Ticket price of \$35 per person includes unlimited cheese pizza and soft drinks and a hilarious comedy show with some of the area's best comedians. Other

Torosian scores three goals in game

Lasell College got goals from 11 different players as the Lasers defeated Regis College, 20-1, in the first Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) men's lacrosse game at the Regis Stadium. The host Pride actually scored the first goal of the game six minutes into the contest, but Lasell came back with five goals before the end of the first quarter and extended the margin to 9-1 by halftime. It was 16-1 after three quarters before Lasell tacked on four more in the final frame. The Lasers won their third in a row to improve to 4-1 overall and 1-0 in the GNAC, while Re-

gis drops to 1-1 overall and 0-1 in the conference.

Senior James Torosian (Lynn, Mass.) and freshman Max Litchfield (Barrington, N.H.) scored a game-high three goals each for the Lasers, while sophomore Andrew Fidalgo (Wilbraham, Mass.) and senior Mike Susi (Gorham, Maine) finished with a game-high four points on two goals and two assists apiece. Freshmen Landon Reyes (Westfield, Mass.), Bash Cunningham (Norwalk, Conn.) and James Anderson (Medway, Mass.) also chipped in with two goals apiece. Lasell won 20 of 24 face-offs in

the game, as junior Ben Werner (Boxford, Mass.) won 11-of-13 with a team-high 11 ground balls and freshman Steven Phelps (Stamford, Conn.) won 9-of-11 with seven ground balls.

The Lasers had a lopsided advantage in shots (53-9) and ground balls (51-19). Lasell was good on 18-of-19 clears while holding Regis to just 13 of 24.

Freshman Alex Beauchemin (Westfield, Mass.) earned the win (4-1) in goal for Lasell with three saves in the first half. Junior Ryan Janovic (East Lyme, Conn.) and sophomore Mike Davison (Burlington, Mass.) split time in goal.



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menu items and a cash bar are also available for purchase.

There is also a Raffle for an assortment of gift certificates, sports tickets, baskets and much more. Chances are \$20 for a book of 10 (Need not be present to win).

Thank you for your continued generosity to the East Boston Social Centers and support of the community of East Boston. We look forward to seeing you on April 11th!

To purchase tickets for the event or for raffle chances, please call Marisa at (617) 569-3221 ext. 107, email at mdipietro@eb-soc.org - or contact any of our Board members.

You may also purchase tickets online at: <https://www.ebsoc.org/new-events/>.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE SEEKS HELP OF LEGISLATORS

WINTHROP - A letter is being sent from the Airport Hazards Committee to local and state officials asking them to support U.S. Congressman Stephen Lynch's bill to mandate the study of the health impacts of airports with the support of government funded research.

HR976 states the research should be on the health impacts of air traffic noise and pollution.

"We're a very impacted community," said Board of Health vice president Dr. Astrid Weins.

"The key component is the involvement of the national academy of science and engineering," said Airport Hazards member Gina Casetta, who lives on Point Shirley.

The letter will be sent to U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Sen. Ed Markey, US Congresswoman Katherine Clark and State Sen. Joseph Boncore, Speaker of the House and Winthrop's State Rep. Robert DeLeo.

This letter comes on the heels of a meeting between Massport officials and mostly residents of Winthrop on March 18.

Weins also said she filed a public records request with Massport for two years worth of noise monitoring data. So far she has received information for noise monitors including monitor four at Point Shirley and 2,500 pages worth of events (an event is any noise made and picked up by the monitor) 36 per page.

The lower the decibel numbers the better for impacted homeowners. For outdoor noise it should not be higher than 65 dBL. The safe limit for the indoor

noise level is 45 dBL or less. The report linked to single airplanes with peak exposure over 85 dBL for over 10 seconds at a time - 90,036 events in 2018 alone - Massport is cooperating in providing the information. Most of the events stem from runways 9 and 27 both departures and arrivals, Weins said.

She noted a few details from the information she received.

"By the seconds and hours of offence I can tell you that Jet Blue is the greatest offender," Weins said of the decibel level.

Weins shared information about soundproofing in the last 10 years in Winthrop. A total of 12 homes were soundproofed in 2008 and the last home soundproofed was in 2014.

"Its sobering to say the least," Weins said. "If you ask me -- I wonder if the Point will be uninhabitable soon. These numbers are really terrible."

Weins also had a list of the loudest events in the last year in Winthrop and their decibel levels.

The 20 loudest events recorded on the number four sound monitor in town were:

The Winthrop Fireworks 113 dBL

"The following 19 are not linked to the Winthrop Fireworks," Astrid said. "They range from 101 to 108 dBL - those are really loud damaging noises," Astrid said.

The FAA report states everything above 65 dBL is not for residential use other than mobile homes and transient lodging

"We're way above that even in the 2016 contour, for 2017 and 2018 I know we will be way above it - probably about 70 dBL at the Point," Weins said.

EMERGENCY FUND FOR CAPIC APPROVED

REVERE - The Revere City Council praised CAPIC Executive Director Robert Repucci after approving a motion by Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto that Mayor Brian Arigo be requested to establish an emergency fund for the agency that serves Revere, Winthrop, and Chelsea residents.

Zambuto said CAPIC is currently assisting the victims of last week's fire at a Thornton Street residence.

"As they (CAPIC) do in any situation such as a tragedy like a fire," said Zambuto. "This is a fund (\$60,000 per year) that will be replenished every year. These are the funds that help people that are really in need."

Several councillors praised Repucci for his leadership of the agency that was founded in 1967.

"I think this is an excellent motion - and I support it wholeheartedly," said Councillor-at-Large Dan Rizzo. "We've had several recent tragedies whether they be fires or natural disasters. CAPIC has gone above and beyond what the original inception of what supposed to be. They have morphed in to a catch-all for homelessness, tragedies such as fire, people misplaced for other reason. I want to publicly say their executive director Bob Repucci and his very capable staff does their very best to help people in their utmost time of need."

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna cited strong support of CAPIC's work in the community.

"When I was a teacher, we had whomeless kids and we didn't know how to help them, and we called CAPIC and they came through with money and they would find placement," said McKenna. "When we had the storm in March, 2018, we had five-and-a-half feet of water at Pearl Avenue and 90-year-old woman was displaced for three months. CAPIC came in and they offered their services, a furnace, a boiler, and she got back in to her house. So I love this organization."

Councillor-at-Large Steve Morabito said he agreed with Rizzo's comment that CAPIC "goes above and beyond."

"They really do - they really help people maintain self-sufficiency through several programs," said Morabito. "They also have programs such as crisis intervention with domestic violence. So having a little emergency fund, I think it is a great motion."

Councillors Ira Novoselsky and John Powers also lauded Repucci.

"I can honestly say that Bob Repucci - pick up the phone and he's there before you even hang up," said Novoselsky.

"I can't think of anyone in city government or state government who has been more responsive to the needs of people in the City of Revere and area I represent," said Powers. "Any time I've called Bob Repucci, he'll call back in 15-20 minutes. I can't think of a better way to spend \$60,000 than to give it to Bob Repucci for his programs."

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Vending Machine Concession The Massachusetts Port Authority (the "Authority"), owner and operator of Boston - Logan International Airport (the "Airport") is issuing a Request for Proposals (the "RFP") from established and responsible business entities that have demonstrated expertise in the execution and management of vending machine concession programs. The Selected Respondent(s) shall have the non-exclusive rights, privileges and duties of a concessionaire of the Vending Machine Concession, as further defined in the RFP and the Vending Machine Concession Agreement, and shall be responsible for the installation and maintenance of vending machines at employee and select public locations at Boston-Logan International Airport (including in the Airport Terminals, the Airport Cargo Properties, the Rental Car Center, the Limo Pool and Taxi Pool locations, and the Logan Office Center), L.G. Hanscom Field, Boston Fish Pier, Flynn Cruise-

port Boston, and Logan Express sites (Braintree, Peabody, and Framingham). The Term of the Vending Machine Concession Agreement shall be for a period of five (5) years, commencing on November 1, 2019. The Authority will conduct a Pre-Submission Conference on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Terminal C Briefing Room, 2nd Floor Old Tower, Boston-Logan International Airport, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909. To confirm attendance at the Pre-Submission Conference please complete the RSVP form located on the Massport website at www.massport.com as early as possible and no later than 12:00 noon Eastern Time on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. For any questions related to the RFP, please call (617) 561-1662 or email Mr. Joseph Schirripa at jschirripa@massport.com. Proposals must be received by the Authority at or prior to 12:00 noon Eastern Time on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the office of Mr. Michael Grieco, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One Har-

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MAYOR THOMAS MCGEE ANNOUNCES STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

The Lynn Department of Public Works citywide street sweeping program has commenced. The street-sweeping schedule for April 8 through April 12, 2019 includes:

Day	Date	Ward	Precinct
Monday	April 8	1	1 & 2
Tuesday	April 9	1	1, 2 & 3
Wednesday	April 10	1	2 & 3
Thursday	April 11	1	2, 3 & 4
Friday	April 12	1 2	3 & 4 1

This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather. Should inclement weather prevent sweepers from working in your area as scheduled, they will return seven (7) days from the date originally scheduled.

For public awareness, Lynn Community Television Channel 3/22 and Verizon Channel 37/38 also broadcast this schedule. Sweeping operations will be conducted from 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. Please remove all cars from the street and encourage your neighbors to do the same for a cleaner LYNN. Where necessary, **vehicles impeding sweeping operations will be ticketed or towed** in accordance with City Ordinances. **Leaves pushed into the streets from lawns will not be swept up.**

Khiry Todd moves forward

Lynn boxer returns to the ring April 12 in NH

By Cary Shuman

Khiry Todd will return to the ring on April 12 in New Hampshire April 12 after suffering the first loss of his professional boxing career.

Todd, nicknamed TNT, had won six of his seven fights by knockout before facing undefeated boxer Adrian Sosa May 5 at Foxwoods in Connecticut.

"I lost a majority decision, it was a close fight," said Khiry, the 27-year-old son of Curtis Todd and Robin Christiansen. "Some people had me winning, some people had him winning. One judge had it a draw, but the other two judges had him winning a close fight. It was a controversial decision."

Todd, who is 5-foot-9-inches and fights in the 147-pound division, will look to get back on track against Francisco Medel.

"He's a tough fighter who's originally from Mexico," said Todd, who attended Lynn English High School. "He's fought a lot of world championship contenders. He's a very durable guy who comes to fight. Mexican fighters take a lot of pride in their craft and he has a lot of experience."

Todd considers the bout a pivotal one in his rising career.

"I'm coming off a tough loss," said Todd. "But I'm back, I'm hungry, I'm recharged. I made a few adjustments to my team on the business side and I'm ready to move forward now. I have a

new manager, Ryan Roach, who is the nephew of Freddie Roach (trainer of Manny Pacquiao)."

Todd began boxing at the age of 12 at the Rivera Brothers Gym in Lynn. He turned professional in 2016 and has a record of 7-1 with 6 knockouts.

He trains under the direction of Joel Ricardi at the Tomasello Boxing Club in Saugus. During the day, he works full time as a laborer in the Local 22 Laborers Union.

Todd said his goal is to become a world champion. He admires undefeated champion Floyd Mayweather, former middleweight champion Marvin Hagler of Brockton, and IBF welterweight champion Errol Spence Jr.

Todd will have a huge contingent from Lynn at his upcoming fight.

"I've sold more than 100 tickets," said Todd. "I'm going to have a lot of support and that's where it starts, in your own city."



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