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THE LYNN JOURNAL

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MARATHON MEN: St. Mary's tourney journey ends with a State Championship

By Cary Shuman

The St. Mary's High School baseball team used an excellence performance by its ace Bobby Alcock and played solid, heads-up defense to defeat Hopkinton, 2-0, in the Division 2 state championship game Saturday at Alumni Field in Lowell.

Alcock, a 6-4 senior right-hander, allowed an infield hit and struck out eight to hold a potent Hopkinton team – who had scored 31 runs in three post-season victories – in check.

Lee Pacheco and Jared Coppola each had singles to produce the runs. Coppola blazed a pitch off the fence above the right field wall for a long single in his first at-bat and added a basehit in the

sixth to bring home Colin Reddy with an insurance run. Pinchrunner Kory Oullette scored the Spartans' other run after alertly tagging up to get to third base. Kyle Oullette had led off that inning with a walk.

The Spartans made key defensive plays in the field, including a double play following a rundown in which all four infielders contributed to the eventual tag on Hopkinton's lead runner.

Second baseman Colin Reddy ranged behind second base to glove a hard-hit grounder and make a strong throw for the out in the fifth. Rightfielder Rich Pagliuca made a nice catch of a fly ball headed to the gap in the fourth inning. Freshman shortstop Aivan Cabral had four as-



The Division 2 MIAA State Champion Baseball Team, St. Mary's of Lynn Spartans.

Cyan Magenta Yellow Black

Frederick Douglass reading set for July 3

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

High Rock Tower is the place to be on July 3, when hundreds will gather to hear the reading of one of the best-known abolitionists and orator Frederick Douglass, who also spent the mid-1800s in Lynn.

For the ninth year, dozens of people in a communal reading to shed light on the true meaning of freedom will read Douglass' 1852 speech, "The Meaning of the Fourth of July for the Slave."

The annual community celebration, supported by MassHumanities, the Lynn Cultural Council, Ward 4 Councilor Richard Colucci and the Parks Department of Lynn begins at High Rock Tower at 6 p.m. There will be pony rides, a fire truck to explore, a large lineup of local entertainers, food, music, a tour of the tower and best of all the highest viewpoint in Lynn to watch



Organizers Wendy Joseph and Calvin Anderson are gearing up for July 3.

sists while junior catcher John Mulready – who impressed with his mitt and arm all season - threw out a runner attempting to steal. Third baseman Jared Coppola had three assists and started a cross-diamond exchange in the

second inning that resulted in a double play.

In addition to his superb pitching, Alcock teamed up with Pacheco to pick a runner off first base in the sixth. Alcock com-

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EDITORIAL

OUR NATIONAL DISGRACE AT THE BORDER

Hundreds of migrant children have been transferred out of a filthy Border Patrol station in Texas where they had been detained for weeks without access to soap, clean clothes or adequate food, the authorities confirmed on Monday, -- The New York Times, Monday, June 24

Regardless of how one may feel about the issue of immigration, legal and illegal, we would hope that every American would agree that the policy of separating children from their parents, and then detaining those children in facilities that are not fit for animals, represents a stain on our national consciousness that is evident for all the world to see.

These children, who range in age from toddlers to young teens, have been treated as less than human by our government. Some have died while under the care of the Border Patrol; others have become sick and malnourished. All will bear the psychological scars for the rest of their lives of being held in makeshift jails in conditions that are nothing less than appalling.

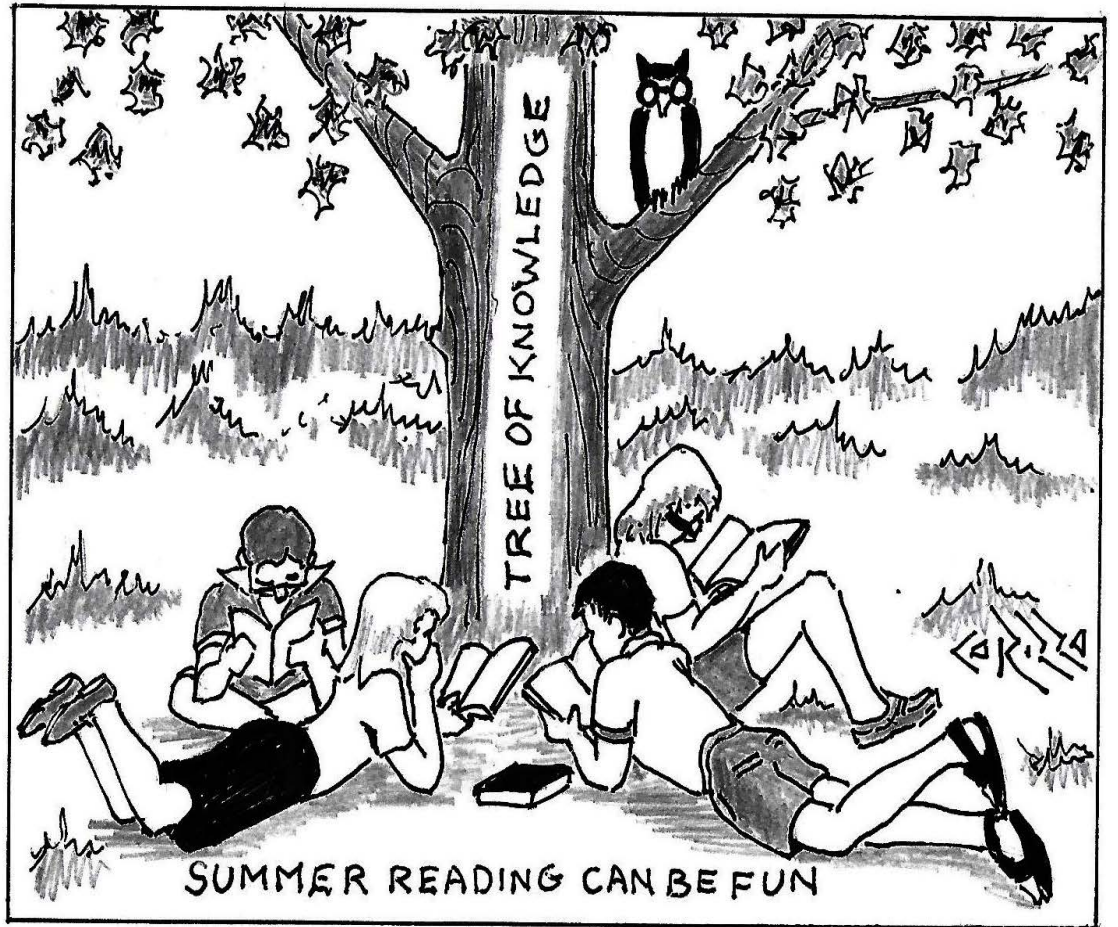
America is supposed to be a beacon of light in a world of darkness, a place where everyone, regardless of race, creed, or national origin, is treated with dignity and respect.

However, from our nation's inception, all too often we have failed to live up to the noble words in the Declaration of Independence that, "All men are created equal."

Slavery was embedded in our Constitution; segregation was legally permissible for almost 100 years after the Civil War; Native Americans were massacred and forced onto reservations; women were second-class citizens and not allowed to vote until 1919; and Japanese-Americans were interned during WWII.

None of us can change the past, but hopefully we can learn from it and not repeat the mistakes of previous generations. However, the present policies that are being enforced at our southern border are as cruel and as inhumane as any that have existed in our nation's history.

The consequences of these policies are tragic, not just for those who are being subjected to them, but for all Americans, who stand as complicit, and therefore, shamed, by our own government's inhumane subjugation of these innocent children.



SOMETHING THERE FOR EVERYONE

GUEST OP-ED

Celebrate your community on Independence Day

By Quint Studer

As I go about my work of helping communities revitalize and reinvent themselves, I often get to see the best of America and I'm reminded that the foundations that built this country are still just as important today.

It's long been said that America is all about rugged individualism, and that is true to some extent. Yes, being as self-sufficient as you can be is an admirable trait, but it only takes one so far. People need people in order to really live and nowhere is that more true than in communities.

Back when our ancestors landed on our shores, they didn't head off into the woods to build a log cabin singlehandedly. No, they banded together in small communities. They worked together, struggled together, cried together, and celebrated together. They shared what they had when they could—and expected others to do the same for them when they needed help.

Early Americans had to live this way. Otherwise, they would never have survived in this unfamiliar, unforgiving land.

Today, something very similar is happening. We're in the

middle of a massive community revitalization movement. Across America, cities and towns of all sizes are looking to reinvent themselves after a long, hard recession and several chaotic decades that turned their world upside down.

For many communities, globalization and technology reshuffled the deck. Much like our forefathers and foremothers, people found themselves lost in uncharted territory. Jobs disappeared. Unemployment skyrocketed. Infrastructure crumbled. Once-bustling downtowns deteriorated. Young people moved away in search of better lives (and who can blame them).

Now, we've collectively decided to look homeward. We've decided to bring our communities back from the brink. And we're not doing it as a nation of rugged individuals. We're doing it in small, tight-knit groups as we embrace the spirit of cooperation, collaboration, and partnership.

Community leaders, business owners, and citizens are deeply engaged and working together to breathe new life into our downtowns. We're encouraging entrepreneurs to start new ventures.

We're choosing to eat, drink, play, and shop locally. We're showing up at street festivals, volunteering, and supporting the institutions that feed, educate, and heal our community.

As I look to communities that are thriving, one thing is for certain. We are still the land of opportunity. People are finding they can still start a business, make a living, and provide jobs to others. While a strong local government is part of every vibrant community, in most cases private industry is the backbone. Thriving local business communities lead to long-term prosperity.

So here's what I believe: Real independence is about working hard, playing hard, building strong relationships with family and friends, and being happy in the place we've put down our roots. It's about choosing the kind of life we want to live. For the most part, this can exist only in the context of community.

This Independence Day, I hope you'll take a moment to be grateful for your community and reflect on what you might do to make it better. Get involved.

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STOP THE BLEED TRAINING SESSIONS OFFERED

“Stop the Bleed” Training Sessions will be conducted by Lt. Paul Ricchi, director, Lynn Office of Emergency Management

- Tuesday, July 9, 2:30-4 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 23, 2:30-4 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 30, 2:30-4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2:30-4 p.m.

All sessions take place in Room 402 in City Hall. These trainings are designed to help bystanders become trained and equipped to assist in the event of a bleeding emergency. For more information on the national “Stop the Bleed” initiative, please visit <http://www.bleedingcontrol.org>.

If you have any questions, please contact Drew Russo

(x6884), Paul Ricchi (781-389-2447), or Michele Desmarais (x6712).

REFUGEE YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM

The Refugee Youth Mentoring program seeks to support youth refugees in attaining self-sufficiency, economic stability, and ultimately the ability to thrive.

The program will take place this Fall and will end on May 1, 2020. Each mentor would complete a profile detailing their experience and interests to ensure best mentor/mentee pairing. Upon hire, mentors would receive eight hours of training which will cover key topics for their success as mentors. Mentors will be expected

to meet with their mentees about four times per month (depending on mentor and mentee flexibility). Over the course of the program year, eight workshops will be scheduled, focusing on different topics that are helpful for young adults. Three workshops will focus on financial literacy topics and the remaining five workshops will be provided by clinical social workers.

For more information call 781-346-3795

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST UNDERWAY

Do you appreciate the outdoors and enjoy taking photographs that celebrate your connection with nature? Then you and Picture This: Your Great

Outdoors, Mass Audubon’s annual statewide photo contest, are a picture-perfect fit!

Picture This: welcomes shutterbugs of all ages, backgrounds, and levels of experience to share the natural beauty of the Bay State through their photography. The competition, which each year attracts hundreds of photographers who submit thousands of images, is now under way and continues through Monday, September 30.

Participants can enter in either 18-and-Older or Under-18 age categories and can focus on six subject areas: People in Nature, Birds, Mammals, Other Animals, Landscapes, and Plants and Fungi. Contestants can submit up to 10 images.

Photographs can have been

taken any time prior to or during the 2019 contest period, but must have been shot in Massachusetts or at Mass Audubon’s Wildwood Camp in Rindge, N.H.

One Grand Prize winner will be awarded a \$250 gift card, in addition to being featured in Mass Audubon’s member newsletter, Explore. Eleven winners will receive \$100 gift cards, and at least six honorable mentions will receive \$50 gift cards. Additional honorable mentions may be awarded at the discretion of the judges. All gift cards are to be redeemed at a Mass Audubon shop or wildlife sanctuary. To enter and to review contest information, including rules and how to submit photos online, please visit massaudubon.org/picture-this.

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Find a cause that speaks to you. Share your ideas. Join together with like-minded neighbors and work to make something happen.

The spirit of community is the spirit that built America. And it’s what will rebuild us as we work together to create our future.

Quint Studer is author of “Building a Vibrant Community” and founder of Pensacola’s Studer Community Institute, a

nonprofit organization focused on improving the community’s quality of life and moving Escambia and Santa Rosa counties forward. He is a businessman, a visionary, an entrepreneur, and a mentor to many. He currently serves as the Entrepreneur-in-Residence at the University of West Florida. For more information, visit www.vibrantcommunityblueprint.com and www.studeri.org.

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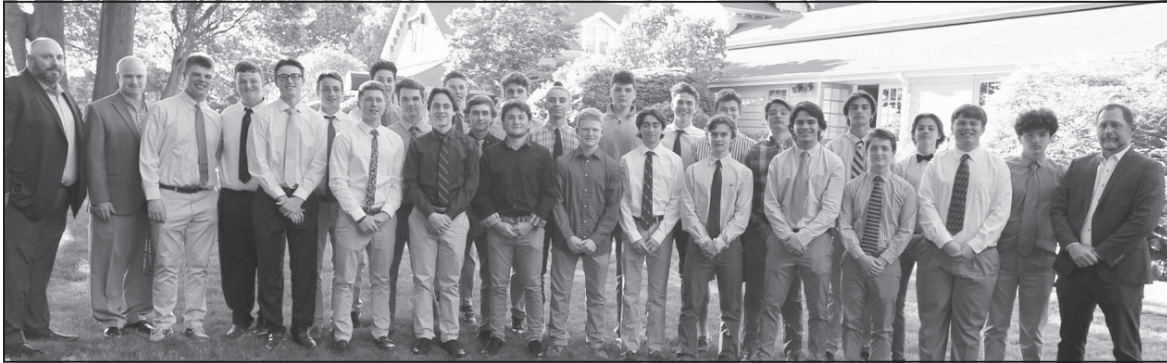


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ST. MARY'S LACROSSE TEAM



St. Mary's Boys Lacrosse Team celebrates their banquet at Nahant country club on Wednesday June 11. Pictured are Brian Finley, Sean Quirk, Jack Maguire, Matt Frary, Ben Kirby, Brendan Laundry, Jaiden Moriello, Davis Kinne, Liam Locke, Owen Maguire, Conner Butt, Colin Jackson, Nick Nowak, Christian LeBert, Seamus Foley, Daniel Lauria, Kaden Quirk, Joe O'Keefe, Matt Connolly, Bryce Bedard, Zack Barden, Damon Maribito, Jackson Field, Tyler Field, Finn Lacey, Damion Flynn, Maxwell Field and Josh Field.



St. Mary's lacrosse captains Damon Maribito, Nick Napolitano, Jack Maguire and Brendon Laundry shown with their coaches.



St. Mary's Lacrosse seniors Damon Maribito, Christian LeBert, Nick Napolitano, Jack Maguire, Brendon Laundry and Matt Connolly shown with their coaches.

Beyond Walls announces projects for coming year

Beyond Walls, the award-winning, place-making and public art organization based in Lynn, announced its 2019 projects that include the creation of outdoor spaces where Lynn residents and visitors can gather; enjoy colorful, large-scale murals by local and international artists, and celebrate the city's historic connection to the waterfront.

According to Beyond Walls Founder and Executive Director Al Wilson, this year's efforts will reinforce the nonprofit organization's overarching mission.

"With support from the City of Lynn, elected officials, our funders, local arts organizations and community members, Beyond Walls continues to present public art in urban spaces that are often overlooked," he said. "Equally important, we remain committed to presenting programs that are inclusive, accessible and relevant."

During this year's Street Art Festival, July 22 to Aug. 3, Beyond Walls, in collaboration with the Essex County Community Foundation Creative County Initiative, will launch PATIO, a new initiative that will transform underutilized urban spaces into a series of three pop-up "parklets" in the Downtown Lynn Cultural District. Through this effort, curbside parking spaces and larger walkways will be reimaged, featuring temporary seating, a platform for performances, and opportunities for food and drink pop-up shops. Deployed throughout the summer, PATIO will make its debut during the Beyond Walls annual Street Festival, with diverse programming continuing through the fall including "el ROLOTON," a friendly "battle of the downtown barbershops," informal "Living Room" conversations with local political candidates, and sidewalk sales that support Lynn-based entrepreneurs.

Since its inception in 2017, 44 Beyond Walls artists from around the globe and the region have produced 46 large scale artworks on buildings located throughout Lynn. As part of Beyond Walls' diverse offerings, 600 feet of dynamic LED lighting illuminates three MBTA underpasses and 12 pieces of vintage neon art adorn buildings within a five block area of the city. In addition, Beyond Walls has overseen public art projects in both Peabody and Cambridge

and— as a "prequel" to its 2019 Festival— will work with two international artists to create murals in Beverly in partnership with the iconic Cabot Theatre.

Congressman Seth Moulton is a long-time supporter of Beyond Walls.

"Beyond Walls is so much more than the works of public art that illuminate downtown Lynn," Moulton said. "It has brought people together from all walks of life and shined a spotlight on what many of us already know—that Lynn is an incredible, diverse, proud city that is on the rise!"

Among its most ambitious ventures, Beyond Walls is partnering with the Economic Development Industrial Corporation of Lynn (EDIC/Lynn) to activate a vacant site adjacent to the Lynn Ferry Terminal located just off Route 1A/the Lynnway. Beyond Walls is working to redesign this three-acre waterfront parcel as a seasonal seaside park, which offers commanding views of the Boston skyline. Plans for this expansive site, dubbed The Launch, feature shipping containers that will delineate the parcel's perimeters, serve as a waiting area for the ferry, canvases for art and house a revolving series of pop-up shops, beer gardens and cafes. A playground and climbing structures will border a self-guided outdoor fitness circuit and a multi-purpose court that can be used for basketball, volleyball and Futsal, a fast-paced variation on soccer. Plans for the site also include a stage for live music and theatrical performances. "Our primary goal is to connect downtown Lynn with the waterfront by creating a vibrant destination, offering multi-generational programming, performances and versatile facilities," said Parke MacDowell, Project Architect, Payette, who collaborated with Beyond Walls on the lighting installations and will once again serve as a pro-bono partner.

Later this summer, in-demand artists from as far away as Australia, Colombia and Portugal, along with homegrown talent, will paint 12 murals and create several pieces using mixed media such as tile, paper, and found objects. "At the conclusion of this year's Street Art Festival, more than 60 pieces will continue to attract, engage and inspire community members and out-of-towners," said Wilson.

2019 RED ROCK PARK SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

July 3*:	Lois Lane & the Daily Planets
July 11:	Ultimate Soul Band
July 18:	Shuffle Mode
July 25:	Lexington Street Band
Aug 1:	All That 90's
Aug 8:	White Lightnin'
Aug 15:	12:01 Blues Band
Aug 22:	Night Flight Band
Aug 23**:	Movie Night**

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LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS****OLIVEIRA NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT AIC**

Sophia Oliveira, of Lynn, is among 463 students who have been named to the Spring 2019 Dean's List at American International College. Dean's List students are full time students who have achieved a 3.3 to 4.0 GPA.

Founded in 1885, American International College (AIC) is a private, co-educational, doctoral granting institution located in Springfield, Massachusetts, comprising the School of Business, Arts and Sciences, the School of Education, and the School of Health Sciences. AIC supports and advances education, diversity, and opportunity for its students and the community.

NICHOLAS ALMONTE GRADUATES FROM CARLETON COLLEGE

Nicholas Gross Almonte of Lynn, MA (01902), graduated from Carleton College on Saturday, June 15, 2019. Gross Almonte studied Geology and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. Gross Almonte was among 459 to graduate with the Carleton Class of 2019.

"Just as the Class of 2019 will together carry the spirit of intellectual humility in aspiring to live a good life and make a positive difference, Carleton and other great colleges and universities will also share this forthright devotion to improving the world through their graduates and the ideas their faculty generate," Carleton President Steven Poskanzer told the graduates. "Academic communities can be places of succor and encouragement and reaffirmation. So, do not be a stranger to your alma mater. Return often and draw upon it and those who are here."

Founded in 1866, Carleton College is a private, coeducational liberal arts college of 2,000 students located in the historic river town of Northfield, Minnesota. Nationally recognized as the nation's top college for undergraduate teaching, Carleton is known for its academic rigor, intellectual curiosity, and sense of humor. Carleton offers 33 majors and 31 minors in the arts, humanities, natural sciences, mathematics and social sciences.

DELORTO GRADUATES FROM BECKER COLLEGE

Kimberly Delorto, of Lynn, graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Veterinary Science, Veterinary Technology from Becker College.

Becker College is an undergraduate and graduate, career-focused private college, providing a supportive and inclusive learning community that prepares graduates for their first to last careers. Nearly 1,800 students from the United States and around the world live and learn on the College's Worcester and Leicester campuses. With nationally recognized programs in nursing, game design and animal studies, Becker has been consistently ranked as a "Best College" for undergraduate education by The Princeton Review.

BUCKNELL STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Bucknell University has released the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2018-19 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition.

Andrew Doane, class of 2022, from Lynn, MA

Kayla McCellon, class of 2021, from Lynn, MA

Raphy Valera, class of 2019, from Lynn, MA

Located in Lewisburg, Pa., Bucknell University is a highly selective private liberal arts university that offers majors in the arts, engineering, humanities, management, and social and natural sciences, along with broad opportunities outside of class, to its 3,600 undergraduates. Graduate programs are available in select disciplines. Students benefit from a small student-faculty ratio of 9:1, personal attention from faculty, leadership opportunities, and excellent graduation rates and career outcomes.

COLLINS-LEE GRADUATES FROM COLBY COLLEGE

Briana A. Collins-Lee, of Lynn, was one of 462 seniors who graduated from Colby College in Waterville, Maine, May 26, 2019, receiving a bachelor of arts degree at the College's 198th Commencement. Award-win-

ning television writer David E. Kelley was the guest speaker.

Collins-Lee, who majored in psychology and educational studies, attended KIPP Academy Lynn Collegiate High School and is the daughter of Christina Collins-Lee of Lynn, Mass.

David E. Kelley, creator of popular and critically acclaimed shows from *Ally McBeal* to *Big Little Lies*, spoke to a crowd of more than 3,000 and urged Colby College graduates to reject a career that is "not so terrible" and instead pursue what will make them truly fulfilled.

Acknowledging that his advice might seem banal, he urged students to do what gives them joy. "Cling to the [inner] scream," Kelley said. "Keep it in there because so many, after failing to get what they want, decide the easier route is just to invalidate the want and pretend it was never a goal to begin with, and you become a little more deadened inside."

Colby President David A. Greene handed a diploma to each of the graduates.

Founded in 1813, Colby is one of America's most selective colleges. Serving only undergraduates, Colby offers a rigorous academic program rooted in deep exploration of ideas and close interaction with world-class faculty scholars. Students pursue intellectual passions, choosing among 58 majors or developing their own. Colby's innovative and ambitious campaign, *Dare Northward*, will support deeper connections between the College and the world and a fully inclusive experience for all Colby students. Colby is home to a community of 2,000 dedicated and diverse students from more than 80 countries. Its Waterville, Maine, location provides unique access to world-class research institutions and civic engagement experiences.

ENDICOTT COLLEGE ANNOUNCES LOCAL DEAN'S LIST STUDENTS

Endicott College, the first college in the U.S. to require internships of its students, is pleased to announce its Spring 2019 Dean's List students. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no letter grade below "C," have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester. The

following Lynn students have met these requirements: Daniel Calnan, English, son of Joseph Calnan and Michelle Calnan

Amanda Carroll, Nursing, daughter of Daniel Carroll and Maria Carroll

Christopher Cole, Business Management, son of Frank Cole and Geralyn Cole

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

Olga Hernandez, Biology/Biotechnology, daughter of Olga Garcia

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

Jillian Yamartino, Exercise Science, daughter of John Yamartino and Maureen Yamartino

About Endicott College Endicott College offers doctorate, master's, bachelor's, and associate degree programs at its campus on the scenic coast of Beverly, Mass., with additional sites in Boston, online, and at U.S. and international locations. Endicott remains true to its founding principle of integrating professional and liberal arts education with internship opportunities across disciplines. For more, visit endicott.edu.

TOROSIAN NAMED TO ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

The Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) released the 2018-19 Academic All-Conference selections Tuesday and 101 Lasell College student-athletes have been honored.

This year's list consists of 1,030 student-athletes from 13 full-time institutions and nine associate member institutions who have met the following criteria: maintaining a 3.25 cumulative grade point average, completed at least one full season of competition at a GNAC institution and is at least sophomore academically.

The list included James Torosian of Lynn, a student-athlete on the Lasell men's lacrosse team.

The list of 1,030 individuals from 17 GNAC sports constitutes the most honored by the conference for the ninth consecutive academic year.

GRANDEL AWARDED FULBRIGHT TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

Victoria Grandel, of Lynn was recently awarded a Ful-

bright Student English Teaching Assistantship. The program places students in classrooms abroad to provide assistance to the local English teachers.

Grandel is a member of the Class of 2019. Learn more about Union's Fulbright ETA's here.

Union College, founded in 1795 as the first college chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, offers programs in the liberal arts and engineering to 2,100 undergraduates of high academic promise and strong personal motivation. Union, with its long history of blending disciplines, is a leader in educating students to be engaged, innovative and ethical contributors to an increasingly diverse, global and technologically complex society.

STUDENT NAMED TO QUINNIPIAC DEAN'S LIST

Jordan Corbishley of Lynn was named to the dean's list for the Spring 2019 semester at Quinnipiac University.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester. About Quinnipiac University Quinnipiac is a private, coeducational, nonsectarian institution located 90 minutes north of New York City and two hours from Boston. The university enrolls 7,000 full-time undergraduate and 3,000 graduate and part-time students in 110 degree programs through its Schools of Business, Communications, Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Law, Medicine, Nursing and the College of Arts and Sciences. Quinnipiac consistently ranks among the top regional universities in the North in U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges" issue. Quinnipiac also is recognized in Princeton Review's "The Best 381 Colleges." The Chronicle of Higher Education has named Quinnipiac among the Great Colleges to Work For(r). For more information, please visit qu.edu. Connect with Quinnipiac on Facebook at facebook.com/quinnipiacunews and follow Quinnipiac on Twitter @QuinnipiacU.

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DIAMOND VISION

PHOTOS FROM THE SPARTANS
TITLE-CLINCHING VICTORY



A rush to the pitcher's mound from a very happy Spartan team as they became the 2019 State Champions.



St. Mary's star pitcher, Bobby Alcock of Lynn took the mound last Saturday and never left until St. Mary's was State Champs.



Colin Reddy and Kyle Ouellette.



Colin Reddy comes home for another run for St. Mary's in the seventh inning.



Senior Jared Copploa at bat for the Spartans.



DJ DiCenso takes his turn at bat for the Spartans.



A few last minute pointers from the coach to the Spartans catcher, John Mulready.



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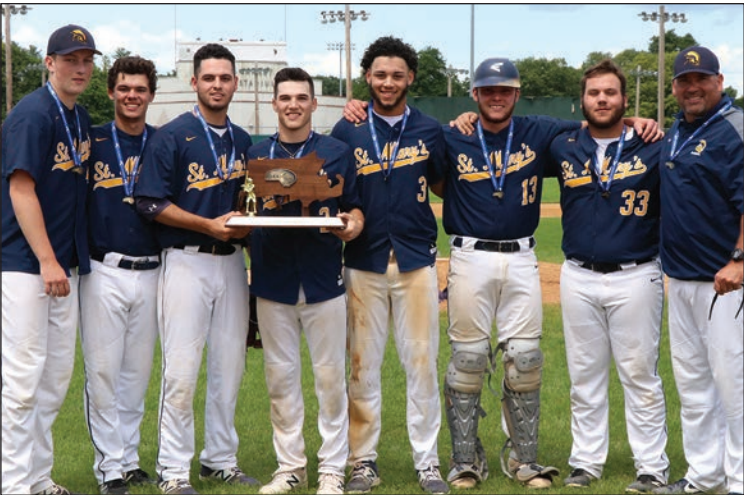
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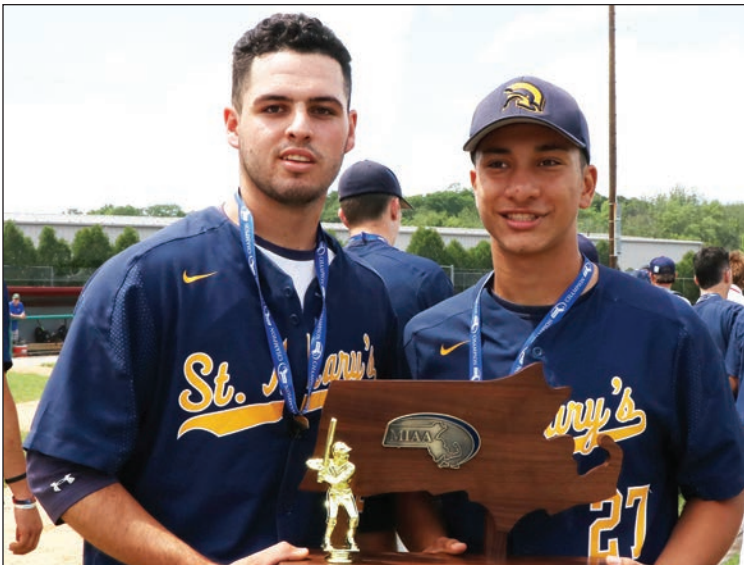
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Junior infielder Lee Pacheco tries to steal second on a close play.



Head Coach Derek Dana and the seniors of the Spartans accept the 2019 State Champion Trophy at home plate at Alumni Field last Saturday afternoon.



Jarad Coppola and Lucas Rincon with the trophy.



Bobby Alcock with one of his coaches after the victory.

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pleted the tournament with a 3-0 record, 22 strikeouts and a 0.00 earned run average.

"I was just keeping the ball low," said Alcock. "I knew Hopkinton was a good hitting team. I used my fastball and kept it low the whole time and it just worked out. We played great as a team in the tournament. We had good pitching, good defense and our offense was really good. Everything just clicked and we started rolling and that's how it ended and I'm glad it did. It's really special to do this, especially with all my brothers over there. It feels great. I've dreamt of this moment my whole life. I'm really glad it happened."

Hopkinton Coach Steve Simoes credited St. Mary's and Al-

cock after the game.

"We always expect to hit, but he [Alcock] was better than we were today," said Simoes. "We knew we weren't probably going to put up seven [runs], but we thought we would certainly put up three or four."

Simoes said he was impressed by the Spartans' execution in the field.

"St. Mary's is well-coached, they play good defense, they're enthusiastic, they're good athletes, I'm really impressed by their whole program," said Simoes.

St. Mary's Coach Derek Dana, who celebrated his fourth state title (two as a player, two as a coach) said it was a team effort that resulted in a victory and a

state championship.

"Outstanding job by Alcock on the mound and outstanding defense behind him," Dana told reporters. "Bobby just put the exclamation point on his high school career. This was his 20th win today and it couldn't have been a bigger win. To roll through the playoffs and not give up a run – he just pounded the strike zone and when he needed to make a pitch, he made the pitch. When we needed to make a play behind him, they made the play behind him."

"As far as this being my alma mater, it doesn't get old. We loved doing it as players and we love doing it as coaches," said Dana.

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DIDOMENICO DELIVERS FOR CHELSEA

CHELSEA - Sen. Sal DiDomenico and his colleagues in the Massachusetts Senate recently passed a \$42.8 billion budget for Fiscal Year 2020, after three days of deliberations. The budget recommends targeted investments to provide access to opportunity and economic vitality across the Commonwealth. As Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate, Sen. DiDomenico was able to secure a number of amendments providing additional funding for his local communities, bringing home resources for the city of Chelsea.

"After careful deliberation, the Senate has passed a thoughtful budget that both reflects the shared priorities of our chamber and addresses the pressing needs of our communities," said Sen. DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. "This budget includes key investments in many of my top priority items that will have a positive and direct impact on Chelsea, and I am happy to report that many of my amendments providing additional resources for our community were also adopted to the final Senate budget. I would like to thank Senate Ways & Means Chair Michael Rodrigues and Senate President Karen Spilka for all of their great work to craft a budget that will undoubtedly help to move our entire Commonwealth forward."

Funds secured by Sen. DiDomenico for the city of Chelsea include:

- * \$75K for a youth worker in the Chelsea public schools
- * \$25K for CONNECT, a financial opportunity center in the city of Chelsea

- * \$3.8M increase in Chapter 70 education funding for the Chelsea public schools

Other budget amendments filed by Sen. DiDomenico include:

- * \$2M to establish a grant program for statewide census outreach to support trusted community organizations and grassroots leaders to help reach historically hard-to-count communities

- * \$1M in new funding to create a pilot program that seeks to close the SNAP Gap in Massachusetts

- * new language to ensure high-needs schools continue using a breakfast after the bell model to boost school breakfast participation rates

- * \$300K to Nurtury to help expand their network of family child care providers

- * \$250K for Operation ABLE, the only agency in Massachusetts committed solely to the employment needs of mature workers (those 45 years and older)

- * \$200K for the 1199 SEIU Training and Upgrading Fund to help increase the quality of consumer, patient and resident care.

The Senate's budget also strengthens Massachusetts' commitment to being a national leader in ensuring children of all backgrounds have access to greater educational opportunities. Consistent with the Senate's long-standing commitment to supporting increased investments in education, this budget makes a significant down payment on the work of the Foundation Budget Review Commission (FBRC), and funds Chapter 70 at its highest level ever: \$5.176B, an increase of \$268.4M over FY 2019. The city of Chelsea will receive over \$81.5M in Chapter 70 education funding, a \$3.8M increase over the previous fiscal year.

"With this budget, we are making it clear that we are serious about securing more funding for our K-12 public schools and reforming our state's outdated education funding formula," said DiDomenico. "This has been and continues to be my top education priority, and I am proud that my district will receive the additional funds that they deserve in the Senate budget."

Other top priority items for Sen. DiDomenico that were included in the Fiscal Year 2019 Senate Budget and will benefit Chelsea residents are:

- * \$4.8M for the state's pediatric palliative care network- a \$1M increase over FY19- to ensure there is no wait list for these critical services so children and their families have the extra care and support that they need;
- * \$350 per child clothing allowance to help low-income families meet their basic needs
- * \$12M for grants to the Head Start program to maintain access to early education services for low-income families
- * \$6.5M for Youth-At-Risk Matching grants, including support for YWCAs, YMCAs and Boys & Girls Clubs

The Senate's budget also invests in programs and policies to educate, train, and prepare Massachusetts workers in order to provide them with opportunities to grow and succeed. Opportunity investments include:

- * \$38.5M for adult basic education services to improve access to skills and tools necessary to join the workforce
- * \$15.6M for summer jobs and work-readiness training for at-risk youth, after adding \$1.2M on the floor
- * \$7M for the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund to connect unemployed and under-employed workers with higher paying jobs

The Senate's budget maintains the Senate's commitment to increasing access to quality, affordable housing, investing in low-income housing and homelessness services and supports. Housing investments include:

- * \$178.7M for Emergency Assistance Family Shelters
- * \$110M for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP)
- * \$48.3M for assistance for homeless individuals
- * \$30.8M for the HomeBASE diversion and rapid re-housing programs
- * \$21M for Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT), including \$3M to continue expanding eligibility for individuals in need, including persons with disabilities, seniors, unaccompanied youth
- * \$5M for housing and supportive services for unaccompanied homeless youth

The FY 2020 budget furthers regional equity and supports cities and towns by directing significant resources to local and regional aid. Local investments include:

- * \$1.129B for unrestricted general government aid to support community investments in education, health care, public safety and roads and bridges
- * \$18M for the Massachusetts Cultural Council to support local arts, culture and creative economy initiatives
- * \$18.1M for local Councils on Aging to strengthen programs and services in senior centers in communities across the state
- * \$11M for Shannon Grants, which are distributed to municipalities for youth gang violence prevention

A Conference Committee will now convene to reconcile the differences between the Senate budget and the version passed by the House of Representatives in April. Fiscal Year 2020 begins on July 1, 2019.

TAKES LEAD ROLE IN STATE LAWSUIT
CHELSEA - Several parents

of Chelsea Public School students and the Chelsea Collaborative have taken a lead role in a statewide school funding lawsuit filed against the state Department of Education on Thursday for ignoring the constitutional mandate requiring the Commonwealth to fund a quality education for all students.

The parents allege constitutional violations of students' education and civil rights as a result of the state's inadequate school funding system.

"Students in underfunded school districts are being deprived of the opportunity to receive the education to which they are entitled," alleges the lawsuit filed with the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. "Public schools are increasingly unable to provide sufficient resources to meet ever-increasing educational challenges."

Collaborative Executive Director Gladys Vega said her organization and several parents tried to work within the system, but it came time to take action because the system wasn't responding.

"For us, we've been working in the system; we've tried everything," she said. "The failure of the system means our children are being neglected and their future is compromised because our legislators do not have the moral courage to do what benefits these children. We feel we have done everything right, right, right, but the state leaders don't do their part. In Chelsea, we have to take municipal dollars that may be going to hire two or three police officers and using that for the schools instead. We need the state to step up and provide these funds. At some point, you have to take action."

Parent Mayra Balderas is one of the Chelsea residents that joined the lawsuit, and she spoke at a rally last Thursday as well.

"Chelsea is one of the poorest communities in Massachusetts and it sits within a stone's throw of Massachusetts' capital city," said Balderas, a parent from Chelsea whose son is a plaintiff in the case. "For years, the state has ignored the education needs of children here, including my 10-year-old. Our Constitution requires the state to educate all students, no matter where they live, their family income, the color of their skin, the language they speak at home or the services they need to succeed."

Balderas, who is blind, said it took an incident where the Department of Social Services

(DSS) got mistakenly involved with her son to get the Chelsea Schools to do the evaluation she had wanted for years. She said those things are not done because there is not money to implement the costly plans that are often a remedy to help students with learning or behavioral challenges.

"I wanted help and nobody would help," she said. "It took DSS involvement for the schools to jump and do the evaluation... Everything is not fine. We need help. For others, it could be worse than it was for me, especially if they don't have the language skills. They just stay silent because they don't know. Imagine how many people are going through so much pain with their children and no one is listening because they don't have the language to speak up."

Karen Louis-Pierre is a graduate of Chelsea High, and now has a young child at the Silber Early Learning Center. Studying to be a teacher, she said she sees the problems that are creeping up due to lack of funding. It's something she also remembers as a student at Chelsea High.

"The situations we have here sends a message these kids don't matter," she said. "That message really gets to the kids - that they are not as important or not as valuable as the children from wealthier districts. It's an unfortunate situation. This is something I have worked all my life to address. I want to come back to be a social worker at Chelsea Public Schools for this reason. The teachers and administrators need more support...It's infuriating as a parent. The teachers are overwhelmed and the classrooms are too big. I worry about the teachers. I see they are exhausted and burning out. That all goes back to the state funding formulas."

The plaintiffs - children and their parents from Chelsea, Chicopee, Fall River, Haverhill, Lowell, Orange, and Springfield - are joined in the suit by the New England Area Conference of the NAACP and the Collaborative, whose members include parents and students in those seven underfunded school districts.

The lawsuit was developed by the Council for Fair School Finance (CFSC), which has a history of advancing the cause of education through the courts. Over a quarter-century ago, in a landmark case brought by the

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CFSF, the court held on June 15, 1993, in *McDuffy v. Secretary of the Executive Office of Education*, that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has a duty under the Massachusetts constitution to provide students with a high-quality education.

“Education rights are civil rights and this complaint documents in stark detail the neglect that persists in public schools for children of color and poor students throughout this state,” said Juan Cofield, President of the New England Area Conference of the NAACP, which is also a plaintiff in the case. “Disparities between the wealthiest and the poorest districts are widening, and students in underfunded school districts are being denied the education they are constitutionally guaranteed.”

In Chelsea, inadequate state funding means many classrooms have over 30 students, even at the elementary level, CFSF said. In Chicopee, afterschool programs and 37 staff positions were eliminated this year, while many school buildings are over 50 years old and books that are over 30 years old are still used in class. In Fall River, a single English language learner specialist often is responsible for the language needs of 75 students, while students themselves often serve as translators for parent-teacher meetings, as the district cannot recruit, retain, or afford enough bilingual professionals to meet a growing ELL population.

The nearly 100-page complaint documents, in painstaking detail, numerous disturbing facts about the failures of our public education funding system. It cites the bipartisan Foundation Budget Review Commission report, issued in 2015, which conclusively found that significant additional funding was needed in four key areas: services for low-income students, students with disabilities, and English language learners, as well as employee and retiree health insurance.

DiMARIA NOW FOCUSING ON TRANSPORTATION

EVERETT - The ‘wow’ factor has barely set in at the Encore Boston Harbor resort for Mayor Carlo DeMaria, and already he is shifting his focus to yet another risky dream – a major shift in transportation thinking.

“My focus now is entirely on transportation planning, figuring

out how I’m going to move people from Everett to Boston,” he said.

This week, DeMaria said with the opening of Encore he has started to shift his thinking towards revolutionizing transportation in Everett – and those early plans include a massive Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) investment and, potentially, closing off Broadway to personal vehicles.

“I want to get that BRT here,” he said. “I want to see it going from Glendale Square to Rutherford Avenue and connecting with North Station. I’m going to shut down traffic on Broadway and create walkable neighborhoods and people cutting through from Rt. 1 will have to go elsewhere... People will think I’m nuts and crazy, but it will take some time to work it out. However, if you put a reliable, frequent BRT system in, it’s like a train running down Broadway. It’s a plan. I’m not building a city for outsiders, but for residents. Having a frequent and reliable BRT in the heart of our city allows developers to have more flexibility to build denser and create more affordable housing.

“I want to bring back the days when you walked to the small flower shops, the cheese shop, the butcher and the wine shop,” he continued. “I want the small farm stands back in the downtown. You don’t need a car to drive to the supermarket. That’s the vision I have and I’m going to get it done. If people sit down with me and I can explain the vision to them, I think they’ll like what I want to do here.”

The BRT system DeMaria is talking up comes from a study put out by ITDP and the Barr Foundation. That plan has already seriously contemplated a center lane BRT service on Lower Broadway where the new median now exists.

He hopes that Boston Mayor Martin Walsh will also consider implementing that same plan on Rutherford Avenue in Charlestown so that there is an uninterrupted connection to North Station.

“The design on that will be complete in a year or so and go into construction in 2022,” he said.

He said his vision includes bringing that service all the way up Broadway and to Glendale Square – with the idea of closing off Broadway to personal vehicles figuring in with that.

That is all part of an overall plan, he said, to help Everett

residents get to Boston and Encore without having to use a car. Whether it’s a bicycle, by foot or on a BRT, he said his goal now is to revolutionize how Everettites get around.

If the people agree with his vision, he said he believes Everett could be a nationwide model for how a modern city can move people without the ills of traffic and transportation slowing things down.

COUNCIL PASSES FY 20 BUDGET

REVERE - The Revere City Council approved a city operating budget of \$203.4 million for the Fiscal Year 2020 at the Council meeting last week. The total of expenditures for the year is \$217,053,143, which is a 5.6 percent increase from this past year’s budget.

Councillor-at-Large Dan Rizzo, chair of the Council’s Ways and Means Committee was the only councillor to vote against approving the new budget. Rizzo, who is a candidate for mayor, made his objections to the budget increase clear in an interview following the meeting and in a live town hall broadcast on Facebook later Monday evening (see related story).

Ward 5 Councillor John Powers, who voted in favor of the new budget, said, “I supported the new budget because it included many of the services that needed to be offered to the public, such as street and sidewalk repairs, drainage improvements, public safety (police, fire), recreation services, and additional school funding for teachers because of the increased enrollment in our schools.”

Council President Arthur Guinasso thanked Rizzo and the subcommittee for their work during the budget process that included presentations by department heads and public hearings to discuss the budget.

VOLUNTEERS CLEAN UP COSTA PARK

REVERE - Costa Park in the Shirley Avenue neighborhood is shining a little brighter after a revitalization project that added murals, fixed up the playground and planted new greenery around the much-loved community space. The project, co-sponsored by Republic Services, the City of Revere and The Neighborhood Developers, drew dozens of volunteers who live and work in

Revere to the park on Saturday, June 8.

Republic Services General Manager Kurt Lavery was joined by company employees and family members who helped in the days leading up to the project day as well as on the day itself. “This is a special day for Republic Services, for The Neighborhood Developers and for all of our community partners,” Lavery said. “We are proud to join you in this rebuilding day project to achieve a safe, clean and welcoming Costa Park.”

The park is one of the busiest in Revere with hundreds of children and adults using the playground each week. Due to its heavy use, the city park needed some TLC to keep it in tip top condition. The playground’s rubber surfacing was worn away in many places, some playground and park equipment was broken, and the park’s murals and art installations no longer shined.

A planning committee composed of neighborhood children and adults had been working since late winter to plan the park improvements. Kyla Alterman, a community organizer for The Neighborhood Developers, worked with residents. “Each improvement that you see in the park was the result of engaged children and adults who showed up at design meetings. They helped select our new ball hoops, balance beam, and accessibility swing,” Alterman said. “We painted a hopscotch on the ground after dozens of children drew pictures of one as an element they wanted to see most in the park. Community members also selected the painted butterflies that will be installed on the park’s fence, came up with the idea to collect plastic caps to make murals, and to paint a welcome mural at the entrance of the park.”

During the event, a shiny new Republic Services truck was positioned just outside the park’s entrance. The company, which has a local division in Revere, is one of the nation’s largest trash and recycling haulers with 14 million customers. In his remarks, Lavery, the general manager, said, “This past year, our Foundation launched a substantial company-wide charitable giving program we call the National Neighborhood Promise. And, through this program with partners like The Neighborhood Developers, Republic is committed to helping rebuild, revitalize and restore neighborhoods

just like here in Costa Park. Our goal is to help build stronger, more unified neighborhoods. And through our programs and volunteer projects we believe we can – with each of you – make a meaningful difference in the communities where we live and work.”

Republic Services has 200 employees working out of the company’s Revere facility picking up recycling and trash from regional residential and commercial customers, including the residential properties of The Neighborhood Developers that are home to more than 1,100 children and adults in Chelsea and Revere.

Mayor Brian Arrigo and City Councilor Ira Novoselsky were on hand to thank Republic Services, The Neighborhood Developers, community residents and city employees who helped to make the day productive and fun. Qin Li, a mother of two who regularly enjoys the park with her children, told the Mayor that she is recruiting volunteers to join a Friends of Costa Park group. “Our goal is to keep the park clean, and to use the park for organized activities,” she said.

STAFFING SHORTAGE IMPACTING FERRY SERVICE

WINTHROP - The Winthrop Ferry Valkyrie had to suspend service on Wednesday, June 19, and the morning shift on Thursday, June 20 due to a shortage of eligible captains to drive the boat. Service will resume starting at 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 20.

“We deeply regret any inconvenience that this suspension may cause and are working diligently to resolve the issue as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support of the Valkyrie,” said Town Manager Austin Faison in a release.

Faison told the Town Council Tuesday night that staffing is an issue and right now there are only captains available for transporting six passengers or less. The ferry has 43 seats.

“There was also a series of bad timing, one person is at a wedding out of the country and the other has been ill in the hospital,” Faison explained. “We do not want to reduce service. We have reached out to several companies for captains. We are working as hard as possible to make sure that all shifts are full.”

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the fireworks.

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“Douglass was one of the foremost civil rights activists in history and he is part of Lynn’s history,” said Wendy Joseph. “Lynn has a wonderful history of the abolitionist movement and social justice movements, beginning with the Quakers.”

Douglass was born a slave on a plantation in Maryland. He escaped to New York, then went to New Bedford trying to get work in the whaling industry. While there he was introduced to The Liberator, an abolitionist newspaper and he began to develop his voice and ideas.

“This has turned into a great family-friendly event,” Joseph said.

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THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL NICHOLSON RE-ELECTION BID

This was an evening to meet and greet Jared Nicholson at his campaign kickoff for School Committee. Jared is very excited to seek a third term. He is diligent with the importance of public education and the concerns with parents, educators, and the community.

As Jared stated by being a member on the Committee, "We've made progress in the Lynn Public Schools on building pathways for students to college and jobs. We've made progress on developing students' social emotional skills as the District will adopt a K-5 social emotional curriculum".

One of his achievements as a

School Committee member is his initiating an after school wrestling program with more students becoming involved. Students compete and participate in tournaments. He wants to increase more opportunities with youth to include a girl's lacrosse program. Jared feels by offering broader opportunities for youth, they will have more choices in life.

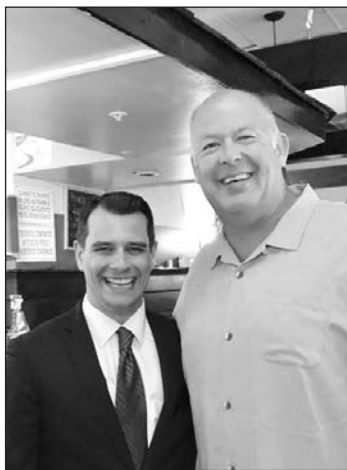
Jared and his wife, Katherine, will be starting a new transition in their lives as they will soon become parents for the first time. City of Lynn is home to Jared and his family. He sees the strength, the diversity, and the potential that the city has to offer.



For School Committee member Jared Nicholson – Ward 4 Councilor Richard Colucci, Ward 6 Councilor Fred Hogan, Coco Alinsug, Katherine and Sue Rushfirth, and Peter Cipriano.



Jared Nicholson greets Ward 7 Councilor Jay Walsh and his Dad, John Walsh.



Former School Committee Member William McDonald and The Friendly Knights of St. Patrick Chairman meets with Jared Nicholson.



State Rep. Daniel Cahill drops by to meet Jared Nicholson.



David Solimine Jr. Magnolia Contreras, Councilor-at-Large Hong Net and State Senator Brendan Crighton meets with Jared Nicholson.



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Jared Nicholson with his Dad, Stephen Nicholson, and his wife, Katherine Rushfirth.



School Committee Members – John Ford, Jared Nicholson, and Brian Castellanos.

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GANNON MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE MEMBERS ABSENT FOR TEE TIME



Sherry Blodgett pay tribute to her husband, Richard E. "Dick" Blodgett, at the Gannon Memorial Service.



The Robert M. DeCarlo Family – Janet DeCarlo (mother) with Aunt and Uncle Donna and John Bogan.



The Hazen C. Ward Family – Cory Ward, Anne Ward, Aaron and Robin Prendergast, Nathanael, Emily, and Abi Ward.



The Charles Scarlata Family – Michael (son), Sharon (daughter) Scarlata with friends, Bukia and Stanley Chalvire.

At Gannon Golf Course on a sunny, warm Memorial Day morning, 11:00 AM was designated as the time to memorialize recent deceased members. Golfers respectfully suspended play during the ceremony throughout the course. Over two hundred guests, friends, and Gannon members observed this traditional service conducted by Solimine Funeral Home.

David Solimine Sr. asked everyone to take a moment and to reflect on this day to honor those who sacrificed themselves for our freedom. He continued to say, "This is a special day to have families and friends come together to remember their special loved one. We know how much each of these past members enjoyed this community, enjoyed playing on this golf course, and enjoyed sharing stories with the extended Gannon Family. This is our time to honor them".

A total of 19 past members were "Absent for Tee Time". A bell was rung by Michael Phelps as Joel Solimine read each name. The list Included: Larry Gannon, Richard Trepsas, Moe Atherton, Peter Zetes, Robert DeCarlo, Tom Gratiano, Wendell Hubbard, Dick Truax, Dick Blodgett, Hazen Ward, Bruce Sacher, Beverly Lombara, Joe Jedrey, Paul Yanakakis, Joan Henri, Frank Resse, Charles Scarlata, Bruce Hamilton, and Dick Dylingowski. A plaque, flower pot, and a flag were presented to each family.

As Janet DeCarlo said, "This was an amazing tribute to my son and all those that were once members at Gannon. I would never think something like this would be so wonderful; I am deeply thankful".

Others involved in the ceremony were Councilor-at-Large Brian Field who led the Pledge of Allegiance, the Lynn English Choral and the Lynn English ROTC JR USMC Honor Guard, Chaplain Fr. James Riley, and City of Lynn elected officials. A special thanks to Gannon Golf Course membership and staff for giving the families this moment of respect.



The Richard Dylingowski Family - Alex, Peter, Aleni, and Dina (Dylingowski) Kleros with Jay, Lorraine, Robin, and Paul Dylingowski.



Gannon Memorial Committee – Michael Phelps, Joel Solimine, Fr. James Riley, David Solimine Sr., and PGA Professional David Sibley.

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