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NEWS BRIEFS

LYNN DPW TO HOLD BULKY ITEMS DAYS

Lynn residents will have twice as many opportunities to dispose of large items in the next year thanks to a partnership with Covanta. There will be six Bulky Items Days to replace the three Dumpster Days that have been held over the last several years. The new dropoff location will at Covanta, 247 Commercial St., Lynn.

"We encourage residents take advantage of this service the City is providing in partnership with Covanta to dispose of bulky items and unwanted materials," said Mayor Thomas M. McGee. "Thank you to the Department of Public Works for stepping up and managing this program for the City."

The Bulky Items Days are scheduled for: Sept. 21, Oct. 12, Nov. 16, and May 16, 2020. Items may be dropped off from 8 a.m. to noon and may include: household items, fluorescent light bulbs, white goods, metals and rigid plastic. The following items are prohibited: paint, hazardous materials, construction materials. Enter through Circle Avenue.

The Bulky Item Days are for Lynn residents only (driver's license required); contractors and U-Haul trucks are not allowed.

Residents may also dispose of TVs (\$25 each, maximum of 3), computer monitors (\$25) and propane tanks (\$5).

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FAMILY AND FRIENDS SUPPORT GROUP

National Alliance on Mental Illness Greater North Shore is hosting a Family and Friends Support Group and a new Individual (Peer) Support Group on Wednesday, Aug. 28, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Beverly Hospital, 85 Herrick St., Beverly MA. The two groups are for family and friends

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The Lynn Little League Gallant All-Star team, led by Manager Jeff Earp and Coaches David Galeazzi, Jim Burt, and Rich Avery, is pictured after its 5-1 victory over Peabody Tuesday night at Stephen O'Grady Field in Salem. Lynn was set to play for the title Wednesday night. Also pictured is team sponsor Tom Dill.

Jeff Earp leads Gallant team in to baseball tourney finals

Galva, Doney brothers power Lynn contingent

By Cary Shuman

Jeff Earp is president of the Greater Lynn Babe Ruth organization but he's proving once again that he can coach Little League-age players with a high degree of excellence as well.

Earp's Lynn Gallant Tournament was set to play Peabody Wednesday night in the championship game at O'Grady Field in Salem.

Gulimer Galva pitched a three-hitter and struck out 11 batters to help Lynn defeat Peabody, 5-1, Tuesday night to set up the winner-take-all showdown.

Galva teamed up with the talented Doney brothers, 12-year-

old first baseman Josh Doney and 11-year-old catcher Tyler Doney for the defensive play of the game, a 1-3-2 double play to end the sixth inning.

Galva fielded a grounder back to the box, looked the runner back at third base, threw to who delivered a strong throw to his brother who adroitly applied the

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Mosquitos: not too bad, but they're there

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Compared to last year, the number of pesky mosquitos is down, but the diseases they carry are still a concern, and that's why Northeast Mosquito Control has been spraying as requested in Revere, Winthrop and Lynn.

Kim Foss, an entomologist with Northeast Mosquito Control in Georgetown, which covers Essex County, and Winthrop, Revere in Suffolk County, said reports come in to her weekly through local health departments and treatments are being done.

"Our region has a microclimate that's a little different than the rest of the state. Rainfall amounts make a difference too," she said.

One area always a concern for Revere and Winthrop officials is the Belle Isle Marsh, which had

swarms of mosquitos last summer.

"We've been doing regular treatments down there and all salt marsh areas with a bacterial product," Foss said.

She explained that the traps were light, not many mosquitos. She added that there had been some residential complaints from Revere coming, but nothing unusual.

"Some of the tidal areas, with the rain and high tides we've been getting some hatching and some places we can't reach because the fragmities are tall," Foss said.

No triple E or West Nile Virus has been detected in the district, which includes Revere, Winthrop and Lynn. Although one case of triple E in a human has been reported statewide

"This is sort of a mixed year

so I don't know what to expect," Foss said. "We are seeing activity in the areas where there are cat tails and a lot of the mosquito populations are rebounding because the drought years have ended, and rebounding to a nor-

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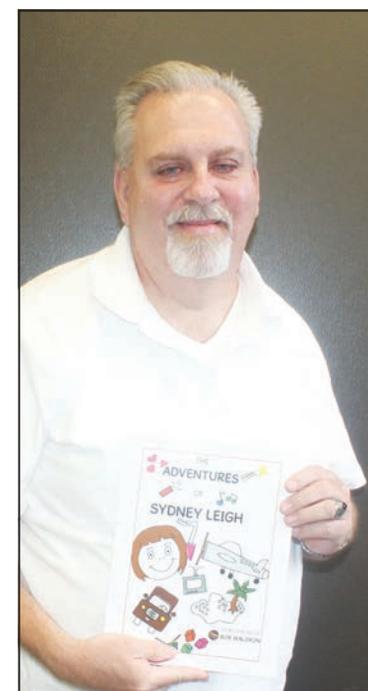
GE employee Bob Waldron completes children's book

By Cary Shuman

Bob Waldron is proud of his brand-new children's book and rightfully so.

Waldron's heartwarming book, "The Adventures of Sydney Leigh" takes young readers on an inspiring journey in which he answers humorous questions from children seeking answers to ev-

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Bob Waldron proudly holds a copy of his new children's book, "The Adventures of Sydney Leigh."

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EDITORIAL

OUR GLORIOUS SUMMER DAYS

When we think of the “dog days of summer,” what comes to mind are the languid and sultry days of early to mid-August, when the heat and humidity combine to make for a stew that can make even the most summer-loving among us long for the drier and cooler days of the impending fall season.

They were immortalized in Nat King Cole’s song from the early 1960s about “those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer.”

The dog days are as much a state of mind as they are a physical fact, a time when all of us, young and old, grab some R&R to regenerate our minds and bodies before resuming the grind of our daily routines post-Labor Day.

Everyone, it seems, is on vacation. European cities are famously empty in August, as are our East Coast cities from Boston to Washington.

However, this past weekend brought us a large amount of relief from the usual torpor that we associate with the dog days.

It was the kind of weather that we’d like to put into a bottle and open up in January: Sunny and warm, but not too hot, with just enough humidity to give it that summer-like feel without being oppressive.

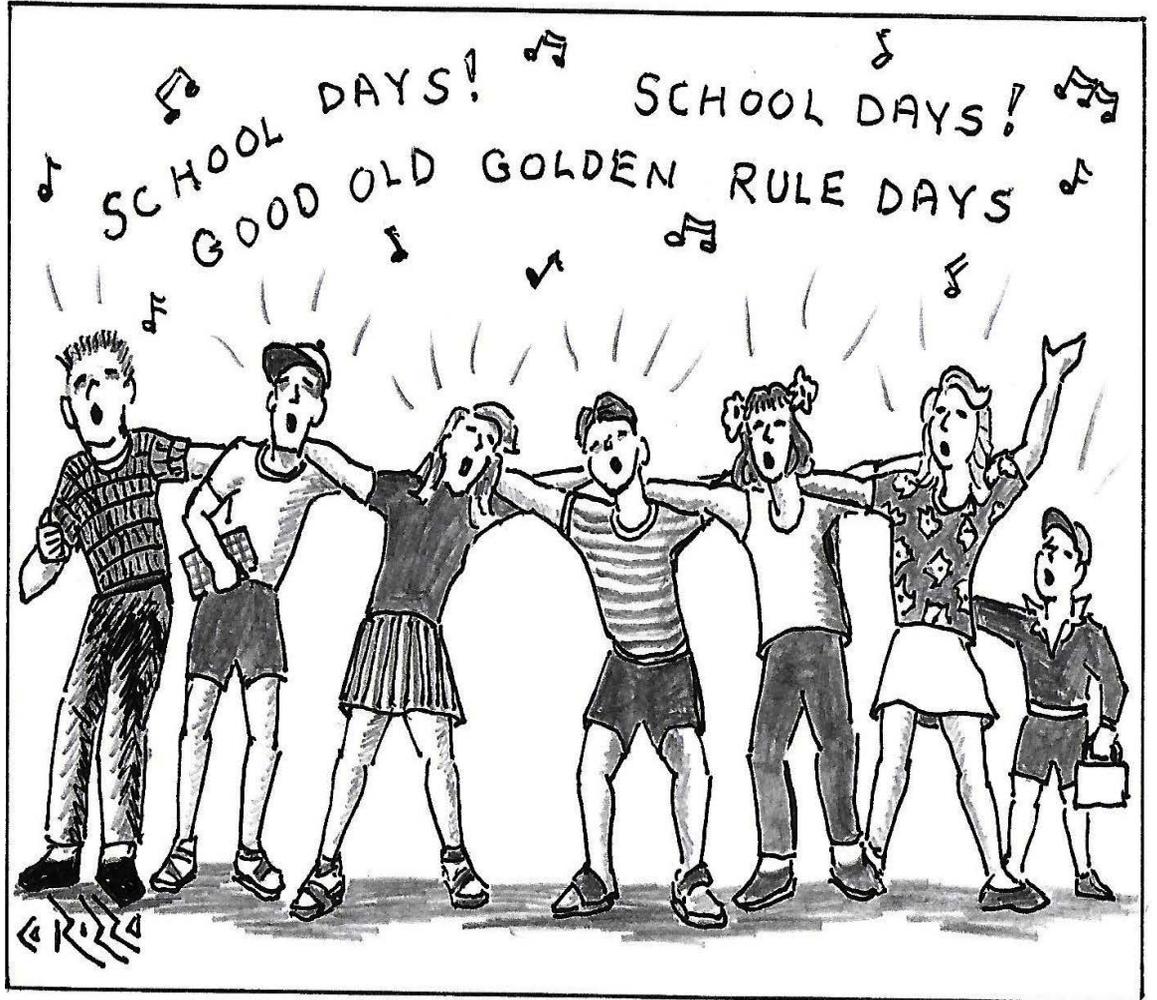
It was perfect for anything and everything outdoors, whether you were in the city, on the beach, in the mountains, or on your boat (especially a sailboat, thanks to the strong breeze).

You just wanted to inhale it and melt into it, and wish that the day would last forever.

Everyone, it seemed, was happy at the end of the day. If it is true that our moods are determined by the amount of negative ions in the air, then this weekend’s atmosphere was fully-charged with them.

Our good luck is continuing because the weatherman is promising us another run of similar weather for later this week and through the weekend.

So let’s take them one, glorious day at a time -- and be thankful that we can enjoy these dog days of summer.



WON'T BE LONG... WE'LL BE SINGING THIS SONG

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

THE BEST-KEPT SECRET IN LYNN

Dear Editor,

I am writing to expose the best-kept secret in Lynn: Babe Ruth Baseball. Unless you have someone playing or happen to drive by Bowser Complex, you don't know the program exists.

Jeff Earp and Dave Raymond head a small group of dedicated volunteers to help the young people involved to have a clean, safe place to play during the summer.

They rake and drag the fields, cut the grass and this year, with all the rain, they added work of getting the fields water-free. They also take care of uniforms, equipment, stocking the concession stand and making sure the restrooms are clean.

For all of this, these outstanding gentlemen get a blank paycheck. They get “0” pay. Not a dime. No one could afford to pay them for the countless hours spent most days at Bowser.

If that’s not enough, they took on added duties at the Grace Rogato Softball Field getting the field ready for the three high schools that play there and also helping with schedules.

Add to all this, the Holland Tournament. The Holland and Connolly families did a great job running the tourney, giving awards and scholarships in memory of the first volunteers to make the Bowser Complex possible and aiding anything to do with Lynn youth. The tourney got too big for the families and it was announced the tourney was ending. Babe Ruth stepped up, putting together an ad book to keep the awards going. More work! More hours! Still no pay!

Hopefully by exposing this secret people will realize the great works these people do and what a great impact they have had on so many young lives.

I would also like to take this time to congratulate all the

coaches who volunteer their time to work with the Lynn youth. I would also like to add Pop Warner, Little League and Challenger League Volunteers. All these people deserve a lot more recognition than they get.

Congratulations to Coach O’Connor, Coach Avery, Coach Hartford and their assistants for them and their teams representing Lynn, the League, their families, themselves in the Mass State tourneys in such a professional way.

I hope they next time you see these unselfish people you will offer a huge “thank you.” I am extremely proud to call them my friends.

John Hoffman, TV15 Media

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LCHC celebrates community

Health centers across the United States celebrated National Health Center Week, Aug. 8-10. The goal of this annual celebration is to raise awareness about the mission and accomplishments of America's health centers over the past five decades.

Lynn Community Health Center celebrated this week with a day of performance, art, and conversation. Health center staff, patients, and community members were invited to participate in an open mic, share their stories in a story booth, and express themselves through art by contributing to a community mural.

Health centers serve 28 million patients – a number that continues to grow along with the demand for affordable primary care. In addition to their long history as health care homes to millions, health centers produce innovative solutions to the most pressing health care issues in our communities and reach beyond the walls of conventional medicine to address the social determinants of health.

Lynn Community Health Center serves 40,000 patients each year, providing comprehensive medical, behavioral health, dental, and eye care services. About 35 percent of Lynn residents receive care at the Health Centers multiple sites throughout Lynn or in one of our 16 School Based Health Centers.

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PLEIN AIR AT RED ROCK

Photos by Sue Ellen Woodcock

Galleries at Lynn Arts (GALA) held a plein air painting event this past Saturday at Red Rock. The work will be displayed later this month.



Niki Werth paints a cluster of trees at Red Rock Park.



Jessica Jordan works on a scene of King's Beach.



Andre Santiago relaxes with his art reflecting Red Rock Park.

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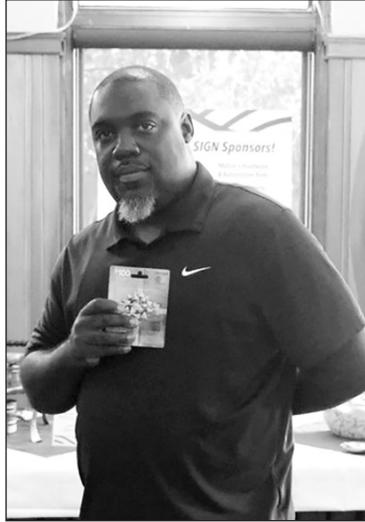
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GLCC Golf Tournament Committee – Julie Gerraughty, Joe Scianatico, Samantha McHugh, Scott Brogan, Christine Pierce, Executive Director Colin Codner, Christian Hassey, and Christine Neals.



Charles Smith won closest to the pin on Hole 14 at 44 inches to the cup.

Morning sunshine spread throughout Gannon Golf Course for the Greater Lynn Chamber of Commerce annual golf tournament. Golfers were ready to tee-up and scramble to their respected hole as teams began the competitive round.

Executive Director Colin Codner said, “This is the first golf tournament under our new name and our first outing as the Greater Lynn Chamber of Commerce. It is going to be an amazing day for the sponsors to have the opportunity to really showcase their businesses. The participants will have the chance to network and meet potential clients”.

As Colin continued to say, “After playing a round of golf, we offer a delicious dinner and announce winners for the longest drives, closest to the pin, and the winning team along with other prizes. This is a great time to meet people, lots of hand shaking, and most important, making connections”.

Greater Lynn Chamber of Commerce offers many programs throughout the year. This is an example of the networking programs available for the membership and others.



GE Aviator Division Tournament Winners Mike Muchar, Colin Oftring, Rich Gorham, and Chris Hogan.



The Most Honest Team – Anne Gugino-Carrigan, Kim Zollo, Patty Solimine, and Jeff Rubin.



GLCC Volunteers – Christine Pierce, Christine Neals, Samantha McHugh, Vanessa Bettencourt, and Anthy Yeannakopoulos.



Thomas Dill of Lazy Dog with his son, Brad, and Vice President Market Manager at Salem Five, Joseph Scianatico.



YMCA of Metro North Foursome – Chris Bibby, Women’s Longest Drive winner Julie Gerraughty, Paul Mantell, and Men’s Longest Driver.



The Eagle Foursome – John Morrison, James Corliss, Jeff Prouty and O’Neil Gray.



Dunkin’ Donuts of Lynn – David Mello, Kevin Mello, John Mello, and Dennis Mello.



Boy & Girls Club of Lynn Foursome: Katie Greene, Jessica Pratt, Executive Director Brian Theirrien, and Robert Tufts.

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CHRIS WARREN'S DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH SOFTBALL CAMP



Former Lynn Classical softball coach Chris Warren and some of the players who attended the Diamonds in the Rough Softball Camp are pictured at the Breed Middle School complex. The many players enjoyed a week of softball instruction, advancing their skills in hitting, fielding, pitching throwing, running the bases, and other fundamentals.

Softball Camp Director Chris Warren joins some of the players for a photo during an instructional session at Grace Rogato Field.



The staff of the Diamonds In the Rough Softball Camp, Director Chris Warren, and coaches Leah Warren, Maddie Dana, and David Guffey, head coach of the Winthrop High softball team.



Chris Warren, who built the Lynn Classical program into a Northeastern Conference super power and directed the Rams to a monumental upset of No. 1 seed Reading in the MIAA Tournament, is pictured with campers, including a contingent from Beverly.



Right, Camp Director Chris Warren, with his wife, Leah Warren, and their daughter, Brenna Warren, at the Diamonds in the Rough Softball Camp.



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LYNN SPECIAL NEEDS CAMP LET THE GAMES BEGIN



State Trooper Lt. Harvey visits the Special Olympics as Supervisor Lisa Nerich, Nurse Christine Palermo, Jonah Hodgdon, Talia DeAmelio, and Madeline Smith are with the children.

“Let the games begin” was the cry from a special Olympian. Soon after the Olympic Parade ended the children were eager to demonstrate their skills.

This was a morning filled with joy and happiness. Local law enforcement personnel were on hand encouraging every moment during the competition.

Counselor Kayla Walleston who been associated with the Special Olympics for eight years said, “The children have such a great time; they are really active, show team work, and cheer one another on. This camp offers something for the children to be involved which is so important.

As Kayla continues, “The volunteers worked so hard to put everything together so the children can have so much fun. These volunteers want the children to really enjoy themselves. We invite the parents to attend and to become involved which makes the Special Olympic so successful”.

The closing ceremony for the children is when each Olympian runs by the counselors and police officers receiving high-fives and a gold medal. This is such a great program allowing the children to be children.



Helina Fortes with her son, Anthony, and Counselor Zachary Westin waiting for his next Olympic game.



Counselor Meghan Leavitt congratulates Cameron for his Jump Roping skills.



Officer Jena LoVerme holds the Olympic Torch to open the games along with Counselor Jonah Hodgdon.



LPD on hand supporting the Special Olympics – Sgt. Holland, Chief Mageary, Lt. Harvey, and Officer Diaz with Jeremiah, Payton, and Max.



Dante prepares for the Turbo Throw as Counselors Promise Peralter and Casey Clements watch with Lihn and Nel.

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Congratulations from the Counselors to the Special Olympians for outstanding sportsmanship.



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Counselor Talia DeAmelio prepares Francesco on the Soccer dribbling course.



Counselor Group Supervisor Chrissy Leavitt joins Elizabeth Rosario and Manny.



Nurse Christine Palermo congratulates DeeDee on her softball throw as other Olympians look on.

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COUNCIL RECEIVES RFP FOR BUILDING

CHELSEA - City Manager Tom Ambrosino has forwarded a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) to the City Council for review and possible approval when the body re-convenes in late summer.

The Salvation Army building was taken by the City after it went vacant and seemingly had not viable plans. It is a key property in the City's hopes to revitalize the downtown, and the RFP from Ambrosino has been long in the coming.

Now, the bones of that five-page RFP have become public and the vision is a mixed-use, affordable housing project with a retail component. Ambrosino has suggested that the City apply for zoning relief to build 16 units on top of the existing store. That, he suggested, would reduce the cost for any developer that wins designation for the site.

"I'm happy we are making some progress, and I hope to have an RFP ready for advertisement in the Fall," he said.

The RFP explains that on the first floor, "the City envisions retail space that enlivens the streetscape, offers opportunities for small, locally owned businesses and entrepreneurs, and yields community benefits."

The City is hoping that there could be new construction on top of the existing one-story store, with an affordable housing or mixed-income approach. The RFP encourages developers to be creating in helping to solve the City's housing shortage and also bring life to what has been a troubled area for a long time.

"Projects shall aspire to increase the social and economic vitality of the central business district," read the RFP. "Searching for an innovative, exciting project, the City desires an architecturally attractive and lively project that will result in positive, cascading effects throughout the central business district, while providing an inviting and alluring atmosphere for residents and the community."

The RFP calls for a robust community process from any developer that wins the right to develop the property.

Also, the sale price has been suggested to be somewhere around \$1.34 million, which was the appraised value in 2017.

An exciting process to complement the downtown initiatives are expected this fall.

BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION PLANNED

CHELSEA - When do you know it's almost time to go back to school?

When Yolanda Valles, parent liaison at the Mary C. Burke Elementary Complex, announces the date of Chelsea's annual Back to School Celebration.

"The Chelsea Public Schools is hosting this event on Thursday, Aug. 22 at the Williams School," reported Valles about the 18th annual kickoff to the school year.

All Chelsea students and their families are invited to the celebration, which is free of charge. There will be amusements, including bouncy houses, face painting, hula hoops, and slime making. Also on tap are a disc jockey and live musical performances.

Dr. Mary Bourque, superintendent of Chelsea public schools, will be attendance, as will administrators and teacher from all the local schools.

The event annually draws a tremendous crowd. Khelsea's, Pollo Campero, and Kayem will be providing food for all the guests.

Assisting Valles in the coordination of the event are Krishell Orellana, ELC parent liaison, Marlene Garcia, middle schools parent liaison, Daniel Mojica, parent information center director, and Jay Velez, Chelsea High School parent liaison.

Valles suggests that families consider walking or taking public transportation to the event as street parking is limited.

Mojica said that approximately 6,500 students will enroll in the Chelsea schools for the coming school year. He offered thanks to Dr. Bourque, who is retiring at the end of the year.

"Dr. Bourque has been fully supportive of the parent liaisons program," said Mojica. "She has been 100 percent supportive of not only the liaisons but the back-to-school celebration and so has the entire central office."

"I hope everyone can make it to our kickoff celebration," concluded Valles, herself a proud product of the Chelsea schools.

ZBA APPROVES SPECIAL PERMIT

EVERETT - The local Seventh Day Adventist Church could soon have a new home on Vernal Street.

Last week, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) approved a special permit allowing the church

to add a first-floor addition and a partial second floor to the existing building at 18 Vernal St.

"The second story will be over the right side of the building and will be strictly for administrative space," said attorney Andrew Delory, who represented the church.

Delory said the additions will be an upgrade for the building and the neighborhood, and provide a new home for the Seventh Day Adventist's approximately 60 active parishioners.

Until a year ago, the building at 18 Vernal St. was a functioning church, but Delory said that due to wear and tear, it was not the most aesthetically pleasing site. The proposed renovations also include new windows, a small steeple, and a handicap accessible entrance.

"The applicant's intent is to fit into the neighborhood, not overtake it," said Delory.

Several parishioners asked the ZBA to grant the special permit allowing for the additions, stating the improved building would provide a home for the church and allow them to better support their church and the community.

"We are trying to make a home for our future, and we are looking to open up more to the community and reach our young people," said Elden Lainez, who has been a member of the church since 2001.

The ZBA unanimously approved the special permit, although member Joseph DeSisto did have some questions about parking on the site.

Delory noted that while parking did not fall under the purview of the ZBA granting the special permit, the applicants have been looking at ways to ease parking concerns near the church.

In other business, the ZBA granted a variance that will allow the Short Path Distillery on Kelvin Street to apply for an entertainment license.

Jackson Hewlett, one of the distillery's founders, said he is looking for the ability to play recorded music and have a television at the craft cocktail tasting room.

The ZBA also granted a variance allowing a single-family house on Winthrop Street to be converted back to a two-family home, and granted a variance allowing for an addition and garage at a house on Rock Valley Avenue.

The meeting was also the first with Mary Gerace chairing the board, as former chair DeSisto and member Richard Zul-

lo served their last meeting as board members.

WHITSONS TO REPLACE ARAMARK IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EVERETT - On Aug. 1, the Everett School Committee held a special meeting to discuss a major change in the Everett Public Schools (EPS), the end of a 26-year relationship with school cafeteria food and staff provider Aramark.

In attendance were School Committee members: Chair Thomas Abruzzese, Marcony Almeida-Barros, Millie Cardello, David Ela, Joseph LaMonica and Frank Parker, who also chairs the Subcommittee on Cafeterias.

For nearly three decades, EPS contracted with Aramark to provide cafeteria food and workers to the district. Now a new company, Whitsons Culinary Group, is taking over.

EPS first entered into a contract with Aramark 26 years ago. The contract had been extended several times. Having exhausted their rollover years, the district was required by law to put out a public bid for new contracts. Aramark and Whitsons both responded to these bids in June, with Whitsons coming out on top.

Aramark's contract officially expired on August 1 after a series of 30-day extensions.

"The relationship with Aramark has been very strong," said Parker to Independent. "But because of the laws, we had to go out and rebid the contract."

School Committee members evaluated the companies' bids based on a rubric of 10 criteria in the categories of meals, customer service and experience, and program management. Whitsons scored a 57 out of 70 possible points, while Aramark came in just under that at 55 out of 70.

Whitsons is a family-owned business founded in 1979 and based in Long Island, N.Y. With more than 3,000 employees, their mission is "enhancing life one meal at a time."

Specific language written into the contract with Whitsons guarantees that the cafeteria workers who were previously employed by Aramark can continue in their positions if they so choose. The language preserves workers' school locations, job titles, salaries and benefits.

Parker admitted that he un-

derstood how the change could be difficult for some people to stomach.

"It's been a hectic year for the schools," he said. "The last thing everyone wanted to change was the food service, because it wasn't broken."

But Parker wants the public to know that the Subcommittee on Cafeterias, which also includes School Committee members David Ela and Allen Panarese, will be fully involved in the transition from Aramark to Whitsons.

"Both [Ela and Panarese] have been in healthcare for over 40 years," Parker said. "They understand the importance of good nutrition and they're more than capable to aid in this transition."

Whitsons is currently meeting with Aramark cafeteria workers and inviting them to meetings with its HR department and transition team.

"We're going to make sure the employees are reached out to, feel secure and have stability in their jobs moving forward," said Parker.

City Councilor Michael McLaughlin, who was in attendance at the meeting, expressed his disappointment with the end of the Aramark contract.

"It was sad seeing a company that has been in our community 20 years mistreated," he told Independent. "I believe that this issue was much larger than the school lunch program."

ARRESTS MADE IN SEX TRAFFICKING

EAST BOSTON - Two individuals from East Boston as well as seven others from surrounding communities were arrested last week by State Police at three residential locations in East Boston, Chelsea and Lynn that served as alleged fronts for human trafficking.

Attorney General Maura Healey made the announcement that Marlon Nagano, 37, of East Boston and Fabian Galeano, 40, of East Boston were both charged with Trafficking of Persons for Sexual Servitude, Deriving Support from Prostitution and Conspiracy to Commit Trafficking.

Galeano was arraigned in East Boston District Court by Judge John E. McDonald and pleaded not guilty to the charges. Conditions of release include he be

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fitted with a GPS monitoring device, have no contact with any victim or witness, and that he surrender his passport. Galeano is due back in East Boston District Court for a hearing on August 27.

Nagano was arraigned in Chelsea District Court by Judge Matthew Machera and pleaded not guilty to the charges. Conditions of release for Nagano include being fitted with a GPS monitoring device, having no contact with any victim, witness or each other, and staying away from the alleged crime scenes. He is due back in Chelsea District Court for a hearing on Sept. 4.

Also arraigned in the sex trafficking ring were was Cristina Lasso, 47, of Lynn, Jorge Lasso, 54, of Chelsea, Francisco Sanan Bay, 30, of Chelsea, Edmundo Rivera Gomez, 50, of Lynn, Donoban Yesid Arismendy Ospina, 25, of Lynn, Johana Henao Torres, 35 of Lynn and Luis Londono, 44, of Marlboro. All pled not guilty to Trafficking of

Persons for Sexual Servitude, Deriving Support from Prostitution, Conspiracy to Commit Trafficking.

In a press conference Healey said these arrests are the result of a joint local, state and federal investigation, led by the Massachusetts State Police High Risk Victims Unit and Attorney General's State Police Detective Unit, with assistance from the State Police Troop A, Troop A Community Action Team, Crime Scene Services, Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section, Gang Unit, and Middlesex, Essex and Suffolk State Police Detective Units; the Lynn, Chelsea, Marlborough, Boston, Cambridge, and Lexington Police Departments; and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI).

During the investigation, authorities developed evidence indicating that these defendants ran an organized criminal enterprise through various local residences where they offered customers the opportunity to pay for sexual contact with the

victims.

The defendants allegedly recruited victims, advertised sexual services, set up locations and appointments for sexual encounters, transported the victims, escorted customers into the locations and facilitated the exchange of money.

Healey said the investigation remains ongoing. These charges are allegations, and all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Healey has a dedicated Human Trafficking Division that focuses on policy, prevention and prosecution and includes a team of specialized prosecutors, victim advocates and Massachusetts State Police troopers who handle high impact, multi-jurisdictional human trafficking investigations and prosecutions across the state. Through the Human Trafficking Division, the AG's Office has charged more than 50 individuals in connection with human trafficking.

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tag to nab the Peabody baserunner.

"I've done a 1-3-2 double play in AAU baseball and one in All-Stars last year," said Josh Doney, who helped his Wyoma team win the championship this season. "I saw the baserunner on third breaking for home and I knew I had to get the ball out of my glove in a hurry. I like playing baseball with my brother - we're a good duo."

Tyler Doney said he saw the play developing and knew he had to be ready for the throw from his brother.

"Once Guilmer checked the runner at third and threw the ball to first, I knew there could be a play at the plate," related Tyler. "Josh made a great throw. I love playing for this team. Mr. Earp is a great guy."

Earp credited assistant coaches David Galeazzi, Rich Avery, and Jim Burt for their exceptional leadership. Earp also thanked Tom Dill, owner of the Lazy Dog Restaurant in Wyoma Square, for his generous sponsorship of the Lynn team.



Three of the standouts for the Lynn Gallant team, who turned a key 1-3-2 double play in the 5-1 victory over Peabody, are pictured after the game, from left, Josh Doney, Gulmer Galva, and Tyler Doney.

Waldron // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ery-day life situations.

In a display of his considerable talents, Waldron, who works at General Electric in Lynn, also drew all the colorful illustrations that are sprinkled magically on each page of the book.

"It's a book about the kind of questions that kids ask and I try to give them some age-appropriate answers," said Waldron. "It stemmed originally from my first granddaughter Sydney."

Sydney is the oldest of the five grandchildren to Bob (Papa) and Ann (Nana) Waldron, who have been married for 30 years. Sydney is now 18 years old and works as a hair stylist at a salon in Winthrop. Sydney's mother is Nicole Nyland, who operates Nicole Nyland Skin Care on Broadway, Revere. Nana Nyland works at the popular Winthrop Arms Restaurant.

The other grandchildren are Aubree, Savannah, Sydney, Jacob, and Emily. One more grandchild will soon join the family.

Bob Waldron, 58, originally wrote the book 15 years ago when Sydney was four years old. He always yearned to publish the book and his dream became a reality this year.

Waldron's own story is an inspirational one. He returned to college later in life and received an associate's degree from North Shore Community College and bachelor's degrees in English and History from UMass/Boston. He had begun his studies at Boston State College (which eventually became UMass/Boston) in the late 1970s.

"I've always had a love of reading and literature and it was like a bucket-list thing - I regretted

not having my degree and I went back to school and got a full scholarship to UMass," related Waldron.

Bob's Beginnings in Beachmont

Waldron grew up in Beachmont and attended the Louis Pasteur and Mary T. Ronan Schools. He is a 1978 graduate of Revere High School.

In 1980s he began working at General Electric in Lynn.

"My colleagues at GE know I've written a book," said Waldron. "They kind of think it's cool. They were very surprised when they found out. They were excited for me. I'm a CMM [Coordinated Measuring Machine] aviation inspector."

The book has drawn a positive response. Bob Waldron has begun working on his second "Adventures of Sydney Leigh" book that will include the story of Sydney asking her mother for a puppy and all the responsibilities that go along with owning a puppy.

His wife, Ann, said having the book published was a dream-come-true for the couple.

"I'm so proud of Bob," said Ann, who grew up on Hall Street in Revere. "I knew he was an amazing illustrator when he would have caricatures on notes he would send to me. It's a talent that he kept to himself before it finally came out in writing this book."

"She is a big part of the whole story," said Bob.

"The Adventures of Sydney Leigh" is available for purchase on Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com and other book websites. The book is registered in the Library of Congress.

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Thomas McGee addresses City Council for first time as mayor

By Lynn Journal Staff

Thursday night's Lynn City Council meeting began with a suspension of the rules to allow Mayor McGee to address the council for the first time as mayor.

McGee was then invited to the podium where he addressed the council and the city for a great inauguration last week.

"It was a pretty tough week. We had a lot of work to do. We had a lot of work to do. We had a lot of work to do."

Thursday morning and was running around, playing, yelling, and I just want to thank him.

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REGISTER FOR THE ANNUAL BOSTON MARATHON JIMMY FUND WALK

Registration is now open for the 2019 Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai, which raises the most money of any single day walk in the country. Scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 22, funds raised from the Jimmy Fund Walk will support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at the nation's premier cancer center, Da-

na-Farber Cancer Institute. There is an option for everyone. Participants can choose from any of the below four distances along the historic Boston Marathon® course:

- 5K Walk (3.1 miles) from Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- 10K Walk (6.2 miles) from Newton
- Half Marathon Walk (13.1 miles) from Wellesley
- Marathon Walk (26.2 miles) from Hopkinton

Walkers are treated to refueling stations throughout the course as well as a celebration at the Copley Square Finish Line, complete with food, music, and a speaking program.

All walkers commit to raise a minimum of \$325, except for walkers 12 years old and younger whose fundraising commitment is \$125. There is also a Virtual Walker option for those unable to attend the event on Sept. 22, who still want to support the cause.

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mal level.”

Foss said there was such a cold late spring that it delayed a lot of mosquito activity.

Any resident in Lynn and Revere can contact Northeast Mas-

sachusetts Mosquito Control directly and request a spraying. In Winthrop the call must go through the health department.

“From now until heavy frost, people should be aware there is

mosquito-bourne illness and they should be wearing repellent when they are outdoors,” Foss said.

For more information contact Northeast Mosquito at www.ne-massmosquito.org

Avoid Mosquito Bites

Apply Insect Repellent when Outdoors. Use a repellent with DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide), permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), oil of lemon eucalyptus [p-methane 3, 8-diol (PMD)], or IR3535 according to the instructions on the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under two months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30% or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under three years of age.

Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours. The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for many mosquitos. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning.

Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites. Wear long-sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors to help keep mosquitos away from your skin.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home

Drain Standing Water. Mosquitos lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitos to breed by either draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty any unused flowerpots and wading pools, and change water in birdbaths frequently.

Install or Repair Screens. Keep mosquitos outside by having tightly-fitting screens on all of your windows and doors.

Protect Your Animals

Animal owners should reduce potential mosquito breeding sites on their property by eliminating standing water from containers such as buckets, tires, and wading pools – especially after heavy rains. Water troughs provide excellent mosquito breeding habitats and should be flushed out at least once a week during the summer months to reduce mosquitos near paddock areas. Horse owners should keep horses in indoor stalls at night to reduce their risk of exposure to mosquitos. Owners should also speak with their veterinarian about mosquito repellents approved for use in animals and vaccinations to prevent WNV and EEE. If an animal is diagnosed with WNV or EEE, owners are required to report to DAR, Division of Animal Health by calling 617-626-1795 and to the Department of Public Health (DPH) by calling 617-983-6800.

More information, including all WNV and EEE positive results, can be found on the Arbovirus Surveillance Information web page or by calling the DPH Epidemiology Program at 617-983-6800.

New funeral services degree program to launch this fall at NSCC

Special to the Journal

North Shore Community College will offer an Associate in Applied Science in Funeral Services program beginning this fall to prepare students for entry-level positions in the funeral services field. The college is already accepting its first class of 28 students from many interested applicants.

With close to 3,000 job openings over the next ten years, the creation of this program is timely. The 72-credit associate degree will have in-state tuition and fees of \$16,500, roughly 1/3 the cost of the college’s closest competitor. Average wages for embalmers, morticians, and funeral service managers are \$46,900, \$68,500 and \$91,600 respectively. With the closure of Mt. Ida College, there are currently only two institutions in Massachusetts offering degrees in funeral services.

Trained funeral service professionals provide compassion and skilled, valuable assistance during very difficult times. The funeral business is a \$20 billion per year industry. The three employment categories that require a degree in funeral services are embalmer, funeral service manager and mortician. Across New England, those three categories currently represent 2,742 jobs. Over the next ten years, the industry will require 2,964 new employees across those three categories. That number represents both new positions as well as replacements for retirements and oth-

ers leaving the field.

The Funeral Service degree program will combine classroom, laboratory and clinical training experiences according to the guidelines of the American Board of Funeral Service Education. The curriculum follows the guidelines of the American Board of Funeral Service Education, and upon graduation, the students are prepared to take a National Funeral Service Board Examination.

The program will be offered in a one-day-per-week, hybrid format, with most classes running for 7 weeks instead of 15. This will allow students to attend full time, while only concentrating on 3 classes at the same time. With all classes being offered on Tuesdays, students will also be able to continue working full time while attending classes.

We designed our program with substantial input from local funeral directors, including the Solomine family of Lynn, and we are very grateful for their interest, support and guidance,” said NSCC President Patricia A. Gentile. The degree program was approved by the MA Board of Higher Education as a financial aid-eligible program.

Jamye D. Jeter Cameron, MBA, CFSGM, CFSP, CCO, a third generation Funeral Director and Embalmer has been hired to lead the program and will begin in mid August.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER BRIAN CASTELLANOS CAMPAIGN RECEPTION

School Committee member Brian Castellanos drew an enthusiastic crowd of friends, family, supporters, and city officials to a campaign re-election reception on Aug. 6 at April's Restaurant.

Castellanos, 29, is seeking his second term on the committee.

"It's been a wonderful two years," said Castellanos. "It's been one of the most proactive teams I've ever been part of. I've been able to work in the school district which was a dream as a kid.

"I'm an advocate for high-risk use during my day job, but also for the youth in the city of Lynn who want to do better, who need to have the opportunities to improve their lives. Somebody once told me there are three things in life that you have control of: No. 1, your attitude – you need to keep a positive attitude; No. 2, how hard you work, and No. 3,

no matter what, never give up.

"And that's the kind of leadership I have with my constituents. Whenever I receive calls, emails, or concerns, I make sure to call people back and I make sure to work on those issues relentlessly."

Castellanos is a 2009 graduate of Lynn English High School. He received his Bachelor's degree from Framingham State University where he excelled for the football team. He has a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Salem State University.

Taso Nikolakopoulos, owner of John's Roast Beef, and Mikki Wilson, owner of Dot Connector Consulting, both praised Castellanos for his community service, leadership and perseverance in their introductory remarks.

Nikolakopoulos said he was asked to describe Brian Castellanos in one word and I said,

"resilience," noting the adversity he had to overcome in his formative years to become a successful young man and a community leader.

"I'm proud and honored to introduce School Committee candidate Brian Castellano for re-election," said Nikolakopoulos.



School Committee member Brian Castellanos, with his father, Yeri Castellanos, and his niece, Jenaise Castellanos.



Brian Castellanos and Donald Castle, candidate for the Ward 6 seat on the Lynn City Council.



Brian Castellanos and Mikki Wilson, owner of Dot Connector Consulting.



Brian Castellanos and Taso Nikolakopoulos, owner of John's Roast Beef.



Estelle Revelotis and School Committee member Brian Castellanos at the campaign reception held at April's Restaurant.



Brian Castellanos with councilor-at-large candidate Lennin Pena and Councillor-at-Large Brian LaPierre.



Brian Castellanos with his colleagues on the Lynn School Committee, Jared Nicholson, Lorraine Gately, Donna Coppola, and Michael Satterwhite.



Brian Castellanos and Princess Guwor, founder of The Kumba Foundation, a non-profit organization that focuses on the educational success of youth in Liberia.



School Committee member Michael Satterwhite, Ward 1 Councillor Wayne Lozzi, School Committee member Brian Castellanos, School Committee member Donna Coppola, and Councilor-at-Large Brian Field.



Brian Castellanos and his girlfriend, Danielle Sonia.

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