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NSCC honors Solimine family at Champions Recognition Breakfast

Special to the Journal

North Shore Community College honored David J. Solimine Sr., David J. Solimine Jr., and Joel C. Solimine at the Third Annual Champions Recognition Breakfast Oct. 3 at the Marriott Hotel, Peabody.

The family received the Champions Award in recognition of Community Impact.

David Solimine Sr. is the founder of Solimine Funeral Homes, Lynn. He and his family are known for their many philanthropic endeavors, including their support of the Boston North Cancer Association and the Item Santa Fund.

His son, David Solimine Jr. and grandson, Joel Solimine are proudly carrying on the family legacy of leading an outstanding Lynn business while giving back to their community.

NSCC President Dr. Patricia Gentile thanked the Solimine Family for helping to launch a new Funeral Service associate degree program at the college.

Also honored at the break-



The Solimine Family, David Solimine Jr., Magnolia Contreras, Mary Jane Solimine, David Solimine Sr., Kristen Solimine Steriti, Deena Solimine, and Joel Solimine. See page 12 for more photos.

fast were the Bertolon Family in recognition of Philanthropy and Volunteerism and Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development Rosalin Acosta in recognition of Public Service and Advocacy.

Following is NSCC's tribute to the Solimine Family as it appeared in the breakfast's souvenir booklet:

David Solimine Sr., David J. Solimine Jr., and Joel Solimine, owners of Solimine Funeral Homes in Lynn, have been strong supporters of the NSCC Foundation scholarship program and special projects at the College for decades. Recognizing a growing need for accessible, affordable education and training

within their industry, they recently approached North Shore Community College to explore opportunities to partner and make an impact in this area.

Together, the Solimines are serving as lead advisors on a new Funeral Service associate degree program launching this fall at NSCC, featuring a newly renovated laboratory for hands-on training and dedicated classroom space at the Danvers Campus. This affordable program will educate and train the next gen-

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NSCC President Dr. Patricia Gentile, Champions Award recipients Joel Solimine, David Solimine Sr., and David Solimine Jr., and John Fouhy, who presented the award on behalf of Award Presenter, Comcast.



State Rep. Peter Capano congratulates David Solimine Sr., Joel Solimine, and David Solimine Jr. at the North Shore Community College Champions Recognition Breakfast. State Sen. Brendan Crighton and State Rep. Dan Cahill also honored the Solimine family with special citations in recognition of its community service, philanthropic endeavors, and support of NSCC, which has a campus in Lynn.

Uncommon Feast approved for wine and beer license

By Kate Anslinger

At Tuesday night's City Council meeting, Councilors voted in favor of an amendment to the special permit that was granted to the Uncommon Feast restaurant on March 26. The permit included stipulations of hours from 9-6 p.m. and limited food service sales to building occupants only. The petition requested to add a wine and beer license as a common offering, during the hours of 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days

a week.

"I am here to speak in favor of this amendment," said Jim Cowdell, Executive Director of the Lynn Economic Development and Industrial Corporation. "In the short period of time that Uncommon Feasts have been here, they have really become a part of the fabric of the community. They are completely loved by everyone. I strongly support a beer and wine license."

Located at 271 Western Ave. on the first floor of the Lydia Pinkham Building, the Uncom-

mon Feast is known for offering an abundant event menu with meals that contain organically grown produce, and meat and fish from responsibly raised and sourced animals.

"I really appreciate you considering this," said Marianne Stanionas, owner of the Uncommon Feast. "We want to be open for dinner service and provide wine and beer, we do not plan on being loud and noisy neighbors. I think we've demonstrated that we are good neighbors, since we've been in the building."

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EDITORIAL

TAKE A HIKE THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND

With all of the turmoil that is occurring both in our country and across the world today, it is no wonder that Americans are feeling more stressed out than at any time in our recent history.

Although the economy has been operating at full employment for quite a while, polls reveal that more Americans than ever are feeling financially insecure.

Psychologists tell us that we are living in an Age of Anxiety, attributable in large part to the way in which modern life is not good either for our mental or physical health. Life expectancy for white males in America actually has decreased in this decade for the first time since such records have been kept.

And more of our fellow Americans than ever are on some kind of medication, whether antidepressants (for mental health issues) or other drugs (for physical conditions) that have depression as a side effect.

A recent article in The New York Times suggested that attaining happiness in life under our present circumstances is an elusive goal. However, the writer suggested that instead of focusing on trying to figure out how to be happy, we should strive to attain moments of joy in our daily lives.

It struck us that this prescription is a version of the phrase *carpe diem* -- seize the day -- used by the Roman poet Horace to express the idea that one should enjoy life while one can.

So with the weatherman forecasting nice weather for most of the long, Columbus Day weekend, here's our Rx for de-stressing: Take a long walk, preferably a hike, whether along the shore, or in the mountains, or even as nearby as the Blue Hills.

We promise that just being outside and taking in the natural world in the crisp air, away from the noise of our daily lives, will do wonders for our emotional and physical well-being.

We wish all of our readers a joyful -- and stress-free -- Columbus Day weekend.



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eration of funeral service providers for the region, with the goal to expand and diversify trained professionals in this field for the very best provision of services to

the greater community.

The Solimine family is a pillar of the city of Lynn. David Sr., David Jr., and Joel's community service and philanthropic lead-

ership as local business owners and area residents exemplify the spirit of partnership and generosity to build a vibrant North Shore region for all.



Among those attending the NSCC Champions Recognition Breakfast were Lynn community leaders, from left, Supt. of Lynn Schools, Dr. Patrick Tutwiler, and Councillors-at-Large Buzzy Barton, Brian LaPierre, Hong Net, and Brian Field.

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YMCA holds successful fundraiser

The YMCA of Metro North celebrated its third annual "Where in the World" fundraiser on Saturday, Sept. 28 at the Torigian Family YMCA in support of youth development. The gymnasium at the YMCA in Peabody was transformed into an international backdrop, where over 300 people dined on a variety of cuisine donated from local restaurants, enjoyed a dance performance by the Lynn YMCA dance teams and bid on an array of live and silent auction items. The event, led by organizers David Gravel of GraVoc and Kathleen Walsh of the YMCA of Metro North, raised a record setting \$180,000. These funds will provide the YMCA with the necessary resources they need to help ensure that every child and family in financial need has the ability to attend the YMCA.

"This event was a chance to showcase the Y's work to those in attendance as well as to support our commitment of making sure youth have access to all of our programs regardless of their ability to pay," noted Kathleen Walsh, President & CEO of the YMCA of Metro North. "The event clearly demonstrated our core focus areas of Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility."

Twenty-two-year-old Torigian Family YMCA member, Brady McLaughlin, shared his impact story about how the Y has supported his recovery from a coma and partial paralysis. The audience was inspired as Brady talked about his journey, from being wheelchair bound the first time

he entered the YMCA to now as he stood proudly at the podium and delivered his speech. Each day Brady comes to the Y and is making slow but steady progress through the Partnership Program with the help of his trainer Steve. Brady explained that his recovery, both physically and mentally, would not be possible without the support of the YMCA.

"The evening was a total success. We had over 300 people in attendance and we sold literally thousands of raffle tickets for the grand prize trip. It was amazing watching people enter the Torigian Family YMCA and seeing it had been transformed into a beautiful international gateway," said David Gravel, President of the Peabody-based GraVoc. "While we had one lucky winner of the trip, the true winners of the evening were the over 2,000 children who will now be able to attend the YMCA with our financial assistance."

As part of the theme, one lucky winner receives a chance to travel anywhere in the world for dinner for two. This trip is sponsored by GraVoc. Last year's winner, Michael, traveled to Ireland and Scotland with his significant other. This year's winner was Bill D. of Lynn! Where in the world he will travel is to be determined!

The YMCA of Metro North was formed in 2012 when the Greater Lynn YMCA merged with the Melrose YMCA. Annually over 30,000 individuals are impacted by the services. This organization is led by a volunteer board of directors.



Looking over the silent auction items.



These attendees make a pledge.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

MYSTIC BREWERY CLOSES DOORS

CHELSEA - The Mystic Brewery's entrance into Chelsea was as sudden and unexpected as its exit – which was announced suddenly by owner Bryan Greenhagen on Friday, Sept. 27.

The Brewery was one of the first in what has become a popular movement of local beer brewers hosting customers in tap rooms. Mystic blazed a trail in that movement in Chelsea, and so it was with shock that many absorbed the news from the City's cornerstone establishment.

"We are sad to share the news today that Mystic Brewery has decided to discontinue brewing operations and intends to wind things down over the next few weeks," wrote Greenhagen on Facebook Sept. 27. "During this time we will be celebrating what our brewery has accomplished by releasing some final batches, special beers, and selling off our beer archive as well as selling off all of our barrels to the public...All of us at Mystic extend our eternal gratitude to everyone who helped us and supported us in our mission to change beer culture for the better in Boston and beyond...Personally, I am very proud of the many Mystic alumni going on to their own success as well as the incredible team of great people we have now. We are sad to wind down our work here, but we are proud of what we accomplished and know in our hearts that the impact of Mystic will remain long after the doors are closed."

Greenhagen didn't respond to an inquiry for further explanation from the Record, but let the Facebook post stand on its own.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said it was a place for Chelsea residents to come and be social, and it would be missed.

"I was saddened to hear about the closing," he said. "It was a place many residents and visitors enjoyed, myself included."

Edson Coimbra, one of the founders of Ciao! Pizza, said his store and Mystic Brewery were aligned closely – from serving one another's products to being on the same page for the renaissance of Chelsea.

"No doubt this a big loss for Chelsea," said Coimbra. "It added tremendous value to our community. It is/was a meeting point for many community-focused events, bringing us all together. Their customers became our customers and vice versa. Ciao! Piz-

za and Mystic Beer were a love story made in Chelsea. Mystic will be missed."

One of the revelations regarding breweries that first became apparent in Mystic was that people not only wanted their beer, but also they wanted to come to the brewery to drink it. That gave birth to the tap room idea that started in the area at Mystic, and then like wildfire spread to each and every new brewery in the market.

And beyond the tap room concept, Mystic was one of the first to discover that customers wanted to hold special events and functions at the brewery – something Greenhagen once said he could have never predicted, but certainly was ready to embrace.

Dog rescue events, political times, economic development showcases, and even wedding parties took place at Mystic.

However, one key event for Chelsea was the Chel-Yea! Meet-up group that formed more than five years and found a monthly home at the Brewery.

Dan Cortez and Matt Frank were two key figures in the Chel-Yea movement, and both were shocked to see that their home base was no longer.

"Mystic Brewery has hosted Chel-yea for close to five and a half years," said Cortez. "It is not just the place where the event happens, it's integral to its success. I think Chel-yea could be successful in other places, but it's going to be very difficult to replicate the charm, the generosity, and the overall good vibes from not only the venue, but also its staff, management and ownership."

He added that Mystic became a place for people to gather, and it will be hard to find another place like that.

"Mystic is not only a great brewery, but also it has become a favored community spot, something really important to a lot of people," he said. "We started Chel-yea partly because there was a lack of those types of spaces. If you met someone that you hoped to run into again, this became the place that made that possible. Now it's not uncommon to hear someone say, 'Meet me at Mystic.' It's sad that soon we will no longer be able to do that."

Frank said it was a community spot the City was lucky to have while it lasted.

"They did so much for the community and the communi-

ty has embraced them," he said. "They were at the top of the movement before there were so many breweries. In my opinion, the brewing scene is now oversaturated. I think of respect them for notifying everyone in advance. It's not often you have 19 days advance notice when your favorite business is closing...I think the completely would have been completely devastated if they had just hung up a closed sign. We at least get to say goodbye. They weren't just people brewing beer. They were part of the community."

"I think a lot of Chelsea pride is being lost, but it's pride we were lucky to have in the first place," he continued.

KENNEDY AT ST. LUKE'S FOOD PANTRY

CHELSEA - Continuing to tour the Commonwealth since the launch of his U.S. Senate campaign, Congressman Joe Kennedy III visited Chelsea, stopping at the St. Luke's food pantry located inside the church on Washington Avenue.

District 5 Councillor Judith Garcia and the Rev. Edgar Gutierrez-Duarte welcomed Kennedy to the church.

Kennedy spoke with Chelsea residents at the church and assisted in the distribution of food items. The popular congressman was well received by the many residents, conversing in both English and Spanish. He graciously obliged all requests for photos while displaying the Kennedy-esque charisma of the state and the nation's preeminent political dynasty.

Asked about his fluency in Spanish, Kennedy said he served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Dominican Republic.

Kennedy said he was "honored" to be with Councillor Garcia and the Rev. Gutierrez-Duarte "in the vibrant city of Chelsea."

"To be at the church and walk through the food pantry and view the consignment area and notice the services the church provides the community, it's extraordinary to see the generosity here," said Kennedy.

Garcia, who invited the congressman to the city, emerged as a major supporter of Kennedy's senatorial campaign from its outset.

"I think that right now we've reached a point in our government where there are too many

disrupters and Joe Kennedy embodies the leadership of a builder and that's why I'm supporting him," said Garcia.

"From Day 1, he has very supportive of the young Latinos who have run for office, and I believe in his vision. I believe in what he has to offer for our community. Not too many officials take the time to come out here to Chelsea and really bond with our community, that's exactly what he's doing and that's the sort of leadership that we're going for."

"I am fully supportive of his candidacy and I believe he can make great things happen for communities like Chelsea," said Garcia.

CITY COULD BUY POPE JOHN HIGH SITE FOR HOUSING

EVERETT - Mayor Carlo DeMaria said late last week that he intends to pursue the idea of buying the shuttered Pope John High School on upper Broadway for the purpose of turning it into affordable senior and veteran housing.

The mayor said the property would have to be purchased with City funds, and he would need to win Council support, but the opportunity is one he doesn't want to pass up.

"Pope John is on the market," he said. "We have a lot of charter schools who may try to buy it and expand. Charter schools are good for education, but they also hurt cities and towns. There is an opportunity here for us...I look at it as a neighborhood to build senior and veteran housing. We're in the early stages right now."

DeMaria said the area is just right for such a proposal, as it's not a heavily commercial area and it's near existing senior housing and open space. He said there aren't many opportunities to purchase large amounts of land right on Broadway, and this could be a good move.

He said the way it would work is the City could purchase the property, and then put out an RFP in the hopes that community development corporations – such as TND or others – would respond with a project. He said he hopes that they can put an Everett preference on the units in any such development, perhaps as much as 100 percent Everett preference.

"A lot of seniors want to get out of a larger house and stay in the city," he said. "Maybe this could be an opportunity for

them."

Councilor Michael McLaughlin said he would support such a project and expenditure, similar to his early support for the TND St. Therese Church project.

"I strongly believe any action we as a community can take to bring affordable housing into our community and help keeping our seniors and middle-income residents living in our community is something I am fully committed to doing," he said. "When I heard of Mayor DeMaria's plan to buy Pope John High School on Broadway and turn it into a fully affordable housing development, I was 100 percent in favor of the idea. Mayor DeMaria can count on my vote for this development."

There are few details, but DeMaria said the opportunity is there now, and he would be bringing the idea around soon.

"It could be significant City dollars spent to preserve it, but I think it would be money well spent to house veterans and seniors," he said.

COUNCIL SEEKS MORE ACTION ON RAT PROBLEM

EVERETT - On Monday, Sept. 23, the Council heard from the Assistant City Solicitor Keith Slattery regarding the City's approach to managing the rodent problem in Everett. By and large, councilors were disappointed with the response and urged the City to do more.

Council first raised the issue at their meeting on Sept. 3, where they called for a representative of the City to appear at their next meeting to provide an update on rodent control initiatives.

Slattery said that in the wake of complaints to the Inspectional Services Department from residents on Devine, Ferry, Irving and Summer streets, the City had utilized a seasonal information campaign to educate the public. This included passing out fliers emphasizing the importance of properly storing garbage outdoors, sealing bins, and managing overgrowth that could lead to nesting. The Assistant City Solicitor reported that complaint calls have since decreased.

However, councilors expressed that the problem was larger in scope than just the streets mentioned and that it warranted a citywide strategy. Councilor Wayne Matewsky cited

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Bolster, Elm, Estes, George and Paris streets specifically, saying a neighbor on George Street “couldn’t let his grandchild into the yard to play” for fear of a rat encounter.

Councilor Michael McLaughlin added that he has received calls from residents on the hills opposite the hospital, like Alpine, Richdale and Rosedale with “concerns of increase in rodent activity over the last few months.”

“It is something that we’ve all received calls on,” echoed Councilor Fred Capone.

Councilors also suggested that managing the rodent problem at the level of residential garbage disposal wasn’t getting to the root of the problem.

“This is a problem that giving out fliers to residents isn’t solving,” said Councilor Peter Napolitano. “Keeping barrels closed is not going to do a thing. We’re not doing anything physically to curb the rodent population.”

“In 62 years of living in the city, I’ve only seen an excess of rats in the past four years,” he continued. “The City is not fixing this problem.”

One possible explanation for the rise in rodents is the increase in new construction projects in Everett over the past half-decade. Digging into the earth displaces underground rodent populations, forcing them to the surface.

Slattery mentioned the ordinance proposed by Councilor John McKinnon that requires all contractors to set rat traps around any new construction sites. However, councilors wondered what the oversight process was to ensure that developers were complying with the ordinance. They also suggested that the City should take on baiting and not leave it up to contractors.

“We have to do something,” said Councilwoman Rosa DiFlorio. “We have to get rats under control and then we have to educate people what to do. Are we going to wait until a child gets bit before we move on it?”

The Councilwoman suggested transferring money into a special department to take on the situation.

Slattery suggested that Council speak to the Everett Board of Health about initiating a public eradication effort and to research rodent control options in neighboring urban areas.

“Based on the calls we’re getting, the common remedies are effective right now,” he said. “You’re not going to see a [total]

absence of rats.”

Councilor Capone said that the City could come up with some ways to curb the rodent population that would not cost the city money, such as putting more pressure and oversight on construction sites and increasing dumpster pickups.

Overflowing dumpsters are known to attract rodents. Residents in Rome, Italy, are currently dealing with a dumpster overflow crisis, which has led to rats invading people’s homes.

The Council asked the Assistant City Solicitor to return at the second meeting in November with a report outlining the City’s options for getting to the root of the rodent problem.

MEETING HELD ON PARIS STREET COMMUNITY CENTER

EAST BOSTON - The Boston Centers for Youth & Families, and the City of Boston’s Public Facilities Department hosted a community meeting at the Paris Street Community Center regarding the upcoming renovations to the Paris Street Pool.

Mayor Martin Walsh earmarked \$8.9 million for the rehab and construction of the Paris Street Pool across from the Paris Street Gym. The Gym recently underwent a \$14 million overhaul and the pool’s rehab will compliment the new state-of-the-art gym and community center.

When the pool was first built, it featured a glass roof, sliding doors that looked out onto the Paris Street playground, as well as a veranda so residents could enjoy a swim and then sit outside during the hot summer months. The pool underwent an overhaul under then Mayor Kevin White due to constant vandalism of the glass roof and glass doors. The pool was encased in cement blocks and now looks more like a bomb shelter than a community pool.

The plan, according to the city is to restore the pool back to its original glory and strengthen the connection between the pool building and the adjacent park.

According to city officials at the meeting, the pool will close in January 2020 and renovations should take about 14 months to complete.

At the meeting BCYF and Public Facilities officials unveiled pictures of what the pool would look like once construction is completed.

There were numerous ‘oohs

and ahhs’ from pool members that use Paris Street for exercise on a regular basis.

The pictures show that the exterior of the pool will be fitted with new siding panels. An addition of the pool’s foyer will allow for more room and make the entrance more modern and inviting. There will also be an addition to the back of the building to make room for a family changing room—a feature that is absent from the current pool’s layout.

The side of the building that houses the pool that abuts the Paris Street Playground will be changed from a wall to windows. This will allow more light into the pool and better connect the facility to the playground. The building’s roof will also be transformed and will include skylights to bring even more natural light into the pool and make it feel more ‘open.’

The investment to the pool will also include a new pool filter room, mechanical and electrical upgrades, modified main entrance and lobby area, building interior and exterior repairs and other upgrades necessary to make it a more inviting and user-friendly space.

At the meeting, longtime East Boston High School swim coach Dave Arinella wondered if the city could delay the start of construction by one month. This, said Arinella, would let the swim team finish their season at Paris Street before having to relocate to the Mario Umana pool next year.

The city said they would explore that option but cautioned that the city is eager to get construction started as soon as possible.

Paris Street Director Nicole DaSilva added that her team has been working closely with the Umana School and the East Boston YMCA, who runs the pool there, to transfer as many swim programs to the Umana’s pool while construction is ongoing. However, DaSilva said because the Umana pool is housed inside a school building there will be limits on swim times, lap swims, aquatics, etc. and these programs most likely won’t be able to start until late afternoon, evenings or on the weekends.

ZONING DECISION ON APPEAL

WINTHROP - The neighbors of the proposed development at 10-26 Somerset Ave. have filed a complaint in Land Court in Bos-

ton concerning a decision made by the Winthrop Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

The complaint seeks to appeal the decision of the ZBA made on June 27 as it pertains to the proposed development of 10-26 Somerset Ave., which is owned by Envelo with Joanna Schwartz serving as chief executive officer.

The Zoning Board of Appeals decided that the boundary of the Center Business District includes the adjacent property on 20 Cottage Park Road. Therefore, the development site does not abut a Residential Zoning District and consequently may build to a maximum of four stories.

According to the town’s municipal code, the maximum number of stories allowed in the Center Business District –if it does abut a residential district – is two and a half stories.

The scope of the project includes demolishing an existing commercial building and constructing 30 apartments with four stories in a mixed-use building. But Schwartz was told she needed variances for the maximum height limitation and minimum rear yard setback by Building Inspector Al Legee. The Zoning Board of Appeals did not vote on Envelo’s applications for variances, believing 20 Somerset Ave. was within the Center Business District.

Tom and Donna Reilly, along with other neighbors on Cottage Park Road and Somerset Avenue, formed the Winthrop Neighborhood Association after they attended numerous meetings of the Planning Board, the Zoning Board and Town Council meetings regarding the boundaries of the Center Business District. A major issue the group they wanted addressed is that 10-26 Somerset is in the Center Business District and directly abuts 20 Cottage Park Road, which is zoned Residential A and is the home of Rosina Ferrante.

“Consequently, plaintiffs current appeal pertains to the board’s incorrect decision regarding the zoning boundary lines of the Center Business District,” wrote attorney Jacqueline Doherty, who represents the neighborhood association.

Doherty also wrote that there has been “overwhelming evidence submitted demonstrating that the 20 Cottage Park Road has always been zoned residential and no part of the parcel of 20 Cottage Park Road is within the Center Business District. A count in the appeal also brings out a

concern over spot zoning which occurs when one single lot is singled out for different treatment.

According to the complaint, the new 2014 Center Business District ordinance allows four-story, multi-unit buildings, three-quarters of a parking space per unit, and multi-unit building within 15 feet of an adjacent residential property. Additionally, inadequate parking could be avoided by the developer paying the town \$2,000 for each required space. Members of the neighborhood association believe the 2014 ordinance gave every advantage to the developer and did not safeguard the neighborhood, Doherty wrote in the appeal.

On May 27, 2018 a petition from the residents sought to amend the 2014 zoning ordinance: a density standard of one residential unit per 2,000 square feet as required throughout the town; side and rear distances of 50 feet between a multi-unit and adjacent residential home; a reduction in building height from four stories to two’ and realistic parking of two spaces per unit and eliminate the \$2,000 parking space buyout.

The appeal also contends that under the Town’s Charter, the Town Council should have acted on the May 27, 2018 petition to amend a 2014 zoning ordinance within 90 days. Instead no action was taken on it until Jan. 15, 2019 with a vote to indefinitely postpone.

Attorney James Cipoletta, who represented Schwartz in front of town boards, said the Board of Appeals “made an informed and correct decision and the project will go forward as a matter of right.”

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GREATER LYNN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FALL FEST

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The Greater Lynn Chamber of Commerce held its Fall Fest Business After Hours on Oct. 2, at Brotherhood Credit Union, which has been serving the community since 1934. Members gathered for dinner, connecting with local professionals, and exchanging businesses cards.

"The Chamber provides governmental support and advocacy, as well as training and educational opportunities for our members and staff," said Colin Codner, Executive Director of the Chamber.



Chrissy Kenney, Marilyn DeSimone, and Sara Stanley.



Colin Codner, Executive Director of the Greater Lynn Chamber of Commerce.



Christine Neals, Sam McHugh, Lilian Romero, and Dan Durant.



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ENGLISH BULLDOGS TAKE A BITE OUT OF THE FISHERMAN, WINNING 42-0

Last Friday night the Bulldogs of Lynn English High School had their 2019 season home opener after four weeks on the road. They face the Fisherman of Gloucester High School at Manning Field. The dogs dominated from the beginning, on both sides of the ball, the defense causing multiple fumbles and gaining huge yardage on offense.

Junior QB Mathias Fowler ran in one touchdown and threw for two others, as well as an interception while on defense and combined with an outstanding effort from his team mates the English Bulldogs went into the half leading 21-0. The Bulldogs 3-1 will face off against the Patriots of Revere 4-0 at Manning Field on Saturday at 1 p.m.



Tahi Purter gets off a punt in time.



Mathias Fowler hand off to Sam Ofurie (3).



Tahi Purter and Sam Ofurie lead the blocking for Mathias Fowler. Fowler ran for two touchdowns against Gloucester last Friday night.



Jeffery Gordilis (5) recovers the first fumble from a Gloucester runner.

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Traiquan Menter (22) had a great game on the ground for the dogs of Lynn English.



Captain Tom Gaylord (51) took the Gloucester quarterback to the turf and caused a incomplete pass attempt.



Head Coach Chris Carroll congratulates QB Mathias Fowler after he put English in the scoreboard first early in the second quarter.



Captains, Fenix Figueroa-Marquez (7), Mathias Fowler (1), and Tommy Gaylord (51) head to midfield for the coin toss.



DJ Brathwaite (11) shows some moves for a big gain on the ground.



Drum Major Noemi Hernandez leads the All City Marching Band.



Tyler Drinan (16) makes it 7-0



The Lynn English High School Varsity Cheerleaders.

Police forming unresolved case unit for victims, families

Massachusetts State Police Colonel Kerry A. Gilpin today announced the creation of a state-wide Unresolved Case Unit to investigate unsolved homicides and other violent crimes to seek justice for victims and their families.

The new unit will be comprised of five Troopers who are experienced homicide investigators who will work in conjunction with the state's district attorneys, who maintain jurisdiction over homicides in their counties, to identify open cases in which a renewed investigative focus may prove helpful. The Troopers will carry individual caseloads but will also work together frequently as a team, as warranted, to

pursue leads and further investigations under the direction of the district attorney of jurisdiction.

"There are many cases over the years that, even in light of the outstanding and tireless efforts of police and prosecutors, have not been resolved for any of a variety of reasons. I hope that by creating a dedicated unit to focus the investigative skills of these experienced troopers, backed by forensic and other resources of the Massachusetts State Police, we will build upon the excellent work already done on these cases and, in conjunction with the district attorneys, achieve the breakthroughs we need to secure justice for these victims and their families," Colonel Gilpin said.

Creation of an Unresolved Case Unit has been a priority for Colonel Gilpin, who formerly served for many years in the Department's Crime Scene Services Section documenting and preserving evidence critical to homicide and other major crime prosecutions. Today's announcement follows numerous discussions Colonel Gilpin initiated with the state's district attorneys and victim advocacy professionals to explain her goals for the new unit and build a foundation for collaborative efforts.

"After a homicide, surviving family members spend a lifetime seeking to understand their new existence without their loved one," said Liam Lowney,

Executive Director of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance. "Families whose cases remain unsolved struggle with additional questions about what happened to their loved one and who was responsible. While these families lives will remain forever changed, the dedicated State Police detectives assigned to this unit will allow them an opportunity to learn answers to these unsettling questions."

The Massachusetts District Attorney's Association, through its president, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy Cruz, also has expressed support for the new unit.

"This initiative was made possible through the ongoing sup-

port of the Baker-Polito Administration and the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security in our efforts to bring offenders to justice and support victims and survivors," Colonel Gilpin said.

The Department posted openings for the sworn-members to day and will interview interested applicants later this month. The unit's members will have investigative experience and professional relationships in different regions of the state to further the goal of a true statewide unit and ensure smooth integration with various prosecutorial offices. The Unresolved Case Unit will be part of the Department's Division of Investigative Services.

State September revenue collections total \$3.189 billion

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Christopher C. Harding announced that preliminary revenue collections for September totaled \$3.189 billion, which is \$34 million or 1.1 percent less than the actual collections in September 2018, and \$46 million or 1.5 percent more than benchmark.

"Revenues for September were slightly ahead of benchmark. The main driver was the estate tax, which is reported in the 'All Other' tax category. Estate taxes are a notably volatile source of revenue, so this pat-

tern may reverse in the coming months," said Commissioner Harding. "With the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 now complete, actual revenue results are closely aligned to the benchmark on year-to-date basis."

September is a significant month for revenues because many individuals and corporations are required to make estimated payments, usually producing about 10 percent of annual revenue and making September the third or fourth largest revenue month of the year.

Details:

•Income tax collections for

September were \$1.738 billion, \$4 million or 0.2 percent below benchmark, and \$32 million or 1.9 percent more than September 2018.

•Withholding tax collections for September totaled \$1.096 billion, \$37 million or 3.2 percent below benchmark, but \$9 million or 0.9 percent more than September 2018.

•Income tax estimated payments totaled \$622 million for September, \$36 million or 6.1 percent more than benchmark, and \$21 million or 3.4 percent more than September 2018.

•Income returns and bills to-

taled \$49 million for September, \$4 million or 8.3 percent more than benchmark, and \$3 million or 5.6 percent more than September 2018.

•Income cash refunds in September totaled \$30 million in outflows, \$7 million or 28.2 percent more than benchmark, and \$1 million or 3.0 percent more than September 2018.


•Sales and use tax collections for September totaled \$588 million, \$9 million or 1.4 percent below benchmark, but \$28 million or 5.0 percent more than September 2018.

•Corporate and business tax

collections for the month totaled \$588 million, \$3 million or 0.4 percent above benchmark, but \$49 million or 7.7 percent less than September 2018.

•Other tax collections for September totaled \$276 million, \$55 million or 25.1 percent more than benchmark, but \$45 million or 14.0 percent less than September 2018.

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