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JUNETEENTH FLAG RAISING

We'll hear from Hamill again

Scholar-athlete will return for a final season at Endicott

By Cary Shuman

Everything was right in place for Lynn's Michaela Hamill to have a spectacular senior season on the mound for the 2019 Endicott College softball team.

Hamill's junior year in 2018 had been outstanding, posting a 10-2 record and an earned run average of 1.94 while helping the Lady Gulls win the Commonwealth Coast Championship and earn a berth in the NCAA Division 3 Tournament.

Three of her performances clearly affirmed why Michaela

Hamill was emerging as a bona fide star: a complete-game shut-out of then No. 23-ranked Tufts in Medford; a dominating one-hit, 7-strikeout, shutout of Salem State in Salem; and a gutsy 3-2 win over Staten Island in the NCAA Tournament in New Jersey.

Hamill won her last eight games for the Gulls to improve her career record to 26-7.

Continuing the dedicated, off-season training that had characterized her career at St. Mary's

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Moulton announces \$4 million grant for Lynn to combat homelessness

Rep. Seth Moulton announced that the city of Lynn will receive a \$4,004,861 to combat homelessness in the wake of COVID-19.

"The coronavirus has taken a heavy toll on people's health and on their bank accounts. In the richest country on earth, nobody should be forced out of their home because they lost a job or got sick, especially during a pandemic," Moulton said. "People are doing their best to tread water, but communities need federal

help. These funds are a start, but we'll need more federal action to get through this."

The Congressionally-appropriated money supports Americans who are currently homeless or at risk of becoming homeless because they lost a job due to the economic and health consequences of the coronavirus pandemic. The Department of Housing and Urban Develop-

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Committee member Jacqueline Fitzhugh and US Army SSG Charles Jones prepare the raising of the Juneteenth Flag. See Pages 6 and 7 for story and more photos.

LEAP for Education appoints Brian Castellanos to the board

Special to the Journal

LEAP for Education is pleased to announce the addition of Brian Castellanos to its Board of Directors, following his appointment on May 20, 2020. Mr. Castellanos, a Lynn, MA resident, brings a passion for innovation in education and a desire to assure equity and access to quali-

ty academic, college and career services for underserved youth. LEAP for Education has been providing academic, college, and career programs for youth in Salem since 2003 and programs in Peabody and Gloucester since 2013 and will begin its first programs in Lynn this summer.

"LEAP is excited to work with Brian, who will be integral to the

expansion of our programs into Lynn at the Thurgood Marshall Middle School. With a background in public service, K-12 education and as a social worker supporting underserved adolescent youth Brian will bring additional and welcomed expertise and energy to our Board", stated

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Fares at Lynn Commuter Rail Station lowered to Zone 1A starting July 1

The MBTA today announced that Zone 1A fares will again be temporarily accepted at Lynn and Riverworks Commuter Rail Stations on a pilot basis effective Wednesday, July 1, through Monday, August 31. This step is being taken so the MBTA may provide additional travel options for North Shore customers, ease crowding on nearby bus routes, and to allow the MBTA to col-

lect ridership data related to the effects of temporary fare changes on relieving crowding.

"We're excited to again offer this option to riders traveling between Lynn Station and Downtown Boston for the same price as a subway fare," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "We're continuing this temporary zone change pilot for two months starting July 1 with

the goal of reducing crowding and promoting social distance on buses, and we encourage our North Shore riders to consider this Commuter Rail option."

Zone 1A fares were temporarily accepted at Lynn from May 22 to May 31 in an effort to provide additional travel options for customers affected by the Blue

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EDITORIAL

“DEFUND” THE POLICE? NOT SO FAST

Racism, from subtle to overt, has existed at every level of American society since our nation’s inception. It was embedded in our Constitution by our Founding Fathers, many of whom were slave owners, who declared that slaves should be counted as only three-fifths of a person.

Even though slavery was abolished by Abraham Lincoln with the Emancipation Proclamation, segregation and discrimination became the norm in the American way of life after the Civil War and judicially affirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court in its 1896 decision, *Plessy v. Ferguson*.

Although the Supreme Court overturned the “separate but equal” doctrine in the 1954 decision of *Brown v. Board of Education*, it has become clear that despite the apparent strides toward racial equality that have been made in the past 66 years, so little actually has changed.

Tragically, it has taken the brutal death-by-suffocation of a 46 year-old African-American man, George Floyd, at the knee of a white police officer in Minneapolis to bring to the eyes of every American the gross discrepancy between the uniquely American ideal that, “All men are created equal” and the stark reality of life today for persons of color who comprise most of our country’s permanent underclass.

To be sure, the shockingly inhumane treatment by police officers of minority suspects (and even non-suspects) in the past few years has highlighted the racism that continues to exist in many police departments across the country.

There also have been instances of police brutality and over-reaction during these past two weeks against mostly-peaceful demonstrators.

But the reality is that the vast majority of police officers have acted in a completely professional manner during this trying period, as most of them always do.

Yes, there are a few who became police officers for the wrong reasons, but the vast majority of our police force is comprised of men and women who want to make a positive impact in their communities and take a great deal of pride in doing so.

The movement underway in some parts of our country to “defund” police departments is, in our view, a shortsighted effort to scapegoat the police for the shortcomings of our society as a whole, especially among the white liberal class, for whom “blaming the cops” is a convenient means for absolving themselves of personal responsibility for the glaring inequality that exists in America in 2020.

Our rank-and-file police officers are underpaid (their starting salaries are barely able to afford the rent for an apartment) and they are asked to perform a myriad of duties far beyond mere law enforcement, especially when dealing with persons who are mentally ill or who have substance abuse issues -- and let’s not even get started on domestic calls.

It also is ludicrous to cut funding for our police departments when there are 300 million guns, many of which are military-grade, in the hands of private citizens, many of whom either are members of radical groups or who individually subscribe to radical beliefs.

To be sure, there are fundamental reforms that need to be undertaken in police departments all across the country to eliminate policies that are racist in their effect. There also must be a commitment to ensure swift accountability for officers who break the rules.

But the same is true for every aspect of American life in both the private and public sectors. The racism that is systemic in many of our nation’s police departments is a reflection of the racism that pervades every nook and cranny of our society from top to bottom.

Unless our nation’s leaders and our people are committed to bringing about real change at every level of our society -- and contributing vast resources in order to alleviate police from the burdens of dealing with drug users and those with mental health issues -- we are deluding ourselves if we think that “defunding” our police will accomplish much of anything toward the goal of achieving a more just and more equal society.



LETTER to the Editor

(The following letter was sent to ISO New England last week by U.S. Senators Ed Markey and Elizabeth Warren)

U.S. SENATORS IN SUPPORT OF WIND POWER PROJECT TO REPLACE MYSTIC GENERATION STATION

To the Editor:

We write concerning ISO New England (ISO-NE)’s Boston 2028 Request for Proposals (RFP) for transmission projects to help maintain grid reliability in the greater Boston area following the scheduled retirement of the Mystic Generating Station in Everett, Massachusetts. We are encouraged by this effort to use competitive bidding to provide new transmission solutions and reduce consumer costs. As part of ISO-NE’s evaluation of proposals, we urge you to prioritize the effects that projects may have on state climate, energy, and health goals. Currently, “environmental impact” is listed in the lowest priority category for the Boston 2028 RFP evaluation, and public health impacts are not called out at all. As Massachusetts and other New England states work to reach decarbonization targets and respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever that regional transmission organizations consider these impacts as part of electric-grid planning.

The Mystic Generating Station is an oil- and natural gas-fired

power plant that is scheduled for full retirement by 2024. Initially, in March 2018, Exelon, the plant’s owner, decided to shutter the plant, citing a lack of profitability and economic concerns, but in December 2018, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved a petition for short-term cost recovery. That plan allows ISO-NE to direct additional ratepayer payments to flow to the plant over the next several years in order to keep it open. A near-term transmission replacement for this uneconomic plant will benefit ratepayers, improve grid reliability, and protect nearby communities from air pollution.

In particular, the eventual retirement of this power plant, which is the largest fossil fuel plant in New England, presents an opportunity to continue cleaning up the New England power grid and safeguarding public health. The six New England states have all committed to achieving at least a 75-percent reduction in their greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. The Carbon Free Boston

initiative aims to reach a target of carbon neutrality for the city by 2050.4 As part of the Boston 2028 RFP, ISO-NE should consider and prioritize these targets.

Additionally, as Massachusetts and other New England states continue efforts to limit and stop the spread of COVID-19, it is important to consider the public health effects of various kinds

of electricity generation. Research continues to show a link between air pollution and higher COVID-19 death rates, placing a premium on regional transmission organizations’ factoring air quality into their grid-planning decisions — particularly for communities that are disproportionately affected by COVID-19 and the historic burden of air pollution.5,6

Clean energy and clean air are both important policy objectives for Massachusetts and the broader New England region, and those priorities should be reflected appropriately among the evaluation criteria for the Boston 2028 RFP. Fossil fuel plants are increasingly uneconomic, particularly as the cost for new renewable electricity generation declines, and after factoring in the costs to public health from air pollution. In pursuing transmission solutions to meet electricity demand and address reliability needs, ISO-NE can also strive to better integrate low- or no-carbon generation projects, with the added benefit of saving ratepayers money and avoiding the need to bail out uneconomic plants. As ISO-NE continues to the next phase of this important process to meet demand and enhance reliability, we urge you to consider and prioritize climate and public health goals.

**U.S. Senator
Ed Markey
U.S. Senator
Elizabeth Warren**

City of Lynn COVID-19 Update

The Lynn Public Health Department has confirmed that as of today, the number of active, confirmed positive COVID-19 cases is 1,440 with 11 new cases today. 2,001 Lynn residents have recovered and 93 have died. The total number of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in Lynn since March 21, 2020, including those who have died and recovered, is 3,534. Please visit the new City of Lynn COVID-19 Data Dashboard which is updated daily.

Please visit <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/safety-standards-and-checklist-hair-salons-and-barbershops> for more information on the Phase 2 safety standards for hair salons and barbershops.

We will continue to provide regular updates on COVID-19 through the City website (www.lynnma.gov), social media, and the Smart 911 emergency notification system (sign up at www.smart911.com).

Actualización de COVID-19 de la ciudad de Lynn del 9 de junio de 2020.

El Departamento de Salud Pública de Lynn ha confirmado que a partir de hoy, el número de casos activos, confirmados positivos de COVID-19 es 1,440 con 11 casos nuevos hoy. 2,001 residentes de Lynn se han recuperado y 93 se han muerto. El número total de casos positivos confirmados de COVID-19 en Lynn desde el 21 de marzo de

2020, incluyendo los que murieron y se recuperaron, es 3,534. Por favor, visite el nuevo registro de data de COVID-19 de la ciudad de Lynn que se actualiza diariamente.

Visite <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/safety-standards-and-checklist-hair-salons-and-barbershops> para más información sobre los protocolos de seguridad de la Fase 2 para peluquerías y barberías.

Continuaremos brindando actualizaciones periódicas sobre COVID-19 a través del sitio web de la Ciudad (www.lynnma.gov), las redes sociales y el sistema de notificación de emergencia Smart 911 (regístrese en www.smart911.com).

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Linda E. Saris, LEAP's Founder, Executive Director, and Board member.

Brian Castellanos currently serves as a Social Worker for the Massachusetts Department of Children and Family Services and is an elected member to the Lynn School Committee since 2018. Mr. Castellanos works primarily with adolescent youth throughout Lynn and has been supportive of LEAP's efforts to provide youth academic and career programs in Lynn, especially for Lynn's large English Learner population. With many of the same lived experiences as countless Lynn youth, Mr. Castellanos has been a frequent motivational speaker at schools and youth organizations. Mr. Castellanos is a graduate of Framingham State University where he earned a BA in Criminology and a Masters in Science degree from Salem State University in Criminal Justice.

Mr. Castellanos speaks on his appointment by adding: "I'm honored to be able to serve the organization that will serve so many students who, like myself at their age, need after-school programs that empower them to create and believe in, their own unique educational and career goals."

LEAP for Education (www.leap4ed.org) has a mission to empower underserved and first-generation-to-college students to succeed in education, career, and life. LEAP does this by teaching students academic and life-skills needed to perform at higher levels in middle school and high school. Students also receive ongoing personalized support and community connections, which helps them graduate from college and create a future based on their strengths and interests.

LEAP is an acronym for: Learn, Explore, Aspire, and Pursue.

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ment (HUD) distributes the funds through its Emergency Solutions Grants program that Congress created with the passage of the CARES Act, a disaster relief package.

The grant announced today is part of a second round of the fund's distribution. Lynn previously received \$751,083 in the first round of ESG funding, as well as \$1,456,642 in Community Development Block Grants, both of which were awarded on April 2nd.

The city can use the money for several purposes that ultimately

prevent homelessness and support the homeless. Some of the ways communities use these funds include the construction of new emergency shelters, operation of existing shelters, hotel/motel vouchers for the homeless, and rapid rehousing for homelessness prevention. The funds can also be used for essential services like childcare, education, employment assistance, outpatient health services, legal services, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and transportation.

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Line shutdown from Bowdoin to Airport and so that MBTA staff could begin to gather ridership data related to temporary fare changes. Though data on Commuter Rail and relevant bus route ridership was inconclusive given the short length of the May offering, the MBTA hopes a longer two-month pilot will allow customers to learn about the Commuter Rail option so that additional data can be collected.

Customers heading inbound from Lynn or Riverworks to North Station and outbound from North Station to Lynn or Riverworks can purchase a Zone 1A ticket on mTicket, at a fare vending machine, onboard, or at a ticket window at North Station. Zone 1A monthly passes printed on CharlieTickets or CharlieCards or on mTicket will also be accepted. The MBTA will con-

tinue to closely monitor ridership levels with fourteen additional inbound trains (twenty-eight total) to be added to the Newburyport/Rockport Line as part of Phase 2 of the Commonwealth's Re-Opening Plan. A one-way Zone 1A commuter rail fare is \$2.40, which is the same as a CharlieCard subway fare. Bus Routes that stop at Lynn Station include Routes 426, 429, 435, 436, 441, 442, and 455.

In compliance with the Commonwealth's Reopening Massachusetts Report, riders are also reminded that face coverings are required while onboard MBTA service and within stations.

For more information, please visit mbta.com or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram @theMBTA.

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Joint statement by SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza and U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven T. Mnuchin regarding enactment of the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act

SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza and U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven T. Mnuchin issued the following statement Monday following the enactment of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Flexibility Act:

"We want to thank President Trump for his leadership and commend Leader McConnell, Leader Schumer, Speaker Pelosi, and Leader McCarthy for working on a bipartisan basis to pass this legislation for small businesses participating in the Paycheck Protection Program.

"We also want to express our gratitude to Chairman Rubio, Ranking Member Cardin, Senator Collins, Congressman Roy, Congressman Phillips, and other members of Congress who have helped to create and guide our implementation of this critical program that has provided over 4.5 million small business loans totaling more than \$500 billion to

ensure that approximately 50 million hardworking Americans stay connected to their jobs.

"This bill will provide businesses with more time and flexibility to keep their employees on the payroll and ensure their continued operations as we safely reopen our country.

"We look forward to getting the American people back to work as quickly as possible."

UPCOMING PROCEDURES

SBA, in consultation with Treasury, will promptly issue rules and guidance, a modified borrower application form, and a modified loan forgiveness application implementing these legislative amendments to the PPP. These modifications will implement the following important changes:

- Extend the covered period for loan forgiveness from eight weeks after the date of loan disbursement to 24 weeks after the

date of loan disbursement, providing substantially greater flexibility for borrowers to qualify for loan forgiveness. Borrowers who have already received PPP loans retain the option to use an eight-week covered period.

- Lower the requirements that 75 percent of a borrower's loan proceeds must be used for payroll costs and that 75 percent of the loan forgiveness amount must have been spent on payroll costs during the 24-week loan forgiveness covered period to 60 percent for each of these requirements. If a borrower uses less than 60 percent of the loan amount for payroll costs during the forgiveness covered

period, the borrower will continue to be eligible for partial loan forgiveness, subject to at least 60 percent of the loan forgiveness amount having been used for payroll costs.

- Provide a safe harbor from

reductions in loan forgiveness based on reductions in full-time equivalent employees for borrowers that are unable to return to the same level of business activity the business was operating at before February 15, 2020, due to compliance with requirements or guidance issued between March 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020 by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, related to worker or customer safety requirements related to COVID-19.

- Provide a safe harbor from reductions in loan forgiveness based on reductions in full-time equivalent employees, to provide protections for borrowers that are both unable to rehire individuals who were employees of the borrower on February 15, 2020, and unable to hire similar-

ly qualified employees for unfilled positions by December 31, 2020.

- Increase to five years the maturity of PPP loans that are approved by SBA (based on the date SBA assigns a loan number) on or after June 5, 2020.

- Extend the deferral period for borrower payments of principal, interest, and fees on PPP loans to the date that SBA remits the borrower's loan forgiveness amount to the lender (or, if the borrower does not apply for loan forgiveness, 10 months after the end of the borrower's loan forgiveness covered period).

- In addition, the new rules will confirm that June 30, 2020, remains the last date on which a PPP loan application can be approved.

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MBTA's RIDE distributing food to vulnerable residents

The RIDE has partnered with the City of Boston, YMCA of Greater Boston, and The Greater Boston Food Bank.

The MBTA announced late last week a partnership with the City of Boston, YMCA of Greater Boston, and The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB) to help provide Boston's most vulnerable residents with access to food by utilizing the RIDE paratransit service.

"One of the many tragic consequences of the pandemic has been the explosive growth of food insecurity," explained MBTA General Manager Steve Poflak. "Employees at the RIDE interact with Boston's most vulnerable citizens every day. During the pandemic, these employees saw firsthand and early on that individuals who have issues with mobility, illness, quarantine, or are otherwise at high risk were unable to leave their homes to access food. It was their willingness to help that led us to the Food Bank with an offer to share resources."

"This partnership is a testament to the impact we can make in the lives of our families and those in need when we work together," said City of Boston Mayor Marty Walsh. "I thank the MBTA, and our partners at the YMCA, and the Greater Boston Food Bank for helping us strengthen the City of Boston's food access work that has already provided over one million meals to

our residents most in need and negatively impacted by COVID-19."

"We relish this opportunity to partner with the MBTA and City of Boston to deliver food to our most vulnerable children, families, and seniors," said YMCA Senior Vice President Wendy Zinn. "It is a blessing to coalesce our organizational skills, infrastructures, and 'people power' in the spirit of serving others. We thank the MBTA and City of Boston for allowing the YMCA of Greater Boston to participate in this important partnership, as we are universally committed to mitigating hunger for all Bostonians during this crisis and beyond."

"This pandemic is unprecedented in our history, so it takes great community partners like the YMCA of Greater Boston and the MBTA to find creative ways to safely serve all of our neighbors in need," said President and CEO of The Greater Boston Food Bank Catherine D'Amato. "With food insecurity on the rise in our region, we also thank Mayor Walsh and the City of Boston for leading the way with innovative solutions that help to enhance the work of the emergency food network during this challenging time."

As ridership on the MBTA's RIDE service has significantly declined during the COVID-19 situation, available RIDE vehicles are currently being utilized to pick up

and deliver food items and school meals. Collaborating with GBFB and the YMCA, RIDE drivers arrive at the YMCA location on Huntington Avenue daily to pick up an assortment of grocery bags and shelf stable school meals. Groceries are delivered by RIDE vehicles to designated homes, the amount based on the size of the household and whether or not the family is enrolled in the Boston Public School partnership.

Under the leadership of Mayor Walsh, the City of Boston has provided more than 1.2 million free meals to youth across sixty-eight sites since the beginning of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Since expanding the number of meal sites to also serve adults in April, the City has distributed nearly 100,000 meals to adults. As of the end of May 2020, the RIDE has completed over 3,185 deliveries, totaling 5,129 grocery bags and 24,000 school meals to over 1,200 Boston Public School children. Residents can visit boston.gov/COVID19food or call 311 to find food resources, including meal sites for youth and adults, food pantries, and more.

For more information, visit mbta.com, boston.gov/COVID-19food, or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook TheMBTA, or Instagram @theMBTA.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

SPRING 2020 GRADUATES ANNOUNCED AT UA

The University of Alabama awarded some 6,326 degrees this spring. Among the graduates was Jada Vaughan of Lynn who received a Bachelor of Arts.

The recent change to remote learning during this unprecedented time affected the University's plans for traditional commencement activities. However, commencement is a milestone, and the University wants graduates to have the opportunity to walk across the stage in celebration of their success. Although any plans are contingent on how the summer outlook progresses, all spring graduates are invited to participate in the summer commencement events scheduled for Friday, July 31, and Saturday, Aug. 1.

"We will also be recognizing the achievements of our spring 2020 graduating class through online and social media outlets to highlight our shared pride in them," said UA President Stuart Bell. "I look forward to congratulating each student on stage very soon."

With dozens of challenging academic programs, expert and world-renowned faculty and nu-

merous opportunities for service and growth, The University of Alabama is the place where legends are made. UA offers its students a premier educational, cultural and social experience with more than 200 undergraduate, graduate and professional programs and gives students the opportunity to partner with faculty performing cutting-edge research.

The University of Alabama, the state's oldest and largest public institution of higher education, is a student-centered research university that draws the best and brightest to an academic community committed to providing a premier undergraduate and graduate education. UA is dedicated to achieving excellence in scholarship, collaboration and intellectual engagement; providing public outreach and service to the state of Alabama and the nation; and nurturing a cam

STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY

443 students have been named to the Plymouth State University Dean's List for the Spring 2020 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve a grade point average

between 3.5 and 3.69 during the spring semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

Tonmoy Singh of Lynn
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About Plymouth State University

Established in 1871, Plymouth State University serves the state of New Hampshire and the world beyond by transforming our students through advanced practices where engaged learning produces well-educated undergraduates and by providing graduate education that deepens and advances knowledge and enhances professional development. With distinction, we connect with community and business partners for economic development, technological advances, healthier living, and cultural enrichment with a special commitment of service to the North Country and Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

STUDENTS NAMED TO PRESIDENT'S LIST AT PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY

1,070 students have been named to the Plymouth State

University President's List for the Spring 2020 semester. To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or better for the Spring 2020 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

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LYCOMING COLLEGE ANNOUNCES MOST RECENT GRADUATES

Lycoming College extends a warm congratulations to recent

graduate Jay Patel of Lynn who earned a Bachelor of Arts in Biology and a minor in Chemistry and Neuroscience. Patel graduated Magna Cum Laude.

About Lycoming College
Founded in 1812, Lycoming College is one of the nation's oldest and most respected liberal arts colleges. Today, our community of 1,200 active learners from 29 states and territories and 17 countries comprise a student body that is 32 percent domestic students of color or international, all of whom work with our renowned scholars to craft customized, market-driven majors, minors and concentrations across our 40+ academic programs. Students compete in 17 NCAA Division III sports, participate in faculty-driven research, secure internship experiences, and study abroad in more than a dozen countries. Lycoming College has one of the highest endowment-per-student ratios in the country and is ranked by Forbes as a Top ROI College, and by The Princeton Review as one of The 385 Best Colleges. Lycoming College is dedicated to providing a high-quality liberal arts and sciences education for all students. Learn more at <http://www.lycoming.edu>.

Senator Markey receives major endorsement from the American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts

The American Federation of Teachers (AFT) Massachusetts last week announced its endorsement of Ed Markey for re-election to the United States Senate.

"Senator Ed Markey has been a supporter of public education for decades and has consistently fought for adequate funding - not because we asked him to, but because he knows that public education is the pathway to better communities," said AFT Massachusetts President Beth Kontos. "He grew up in a household that valued education and the rights of workers. His record in support of labor and the rights of workers to organize is second to none."

The AFT Massachusetts represents 23,000 educators throughout Massachusetts.

"I am incredibly grateful for the support of the American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts," said Senator Markey. "Our school employees and our educators are heroes. Their work is instrumental to ensuring that

our children are prepared for the future. They deserve to have wages, health care, and other benefits that reflect just how vital their role is. While their usual tools of tablets and pencils have been replaced by tablets with pixels in the coronavirus pandemic, these educators' skills and commitment remain integral to the health, well-being, and success of Massachusetts's students. My father was a union leader, and I learned just how critical unions are to families, to our economy, and to our democracy. I will always fight for AFT Massachusetts, and I am proud that they will fight for me."

Senator Markey is committed to fighting for the rights of union workers across the Commonwealth and nation. In October, he walked the picket line with SEIU 509 Fidelity House workers in Lawrence demanding better pay and working conditions. In February, he stood with UNITE HERE Local 26 airline catering workers for a rally at

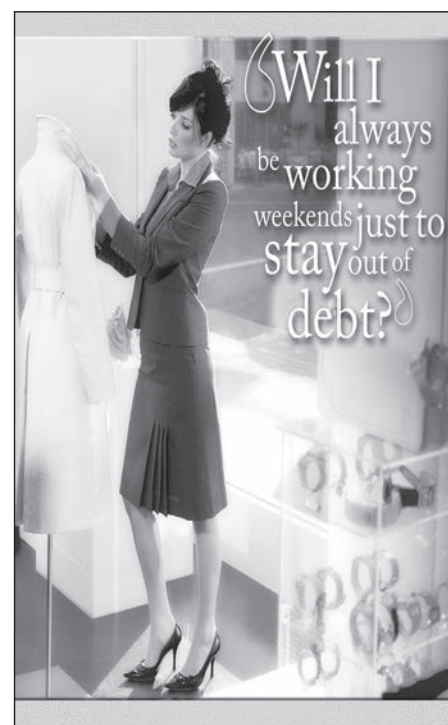
Logan Airport to call on LSG Sky Chefs to provide fair wages and affordable healthcare for its employees. Just two weeks ago, he stood alongside the Massachusetts Nursing Association and United Auto Workers Local 2322 as they called on the owners of Providence Behavioral Health Hospital to stop the closure of the Providence Behavioral Health Hospital Psychiatric Unit. Senator Markey has a 100 percent voter record in the Senate from the AFL-CIO.

The AFT Massachusetts union endorsement adds to Ed Markey's other, major endorsements, including: the Planned Parenthood Action Fund, NARAL Pro-Choice, the NRDC Action Fund, and Peace Action. Ed has earned a 100 percent labor voting record in the Senate from the AFL-CIO, and his campaign is endorsed by unions throughout the state including American Postal Workers Local #4553, UNITE HERE Local 26, AFSCME, SEIU 888, SEIU 32BJ, CWA 1400, AFA,

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JUNETEENTH FLAG RAISING AT LYNN CITY HALL

The raising of the Juneteenth flag commemorated the end of slavery in Texas after the Civil War ended. The flag colors - red, white, and blue – symbolize that all slaves and descendants were American. The star on the flag gives respect to the state of Texas. The colors represent “a new freedom and a new people” of the United States with a star on a rising horizon.

The official celebration of Juneteenth is on June 19th. Nicole McClain said, “Juneteenth is a holiday that remembers the freedom of African-Americans who were enslaved. President Lincoln in 1863 signed the Emancipation Proclamation. However, slavery existed in Texas until 1865 before all enslaved people became free; this is how the Juneteenth holiday began in Texas and continues now”.

As Nicole continued, “Each year the North Shore Juneteenth organization adjusts to the needs of our community; each year we see how much this organization is needed; and each year we realize we are doing work that needs to be done to improve equality and justice”.

Mayor Thomas McGee stated how much the Juneteenth committee does for the community. It is so important to recognize the Black community for its traditions and excellence here in our



Darrell Murkison, Secretary CMCC Board of Directors, speaks about the next generation who will work together for a positive existence.

city and throughout our country. As McGee said, “We have a long way to go, especially after the death of George Floyd. We have racism and it is painful for all of us. We need to work together to ensure hate and racism is something that we all continue to fight every day in this city and around the country”.

Juneteenth exists to shed light on the positive, each success, being resilience, and having strength. The city of Lynn works together with all of its residents to keep a positive and strong existence.



City Officials join the Juneteenth Ceremony: (L-R): Councilor-at-Large Brian Field, James McClain, Ward 6 Councilor Fred Hogan, Councilor-at-Large Buzzy Barton, Andrea Gayle-Bennett, Elizabeth Gaskins, Nicole McClain, Ward 5 Councilor Diana Chatkoutis, Jacqueline Fitzhugh, Darrell Murkison, April Deaver-Mosley, and State Rep. Daniel Cahill.

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Mayor Thomas McGee addresses the audience on the importance of Juneteenth.



Volunteer Elizabeth Gaskins holds a sign to “Stay Engaged”.



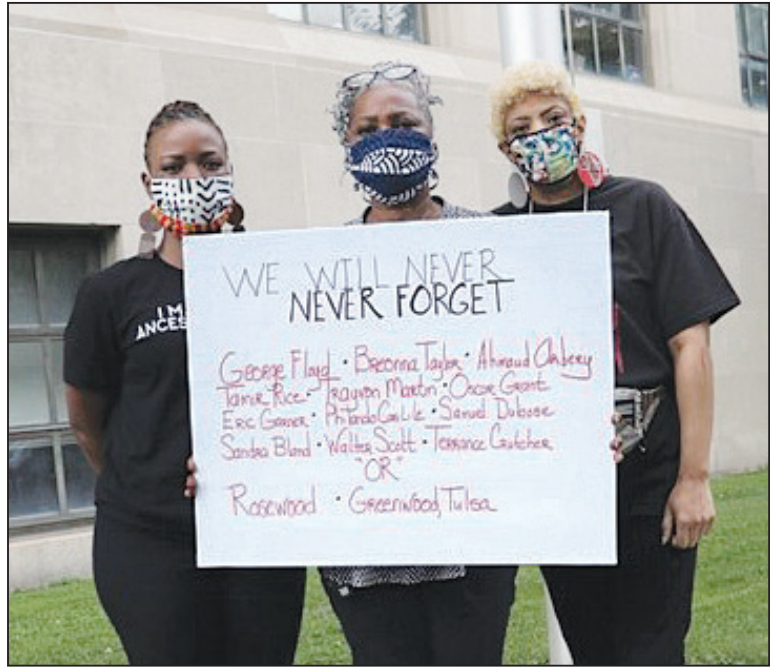
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The Juneteenth Flag officially flies over City Hall Square.



Nicole McClain begins the Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony.

JUNETEENTH FLAG RAISING AT LYNN CITY HALL



The North Shore Juneteenth Committee – Nicole McClain, Jaqueline Fitzhugh, and April Deaver-Mosley.



Nicole McClain with her brother, Eric Lane, and mother, Larnell Lane.



Juneteenth staff with Mayor McGee (L-R): Ebony White, Tunisha Guy, Andrea Gayle-Bennett, Nicole McClain, Jacqueline Fitzhugh, Martina Campbell, April Deaver-Mosley, and SSG Charles Jones.

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New unemployment claims fall by more than 10,000 over the previous week

Massachusetts had 27,034 individuals file an initial claim for standard Unemployment Insurance (UI) from May 24 to May 30, a decrease of 10,584 over the previous week. Since March 15, a total of 924,239 initial claims have been filed for UI. For the same week, there were 575,862 continued UI claims filed, a decrease of 12,187 or 2.1% over the previous week. This marks the first decrease in continued UI weeks claimed since the be-

ginning of the pandemic related unemployment surge.

At 54,281, Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims filed for the week ending May 30 were 93,313 less than the previous week. Since April 20, 2020, 573,077 claimants have filed for PUA.

The Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which provided up to 13 weeks of extended benefits to individuals who have exhausted

or expired their regular unemployment compensation since July 2019 was implemented on May 21. For the week ending May 23, 39,011 PEUC claims were filed followed by 4,242 PEUC filings for the week of May 24 to May 30.

Since March, the customer service staff at the HYPER-LINK "https://www.mass.gov/orgs/departments-of-unemployment-assistance" at "blank" Department of Unemployment

Assistance (DUA) has grown from around 50 employees to nearly 2000. The remote customer service operation is now making over 35,000 individual contacts per day and DUA continues to host daily unemployment town halls – which have been held in English, Spanish, and Portuguese - and have been attended by nearly 300,000 constituents.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COUNCIL SETS ASIDE MONEY FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

CHELSEA - The Chelsea City Council has taken another step in helping the City recover from COVID-19 by approving more than \$1 million to help small businesses recover from the extended closures and crippling business losses.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino proposed the expenditure after it was recommended by a Council Task Force that had been appointed by Council President Roy Avellaneda in April.

"We'll start working on the program now in the next couple of weeks," said Ambrosino.

Avellaneda said the Council did make an amendment, as it was suggested there would be a \$250,000 administrative portion, leaving \$900,000 left for loans. However, the Council didn't agree to that and asked that the administration fee be kept to \$150,000. That left \$1 million for loans. Half of that will be reserved for the Restaurant Recovery Program and the other half will be for a Small Business Relief Program.

"This is the third financial step the City and City Council has taken to relieve the impact of COVID-19 in our community," he said. "Obviously, the food relief was first and then we moved to shelter with our rental assistance lottery and now we want to concentrate on small business. I want businesses to understand we had to focus on other things first, but I want them to understand we care about them.

"We want to fill in the gaps with this for businesses that didn't get the federal loans or didn't qualify for them," he continued.

Two City Councillors have been tapped to join City departments on the evaluation committee, and they include Councillor Judith Garcia and Councillor Naomi Zabat.

Garcia said she was excited to participate in the evaluation team and on the Council Task Force earlier in the process, particularly because she represents most of the downtown area.

"Small businesses have been vital in our economic growth as a city and this pandemic should not put them out of business," she said. "This program will be a lifeline for many. I heard from a local barbershop owner that he has spent his life savings these past three months as he

was forced to remain closed due to Covid-19. Another business owner informed me her rent increased by \$200 as of last month. That's why I have been very involved in this process of offering up to \$20,000 in grants to local businesses. I want to abstain from referring to this monetary assistance as a loan because our goal is for this program to pick up where the CARES Act failed.

"Our small business owners cannot afford to take up any more debt with strings attached," she continued.

The goal is to offer grant money that business owners do not have to worry about paying back, she said.

"I am personally advocating for an easy and streamlined application process that comes with no strings attached aside from seeing our businesses thrive and remain here," she said.

Councillor Todd Taylor, a business owner himself, was one of the first Council voices to begin talking about how small businesses in Chelsea were going to be able to weather this storm. He was on the Task Force appointed by Avellaneda and helped to design some of the program.

"This program is just as important as our food or rent assistance program," he said. "The businesses in Chelsea, especially the ones in the hospitality sector, are having a hard time surviving because they have been closed for months while they still have rent and insurance bills to pay. And our restaurants are especially vulnerable because the Federal programs are not designed for them."

He said the federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) required restaurants to spend 75 percent on payroll, but that was impossible without customers. And after opening in Phase 2, they can only be at 25 percent capacity.

"The most important part of this program must include rent negotiation with landlords much the same as we did with the rent assistance program," he said. "In order to try to avoid economic disaster, we not only have to have programs like this in Chelsea, we must put pressure on our federal representatives to have additional monies directed toward our hospitality businesses who have largely been left out of relief efforts. People have dedicated their whole lives to their businesses and having been forcibly shut down by the state, I think

the state has the responsibility to help these businesses get back to normal as soon as possible."

The program is being paid out of the City's Free Cash funds, and more information will be coming soon about applications and how it will work.

CITY HALL RE-OPENS

CHELSEA - Were anyone to assert last February that City Hall being open for business was a milestone worthy of the shedding of a few tears, it would have been more than puzzling – if not laughable.

But the cruel tool to fate has made it just that, as City officials opened City Hall for limited operations on Monday and it was an emotional, and happy, milestone for a City that has suffered tremendously with massive levels of COVID-19 infections and long lines of hungry residents no longer able to provide food for their families.

So, City Hall opening was a semblance of order and return to what might be better times.

"We're excited," said Mike Sandoval of the DPW, who had the pleasure of opening the door to residents for the first time since mid-March. "We want it to become normal because people need to get back. We know there will need to be time to adapt, but we're here to help and happy this city is coming back."

Fidel Maltez, DPW director, said he and his staff and members of the administration worked to figure out the best way to re-open the seat of City business. They have limited walk-ins to the City Clerk's office and the Treasurer's Office to pay bills – and staff members are outside to help residents figure out if they have all they need so they don't congregate inside needlessly.

Other departments can be accessed with appointments only, calling 3-1-1 (which is 617.466.4209 outside of Chelsea) to schedule those times.

There is one entrance – on Washington Avenue near the lot – and one exit – on the Broadway side. Inside they have stickers for people to stand on in line to keep them at the right distance. Cleaning crews move through rapidly all the time, with custodial staff on duty. Surfaces are wiped down after every customer comes to a window, and the Treasurer's Office has been built out with new walls and a window screen.

"It feels good to be open," said Maltez. "People have been excited to be able to come in and

pay their tax bills, get parking stickers and to pay excise taxes. Chelsea has a large population of cash-only businesses and online payment isn't an option for them."

The Hall is open Monday to Friday with limited hours – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. It will be open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, and 9 a.m. to noon on Friday.

At the Clerk's Office, Hector Velez was taking customers at his window and preparing for the new normal – which includes wiping and sanitizing all surfaces after each customer visit.

"It feels good to be back working in person with people," he said. "I'm glad we're doing all these things to make sure we can help stop the spread."

Outside, greeting residents, was Yareli Arenas. Residents were filling out forms to indicate what they wanted to do inside. She said it felt good to be able to help people again face-to-face.

"I'm excited it's come to the time when we can welcome people back," she said. "People have been inside for a while now and they are starting to go out again."

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said he was admittedly nervous about opening City Hall. Not many City Halls have opened yet – including Everett and Revere – and Chelsea was a hot spot for some time. Brining people back inside made him nervous.

But by Wednesday, it was going very well.

"I think it has gone well and probably better than we thought it would," he said. "There are a lot of unbanked people in our community and we needed to accommodate them so they could pay by cash. That required City Hall to be open and the deadline for these bills by law is June 29. We didn't want penalties for them. This was also some symbolic point to it as well that was a positive one."

SENIOR CITIZEN BUILDINGS HAVE LITTLE TO NO COVID-19

EVERETT - Results from major COVID-19 testing initiatives at senior citizen buildings in Everett have shown virtually no cases in those buildings – with only a small amount of cases reported at the 66 Main St. building.

In the past two weeks, major testing efforts with mobile units have taken place at 66 Main St., Glendale Towers, Whittier Drive

and Golden Age Circle – all of which are senior citizen buildings. While more testing is still needed there of more residents, Public Health Nurse Sabrina Firicano said the results were stunning.

She said 66 Main St. had two positive cases reported, and the three Everett Housing Authority (EHA) senior locations had no cases out of about 70 people tested.

"Cases that came out of that were very, very low, which was shocking to me," she said. "Not everyone was tested because you have to sign up. But we did not have any cases for the testing at the three EHA buildings. That was amazing and shocking to me."

The only cases that came out of the testing were the two at 66 Main St.

"You would think it would be a lot higher and I previously thought it would be a little higher," she said. "I thought there could have been a lot of asymptomatic individuals that would test positive. I was shocked."

Those results parallel the findings at senior citizen buildings in Chelsea too, where mobile testing was done in late April and early May – with results coming back very, very low. In that testing, out of 384 tests in senior buildings, there were only 11 confirmed cases. That also shocked City leaders there as they expected the buildings to be a hotbed for activity.

Both testing efforts were championed by Sen. Sal DiDomenico, who said he has been in close contact with Gov. Charlie Baker and Health Secretary Marylou Sudders regarding more testing resources for senior buildings in his district – particularly in Everett and Chelsea.

"In talking with Secretary Sudders, we were able to work with Cataldo Ambulance and Cambridge Health Alliance to get test kits for the senior buildings and 66 Main St.," said DiDomenico. "We've tested all our senior buildings in the city. That was done through our office. There was a long-term care facility that was hesitant to participate in testing. I knew there had been at least 20 cases there. We were able to get Secretary Sudders to call them personally and they decided to participate. Now all of the patients and staff there have also been tested."

Meanwhile, Firicano said they

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want to do more testing and will return with the mobile units soon, but this time will make sure everyone who wants to be tested has an appointment and registration before the unit arrives.

HOSPITAL TREATING LESS COVID-19 CASES

EVERETT - Over the past several weeks, the Emergency Department – and much of the CHA Everett hospital - has seemed like a facility devoted entirely to the incredibly stressing task of treating COVID-19 patients, but over the last two weeks the hospital has slowly transformed in many ways back to its pre-virus flows.

For Dr. Melisa Lai-Becker, chief of the Emergency Department at CHA Everett, and her staff in the ER, that has been measured in the number of conference calls per day focused on finding space and beds for those who are sick. At the height, that was a conference call that happened three times a day as the health system tried to find places to take care of the surging patient loads.

On Monday, that transitioned to a once-a-day call – which Lai-Becker said was a big example of how things are moving towards pre-COVID

“For these last two and a half months, we have been talking two times a day and sometimes three times a day the director level staff...in order to figure out how to get patients where they should be for care and transfers. As of Monday, we decided we can now take our foot off the gas pedal and not meet two time a day. Now we’ll meet one time a day and see that that goes. It’s big for us and a turning point in terms of how we’ve now configured our work flows.”

The story of CHA Everett looking back is one of getting ready for the pandemic – wondering if it would be as bad as expected, treating what was a horrendous surge of sick people who struggled to get better or died, a flattening of the curve of sickness, and now a return to some normal patterns while also still treating COVID-19 patients.

“Everything put into place in March and early April, it is nice to see as all the big changes operationally have made a difference because we can let the system handle the flow, especially since having a lull now the volumes are climbing back up quite nicely, but with a medium level of mix,” she said. Now it seems like it’s a more even mixture of patients.”

One clear example of that was a patient who came in last weekend

with pneumonia – a nearly 100 percent sign of COVID-19 over the past two months. Lai-Becker said they did all the testing and were perplexed as to why there was no COVID showing up. After some further testing, they realized it was just standard pneumonia and not related to COVID.

“We were like, ‘Wow, it’s just regular pneumonia,’” she said. “So welcome back to just plain old community-acquired pneumonia.”

The hospital has closed down some of the specialty spaces created on the fly for COVID-19 over the past several weeks, and they are looking at returning to elective, but necessary, surgeries. They are also bringing back routine tests like colonoscopies.

“The hospital operations are slowly re-opening,” she said. “As of Monday, they were looking at bringing back certain elective scheduled procedures. We want to keep up with the elective surgeries – maybe they can be done later, but need to be done. It’s also colonoscopies and mammography. These are important and it’s been three months without doing them now. These are having a very slow start-up.”

Likewise, the respiratory clinic has been full-speed for so long now, but they are beginning to add outpatient hours.

At the same time, they are planning on how to return some of the clinical departments. That comes with a lot of planning, she said, about how to handle such visits with providers and how to handle the waiting rooms.

“It’s now a slow unwinding of these processes to see if any outpatient sites can re-open and how does it change the setup,” she said. “It’s similar to what dental offices in the Commonwealth are facing. Everyone wants to eliminate the waiting rooms. That’s going to take careful planning.”

One thing that they are also seeing as they re-open so many things are the new innovations done on the fly for COVID-19 that they hope to keep as part of traditional medical treatments.

Tele-medicine visits have become the norm, and there are a lot of patients that Lai-Becker said will likely continue with those appointments on a screen – particularly as many in the older adult population in large part has become adept at using Zoom and other face-to-face platforms online.

Many chronically ill patients have found the visits to be better for them, as it can be strenuous to get a ride to the hospital for an appointment that can be done over a screen.

Likewise, CHA Everett has

rolled out over the last week a new program called MobileHome in association with Cataldo Ambulance. That is a program they have dreamed of and worked on for a long time, she said. With the pandemic, they were able to roll it out fast. That program allows EMTs at Cataldo to do more advanced visits while in connection online with a physician. They can do more than a visiting nurse and can gauge whether a patient needs to be brought into the hospital or not. Using tele-medicine check-ups, and then MobileHome, many unnecessary trips to the hospital can be avoided to make patients more comfortable and medical delivery more efficient. The crux has always been about who was going to pay for it and how would they pay for it, Lai Becker said.

That year’s-long battle was resolved in a matter of weeks.

“I think people will recognize a lot of operational challenges in having these programs with tele-health and para-medicine... were hampered by who was going to pay for it,” she said. “Remarkably, the tele-health visits can be paid. Apparently it is possible to have them both paid for now. That is the opportunity of this crisis. I think they are an enormous positive and they will stay even after...we see so many other things settle out. They are positive changes.”

•TYLENOL ANTIDOTE NOW GOES TO TRIAL

One of the innovations at CHA Everett during the COVID-19 crisis was using the antidote for Tylenol poisoning to treat patients with several sickness related to COVID-19. It particularly helped the immune response in the lungs, and now CHA Everett is going to be moving that treatment to a clinical trial to see if it is an effective treatment for the virus.

They will be going to trial with ClinTrials.gov.

“We’re happy that CHA-wide our respiratory clinic is starting to prescribe it in the same manner as the Emergency Department has,” she said. “We will embark on the randomized trial of patients and then share the results. It seem to help...It would be great because it is off-patent, doesn’t cost much and has been around more than 50 years...It’s not very sexy for that reason, but if it works, great.”

She said they would need three months at a minimum, but likely six months to get enough treatment information. Already, they have some information in using the treatment over the last two months, but need more solid study.”

OBITUARIES

Dennis Michael Arsenault Sr.

Family and friends meant everything to him

Dennis Michael Arsenault Sr. of Revere passed away surrounded by his loving family on June 4 at the age of 67.

Dennis was a 1971 graduate of Revere High School. He worked at Star Sales and Distributing in Woburn for 41 years where he formed long time friendships with co-workers. Family and friends meant everything to Dennis and he will truly be missed by all.

Born in Chelsea on May 7, 1953 to the late Edward and Violet (Marotta) Arsenault, he was the beloved husband of Marlene (Franklin) with whom he shared almost 42 years of marriage, devoted father of Erica Arsenault, and Dennis Arsenault Jr. and his wife, Alesandra; cherished grandfather of Max Arsenault, who he adored.



In accordance with the CDC’s current restrictions on gatherings due to Covid-19, all services will be held privately. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Mass General Cancer Center, 55 Fruit Street, Boston, MA 02114. For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Lillian Mae Hurley

Retired beauty salon owner and operator

Lillian Mae (Eddy) Hurley, 90, of Punta Gorda, FL, formerly of Lynn and Revere, passed away peacefully on May 27, 2020.

Lillian and her late husband, John Hurley, retired to Florida in 1987.

Lillian was born on Dec. 11, 1929 to the late Newman and Louise Eddy of Lynn. The family originated from Newfoundland, Canada.

In life, Lillian loved hairdressing and was the owner and operator of her own beauty salon and made life-long friends along the way. She and John enjoyed traveling and covered many parts of the globe in their lifetime. Lillian was an admirer of all things British and enjoyed travels to England and Newfoundland and later in life appreciated watching English programs on PBS. Lillian’s faith was strong, and she had a beautiful singing voice. She found pleasure singing with a woman’s choir. Lillian also enjoyed sewing and knitting.

Lillian is survived by three children: Louise A. Lutes of Revere, Frederick and Mary (Carter) Hurley of Wakefield and April and Kenneth Van Vorst of Punta Gorda, FL. She leaves behind five grandchildren: Julie A. Reardon of Methuen, Michael J. Carter of Revere, Frederick and Tracy Hurley of Waltham, Edward and Kelly Hurley of



Wakefield, and Elisabeth Hurley of Newburyport. Lillian and John also have five great grandchildren: Robert Reardon, Ryan Reardon, Lily Carter, Dominic Carter and Frederick Hurley, all of Massachusetts, and one great-great grandchild, Robert (Bo) Reardon. Lillian also leaves behind many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her siblings; James K. Eddy, Florence R. Hossack, Norman J. Eddy and Warren Eddy, all of Massachusetts.

Lillian supported many causes, two of which are the St. Joseph’s Indian Lakota Children and St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Donations may be made to either foundation in lieu of flowers. The family will arrange a memorial service at a future date to which all will be welcome.

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Catholic Charities of Boston receives United Way COVID-19 Family Support Fund grants

Catholic Charities of Boston is pleased to announce that the agency is the recipient of \$200,000 in grant support from United Way of Massachusetts Bay's COVID-19 Family Support Fund. The grants will support the COVID-19 relief efforts of Catholic Charities of Boston North in Lynn, in addition to supporting basic needs services across the agency.

Catholic Charities of Boston serves over 175,000 individuals each year, providing basic needs, youth and family services, workforce development, and refugee and immigration services to those most in need in Eastern Massachusetts. During the COVID-19 crisis, the demand on basic needs services, especially food and financial assistance, has seen a five-fold increase. Catholic Charities North serves

over 18,000 children, youth and adults each year in communities north of Boston, providing basic needs, education and training, family support and counseling.

"On behalf of the team at Catholic Charities North and the greater CCAB community, we are incredibly thankful for United Way's support during this particularly challenging time," said Fran Troutman, director of Catholic Charities North. "The COVID-19 Family Support Fund money enables us to continue providing vital resources to our neighbors who are most affected by this pandemic."

Catholic Charities of Boston is a part of United Way's network of agencies with a long track record of working together to administer flexible emergency assistance for families impacted by income disruption.

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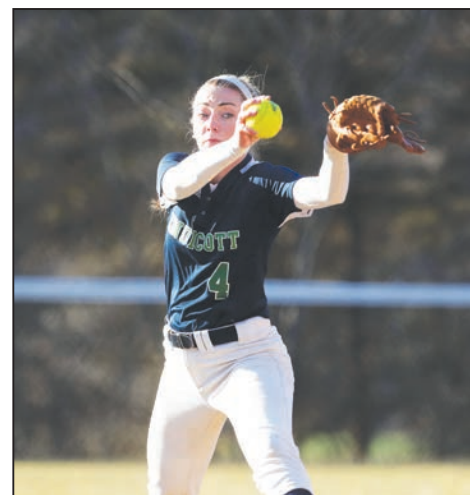
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Excellence at Endicott: Endicott College softball pitcher Michaela Hamill displays the form that has made her a three-year standout and an NCAA Tournament game-winner for the powerful Lady Gulls' program. Hamill received her degree magna cum laude in May and will return to the softball team in 2021 as a graduate student.

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and Endicott, Hamill became a senior captain and the stage was set for the 5-foot-6-inch righthander to lead a younger Endicott team on to the field.

But Hamill and the Gulls never got to compete on the actual field as the entire 2020 season was canceled in March due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We had two indoor scrimmages in New Hampshire before we were scheduled to go to Florida for 10 games," said Hamill. "Our Florida trip was canceled and two days later, our conference (CCC) called off the season. I worked really hard this past off season, so it was definitely disappointing. It was very hard for the seniors because we had so much high energy to go to Florida."

While the news was disheartening, there is another chapter to be written in the Meaghan Hamill story at Endicott.

Though she has received her degree from Endicott and is officially a graduate, Hamill has begun her studies as a graduate student at Endicott and is thus eligible to return for a fourth season of college softball.

"If everything goes as planned, I'm going to play softball next year at Endicott," said Hamill. "Coach Bettencourt has already asked me to come back."

High honors and a senior thesis

Michaela Hamill has been an All-Conference pitcher on the

field and equally brilliant in the classroom. In fact, the Dean's List's student was twice named to the All-Conference Academic Team.

She graduated magna cum laude with a degree in Educational Studies and a minor in Psychology.

While most colleges don't require a senior thesis, all Endicott students are required to write a senior thesis in order to graduate. The thesis represents the culmination of a student's coursework and internship experiences. The successful completion of the senior thesis is the pinnacle of Endicott students' tenure at the college and is a personal achievement to be celebrated.

Hamill wrote a senior thesis that was titled, "The Impact of Increasing and Developing Speech Patterns Through Various Strategies of Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder."

She completed an internship during the first semester of her senior year at the May Institute in Wilmington, a school for students with autism.

"I based my thesis on my experiences there and chose to focus on the importance of communication because a lot of the students are non-verbal so they have to use iPads or pictures to communicate," said Hamill, who worked with students, ages 12-16. "So my thesis explored deeper in to the process of communication and

what works best for each individual student."

Hamill will be pursuing a Master's degree in Applied Behavioral Analysis. She will be returning to the May Institute to work in a full-time position as a teacher's assistant.

"My goal after graduate school is to get my BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst) license and continue working in the field of autism," said Hamill.

Beginning her career In Wyoma Little League

Michaela Hamill was an ace pitcher from the start in the Wyoma Little League. Her coach was her father, Don Hamill.

"My father taught me how to pitch throughout all of Minors and I learned so much from him," said Michaela gratefully. "He was my first coach."

In a constant theme to her career at every level, victories piled up. The Wyoma 12-year-old All-Star Team, with Michaela on the hill, won the state championship. She led the Wyoma Diamondbacks to a City Series title.

She played in the Lynn Babe Ruth softball program and helped Lynn win the New England Regional championship. She also excelled for the New England Storm AAU team.

At St. Mary's High School, she played three seasons for Coach Colleen Newbury and one season for Coach Paige Licata. In

her sophomore year, the Spartans captured the North sectional title. She was a three-time Catholic Central League All-Star, the team MVP in her sophomore year, an Item All-Star, and a team captain.

"I loved my experience at St. Mary's," said Hamill, who also played varsity soccer for a North sectional championship team. "It was a lot of fun both academically and athletically. It was great to be a part of such a successful athletic program."

Hamill chose Endicott over St. Michael's College in Vermont. "I definitely made the right choice," she said.

The support of her parents (Don and Laurie Hamill) continued throughout her college career at Endicott. Michaela was asked how many games her parents attended during her career, including some being played on cold early spring, New England afternoons.

"My parents were at every game, home and away," she responded. "They're my role models. They definitely are very supportive of my softball and my academic career."

Michaela also considers her siblings to be great role models - her sister, Meaghan Hamill, the chief of staff to Lynn Mayor Thomas McGee and a former basketball standout at Austin Prep, and her brother, Matthew, a former ice hockey and lacrosse

player at Malden Catholic and a lacrosse player at the University of New Hampshire.

Praise from Endicott and St. Mary's High School

Endicott College softball coach Katie Bettencourt lauded Hamill's exceptional leadership and her dedication to the team.

I always refer to Michaela Hamill as "steady Eddy," said Bettencourt. "She has been so consistent with the way she prepares and the way she performs. She understands her strengths as a pitcher and loves to compete. I admire how honest Michaela is with the coaching staff and her teammates. That is one of the many qualities that myself and her team admire."

St. Mary's High School Director of Athletics Jeff Newhall congratulated Hamill on her graduation from Endicott, recalling the former Lady Spartan as a popular, hard-working student and team leader.


"Michaela was truly an outstanding student-athlete at St. Mary's and I congratulate her on her academic success as an honors graduate at Endicott and being a terrific college softball player," said Newhall. "We are all quite proud of her many collegiate accomplishments. She has been a great representative of our school."

(Information from the Endicott Athletics Website was used in the compilation of this story).

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