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LYNN FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Six new Lynn Firefighters were promoted at the City Council Chamber. Chief Stephen Archer expressed how everyone is proud of these firefighters' accomplishments as he stated, "These new officers will be so important now and into the future with the Lynn Fire Department; they are so proud to serve the city." The promoted officers are District Chief Joseph Zukas, Captain Ryan Brown, Captain Jon Godbout, Lt. Estarlo Abreau, Lt. Andre Painchaud, and Lt. Chris Fountain. According to Chief Archer these new officers are quality individuals and he urged, "Please continue to support them and continue to be there for them. Being a firefighter can be a very tough job at times; we are here to protect the city." Pictured are District Chief Joseph Zukas, Capt. Ryan Brown, Capt. Jon Godbout, Lt. Estarlo Abreau, Lt. Andre Painchaud, Lt. Chris Fountain, Mayor Jared Nicholson, Deputy Chief Arthur Richard, and Chief Stephen Archer.

He loved to skate

DA candidate James O'Shea says Lynn Youth Hockey set positive foundation in his life, career

By Cary Shuman

James O'Shea, who is running for district attorney in Essex County, has many years of experience in the legal profession.

O'Shea, who just turned 50, passed the bar exam and took his oath of office in December, 1997. He started practicing law in 1998 and is now a partner in the Moris & O'Shea LLC firm. O'Shea has 24 years of experience in criminal defense and civil litigation, while his law partner, Halim Moris, is an immigration law expert.

O'Shea's slogan for his campaign for district attorney is "Experience Over Politics."

A graduate of Providence College and Suffolk Law School, O'Shea, who grew up in Lynn, has launched his campaign for the seat currently held by Essex County DA Jonathan Blodgett.

A Lynn Youth Hockey star

James O'Shea was once a Lynn Youth Hockey standout and he credits his experience as a player and a coach in the program for setting a strong foundation for his future endeavors in



James O'Shea (right), candidate for Essex County district attorney, is pictured with Brothers Deli owner George Markos at the popular restaurant on Market Street.

education, sports, and the legal profession.

"I played in Lynn Youth

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Lynn English interviews football coaching candidates

Lynn English High School has begun the process of interviewing candidates for its football head coaching position.

Ten candidates applied

for the position, according to Director of Athletics Dick Newton. Six candidates were granted interviews.

Newton said a coach will likely be selected next week.

Big Brothers Food Mart sells \$1 million lottery ticket

A lucky Lottery player won a \$1 million prize March 2 in Lynn.

The winner purchased The Fastest Road To \$1 million ticket at the Big Brothers Food Mart located at 578 Chestnut St. The winning ticket holder opted for

the cash prize of \$650,000 before taxes.

Store owner Enam Haque said the winner was a regular customer. "He was very, very happy," said Haque, who is originally from Bangladesh.



Big Brothers Food Mart, 578 Chestnut St., sold a \$1 million Mass Lottery instant ticket.

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EDITORIAL

PUTIN: PURE EVIL

As regular readers of this column know, we do not view events in terms of “good vs. evil.”

Over the years, we have referred to tobacco companies, polluters, et als as greedy and despicable, but describing them as “evil-doers,” as former President George W. Bush did in referring to the plotters behind the 9/11 attacks, or labeling Iraq, Iran, and No. Korea as the “axis of evil,” as Bush did in his 2002 State of the Union speech, always struck us as an overly-simplistic way to refer to those with whom we disagree, a verbal short-cut to avoid trying to explain complex matters.

But sometimes words cannot be found to discuss events for which there is no rational explanation. The more we try, the more we realize that sometimes, words are nothing more than hollow, shallow, and meaningless keystrokes on our laptops.

The actions of Hitler and the Nazis before and during WWII fit into this category.

And so too, is the tragedy that is unfolding hour-by-hour in Ukraine, where the civilian population is being wiped out by the whims of a semi-mad and sociopathic 70 year-old dictator.

Evil -- pure “evil” -- is the only word that comes to mind when we think of Vladimir Putin.

That’s all we’ve got. But that says it all.

ENERGY RELIEF IS NEEDED -- SUSPEND THE GASOLINE TAX

Other than a couple of on-air Fox TV personalities, the vast majority of Americans are outraged about the situation in Ukraine.

But there isn’t much that we in the U.S. can do about it directly, whether individually (unless we want to join the Ukrainian army) or collectively (unless we want to start a nuclear World War III).

Yes, the U.S. is working with other nations in supplying weapons and humanitarian aid to Ukraine. We also have imposed unprecedented and devastating economic sanctions upon Russia that already are wreaking havoc with the Russian economy.

But what has not been done is the big one: Shutting-off the spigot of Russian natural gas and oil, the means by which Putin is able to finance his war and his hold on the Russian people.

Congress is in the process of passing a bill that would ban the import of Russian oil into this country. Apparently, we get seven percent of our oil from Russia.

The Biden administration has been hesitant to do so because it fears that this would cause a huge spike in the price of gasoline, which would further fuel inflation.

However, we cannot offer platitudes to the Ukrainian people and talk about our commitment to democracy and peace if we are unwilling to make sacrifices ourselves.

Congress and the Biden administration can soften the effect upon average Americans of skyrocketing energy costs in a number of ways, either through direct payments to income-qualifying Americans or even subsidies to domestic energy producers, with the caveat that they need to increase production here in America. (In fact, our domestic oil producers are engaging in nothing less than crass war-profiteering by refusing to produce more oil and natural gas, which they easily can do and as they have done in the past, in order to flood the world market and bring prices down.)

The state and federal governments also can suspend the tax on gasoline. In California for example, the per-gallon state tax is 51 cents and the federal tax is 18 cents. Here in Mass., our state tax is 24 cents.

If the world is to turn the tide against the Putin regime, we must be willing to make sacrifices on an individual level. If that means paying more for gasoline, then that’s what we have to do.

But governments can soften the blow upon average Americans of soaring energy costs, which will have ripple effects throughout the economy, and should take action to do so immediately.

Dr. Glenn Mollette

There is nothing good to be said about the Devil. If you don’t believe me, check out Bible. Or, just turn on the television for a reporting of the evil he spreads throughout the world. You will likely see his picture, Vladimir Putin, the President of Russia.

Some people say they don’t believe in the existence of the Devil. I do, his name is Vladimir Putin.

Look at the face of Putin. You will see the Devil. Look at his dark eerie eyes and his pointed ears. When he attempts to smile, you’ll notice his tongue rolls out like a serpent’s. His smile is never genuine but is always forced as he has no heart to produce any kind of a human gesture. The head of Putin is shaped like a Devil’s head. The one thing you’ll never see is his rear end because his long tail gives his identity away.

The appearance of Putin un-

GUEST OP-ED

Is Vladimir Putin the Devil?

fortunately is not what gives his identity away. The lifelong actions of Putin give him away. He is the chief producer of the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of Ukrainians and possibly millions before this invasion is over, if it’s ever over. Anyone who can take the lives of innocent people simply because he wants to control a particular part of the world is again, evil.

Putin wants the Ukrainian people to live like Russia’s people and to control their lives, their government, what they do and where they go. He is our modern-day Adolph Hitler. There is nothing good to say about him.

The Devil wants to control our lives. He wants to bring us down to where we are under his dominion. He wants our lives to be filled with darkness, hopelessness and bound to his wishes. We see this in everyday life. People are in slavery to addiction, greed, perversions, hatred, jealousy, depression and more. We war within ourselves but our inward

war often turns outward and impacts people around us. People kill people. People hurt people. People maim others with words and attitudes and actions that often destroy themselves and others. This is the work of the Devil. He is about devouring and destroying. He often comes across as an angel of light. He pretends he wants us to be fulfilled by not being denied anything. This is how the serpent approached Eve in the Bible. The Devil still uses this trick all the time and it still works much of the time.

Is Putin the real literal Devil? You judge for yourself or ask someone from Ukraine.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

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Hockey from the age of 3 because my older brothers (Billy played hockey at St. Mary's; Steven played hockey at Lynn Classical) were out there and I couldn't wait to get out on the ice," recalled O'Shea. "I played Youth Hockey right up until high school."

While a student in law school, O'Shea returned to Lynn Youth Hockey and coached in the program.

"I picked it back up and I coached Lynn Youth Hockey while I was in Suffolk Law," said O'Shea. "I was coaching with a friend of mine, Terry Ward, and his brother, Jimmy Ward, and we coached their children. Coaching Lynn Youth Hockey was the best thing I ever did. I had an awful lot of fun."



James O'Shea is pictured during his playing days in the Lynn Youth Hockey program during the 1980-81 season.

Working at Gannon Golf Course

O'Shea earned a spot on the St. John's Prep freshman ice hockey team.

"We had over 70 kids try out," recalled O'Shea, who decided to not continue in the hockey program. "I ended up making the varsity golf team as a senior. That was the lone varsity experience for me at the Prep. John Gilmartin was our No. 1 golfer. When I was at the Prep, the best athlete hands down was Matt Cushing, a kid from Lynn. He was the captain of the football and hockey teams and is now a successful lawyer."

Interestingly, O'Shea started at St. John's as a 5-foot-6-inch freshman, but by the time his senior year rolled around, he was 6 feet, 3 inches tall.

"I used to go to Dan Driscoll's hockey camp every summer in Peabody and he couldn't believe how much I had grown," said O'Shea. "The summer of junior year, I grew six inches and some of my classmates didn't even know who I was when I came back as a senior."

During high school, both O'Shea and Gilmartin worked at Gannon Golf Course under the leadership of head professional Mike Foster.

"Mike is one of my favorites all time," said O'Shea. "I worked for Mike from the time I was 13 years old up until I went to college. I was a Valley rat kid. I was in the pro shop and parked golf carts."

Family has been a great influence

James is the son of Beverly (Gagner) O'Shea of Lynn and the late William O'Shea. His father, "Bill," graduated in 1951 from

St. Mary's High School where he was an outstanding hockey and baseball player. Mr. O'Shea later played semi-professional baseball and graduated from Holy Cross in 1955. During his two years of service in the U.S. Navy, Mr. O'Shea played in the Naval Baseball League. He went on to earn his law degree and served with distinction in the profession for more than 50 years.

Mr. O'Shea served as a Lynn Youth Hockey coach and encouraged his children to participate in sports. He was a great role model.

"My father was a very good left-handed pitcher," said James. "He always said he could throw the baseball through a brick wall, but the control was tough."

James O'Shea and his wife, Tara O'Shea, have two daughters, Isabella, a senior at Boston University enrolled in the pre-medical program, and Jamison, a freshman at Northeastern University.

Participation in sports was a positive experience
Looking back at his participation in Lynn Youth Hockey and other sports, James O'Shea said it was not only fun, but impactful.

State Shannon Grant funding moves the needle on Lynn youth gang violence

State funding through the Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr., Community Safety Initiative (CSI) Grant Program has helped move the needle on youth gang violence in Lynn. A recent Lynn grant of \$370,819.47, of which \$36,270 comes to North Shore Community College to serve as a research partner, will continue local work for the eighth year.

"The Shannon grant program invests in community-based efforts to connect with at-risk youth and help put them on a pathway to future success," said Governor Charlie Baker. "The long-term positive impacts of the programs funded by Shannon grants demonstrate the importance of a collaborative approach to addressing youth violence and improving the safety of our communities."

These resources support the revitalization of Gateway Cities and regional and multi-disciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated programs for prevention and intervention. Work includes developing strategies in: social intervention; suppression; opportunity provision; organizational change; and community mobilization.

The Lynn Shannon grant will enable the Lynn Police Department, North Shore Community College, Lynn Family and Children Services, Catholic Charities, Lynn Youth Street Outreach Agency, and Lynn Parks and Recreation to continue their eight-year anti-gang efforts.

NSCC's role in the grant is assisting the Lynn initiative by providing strategic, analytic, technical, and research support.

NSCC assists with the grant requirements from the state, conducts research and analysis on local crime trends, and provides training on the latest research in the field and current issues in criminal justice.

Since 2015, NSCC has received \$261,438 and key accomplishments have included: crime data analysis for Lynn youth between the ages of 14-24 (the grant's age range) on a monthly, quarterly and yearly basis; preparation of two comprehensive Community Gang Assessment reports and worked closely with our partners and other state agencies on developing an individual risk assessment tool, for determining if a youth is at risk for becoming a gang member; and presenting bi-annual forums on CJ-related topics to partners.

In addition, NSCC's grant funds support a paid student intern position for a Lynn criminal justice student who is interested in working with youth in the community. Interns work for a period of time with each Shannon organization and get first-hand experience as to what the youth workers do to make a difference in the lives of the popula-

tion they serve.

"The information and research NSCC produces is used by the partners to develop strategies for dealing with gang issues," said NSCC criminal justice professor and project coordinator Frank D'Agostino. "Some of our recommendations from the Community Gang Assessment reports, regarding increased employment readiness for Lynn youth and expanding after school and evening activities, have been integrated into the providers efforts."

"Keeping students occupied with positive extracurricular activities and employed in the summer are two proven ways of reducing gang involvement. Gang related issues have been on the decline in the city in recent years and we believe the Shannon grant efforts are a part of that. The Shannon grant has done a great deal of good work in the community for many years," D'Agostino noted.

In 2021, Shannon CSI partners served over 15,000 young people across the Commonwealth, representing a dramatic increase of youth participation in Shannon CSI-funded programs compared to 2020.

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The Procopio Companies announce major milestone at Mosaic project in Lynn

The Procopio Companies (Procopio), a fourth-generation, full-service real estate development and construction management firm announced the topping off of Mosaic, its newest multi-family and mixed-use project in Downtown Lynn, MA. Mosaic encapsulates the creativity of old-world art in a modern, innovative design.

“Mosaic provides an elevated residential experience to Lynn residents and transplants alike,” said Michael Procopio, CEO of The Procopio Companies. “Lynn is a rapidly growing community. Mosaic is a direct response to the demand in the Greater Boston area for studio and one-bedroom apartments. Mosaic delivers this and more with a top-notch amenities package and thoughtful design. We’re thankful to be continuing our partnership and involvement with the city.”

Mosaic’s topping off marks the completion of the building’s vertical structure. The six story, 147,000 square-foot mixed-use residential project will offer stu-

dio, one bedroom, and one bedroom plus den residences conveniently located just two blocks from the MBTA train providing unlimited access to the vibrant Downtown Lynn area. Units feature luxury vinyl tile flooring, quartz countertops, two toned cabinetry, Frigidaire kitchen appliances, and in-unit Bloomberg washers and dryers. Additionally, Mosaic offers residents a wide array of lavish amenities including an expansive courtyard outfitted with a pool, patio, and grilling area, a roof deck and roof top lounge, top-floor club space, and designated private remote workspaces equipped with video conferencing technology. Mosaic has three unique commercial spaces ranging from 530 square feet to over 2,000 with additional patio space.

Procopio has partnered with Peabody-based architecture firm DMS Design for the exterior design and with Boston-based CUBE 3 for interior design. Construction management is led by Massachusetts-based

construction management firm, Dellbrook | JKS and property management and leasing is led by Greystar.

“It’s great to be working with The Procopio Companies again,” said Danielle Meri, Associate Principal + Senior Interior Designer at CUBE 3. “We always appreciate working with clients as dedicated to the community and quality design and construction as Procopio is. Here, the concept of Mosaic is much more than a connection to the arts and culture district. Much like its’ namesake, Mosaic is one piece within the community, contributing toward Lynn’s continued evolution and revitalization and we’re excited for residents to call it home.”

Lynn, MA has seen rapid growth and development, as the community continues to emerge as one of Massachusetts’ few Arts and Cultural Districts. With beautiful coastal views and a convenient, central location, the city offers meaningful experiences to everyone. Mosaic is

scheduled to deliver in Summer 2022. The mixed unit building offers studios starting at \$1,905, one bedrooms starting at \$2,195, and one bedroom + den starting at \$2,440.

The Procopio Companies has seen exponential growth over the past decade with an expansive portfolio featuring projects across the East Coast. Procopio plans to continue strengthening its relationship with the City of Lynn through the thoughtful development of Mosaic after the overwhelming success of Caldwell, Procopio’s first project in Downtown Lynn, MA.

For more information on Mosaic, please contact 857-386-1000, email mosaic@procopiocompanies.com or visit, mosaiclynn.com.

For more information on Mosaic’s three available commercial spaces, Joe Rubendall at (781) 715-1466 or email jrubendall@procopiocompanies.com.

Rooted in one of Massachusetts’ few Arts and Cultural Districts, Mosaic’s iconic design elements speak to the geometry and creativity of old-world mosaics. Lynn is a bustling and rapidly growing community, and Mosaic

provides elevated residences for Lynn residents. The property builds upon the market-setting Caldwell property, which was developed by The Procopio Companies and opened its doors in 2021. Caldwell was the first multifamily offering of its kind in the area, and with the development of Mosaic, The Procopio Companies furthers its commitment to providing extraordinary places to live within Lynn. For more information, please visit mosaiclynn.com.

The Procopio Companies is a fourth-generation real estate development and construction management firm based in Middleton, Massachusetts. Founded in 1950, Procopio has developed luxury single-family developments, multifamily apartments and condominiums, mixed-use, and commercial-industrial projects throughout New England. In 2017, The Procopio Companies was recognized for their tremendous growth and quality of product earning the honor of being named the Massachusetts Family Business of the Year by Northeastern University. For more information, please visit procopiocompanies.com.

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USS Constitution opens lottery for Easter egg hunt

USS Constitution opened a lottery for the chance to participate in an Easter egg hunt aboard the ship from 8 to 10 a.m. Saturday, April 16.

The Easter Egg hunt is intended for children ages 12 and below and can be entered through the following link: <https://invitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=631421&k=0462430D7956>.

The deadline to enter the lottery is March 28 with the winners notified on April 1.

25 winners and their immediate families will be selected to join Old Ironsides’ crew in an Easter Egg Hunt across the ship’s decks.

Children and their families will be able to hunt for six eggs to turn into USS Constitution Sailors for a candy reward with alternates provided in case of allergies.

Additionally, five wooden eggs, made from USS Constitu-

tion wood, will be hidden for children to find and keep as souvenirs.

USS Constitution is the world’s oldest commissioned warship afloat and played a crucial role in the Barbary Wars and the War of 1812, actively defending sea lanes from 1797 to 1855.

The active-duty Sailors stationed aboard USS Constitution provide free tours and offer public visitation as they support the ship’s mission of promoting the Navy’s history and maritime heritage and raising awareness of the importance of a sustained naval presence.

USS Constitution was undefeated in battle and destroyed or captured 33 opponents.

The ship earned the nickname of Old Ironsides during the war of 1812 when British cannonballs were seen bouncing off the ship’s wooden hull.

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MAYOR NICHOLSON READS TO SHOEMAKER GRADE 5 STUDENTS

The Shoemaker Elementary School participated in the annual school wide America's Read to Kids Day. Reading is so important in education; it is the foundation of learning.

Principal Christina Colella explained how reading makes quite the difference when students are reading at home and at school. She continued to say, "We are celebrating reading across America Day. Our students are so excited about reading; they each will receive a book funded by the PTO. The staff encourages literacy to the students which is a lifelong learning skill."

Mayor Jared Nicholson was invited to read a book – What the Road Said. Afterwards, students had questions of interest for him regarding his campaign, office responsibilities, and his home life. Mayor Nicholson thanked the class for the terrific questions and to have this opportunity shar-



Mayor Nicholson reads the book – What the Road Said – to Grade 5 students.

ing a wonderful story with them. "This was a wonderful experience for the class having Mayor Nicholson visit them and for him to share a book with the students. This is a great memory for the students to have," said Grade 5 teacher Donna Whalen.



Teacher Donna Whalen and Principal Christina Colella with Mayor Nicholson with Grade 5 Shoemaker students.



School Committee member Lorraine Greatly and Principal Christina Colella prepare "Read to Kids Day" at the Shoemaker School.

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mass. Foundation announces new Board Members, Grant Program Officer

The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of two new members to its Board of Directors and also welcome a new senior staff member of the grantmaking team.

The new board members are South End resident Zamawa Arenas, founder and CEO of marketing consultancy Flowetik, and Dr. Kiame Mahaniah, CEO of Lynn Community Health Center.

Arenas is a skillful marketing strategist and entrepreneur who guides public health and health care organizations to engage with stakeholders and consumers for greater impact. In leading Flowetik, she actively collaborates in the Greater Boston business and nonprofit communities, partnering with clients to advance equity and drive change in health care, education and economic development.

Across more than two decades, Arenas' work has connected her with the Boston Public Health Commission, Hunger to Health Collaboratory, Massachusetts Coalition for Serious Illness Care, Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers and RIZE Massachusetts, among other organizations.

Arenas is a five-time Emmy award winner who has been inducted into the YWCA Academy of Women Achievers and recognized as a "Hispanic on



Dr. Kiame Mahaniah.

the Move" by a leading business publication. She is the recipient of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's Pinnacle Award honoring women for their outstanding contributions in the workplace and to enhancing the region's quality of life. She earned a master's degree in broadcast administration from Boston University.

"I am honored by the opportunity to join such a talented and diverse group of individuals who are dedicated to the Foundation's important mission," Arenas said. "Even with all of the progress in broadening access to care as a direct result of the Founda-

tion's leadership, there is still more work to be done to improve health care access and coverage for all residents of the Commonwealth."

Dr. Mahaniah is an experienced family physician and health care leader. He has served as CEO of Lynn Community Health Center since 2017, rising from the role of chief medical officer focused on quality care and the patient experience in the community health setting. He began his career as a staff physician at Greater Lawrence Family Health Center, before becoming the chief medical officer of North Shore Community Health.

Born in Philadelphia, Dr. Mahaniah draws inspiration from his childhood divided between the conflict-challenged African country of Congo and his education in Switzerland. He is passionate about ending health disparities and his clinical interests include teaching and integrating opioid addiction treatment into primary care.

After graduating from Haverford College, he earned his Doctor of Medicine degree at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia as a National Health Service Corps scholar, and graduated from the Family Medicine Residency program at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Among other honors, he was named the Massachusetts

Academy of Family Medicine Physician of the Year in 2012-13.

"I am thrilled to join the Foundation's board and bring my perspective as a physician and community health leader to its important work, particularly in the focus areas of addressing racial inequities in health and pursuing social in health care," said Dr. Mahaniah. "As leaders in our society, we have a responsibility to recognize and address any structural gaps that persist as disparities in access to quality, affordable health care."

Reena Singh recently joined the Foundation as Senior Program Officer. Singh oversees grant programs designed to expand access to health care for racially, ethnically, economically and socially marginalized communities Massachusetts. In 2021, the Foundation's grantmaking activity totaled nearly \$4 million and included the launch of the Racial Justice in Health program to support grassroots nonprofit community organizations led by people of color.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Singh served as the director of campaign planning and communications at Voices for Healthy Kids, an initiative of the American Heart Association. She previously provided coaching and technical assistance while working for Community Catalyst, a national nonprofit

advocacy organization based in Boston.

Singh holds a master's degree in public policy and administration from Columbia University, where she received the Harvey Picker Prize for Public Service. She also participated in the Boston University Institute for Nonprofit Management and Leadership.

"Reena has tremendous experience advancing advocacy campaigns and collaborating with health justice organizations," said Audrey Shelto, President and CEO of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation. "Her focus on policy initiatives involving coverage, access and equity makes her an ideal addition to our team and will help propel the Foundation's mission through her role supporting our major grantmaking programs."

The mission of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation is to ensure equitable access to health care for all those in the Commonwealth who are economically, racially, culturally or socially marginalized. The Foundation was established in 2001 with an initial endowment from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. It operates separately from the company and is governed by its own Board of Directors. For more information, visit www.bluecrossmafoundation.org.

North Shore Music Theatre announces 2022 schedule of musicals, concerts, and kids shows

With a full schedule of musicals, concerts, and kids shows set for 2022, Bill Hanney's North Shore Music Theatre (NSMT) is set to return for a full season of great entertainment for North Shore audiences. This is the first full season since 2019. The box office is open, and all tickets are available to purchase online at www.nsmat.org, by phone (978) 232-7200 or at the Box Office located at 54 Dunham Road in Beverly, MA.

"With the pandemic keeping our stage dark for all of 2020 and most of 2021, it feels good to be looking ahead to getting back to keeping the vibrant and growing Arts scene alive on the North Shore by bringing a variety of great entertainment to audiences

all year round," said Bill Hanney, NSMT's owner and producer. "We are extremely anxious to welcome back audiences once again and our talented staff is working hard to make sure every show is worth the wait."

MUSICAL SCHEDULE

- June 7 – June 19 - SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE: The Songs of Leiber and Stoller
- July 12 – July 24 - Rodgers + Hammerstein's CINDERELLA
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- September 20 - October 2 - LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS
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CONCERT SCHEDULE

- April 1 - MOTOR BOOTY AFFAIR
- April 8 - VYNTYGE SKY-NYRD with WHAMMER JAMMER
- April 9 - DARK DESERT EAGLES
- April 10 - THE NSMT ORCHESTRA featuring JAY DALY presents "From Stardust to Penny Lane; A Celebration of the Popular Trumpet"
- April 20 - G420 CONCERT featuring WE ARE HYDROGEN
- April 23 - Voices of Hope presents A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING
- April 29 - FOREIGNERS JOURNEY featuring CONSTANTINE MAROULIS

- April 30 - LEONID & FRIENDS

- May 7 - BACK TO BLACK starring MEGAN WOLF

- May 13 - ADAM EZRA GROUP

- May 14 - BROADWAY THE CALLA-WAY! starring ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY & LIZ CALLAWAY

- October 8 - Voices of Hope's ANNUAL FALL GALA CONCERT

- October 9 - ONCE IN A LIFETIME! Fats Domino Meets Liberace

KIDS SHOW SCHEDULE

- March 26 - A YEAR WITH FROG & TOAD
- July 29 - Disney's THE LITTLE MERMAID, JR.
- August 26 - Disney's FRO-

ZEN, JR.

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MARQUITO'S KITCHEN CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

Delayed one week because of a harsh snowstorm did not slow down Marquito's Kitchen Grand Opening celebration. This business eatery is located on the corner of Chestnut Street and Western Avenue intersection. New shining stainless steel ordering counter and with a brand-new cooking station surrounded with a colorful pastel scheme will welcome customers to have high quality and great tasting Spanish-Dominican food as well some American favorite eats.

North Shore Latino Business Association (NSLBA) Director Frances Martinez has been working to help businesses to open as she noted, "I am so happy and excited with this opening in Lynn. For the last two years as we all faced the pandemic, hardly any new businesses were opening. As we begin to adjust away from pandemic restrictions, more new

businesses are beginning to open which is a good economic indicator for Lynn."

Local officials were in attendance presenting Citations. Ward 3 Coco Alinsug and Ward 4 Richard Colucci represented the Lynn City Council; Councilor Alinsug expressed the Council's acknowledgements to Marquito's Kitchen for its accomplishments and dedication to the community.

Mayor Jared Nicholson gave the City of Lynn Citation as he said, "The city is thrilled to welcome this new business. When you see the word Kitchen, I see a hard-working family behind the business scene; they will do a terrific job offering a delicious menu selection for customers." Sean Reid from State Senator Brendan Crighton's office welcomed the Guerrero Family as he gave the MA Senate Citation for this new business.



Owner Marcos Guerrero Jr. officially cuts the Grand Opening Red Ribbon.



North Shore Latino Business Association – Obed Matul of Full Color, Mayor Jared Nicholson, Director Frances Martinez, Owner Marcos Guerrero Jr., Sergio Espinoza, and Jose Encarnacion.



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Malden Catholic names Joe Gaff as head football coach

Malden Catholic announced that Joe Gaff has been hired as the Head Football Coach. Joe Gaff brings an extensive football coaching background that includes thirty years of total coaching experience, with fifteen of those years in the position of head coach. Gaff has successfully served as Head Varsity Coach in the past at Malden Catholic from 2005 to 2008. Subsequent to his tenure at MC, Joe served as both Defensive Coordinator and Head Coach at Boston College High School, and helped lead the team to Super Bowl championships in 2008 and 2011. Prior to his time in the Catholic Conference, Joe had a successful run as Head Coach at Chelsea High School leading them to a Super Bowl as well. To complement his high school experience, Gaff also coached football at the college level at Tufts University.

“Coach Gaff’s strong ability to connect with others, demonstrated drive to succeed and skills for developing talent the right way made Joe really stand out during the search for a coach. As we went through the process, Gaff checked off all the boxes and he is a perfect fit for Malden Catholic,” stated MC Athletic Director Bill Raycraft. “This is an exciting time for MC’s Football Program and there has been quite a buzz in the community regarding his hiring,” Raycraft



Joe Gaff.

added.

Gaff is a thirty-two-year veteran of the Everett Police Department and currently a Police Sergeant for the city. Gaff stated, “I am looking forward to honoring the successful tradition of Malden Catholic and continuing to build on the current football program. The pieces are in place for us to grow the program to the next level - where our students, staff and alumni expect to be. We will work hard to develop a physical football team that is dominant on both lines of scrimmage and has a dynamic balanced offense and an assertively stout defense.”

“Joe Gaff has not only proven himself an excellent football coach, but he has also shown both in his time at Malden Catholic in various coaching roles

and through this hiring process, that he understands MC’s mission and deeply cares about our student-athletes. He is committed to their success both in the classroom as well as the field,” commented Malden Catholic Headmaster, John Thornburg.

Since 1932, Malden Catholic High School has shaped emerging leaders in our community, claiming a Nobel Laureate, a Senator, two ambassadors and countless community and business heads among its alumni. Annually, graduates attend some of the nation’s most renowned universities including Harvard, Georgetown, Brown, Cornell, Tufts, Georgia Tech, Boston College and Amherst College. Foundational to student success is Malden Catholic’s codivisional model which offers the best of both worlds, single-gender academics during the day and integrated social and extracurricular opportunities after school. Malden Catholic is known in the community for its rigorous academics, SFX Scholars Program and award-winning STEM program. Malden Catholic curriculum is designed to improve individual growth mindset, leadership principles and success outcomes along with integrating the Xaverian values of trust, humility, compassion, simplicity and zeal. <https://www.maldencatholic.org>.



ST. MARY'S PLAYERS MEET IN COLLEGE BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS

Two members of the 2019 state championship St. Mary's High School girls basketball team were on opposite sides in the GNAC playoffs at Emmanuel College. Pamela Gonzalez of Regis College (left) and Olivia Matela of Emmanuel College are pictured above after the game. Matela's Emmanuel Saints defeated Gonzalez's Regis Pride, 84-60, in the semifinals on their way to winning the GNAC Tournament. Matela scored 14 points for the conference champions while Gonzalez led her team with 22 points. St. Mary's fans will remember that Gonzalez assisted on Matela's memorable, game-winning shot that helped St. Mary's defeat Archbishop Williams, 62-59, in the state semifinals at the TD Garden.

LOCAL STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

UMF ANNOUNCES DEAN'S LIST FOR FALL 2021 SEMESTER

The University of Maine at Farmington proudly announces Katryn Barr was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. University of Maine Farmington (UMF) maintains a Dean's List each semester for those students completing a minimum of 12 credits in courses producing quality points. Students whose grade point average for the semester is equal to or greater than 3.8 are listed with High Honors. Students whose grade point average for the semester is less than 3.8 but equal to or greater than 3.5 are listed with Honors. Any incompletes must be satisfactorily completed before the student is honored with Dean's List status. Aca-

ademic achievement awarded at commencement is based on all course work taken at UMF.

More on University of Maine at Farmington

A nationally-recognized public liberal arts college, UMF enjoys a 150-year tradition of providing a quality academic experience combined with the personal attention and close student / faculty collaboration that help prepare all students to be successful. Rooted in a tradition of teacher preparation, UMF offers top quality programs in the arts and sciences, teacher preparation, and business and pre-professional studies. UMF is located in the heart of Maine's four-season outdoor recreational region and is a welcoming, close-knit academic community that prepares students for engaged citizenship, enriching professional

careers and an enduring love of learning.

REGIS STUDENTS MAKE THE DEAN'S LIST

Regis College is pleased to announce that 516 students made the Dean's List for academic achievement for the 2021 fall semester.

* Jafari Peterson, of Lynn is among the students who made the Dean's List. Peterson is in the class of 2022.

To be eligible for the Dean's List as a senior, junior or sophomore at Regis, a student must have a semester grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.50. For first-year students, a semester GPA of at least 3.25 must be attained.

“I am very pleased to see so

many of our students excelling across the university,” said Regis College Vice President of Academic Affairs, Mary Erina Driscoll, PhD. “The Dean's List and the diversity of academic disciplines speak to a dedicated student body and to a faculty that promotes intellectual curiosity and achievement.”

Regis College is a coed, Catholic university 12 miles west of Boston in Weston, Mass. With over 3,000 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students enrolled on campus and in fully online graduate programs, Regis provides an academically rigorous education within the schools of nursing, arts and sciences, business and communication, and health sciences. The Young School of Nursing at Regis has consistently been recognized by the National League of Nurs-

ing as a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education. In line with Regis' mission of providing innovative, industry-focused learning opportunities, the university offers academic partnerships with hospitals and local employers, a clinical dental center in Waltham, Mass., and bachelor's completion and accelerated nursing programs at its campus in Lawrence, Mass. The university's 20 NCAA Division III athletic teams compete within the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC). Inspired by the social justice values of its founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston, Regis engages with service initiatives within the local community and around the world. Visit

<https://www.regiscollege.edu/> to learn more.

NEWS BRIEFS

GOLDBERG TO APPOINT NAKISHA SKINNER TO THE MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION

Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg announced that she will be appointing Nakisha Skinner to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) as of March 21. The Massachusetts State Treasurer has sole appointment for the one commission member with a background in corporate finance and securities, for a five year term.

“I am pleased to appoint Nakisha Skinner to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission,” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “Her experience and expertise will positively benefit the Commission and ensure the continued integrity of the gaming industry in Massachusetts.”

A graduate of Suffolk University Law School, Skinner most recently served as the Licensing Division Chief for the MGC, where she managed the planning and operations for the licensing and registration of casinos and gaming vendors and their employees, as well as alcohol beverage licensing, serving as primary point of contact for vendors and casinos’ human resources, compliance, and procurement departments.

“I appreciate the trust Treasurer Goldberg has shown in me with this appointment and am thrilled to get to work as a commissioner,” said Nakisha Skinner. “As Licensing Division Chief, I’m familiar with many of the pending issues and the players, both internal and external. I plan to get right down to the business of engaging, supporting, and protecting the gaming industry in this new capacity.”

Prior to the working for the MGC, Skinner served as the General Counsel for the Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance. She also served as General Counsel to the Boston Public Health Commission.

“I am delighted to learn of the appointment of our respected colleague, Nakisha Skinner, as Commissioner of the MGC,” said MGC Chair Cathy Judd-Stein. “Having worked with Nakisha as our chief of licensing I know the dedication, experience, and passion that she brings to her work. An appointment of a new commissioner so familiar with the issues facing the MGC will allow a seamless transition. I look forward to continuing to serve with Nakisha in her new role and am thankful to the Treas-

urer for making this appointment.”

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission was created after “An Act Establishing Expanded Gaming in the Commonwealth” was signed into law on November 22, 2011. The Commission is a five-member independent body that is responsible for developing and managing the process to select, license, oversee, and regulate all expanded gaming facilities in the Commonwealth. The costs associated with operating the state’s gaming commission is paid for by the gaming industry and not by Massachusetts tax dollars.

OLD NORTH FOUNDATION TO HOLD RE-ENACTMENT

“One if by land, two if by sea.” On Wednesday, April 13, the Old North Foundation in Boston’s North End will re-enact the famous signal that illuminated the path for the American Revolution. The commemoration celebrates the events of April 18, 1775 when two men hung two lanterns from the steeple of the Old North Church, the city’s oldest surviving church building and one of the most visited historical sites along the Freedom Trail. After passing critical information to the signal holders, Paul Revere began his midnight ride warning rural patriots that the British troops were marching to Lexington and Concord. The act of defiance that inspired a nation to collectively win our independence from Britain is a reminder of the power of active citizenship to create a more perfect union that reflects the promise of liberty and justice for all. This year’s event will be held in-person from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at Old North Church & Historic Site, located at 193 Salem Street in Boston, and livestreamed for a virtual audience. The celebration will feature the Middlesex County Volunteers Fife and Drums, a reading of the poem “Paul Revere’s Ride” by Michael J. Bobbitt, Executive Director, Mass Cultural Council, and remarks by the 2022 Third Lantern Award recipient, Michael R. Bloomberg, Founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies and Bloomberg LP and 108th Mayor of New York City. A reception with live music and food will follow. Proceeds from the event will support the Old North Foundation’s virtual and on-site programs, which aim to inspire children and adults alike to consider

the ways in which they can build a more just and equitable world. Individual tickets range from \$25 to \$200 and must be purchased in advance. All attendees must show proof of vaccination and wear masks when indoors. To register, visit: www.oldnorth.com/Lantern2022.

BAKER SIGNS ORDER TO REVIEW CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS WITH RUSSIA

Governor Charlie Baker signed Executive Order 597, which directs all executive branch agencies to review and terminate any contracts with any Russian state-owned company. The executive order also directs agencies to review any partnership, affiliation, or exchange with any Russian state-owned company, Russian government controlled entity, or Russian governmental body.

“With this order, we hope to build on the sanctions the federal government has already placed on Russia for their unjustified attack on Ukraine,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “The Commonwealth of Massachusetts condemns the actions of Russia and stands firmly with the free and democratic nation of Ukraine.”

“The Commonwealth will continue to offer its support Ukraine and stand with them in the face of Russian aggression,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. “My thoughts are with all the Ukrainian people during this horrific time.”

The Governor’s executive order encourages independent agencies and authorities, public education institutions, and other constitutional offices to adopt similar policies.

The order also directs the Office for Refugees and Immigrants to work with the Federal Office of Refugee Resettlement and other stakeholder agencies to support Ukrainian immigrants and refugees fleeing the conflict.

NORTHEAST METRO TECH TO DISMISSED EARLY AFTER VANDALISM DISCOVERED

Superintendent David DiBarri and Wakefield Police Chief Steven A. Skory report that Wakefield Police are actively investigating after an act of vandalism was discovered Thursday morn-

ing at the Northeast Vocational High School.

On Thursday, as employees and students were arriving for the school day, school officials discovered a broken window and damage to a school conference room. The Wakefield Police Department and WPD School Resource Officer were immediately notified.

An initial investigation indicates that a vandal broke the window, damaged the room and threw or broke a glass bottle filled with an unknown substance made to resemble a Molotov cocktail, according to investigators.

Out of an abundance of caution, given the attempted arson and vandalism, Superintendent DiBarri has made the decision to dismiss students early on Thursday. Families were notified and the school’s transportation partner is working with Northeast Metro Tech to facilitate an orderly early dismissal, which occurred at approximately 11 a.m.

The school and police department are following the established policies and procedures that are in place to guide decision-making during these types of incidents.

The incident is being actively investigated by Wakefield Police. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

FEMA AWARDS NEARLY \$23.4 MILLION TO MBTA

The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be sending almost \$23.4 million to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to reimburse the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) for the additional costs of operating safely during the pandemic.

The MBTA will receive a total of \$23,379,695 in federal funding through FEMA’s Public Assistance grant program to reimburse some of the costs associated with keeping public transportation services operating safely between March and June 2020.

Those measures included:

- Purchasing and distributing personal protective equipment (PPE) to staff;
- Overtime costs for employees;
- Buying disinfecting supplies;
- Dissemination of essential public health and safety information as barriers, signs, safety yellow paint & barricade tape; and
- Providing testing equipment for staff and the public such as privacy screens, thermal cameras, and thermometers.

“FEMA is pleased to be able to assist the MBTA with these costs,” said FEMA Region 1 Regional Administrator Lori Ehrlich. “Keeping public transportation operating during this time period was critical to allow emergency workers, medical personnel, and others to continue getting to work.”

FEMA’s Public Assistance program is an essential source of funding for states and communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency. So far, FEMA has provided nearly \$867 million in Public Assistance grants to Massachusetts to reimburse the commonwealth for pandemic-related expenses.

Additional information about FEMA’s Public Assistance program is available at <https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit>. To learn more about the COVID-19 response in Massachusetts, please visit <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4496>

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OVER A THOUSAND POLICE, LOCAL OFFICIALS ATTEND SERVICES HELD FOR TROOPER BUCCI

Photos by Bob Marra

More than a thousand local po-

lice and even some from across state lines travelled to Revere on Tuesday to attend the wake of and honor Tam-

ar Bucci, a Mass. State Trooper, who died in a motor vehicle accident while on duty last week. A funeral mass will

be held at St. Anthony's Church today at 11 a.m.



Lt. Governor Karyn Polito and Attorney General Maura Healy at the service.



Members of the Chelmsford, MA police department look on during the ceremonies.



Relatives of Trooper Bucci came out of the church to view the assembled formation of police officers before the walkthrough began.

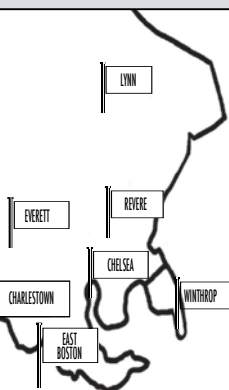


The contingent of police officers came from neighboring New England states and as far away as Nebraska and Missouri.



The members of various police forces from near and far gathered at attention for the somber ceremony at the St. Anthony's Church parking lot.

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Marblehead School of Ballet to hold celebrated summer dance intensives

Dancers can expand their skills and technique in the Marblehead School of Ballet's (MSB) celebrated Summer Intensive Dance 2022 program. Students of all levels may apply to this dance and cultural gem's renowned Summer Dance Intensive program presented in a hybrid format in-studio at 15 Pleasant Street in Marblehead on the North Shore of Massachusetts and online this year.

Individualized Instruction in Small Classes

The seasoned and avocational dancer will find personalized training in small classes in the Summer Intensive. "Our highly trained staff works with each student to assess individual dance and exercise goals. They cultivate their technical skills and enrich a dancer's understanding and appreciation of the art form. The internal mechanics of the body are emphasized and not the superficial aspects of style, bringing the dance to a higher level. The school provides a very strong foundation emphasizing proper technique, including correct alignment, body mechanics and musicality," explained Paula K. Shiff, Director, Marblehead School of Ballet.

A limited number of in-studio spots will be available for dancers to train, with the program also offered live online for those wanting to participate from another location. The program for students, ages 11 to adult, runs from July 11 through July 30. Students may sign up for



Students attend the Marblehead School of Ballet's Summer Dance Intensive.

one, two, three, or a combination of weeks. During the first two weeks, individualized instruction is provided in ballet, modern technique, Pointe, and variations, as well as in the related disciplines of jazz, Pilates, and more. Choreography will be the focus of the third week followed by a performance on Saturday, July 30.

Young Dancer's Summer Intensive

The Young Dancer's Summer Intensive for children, ages eight to twelve and over, is scheduled from August 1 to August 6. This intensive offers classes covering ballet technique, improvisation, stretch and strength, rhythm, story telling through movement, anatomy and more. Students

receive individualized attention customized for their personal development.

The Summer Intensives are sponsored in part by The Ruth N. Shiff Memorial Fund and provides support for the guest teachers and the performance.

Register Early

As in studio space is limited, students are encouraged to register early. The early bird registration 5% discount promotion is offered to students who register by May 14. When registering, students must use the promotion code EARLY52022 to receive the discount. Details about the schedule and registration for the Summer Dance Intensives 2022 may be found online at <http://marbleheadschoolorballet.com/programs/summer-intensive/>.



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For further information, call 781-631-6262 or contact msb@havetodance.com.

About Marblehead School of Ballet

Celebrating its 50th year, the Marblehead School of Ballet, founded in 1971 by Paula K. Shiff, has earned a wide reputation for the excellence of its training and integrity of purpose. Classical ballet forms the core of teaching with particular emphasis on correct alignment and development of strength and agility. The sheer pleasure of dance and music is always central to the classroom experience.

The basic graded program for children includes classes in ballet technique with advanced work in repertoire and pointe. The school also offers a modern

dance department, classes for young children in creative movement and classes in improvisation and technique for the older student. A full range of adult classes is offered.

MSB is home to the North Shore Civic Ballet Company (NSCB). The NSCB gives concert performances and a variety of educational programs for schools; all are suitable for different age groups and levels of development.

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Board 130 gets the call in college hoop title games

There were six college men's conference championship games on Feb. 26 for a total of 18 Division 3 assignments throughout New England – and six of those 18 were members of IAABO Board 130.

Lynn residents Paul Halloran, Mike Fogarty, and Bo Sao officiated the North Atlantic Conference final.

Rich Napolitano and Gary Corbett were officials in the NEWMAC final, while Brandon Sabina was an official in the Commonwealth Coast Conference final.

Board 130 consists of certified basketball officials in the northeastern region of Massachusetts.

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