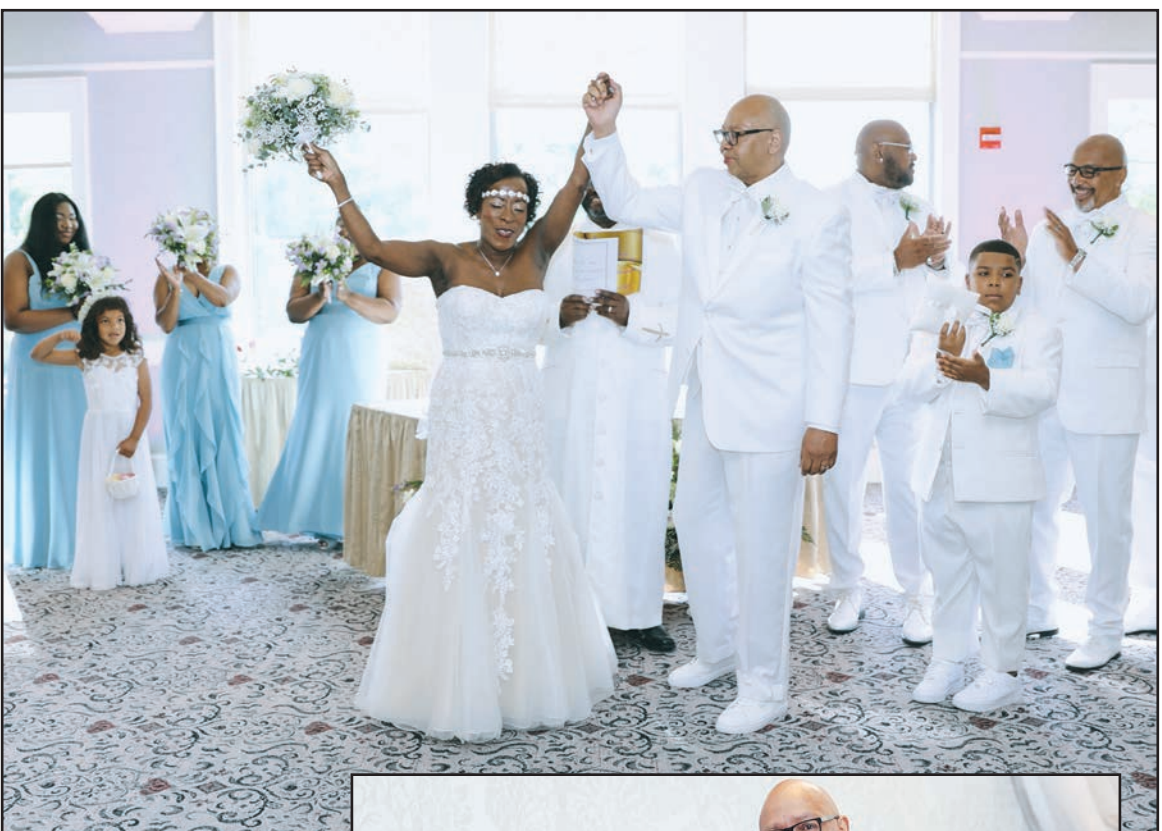


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ANTHONY SEAFORTH PHOTOS
Pancho Bingham and Rebekah Lynn Suggs are pictured at their wedding reception Saturday at Spinelli's in Lynnfield. (above and after receiving their wedding vows (right) from the Rev. Leroy Mahoney of the First Baptist Church of Saugus. Members of the wedding party celebrate the joyous occasion with the couple.



Basketball great Pancho Bingham marries Rebekah Lynn Suggs

By Cary Shuman

One day after being honored at a glorious event at the Lynn Museum as a member of the state champion 1979-80 Lynn Classical High School basketball team, Pancho Bingham celebrated another very significant milestone in his life.

Bingham, the Rams' 6-foot-4-inch superstar guard who went on to play Division 1 basketball at BU, married Rebecca Lynn

Suggs on Saturday. Family, friends, and some of Bingham's teammates at Classical attended the beautiful wedding ceremony and elegant reception at Spinelli's in Lynnfield. Pancho and Rebecca have been together as a couple for more than a decade. "We decided to tie the knot and make it official," said the charismatic Bingham, part of the famous Classical Five. "It's very exciting for us to walk down the aisle. This is a big step. I am marrying a great lady."

Pancho's brother, Bryan Bingham, and cousin, Jeff Smith, co-served as the best man at the wedding. Pancho and Rebekah both attended Harrington Elementary School in Lynn. Pancho was a student at Lynn Classical while Rebekah was attending Lynn English at the time. The Bingham family will spend their honeymoon on the island of St. Kitts. The couple will reside in a home on the Lynn-Saugus line.

Ward 3 candidate Coco Alinsug will hold campaign kickoff June 25

By Cary Shuman

Constantino "Coco" Alinsug, candidate for the Ward 3 seat on the Lynn City Council, will kick off his campaign at a fundraising event on June 25 at Christopher's Café, 2 Lewis St. Alinsug has been a resident of Lynn for 18 years. He was born and raised in the Philippines and came to the United States 25 years ago. Alinsug's father, Ember Alinsug, was a councilor and vice mayor in the Philippines, having served in the same political party as world champion boxer Manny Pacquiao, who is now a senator in the Philippines and a potential candidate for President. Alinsug's grandparents also served

as city councillors in the Philippines. "When I left the Philippines, my dad was very sad because nobody would follow in his footsteps," said Alinsug. "Now I can proudly say that I am following in their footsteps but it's half-way around the world in my new home so they're very happy that I made that decision. My parents [Ember and Esther Alinsug] are regular visitors to Lynn." An Asian Studies major and an international scholar, Alinsug, 49, is fluent in six languages and conversational in two other languages. He has been very active in Lynn organizations and is an elected member of the Demo

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Crighton endorses Nicholson for Mayor

State Sen. Brendan Crighton (D-Lynn) has announced that he is endorsing Jared Nicholson for Mayor of Lynn. In his announcement Sen. Crighton said that "throughout my 16 year career in public service I've had the opportunity to work closely with many dedicated members of the Lynn community. Today I am honored to announce my support for one of the brightest, hardest working individuals that I've ever worked with." Sen. Crighton cited his experience working with Jared, "even before Jared ran for office, he was fighting for many of our shared

priorities including school funding, job creation, transportation improvements, and making sure that all Lynn residents have access to housing they can afford." Sen. Crighton also put the endorsement in the context of Lynn's future, "it is crucial that we have a mayor with the vision, toughness, and skills to lead us. When I'm fighting for the priorities that matter to Lynn in the State House, I need a partner like Jared in City Hall. His vision for a future of Lynn that includes all of us is exactly the direction we

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RECOGNIZING LYNN BASKETBALL'S BEST, CLASSICAL FIVE HONORED AT CELEBRATION

The 1979-80 Lynn Classical High School basketball team is considered one of the greatest teams in state history.

The "Classical Five" – starting players Pancho Bingham, Tony Thurman, Meryl Brown, Stu Primus, and Sandy McGee – were honored during a celebration last Friday at the Lynn Museum.

Mayor Thomas McGee presented a citation to the players recognizing their 25-0 season that culminated in a Division 2 state championship, followed by an amazing victory over Patrick Ewing and Division 1 champion Cambridge Rindge and Latin in an exhibition game at Revere High School.

Dr. Dan Dill served as master of ceremonies during the speaking program.

Doneca Thurston, director of the Lynn Museum, said she was happy to have the Museum host such a memorable event and honor such an illustrious basketball team.

"I had the pleasure of meeting Stu Primus and he told me about this amazing team and the incredible accomplishment of being the 1979-80 basketball state champions," said Thurston.

Jeff Barile, former teacher and principal at the Washington Community Magnet School, where

Stu Primus, Sandy McGee, and Tony Thurman attended elementary school (along with sixth man Eddie Anderson; Pancho Bingham and Meryl Brown attended other elementary schools) was among the many guests at the celebration.

"I could tell they were going to be great," said Barile. "I coached them in the summer at the Lynn

basketball clinic and they were all great kids and great athletes."

The Classical Five will forever

be remembered for their spectacular achievements not only on the basketball court but also on

the football field where they were state champions as well.



Pancho Bingham with Lynn Classical Football star Eddie Anderson and Ernest Henderson.



David and Donald Brown with Ward 6 Councilor Fred Hogan.



Long-time friendships – Donald Brown, Tony Thurman, Dexter McKenzie, and Stu Primus.



Lynn Classical Football and Baseball star Junior and Carol Guy with Mayoral Candidate Michael Satterwhite.



Lynn Classical Basketball Five: Tony Thurman, Pancho Bingham, Meryl Brown, Sandy McGee, and Stu Primus.



Former CYO Coach John Hoffman with his players – Stu Primus, Ernest Henderson, and Sandy McGee.

RECOGNIZING LYNN BASKETBALL'S BEST, CLASSICAL FIVE HONORED AT CELEBRATION



Jeff Byrd with Stu Primus.

The Brown Family – Donna, Merly, and Meryl Jr.

Organizer for the Event Nicole McClain with Stuart Primus and Lynn Museum Director Doneeca Thurston.



Long-time Lynn sports' fan Russ Meade shows back in the day Lynn Classical Basketball photos.

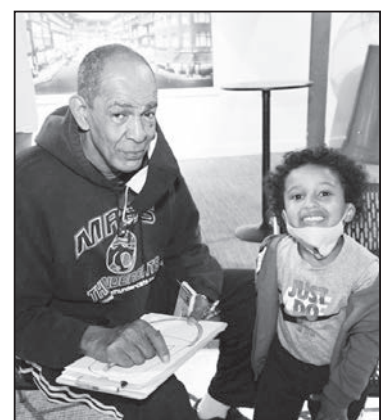
Lynn Police Officers Mark Williams, Taylor Haberek, and Sgt. Rick Connick congratulated Stu Primus for his LCHS Basketball achievement.



Former LEHS Girls' Basketball Coach and Ward 6 Councillor Fred Hogan with Donald and Ward 4 Councillor Richard Colucci.



Representing the mothers of the players – Joanne Benjamin, Diana Brown, and Donnyell Curry.



Former Lynn Basketball star Jeff Byrd with his grandson, Javlan Byrd.



Mayor Thomas McGee with Joseph Scanlon and Joe Brown.

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EDITORIAL

THE GUN CRISIS

The recent increase in mass shooting incidents across the country comes as no surprise to anyone with an ounce of common-sense.

The ease of purchase, and relatively low-cost, of assault-style weapons, particularly AR-15 semi-automatics with large-capacity magazines, makes it possible for anyone to become a mass murderer.

And make no mistake about it, the purpose of high capacity magazines in assault weapons is to reduce the time it takes to reload, thereby increasing the time in engaging the target, ensuring that a mass murderer can kill and maim large numbers of victims in a matter of seconds.

It is not a coincidence that the vast majority of mass shootings occur in states with lax gun laws. Texas, Georgia, and other Southern states impose virtually no restrictions on the purchase and sale of these weapons that are designed to kill and maim as many people as quickly as possible.

Up to now, Massachusetts and many other states with stronger gun laws fortunately have been fairly insulated from such incidents.

However, that soon may change. It has long been the goal of the National Rifle Association and the gun lobby to invalidate what those groups consider to be restrictive gun laws in violation of the Second Amendment in every state. They want every citizen in the country to be able to buy whatever gun they want, whenever they want, and to be able to carry loaded firearms in public all the time and everywhere.

The NRA basically has adopted Archie Bunker-reasoning. (Archie's solution to solving the airplane hijacking problem of the 1970s was to give every passenger a gun when they boarded so that they could "get the drop" on the would-be hijacker).

The NRA's long-cherished dream of an AR-15 in every household took a big step forward two weeks ago with a decision by a federal judge striking down California's ban on the sale of assault-style weapons that has been in effect since 1989.

The judge began his opinion with these words: "Like the Swiss Army Knife, the popular AR-15 rifle is a perfect combination of home defense weapon and homeland defense equipment. Firearms deemed as 'assault weapons' are fairly ordinary, popular, modern rifles."

Obviously, even comparing an AR-15 to a Swiss Army Knife is ridiculous on its face -- we've never heard of a mass murderer using a knife as a weapon -- but what in our view was really chilling was the judge's words stating that an AR-15 is useful as a "homeland defense weapon."

That wording mimics what the gun crowd (the type of guys who like to dress up in camouflage) sees as the principal argument in favor of lax gun laws: That ordinary citizens will need these weapons in order to defend our country against the possibility of a foreign invading army.

That argument likewise is nonsense, but it's what animates the gun types who like to play soldier -- and obviously was among the reasons for the judge's decision striking down the California statute.

The state is appealing this judge's ruling. Ultimately, this question will reach the U.S. Supreme Court. However, given the present make-up of the court, we would bet even-money that the court will strike down the California statute -- and when that happens, it will be open season on innocent Americans all across the country for mass murderers.

A father's guiding hand...



GUEST OP-ED

Strategize your money flow

Dr. Glenn Mollette

If your outgo is more than your income then your upkeep will be your downfall.

A sure way to disable yourself financially is to spend more than your income.

If your income is \$2500 a month then you can't spend \$3500 a month and come out ahead.

An old friend used to say, "You can't borrow yourself rich."

We have "wants" and "needs." Needs must always outweigh wants. We need food and shelter, transportation and basic utilities to survive.

A person with a small income has severe financial pressure and must live on a strict budget. The person who has a lot of income still must determine a budget. The principal is the same for the person who has more income. Your outgo must not exceed your income. If you are earning \$9,000 a month but spending \$10,000 you are going to end up in financial trouble.

With a very low income even

the very basic needs become a luxury. Keeping the house warm or cool is a luxury. Buying good or healthy groceries are difficult. Buying gasoline to go to work is expensive. If you have access to a credit card, the pressure is great to put basic living needs on the card but the exorbitant fees and interest of credit card companies begin to quickly intensify your financial burden.

Your choices are few when it comes to good household budgeting. Let's look at a lean budget. Let's say your income is \$2,000 a month. You can afford the following: \$500 a month in rent, \$250 a month in utilities, \$250 a month for a used car payment and \$150 a month for gasoline. This gives you \$850 a month to buy food on and buy basic auto insurance. You will have to go through your state medical insurance program and apply for free state health insurance because you can't afford to buy health insurance. You also have to figure out how to make more money. You have to work hard where you are and do good so you can get a better paying

job. Or, you must gain additional income through a second job. With surging inflation facing our country this makes these numbers an intense strain. Consider living as close to your job as possible to save on transportation costs.

If your income is \$5,000, \$10,000 a month or more. Your strategy is easier. Your main goal must be to not buy a house or a car that stretches your income to the max. You don't need the stress. Budget so you can afford to take a vacation or have a play day. Life is short! Enjoy it along the way. How you budget and spend your money can make you financially unstable or you can live with a feeling of financial security.

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LETTER to the Editor

REINSTATEMENT OF SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

To the Editor,

“Without the Lord’s day, we cannot live!” His Holiness, Pope Benedict, in his homily at the Cathedral of Saint Stephen in Vienna on September 9, 2007, quoted the Abitinian Martyrs, who during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian were arrested for celebrating Sunday Mass. The martyrs responded to the magistrate: “Sine dominico non possumus!” – without the Lord’s day, we cannot live! The Pope went on to say: “For these Christians, the Sunday Eucharist was not a commandment, but an inner necessity. Without him who sustains our lives, life itself is empty. To do without or to betray this focus would deprive life of its very foundation, would take away its inner dignity and beauty.”

Aware that the opportunity to participate in Sunday Mass is increasingly available and increasingly safe for our Catholic people, we are joining dioceses in the Boston Province (Boston, Fall River, Springfield, Manchester, and Portland) in lifting the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation, effective the weekend of June 19 and 20, 2021.

We are mindful of the Lord’s statement: “Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” (Mt 18:20). While we certainly can pray alone, there is both strength and blessedness in communal prayer.

We do also note that attendance at Mass is our way of following the Third Commandment of the Decalogue: “Remember the sabbath day – keep it holy. For six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.” (Ex. 20:8,11)

We call to mind the many times we see Jesus observing the sabbath by going to the synagogue and teaching there (Mt 13:54, Mk 1:21-28, Lk 4:16-30, Jn 6:22-59). It is a desire of every Christian to conform his or her life to the life of Jesus, and Jesus went to the synagogue on the sabbath.

Most significantly, receiving the Eucharist is the center of every Catholic life. The Lord commands us to take and eat, and to do it in memory of Him. (Mt 26:26-30, Mk 14:22-26, Lk 22:14-20, 1 Cor 11:23-26, CCC 1324). The Eucharist is food for our difficult journey through life, filling us with joy and strengthening us to embrace our suffering. It transforms us from the inside out and creates a unity among us that is a strong witness to the whole world.

Therefore, it is with great confidence and trust in the Lord that we reinstate this Sunday Mass obligation. It has been a long, difficult year. People have experienced great pain and suffering throughout this pandemic. Loss of life has been immense. People continue to recover from the long-term effects of the coronavirus.

The heroes among us — our nurses, doctors, first responders and all medical professionals — were a source of enormous comfort. Priests brought the Sacrament of the Sick to COVID patients. Now we are able to join together, remembering the lives changed and the sacrifices made. Let us gather together again in joy, as one people united around the Eucharist.

In this year of Saint Joseph, who was always a faithful observer of the sabbath, we chose Father’s Day as an appropriate day to encourage all of our people, and especially our families, to return to the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist.

This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have been recently exposed to COVID or any other communicable illness; those who are confined to their homes or to hospitals or other facilities due to illness, infirmity, frailty, or age; and those who are not yet able to be vaccinated, due to age or any health consideration. Parishioners should consult their local pastor if they have questions about the obligation.

To all of those who have not been able to be with us during this last year, we look forward to welcoming you back to the celebration of the Mass.

**Cardinal
Seán P. O’Malley,
OFM Cap
Archbishop of Boston**

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cratic State Committee.

“I fell in love with the city the moment I moved here 18 years ago,” said Alinsug, a homeowner in the city. “I became part of the Goldfish Pond Association and I’m still a board member of the Association which is part of Ward 3. So I’ve always been a Ward 3 guy.”

Alinsug is also a board member of Lynn TV and co-chair of the Lynn Cultural Council where he has worked closely with Mayor Thomas McGee and members of the City Council on cultural grants for local residents and groups.

“Running for city councillor is the next step of my service towards the people of Lynn,” said Alinsug, who works as an outreach manager at Fenway Health, a health center in the Fenway neighborhood of Boston.

Alinsug has been knocking on doors and meeting residents

throughout the ward. He has assembled a campaign team that includes a campaign manager, a youth campaign manager, and several residents in his neighborhood. Many of his pink and white campaign signs are visible in the ward.

Alinsug is expecting a large group of supporters at his campaign kickoff event at Christopher’s Café. Governor’s Councilor Eileen Duff and State Rep. Paul Tucker will be among the dignitaries in attendance. Alinsug said he has extended invitations to Lynn’s four mayoral candidates - City Council President Darren Cyr, School Committee members Jared Nicholson and Michael Satterwhite and Lynn business owner Keith Lee.

Two other candidates, George Meimeteas and Miguel Funez, have also pulled papers for the Ward 3 seat.



Coco Alinsug.

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need.”

Nicholson said, “Senator Crighton is an exemplary leader in Lynn with an outstanding track record and a true champion of the causes that we both care about for Lynn’s future. I am

thrilled and honored to have his support.”

This endorsement is a telling sign that Jared’s grassroots campaign for Lynn’s future is building momentum in the community.

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Lynn fireworks fundraiser golf tournament

Every year a fireworks' golf outing is organized to finance the July 4th celebration held on Lynn Shore Drive. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the major fireworks display will be postponed until 2022. Funds raised will be put toward next year's festivity.

The committee decided to keep the golf tournament alive, since it is a very popular event

for the city; twenty-two foursomes signed up to participate at Gannon Golf Course. Afterwards golfers were treated to a dinner. Prizes were awarded for closest to the pin on the par 3 hole, longest drives for the men and women, and recognizing the team with the best score. The committee also acknowledged local business sponsorships.

Mayor Thomas McGee com-

mented on the importance of having this event as he said, "Great to be here at the beautiful Gannon Golf Course in Lynn. It is a treasure to our community. I thank everyone for coming out to continue to raise funds for the July 4th fireworks display. Although no display will happen this year, Lynn will have a triple celebration in 2022."



Lynn Fireworks Fundraiser Committee: Chairperson Ann Marie Leonard, Allison Perry, Kerry McManus, Mariama Barry, and Karen Bartlett.



Challenging Foursome: Matt Sencabaugh, Mathiem Bruneau, Joe Calnan, and Nick Madden.



The Nerich Foursome: Susan Geaney-Terban, Lisa Nerich, Kristen Steriti, and Christine Nerich-Brown.



Mayor Thomas McGee's team with Tom Jr, Brendan Locke and Mike Cole.

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The Starbard Foursome: Rick and his daughter, Stephanie, with daughter, Jessica and Shawn Cushman.

Retiring unserviceable American Flags

A special ceremony is arranged to retire unserviceable American Flags. After time of servicing to the nation, the flag becomes worn-out. The proper disposal has been to burn the flag in a respectful manner. In 1937 The American Legion adopted this official ceremony.

Legionnaire David Solimine

Sr explained the importance of this surrendering ceremony, saying, "We live in the finest country of the entire world. Being in the Air National Guard for many years and having a personal experience, Americans need to honor the symbol of this country. As a young person, I grew up with 48 stars and now we have

50 stars representing each state. Whether it was 13 stars or 50 this is our emblem for America; we should honor and respect the stars and stripes. Each year with the Shoemaker Post 345 an appropriate surrendering ceremony for unserviceable flags are properly disposed with dignity and honor."



David Solimine Sr. surrendering an America Flag.



Volunteer Dan Damato helps with Flag surrender ceremony.



Surrendering Flag Ceremony committee - David Solimine Sr. Joel Solimine, LEHS MCJR-ROTC Cadets – Diana Cuevas, Winefer De La Cruz, Jauvon Norris, and Yareliz Coriano with Sgt. Major Kenneth Oswald.

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COUNCILOR-AT-LARGE BRIAN LAPIERRE'S CAMPAIGN RE-ELECTION FUNDRAISER

A diverse group of supporters attended Councilor-at-Large Brian LaPierre's fundraiser on the new outside deck at Rolly's Tavern in Wyoma Square. Brian is seeking a third term in office; he has been at the forefront of moving the city into a positive upswing.

During the last fifteen months Brian and his city council colleagues were occupied with the pandemic issue. His main priority along with the Lynn City Council was to organize Food Banks near City Hall. During that time millions of pounds of food were distributed to Lynn citizens who faced extreme gro-

cery shortages. This was an unbelievable orchestration by the Lynn Council members making sure Lynn came out of this properly as Brian explained.

Running for office during Covid-19 era is not easy according to Brian. He continued to say, "Working to move the city forward through my six years of serving, I collaborated with all city agencies to progressively move in the right direction. I am here as well as to assist people who need help. It a great accomplishment to learn Lynn is near zero cases, since the Covid-19 outbreak. I thank all the citizens of the city for how we worked

together."

Brian sees more positive things going to happen in Lynn as it begins to rebound from Covid-19. He expressed how he wants to be part of these efforts in the next two years and asked to be sent back to the City Council. Brian believes, "We became stronger as a city from last year by working together; we are planning new initiatives, such as Keep Lynn Clean. It makes us think and wonder where we are heading for this city and to take the city toward new heights; we cannot do this without the Lynn citizens."



Brian LaPierre's Family – Dylan, Owen, Kelly, and Brian.



Local City Officials – School Committee Lorraine Gately, Councilor-at-Large Brian Field, Ward 6 Councilor Fred Hogan, Ward 5 Councilor Dianna Chakoutis, Councilor-at-Large Brian LaPierre, Mayoral Candidate and Ward 3 Councilor Darren Cyr, Councilor-at-Large Hong Net, Ward 2 Councilor Rick Starbard, and Ward 1 Councilor Wayne Lozzi.



Sean Reid, Frank Grealish, Liz Ciampa, and Mayoral Candidate and School Committee member Jared Nicholson.



Christie and School Committee candidate Eric Dugan, Brant Duncan, Beth Kontos, Jeff and Margie Crosby, and Katie Cohen.



Sean Reid, Councilor-at-Large Candidate Marvin Hyppolite, Ward 4 Candidate Natasha Megie-Maddrey, and Yonerky Santana.

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LEHS Sgt. Major Kenneth Oswald retires

After 51 years of combined service with the US Marine Corp and with Lynn English MCJR-ROTC program, Sgt. Major Kenneth G. Oswald retires from his years of dedicated service. Sgt. Major Oswald gave service to his country and to the nation's youth. He started out as a Private and rose to the rank of Sergeant Major. Afterwards, he became the Lynn English High School ROTC instructor from 1995 to 2021.

Master Sergeant Gerald Goncalo said, "Sgt. Major gave service to his nation and to his community. Over 26 years as an ROTC instructor averaging classes of 200 cadets every year, he impacted the lives of thousands of individuals who became

successful and have a deep gratitude to him. Today, Lynn English has a premier program with a solid foundation."

Amazingly, Sgt. Major never took credit for the program, but stated it was the Cadets. Thousands of Cadets stood on the shoulders of Sgt. Major to make the program a success. The program will continue in excellence with Sgt. Major Jose Beato who graduated from Lynn English.

Sgt. Major Oswald's was selfless and had an enthusiastic attitude with a can do approach. He was a credit to the MCJR-ROTC program and to Lynn English as noted by VP Jennifer Mancaniello. She said, "Sgt. Major made a difference in the lives of the students and our staff. He leaves

a legacy of skill, leadership and success in the program. We thank him for all the years of service."

When he addressed the audience, Sgt. Major Oswald said, "There are no bad students, but only some bad decisions. I believe there is only one way, and that is the right way. I had three qualities - firm, fair, and consistent. The Lynn English Cadets were held to these qualities. My journey does not stop here, but it will continue on the horizon."

Sgt. Major Oswald is a remarkable individual who helped many people without hesitation. He is a great individual who served his country with honor and has influenced the youth in a positive way.



Harvard University bound MCJR-ROTC Cadet Erignacio Fermin received the First Sgt. Major Kenneth Oswald Annual Leadership Award by the Sgt. Major.



Veteran Kevin Betz presents Congratulations and Thank You plaque to Sgt. Major Kenneth Oswald as Commander Jeffrey Blonder of E.F. Gilmore DAV, USMC James Cole, USMC Donald Fahey, US Army Andrea Gayle-Bennett, and USMC Peter Tuttle pay tribute.



Master Sergeant Gerald Goncalo, Sgt. Major Kenneth G. Oswald, and Sgt. Major Jose Beato will be the new replacement for the MCJR-ROTC program.



Lynn English High School Staff congratulates Sgt. Oswald - (Front): Tessie Mower, Donna Hegan, Karen Twomey, Sgt Major Kenneth Oswald, Jennifer Mancaniello, and Liz Jesus-D'Amico; (Back): Tim Twomey, Matt Wilkins, Kathy Bonnevie, Kevin Benecke, Sue Lunden, Bobby Capano, Kara Baletsa, Flora Hart, Ginny Keenan, Sgt. Major Jose Beato, and Master Sergeant Gerald Goncalo.

Finalists will present concepts for Mt. Vernon Street Plaza

Lynn's Mt. Vernon Street Plaza will gain a signature piece of art this fall: but first, the City is asking those who live and work in Lynn to weigh in on five concepts for the site.

The City of Lynn, Downtown Lynn Cultural District and Lynn Public Arts Commission announced the artist and artist teams selected as finalists for the "Lynnstallation," a piece of public art to be installed by the commuter rail station entrance at Mt. Vernon and Exchange Street.

"The goal of this project is to install artwork that reflects the spirit of Lynn, brings people to the Downtown Lynn Cultural District and turns the plaza into a gathering space," said Mayor Thomas M. McGee. "The voices of the Lynn community are central to this process, so we hope to see a lot of people give feedback on the five options."

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council's (MAPC) Arts and Culture Department is leading the engagement and selection process for the piece, which will mark the gateway to the Downtown Lynn Cultural District, one of the Massachusetts Cultural

Council's officially designated cultural districts.

Almost four dozen artists and artist teams submitted applications for the project last July: from those, these five received grants to develop full concepts for the site.

Yetti Frenkel: "Star-Fish"

Fitzhugh Karol: "Jumbo T-Jax"

Beth Nybeck: "The In Between"

Orlosky Studio: "Laces of Lynn"

The Urban Conga: "Periscope"

These artists are presenting their concepts for a signature public art piece after being selected through a new community-centered model for municipal public art procurement. In addition to the proposed art pieces, finalists created detailed plans for building partnerships and engaging with Lynn artists, organizations and residents as the artwork is fabricated and installed.

Read more about their concepts, see mock-ups and download PDFs of each artist's full submission at <https://lynnincommon.com/lynnstallation>.

On Thursday, June 24, 2021, artists will present their concepts and answer questions at a 5 p.m. virtual Zoom meeting. Register at <http://mapc.ma/lynnartists>. After the meeting, Lynn community members will have the chance to vote on the different concepts until mid-July.

Community engagement has been a priority during the art commissioning process from the start: even before the COVID-19 pandemic hit, the project team worked with local artists, residents and nonprofits and held focus groups to get a sense of what community members wanted. The project was delayed several times due to the pandemic.

"The prospect of an art piece marking this Lynn gateway inspires hope," said Jennifer Erickson, Director of Arts & Culture for MAPC. "As the City and its residents resume safe gatherings in public spaces, we are excited to see that arts and cultural experiences like this 'Lynnstallation' will enliven the space and bring much-needed beauty and joy."

KNIGHT OF THE YEAR



Grand Knight Matt Harrington presented the 2021 Knight of the Year to DD/PGK Fausto Cabrera at the members' cookout at the Knights of Columbus. Fausto joined the KofC #70 in 2000 and has been continuously involved; he served two consecutive terms as Grand Knight and afterwards becoming a District Deputy. His volunteer work included calling at Bingo, leading rosary prayer services, being an Honor Guard for the Fourth Degree, and helping at My Brother's Table. Fausto plans to seek the KofC state Warden position to coordinate growth for state councils throughout Massachusetts. Pictured Grand Knight Matt Harrington presents Knight of the Year award to DD/PGK Fausto Cabrera.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

LOCAL STUDENTS NAMED TO ASSUMPTION UNIVERSITY SPRING 2021 DEAN'S LIST

Assumption University has announced those students who have been named to the University's Dean's List for the spring 2021 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters. Local students include:

Emma Panacopoulos of Lynn, Class of 2021

Meagan Molea of Lynn, Class of 2022

Margaret McHale of Lynn, Class of 2023

Brady Ryan of Lynn, Class of 2023

"These students demonstrated incredible resiliency amid the challenges posed by COVID-19 during the previous academic year and remained committed to their programs of study," said

Assumption University President Francesco C. Cesario, Ph.D. "Assumption is proud of these students for excelling in the classroom as they immersed themselves in the University's liberal arts curriculum, steeped in the Catholic intellectual tradition, and their majors preparing them for meaningful lives and careers after graduation."

Assumption University provides students with a comprehensive, Catholic liberal arts experience through curricular and co-curricular programs, including internship opportunities, recreational activities, and more than 60 on-campus clubs and organizations. An Assumption education forms graduates both intellectually and spiritually, inspiring wonder and purpose as they discover their vocation.

STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY

376 students have been named to the Plymouth State University Dean's List for the Spring

2021 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 2021 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

Quinn Brinkler of Lynn

Meredith McIntosh of Lynn

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SNHU ANNOUNCES WINTER 2021 DEAN'S LIST

It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Winter 2021 Dean's List. The winter term runs from January to May.

Full-time students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits in either EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6.

Susan MacDonald of Lynn

Nicole Lowe of Lynn

Melanie Earner of Lynn

Nicholas Levy of Lynn

Sandra Ellis of Lynn

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with an 88-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 150,000 learners worldwide,

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SPELTA NAMED TO PRESIDENT'S LIST AT PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY

Hailey Spelta of Lynn, has been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Spring 2021 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 2021 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester. Spelta is a Environmental Science & Policy major at Plymouth State.

Perez Auto Repair grand opening

A new auto service business celebrated its official Grand Opening in Lynn. Perez Auto Repair located at 371 Summer Street specializes in suspension systems, transmissions, exhaust system customization, and reliable engine tune-up and repair.

Owner Alejandro Perez with years of mechanical experience said, "The engine's performance depends on its condition. All engines and vehicles will have

wear and tear in time that will require service. Our automotive service is done right. My staff and I are here to serve your motor needs."

State Representative Pete Capano who has seen many vehicle businesses grow in his district noted that each are doing quite well. He presented a Massachusetts House Citation offering sincere congratulations in recognition of Perez Auto Repair

Grand Opening. Senator Brendan Crighton and Mayor McGee presented citations. Each extended very best wishes and continued success.

Executive Director of the North Shore Latino Business Association Frances Martinez was very excited to have another small business opening in the community.

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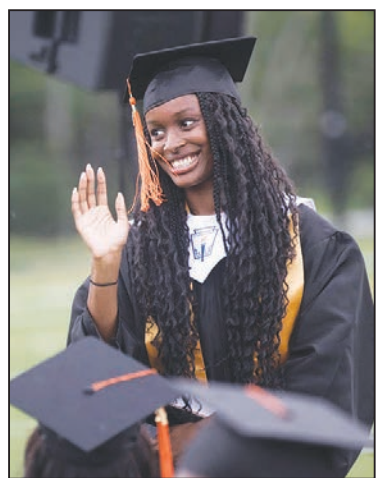
PCCS's graduation showcases the diversity of its senior class

Pioneer Charter School of Science (PCSS) I in Everett and PCSS II in Saugus celebrated the schools graduating classes last Thursday evening in a combined ceremony at Rivergreen Park in Everett. Under threatening skies, but luckily just a passing light shower, the 103 seniors (53 from PCSS I and 50 from PCSS II) celebrated their collective journey through academic challenges, social growth and a worldwide pandemic that interrupted their junior and seniors years - and looked ahead to the next chapter in their lives.

Nearly every student is off to college, earning more than \$9 million in scholarships and grants.

The class of 2021 received more acceptances to Ivy League Schools than any other class in the school's history. Some students will stay in New England, with a few matriculating to institutions like Brandeis, Dartmouth, Boston University and Northeastern, while others will travel all over the country to attend Stanford, UPenn and Cornell.

Melissa Gonzalez, of Revere, was PCSS I Valedictorian, and will be headed to Dartmouth to study biological sciences. Norah Asemota, of Lynn, was PCSS II Valedictorian, and will be majoring in finance at Stanford University. Harman Singh, of Everett, was PCSS I Salutatorian, and expects to attend Wentworth Institute of Technology to study computer engineering, and Misato Chinchilla, of Lynn, was PCSS II Salutatorian, and will go on to Cornell University to study



Norah Asemota of Lynn was PCSS II Valedictorian and will be majoring in finance at Stanford University.



Misato Chinchilla of Lynn was PCSS II Salutatorian and will go on to Cornell University to study atmospheric sciences

atmospheric sciences.

"The Class of 2021 has been tested on so many levels, they are ready for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead," said



Lynn students from PCSS I and II graduated in a ceremony on Tuesday evening at Rivergreen Park in Everett. Pictured are - Mathews Almedia, Norah Asemota, Adonis Blanco, Misato Chinchilla, Roxanne Konan, Doreen Leandre, Kayla MacDonald, Alexis Medina, Caphania Mentor, Dahicha Oliveres, Stephen Pastorello, Jayven Perez, Joshley Perez, Pedro Pinto, Jordan Previna, Melissa Ramos, Nery Rodriguez, and Adam Warden.

Barish Icin, PCSS Chief Executive Officer. "We are proud of their resiliency and of all they have accomplished in their time at PCSS. We have high expectations for them as they continue on the road to college and careers."

The ceremonies also highlighted the school's diversity. The graduating class has ties to a dozen countries and 75% are students of color; 64% of them have a second home language.

Dr. Lynette Tannis, an adjunct lecturer at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, delivered an inspirational commencement

address. She is the author of *Educating Incarcerated Youth: Exploring the Impact of Relationships, Expectations, Resources and Accountability* and is recognized as a juvenile justice education expert and an expert on school leadership and literacy. Her work as an adjunct lecturer, researcher, and independent education consultant focuses on ensuring all children — free or incarcerated — receive the free high-quality public education they deserve.

The ceremony marked the end of a tumultuous year due to COVID-19, but also provided reasons to celebrate the school's achievements. PCSS I and II were featured by U.S. News and World Report in its annual 'Best High Schools' ranking. PCSS I ranked 17th in Massachusetts among 365 high schools and PCSS II ranked 4th. PCSS II was also recognized as one of the top 200 high schools in the nation.

PCSS II was selected as the winner of the prestigious Pozen Prize for Innovative Schools

by the Boston Foundation. The award recognizes sustained academic excellence and innovation.

PCSS's curriculum focuses on developing strong math and science skills and many of the graduates plan to pursue careers in math and science. The students must pass 5 math and 5 science classes in order to graduate. Students must also complete 40 hours of community service. The school has a 195-day school calendar, extended days (7:30 a.m. - 3:35 p.m.), tutoring until 4:30, and voluntary Saturday classes for students who need extra help. MCAS scores have consistently shown PCSS students surpassing both state and district averages in all subjects and grades.

PCSS I, located in Everett, serves students in Grades PreK-12 from several communities North of Boston, including Everett, Chelsea, Lynn, Revere, Malden and Medford.

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