



CITY OF LAWRENCE MASSACHUSETTS

The Common *NEWS*



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Message from Mayor Rivera

Welcome Summer!

To my fellow friends and neighbors of Lawrence, I want to take a moment to congratulate all of the graduates of the Class of 2017. I wish you all the best in the path of success that you are paving. Remember where you are going and where you come from. Get out in the world and represent your city well and know that we are here supporting you. Do not forget that you are a part of Making Lawrence Better and I am encouraging you to continue doing so. With that being said, the summer is among us, enjoy the break, and I hope everyone enjoys the sunny days ahead of us.



Fun in the Sun!

The City of Lawrence is going to have plenty of summer activities this season and hope that the youth take part in the fun. For more information about what summer activities are going on, please visit

www.cityoflawrence.com/summerfun








Mayor Dan Rivera's 2017 Lawrence Summer Youth

ACTIVITIES LIST

SUMMER FUN IN THE SUN

DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES
Each week, different events!

- ✓ Beach and Pool
- ✓ Camping
- ✓ Outdoor
- ✓ Science Clubs
- ✓ Open Gym
- ✓ Baseball
- ✓ Writing
- ✓ Art Clubs
- ✓ Fun all Day
- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Volleyball
- ✓ Reading
- ✓ Softball
- ✓ Internships

Some Limited Spots Available

FUN ALL SUMMER!

FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH
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at these locations ALL SUMMER LONG through the LPS Summer Meals Program:

- Arlington School
- Guilmette School
- Boys and Girls Club
- Program
- Geiser Pool
- Hancock Courts
- Higgins Pool
- Lawrence High School Campus
- Merrimack Courts
- North Common Education Complex
- Parthum Educational Complex
- Wetherbee School

ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME

Spray Park at the Pointe
Newbury Street, next to LCW
Open daily 10am until 7pm (open June 25th)

The Geiser Pool
50 High Street Lawrence, MA
open from noon - 7pm - Mon - Friday
and in from 11am - 7pm - Saturday & Sundays
Closed for the summer season
on August 26th. (opens again June 25th)

The Higgins Pool
150 Crawford Street Lawrence, MA
open from 11am - 7pm - Mon - Friday
The Higgins closes for the season
on August 21st.
(opens for season June 25th)

Beyond Soccer, Inc.
Soccer and Activity Center
comes from L.E.C. School on Deegan St.
2 - week sessions running
June 19th - July 7th & July 23rd - 29th
978-681-5050

Beyond Soccer, Inc.
Landscape and Activity Complex
August 1st - August 12th

Lawrence Community Works (Movement City)
Health and Fitness

Lawrence Community Department
City of Lawrence Department
Sports Activities and Field Trips
Center 220 in Belmont Brook Park
July 6th - August 11th
978-620-3252

Merrimack Valley YMCA Sports Camp
Deacon's Hill 100 Water Street, MA
July 10th - 14th
978-975-1330

Merrimack Valley YMCA Overnight Camp
Deacon's Hill 100 Water Street, MA
June 24th - August 19th
978-975-1330

The Greater Lawrence Community Boating, Kayaking, Paddle Boarding
1 Estabrook Street, Lawrence, MA
July 25th to August 22nd
978-681-8675

South Lawrence West YMCA
For more information email
978-681-8675

Boy and Girls Club of Lawrence
136 Water Street Lawrence, MA
978-683-2747

Merrimack Valley Academy
100 Water Street, Belmont Brook Park
978-688-6389

Lawton Basketball
978-387-3028

Willy Skills and Drills
978-885-7848

Merrimack Valley
978-601-0244

LITTLE LEAGUES

Central Little League
Sj. Ullman 978-655-5232

Roberto Clemente Little League
Jacob Morales 978-686-6191

South Lawrence West Little League
William Morris 973-966-8923

Young Hill Little League
Rec Dept 978-620-3252

Basketball and Tennis Courts in the CITY OF LAWRENCE

BASKETBALL COURTS
Guilmette School
Howard Park
Hartwell Park
Storror Park
Marston St.
Misserville Park
O'Neill Park

TENNIS COURTS
O'Connell Park
Sullivan Park
Riverfront Park
Howard Park
Mt. Vernon

OPEN GYM
Open to LPS Students Grades 7 through 12

SLE School Gymnasium
Beginning Monday April 17, 2017
Mondays & Thursdays
5:30 - 8:30pm

105 Crawford Street
Lawrence, MA 01843

Guilmette School Gymnasium
Tuesdays & Fridays
5:30pm to 8:30pm

80 Bowes Street
Lawrence, MA 01841

Lawrence History Center Expressive Writing
6 Essex Street, Lawrence, MA 01840
978-686-0230

Northern Essex Community College STEM
Gloucester, Experimental Education
Center, Winthrop, MA
July 17th - Aug. 11th
978-586-3326

El Pueblo, Inc.
Community Building

YDO Summer
100 Water Street, Lawrence, MA 01841
July 8th - August 5th
978-088-4300

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT TEAM (YDT)
700 Summer Street, Lawrence, MA 01841
July 8th - August 5th
978-088-4300

Adventure Camping

Lawrence Community Works (Movement City) Urban Adventures
100 Water Street Lawrence, MA 01841
3-week programs running
July 17th - 28th
978-722-2330

Merrimack Valley YMCA Road Ringers
100 Water Street, Belmont Brook Park
978-975-1330

YMCA of Greater Lawrence Camping
July 10th - August 11th
978-687-0331 x1060

Boys Scouts
978-722-2330

Girl Scouts
Customer care or
Local Outfitters
844-305-4736

Prospect Hill Little League
Lawrence Rec
South Lawrence East Little League
Bryan Thomas 978-390-2351

School vacation activities
Rec Dept 978-620-3252

Arlington Community Trabedlands
978-685-6274

Lawrence Public Schools Volunteer & Work
www.LPSClick.org
Info@LPSClick.org

INTERNSHIP

YDO High School and College-age Instructor/mentor
www.LPSClick.org
978-620-7000

Lawrence Public Schools Summer Job Opportunity
www.LPSClick.org

City Hall Internship
978-620-3010

Lawrence Public Schools Urban Internship
80 Water Street, 2nd Floor West
Lawrence, MA 01840
978-688-4300

Top Match Scholars
80 Water Street, 15th Floor
Lawrence, MA 01840
978-094-8060

For inquiries, contact Cassandra at cabou-farah@cityoflawrence.com

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Officer Paul Rossi was selected as Officer of the Month for May 2017 for the exceptional manner in which he performs the duties as a Police Officer for the City of Lawrence. He responded to an active structure fire on 85 Newbury Street on April 8, 2017. After learning that there were children still inside, he entered the structure without regard to his own safety. He successfully evacuated people from the third and fourth floor and is commended for the degree of professionalism shown during the incident.



Detective Harold Rogers was selected as Officer of the Month for June 2017 for the exceptional manner in which he performs the duties as a Police Officer for the City of Lawrence. He responded to Avon Street and Trinity Street where he found a male subject that was shot several times on February 16, 2017. He secured the scene and worked with other agencies to build a case. His diligent actions regarding an investigation of this Homicide resulted in the indictment of a suspect who clearly represented a danger to the citizens of Lawrence. He is commended for the degree of professionalism and discipline shown while performing above and beyond his duties.

Lawrence Police Department

attended and supported the Special Olympics
at Lawrence High School



SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center's Annual Tea Party was hosted by Laura Alefantis, Angeline Barriocanal Garcia and staff. Great conversations were shared and friends were made while everyone sipped on tea's from around the world. - Martha Valez.



Over the weekend the Lawrence Senior Center installed a new hardwood floor that was allocated under Capital Improvements! Over the past 4 years, over \$70,000 in improvement for the center was approved which included a new roof mounted air conditioner for pool & domino rooms, 2 new roof mounted air conditioners for the classroom side of center where over 300 Elders attend classes, new Bus Shelter, and \$40,000 in CDBG funds for ESOL so that Young Adults in our community can begin the process of learning English! Thank you Calvary Flooring....Marvin Pena owner and a Veteran. - Martha Valez.

VETERAN SERVICES

Mayor Daniel Rivera along with the City of Lawrence attended a Memorial Day celebration, honoring those who served our nation and for those who died to protect our freedom. Mayor Rivera spoke to a crowd of over 200 people who were present at Bellevue Cemetery for the festivities. Mayor Rivera stated his experience as a US Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol Cadet. "Man, did it feel good to come home, we made it back. We give a warm remembrance to those who did not." Fire Chief Brian Moriarty was the honorary keynote speaker, an Air Force veteran, who further iterated to Rivera's address. "When we come home, we still have a responsibility to serve."



FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT**LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Local author Cesar Sanchez visited the Lawrence Public Library at Family Literacy Night where he read his book to a pit full of children and parents.

**JOWDY GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE**

The Jowdy Geography Challenge was on again this year. Schools competed to test their knowledge about the world and the City of Lawrence. Thank you to all of the schools who participated in this year's Jowdy Geography Challenge: St. Michael's, Bellesini, Austin Prep, the Frost, the Parthum, and the Islamic Academy. We look forward to next year's competition!

**1ST FROST FLOWER PLANTING AND POETRY READING**

Students from the Leahy School, UP Academy Oliver, and Oliver Partnership were invited to join in the flower planting at the Robert Frost Fountain followed by punch and cookies where a poem of Robert Frost was read. This was headed by the Friends of the Library in the efforts to teach our Lawrence students more about who Robert Frost was.

**THE ART OF WRITING**

A free family field trip was hosted by the Addison Gallery of American Art! Families registered for their workshops at the Lawrence Public Library, enjoyed lunch provided by El Taller, and made books with the Lawrence Arts House before boarding the bus. Families participated in one of three workshops (thanks to Elissa, Amaryllis, and Mary) at the gallery and ended the trip with an Open Mic hosted by Andover Bread Loaf's Lou Bernieri. Thank you to everyone involved for making this happen.



BELATED QUINCENERA

Members of the Lawrence Fire Department along with Mayor Rivera and the Police Department escorted 26 senior citizens at their belated quinceañera hosted by the Oasis Adult day center.



PRIDE FLAG RISING

Mayor Rivera attending the 2ND ANNUAL RAINBOW FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

in support of the LGBTQ Community and in remembrance of the victims of the Pulse Nightclub.



Mayor Dan Rivera presents a proclamation to the committee.

Laura Alefantis and Elizabeth Delgado assist in the Flag Raising.

SENIOR DAY-SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, COUNCIL ON AGING, DPW, MAYOR'S OFFICE, AND MVRTA

Our elders filled the Common Park on June 15th where their day consisted of a walk to denounce elder abuse, exercised, danced, ate and had ice cream. Haircuts and manicures were also provided.



SEMANA HISPANA

Many cultures were celebrated during Semana Hispana week. The week ended with the traditional Semana Hispana parade and live performances at the Campagnone Common Park.



Mayor Dan Rivera met with the pageant contestants during Semana Hispana 2017.

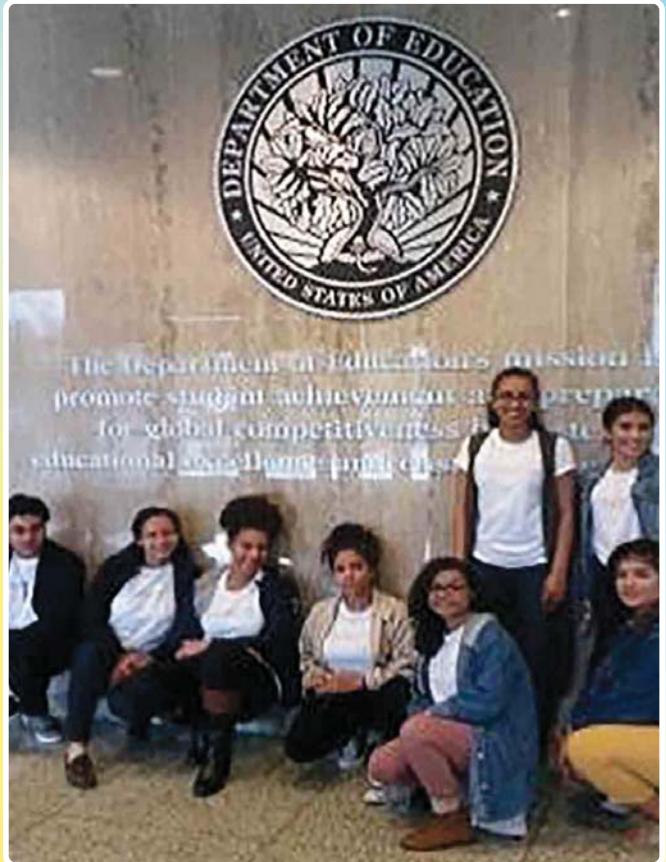


Mayor Dan Rivera presents the Key to the City to Leonor Sanchez at Peruvian Night.



One of the pageant contestant's smiles for a picture while holding the Puerto Rican flag.

LYC UPCOMING TRIP AND SCHOLARSHIPS



The Lawrence Youth Council had the pleasure of presenting their What Is Education Bill of Rights for Lawrence, to staff at the federal Department of Education in Washington, DC, at the opening of the US Department of Education's annual Student art Exhibit. The LYC along with members of the Elevated Thought group, had their art work displayed until the end of June. We say a special goodbye to Junielly Vargas, this year's Council President, and Celeste Cruz, who have been with the LYC since its inception. We also say goodbye to seniors Bryanna Matias, Natalie Beato Perez, Mekhi Mendoza, Alejandra Negron, Kayla and Kianaly Ortega, Maryanne Rosado, Crystal Gutierrez, and Steven Tran.



LYC Members along with members of the Elevated Thought Group unveil their Mural at the Lawrence Public Library which is located on the 2nd floor.

MHTF CONTINUES TO BUILD A CULTURE OF HEALTH



MHTF Staff along with Anil DaCosta, Homeless Coordinator for the City, Deanna Cruz, Director of the Lawrence Methuen Community Coalition's Substance Abuse Education Program, Holly Hammershoy, Clinical Supervisor, Family services of the Merrimack Valley and Co-Chair of the MHTF Behavioral Health Working Group, and Steve Crowell from the Greater Lawrence Family Health center, journeyed to Springfield, MA in May, to participate in the annual RWJF NE Culture of Health Prize Alumni's Spring Meeting to give members of the communities like Lawrence, MA and others, an opportunity to share information about the work they have been doing and learn from each other.

LAWRENCE CICLOVÍA 2018



Lawrence Ciclovía will be on Sunday, August 6 and 20 this year, and will have a new start time of 3:00PM, in response to local residents and business request. MassBikes, Safe Routes to School, Lawrence Planning Department, Pedalin' Fools, and others will be on hand to talk about bike and pedestrian safety, as well as the latest happenings with the street projects in the City. Bring your families and plenty of water with you and come down and join us!

2017 EVENTS CALENDAR

Earth Day, Comcast Cares Day — Saturday, April 22
 Fiesta de Salud/Celebrating Health Fair — Saturday, May 6*
Council on Aging, Lawrence Senior Center
 SALSA Festival (Kite) — Saturday, June 3*
City of Lawrence Mayor's Health Task Force
 Farmers Market — July 5 - October 28
 Ciclovía (Open Streets) — Sunday, August 6 & 20*
City of Lawrence Mayor's Health Task Force
 Greenway 5K — Sunday, August 13
 Spicket River Cleanup — Saturday, Sept. 16
 Greenway Walk, Trails & Sails — Saturday, Sept. 23*
 Den Rock Park Hike, Trails & Sails — Sunday, Sept. 24*
 Glow Gala — Thursday, November 16

*denotes GWL participation



Changing Places, Changing Lives



SAVE THE DATE

Monday - Thursday 8:30am-12:00pm

Week #1: July 31st - August 3rd

Week #2: August 7th - August 10th

@ Lawrence High School Athletic Complex

Learn. Commit. Achieve. Our mission is to provide Lawrence students with a fun and challenging summertime sports camp that combines speed & agility training, nutrition education and team building activities that help them **learn** new skills, **commit** to sport and fitness, and **achieve** as leaders in their schools and communities.

**SPORTS
BEING
OFFERED**

- TENNIS**
- SOCCER**
- BASKETBALL**
- VOLLEYBALL**
- FIELD HOCKEY**

LSLA is open to the first 300 Lawrence students, entering grades 8 - 12.
 Registration forms available online or at LHS.

www.lawrencesportsleadershipacademy.com

@_LSLA_ LawrenceSportsLeadershipAcademy

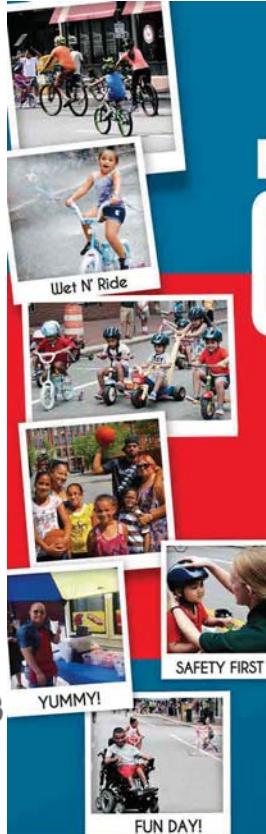
LSLA is a collaborative effort of

PURPLE HEART DAY
 AUGUST 7TH 2017 @ 10AM
 LAWRENCE LIBRARY AUDITORIUM
 51 LAWRENCE ST, LAWRENCE MA

HELP US HONOR OUR PURPLE HEART

RECIPIENTS

ALL ARE WELCOME



Mayor Daniel Rivera
 &
 The Mayor's Health Task Force
 INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO THE

**LAWRENCE
CICLOVIA**
SUNDAYS
 August 6 & 20
2017
 3 - 7 PM
 Downtown Lawrence

Parts of Essex and Common Streets will be closed to traffic for biking, walking, skating, Zumba and other forms of physical activities. Pedestrian and bike safety and active streets information to be offered.

Support our local businesses by shopping along Essex Street!



**ACTIVE LIVING FOR
THE ENTIRE FAMILY!**