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Mayor extends greetings for start of QC's 60th year

By **THOMAS P. KOCH**
Mayor of Quincy

Quincy College celebrates its 60th anniversary this year.

While much has changed over the years, the institution's singular focus on providing its diverse student body with educational opportunities remains unchanged. Our talented and dedicated professional educators care deeply about our students, and the college's diverse academic programming is among the finest offered by any community college in the Commonwealth.

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Bellotti gets the nod as interim QC president

By **AL YOUNG**
QC Voice

For Quincy College, there's a new sheriff in town.

Literally.

Norfolk County Sheriff Michael G. Bellotti was named interim president for the next 18 months at the college's Board of Governors meeting Sept. 26.

Bellotti, who has served as sheriff the past 20 years, expected to step down no later than Nov. 1 to assume the helm at QC, looking to bounce back after losing its once well-regarded Nursing program last spring.

"It's an awesome responsibility and opportunity," Bellotti, 55, told the QC Voice after the board unanimously approved him for the job 11-0 on the recommendation of Quincy Mayor Thomas Koch.

As far as pursuing the position permanently, Bellotti called that premature. "Honestly," he said, "I have

to get in here, see what I can do, how I can work with folks – faculty, students, the deans – and then I'll assess that as I go along."

Last May, the board appointed Koch the college's interim "principal executive" after QC President H. Tsaffaras resigned a week after the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) shut down the Nursing program over a variety of deficiencies, including sub-par state licensing exam scores in recent years.

While the Board of Governors remains QC's ultimate authority, Bellotti's appointment completes Koch's revised governing plan to help stabilize and restore the school's reputation moving forward.

"I have enough on my plate, and I

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Michael Bellotti

Mihal returns as dean to revive flatlined Nursing programs

By **AL YOUNG**
QC Voice

As Quincy College celebrates its 60th Anniversary it reached into the past with an eye on the future by naming Dr. Roxanne E. Mihal as Dean of Nursing to begin the arduous task of resuscitating a once successful nursing program.

Mihal's appointment in July came less than two months after the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) voted unanimously to withdraw

its accreditation of the college's practical-nursing and registered-nursing programs. It cited poor test scores on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) — lowest in the state in 2017 — curriculum issues and a lack of

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Dr. Roxanne E. Mihal



Photo: AL YOUNG

NEW PARK CEREMONY — Dignitaries pose in front of the John Hancock statue after its unveiling during the dedication of the Hancock-Adams Common Sept. 8 in Quincy Center. From left: Ben Adams of the Adams Memorial Society, sculptor Sergey Eylanbekov, Quincy Mayor Thomas Koch, historian & author David McCullough, Gov. Charlie Baker and U.S. Rep Stephen Lynch. *Story & Photos, Pages 4 & 5.*

Koocher's academic credentials propel him to head of the class as new provost

By AL YOUNG
QC Voice

When Dr. Gerry Koocher first arrived on campus in early September, he did what most administrative newcomers would do: He focused on getting to know the deans, the faculty, the staff, the students and the academic programs the school offers.

But unlike most, his learning curve is steeper and more accelerated as he joins Quincy College as its first-ever Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Hired in July, Koocher will be responsible for all academic programs and issues. His priorities include: — first and foremost



Photo: AL YOUNG

Quincy Mayor Thomas Koch, center, is flanked by two of Quincy's College's new administrators, COO Lisa McBirney and Provost Dr. Gerry Koocher.

— helping revive QC's once-flourishing Nursing program, which lost its accreditation in May; establishing a timetable to roll out the school's first baccalaureate degrees sanctioned in 2017; and seeking acceptance for seven online associate degrees in Liberal Arts.

"There is some heavy lifting to be done, but I think we have a wonderful team, and I think this institution has some fabulous potential," said Koocher, who had been the Dean of DePaul University's College of

Science and Health since 2013.

The inaugural provost position was approved by QC's Board of Governors on the recommendation of Quincy Mayor Tom Koch, granted executive authority at the college in May after the resignation of president Peter Tsaffaras.

Prior to DePaul, Koocher, with nearly 50 years in academia, was Dean of the School of Health Sciences at Simmons College for a decade and later the school's assistant provost. The Cambridge native who lives in Brookline holds a Ph.D. in psychology and is a past president of the American Psychology Association.

"I believe the hiring of Dr. Koocher is going to pay dividends in many, many ways," Koch said at the August Board of Governors meeting. "I think just the hiring of him — with such credentials and background — brings a gravitas to this college that is much needed during this challenge. I would suggest that the challenges we have faced have been weaknesses on the academic side."

Despite the bulk of his career involved with four-year private non-profit higher

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remains a New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)-accredited institution that offers 34 associate degree programs and 24 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines.

The college welcomes Dr. Gerald P. Koocher this fall as its first Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs. He will lead the school's academic programs in this newly created role. I hope you will join me in welcoming Dr. Koocher, who arrives here after serving as the Dean of DePaul University's College of Science and Health.

In early September, the city of Quincy dedicated the new Hancock-Adams Common adjacent to our Quincy Center campus. This world-class public park and civic space pays tribute to two of our nation's founding fathers, John Adams and John Hancock, and will provide students a peaceful, reflective spot to study, meet socially, or simply relax.

I hope you have an opportunity to enjoy this remarkable new public space.

Two cities rich in our nation's history — Quincy and Plymouth — are home to one college. From the Mayflower to the Adams Birthplace to the new Hancock-Adams Common, Quincy College is the educational hub of our historic cities and the focus of our bright future.

Welcome to Quincy College.

McBirney flies under radar as first chief operating officer

By QC VOICE STAFF

Unlike the more recent heralded hires of Interim President Michael Bellotti, Provost Dr. Gerry Koocher and Dean of Nursing Dr. Roxanne Mihal, Lisa McBirney has been operating under the radar in Quincy College's revamped administrative structure since last May.

In fact, she was Mayor Thomas P. Koch's first new hire, appointing her to be the school's chief operating officer.

When Koch was named interim "principal executive" to lead the college after the resignation of president Peter Tsaffaras, rebuilding its troubled nursing

program, dealing with internal conflicts and finding a new president were among his top priorities.

So he turned to McBirney, his former chief of staff and successful re-election campaign manager, to be his day-to-day liaison as the college's first-ever COO.

"It's the management ability that counts," Koch said of his hiring acumen. "She's got a great skill set."

Prior to joining the mayor's team, McBirney was the former COO of the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate and a longtime senior executive in the financial services industry.

INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

Question: "Have you had a chance to visit the new Hancock-Adams Common across the street from Quincy College? If so, what did you think?"

Compiled by YANA SHAMSUTDINOVA, SARAH POWERS, AL YOUNG

QC Voice Staff



Susan Bossa

Associate Vice President for Student Development
Hanover

"I attended the opening and was thoroughly delighted. The whole presentation was beautiful. The music by the Symphony Orchestra and Choral Society, the fountain and the sound of the water was so relaxing. If you live in Boston, it's going to be a place you're going to want to come and walk the Common and go out to eat. It's just a beautiful space."



Meshia Cephas-Mulikita

Computer Science - Networking
Quincy

"I have mixed feeling about it. It's beautiful, but I'm not quite impressed. It took a lot away from the parking and blocked the street for a long time and made for a lot of confusion. They also opened it kind of late at the end of the summer. Now that winter's coming, what's going to happen?"



Catherine Powers Ozyurt

Academic Advising Specialist
Dedham

"I have visited a number of times. It's really beautiful. I love the statues and the water and fountain are really appealing and amazing. I like that people are putting pennies in the fountain; it reminds me of parks in Europe . . . dropping pennies and maybe making a wish. It was neat."



Jules Marcelin Jr.

Computer Science
Weymouth

"I like the park a lot, and it looks very beautiful. My friends say it's a great site just to walk in and not have to go around the corner to come to Quincy Center. It's also nice to see the memorial sites, like the Hancock Cemetery. It's a very nice addition to Quincy."



Dr. Raymond Guillette

Professor of Economics
Marshfield

"I think it's a wonderful addition to Quincy. It's nice that citizens have place to go, relax and learn a little bit about history. I really liked the waterfront, because it has a nice sound, and it makes you feel like relaxing. I was there two Sundays ago, and I saw a lot of people really enjoying hanging around."



Robert A. Cerasoli

Professor of Government-Ethics
Quincy

I think it's very exciting for the city, and the mayor has displayed his vision by putting it there. Quincy is a historic city; a lot of people go through the city, but they don't realize this is the birthplace of John Hancock and both Adams. I think it puts Quincy on the map historically. It lets people see -- in vivid color -- what we have here."



Jack Raymer

Quincy College Athletic Director
Weymouth

"I was at the dedication and thought it was an outstanding ceremony, with the Governor (Charlie Baker) and Mr. David McCullough (historian and author) who's quite a fascinating man. This is going to be a terrific area for people to come back who left. I think they'll always remember the old Town Hall and the First Parish Church. It's a great place for people to reconvene and bring back their city roots."



Steve Dooner

Professor of English
Weymouth

"I was impressed by the size and happy they're greening the area and allowing pedestrian traffic. But I miss the old statues of Abigail and John Adams, which had a great humanity that they expressed. The modern statues (John Hancock and John Adams) are powerful images of patriarchal authority, which is fine, but I wish the old statues were part of this park."



Troy Desrosiers

QC Library Receptionist
Chelsea

"It is beautiful, big and right now I enjoy seeing that it is all green. I am happy that Quincy did a tremendous job, and I find it very pretty."

HANCOCK-ADAMS COMMON

DEDICATION CEREMONY UNVEILS NEW PARK

Several thousand people attended the long-awaited opening of the \$15.7 million Hancock-Adams Common Sept. 8 in the heart of Quincy Center. They came to celebrate Quincy-born John Hancock and John Adams, two of America's Founding Fathers and signers of the Declaration of Independence. Hancock became the first Governor of Massachusetts and Adams second President of the United States. Quincy Mayor **Thomas P. Koch** led the dedication ceremony, which included remarks from Congressman **Stephen Lynch**, Governor **Charlie Baker** and two-time Pulitzer Prize historian **David McCullough**. The festive daylong event featured performances from the Quincy Symphony Orchestra and Quincy Choral Society and historical re-enactors dressed in Revolutionary-era costumes, a fife and drum corps and various versions of the American flag, including a huge one hung overhead from cranes. The new park now connects several historic Quincy Center landmarks, including: Hancock Cemetery, one of the country's oldest burial grounds; United First Parish Church, known as the Church of the Presidents; and the Old City Hall. Bronze statues of Hancock and Adams anchor each entrance of the four-acre park that features long marble walkways, a large fountain with 8-10-foot geysers and an ample amount of benches, trees and green grass. The park's free Wi-Fi should also make it attractive to QC students as a place to relax, study and socialize in what is now an extension of the main campus. Hancock-Adams Common is the first jewel in the massive Quincy revitalization project to modernize the downtown area in hopes of drawing new residents, businesses and growing tourism.



Photo: AL YOUNG

Dedication ceremonies take place in front of Old City Hall.



Photo: AL YOUNG

Congressman Steven Lynch (left) and Quincy Mayor Thomas P. Koch address the crowd.



Photo: AL YOUNG

Huge crowd turns out for dedication ceremony.



Photo: SARAH POWERS

Revolutionary-era re-enactors pose in front of John Adams statue.



Photo: AL YOUNG

The Quincy Symphony Orchestra and the Quincy Choral Society perform in front of United First Parish Church.

HANCOCK-ADAMS COMMON

a STROLL THROUGH the PARK



Photo: AL YOUNG

A map at the North entrance helps guide you through the Hancock-Adams Common.

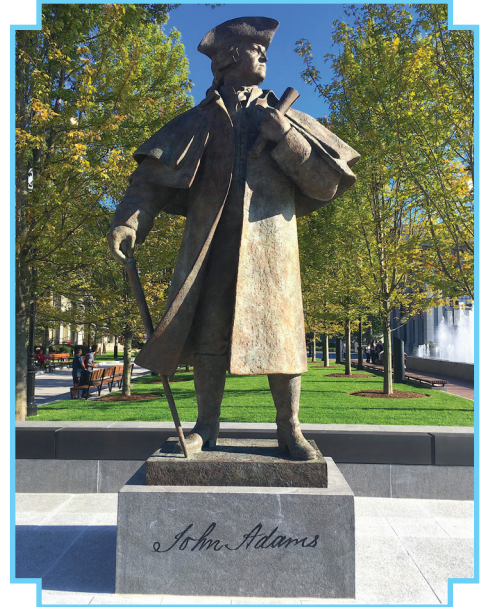


Photo: SARAH POWERS

The bronze statue of John Adams greets you at the North entrance of the new park.



Photo: AL YOUNG

A long, wide granite tree-lined walkway runs through the center of the new park.



Photo: AL YOUNG

Plenty of benches, trees and green grass abound in the park.



Photo: AL YOUNG

The bronze John Hancock statue anchors the South entrance of the Common.



Photo: SARAH POWERS

The beautiful gurgling water fountain is the centerpiece of the Hancock-Adams Common.

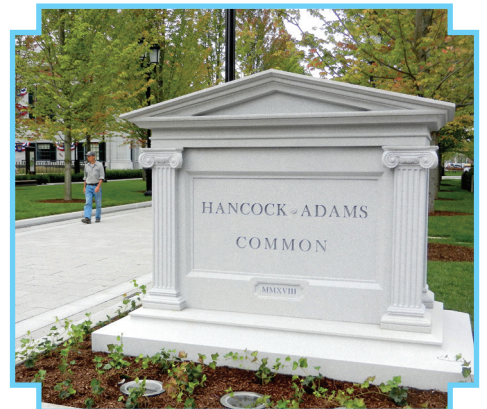


Photo: AL YOUNG

A huge granite block at the South entrance lets you know where you're going.

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS



Photos: AMANDA DECK

WELCOME BACK PARTY — New and returning students to the Quincy campus were greeted by music, snacks (left) and plenty of giveaways as they mingled with old friends and made new ones during the Welcome Back Party & Student Life Fair Sept. 11 in the Student Lounge. Various clubs and organizations were also on hand to welcome students and recruit new members. Among them: (center) Felix Daily, left, and Riley Cunningham, representing the Gay Straight Alliance and the Wellness Club, respectively, and members of the International Club, (right) from left, Saki Fukuzato, Yohanes Geyllen and Aiden Doust.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Nataizha Johnson, left, and Garaudi Lenescat were all smiles as they were about to enjoy their Lizzy's Homemade Ice Cream treats Sept. 18 at the Quincy Student Center. The Ice Cream Social line (right) was long and the flavors plentiful but well worth the wait.



Photos: AMANDA DECK




Photo: SOPHIA ROY

VOTER REGISTRATION DAY — Second-year student Mandi Flaherty, center, poses in an #iRegistered frame after taking part in Voter Registration Day Sept. 25 on the Plymouth campus. Diane Bell, left, a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority at Bridgewater State, and volunteer Sharon Artis Jackson helped Quincy College students register to vote or update their registration in the Student Lounge.



Photo: MANDI FLAHERTY

GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS — Kenny Semcken (middle), owner of the Second Wind Brewing in Plymouth, was the guest speaker for the Skills for Start-Ups (SKS) program Oct. 1 on the Plymouth campus. Semcken's talk, open to all students in the Student Lounge, spoke about his up-and-down experiences of starting and running a small business. Joining Semcken for a photo were Alex Peters, left, Sophia Roy, Anthony DiMauro and Graham Allen.



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7 p.m.

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Plymouth Lobby

QC's 60th anniversary gala to honor Boston Police Commissioner Gross

By **SARAH POWERS**
QC Voice Staff

This year marks the 60th anniversary of Quincy College, and the school is celebrating with a grand gala.

Hundreds of alumni, faculty, staff and the community will gather at the Granite Links Golf Club Oct. 25 to recognize this milestone of more than half a century of successful education and leadership achieved by the students at Quincy College since its opening in 1958.

Highlighting the evening's event will be the awarding of the Quincy College Trust's 2018 Quintessential Award to Boston Police Commissioner William G. Gross, a 2017 graduate of QC with an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice.

Earlier this year, Gross, a 35-year veteran of the Boston Police Department who joined the force in 1983 as a Cadet, became Boston's first African American Police Commissioner.

"Quintessential by definition is to embody or possess the essence of something," said Tina Cahill, QC's Director of Institutional Advancement

and the organizer of the 60th gala. "Commissioner Gross embodies what it means to serve others for the betterment of self and the community as a whole, a mission that is shared by the faculty and staff of Quincy College."



Tina Cahill

Working on this event since the Spring of 2017, Cahill has been promoting it to the community via social media, traditional mailings

and press releases to local media outlets, including the Quincy Sun biweekly newspaper which has been running a series spotlighting QC alums.

In fact, many of those featured in the Sun will be among the roster of gala speakers from all walks of the community, including business owners, doctors, realtors and national park directors, relating how their education guided them throughout their careers.

WBZ-TV News Anchor David Wade will emcee the event that includes a



*Police Commissioner
William G. Gross*

cocktail reception, live music and a dessert bar.

Proceeds from the evening will help the Quincy College Trust establish the Commissioner William Gross Scholarship Fund as well as support academic and student development initiatives. The Trust, a non-profit foundation, was set up to receive charitable donations, scholarships and endowment funds to support QC's mission of providing affordable and accessible tuition to its students.

For more information on the 60th Anniversary Celebration or tickets, visit <https://quincycollege.edu/60years/>.

Hey, is your financial aid in order? Not sure? Check online or give us a call

By **LEANNE DILEO**
QC Financial Aid Associate



Were you pacing your bedroom Sept. 4 — the day before school started — worrying about what you were going to wear on your first day at Quincy College? How many times did you check your Waze app to make sure you knew exactly how to get to campus, leaving enough time to grab a coffee at Dunkin' Donuts and still get lost three times before finding your classroom?

Did you remember to check your QC portal to make sure all of your

financial aid documents were complete and that you knew how you were paying for school this year?

Did you think that the 2017-18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) covered this fall semester? (Hint: It doesn't. You need to do a 2018-19 FAFSA) Financial Aid offers FAFSA help every Tuesday from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in room 013N, Quincy campus. Plymouth offers help there, too.

Maybe you did your FAFSA, but you missed the e-mails from the Financial Aid office after that. You can track the status of your financial aid by logging into your QC portal and

clicking "Student."

Maybe you did all of that, but you didn't know that you still owed money for your fall semester. You could always give us a call at (617) 984-1620 or send an e-mail to financialaid@quincycollege.edu.

Maybe you knew that you still owed money for the semester so you had your mother call the school to take care of it. We can't give anybody that's not YOU any helpful information unless you fill out an Authorization to Release Information form in the Financial Aid office. Once we have that, we'll be happy to chat with your mom about your financial aid,

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Bellotti

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want to see the college succeed,” said Koch, whose added role was to last only six months. “It’s about getting the best skill sets, the best managers in the right places, and I’m glad to pass the baton.”

In July, Koch hired highly respected nursing educator Dr. Roxanne Mihal for a second stint as the Dean of Nursing to revive the program. He then brought in DePaul University Dean, Dr. Gerry Koocher, to become QC’s first provost to focus on the academic side.

“But I see the president’s role focused on the business side,” Koch said of Bellotti, “dealing with the day-to-day management, the revenue side, the development side and the real estate

side. And Michael has the skill set to accomplish this.”

A graduate of New England School of Law and Boston College, Bellotti has deep ties to Quincy, where he lives with his wife and three children. He served as a state representative from Quincy for six years and taught at QC, where he also served on the board of governors.

“I see myself as an external president who also provides executive leadership on the inside,” said Bellotti, the son of former Lt. Gov. and Attorney General Francis Bellotti. “I will lead staff and measure what we do, but I do trust their expertise and that’s what I see for this role at this college.”

Mihal

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leadership stability, with six different deans since 2011.

With more than 20 years as a nursing educator and a track record for building and maintaining well-regarded programs, Mihal is no stranger to QC. She returns to the same role she held from 2012-15 when the nursing program’s NCLEX scores, accreditation and reputation were all in good standing. Most recently, Mihal, directed the post-graduate Practical Nursing Department at Blue Hills Regional Technical School in Canton.

“I’m thrilled that Roxanne has agreed to come back to Quincy College to restore the program that was very successful under her tenure and through her leadership,” said Quincy Mayor Thomas Koch, granted interim executive authority after the resignation of President Peter H. Tsaffaras in May.

Mihal has hit the ground running since her return in mid-July.

“We did our first step — we actually delivered on the pre-requisites for the Nursing Program to the Board of Registration,” Mihal told the QC Board of Governors during her introduction meeting in August. “We’re on the clock. We have to have it a year in advance of a program. So it’s in there, and I think we’re in good shape as far as starting.

“Now what happens is that they (BORN) have to come out and do a site visit. Once they OK that, and we get initial approval status, then we’ll be able to admit students.”

While awaiting BORN’s scheduled Nov. 2 site visit, Mihal and her staff continue to work on the nursing program’s curriculum development.

The loss of the program last May was a devastating blow for QC’s 264 nursing students. Some managed to complete their course work and graduate. Others, with QC’s help, were able to transfer to other nursing programs in the state. And for those who took classes that did not transfer to a new school, the QC Board of Governors authorized \$4.5 million toward student reimbursements.

“We have some work to do and some challenges,” Mihal said. “But we’re on the road to recovery already.”

Financial Aid

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account balance, and perhaps what she’s cooking for dinner that night.

Paying for school can be very scary and a bit confusing. Contact the QC offices if you need help with something. That’s what we’re here for — to help you with stuff!

Now, study hard and have fun! I hope you have a great semester!

Koocher


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education and healthcare institutions, Koocher came away from his interview equally impressed with Koch and QC’s potential.


“The recent setbacks for the Nursing program were addressed with integrity and strong positive actions to put the program on a good track to reaccreditation,” Koocher said.

“In addition, as a unique city college, QC seems exceptionally well positioned for growth in the current higher education environment because of our location, cost structure and the nature of the programs we offer.

“For all of these reasons, I felt excited by the opportunity to make a difference here.”



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SPORTS

Granite soccer's quick start surpasses 2017 win total

By **AL YOUNG**
QC Voice

A year ago, the Quincy College men's soccer team finished 2-8 in its inaugural National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) season.

This season, the Granite already surpassed that victory total in their first five games. QC carried a 3-2 won-lost mark into the month of October, with a chance for a winning season well within reach before its home season finale against Springfield Tech Oct. 20 at Veterans Stadium.

"We had a good team last year and finishing 2-8 did not reflect that, but being a first-year program I expected it to be a tough start," said QC second-year coach Idris Senyonjo.

"That said, during the offseason I worked on getting in some really exciting players to supplement the core group we had from last year."



Idris Senyonjo

The most impressive newcomer in the month of September has been Haitian-born Lorkens Exumat, a freshman right winger from Dorchester who's the leading scorer with six goals, including four in a 10-1 rout of Roxbury CC in QC's third win.

"He's young but was born to play the sport," Senyonjo said. "You can see it on the field. He's unpredictable and exciting to watch."

Quincy freshmen Zedrick Moreira, with a three-goal hat trick against Roxbury, and forward Jeffrey Monteiro of Randolph round out the top three goal-scorers, with 5 and 3, respectively.

Senyonjo is also high on a trio of other

2018 MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

Sept. 1 @ Roxbury CC // ppd.
Sept. 8 @ Holyoke CC // L, 2-1
Sept. 15 Holyoke //W, 2-1
Sept. 22 @ Springfield Tech // W, 5-2
Sept. 25 Bunker Hill CC // L 5-1
Sept. 28 Roxbury CC //W, 10-1
Oct. 2 Mass. Bay CC // 6 p.m.
Oct. 4 @ Bunker Hill CC // 4 p.m.
Oct. 8 Southern Maine CC // 3 p.m. (Creedon Field)
Oct. 13 @ Mass Bay CC // 1 p.m.
Oct. 15 @ Massasoit CC // 4 p.m.
Oct. 17 Roxbury CC // 6 p.m. (Veterans Stadium)
Oct. 20 Springfield Tech CC // 1 p.m. (Veterans Stadium)

* Home games in bold will be played at either Creedon Field or Veterans Stadium

outstanding first-year players, including midfielder Alexssander Lopes from Cape Verde, center back Gareth McAlinden from Ireland, and forward Kenny Ofori from Hartford, Conn.

Another newcomer is QC starting goalkeeper Nate Getman, an experienced sophomore from Birmingham, Ala., who has a 2.75 goals-against average after five games.

Complementing the newbies are a quartet of key returning players, halfback Hamza Mohamednur, forward Herby Millien, midfielder Hugo Ramos and center midfielder Thiago Carvalho.

"I believe this year the team is more mature and we've had a bit more time to prepare for the season," Senyonjo said, "Last year being our first year we didn't have enough time to build team chemistry."

"We're in a better position now than we were this time last year. My expectation is to win more than 60 percent of our games and hopefully get to the (NJCAA Division III Region 21) playoffs."

QC couple gets their kicks at home soccer game

By **JUSTIN SHETZLINE**
QC Voice Staff

When asked if I wanted to cover the Quincy College men's soccer team's home opener Sept. 15 for the QC Voice, I jumped at the chance and went with my girlfriend to see what it was all about.

The Quincy College Granite were playing the Holyoke Community College Cougars at Creedon Field in North Quincy in a game that started on a damp and cloudy day but turned into a beautiful perfect day for soccer by the final whistle.

We ran into QC Athletic Director Jack Raymer before the game, and he was optimistic about the team.

"We have a young group of guys as well as some veterans returning," Raymer told us. "I've got a good feeling about this game and season."

And Raymer was right.

Quincy took 1-0 lead on a goal by freshman Lorkens Exumat at about the two-minute mark before Holyoke scored near the end of the first half for a 1-1 tie.

While there was a sparse crowd of about 35 people, the fans were into the game 100 percent, shouting encouragement to the players.

And when the Granite scored the winning goal — by Kenny Ofori at about the 42-minute mark — the bleachers rumbled as the fans cheered

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PLYMOUTH: OCT. 25—11 a.m.
STUDENT LOUNGE

Home Soccer

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and stomped their feet.

The enthusiasm was contagious even for non-soccer fans like my girlfriend Ann Boudreau.

"I don't usually like soccer or enjoy it," Boudreau said. "But I had a great time, and it was lot of fun. You can scream and cheer your college on.

"Even though there were no snack bars, you can bring whatever food and drinks you want while you enjoy the game."

Another aspect of the game Boudreau enjoyed was running into other students she recognized from class and the Student Center.

"This is a message to everyone at QC," she said. "These are great opportunities to get out and meet new people and support the Granite at any sporting event.

"Show your QC pride, and let's go Granite!"

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Nov. 13**



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Oct. 30; Nov. 13

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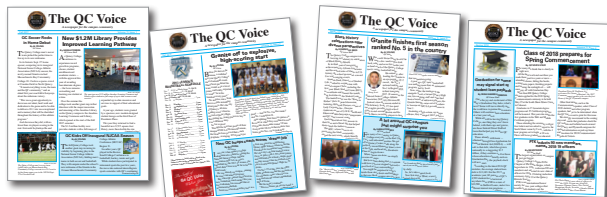


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