

Salem Co-operative Bank Breaks Ground on New Branch Office In Methuen: Salem Co-operative Bank recently broke ground to celebrate the construction of a new 3,000 square foot branch office, located at 280 Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA.



To symbolize the importance of this project, Director of Economic & Community Development Karen... Greater Salem Chamber President Donna Morris, and Merrimack Valley Chamber President... Bevilacqua, joined Bank Chairman David Beshara, President Ann Lally, Vice President of... and Business Development Sarah Rastello, among other members of the Board and Senior... ment, at this event.

"This expansion exemplifies the strength of Salem Co-operative Bank and our commitment to the local community at a time when economic growth has slowed," said Ann Lally. "In addition to creating new jobs in the area, it will also afford all of our customers a convenient alternative to the Salem branch."

Tedy Bruschi to Speak at Enterprise Bank's Celebration of Excellence: Enterprise Bank CEO Jack Clancy recently announced that former New England Patriot and stroke survivor Tedy Bruschi will deliver the keynote address at the 2010 Celebration of Excellence on May 5th. "Tedy's story, both personally and professionally, is one of courage, determination and perseverance" said Clancy.

Begun by the bank in 2008 the Celebration of Excellence was created to recognize local business, non-profit and community leaders whose hard work and determination impact the community in positive ways. The 2010 Celebration of Excellence will be hosted at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium.

Holy Family Hospital partners with Merrimack Valley YMCA to offer Diabetes Awareness Program: Holy Family Hospital, in partnership with the Merrimack Valley YMCA, is launching a comprehensive Diabetes Awareness Program in response to the dramatic rise in diabetes locally. The program includes free screenings, follow-up community lectures, and support group meetings throughout the year.

"Through screenings, better education and management tools, we hope to educate more people about this disease to help them

manage it more effectively and live active, longer lives," noted hospital President and CEO Lester P. Schindel. "Our collaborative program is designed to reach more people where they live, work and play."

Yella Opens In Andover: Yella, which means, "Come On, Let's Go" in Arabic, is billed as a modern Mediterranean grille by its owners Carlo and Danielle Berdahn. Located in the former Cassis Bistro space on Post Office Avenue in Andover, the Berdahns have created an upscale middle-eastern dining experience



Yella owners Carlo and Danielle Berdahn celebrate the opening of their restaurant in November.

that is Lebanese inspired, with a modern twist. "Yella is really a unique place and we are excited to introduce our food to the community," says Berdahn.

Izzy's Emporium Wins Creative Concept Award: The Retailers Association of Massachusetts awarded Izzy's Emporium in Andover with their 2009 Creative Concept award.

"The Creative Concept award goes to a retailer with a unique concept and vision," said John Hurst, president of RAM. "Izzy's Emporium has found a way to supply high-end fashions at affordable prices."

Pentucket Bank Named to Top 100 Places to Work: Pentucket Bank was recently named one of the Top Places to Work in Massachusetts by the Boston Globe. Top Places to Work recognizes

the most progressive companies in the state based on employee opinions about company leadership, compensation and training, diversity and inclusion, career development, family-friendly flexibility, and values and ethics.

Ken Smith, Pentucket Bank's chief executive officer said, "This is a tremendous honor for the Bank and we are humbled, proud and thankful to our dedicated staff."

Merrimack Valley Food Bank Hunger Heroes Award Banquet November 12, 2009.



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