GLTHS celebrates homecoming

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TYNGSBORO -- Greater Lowell Technical High School's Homecoming Week, with the theme "Under the Lights," was held Oct. 10-13, and it was certainly a week to remember.

The week opened with the girls volleyball team hosting Presentation of Mary Academy. After dropping the first two games, the Lady Gryphons went on to win the match, 3 sets to 2, with MVPs Rachel Donovan and Araceli Lopez leading the thrilling come-from-behind victory.

On Wednesday and Thursday nights, respectively, the girls soccer and boys soccer teams played their first-ever night matches "under the lights" against Innovation Academy and Essex Tech. The girls played hard but came up short in a 3-1 loss, while the Gryphon boys played a tough defensive match that ended in a 0-0 tie.

On the final day of Homecoming Week, GLTHS Pride Day was jam-packed with events, including National Technical Honor Society Pride Day face-painting, a football game "under the lights," and the Homecoming dance. Before the game, GLTHS welcomed back graduates in the Class of 2017 to pick up their yearbooks. They had the opportunity eat pizza and enjoy music while catching up with classmates and signing each other's yearbooks.

In the much-anticipated marquee matchup, the "Under the Lights" football game, the Greater Lowell Gryphons outplayed the Minuteman Tech Mustangs, 33-o. Leading the way for the Gryphons on offense were juniors Jake Noel (109 yards rushing) and Juan Serrano (135 yards on 9 carries).

Defensively, the Gryphons were led by a trio of seniors, Keegan Bishop-Kotarba, Kyle Khlok and Trevor Lupien. The win improved the team to 5-1 for the season.

After the game, students danced to music and a light show provided by DJ Bass Entertainment, celebrating what proved to be an exciting week during which Gryphon pride was on full display.

Senior students voted to elect their Homecoming King and Queen, Ajani Phillip and Jada Howell. Other members of the court were Ellen Tue, Kaylah Joyce, Jessica deSousa, Lyralee Ayala and Jimmy Raposo.

After the ceremony, Jessica said, "I got to spend the night with my senior class, my family and my teachers. It was a night to remember."