

Business

The realization of a dream

Caffé Francesco opens in Acton

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When Francesco Lo Turco opened Caffé Francesco earlier this year, it was the realization of an eight-year dream.

"Back in 1992 I was laid off at the time," he explained, "And I went for sandwiches with friends."

As he sat watching the customers coming and going, he thought he'd like to run such a business.

But he was recalled to work before he could actually become involved, and had to place his dream on hold, until this past spring when he had the opportunity to open the former Sweet Dreams Cafe, located on Acton's Mill Street. Owned and operated by Carmella Zenga who once ran Melina Bakery, the café had sat closed for more than year. Lo Turco seized the opportunity to realize that dream.

Along with his wife Marilyn, Lo Turco had to bring in some new tables and equipped the Caffé with a high-end Gaggia espresso and cappuccino machine.

Now the shop offers a full lunch menu, featuring sandwiches, pastas, lasagna and chicken and veal in various dishes.

And, in Lo Turco's words, "the best coffee in town."

He also offers sinfully rich cakes and desserts, and both hot and cold espresso, cappuccino, caffè latte and mocacino.



Marilyn and Francesco Lo Turco display some of the fine desserts and espresso offered at Caffé Francesco in Acton.

Although he brings in the rich cakes and desserts, he hired former owner Carmella Zenga to do his cooking, and maintain the high quality Sweet Dreams customers had come to expect.

The Lo Turcos also take on some small catering jobs looking after groups up to 15 people, providing sandwiches or lunch menu items.

Walk-in customers can also order a take-out lunch.

In the near future, Lo Turco hopes to incorporate live music in the Caffé, perhaps a small ensemble, enhancing the atmosphere.

The shop is open Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 8:30 a.m. until 10 p.m., and it's closed Sunday.

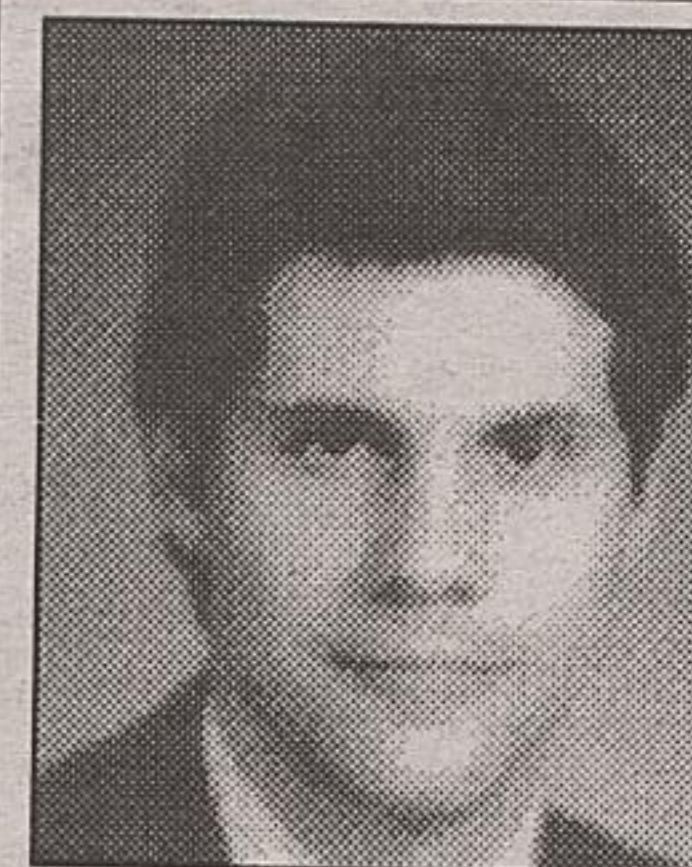
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The point of this article is - if you or someone you know is going to be affected by this change, now is the time to start investigating the option(s) that best suit the situation.

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