

*Mike Errico Award*  
*Larry Cafero*



This year's *Mike Errico Award* recipient has been a friend to the **Norwalk Old Timers Athletic Association** for the past decade.

Since 2004, State Representative Larry Cafero has brought greetings from the state of Connecticut at the outset of each of the past 10 Norwalk Old Timers awards dinners.

That's not all he brought. The Norwalk native has also presented each honoree with an official state citation from the Connecticut General Assembly in Hartford.

Tonight, however, Cafero will be on the receiving end as the Norwalk Old Timers present him with an award in appreciation for all he's done for the organization.

The *Mike Errico Award* is named in honor of the former local sportsman who was an original executive board member when the Norwalk Old Timers began in 1963. He was the organization's first vice president and later served as president in 1986 and '87.

The 94-year-old Errico, a 1979 Norwalk Old Timers honoree, is still a member of the Old Timers' advisory board and a regular at the annual dinner. Since 2008, when the special recognition award was named after him, Errico has come up from his New Jersey home to make the presentation in person.

The 2014 recipient has not only been a valuable asset to the Old Timers organization, but to the state of Connecticut in general and the city of Norwalk in particular. Representing the 142<sup>nd</sup> District, Lawrence F. Cafero Jr. has been a Republican leader in the General Assembly for the last 22 years, including six as the minority leader in the House of Representatives.

In addition, he was a member of the Norwalk Board of Education for six years, serving as chairman in 1988, 1991, and 1992.

Cafero will retire from the legislature following the completion of his current term at the end of the year.

Tonight marks the second time in the last five weeks Larry Cafero has been honored by a local group. Last month the 1975 Norwalk High School graduate was installed on the NHS Alumni Association Wall of Honor by an organization Mike Errico was very instrumental in starting..