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Covid – 19 Update:

Rapid Test Order, DPH Testing Advisory and National Guard Activation

Today the Baker-Polito Administration announced an order was placed with iHealth to supply the state with 26 million rapid antigen tests over the next 3 months. The tests will be prioritized to support K-12 schools and childcare settings. The agreement allows for shipments of tests to arrive on a rolling basis in the Commonwealth, but the Administration warns that the timing and shipment

amounts will vary depending on international shipping and production variables.

The Baker-Polito Administration also released a public health advisory this week to advise all residents on when to seek tests for COVID-19. The advisory advises all residents to seek COVID-19 tests when exhibiting COVID symptoms, or five days following a known close contact with someone

diagnosed with COVID pursuant to MA DPH quarantine and isolation protocols, updated as of December 29 in accordance with the new CDC guidance.

The new isolation protocols do not require a COVID-19 test to exit isolation after having COVID. This general rule also applies to childcare and K-12. Additional information on testing protocols for specific situations in childcare and

for K-12 can be found on the web-site.

The new quarantine protocols recommend, but do not require, all exposed individuals get a test five days after exposure. Exposed individuals do not need to quarantine in the following circumstances:

If fully vaccinated and not yet eligible to receive a booster OR

If fully vaccinated and have received their booster OR

If they had COVID and it is less than 90 days since they were diagnosed

DPH advises that a positive COVID-19 rapid antigen does not need to be confirmed with a PCR test.

DPH recommends individuals that have COVID symptoms and test negative with a rapid antigen test should isolate and

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Court Jesters On High Court

A comment from Justice Sonia Sotomayor raised eyebrows for WRKO talk show host Grace Curley in her *Boston Herald* column last week. The comment made by the Justice during hearings on the Biden employer vaccine mandate went, "We have over 100,000 children, which we've never had before in serious condition, many on ventilators." Curley noted that was "patently untrue and people were stunned that a Supreme Court Justice could be so misinformed."

Justice Steven Breyer asserted that "750 million new cases" of COVID were reported ..."

The U.S. population stated Curley is just over 331 million and she believes that the misinformation spread by the Justices is the "natural result of media fibs." Stated Curley "the ruling class" uses "bogus statistics and apocalyptic predictions" to "cultivate panic and scare people into submission."

Congrats To The Newly Elected State Senator Lydia Edwards

This past Tuesday, January 11 was election day in the 1st Suffolk/Middlesex District for state senator. Since there was no Republican on the ballot, Edwards ran unopposed and was elected as the next state senator for the district. She will take her Senate seat upon being sworn into office in the near future.

When Lydia Edwards resigns from her District 1 seat on the Boston City Council, a new preliminary election will be held to fill the remainder of her council term. That date has not yet been set but will be announced shortly. Several candidates are in the running at the moment.

Turnout in the Senate election was quite low as many folks apparently didn't even remember that the election was this past Tuesday which is a sad state of affairs if you asked me.

Noncitizens Get To Vote In NYC

Starting next year thanks to the New York City Council and new Mayor Eric Adams, noncitizens and so-called "Dreamers" will now be able to cast ballots in NYC municipal elections as the new mayor took no action on the legislation and let it become law. There are now about a dozen municipalities across the country that allows noncitizens to vote at the local level.

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L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Wintry, Wonderful January

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Perhaps there is no month more maligned in the calendar than January. The thrill of the holiday season has faded into the past, while the cold temperatures and bitter winds remain. Frequent snowstorms and icy blasts interrupt the frigid, gray days. The sky is the gray of dirty cotton balls, with only the palest of afternoon sunlight breaking through the clouds. Yet while it may seem odd to think of spring in the midst of such wintry scenes, signs of the upcoming season also surround us this month. Department store shelves explode in hues of red and pink as they boast Valentine's Day decorations. The green, purple, and yellow icing from my Epiphany King Cake — a harbinger of the bright tones of spring — still coats the dish of leftover slices. The sun appears for a longer time in the sky, illuminating the dripping icicles on a still evening. However, as much as I shiver in anticipation at these signs of spring, I am constantly reminded that winter stubbornly persists throughout January. Biting winds and snowdrifts drive me inside warm jackets and sturdy boots. In-season Clementine's and lemons perfume the air with their tartness, while soothing cups of tea provide ultimate comfort. January is a month that follows the two-headed aspect of its namesake Janus, the ancient Roman god of transitions. After all, January encompasses both the frosty beauty of winter and the hope of the imminent spring, teaching us to appreciate both seasons at once.

When one thinks of January, frosty temperatures often come to mind. I imagine days when the air feels like sharp pinpricks and I want nothing more than to curl up on the couch with a mug of steaming hot chocolate. January's gelid weather has even become etched into folklore — European legend marks January 13th, St. Hilary's



Day (or *il Giorno di San Ilario* in Italian), as the coldest day of the year. However, January also gives me ample opportunities to celebrate, to revel in family gatherings where love and laughter form a shield against the arctic blasts outdoors. I have long associated January with parties, as a large number of family birthdays occur throughout the month: my brother's on the 8th, my best friend's on the 13th, my aunt's on the 14th, and my mother-in-law's on the 18th. These January birthday festivities contain all the cakes and gaiety one expects of parties, yet they feel more relaxed since they are now removed from the bustle of the holiday season. Indeed, January does provide us with a welcome respite from the excesses of the previous month. This January, I promise myself that I will focus on the pleasures of winter rather than bemoan the weather. I will binge-watch my favorite television shows while sipping creamy hot chocolate or perfectly spiced tea. I will snack on a juicy Clementine and bake up some goodies featuring seasonal citrus ingredients. I will let snowflakes melt on my tongue like I did when I was a child. Most of all, I hope that everyone will take advantage of January to enjoy the quiet treasures of the oft-defamed winter.

However, as much as January remains firmly enveloped by

the trappings of winter, it does intrigue us with soft whispers of spring. In Italy, no January holiday better introduces the coming spring than the Feast of St. Anthony the Abbot, or *la Festa di Sant'Antonio Abate*, which occurs on the 17th of the month. Because the eponymous fourth-century hermit is the patron saint of domestic animals, many Italians celebrate his feast day by honoring their pets or, if living in an agrarian community, their livestock. In many areas, farmers bring their livestock to the local church for a blessing. I remember watching one such ritual with my father on the Italian channel, my curiosity sparked by the lines of sheep, horses, and cows winding their way through the cobbled streets of a medieval town towards the church, where a priest waited to bestow a benediction. This quaint festival reminds me of the nature which starts to blossom under the cold, snowy ground. The first tiny flower seeds are slowly budding beneath the ground, ready to wink hello to the world as the crocuses and snowdrops of February. Sheep begin the process of birthing lambs around this time as well. I know that sooner than I can expect, robins will be hopping among bare tree branches and small green sprouts will peek out of the dirt. In other parts of

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KIBITZING ... *with* Richard Settipane



Sam Jones and myself 3 years ago

Celtics great Sam Jones passes away at age 88. Sam Jones who was known as "Mr.

Clutch" was the greatest clutch shooter in the NBA. Jones played on 10 championships for the Boston Celtics. He is a Hall of Famer, and is in the top 50 players for the entire NBA. Sam Jones played his entire career with the Celtics.

Attorney General Maura Healy has yet to announce her candidacy for Governor. Speculation is that Healy is waiting to see if Marty Walsh will be a candidate. If so she will probably skip the race.

Over in Chelsea the State Representative seat has been redistricted to include all of Chelsea and a small portion

of Everett. City Councilor Leo Robinson who just topped the ticket in Chelsea should be the leading candidate.

Robinson has been an extremely active City Councilor having the trust of the community leaders.

Wait until you hear this! At a Kentucky Fried Chicken Restaurant in England a woman found a completely whole chicken head covered in batter and fried in her order.

Over in Florida police stopped a vehicle with a broken taillight. Police found a gun in the vehicle. They then searched the driver who had drugs tied to his private parts.

THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani



Life As We Know It Remains So Unclear



Early on New Year's Day morning, I walked down to Piers Park in my East Boston neighborhood and the view seemed so cloudy and misty. The night before the fireworks display seemed like watching the fireworks on the radio. As I scanned to the other side of the harbor, it was difficult to see anything as everything was behind a screen. Just like the pandemic has been since early 2020.

When the vaccines rolled out, I couldn't wait to get my shot over at Boston Medical Center. Since then, I have tried to stay cautious while trying not to go bonkers like so many I see around me. Yet, living with caution, over the Thanksgiving dinner table with vaxxed family members, I caught the virus.

My symptoms were quite

mild with a few days of roving aches and pains. I think getting vaxxed was very helpful. However, it did show that this vaccine doesn't prevent anyone vaxxed or unvaxxed from catching any of the COVID variants, but it certainly looks like it helps with the symptoms and is a good thing.

All of us have a right to choose taking the vaccine or not and the pandemic is not simply an issue caused by the unvaccinated because look I even caught it. This pandemic will disappear into the background, and we will have to act as we do during Flu season. Many take the flu shot, others don't and some of us in both groups can still get the flu. This appears to be our future. The world isn't ending. We aren't dropping like flies out on the streets.

I know that soon enough that misty view from Piers Park will clear up as will America's view.

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

A weekly column highlighting some of the more interesting aspects of our ancestry . . . our lineage . . . our roots.



THE PYRAMIDAL TOMB OF CAIUS CESTIUS

The Romans used three kinds of burial places. These were pyramidal tombs, monumental tombs (round, square or rectangular) and *cemetaria*. The tomb of Cecilia Metella, as described last week, is an excellent example of a round tomb. The pyramidal tombs were introduced to the Romans after the conquest of Egypt. The Egyptian pyramid is actually a royal tomb and its construction was brought about because of a religious influence. The Ancient Egyptians believed in life after death through the immortality of a ghost. They felt it was necessary to preserve the body to enable the ghost to return and retake possession of it at some great time in the future. They also placed a picture or a statue of the deceased nearby so that the returning ghost might recognize those features which the dead body had lost. It is this religious belief which caused the Egyptians to mummify their dead and to build these burial places strong enough to last eons.



The Pyramid of Cestius

Sixty-five of these pyramids were built in ancient Egypt as monumental tombs for the Pharaohs. Three of the most famous are located at Giza, near Cairo. The oldest of these is the Pyramid of Cheops, which dates back to 3733 B.C. Some idea of the magnitude of this

great structure is realized when we learn that it covers about thirteen acres and its height is 482 feet. This makes it about as tall as a 48-story building! It is constructed of huge sandstone blocks weighing about 3 tons apiece. More amazing is the fact that the blocks had to be cut from distant quarries and then floated along the Nile in barges. The stones were then dragged up a mile long ramp and into position.

History tells us that it required the labor of a 100,000 men for 10 years just to build the ramp from the Nile, and then another 20 years to build the pyramid. What awesome power this Pharaoh must have possessed to command the total efforts of these thousands of men for 30 years in order to build a tomb for himself and his queen. Egyptian pyramids were always built so that the sides

faced the four points of the compass. The great pyramid at Giza is laid out so accurately that not more than a fraction of an inch error can be detected even with modern day surveying equipment.

The only tomb of this type to be built in Rome is the Pyramid of Caius Cestius, who held a public office known as "tribune." His selection of a pyramidal-shaped tomb for himself was no chance or frivolous decision. It was born of a deep and abiding respect for the Egyptian people and their religion. Cestius died in 43 B.C., but the structure was not built until 12 B.C. The pyramid is now attached to an old Roman wall and we are told that the builders of the Aurelian Wall took advantage of the bulk of this structure as they did with many other existing structures when constructing the great fortification of Rome during the 3rd century. The height of the Pyramid of Cestius is 117 feet, which is about one-fourth of the height of the Great Pyramid of Cheops. It is faced with blocks of white marble about one foot thick.

There is an old Protestant cemetery at the foot of the Pyramid of Cestius which contains the graves of Keats, Shelley and other illustrious men.

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• Covid

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either repeat an antigen test or get a PCR test in 24-48 hours if they continue to exhibit symptoms. Additionally, DPH does not advise employers, or schools and childcare, to require a test as a condition of returning to work or school.

Vaccination and getting a booster remain the best possible protection against COVID. There are almost 1,000 locations in the Commonwealth for residents to

receive a COVID-19 vaccine or booster. Visit VaxFinder.mass.gov to book an appointment.

Massachusetts National Guard

Governor Baker also today activated 500 additional members of the Massachusetts National Guard to support the state's health care system. This order expands the National Guard activation of 500 members announced on December 21 to

support non-clinical functions in the Commonwealth's hospitals. Prioritized uses for the newly activated 500 members will be to provide additional non-clinical staffing at community hospitals and high-volume emergency departments, public hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and dialysis centers. These guard personnel will be deployed beginning the week of January 17.

LEGAL NOTICE

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Probate and Family Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
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Docket No. SU21P2009GD
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT TO
G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of
ELSA LAO
of Boston, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Elsa Lao** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that _____ (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **February 17, 2022**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 06, 2022

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

Run date: 01/14/2022

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Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI21P6697EA

Estate of
KATHLEEN E. O'SULLIVAN
Date of Death: September 16, 2021

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will** has been filed by **Denise M. Gintner of Ayer, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Denise M. Gintner of Ayer, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 07, 2022.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 10, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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OUR POLICY: To help preserve the ideals and sacred traditions of this our adopted country the United States of America: To revere its laws and inspire others to respect and obey them: To strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty: In all ways to aid in making this country greater and better than we found it.

NEAA Baseball Registration

I know its 20 degrees and baseball in the sunshine seems a million miles away but it will be here before we know it. We are looking forward to another fun-filled season and enjoying the warm weather while our children smile, laugh and run around on our beautiful fields. To give everyone a heads up here is what we are thinking for 2022:

Age is determined by how old your child is on 4/30/22.

Age 4 Instructional Leagues Sunday Mornings 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.:
 Boys and Girls

Age 5 T-Ball Leagues Sunday Mornings 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.:
 Boys and Girls

Age 6-8 Minor Leagues. Coach pitched to start and eventually player pitched if possible; Mon thru Thursday starting at 5:30 p.m.: Boys and Girls

Age 9-12 Major Leagues. Mon thru Thurs starting at 6:00 p.m. Despite our best efforts to grow our girl's softball program we have not been successful. Therefore we will roll the girls into our Major League. They used to be in there for years until we tried to start softball and pulled them out. If any girl is interested in softball **only** please reach out to me and I will put you in touch with Coach Chuck.

Baseball ages 4-12 starts practicing in April with opening day being April 30th and finishes at the end of June. This year, if we have enough interest we will also offer some form of summer baseball to take place in July and August.

Age 12-13 LTA Dodgers. Play starts end of June and ends August 14th

Age 14-15 LTA Dodgers. Play starts end of June and ends August 14th

The Dodgers will depend on how many players we have. If we don't have enough 12-13s for the 13U team we will add them to the 15U team.

As always I am looking for qualified coaches. If you are interested please reach out to me directly by texting

In order to register for our baseball program please visit our website: NEAABaseball.org. Registration will close March 1st and payment will be due by March 8th in order to secure your spot. Cost is \$50 per player. **Checks made out to N.E.A.A. can be mailed to: N.E.A.A.**

C/o John Romano
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Or dropped off at the Nazzaro Center at the same address and put in the N.E.A.A. mail box.

Looking forward to another awesome season! Any questions - email me at: rjmartig5@gmail.com.

Joyce Anne Dabene

September 9, 1955 – January 5, 2022



It is with our deepest sadness that we announce Joyce Anne (Lenkiewicz) Dabene, 66, of South Weymouth, MA, gained her angel wings on January 5, 2022, hand in hand with her two loving children after a tough battle with Covid-19. Her passing was unexpected but we will cherish in our hearts the fond memories that we all have shared with my mother, Joyce. The impact that she made on our lives throughout her time on this earth will forever live on in each one of us.

Joyce was born to the late Florence (Covino) and Edward J. Lenkiewicz on September 9, 1955 in Chelsea, MA. Joyce is a devoted and loving mother to Nicole Ashley Dabene and Paul Dabene, Jr., both of Boston. She was married to her husband, Paul Dabene, of Weymouth, for 35 years and is survived by her sister, Paula Lenkiewicz, of Chelsea, and her brother, Edward Lenkiewicz, of Everett.

Joyce graduated from Chelsea High School in 1973 and began working at the Federal Reserve Bank. Following that, Joyce worked for the Department of Social Services in Boston where she met her husband, Paul, who was installing phones in the office. After getting married, the two lived in the North End of Boston for a few years before relocating to Weymouth, MA, to raise their two children. Once her first child arrived, Joyce went on to perform her one true calling of being a devout and dedicated stay at home mom. There was truly no one more suited for this job and no one more passionate. She lived for her kids; all the dreams that she held in her heart for them will forever live on in their spirits.

Joyce was the most selfless person; she always put everyone else's needs and wants ahead of her own. Everything she did was for everyone else and

her hands worked without fail, day and night. Whether she was sewing a pillowcase, making a bow for a gift, or serving up breakfast, lunch, dinner, or dessert for her kids, she truly never stopped. The meals and treats she made were always gourmet, yet effortless, for her. I have yet to figure out how she could whip up something amazing out of barely nothing. And while her Italian cuisine can't be outshined, Tuesdays will never be the same without her tacos. Above all that, she lived for her kid's happiness and success. She dedicated herself to giving her kids the best life she possibly could, and it was perfect. Mom was and always will be our biggest cheerleader; she never once missed any event or adventure that we wanted to take, and always had flowers and a smile on her face as she watched us grow into the people that we are today. I can't think of one soccer game, let alone practice, that she didn't attend. Mom put forth her best self in everything she did and she wouldn't stop until she knew that what she was giving was truly perfect.

Joyce will forever be remembered for her heart; not only did it put forth so much love, it was so perfect that up until the last second of her life, her heartbeat was unflawed. You truly only had to meet my mom for two minutes to know how much love she had to give and how kind and caring of a woman she was. The memories, life lessons, and the ways in which she touched each and every one of us will allow for my mom to live on in our hearts and spirits. To have known my mom is to have loved my mom.

Always and Forever.

Arrangements for Joyce Anne Dabene will be posted in the coming days.

POSTPONEMENT

*The Pirandello Boston
 Bel Canto Opera Aria Concert*

The Pirandello Boston Bel Canto Opera Aria Concert originally scheduled for Sunday, January 23, at the Dante Alighieri Cultural Center in Cambridge has been postponed. The new date for the concert is Sunday, April 3, 2022 at the Dante at 3:00 p.m. Please visit the Dante Alighieri website for additional information and updates regarding the concert.

Boston Public Library North End Branch

North End Kids Crafternoon

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 - 5:00 PM – 5:45 PM - Online event

Librarian Ashley invites you to join us while we hang out and create a fun craft over Zoom. We will each create our own beaded snowflake together on Wednesday, January 26 at 5 pm. Crafternoon is intended for children ages 5-10 and their caregivers. Registration is required. The Zoom link and notification of when you can pick up your materials packet will be sent to the email provided when you register, so please make sure your email is accurate. Seats are limited! Please [register](http://bpl.org) at bpl.org by Wednesday, January 19th.

• Ally

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Italy, people light huge bonfires on the eve of St. Anthony's feast day. These bonfires light up the night sky with their bright orange blaze and warm the bodies and souls of all nearby, mimicking the sun's longer duration as winter cedes the way for spring. I sense the magic of *la Festa di Sant'Antonio Abate* even here, whenever I look up at the pale January twilight and ponder the cycle of the year shifting beneath my feet.

January can be the most exciting of months, bursting with the liminal energy of two seasons. It provides us with the

perfect chance to reflect on the beauty and repose of winter, calling us into the tranquility of our homes. Sipping a mug of herbal tea while watching the snow drift, incorporating citrus fruits into desserts, and gathering with family and friends for joyous celebrations that can warm even the chilliest night are wonderful ways to enjoy the winter season. However, January also teaches us to remain forever hopeful for the promise of spring. This anticipation is evident in the Cupids and hearts that decorate store shelves, in the leisurely

lengthening of days, and in the folkloristic festivals that honor animals and the natural world. January helps us become attuned to the changing course of the year, and if we always look for the wonders each season offers, we will be instilled with enough hope and optimism to weather the remainder of winter.

Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz is a high school history teacher. She appreciates any comments and suggestions about Italian holidays and folklore at adicenso89@gmail.com.

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Introducing a new book by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari, lifelong residents of the North End, entitled:

Four Women "Quattro Donne"

subtitle, *A North End Love Story*

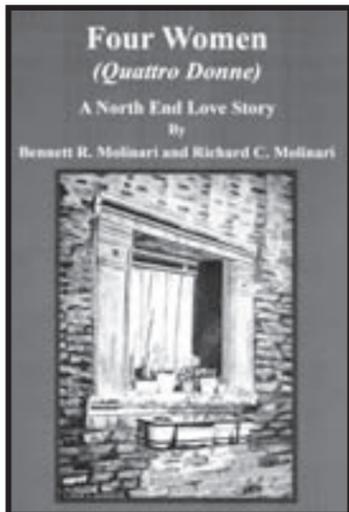
In the next few weeks this column will feature excerpts from this book.

CHAPTER 67

Enter the Riccis (continued)

Auntie Angie, taking Pietro by the hand, advised him to listen to Father Francesco. Pietro, finally turned toward Auntie Stella and heard a different message. "Why are you allowing those cafoni to come between you and Carla? You love each other." Grandma spun around and blurted out, "Stella silenzioso, hai detto abbastanza (Stella silent, you said enough)!" Auntie Stella turned toward the window and went silent. It was obvious that she was steaming mad. She made her point and did not want to further aggravate Grandma. "Aunt Lucia," Pietro once again implored. "Isn't cousin Stella, right? Don't we have a right to our own lives?" He turned to Father Francesco and repeated his question, "Don't we have a right to our own lives, Padre Francesco?" "Yes, Pietro," Father Francesco responded. "God created each of us as individuals, and as individuals, we must discover what He desires of us, but that takes time to discern, and part of that discernment is often separation, where time and distance allows passions to cool. If your love for Carla is true, it will live on beyond momentary passions. It will live on as a steady flame, rather than a hot burning fire which can be most deceptive."

Before Father could say another word, Pietro stood, obviously shaken with emotion. "I must leave, everyone. I know you are trying to help me, but I must leave. I will keep your words in mind and I value them, now I need time alone." "Pietro, dove stai andando (Pietro, where are you going)?" Grandma asked



anxiously. "Aunt, I'm simply going for a walk along the docks. Don't worry about me. I will be home in a few hours."

Pietro left, and a momentary silence descended over the group. Father Francesco had given the advice everyone sought. Would Pietro accept it? Father motioned to the group the visit was over. Grandma stood and thanked Father Francesco for his time and advice and asked for his prayers on behalf of Pietro and Carla. The little group departed the rectory, sharing in silence the events that had just occurred.

CHAPTER 68 Back at Grandma's, the Telegram

While making the short walk across North Square to Grandma's flat, Auntie Angie swung into action. "We need to talk," she announced to the little group. "Once we get to Mama's, we must discuss what just happened." "That's all, the commander in chief gave the orders," Auntie Stella said sarcastically. "Now, she will talk for another

hour. She loves to hear herself talk." As usual with these sudden outbursts from Auntie Stella, Grandma silenced her with a look. Auntie Angie, caught sight of the look, and knew Grandma was backing her up. They headed toward Grandma's flat with Mom trailing behind. She was deep in thought, obviously thinking about what Father Francesco had said.

As soon as they stepped into the apartment, Grandma headed to the stove and got a pot of espresso brewing. When Auntie Stella stepped into the kitchen to set the table for four, Grandma called out to her, and asked her to remove taralli from the garland Grandma kept constantly replenished. Auntie Stella, knowing Grandma's concern, did not make her usual sarcastic remarks. Dutifully, she cut the taralli from the string, and one by one tossed them onto the table, clunk, clunk, clunk. She had made her point, the taralli were hard. Grandma, well aware of what Auntie Stella was saying with her gesture, asserted herself by asking her to take down one more. Auntie Angie came in the kitchen, gathered the taralli and placed them on a plate. Auntie Stella then dropped the fifth one onto the plate. Auntie turning to Auntie Stella said, "Stella don't make her nervous." The two of them took their seats at the table. Shortly after, Mom entered the kitchen. "Sit here Carmela, beside us, Mama is making espresso." Within minutes, Grandma brought the steaming pot of espresso to the table and poured out four cups. Taking her seat, she finally spoke. "Now, what are we going to do?"

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Saint Pancras of Rome

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Little is known with certainty about the life of Saint Pancras, but the essential facts are he was said to have been martyred at the age of fourteen during the persecution under Diocletian. Pancras was born around 289, at or near Synnada, a city of Phrygia Salutaris, in what is now Turkey to parents of Roman citizenship. His mother Cyriada died during childbirth, while his father Cleonius died when Pancras was eight years old.

Pancras was left to his uncle Dionysius' care. They both moved to Rome to live in a villa on the Caelian Hill where they converted to Christianity, and Pancras became a zealous adherent of the religion, a dangerous decision during the reign of Diocletian who launched the most violent persecutions of Christians. Nevertheless, fearlessly, Pancras did not hesitate to announce his newfound faith in public. It didn't take long for the emperor's minions to arrest him. True to form, they beheaded St. Pancras despite his young age. He was only 14.

Although not many people around the world know Saint Pancras, this saint holds a special place in England thanks to the Benedictine monk, Augustine of Canterbury, who dedicated his first church to the young martyr. Relics of the Saint were also given as gifts to the king of Northumberland, a region in England. A district of London is named after Saint Pancras, evidence of his popularity among the British people.

Patron of young soldiers, St. Pancras is their inspiration to be brave amid danger. He is an advocate for children and teenagers to remain steadfast and unwavering in their faith when faced with life's trials and temptations. It is not clear why but Saint Pancras is the favorite Saint for job seekers and workers who ask for his intercession in their search for



work or a source of livelihood. Saint Pancras is also the patron saint involved against upset stomach and headache. The feast day of Saint Pancras is May 12.

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Docket No. SU21P0036EA
Estate of
ELEANOR R. McCABE
Date of Death: October 17, 2020
**INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Joseph L. Amsler of Waltham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Joseph L. Amsler of Waltham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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ATHENS, GA INSIDE OUT: RED TURNS INTO BLUE / (DVD) / MVDVisual

Athens, GA Inside Out: Red Turns Into Blue, is a sequel to the original; *Athens, GA* traces the rise of a political movement in Athens-Clarke County. While still driven by the powerful music of the Athens scene, the new film traces the rise of a political movement in Athens-Clarke County and how it has filtered out, impacting the region and most recently arrived at the very forefront of this national moment! Led by the success of the B-52's and R.E.M., Athens, Georgia was the most happening music scene in the country by the mid 80's/ Following several different bands from different genres, this film paints Athens as a magical artistic environment where bands are not in competition, but co-exist in harmony. Musical performances by Cindy Wilson of the B-52's, Drive By Truckers, Kishi Bashi, Mariah Parker AKA Linqua Franqa, Pylon Reenactment Society (with Vanessa Briscoe Hay), Oh-Ok, Elf Power, Nihilist Cheerleader, David Barbe with New Madrid, Happyness with Peter Fancher and more.

MY STEPMOTHER IS AN ALIEN (Blu-ray) / Arrow Video

She's gorgeous, and she's never been kissed. Needless to say, she's from another planet. He married a girl from out of town ... Way out of town. Dan Aykroyd, Kim Basinger and Jon Lovitz star in a fish-out-of-water comedy with a sci-fi twist that questions whether a romance between two star-crossed lovers who are literally worlds apart can ever work. When widowed astronomer Steve Mills (Aykroyd) inadvertently causes a gravitational disruption in deep space, a race of hyper-advanced alien life forms sends one of their own to investigate, disguised in the alluring human form of Celeste (Basinger). Tasked with seducing the love-lorn Steve in a bid to gain access to his scientific research, Celeste finds herself falling for the man she's been sent to swindle. But they've not counted on Steve's young daughter Jessie (Alyson Hannigan), who's none too thrilled by the prospect of a new mother - especially not one from another planet. Funny and touching in equal measure, *My Stepmother is an Alien* is an off-beat and at times surprisingly risqué comedy that confirms the adage that what unites us is far greater than what divides us ... even if what divides us happens to be an entire galaxy.

MEMORY HOUSE (DVD) / Film Movement

In this audacious debut feature, Joao Paulo Miranda Maria conjures a surreal image of the racial and social rifts in modern-day Brazil. Cristovam, an Indigenous Black man from the rural North, moves to an industrialized Southern town populated by the descendants of Austrian expats to work in a milk factory. Immediately confronted with their virulent racism, he becomes more and more estranged from the white world. Upon discovering an abandoned house filled

with objects reminding him of his origins, Cristovam begins a spiritual and physical metamorphosis.

ROH (DVD) / Film Movement

Far from civilization, deep in the bamboo wilderness, a brother and sister encounter a mysterious girl covered in clay. After providing her food and shelter, their mother warns about superstitions of seen and unseen dangers lurking in the jungle. The next day, the girl delivers an ominous prophecy - they will all die before the next full moon. As strange and terrifying events unfold, an unspeakable evil from inside the forest grows even closer. *ROH* is a visceral, spine-tingling revelation.

CALLING FOR LOVE (DVD) / Filmrise

Podcast host Samantha has an aversion to romance, but is assigned to host a show that reunites lost loves. Samantha fall for charming Jake who calls in with a problem she is determined to solve. *Calling for Love* stars Karissa Lee Staples and Tajh Bellow.

MARY PICKFORD: SPARROWS (Blu-ray) / VCI Entertainment

With *Sparrows*, Mary Pickford once again gave her audience what they wanted by playing "the hoyden, the protector, the fighter." Mary stars as the oldest of a dozen children held hostage at what was then called a "baby farm" where children of unwed mothers or deserted wives were deposited and then sold illegally to adoptive parents or as slave labor. By creating an empathetic melodrama that pulled on the heartstrings, Pickford helped put a spotlight on this evil and increased public awareness and outrage. Completed just as the industry neared the end of the silent era, Mary's acting is not only superior, but this is her least glamorous role ever.

JUICE (Blu-ray) / Paramount Home Entertainment

Q, Raheem, Bishop, and Steel spend their days hanging out and looking for a way to get the power and respect they call Juice. Q hopes to earn respect by becoming a scratch 'n' mix DJ. Bishop has a deadlier plan - take it through an armed robbery with his crew. Ernest R. Dickerson made his directorial debut with this powerful drama steeped in '90s urban lifestyle. *JUICE* features the acting debut of Tupac Shakur and a hit soundtrack that includes Eric B. & Rakim, Naughty by Nature, Big Daddy Kane and Salt N' Pepa.

WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS (Blu-ray) / Persik Productions

Where the Red Fern Grows, tells what 10-year-old Billy Coleman wants most in the world is a hunting dog. After two long years of hard work, he saves up enough money to buy a pair of redbone hound pups, and its love at first sight! Before long, Billy trains "Old Dan" and "Little Ann" to be the finest hunting team in the valley. As the inseparable trio chases the wily "ghost raccoon" and confront danger together, Billy learns the meaning of loyalty, courage, and perseverance.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

WHY ARE THERE STILL SO MANY OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS STILL ON?

Actually, not really that many but enough to catch my eye. Usually, the outdoor lights shine near each other like the house next door. I am making an assumption that neither homeowner wants to blink first and both want to be the last house still wasting Yule time electricity. I don't see any other reason, especially now with all the Bidenflation going on.

OH HOW I MISS LUTHER VANDROSS

Luther Vandross had such a great singing voice full of passion. He was one of the best R & B crooners of all time. He died many years ago at age 58, reportedly losing his fight with diabetes just like Barry White at the same age and from the same diabetes.

I thought of him today while listening to my car radio when the station played "A House is not a Home," a great slow dance song from 1981. I miss his voice and as do many out there.

WHAT'S WITH THE WRONG WAY CRASHES?

Monday saw the latest in a recent spat of news stories about wrong way drivers getting killed in a highway crash. What gives? The latest involved a van and a tractor trailer. We know who lost in that crash.

I would imagine that alcohol is usually a factor in these wrong way crashes. I have been out on a highway late at night and the moment I see an apparent impaired motorist behind the wheel, I just dial 911. Too many drivers still don't know when they shouldn't be behind the wheel and end up either dead or killing someone else.

Back in 1971, I let a friend drive me home after a party and that decision almost killed me. My friend decided to drive around the Sullivan Square rotary the wrong way. I told him to pull over and I walked the rest of my way home. I never let a drunk driver drive me home again.

I took my chances getting mugged rather than get creamed by a tractor trailer that almost got me that night over 50 years ago.

AS IF THE CHURCH DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TO DEAL WITH

Way over on the other side of the state in the Berkshires (towns of Adams and Cheshire), the Bishop of the diocese removed a pastor serving two parishes for the last 10 months for "imprudent" action. He and his flock were not seeing eye to eye and the word got to the bishop who then acted by removing the pastor to hopefully end the turmoil reportedly in the pews.

Among the alleged actions that led to his departure as pastor at two parish churches, were the issue of eulogies and music at funerals. Reportedly many parishioners were confused by a Mass Intention on Christmas in which they say he prayed for the conversion of Jews.

The pastor also allegedly spoke in the pulpit on Covid-19 and his personal critical opinion on vaccinations.

Seems like turmoil is everywhere as we battle through this pandemic. Where is middle ground? Does it even exist anymore?

"DOBIE GILLIS" IS DEAD

As a kid I loved watching *The Many Lives of Dobie Gillis* week after week, year after year. If you're a baby boomer, you know this old show quite well. I was shocked to hear he was 87 years old.

I guess I suppose I have gotten old too but not quite as old as Dwayne Hickman. Did you know his older brother Daryl is still alive. He's going on 91 this year.

CLASSIC CAR CORNER

Recently, *Post Gazette* columnist John Christoforo emailed me a great photo of his 1966 Ford Thunderbird which he garages down in Florida at the moment. What a beauty. He told me it has been his car for some 40 years now.



1966 FORD THUNDERBIRD
Photo by John Christoforo
MAYBE HE SHOULD HAVE SENT IT AIRMAIL?

A 22 year old U.S. Army Sergeant from Woburn wrote a letter to his mom on December 6, 1945 from Germany where he was stationed at the time. The letter just arrived last week in the mailbox where his widow still lives in the family home.

I wonder how often this happens and does a 77 years travel time make the Guinness Book of Records?

FORGET CAMBODIA, WHAT ABOUT AMERICA

Up in Lowell, which, by the way, has the second highest Cambodian population in America, State Sen. Ed Kennedy, D-Lowell just filed a resolution on Beacon Hill in support of fair and free elections in upcoming Cambodian elections.

Personally, I am much more concerned about free and fair elections here in the United States but that's just me talking.

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Estate of
JAMES ALBERT DONN
Also Known As
JAMES A. DONN
Date of Death: October 27, 2021
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Margaret A. Rowe of Georgetown, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Margaret A. Rowe of Georgetown, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.
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Docket No. MI21P6570EA
Estate of
JIPING CHENG
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Rose Li Wang of Lexington, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Rose Li Wang of Lexington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.
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Estate of
BARBARA J. MOYNIHAN
Date of Death: February 16, 2021
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Thomas Moynihan of Atlantic Beach, FL, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Thomas Moynihan of Atlantic Beach, FL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.
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Nanna & Babbonnonno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



It was the middle of January in the early 1960s. Sal Meli, a fellow East Bostonian that I had grown up with, invited me to a ski club that he belonged to in North Conway, N.H. I had never been to a ski resort or on skis at any point in my young life. Sal explained that the club and surrounding resorts were the “in-places” for skiers and most of them were young ladies. That sounded convincing and I decided to take him up on the offer.

At that point in time, I was teaching at Hyde Park High School and had made a few friends, especially with the younger single members of the faculty. A young science teacher named, Tom Aylward, and I had become friends and he was a skier. I mentioned this to Sal, and he told me to extend an invitation to Tom for that weekend in the middle of January.

I was playing at the Charter House on Friday and Saturday evenings. This long-gone hotel was located on the Lynnway set back a bit on the right, just over the bridge from Point of Pines. They had a jazz lounge and my trio had been featured there for about a year. I asked my cousin, Ralph Pepe, to fill in for me and he was open. I OKed my absence with the hotel manager and I began preparing for my first ski trip. The one thing everyone insisted I bring with me was warm clothing. I either bought or borrowed the necessary outdoor clothing and was supervised by Babbonnonno while packing. He looked at the things I had planned to fit into my suitcase and asked, “Hey, Jenny, you go ah da Northa Pole?” I told him what I was up to, which was totally foreign to him. He had lived his young life in Foggia (sweater weather in the winter), and while in the Italian Marines, never ventured anywhere north of Venice. He had never experienced anything in the way of our kind of weather until he settled in Boston, and proceeded to give me a run-down of what I needed, “Jenny, first, you take-a widda you da muntande, longa unda ware. Den, you packa warma soxa foh you feet. Metta due o tre swetta, a cupalini foh da heada anda niza warma glovza a keepa you handza warma.” I agreed with him and packed enough warm clothing for two weeks instead of a two day weekend.

Dad, being a very practical man, told me that I was crazy giving up two nights pay to play in the snow. Mom said a Rosary, fearing that I would ski right into a tree. Babbonnonno assured my folks that he had supervised my packing and told them not to worry about me being cold. When Dad told him that I might even try skiing, Babbonnonno walked away swearing in Italian, adding, “I giovane americani sono pazzi.” (The young American people are crazy) That Friday morning, I placed my suitcase in the trunk of my white 58 Thunderbird and headed to school. When it was time to leave, Tom, who had gotten a ride to school that morning, threw his suitcase in the trunk next to mine and we headed to Polaroid on 128, to

pick up Sal who also had gotten a ride to work. Sal was waiting for us, and with his suitcase wedged in the trunk, off we went heading north on to New Hampshire.

When we reached the Portsmouth Circle, we stopped at Howard Johnson’s for a quick bite to eat and then proceeded north on Route 16 to North Conway. It was early evening when we arrived at the ski club that Sal belonged to and we were assigned to a dorm room with bunk beds. I don’t remember the name of the club, but it was typical of that part of New Hampshire, rustic and geared solely for ski enthusiasts. Sal had made the reservations and breakfast and dinner were included. He introduced us to many of the lodge members as we sat down to dinner, and several more as we headed to the main room of the lodge where a large fire place was blazing away and the bar was in full operation. We socialized a bit, but made it an early night as ski lessons and ski rentals began right at sun up.

The next morning, following Sal’s direction, we headed to Cannon Mountain, rented the ski equipment we needed for the weekend, tied up with a ski instructor, and took a beginner’s lesson on how to ski. Tom paid the money for the ski lift tickets as he didn’t need lessons, but we surely did. The instructor told Sal and me to stay on the Bunny Slopes, the lower part of the mountain where the novice skiers could practice and not get hurt. He then instructed us on how to start off, steer, and stop. Sal and I tried out his instructions, and finding a bit of success with them, headed for the beginner slope. You couldn’t see the snow through the falling beginners at that novice site and I decided to leave Sal and go to the next level of Cannon Mountain, the intermediate slope. This, too was so busy that I decided to take the cable car to a 3rd level, the advanced slope, but didn’t get out of the cable car fast enough and wound up heading for the top of the mountain where only expert skiers had the right to be.

Being in my early ’20s, fearless (or brainless—I’m not sure) and innocent regarding what I was doing, I snapped on my skis and kicked off right from the summit, pushing myself forward and downward with my ski poles, silently saying to myself, “Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee ...” The slopes were steep and expert skiers whizzed past me as if I was standing still. I was actually dragging my poles in the snow so as not to speed up. I made it down the expert slopes without falling, skied past several people on the intermediate slopes without mishap, and continued down the mountain until I reached the Bunny Slope. I somehow zigzagged around the falling novice skiers who were practicing at that location and saw the main building of the Cannon ski lodge looming in front of me. I pointed my skis toward each other and snow plowed, a procedure I had learned earlier to slow down and

stop. I then twisted my body to the right, and turned at a right angle stopping parallel to the side of the lodge, about two feet away from the outside wall of the building. I took off my skis, turned, came to attention, and saluted the mountain. Carrying my skis into the building, I returned them to the rental office, headed for the lounge, ordered a hot cocoa with a shot of brandy in it, and waited for my companions to return.

I have never ever been on a pair of skis since that episode. Beginners luck was hovering over me and I didn’t want to press it any further. Tom and Sal returned within the hour, both covered with snow and cold. They joined me in the lounge over cocoa and told me of their ventures on the slopes for that morning. Sal and I had had it. He didn’t want to push his luck either. We left Tom there to endanger his life again and asked as to what time he wanted us to pick him up. Our next venture was to head to North Conway village and check out the shops. Later, back at Sal’s ski club lodge, we eat, drank, and socialized. The following weekend, I was kicking off the first set with my trio at the jazz lounge at Charter House Hotel. My silent comment was, “Don’t temp fate ever again, this is where I belong.” When I told this to Dad and Babbonnonno, they agreed with me. I was a musician, not a skier.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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Docket No. MI21P6695EA

Estate of

DEBORAH E. WOOLEY

Date of Death: April 04, 2021

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Ken Wooley of Natick, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Ken Wooley of Natick, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Personal Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 07, 2022.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: January 10, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 01/14/2022



by
Marianna
Bisignano

On a cold winter day, nothing warms the soul like a steaming bowl of Minestrone Soup. Originating in Italy, Minestrone or “big soup” as it translates, is the national soup of the country. This amazing soup can be found throughout all of Italy, and it is typically made with vegetables, beans, and sometimes includes small pasta or rice. However, as with most Italian recipes, it can vary from season to season, and region to region!

My Nonna made a delicious Minestrone Soup and of course, in her true Sicilian style, added her own special touches. Nonna used shallots instead of the traditional onions, diced instead of plum tomatoes, and for the greens she preferred escarole above all. As the winter weather is upon us, now is the perfect time to make a pot of my “Nonna’s Minestrone Soup” Mangia Bene!

NONNA’S MINESTRONE SOUP

Il Minestrone Della Nonna



½ cup olive oil
3 ounces pancetta, chopped
4 shallots, chopped
4 garlic cloves, chopped
4 carrots, peeled and chopped
4 stalks celery, chopped
3 ounces pancetta, chopped
1 large head escarole, washed and chopped
1 to 2 cups fresh string beans, washed and cut into thirds
3 russet potatoes, peeled and cut into bite sized pieces
1 (14 ½-ounce) can diced tomatoes

3 to 4 bay leaves
1 (15-ounce) can cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
1 (15-ounce) can kidney beans, drained and rinsed
10 to 12 cups chicken stock
1 good sized (about a 3-inch piece) Parmesan cheese rind
1 ½ cups ditalini pasta, uncooked
salt and pepper, to taste
freshly grated parmesan cheese, if desired

In a large Dutch oven or heavy stock pot, heat the oil over medium heat. Add the pancetta, shallots, garlic, carrots, and celery. Sauté until the scallions are translucent, about 10 to 12 minutes. Add the escarole, string beans and potato; cook for 10 minutes. Add the tomatoes and bay leaves. Simmer until the escarole is softened and the tomatoes break down, about 12 minutes.

Take about ¼ cup of the cannellini beans and ¼ cup of the kidney beans and mash them well, then add them to the *minestra*. Add the stock and Parmesan cheese rind and stir to combine. Simmer until the potato pieces are tender, stirring occasionally, about 15 minutes. Add the remaining beans and pasta, lower the temperature, and cook for about 8 to 10 minutes, or until the pasta is al dente. Remove Parmesan rind and bay leaves. Add salt and pepper, to taste and serve in bowls topped with grated parmesan cheese, if desired.

Marianna Bisignano is a psychologist for the Boston Public Schools and can be reached at nonnasrecipebox@gmail.com

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• News Briefs

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Dumbest Quote Of The Week

“I’m worried that if Republicans win in the midterm elections, that voting as we know it in this country will be gone ... it could be the last election.”

-U. S. Rep. Eric Swalwell, D-California

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Docket No. MI21P6312EA

Estate of
JOHN WRIGHT WOOD
Also Known As
JOHN W. WOOD, JR.

Date of Death: September 21, 2021

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Dermot J. Nugent of Hingham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Dermot J. Nugent of Hingham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Run date: 01/14/2022

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Docket No. SU21P2577EA

Estate of
GARY C. HATTON

Date of Death: November 28, 2021

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Jill S. Hatton of Boston, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Jill S. Hatton of Boston, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 10, 2022.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: December 31, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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Docket No. MI21W1287WD

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TINA SYNONARATH, Plaintiff(s)
v.
NATHAN MCCARTHY, Defendant(s)

To the above named Defendant(s):
A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff(s) **Tina Synonarath** seeking a Complaint for Custody - Support - Parenting Time.

You are required to serve upon **Tina Synonarath** or attorney for plaintiff(s) whose address is **Jamie Mauritz James, Esq., 15 Railroad Street, Unit 2, Andover, MA 01810**, your answer on or before **9th day of February 2022**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of this Court at **370 Jackson St., 5th Flr., Lowell, MA 01852**.

Witness, **MAUREEN H. MONKS, Esq.**,
First Justice of said Court at Lowell,
this day of December 22, 2021.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court

Run date: 01/14/2022

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI21P6632EA

Estate of
PEROUZ JANJIGIAN

Date of Death: December 31, 2020

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Haig H. Janjigian of Watertown, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Haig H. Janjigian of Watertown, MA, Armanda S. Janjigian of Ipswich, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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Docket No. MI21P5114EA

Estate of
PAUL R. CHOCHREK

Date of Death: May 21, 2021

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Mary B. Chochrek of Somerville, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Mary B. Chochrek of Somerville, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Run date: 01/14/2022



EXTRA Innings

by *Sal Giarratani*



So What If There's A Lockout

At the moment Major League baseball is in lockdown mode and nobody's talking to anybody which explains why there's really no baseball to write about on the sports pages or on sports radio today.

Spring training starts at the tail end of February or so. Is there a chance this current state of mind of the owners first and players union second could spill over into what should be the start of baseball? Who knows, right?

Bottom line: it is always about money. Baseball politics is like all politics. Always about power and control and since there is nothing in it for us except higher prices at the ballpark, I will go on with my life as you should too.

Another reason why I like this baseball column of mine is I can always revert back to yesterday! Talking about the way things used to be. Mentioning the big stars and little stars of days gone by. My recent piece on Don Gile, for instance, brought a lot of feedback from you out there.

Looking at the state of baseball in the modern world makes

me understand how good things were in baseball in, say, 1959 or 1969 when the game was played as a sport, when fans could afford to go to the park and watch a game without breaking the bank. When there were quality stars out in the field.

Players back in the day were special and viewed as special by younger fans that grew up with the greats. Today, baseball has lost whatever it was that it had.

This past season I hardly watched any Red Sox baseball on TV and I suspect when the lockout is over and baseball resumes, baseball will continue to fall in the eyes of the fans, especially younger ones who now think the biggest sin of Major League play is how boring it has become. Baseball was never boring for America when I was a kid.

Post-season has become a big money maker for everyone in the game. Once there were two leagues. The best record meant you orderly won the pennant. Then those two winners played each other in the World Series. It was simple. The best team in each league played each other. Now with so many teams in the post-season and so many rounds of play, the whole thing gets boring.

The state of baseball today needs real fixing or it can quickly drop behind football, basketball and hockey. If it really continues to fall behind, even soccer could catch up to baseball.

Yeah, I know I can be a cranky old baby boomer at times but

I've seen lots of baseball in my time and the game was much better 60 years ago as was the quality of players out on the field cast game time.

So, don't ask me what I think of the lockout. I don't care to have an opinion.

Happy 38th Birthday To Jon Lester



Former Red Sox pitcher Jon Lester was always a favorite of mine on the mound. In his 16 seasons, he has compiled a 200-117 record with a 3.66 ERA with five All-Star games and three World Series rings. I still can't believe it was back in 2002 when the Sox grabbed him in the second round draft.

GOT FEEDBACK?

Let me know what you think. Just email me at: sal.giarratani@gmail.com. I would love to hear from you. You can only make this column better with your input.

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Todisco Services, Inc.

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Docket No. MI21P5472GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of
CHARLES THERIAULT
of Concord, MA

RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Minuteman Senior Services, Inc. of Bedford, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Charles Theriault** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Donna Thompson of Maynard, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **With Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **January 28, 2022**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. **Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.**

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: December 31, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 01/14/2022

LEGAL NOTICE

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Docket No. MI21P1817EA

Estate of
FRANCIS XAVIER GILLESPIE
Also Known As
FRANK GILLESPIE

Date of Death: November 30, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Ann Gillespie of Stoneham, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Ann Gillespie of Stoneham, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 10, 2022.

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: January 11, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 01/14/2022

Boxing



Ringside

WITH BOBBY FRANKLIN

Happy Birthday To January Babies George Foreman, Joe Frazier and Muhammad Ali



Joe Frazier



Muhammad Ali



George Foreman



Frazier And Foreman Weighing In For Their First Fight.

Three heavyweight champions who will be forever linked to one another were all born in January. If you are into astrology you might find some connection in the fact they were all born under the sign of Capricorn.

George Foreman, Joe Frazier, and Muhammad Ali are three names that are rarely spoken alone. When one is mentioned it is not long before the others become part of the conversation. While the 1970s was a very exciting time for the heavyweight division, and while there was no shortage of talented contenders, it was this trio that really put the exclamation point on the era.

The three Ali/Frazier will never be forgotten, and Ali's victory over Big George seemed like an impossibility until it happened. Add in Foreman's shocking destruction of Joe Frazier, and you have the drama and excitement of 1970s boxing in a nutshell.

This year would have been Ali's 80th birthday. he was born on January 17, 1942. Joe Frazier arrived a couple of years later on January 12, 1944. George made his arrival on January 10, 1949. He is the only one of the three still with us.

These three great champions are a reminder that there was a time when the best fighters fought one another. They were real champions who avoided nobody. Their willingness to step up against each other and the many other contenders of the time is why that period in boxing history is such a popular one.

**Here's wishing George, Joe, and Muhammad a Happy Birthday!
Thanks for the Memories!
You Guys Were Something Else!**



George Foreman and Muhammad



Joe Vs Muhammad 1

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



So, how many people really thought that Danny Ainge, the former President of Basketball Operations for the Boston Celtics, actually retired after C's were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs last season?

We didn't believe it then and our hesitancy proved to be correct when Ainge recently assumed the position of Chief Executive Officer for the Utah Jazz.

Right off the bat back in June, *Sports Illustrated* writer Chris Mannix speculated that Ainge would wind up with Utah. He was ultimately proven correct when the former Celtics front office leader assumed his current position with the Western Conference team last month.

The only surprise was how long it took — about half a year.

Ainge quickly cut his residential ties with Massachusetts. Within three weeks after the decision to move Coach Brad Stevens into the basketball operations position, Ainge and his wife Michelle had put their \$4.5 million home in Wellesley Hills on the market.

This past fall *Boston Globe* columnist Tara Sullivan wrote that Ainge was "forced out" of his position with the Celtics. Ainge shot back in an interview with *Globe* columnist Dan Shaughnessy, saying that he decided to step away because he "needed a break." He cited how his family members questioned why he needed to continue in such a stressful position, especially given that he had suffered a heart attack two years ago.

He also stated that at the time of his decision back in June, he had no immediate plans for the future.

Regardless of the reason, Ainge did not look the part of a delighted retiree at the press conference in early June, the one that saw Ainge leave and Stevens elevated following the Celtics' first round dismissal from the playoffs at the hands of the Brooklyn Nets. The move came about 10 months after Stevens had signed a new five-year contract extension in August 2020.

We don't believe anyone felt that Danny Ainge was about to sail off into the sunset at age 62.

Indeed, at the press conference in Utah, Ainge sounded like a person up for a new challenge.

"Joining the Jazz was a natural and perfect fit for me as my roots in Utah are deep and strong," he stated. "This is a team that has a tremendous foundation of players and people."

Smith, the owner, noted that "Danny will help make our organization stronger in our collective goal — winning an NBA championship."

For those of you who are not aware, Ainge and his association with Utah go way back. Both Ainge and current Jazz owner Ryan Smith grew up in Eugene, Oregon and both went on to attend Brigham Young University. In addition, both are active members of the Mormon Church, whose headquarters are in Salt Lake City. Rarely mentioned in local media, Ainge has played an active role in the church for decades. Go to Ainge's twitter page and the first thing you will read is a religious quotation. References to basketball come after that.

Thus, it is understandable that Ainge chose to attend BYU. He came to the university following a historic three-sport career in high school, the only secondary school athlete in history to be named an All-American in three major sports (football, basketball and baseball) by *Parade Magazine*.

Because of seasonal overlap Ainge was forced to cut back to two sports while in college, competing in both basketball and baseball. Following his senior season, he was named the recipient of the John Wooden Award as the best collegiate basketball player in the nation. On the diamond, Ainge was already playing baseball with the Toronto Blue Jays.

Basketball eventually won out after Ainge was selected by the Celtics in the 1981 NBA Draft.

In reality, it seemed as if Ainge was meant to be a member of the Celtics. How else to describe a stellar basketball player who actually was born on St. Patrick's Day back in 1959! During his years with the Celtics in the 1980s, he was a member of two NBA Championship teams (1984 and 1986).

Following his time with the Celtics Ainge was traded to the Sacramento Kings and later to the Portland Trail Blazers. His last stop as a player came when he signed a free agent contract with the Phoenix Suns, a team he would later lead as a head coach.

He was brought back to the Celtics fold on May 9, 2003 during an historic press conference at the Garden presided over by Red Auerbach. The next day's headline in the *Boston Herald* — O Danny Boy — said it all with a photo of the pair smiling in delight.

Ainge became famous for being a dealer when it came to acquiring players. He brought both Ray Allen and Kevin Garnett to Boston. They joined Paul Pierce to become the new Big Three that brought home Banner 17 to the Garden back in June 2008. Ainge was named NBA Executive of the Year.

He also played a major role in selecting Brad Stevens as head coach in 2013 after Doc Rivers left. The former Butler University mentor blossomed, leading the C's to three berths in the Eastern Conference Finals in recent years.

A choice that led to much second guessing was the acquisition of Kyrie Irving. It didn't work out. Irving, now with the Brooklyn Nets, is a personality all to himself as a perusal of the current sports pages in New York City will reveal. As *Boston Globe* columnist Dan Shaughnessy famously stated to the Nets "he's all yours."

And now Danny Ainge, a man who spent 26 years with the Celtics (eight as a player, 18 in the front office) is all in with Utah, a franchise that has never won an NBA championship since it's founding in 1974. Somehow, we feel with Ainge at the helm, the chances for an eventual title are greatly improved.

Meanwhile, there will still be an Ainge with the Celtics. Austin Ainge, one of Danny's sons, will continue as assistant GM with the historic franchise.