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Madonna Della Cava Celebrates 104th Anniversary



The Members of the Madonna Della Cava Society

(Photo by Gerri Palladino)

2024 marks the 104th Anniversary of the Feast of the Madonna Della Cava in Boston's North End. Over a century ago, Italian immigrants from Pietraperzia settled mostly

on Battery, Charter, Hanover Streets and Salutation Alley. They brought their faith in the Madonna Della Cava and their sacred traditions. On the second Sunday each August, the

society members carry a beautiful cloth banner, bearing the image of the Madonna through the streets of the North End. The traditional use of a cloth banner is based on a belief the

statue will fall and crack just like the stone bearing the image of the Madonna once did many centuries ago. The loyal members of the society would like to acknowledge how blessed they

are to celebrate their beloved Madonna with members of their families, friends and visitors on Hanover and Battery Streets.

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Rebranding Kamala as a "Moderate"

"Within hours of becoming the presumed Democrat nominee, Vice President Harris's moderate makeover began," stated Robert Knight at the *Washington Times*. The media simply "glossed over" her "radical past" while playing up her "tough on crime" credentials. Fact is, as a US senator, "she had a more leftist voting record even than Sen. Bernie Sanders," co-sponsoring his Medicare for All bill, the Equality Act and the No Harm Act, forcing Catholic hospitals to perform abortions and gender transition surgeries "And the media wonder why so many Americans have no trust in them."

Caught, Killed in Baggage Claim

A woman died at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport last week after she became trapped in machinery in the baggage claim area. The unresponsive was found trapped under a conveyor belt, according to the Chicago Fire Department.

She was found in the baggage claim area at a terminal for international air carriers just before 8 am. It was not yet clear immediately whether she was a traveler or airport employee.

An "Enemy" of Columbus

An Italian American civil rights group has lashed out at Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz and called him an "enemy" of the community and imploring him to drop out of the race. The Italian American Civil Rights League, which was founded in New York City and has endorsed former President Donald Trump in the 2024 election blasted Walz over his approach to rioters who tore down a statue of Christopher Columbus.

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National Night Out 2024 in the North End

National Night Out is an annual event celebrated throughout the country, on the first Tuesday in August. This year the event took place on Tuesday, August 6th. The goal of the event is to strengthen the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement, fostering a true sense of community while promoting police and community partnerships. Neighborhoods across the Commonwealth hosted various events, including block parties,

festivals, parades, cook outs and safety demonstrations. The best way to build a safer community is to know your neighbors and your surroundings. National Night Out encourages a culture which allows us to rediscover our own communities.

The 2024 North End celebration was extremely well attended by residents and community leaders, took place in the Prado (Paul Revere Mall) on Hanover Street, and was

facilitated by North End Cares with participation from NE\W Health, and NEMPAC. There was free face painting and an adorable petting zoo for the children to enjoy, along with many give aways, courtesy of Target, and 7-Eleven convenience store, complimentary pizza donated by Pizzeria Regina, along with water and Hoodsie cups.

The Boston Police Department, under the leadership of

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(Photos courtesy of the City of Boston)

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



FAENUS

Most of our concerns today seem to be centered around “faenus,” which is the Latin term for interest, debt, profit, gain or financial advantage. In early Greece the rate of interest on invested capital was not restricted by law but was left entirely to arrangements between the parties concerned. The average rate was considered to be quite high, far higher than the rental fee for houses or for land. This was due to the scarcity of ready cash and the difficulty in accumulating any large amount of capital. During the time of Demosthenes (about 300 B.C.) twelve percent was regarded as a rather low rate of interest and higher rates, up to eighteen percent, were quite common. In bottomry (insurance on shipping cargo) the ordinary rate of interest at Athens was twenty percent. In the event of failure in the payment of interest due, it was permissible to charge compound interest. Interest was computed and charged by one of two different methods. It was quite usual to agree on the amount of a monthly payment or by an annual payment based upon a fraction of the principal. Interest was usually paid on the last day of each month but yearly payments



Detail of a contemporary portrait mosaic of Justinian dressed in a royal purple chlamys and jeweled stemma in the Basilica of San Vitale, Ravenna, AD 547

were also possible. In early Rome, as at Athens, the rate of interest was originally unrestricted and it was not until after much work was done that a standard rate of eight and one third percent was established. The law limited the interest rate for Roman citizens, but usury (gouging) was quite the common practice were foreigners were concerned.

The exchange of commerce between foreign countries prompted changes in interest

payments. Money was no longer lent by the year but by the month and monthly interest was paid on the first day of each month. Notice of intention to recall a loan was given on the ides (13th or 15th of the month) and reimbursement took place on the first day of the following month. The regular rate of interest under this system was one percent monthly, or twelve percent per year.

The accumulation of large fortunes in Rome at the end of the Republic lessened the rate of interest that was charged. The chief field for usury was then directed toward the provinces, where the inhabitants were compelled to raise loans at any price because of exorbitant taxes. Justinian, the great Byzantine emperor, was the one who eventually fixed a permanent interest rate in ordinary investments at six percent, in commercial enterprises at eight percent and in bottomry (previously unlimited) at twelve percent.

It is certainly a great mystery to me why our ancestors were so concerned about money and interest. All they had to do was to look to their government leadership like we do. If you need more money ... just print it ... how simple can you get?

safety on city streets. This crisis didn't just happen overnight. This has been on-going for the last several years and it's been going unanswered."

The mayor, however, felt differently. She and the police department brass referenced the city's low crime rate and their ability to increase staffing levels given the national recruitment obstacles of police officers since the Black Lives Matter (BLM) and George Floyd riots.

A Boston Police Department spokesperson placed uniform staffing levels at 2,188, a figure the city union claims is false, countering the actual number of uniformed officers who

answer 911 calls is actually lower. According to Councilor Ed Flynn's office, the Boston Municipal Code requires the number of police officers on the force shall at no time be less than 2,500. Flynn and Murphy contend a "consistent influx of recruits" are needed to replace officers retiring and resigning. While this issue has been fully embraced by the union, it spurred the mayor to admonish councilor's Flynn and Murphy, offering a very stern pushback, "We appreciate this support for our officers and the hard work they do every day, and our administration continues to bring staffing levels up through expanding recruit classes. But with due respect to these councilors, we need their support for fully staffing city jobs all the time, not just when its politically convenient."

Both councilors fired back, "I think at a critical time where we are in the city, we should be working together to find solutions, not attacking councilors who are trying to help find solutions to keep the city moving forward," Murphy said. There is no doubt that each of these elected officials respects and supports public safety in their city as well as each officer who serves Boston every day, fighting to ensure the residents, business owners and visitors are safe and protected.

Was the Democratic Presidential Nomination Hijacked?

by Patti Sartori

The word Democracy is derived from the Greek word “demos” meaning people, and “kratos” meaning power, therefore democracy is thought of as “power of the people.” So how does the Democratic Party, who loves to brag about that they are the defenders of “democracy” explain how the 2024 presidential contest will be the first, in modern history, to feature a nominee who wasn't chosen by the voters.

Kamala Harris did not receive a single vote in the Democratic Primaries." Simply stated, they strategically by-passed the electoral system. Harris never made it to the Iowa Caucus in the 2020 Democratic Primaries, her campaign fizzled, never got off the ground and couldn't raise enough money to remain a viable candidate. Since being sworn in as Vice-President, her list of accomplishments doesn't shine much brighter.

In the interest of expediency, Democratic leadership chose to turn and pivot, punt on fourth down and create a fake primary that attempts to legitimize a hijacked political process so they could crown Harris the Democratic nominee, rather

than let the political process play out.

If 2024 had been a traditional open contest once Joe Biden stepped aside, Harris would most likely have faced off against a number of challengers, including popular Governors and U.S. Senators. It makes many people wonder why this nomination was so rushed and creates a lot of questions, such as who actually orchestrated this scheme and who will really be running the country?

In the matter of days, it went from President Biden is the best person to lead our country, to the Democratic Hierarchy, including Obama, Pelosi, Schumer and major political donors to bullying him out of the race. Now Harris is indebted and beholden to these same powerhouses, instead of her voters, for her political future and legacy.

Maybe the Democrats panicked, felt the pressure and believed they had no choice to anoint Harris. But never again should the Democratic Party pretend to be the defenders of democracy. It is terrifying to think this is a Democratic Government at its Best!

Are Bike Lanes and Lax Enforcement Creating Headaches for Ambulances, Commuters, and Even Duck Boats?

Word on the street is the newly implemented bike and bus lanes throughout Boston neighborhoods are impeding ambulances, stalling commuters and even creating havoc for Duck Boat Tours. The traffic snarls are thought to be from the reconfiguration of Boston streets to accommodate the new bike and bus lanes, combined with a perceived lack of enforcement, creating major traffic frustration for businesses, tourists, residents and even Boston Duck Boat Drivers.

District 2 City Councilor Ed Flynn is reporting that he is receiving notification from his constituents claiming it is taking longer for ambulances to get to specific hospitals in Boston, and he believes bike lanes have a negative impact on their response time. A number of main arteries in Boston have been reduced to two lanes by Mayor Wu's administration, some implemented despite community opposition, and creating major headaches.

It's no secret that Wu is a staunch supporter of bike lanes but are they having a negative effect on tourism? Duck Boat tours that used to take 80 minutes are taking closer to two hours this summer, as all size vehicles attempt to navigate the heavily congested city

streets and roadways. "The city has been tough to get around. Traffic is really challenging. We're not against bike or bus lanes, but when you don't have enforcement, the best laid plans don't work," said Cindy Brown, CEO of Boston Duck Tours. This easily recognized company operates 28 vessels and transports thousands of tourists daily on both land and sea. Brown acknowledged that she has reached out to the mayor's office to request better enforcement of parking and traffic regulations to keep the roadways clear. Customers are often late for their reserved time slots due to traffic, parking issues or become frustrated with sitting idly on the duck boats for an extended period of time.

Illegal scooters darting around, service delivery drivers such as uber eats, door dash and others failure to follow traffic and parking regulations on streets that once had three lanes and now have two, are creating chaos and gridlock for most other drivers.

Many believe the mayor's office needs to do more to ease the commute for residents and tourists attempting to navigate the city, while many feel people using bike lanes are given preferential treatment.

City of Boston Mayor and Police Commissioner at Odds with Boston City Council Over Police Staffing Levels

The atmosphere between Mayor Michelle Wu, Boston Police Department Leadership and City Councilors Ed Flynn and Erin Murphy turned acrimonious last week when the two councilors filed a request for a public hearing regarding the need to increase Boston Police Department staffing levels. The Mayor, Flynn and Murphy are often at odds in their political philosophy.

The hearing order was praised by Larry Calderone, President of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, the city's largest police union, "We're in full-blown crisis and a recipe for disaster, in terms of public

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Vice-Presidential Candidate Tim Walz is Labeled an Enemy of Italians

by Ginny Gardner

Sadly, for Italian Americans, Vice-Presidential Candidate, Tim Walz joins a very long list of people who want to erase Italian Americans because they do not respect us or our culture. The “woke” movement has declared war on both our heritage and our religion, Christianity.

In July 2020, the nation watched as an angry violent mob defaced and toppled the Christopher Columbus Statue, located at Christopher Columbus Park, in the North End neighborhood of Boston. In the fall of 2020 former Mayor of Boston, Marty Walsh, under immense pressure from President of the Italian American Alliance, James DiStefano, Dr. Frank Mazzaglia and numerous Italian American organizations, brokered a deal. The statue was to be repaired and relocated to a safe location. In 2023 the statue was relocated to the rear of the Knights of Columbus building, hidden from the throngs of tourist who visit this ethnic enclave; however, Italian American organizations still hold out hope it will be returned to its honored and rightful home at Christopher Columbus Park. To date Mayor Michelle Wu has dodged any and all attempts to discuss this option.

In 2020, Tim Walz then Governor of Minnesota, enabled and allowed rioters to topple Minnesota’s Christopher Columbus Statue located on **state capital property**. Mike Crispi, board member of the Italian-American Civil Rights League, released the following statement, “Tim Walz did nothing to stop radical vandals from targeting the most prominent symbol of Italian-American culture in a flagrant hate crime. Walz knew they were coming, and he did nothing to protect the statue. Furthermore, in order to placate indigenous activists and other anti-Italian-American sympathizers, Walz and his cronies colluded to keep the statue down.”

Dr. Christopher Binetti, Italian American civil rights activist and president of the Italian American Movement, an American civil rights organization, wrote, “Walz wants to erase us because he loathes us as Italians. This is not about Columbus or even Howard Zinn, whose warped views of history Walz seems to embrace. **This is about the dehumanization of Italian Americans** in Minnesota and throughout America. Remember, that in order to destroy Columbus, his statue had to be physically lynched. No one seemed to care about that symbolism; how it reminded us of the horrifying lynching and riotous massacre of Italians, in 1891, in New Orleans. Make no mistake, Walz loathes Italians.” Binetti added, “He has contempt for true religion, for Catholics, and, especially, for Italian Americans.”

It is heartbreaking to see that the hate I experienced as a child still seems to rear its ugly head. Occasionally, even now, due in part to my last name, people do not realize that I am of Italian heritage and that’s when their ignorance shows. Each time this happens it rips off the scab of hurt from Italian jokes, slanderous, insulting comments, Italian bigotry, discrimination and hate. People who harbor such vitriol should not be on the ballot. Tim Waltz, I hear your hate loud and clear. I urge all Italian Americans, ALL AMERICANS, to make your voice heard in November on election day

Virginia “Ginny” Gardner, (virginiagardner@aol.com), host of *Virginia’s Views and Vibes* — now on YouTube.

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Pauline M. Swift

September 4, 1945 - August 6, 2024

Pauline M. Swift, age 78 of Wakefield passed away on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at her home in Wakefield, MA. She was born in Boston on September 4, 1945 and was the daughter of the late Nicholas and Catherine (Imbornone) Giarratani.

Mrs. Swift was raised in Somerville and was a graduate of Somerville High School and later attended Northeastern University. She was retired from the IRS office of Andover after 27 years of service. Mrs. Swift was frequent visitor to Foxwoods. She and her husband Tom enjoyed cruising in their retirement and spent many winters in Lakeland, FL.

She was the beloved wife of Thomas P. Swift. She was the loving mother

of Eric W. Swift and his wife Melissa of Wilmington and Carrie A. Hill and her husband Todd of Dracut. She was the loving grandmother “Noni” of Kendra and Aiden Swift and Joni and Douglas Hill. She was also the sister of Michael Giarratani of FL, Nina Whipple of NH and the late, Nicholas and Salvatore Giarratani and Phyllis Gorman.

Visitation was held at the McDonald Funeral Home, Wakefield, MA.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in the Lazarus Center for Healing Shrine / St. Florence Church, Wakefield, MA on Friday, August 9. Interment followed at Forest Glade Cemetery in Wakefield, MA.



ROBERT WHITE

Robert Romeo White passed away on July 14, 2024.

Loving son of the late Francis J. White and Gilda (DiBerto). Loving and caring father to Carla Ward (White), and her husband John Ward, and Robert T. White and his wife Francesca White. Proud and loving grandfather to Amber Ward, Olivia White, Christopher White, and Loretta White. Dear brother of Thomas White, Francis White and John White. He was loved and adored by many nieces and nephews.

Robert was born August 12, 1942. He grew up in East Boston and was a graduate of East Boston High School’s class of 1960. After high school, Robert joined the US Army and spent the next three years stationed in Europe.

While stationed in Mannheim Germany, Robert met his wife, Margot. They married in Germany and returned to the US when Robert completed his tour. They settled in East Boston where they raised

their family. Robert joined the U.S. Postal Service in 1964 and was a dedicated postal employee for almost 40 years, retiring in 2003. After retirement he moved to Stuart Florida as a “snowbird”, eventually becoming a full-time Florida resident until his death. Robert graduated from Suffolk University in 1976 with a BS in Business Administration and was a devoted Friend of Bill for over 43 years.

Family and friends honored Robert’s life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, East Boston. Internment will take place at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, MA at a later date. Robert will be missed, loved and remembered by all. May he rest in peace.

In Lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation (t2t.org) in honor of Robert’s memory.



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L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

A Season of Transition

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



The photos begin to inundate social media around this time of year: coffeeshops advertising their wares with well-lit shots of cardboard cups stacked high with a frothy cloud of whipped cream and sprinkled with the reddish glitter of cinnamon, surrounded by the seasonal trappings of orange gourds. After all, the end of August means a plethora of announcements concerning the release dates of pumpkin spice lattes, the *ne plus ultra* of spicy fall drinks for java lovers. Pumpkin season is still fairly far-off, but these ads serve as yet another reminder that autumn, my favorite season, is quickly approaching. Indeed, I have lately been paying attention to the signs of the changing season all around me, from the prevalence of apples in the supermarket to the ever-so-slight hues of red and orange appearing on some leaves. When the days get too humid and sticky — which I am fine with at the beginning of summer but find unbearable when crafting lesson plans or setting up my classroom for the next school year — I think of the harvest decorations I continually see in stores, and shiver with excitement over the crisp days of fall. Observing the signs of the changing seasons not only helps me live in the moment by concentrating on the natural phenomena currently unfolding around me, but it links me in a powerful way to the actions and lives of my ancestors.

Tracking the seasons has been a passion of mine long before I started this column. While clearing out a drawer in my old room, my mother found an old notebook of mine in which I had been charting the natural signs of the changing seasons. For the shift from summer to autumn, I wrote about witnessing my uncle and

grandmother planting the bulbs of a daisy, called a *margherita* in Italian, which would bloom in late September. I mentioned a gnarled tree whose leaves always turned a kaleidoscope of yellow and red a month early and floated to the ground well before the calendar turned to autumn. Baking an apple desert, cool mornings, the color of the early twilight — all of these observations made it into that little notebook. Doing so helped me become a better observer of nature and of the excitement of life around me, and I hope to resume this sort of project again soon. Noticing and recording the shifting tide of the seasons actually has a scientific name. It is known as phenology, and naturalists often encourage people to sketch or write down their observations and then submit them in order to help scientists track climate data. Therefore, this hobby is both romantic and functional!

This pastime is apparently quite timeless as well. Our ancestors have been discerning the seasonal changes since time immemorial — not because they were eager for pumpkin spice lattes or photographing falling leaves, but rather because they operated in a primarily agricultural society where determining the right time to plant or harvest crops was invaluable to the survival of the community. In Italy, August functions as the month of the grain and hay harvest, and tightly rolled bundles of hay baking under the sun serve as one of the surest signs that autumn will soon descend upon the lovely Italian countryside. Italian farmers also examine their grapes during this month, ensuring they are getting the right amount of sunshine, water and shade to make them perfect for the *vendemmia*, or

harvest, in September. After all, grapes stand as an important cultural symbol in Italy, for the grapes gathered in September will be processed into wine in November, ready to serve as the steadfast staple of Italian hospitality during the holidays and beyond. Finally, Italian farmers of yore frequently used saints' days as milestones for seasonal changes, a trait which is reflected in the proverbs still ubiquitous in Italian society to this day. August 24th is St. Bartholomew's Day, and the Italians repeat a proverb which declares: "A *San Bartolomeo montagna mia bella ti abbandono*." Translated, this dictum says that one should abandon the beautiful mountains after the Feast of St. Bartholomew, perhaps a reference to the cooler weather and the end of the vacation period. When we notice even the simplest transitions from one season to another, therefore, we are actually repeating the actions our forebears performed in order to carve out a living from the Earth.

As the bright days of summer give way to the cool nights of fall, I encourage everyone to keep track of the unfolding seasonal changes. These transitions do not have to be major, as even the tiniest details like a sip of apple cider or a yellow school bus can signal the start of an exciting new season. Let us become seasonal detectives, paying close attention to the evidence of nature's eternal cycle. By doing this, we become closely attuned to Mother Earth which has nourished us and our ancestors for so long, and we learn to live in the moment by understanding the natural beauty of the here and now. If we welcome every season with optimism and a healthy dose of respect, then the bounty of the Earth will love us in kind, no matter which latte we drink!

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THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani



Our Democracy is at Stalk Mumbo Jumbo

For how long now have Democrats being telling us how much of a threat former President Donald Trump and his MAGA minions are to the very fabric of this nation and democracy itself? As President Biden has said endlessly, "Our democracy must be protected" and Trump and his MAGA Republicans want to replace our democracy with a dictatorship. Democrats are battling the forces of authoritarian fascists. If Trump gets in, he will never leave the White House. I have never heard so much malarkey, to borrow one of Biden's favorite words.

What a joke with the Democrats and their state-run media walking lockstep in support of DEMOCRACY. First off Biden knows full well that America is a DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC but let's not even go there.

Look around over this summer. The Democrats pushed President Biden aside like garbage going out on trash day. Then, they replaced Biden with Kamala as the 2024 nominee. Then they picked Tim Walz from Minnesota as VP. We don't need no stinkin' delegates picking nominees. I don't even know why the Democratic Convention is still on in Chicago. Delegates

don't get to vote on anything. Why are any of them even wasting their time going there to begin with?

Let's look at this again. Voters in America have one party where voters voted in primaries and delegates voted at the convention as opposed to the Democrats. Voters never got to vote for or against Harris. We were simply handed her nomination by party bigwigs. Same for Walz. Is this how the old Soviet Union used to pick their leaders? Isn't this the way Putin still does it in today's Russia?

Democracy is under attack, right? But the attack seems to be spearheaded by the party that calls itself the Democratic Party. How sad is that? Most of those who purport to be Democrats wouldn't know what a Democracy was if they tripped over it. We have two choices in November. Harris and the last four years or Trump going into a better future and an end of the madness.

This really is the most consequential election we have ever faced. Get involved in politics. Do more than just register to vote, do more than just voting. As Benjamin Franklin warned, "We have a Republic if we can keep it."

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The group also hailed Trump on X as "the modern-day Columbus," saying "Columbus discovered America, Marxist radicals made it unrecognizable, and President Trump made it great again for millions of patriots."

Tulsi Gabbard

on a Terror Watchlist?

According to Matt Taibbi at *RacketNews*, somehow former U.S. Rep. Tulsi Gabbard and her family have been harassed by airport security including teams of TSA agents following her onboard flights.

Gabbard has been a critic of the current administration. She seemingly is being stalked as part of the Quiet Skies, a TSA program for tracking travelers who may present an elevated risk.

End Quote

"If someone is able to show me that what I think or do is not right, I will happily change, for I seek the truth, by which no one ever was truly harmed. Harmed is the person who continues in his self-deception and ignorance."

— Marcus Aurelius

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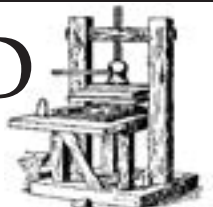
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• **National Night Out** (Continued from Page 1)

Commissioner Michael Cox, Area A-1 Captain Martin and community service officer Frank Ciampa, worked closely with the various agencies, to coordinate the festivities. Many elected officials attended, including City of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, Suffolk County District Kevin Hayden, Suffolk County Sheriff Steven Thompkins, District 1 City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata, Representative Aaron Michlewitz, At Large City Councilors Henry Santana and Erin Murphy.

One of the highlights of the event was the presentation of the Annual Community Service Award. The 2024 recipient was Johnny "Mangia" Pagliuca who has never said NO to any request from his beloved North End neighborhood. Regardless of what has been asked of him over the years, Johnny is the first to offer and the last to look



The 2024 Annual Community Service Award recipient Johnny "Mangia" Pagliuca with Mayor Wu and his brother Joseph

(Photos courtesy of the City of Boston)

for accolades or recognition. It is a wonderful tribute and deserving honor for this North End gentleman.



Mayor Wu, Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden, and North End CARES Volunteers



(L) Deputy Superintendent Nora Baston and (R) Mayor Wu with neighborhood children

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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Kenneth J. D'Amato of Boca Raton, FL**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Kenneth J. D'Amato of Boca Raton, FL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Docket No. M124P4049EA
Estate of
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Date of Death: November 28, 2022
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Steven Miller of Natick, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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Docket No. M124P4261EA
Estate of
ROBERT J. KAIZERMAN
Also Known As:
ROBERT KAIZERMAN
Date of Death: July 21, 2024
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Maria G. Kaizerman of Westford, MA**, Petitioner **Sheera Kaizerman of Medford, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Maria G. Kaizerman of Westford, MA, **Sheera Kaizerman of Medford, MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Pope Francis, Rome, Italy, offered an official announcement last week naming Most Reverend Richard G. Henning, S.T.D. as the newly appointed Archbishop of the Boston Archdiocese. Henning replaces 80-year Franciscan Cardinal Sean O'Malley, who has been the leader of the diocese since he was appointed Archbishop of Boston in 2003 by Pope John Paul II, and Cardinal in 2006 by Pope Benedict.



Archbishop Henning, ordained in 1992, will be the 10th Bishop and the 7th Archbishop of the diocese, which was created in 1808. He will be officially installed on October 31st, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston's South End.

Henning is currently the head of the diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, and originally hails from Rockville Center, New York, and has served in various posts and assignments. "My stance in Providence has been that I am a pastor and not a politician. As a multi-lingual pastor, I am eager to get to know our Spanish-speaking Catholics here in the archdiocese." Hennigan stated. In addition to fluency in English, Spanish and Italian, he is also able to read French, Greek, and Hebrew.

*Welcome to Most Reverend Henning,
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SANTA LUCIA August 22
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ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST August 23, 24, 25
Endicott & Thacher, N. Margin Sts.
Sunday Procession 12 pm

SAN GENNARO FEAST August 30, 31,
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Mass & Procession Sunday, Sept. 1st 12 pm

SEPTEMBER

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Saint Adela of Normandy

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

It is generally believed that Adela was born between 1066 and 1070 after her father's accession to the English throne. She was the youngest daughter of William the Conqueror and Matilda of Flanders. Adela was a high-spirited and educated woman with a knowledge of Latin. As Adela's parents both travelled around Normandy, she likely spent much time at and was educated at a monastery, probably the Abbey of Sainte-Trinité, Caen. She had three older brothers and one younger, and thus she would not inherit her father's honors; however, her bloodline would be a valuable asset in marriage.

Adela married Stephen Henry, son and heir to the count of Blois, between 1080 and 1083, around her fifteenth birthday. They were married at Chartres Cathedral. This marriage created a strong familial alliance, linking the two most powerful families in Northern France. Stephen was nearly twenty years her senior. During the fifteen years of their marriage, they had six or eight children who survived infancy.

Stephen inherited Blois, Chartres, and Beaux upon his father's death in 1089, as well as lands and right in parts of Berry and Burgundy. The Thibaudian dynasty had other possessions east of Paris, and by the end of Adela's life these



were coalescing into the county of Champagne. While Theobald IV takes most of the credit for the emergence of that principality, Adela helped lay its foundations. Adela and her husband had a relationship based on trust and mutual respect, if not affection, and they made decisions together. She swore, for instance, to bind herself and her husband to protect Bishop Ivo of Chartres then in a dispute with the king of France.

In 1095, Stephen joined the First Crusade which Adela underwrote with her personal wealth. The letters Stephen sent to Adela indicate a great level of affection and trust. Adela was in charge of the family's

finances and perfectly suited to serve as regent during his three-year absence. Returning without fulfilling his vow, an action considered by Adela a cowardly retreat having been raised in the tradition of her father William the Conqueror, Adela urged Stephen to redeem his honor and return to the Holy Land which he reluctantly did and was killed in an ill-advised charge at Ramla in 1102.

Adela was particularly close to her younger brother Henry who later become King Henry I of England, even supporting him against their oldest brother, Robert. As regent she earned a reputation for diplomacy, skilled negotiator and promoting economic growth supporting a range of religious communities, leper hospitals and worked to reform monasteries. Many of her pious bequests had important economic, political and spiritual benefits. An avid patroness of the arts, Adela corresponded with such dignitaries as Hildebert, bishop of Le Mans and Abbot Baudri of Bourgueil, both of whom wrote poems dedicated to her. She ruled Blois for five years until she formally conferred authority to son Stephen yet continued to maintain power and influence until her death in 1137. The Feast day of Saint Adela of Normandy is February 24th.

Mayor Wu Disappointed in Lack of State House Support

City of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu noted her disappointment that a number of Home Rule Petitions she submitted to the Massachusetts State Legislature have not been approved, even after the marathon session ahead of last month's deadline to pass pending bills. Some of the mayor's key priorities remain unresolved, including the petition to temporarily allow the city to raise commercial tax rates in order to offset the expected revenue loss to the city coffers, along with the hope of increasing the number of all alcoholic liquor licenses allotted to the city.

The Massachusetts State law limits the number of liquor licenses', therefore approval is needed from the legislature to make more available. In the fall of last year, the Boston City Council and Mayor Wu requested Beacon Hill Legislatures approve 250 new liquor licenses be earmarked for specific neighborhoods. "Certain neighborhoods are actively denied the ability to have more sit-down restaurants. It means you need to have extraordinary resources just to get in the game," Wu said.

The mayor expressed

frustration and disappointment that the legislature did not push through her proposal to transfer some of the tax burden to businesses and away from residents. I am still very disappointed we are in this place," she said. The house and senate will meet throughout the rest of the year for informal session, however its usually basic, non-controversial bills that are passed. State Senator Will Brownsberger, one of the top liquor license negotiators, believes the senate and house will be able to complete a final bill, at some point.



Eastie Pride Day is all about uplifting the East Boston community while celebrating our history, traditions, and resilience. This event has always provided an opportunity to gather with our neighbors at Piers Park for an afternoon of fun and festivities. Many of the vital businesses and organizations throughout the neighborhood are showcased for the work they do to support and uplift East Boston.

This year, we are incredibly excited to announce that the **36th Annual Eastie Pride Day will be celebrated on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 2:00 p.m., at Piers Park located on Marginal Street.** This will include activities and entertainment for all

ages, from face painting to live music and performances. As in years past, many local businesses and organizations that call East Boston home will be joining us to make this Eastie Pride Day the best one yet! We hope that you can join us for a day full of Eastie spirit as we highlight the very best values and qualities of our community. This event is free and open to the public.

There is **NO PARKING** at Eastie Pride Day. The only parking available is on street. We strongly recommend you take public transportation to the event via either the MBTA Blue Line or the ferry from Long Wharf to East Boston.

• **Madonna Della Cava** (Continued from Page 1)



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Madonna Della Cava Society members

(Photos by Gerri Palladino)



COLLATERAL
(4K Ultra HD –
Blu-ray – Digital)

Paramount Home Ent.

Celebrate the 20th anniversary of director Michael Mann's stylishly compelling noir thriller *Collateral* with a new Limited-Edition 4K Ultra HD/Blu-ray Steelbook, from Paramount Home Entertainment. Tom Cruise gives a chilling performance as Vincent, a cool, calculating contract killer at the top of his game. Jamie Foxx received an Academy Award® nomination for his portrayal of Max, a cabbie with big dreams and little to show for it. Max transports Vincent on his next job — one night, five stops, five hits, and a getaway. And after this fateful night, neither man will ever be the same. Originally released on August 6, 2004, *Collateral* wowed critics and audiences alike and continues to be revered as a masterful blend of suspense and drama, combining intense action with captivating character exploration. Written by Stuart Beattie, the film also stars Jada Pinkett Smith, Mark Ruffalo, Peter Berg, and Javier Bardem. This Limited-Edition Steel Book includes access to a Digital copy of the film, and is rated R for violence and language.

A MAN CALLED TIGER
(Blu-ray) Eureka Ent.

Eureka Entertainment announces the release of *A Man Called Tiger*, the martial arts extravaganza directed by Lo Wei and starring Jimmy Wang Yu. on Blu-ray. Starring Jimmy Wang Yu and directed by Lo Wei, the man behind the smash-hit Bruce Lee vehicles *The Big Boss* and *Fist of Fury*, *A Man Called Tiger* is a martial arts extravaganza released at the height of an international kung fu craze. Chin Fu (Yu) is a formidable martial artist who suspects his father's apparent suicide was actually a cold-blooded murder. His desire for answers — and revenge — leads him to Japan, where he becomes entangled with the yakuza. With the aid of his fellow countryman Liu Han-Ming (James Tien) and a nightclub hostess (Maria), Chin Fu sets out to infiltrate Tokyo's underworld, expose a criminal conspiracy, and uncover his father's true fate by any means necessary. Long rumored to have been planned as the third collaboration between Lo Wei and Bruce Lee before Lee made his directorial debut with *The Way of the Dragon*, *A Man Called Tiger* instead became a vehicle for another martial arts superstar in Jimmy Wang Yu. Eureka Classics is proud to

present the film for the first ever on Blu-ray from a brand new 2K restoration.

THE ESCORT (DVD)
IndiePix Films

For the first time in his life, happily married filmmaker Miro spends the night with a prostitute who was mysteriously sent to his hotel room after a business evening. After indulging in sex and drugs, he finds the girl dead in the bathroom, and quickly covers up the unfortunate incident with the help of two hotel employees who suddenly start to play a major role in his life that will never be the same. *The Escort* is also the final film from Director Lukas Nola, who passed away in 2022 after a long battle with cancer. From his feature film debut, *Russian Meat*, in 1995 to his final Lynchian thriller, Nola carved out a place for himself as one of Croatia's best-known filmmakers, with gritty art-house films such as 2013's *Hush* and AFI Grand Jury nominee, *Celestial Body*, to his name.

TERROR FIRMA (Blu-ray)
Dark Arts Ent.

When struggling artist Lola has nowhere else to go, she uncomfortably leans on her older brother Louis for help. They haven't seen each other in over a year, and the awkwardness is hard to hide as he welcomes her to stay with him in his run-down East Hollywood home. There's one catch though ... Louis has a strange, seemingly unbalanced roommate named Cage whose instant interest in Lola is made agonizingly clear. Within minutes of Lola's arrival, the city of L.A. goes tint a vague mysterious lockdown with not much information for anyone other than the occasional police message from a circling helicopter. As the city keeps everyone inside, a packet of seeds arrives from the outside with no label and no answers. Curiosity gets the best of a locked down Lola, so she plants the seeds and waits. What follows is a hypnotic journey down a psychedelic-juice-covered rabbit hole as reality bends and the three must grapple with the ever-changing landscape. While Louis is warped out of this world, and Cage is turning violent, Lola is trapped in the middle. All culminating into a twisted, bloody affair, in which she must fight to survive her own creation. With a heart-pounding, electric-synth score reminiscent of classic John Carpenter, this film will rock your senses, leaving you with a sense that there is more to this world than meets the eye.

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

**TUNE INTO THE
VETERANS VOICE
NETWORK RADIO SHOW**



Gregg Brasso and Justin Latini

Every Thursday evening, you can listen to the Veterans Voice Network Radio Show on WMEX Radio 1510 AM. If you are a veteran, this radio show is a must-listen to program. Find out all the latest news and services available that you might not know about yet. It is often a call-in show too so get your questions ready. Shown in photo are Gregg Brasso and Justin Latini, co-hosts of this radio show assisting recently at the monthly drive-by food distribution out in Marshfield, MA next to the WMEX 1510 Radio Studio.

**WHY ARE GAS PRICES
ALWAYS SO MUCH HIGHER
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Docket No. M124C0763CA
In the Matter of
JULIAN RICKY WALKER
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by Julian Ricky Walker of Natick, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Juliette Ricky Walker.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of September 10, 2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court
Date: August 13, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 08/16/2024

Once again, I was down in the Pembroke/Marshfield area where I always fill my tank when I am down that way. Why not? Look at the price. Here in East Boston, pump prices are always a good 40 cents or more per gallon. Even over in Quincy, the price is around \$2.35 and over in Roslindale/West Roxbury, \$2.19 to \$2.25 per gallon.

**BESPOKEN
ITALIAN CITIZEN**



Eleanor Riccardi looked like she was having a great time at the feast and talking with so many folks about their Italian roots

This past weekend, I was celebrating at the Madonna Della Cava feast and stopped by one of the vendors along Hanover Street and came upon a table set up by Bespoken Italian Citizenship. Standing behind the table was Eleanor Riccardi ready and able to explain what it is that Bespoken Italian Citizenship does for those who sign up and are interested in dual citizenship with the home of their Italian ancestors. It isn't easy trying to do so on your own and Eleanor's organization is there to assist anyone exploring the idea of dual citizenship. I didn't even know such a business actually existed. If you are interested, you should go to <https://grfy.io/p/zupaQaONYq>. If I screwed up here, just send me an email at sal.giarratani@gmail.com. Hopefully, you won't have to do

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Estate of
ROBERT JOHN GAUTHIER, JR.
Also Known As:
ROBERT JOHN GAUTHIER
Date of Death: August 30, 2023
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Cheryl Pirog of Manchester, NH.

Cheryl Pirog of Manchester, NH has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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that. I had a great time talking with Eleanor. She really knows her stuff on the subject of dual citizenship too.

**EAST BOSTON
ENRAGEMENT CENTER**



Besides placing picnic tables inside the tented area that used to be a parking lot for folks shopping at Day Square businesses, they have now added a brand-new foosball table game and like the benches, it goes unused too. STILL folks wonder why this was even done. Looks silly and useless, doesn't it?

**TRUMP NEEDS TO STOP
ACTING LIKE A
"SMARTA GUY"**

I found a good friend shortly after moving to Eastie after my divorce. I rented my great man-cave from him and even started working for him as an assistant sausage guy down at Faneuil Hall Marketplace across from the Black Rose. He was "Johnny Two Dog" and he loved using the term "smarta guy" when he really meant STUGARTS if you know what I mean.

Donald Trump was a good president during his term in the White House but that didn't mean he couldn't say stupid things and self-inflict himself by touching a political third rail. He did then and is still doing it today. He needs to drop the question whether or not Kamala Harris "turned" Black as he said recently to a panel of Black women journalists. What possessed him to say that is beyond me. ALSO, don't call out Harris as "GARBAGE." you're trying to get back into the White House, not hand her the keys to the place.

Any thoughts out there on my opinion? Send to sal.giarratani@gmail.com.

(Photos by Sal Giarratani)

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Docket No. M124C0736CA

In the Matter of
LEE ANN NHAT TRAN
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Lee Ann Nhat Tran of Somerville, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to LeeAnn Nhat Kikuta.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of August 26, 2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court
Date: July 30, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 08/16/2024



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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Several of you asked for an update on how my physical progress is going. Well, I use a walker in the house and a cane, or as my wife calls it, "A walking stick," when I'm outside our home. The muscles in my legs are healing nicely and I am going to physical therapy a couple of mornings per week. I will have to live with the battle scars, a six-to-eight-inch scar running vertically across each knee cap. I've been told that a weight loss would help speed my recovery and, so far, I've lost 24 pounds.

A few months ago, I decided to head to Florida as our house there is all on one level. In Boston, I had to install a chair-lift to get myself out of the house, first from the kitchen, down to the cellar and then out to the street from the garage. It's actually been cooler here in the tropics that back home in Massachusetts ... global warming, or so they tell me. When we've had those oppressive days in July, Loretta had the air conditioners on day and night. It was so stuffy I didn't argue with her. (I usually like the windows open.)

Thinking back to my early years in East Boston, the only relief we had was from a large window fan that Dad placed in one of the kitchen windows. It could get so hot in our penthouse (3rd floor of an East Boston three-decker) that the water pipes would sweat and we would wind up with striped walls in that kitchen. As far as the heat was concerned, you lived with it. None of the cars Dad owned ever had air conditioning. Back in the day, it was an expensive option and the only dealers that offered it were those that sold luxury cars, Cadillac, Lincoln, Packard, and maybe, Buick and Chrysler. I'm not sure about the last two.

From 1949 on, Dad's cars were all Chevys and none had air. If you wanted to cool off, you opened the windows and angled the little fly windows all the way to allow air to blow on you as the car moved forward. If you got stuck in traffic, there was always a chance of the car overheating. Thank God, you don't see this phenomenon today unless the car has a problem with the cooling system.

What did we do to cool off back then? After dinner, we headed outside, we kids played games and the adults sat on the front steps until well after dark. A vacation for some was to sit on a neighbor's front steps instead of their own. We kids liked it when it was a hot night because the adults would stay out later than usual which meant we

were out-side playing long after dark. So, hot nights had their advantages.

There were ways to cool off when I was a kid, family outings to Revere Beach, Nahant Beach, Wollaston Beach, Nantasket Beach, Salem Willows, and Hampton Beach. Later, when Constitution Beach in Orient Heights officially opened, we had a cooling off place closer to home. When it was just me or a few of my preteen friends, we would head for the "penny pool." That was, and I think still is, the pool on Storrow Drive across from the Mass General Hospital. Back in the day, it cost a penny for kids to swim there, and I loved it. I would sneak in a pair of underwater goggles, put them on when the life guards weren't looking, and dive to the bottom looking for change. More often than not, I would find a couple of dollars in pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters.

When Dad would have a day off, he would take Nanna, Babbononno, Mom and me to Revere Beach. He like the cement steps which used to exist way down along the beach, near Point of Pines. Nanna and Mom would have to cover up and sit under umbrellas as they both had light sensitive skin and burned easily. Babbononno kept his shirt on fearing that he would get tanned and look like a field hand, in his mind this was a negative. Dad and I would work on our tans with no problems, an experience I still enjoy.

Within the past couple of years, Loretta made comments on some brown spots on my shoulders and back. She made an appointment with a dermatologist to get them checked out fearing that they might be cancerous. The doctor gave me a clean bill of health, and when Loretta asked about all the brown spots, the doctor's only reply was, "He's old."

On Sundays, Dad was often booked to play at the band stand on Revere Beach or the indoor band stand at Nantasket. He would pack up Nanna, Babbononno, Mom and me for each event and we would make a day of it. When at Revere Beach, a stop at Bianchi's Pizza was mandatory and my family would sit with their slices while listening to Dad play tuba to all of the famous Sousa marches. Depending who the leaders were, I might be allowed to sit next to Dad in the brass section of the band. This I loved, and after the concert, I would fight the waves of Revere or Nantasket providing the tide was coming in. Mom would time it so that an hour had passed

between the pizza and the swim. She always thought that you had to wait an hour after eating before going swimming or you might develop stomach cramps and drown.

Years later, when Bernie King became the leader of those Sunday concerts at Revere Beach, I was hired to play bass guitar. (Dad was still on tuba) By then the music included a couple of Sousa marches and lots of pop tunes of the day, and considering the ethnic groups on the beach, a lot of Italian and Jewish tunes.

After Nanna passed away in December of '58, Babbononno stopped coming to the beach concerts. I was in college by then and booked in as many of those concerts as I could. It helped pay my tuition at Boston State. Between what I made at the Seville Theater and the summer concerts, and later, the resorts I played at on weekends when I was with the Ken Reeves orchestra, I never had to ask Dad for financial help. I paid my own way through college, a feat that is impossible with today's tuition costs.

I wonder if they still have band concerts at Revere Beach on Sundays during the summer months. I guess I'll have to call the Musicians' Union to find out. If they do, the crowds are different and I would imagine the music would be different, too.

This type of entertainment was programmed from the July 4th weekend through the Labor Day weekend, and then it was over. To me, the summer was just those two months and then it was back to the old grind, as usual.

Anyway, I hope you are all having a great summer, and God willing, I'll be back next week.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Suffolk Division

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
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Docket No. SU24P1605EA

Estate of
JOHN MORAN

Date of Death: March 28, 2024

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Bernadette Moran Lally of Allston, MA**, Petitioner **Dianne M. Moran of Brighton, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Bernadette Moran Lally of Allston, MA, Dianne M. Moran of Brighton, 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: 08/16/2024



Bronte, a charming town in Catania, Sicily, is celebrated for producing Italy's finest pistachios, so much so that it hosts the annual Festa del Pistacchio. This popular festival, held over two weekends from September 27th to 29th and October 4th to 6th, showcases the versatility of pistachios in a variety of dishes, from ice cream and cakes to pasta and other culinary delights.

It's no wonder that many Italian bakeries in this country feature Sicilian Pistachio Cookies. My Nonna, a proud Sicilian, made these cookies the traditional Sicilian way, using pistachios, almond flour, honey, and egg whites. While the "Simple Sicilian Pistachio Cookies" recipe I'm sharing today may not be the traditional, or even one I am sure the Nonnas in Sicily would approve, it's incredibly easy to make and always a crowd-pleaser. It amazes me that these cookies are usually one of the first to disappear from my cookie trays, and if you try them, I am sure you'll love them just as much!

SIMPLE SICILIAN PISTACHIO COOKIES
Biscotti Semplici Siciliani al Pistacchio



- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup oil
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 egg
- 1 large (5-ounce) package instant pistachio pudding mix
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 10 ounces white chocolate

Preheat your oven to 350°F (175°C). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set it aside.

In a large mixing bowl, combine the butter, sugar, oil, water, egg, pistachio pudding mix, vanilla extract, salt, baking powder, and flour. Mix until everything is well incorporated.

Using a small cookie scoop, portion out the dough and place the scoops on the prepared baking sheet, spacing them slightly apart.

Bake the cookies in the preheated oven for 13 to 15 minutes. Once baked, allow the cookies to cool completely.

While the cookies are cooling, melt the white chocolate. Place it in a heatproof bowl and melt it in the microwave in 30-second intervals, stirring between each, or melt it over a double boiler.

Transfer the melted white chocolate to a disposable pastry bag and drizzle it over the cooled cookies.

Let the chocolate set, then store the cookies in an airtight container.

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

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

Rocky Marciano

Boxing champ Rocky Marciano was born in Brockton, Massachusetts (as Rocco Francis Marchegiano) on September 1, 1923. His parents, Pierino Marchegiano and Pasqualina Picciuto, were both immigrants from Italy. His father was from Ripa Teatina, Abruzzo, while his mother was from San Bartolomeo in Galdo, Campania. Marciano had two brothers, Louis (aka Sonny) and Peter, and three sisters, Alice, Concetta and Elizabeth.



In school he played football and basketball, but eventually left after finishing tenth grade. In 1943 he was drafted into the United States Army, serving during the war, after it ended, he completed his 3-year service in 1946.

During his time in the Army, he won the armed forces boxing tournament. On March 17th, Marciano stepped into the ring as a professional competitor at the Valley Arena Gardens of Holyoke, Massachusetts. On that night, he knocked out the local competitor Lee Epperson in three rounds. Strangely after that, Marciano returned to his amateur career and fought in the Golden Gloves All-East Championship Tournament in March 1948, where he controversially lost to Coley Wallace. He continued to fight as an amateur throughout the spring and competed in the AAU Olympic tryouts in the Boston Garden. There, he knocked out George McInnis, but hurt his hands during the bout and was forced to withdraw from the tournament. That was his last amateur bout.

Rocky became a professional boxer on July 12th, 1948, where he won a fight against Harry Bilizarian. He also changed his last name to "Marciano" due to the ring announcer's problems with pronouncing his original surname. He then continued winning fights, almost all of them by knockout.

On October 27, 1951, the 28-year-old Marciano took on the 37-year-old Joe Louis. Coming into the bout, Marciano upset Louis in what was the latter's last career bout. After four more subsequent wins, he finally got a chance to fight for the world heavyweight title.

Marciano fought against Jersey Joe Walcott for the world champion title, Walcott dropped Marciano with a well-timed left hook in the second round. With time running out and Walcott leading on all score cards Marciano landed a powerful right hook which left Walcott on the floor holding the ropes. Rocky became the world champion. The first defense was against Walcott himself, who this time was knocked out in the first round. He then defended the title 3 more times winning once again. His last title defense was against Archie Moore in 1955. He knocked him out in round nine and successfully defended his title once again. Marciano then retired in 1956. Marciano died in a plane crash in 1969.

North End Athletic Association (NEAA) Girls Softball



The North End Athletic Association is sponsoring the North End Execution young lady's softball team. These young ladies travel all over New England playing in tournaments. On Sunday,

August 11th they played an exhibition game versus the Base at Puopolo Park to keep sharp for a tournament next weekend on the road in Somerset Mass.

Thank You

Ausonia Council Knights of Columbus #1513



The North End Youth Organization's Summer Camp spent a fantastic Day at Canobie Lake Park on Wednesday, August 7th thanks to the Ausonia Council Knights of Columbus #1513 of the North End. The Knights of Columbus paid

for the bus that brought the kids to and from the park. We are extremely grateful for the Knights continued support of our programs and the youth and families in the North End, said Marlo D'Anna from the program's Summer Camp.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage dated November 2, 2023 given by Rock Investments LLC to Steven A. Ross, Trustee of QS Lending Two Trust u/d/t dated May 2, 2022 (recorded in Book 80082, Page 52), said mortgage recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 82172, Page 342, and which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 p.m. on 29th day of August, 2024 on the premises at 9 Nyack Street, Watertown, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

To wit:
Property Address: 9 Nyack Street, Watertown, Massachusetts

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Watertown in said County of Middlesex, being shown as Lot B on a "Plan Showing Sub-Division of land, Watertown, Mass." By James H. Sullivan, Reg. Ld., Surv., dated December 28, 1950, duly recorded with the Middlesex South District Deeds plan no. 2320 of 1950 end of Book 7689, bounded and described as follows:

- Southeasterly: by Nyack Street, forty-five (45) feet;
- Southwesterly: by Lot A, as shown on said plan, Ninety-nine and 06/100 (99.06) feet;
- Northwesterly: by Lots 394 and 395, as shown on said plan, Forty-five (45) feet; and
- Northeasterly: by Lots, 1, 2 and 3, as shown on said plan, Ninety-eight and 75/100 (98.75) feet.

Containing according to said plan, 4,463 square feet of land.
For owner's title see deed recorded herewith [Book 81760, Page 336].

Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens and rights of any tenants and parties in possession, if there be any, or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. The successful bidder will pay all costs of recording the foreclosure deed and any other foreclosure documents including, without limitation, all state and county excise stamp fees, and shall also be responsible for any Title V inspection and repair requirements.

Terms of sale: A deposit of Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$25,000.00) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check to Baker, Braverman & Barbadoro, P.C., 1200 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 610, Quincy, MA 02169 within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Steven A. Ross, Trustee of QS Lending Two Trust u/d/t dated May 2, 2022
Present holder of said mortgage
By his Attorneys,
Baker, Braverman & Barbadoro, P.C.
1200 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 610
Quincy, MA 02169

Run date: 08/02, 08/09, 08/16/2024

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 The Trial Court
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 Middlesex Probate and Family Court
 10-U Commerce Way
 Woburn, MA 01801
 (781) 865-4000
 Docket No. M124C0621CA
 In the Matter of
KATHRYN JOANN DANTISTE
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
 A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Kathryn JoAnn Dantiste of Watertown, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Kathryn JoAnn Hodgkins Dantiste.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
 Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of August 30, 2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
 Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court
 Date: August 02, 2024
 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
 Run Date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
 Notice is hereby given by Ramsay's Towing 152 Prospect Street, Waltham, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after **August 17, 2024 beginning at 10:00 AM** by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at Ramsay's Towing.
SABRINA MALOOL
 2012 Nissan Altima
 VIN # 1N4AL2AP2CN567519
EMIRHAN KILIC
 2014 Hyundai
 VIN # KMHCU5AE8EU150832
MARLIN VALIENTE
 2003 Toyota 4Runner
 VIN # JTEBU17R138009699
MARK KYAGABA
 2004 Toy. Camry
 VIN # 4T1BE32K54U338191
2006 SATURN ION
 VIN 1G8AJ55F46Z201362
 Signed,
 Justin Ramsay
 Run dates: 08/02, 08/09, 08/16/2024



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani

Baseball Isn't What it Once Was
 Just take a look at the lowly Chicago White Sox who seem to be playing as hard as they can to be worse than the 1962 NY Mets. The team ownership just gave walking papers to its manager Pedro Grifol and three of his coaches two days after ending a team effort to set an AL record of 21-game losing streak. Looking back to August 8, the Chicago team is on pace to finish 39-123 which would be worse than the NL Cleveland

Spiders who went 20-134. I think that was way back in 1889 ... The Cleveland Spiders? Why didn't they rename the Indians after them instead of the silly Guardians? Oh, I almost forgot; last night the Yankees got slaughtered by the lowly White Sox proving that

a broken clock is always right twice a day.

To Date: The Red Sox Still Have a Chance to Make Playoffs but, Who Cares?

The Red Sox are still holding their own. Up one day, down the next. A win here and a loss there. I can't believe how bad the Rangers are from just a year ago. The Sox just beat them again. The season is getting ready to go round and round the drain and the best hope for the Sox is for others to lose at the right time. They may even win more than my 83-win prediction but more likely than not, I will stand victorious with my 83 wins pick. We shall see.

Big Pile of Money for What?

Right now, Max Scherzer of the Rangers and Justin Verlander of the Astros are making a combined \$86.66 million this season and are combined 5-6 over 18 starts with a 3.92 ERA over 96.1 innings.

Of Course

Paxton Got Injured

What else is new for this team? He suffered a right calf strain and will be getting an MRI. Cora now says more roster changes are coming with Paxton down at the moment and who knows how much longer.

What Happens to Dominic Smith?

With Dominic Smith being one of the team's best hitters since July 1, the Sox are going to be forced into a big decision. Smith came in to play first for the injured Casas. Smith was acquired to fill in at first when Casas went out on his injury. However, both players are left-handed first basemen which means if one is playing, the other most likely isn't. Can they afford two left-handed first basemen? We shall see.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Middlesex Probate and Family Court
 10-U Commerce Way
 Woburn, MA 01801
 (781) 865-4000
 Docket No. M123P2014EA
 Estate of
THERESE CLAIRE RILEY
 Also Known As
T. CLAIRE RILEY
 Date of Death: January 17, 2023
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
 A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by John M. Riley, Jr. of Wakefield, MA and Therese C. Jarmusik of Wakefield, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, a determination of testacy and heirs at law, (First and Final) and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.
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 August 29, 2024.
 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.
 Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: August 01, 2024
 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
 Run date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Middlesex Probate and Family Court
 10-U Commerce Way
 Woburn, MA 01801
 (781) 865-4000
 Docket No. M124C0728CA
 In the Matter of
MIKAELA ANNE HUSSEY
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
 A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Mikaela Anne Hussey of Somerville, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Mikaela Anne Willard.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
 Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of September 05, 2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
 Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court
 Date: August 08, 2024
 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
 Run Date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Suffolk Division
 Suffolk Probate and Family Court
 24 New Chardon Street
 Boston, MA 02114
 (617) 788-8300
 Docket No. SU24P1581EA
 Estate of
JUNE TATELMAN
 Date of Death: May 22, 2024
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Eliot H. Tatelman of Boston, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Eliot H. Tatelman of Boston, 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: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Middlesex Probate and Family Court
 10-U Commerce Way
 Woburn, MA 01801
 (781) 865-4000
 Docket No. M124P4192PO
TRUST CITATION
 In the matter of:
THE RICHARD K. PRATT JR. FAMILY TRUST OF 1996
 To all interested persons:
 A Petition has been filed by Catherine Tobin of Hull, MA requesting this Honorable Court order the Trustee to provide an account pursuant to G.L. c. 203E.
 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 September 03, 2024.
 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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
 Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: August 06, 2024
 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
 Run date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Suffolk Probate and Family Court
 24 New Chardon Street
 Boston, MA 02114
 (617) 788-8300
 Docket No. SU24P1645EA
 Estate of
JENNIFER R. THOMAS
 Also Known As
JENNIFER REGINA THOMAS
 Date of Death: April 30, 2024
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 Elizabeth R. Powers of Shrewsbury, 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 **Elizabeth R. Powers of Shrewsbury, 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 September 19, 2024.
 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. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: August 08, 2024
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate
 Run date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court
 Suffolk Probate and Family Court
 24 New Chardon Street
 Boston, MA 02114
 (617) 788-8300
 Docket No. SU22P0575EA
 Estate of
JOSEPH W. MCKENNEY
 Date of Death: February 15, 2022
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
 To all interested persons:
 A Petition has been filed by **Pamela A. McKenney of Boston, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that **Pamela A. McKenney of Boston, MA** be appointed as Successor Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
 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 September 03, 2024.
 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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
 The estate is being administered under formal 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 recipients 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.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: July 23, 2024
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate
 Run date: 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage dated July 11, 2023 given by PRT Investments LLC to Steven A. Ross, Trustee of QS Lending Two Trust u/d/t dated May 2, 2022 (recorded in Book 80082, Page 52), said mortgage recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 81760, Page 557, and which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at **1:00 p.m. on 29th day of August, 2024** on the premises at 17-17A Mount Vernon Street, Arlington, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.
 To wit:
 Property Address: **17-17A Mount Vernon Street, Arlington, Massachusetts**
 A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Arlington, being now numbered 17-17A Mt. Vernon Street and being shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Plan of Property in Arlington, Mass." Dated December 30, 1920 by George L. Philpott, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Plan Book 295, Plan 35, being bounded and described as follows:
 SOUTHEASTERLY by said Mt. Vernon Street, fifty (50 feet);
 SOUTHWESTERLY by Lots A and C on said plan, one hundred nine and 70/100 (109.70) feet more or less;
 NORTHWESTERLY by land of owners unknown, forty-six (46) feet;
 NORTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of Joseph H. Cumba, one hundred ten (110.00) feet, more or less,
 Containing 5,257 square feet of land
 For title see deed recorded herewith [Book 81760, Page 553].
 Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens and rights of any tenants and parties in possession, if there be any, or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. The successful bidder will pay all costs of recording the foreclosure deed and any other foreclosure documents including, without limitation, all state and county excise stamp fees, and shall also be responsible for any Title V inspection and repair requirements.
 Terms of sale: A deposit of Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$25,000.00) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check to Baker, Braverman & Barbadoro, P.C., 1200 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 610, Quincy, MA 02169 within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control.
 Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.
 Steven A. Ross, Trustee of QS Lending Two Trust u/d/t dated May 2, 2022
 Present holder of said mortgage
 By his Attorneys,
 Baker, Braverman & Barbadoro, P.C.
 1200 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 610
 Quincy, MA 02169
 Run date: 08/02, 08/09, 08/16/2024

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Todisco Services, Inc., with its corporate office located at **171 Boston Street, Salem, MA 01970**, under the provisions of Mass G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, will sell the following vehicles on or after **September 3, 2024** by public or private sale to satisfy a lien for towing, storage, and all other fees due.
2013 HONDA CIVIC
 VIN # 2HGFB2F5XDH552840
2013 KAWASAKI NINJA 300
 VIN # JKAEX8A1XDDA06519
2007 HONDA CR-V
 VIN # JHLRE4873C010177
1999 TOYOTA AVALON
 VIN # 4T1BF18B1XU333079
2012 NISSAN VERSA
 VIN # 3N1CN7AP0CL890254
2014 AUDI A4
 VIN # WAUFAFL1EN032964
1999 CHEVROLET GMT-400
 VIN # 1GCGC24R9XR752189
2014 TOYOTA CAMRY
 VIN # 4T1BF1FK3EU854224
2022 BAODIAO 6 LINES
 VIN # L2BB6BCH6NB821002
2000 TOYOTA SIENNA
 VIN # 4T3ZF13C1YU226069
2005 SUZUKI GSX-R600
 VIN # JS1GN7CA152113166
2024 JEEP RAMBLER CHEROKEE
 VIN # 1C4RJYB6XRC145532
2002 LEXUS LS
 VIN # JTHBN30FX20074544
2005 VAN HOOL COMMUTER COACH
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Boxing Ringside



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WAYNE BETHEA

*Heavyweight Who Came Close,
Career Ended in Tragedy with Death of Opponent*

Boxing fans will remember the name Wayne Bethea. Unfortunately, they will recall him for a single fight: his first-round loss to Sonny Liston. It is the only fight of Bethea's career that is available on film. The fight took place in 1958 as Sonny was beginning his quest for a world title shot against Floyd Patterson. Liston would spend the next two years cleaning out the heavyweight division.

Bethea's time in the ring is not paid much attention to. His won/loss record was not outstanding. He finished his career with 28 wins, 18 losses, and 4 draws. He fought a number of top names, and it could be easy to put him in the "opponent" classification. However, Wayne really wasn't an opponent. He fought to win during his career. He had some impressive wins, and he came very close to having some huge victories under his belt. It should also be noted that though he didn't make it through one round with Liston, Sonny was the only man to stop Bethea.

Six of Wayne's losses were via split or majority decision. He lost twice by split nod to Zora Folley. The fights took place in 1956 and 1957. In the second match Bethea dropped Zora for a nine count.

In 1958 he faced Nino Valdes. This was another split decision loss. Bethea fought a good fight against the Cuban power puncher and would have gotten the decision except for a knockdown scored by Valdes in the 7th round. This happened when Nino grazed Wayne's chin with a left hook. Bethea was off balance and went down from the blow but wasn't hurt.



Bethea (Left) lands on Jimmy Slade

Bethea did have a number of solid wins on his record. He decided a fading Ezzard Charles in 1956. Also, in the same year he beat Jimmy Slade and stopped Joe Bygraves. Add in decision wins over Young Jack Johnson, Paul Andrews, Bert Whitehurst, and a young Ernie Terrell, and it appeared Wayne was ready to move up the ladder.

If he had managed to pull out the wins over Folley and Valdes he would have become a solid top ten contender. In 1957 he lost a decision to the great Harold Johnson. No shame in that.

After 1958 Bethea's career took a downward turn. The tough loss to Valdes followed by the kayo at the fists of Liston pretty much ended his chances of becoming a title contender. He dropped a unanimous decision to Alex Miteff in 1959. Wayne was also outboxed by Eddie Machen in 1960. This was less



Wayne Bethea

than two weeks after his victory over Ernie Terrell. In 1961 Cleveland Williams beat him decisively over ten rounds.

It was at this point in his career that he may have entered something considered opponent status. He went to Europe and took on a number of the leading fighters in Great Britain and the Continent. He lost twice by decision to Karl Mildenerger in Germany. I can't find any reports on those fights, so there is no telling if Karl was got the benefit of being the home town boy.

In England, Wayne lost a decision to Henry Cooper. He was repeatedly warned by the referee for butting and throwing low blows, but I wouldn't be surprised if that was more a tactic by the ref to throw him off his game than actual infractions of the rules.

Bethea scored a win over old rival Joe Bygraves before moving on to Italy where he kayoed undefeated Franco Piccoli in four rounds. Wayne seemed to have hit a stride in Italy as he fought draws with Giulio Rinaldi and Santo Amonti. He certainly was playing the role of opponent at this point. His last fight overseas was the second lost to Mildenerger. This was in 1963.

On his return home Wayne Bethea would have one last fight. This bout took place on October 14, 1963 in Baltimore. It would not only end in tragedy, but was a scandal.



Ernie Knox

Bethea's opponent that night was 26-year-old Ernie Knox. Knox had not fought in nearly a year and had only 21 fights at the time with just ten wins.

He had weighed around 178 pounds for most of his career, but there was some question about what he weighed the night of his fight with Bethea.

Wayne at 205 pounds was not in good shape for the fight. He was breathing heavily early on, but managed to bull his lighter opponent to the ropes on a number of occasions. In the 9th round Knox was dropped for a count of four. He was dropped again a short time later and counted out.

Knox was unable to get up after given the ten count. He was carried out on a stretcher and transported to the hospital. Two days later he died. The cause of death was a blood clot on the brain caused by the trauma from the punches he received.

An autopsy performed showed that Knox weighed only 153 pounds, a far cry from the 178 pounds recorded at the weigh in. Some of the difference could be accounted for by the perspiration excreted during the fight in the hot arena, but experts said that would not have accounted for such a huge difference. It was reported Knox weighed in with all of his clothes on.

Did the promoters fudge the weigh-in figures? There was an investigation and a grand jury was convened. However, no charges were filed. Knox's family received his cut of the purse which amounted to \$243.00, not enough to cover the funeral expenses. Bethea's end was \$500.00.

Until this fight Knox had only fought one opponent that weighed over 190 pounds and never faced anyone over 200 pounds. There is also the question about his weight. A year earlier he had weighed in at 183 pounds for previous fight. His body weight was recorded as 153 pounds at the autopsy. During his year out of the ring had he suffered an illness causing the weight loss? We'll never know.

Wayne Bethea never fought again after the Knox tragedy. He seemed to pretty much disappear and I can't find anything about him during his years after boxing. I imagine he was affected by what happened.

Wayne Bethea fought nearly ten years and never made any decent money. A guy who was stepping in against top fighters from around the world was getting \$500.00 for his last fight.

Ernie Knox, a hardworking man from a large family, was not going anywhere in boxing. It is quite possible he was through with boxing when his manager called telling him the fight with Bethea would be his "big chance" at making it. He never made it home.

The boxing tragedy stories far, far outweigh the positive ones. This one occurred in 1963. The same story has been repeated hundreds, if not thousands of times since. A death, an investigation, rumbles to ban boxing, then all is forgotten until the next time and the next time, and the next time ...

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



It will be as it should be — all about tradition. The tradition of the Boston Celtics and their record 18 Banners won.

And the tradition of their archrival — on the East Coast at least — the New York Knicks.

The tradition linking these two teams goes back as far as the NBA itself. They are the only two original NBA franchises still playing in their original franchise cities. That is quite a history going back to the 1940s.

Some original franchises are still with us but not playing any longer in their original cities. For example, the Fort Wayne Pistons became the Detroit Pistons, The same can be said of the Syracuse Nationals who moved from upstate New York and became Philadelphia 76ers. The Rochester Royals also began as an original NBA franchise in upstate New York, moved to Cincinnati in 1957, then became the Kansas City Kings in 1972 before a final move to the West Coast where they became the Sacramento Kings in 1985.

During the time the team played in Cincinnati and Kansas City, former Celtics star Bob Cousy was the coach, by the way.

But with all this movement two franchises remained where they began. It has always been Boston for the Celtics and New York for the Knicks.

That is why it will feel so good on October 22nd — the opening night for both teams in the NBA — to have the Knicks on hand for the historic proceedings. All that history in that one building on that night that will flow with memories — of those achieved much earlier and those that were created just a few short months ago.

It will be something that a new generation of Celtics fans will be witnessing for the first time. Remember that the last time a similar ceremony was held at the Garden was in the fall of 2008 — some 16 years ago — when Banner 17 went to the rafters after the C's defeated the Los Angeles Lakers for the title some four months earlier.

And there will also be something to take home from the ceremony for the players, coaches and team executives. For in addition to raising Banner 18 to the Rafters on that night, those so entitled will receive their championship rings as a part of the festivities.

The game will mark the second consecutive opening night that the C's have hosted the team from Gotham. The Celtics prevailed over the Knicks by a 108-104 score at the TD Garden in the opener of the 2023-2024 season. Boston went on to win four out of the five games between the two teams over the course of the regular season.

The Celtics are the early favorites to win the 2025 NBA Championship based chiefly on the fact that they will return their entire starting rotation for the upcoming campaign. It is not that often that an entire starting rotation returns in today's NBA, especially when

one considers the era of free agency plus possible trades — but that is true for the Celtics come this fall. The starting five that was on hand for the playoffs last spring will be the same starting five (barring injuries during the preseason) that is available to take the floor on opening night.

It will also be a farewell night of sorts. The current ownership group has indicated that it wants to sell the team so this will be a celebration of not only having seen its primary objective achieved but the opportunity to leave under the best possible circumstances.

When you leave as a champion you will always be a clear champion — not one who possibly came up a bit short in the future. We can all think of athletes and coaches who stayed too long after winning a title, only to have things go south later — bringing on the hard questions from beat reporters and the far less than complimentary comments from fickle fans who not so long ago had cheered the athletes or coaches every move.

Fans who wish to see a rematch between the Celtics and the Dallas Mavericks — the C's opponents in the NBA Finals last spring — will have to wait a bit. Dallas won't visit the Garden until February 6th — a little later in the season. There is an earlier game between the two — when the C's go to Dallas for a January 25th matchup.

In other news involving the Celtics, the NBA has released the regular season games in the fall that will be designated as opening round NBA Cup games for the C's. In reality, the games have a dual designation since they are also NBA regular season games.

The Celtics will play two home Cup games in the opening group stage at the TD Garden — on November 12th against the Atlanta Hawks and on November 19th against the Cleveland Cavaliers. Fans may remember those home Cup games from last year since they featured a unique design of the court floor created just for the games in Boston.

They will also play two group stage games on the road — against the Washington Wizards on November 22nd and against the Chicago Bulls on November 29th.

The winners of the various group stages will advance to the knockout round. Last year, the Celtics lost in the knockout round when they were defeated by Indiana. The Pacers eventually lost to the Los Angeles Lakers in the inaugural championship game in Las Vegas.

The tournament itself was deemed a success because it generated additional interest in the NBA at a time of year where it faces heightened competition for the attention of sports fans as the NFL, college football and college basketball are also taking place.

It looks like an event that is here to stay and become more popular as time goes by.