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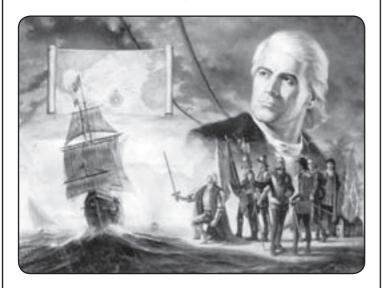
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(Observed Monday, October 11, 2021)



#### America — Land of Dreamers

The year was 1492, a young man from Genoa, Italy, Cristoforo Colombo, was convinced a route to the Far East could be found by sailing West and he wanted a chance to prove it. Many thought he was a dreamer. Luckily he was able to persuade others and turned his dream into a reality.

In the years that followed, America became a melting pot for people who, like Columbus, had a dream and were willing to take a chance on what they believed in. The English, the French, the Jews, the Irish, the Italians, and countless others, all came seeking the freedom to make their own decisions and to have the opportunity to make their dreams a reality. They wanted the best of both worlds and got it. These people were proud to call themselves Americans and equally proud to hold on to the traditions of their homeland. Where else but in America would this be possible?

Five hundred and twenty-eight years later, we salute the man who took a chance — Christopher Columbus. A man who was a model for future explorers to emulate. We are the product of all the Christopher Columbuses that came before us.

We are Americans — the envy of other nations — where opportunities are boundless for every person. Some call America the "Land of Dreamers." We're not offended by this. Instead, we're proud to be able to dream and, like Columbus, make our dreams come true!

## **News Briefs**

by Sal Giarratani

#### Halloween Disco Ball

There's going to be a great Halloween Disco Ball held on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 p.m. until midnight with DJ Stevie Ray doing the music. The price seems reasonable at \$20. It will be held at the Crystal Community Club on Preston Street in Wakefield. No tickets sold at the door. Call 781-289-7273,

#### Parents of Lt. Cheller Stand by Son

The parents of the Marine jailed after posting a video about the blotched Afghanistan withdrawal

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## October is ...

## Italian American Heritage Month!



SPECIAL EVENTS
Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>
at 6:00 p.m.
I MIGLIORI AWARDS
DINNER (RSVP required)
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Louis Strazullo, Chairman

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Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> COLUMBUS DAY INVITATIONAL

Hopkinton Country Club, 204 Saddle Hill Road, Hopkington, MA 8:00 a.m. – Registration 10:00 a.m. – Shotgun start 2:30-3:00 p.m. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and buffet 4:00 p.m. Awards Proceeds to benefit the Italian Home for Children. Joe Pasquale, Chairman

Monday, October 11th at 9:30 a.m.
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Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 2:00-4:00 p.m. WREATH LAYING COMMEMORATIVE CEREMONY

**Christopher Columbus Park,** 110 Atlantic Ave., North End, Boston

James DeStefano, President, IAA; Domenic Amara, Ph.D., Chairman, IAA

The Italian American Alliance (IAA) announces a Wreath Laying and Commemorative Ceremony at Christopher Columbus Park. The ceremony will include educational materials, Italian music, and speakers.

Please join us for this event. Everyone is invited to show their Italian pride and support for Christopher Columbus and his achievements.

The Italian American Alliance

is dedicated to the preservation, promotion and rich history of Americans of Italian descent. The IAA also assists in the true understanding of Christopher Columbus and his achievements.

Along with other Italian American organizations, the IAA assists in the advancing and understanding of Christopher Columbus' unique contributions in American History.

For more information, please visit www.facebook.com/
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# Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



#### THE CHARACTER OF THE EARLY ROMANS

The character of the early Romans seems quite clearly defined when one examines the social aspect of their life. This is revealed in their architecture.

They built forums for their public meetings and political activity, pagan temples for their religion, basilicas for business and legal affairs, palatial public baths for pleasure and relaxation, theaters in the half round for their dramas, amphitheaters

like the Colloseum for their gladiatorial contests,

Through all of their political activity, religious and business affairs, cultural and leisurely pursuits, and because of their strong family ties, there seems to be one consistent trait that was this is the capacity for obedience to their family elders.

The "Patria Potestas," or the supreme authority of the father, was the basis of their family life. Because of their

ability to accept and obey a higher authority, they developed their capacity as soldiers, conquerors, lawmakers, statesmen, and most importantly, world builders. Through this principal trait, their unquestioned

respect for parental authority, they have left an indelible mark on the history of the world.

I believe that this inherent characteristic has been passed on and instinctively accepted by our present generation of Italian-Americans. It is reflected in their everyday attitude towards their jobs, their employers, their love and affection for their parents, and for the manner in which they accept their obligations to their family and

This seems to be what it's all about ... "This is Stirpe Nostra." In future issues, we will briefly examine the great Roman period in history, the structures they built, the development of the early Christian Church, the inevitable progression into the Romanesque and Byzantine styles, the Gothic system and the Golden Renaissance.



\$15 Commuter Rail Marathon Pass and MBTA Service Information for October 11th

The MBTA recently announced special fare and service information for the 2021 Boston Marathon, which takes place on Monday, October 11, 2021. Fall 2021 Commuter Rail schedules also go into effect on October 11th and are available at mbta.com/ commuterrail.

To find the best Marathon viewing location on the T, customers are encouraged to visit the MBTA's Boston Marathon Guide, which highlights MBTA stations closest to the Marathon route and includes helpful information on purchasing fares, parking, and more.

The MBTA also reminds customers that face coverings are required on all MBTA vehicles and within the system with more safety information available at mbta.com/ridesafer. Masks also continue to be available from MBTA Transit Ambassadors and Customer Service Agents at Maverick, North Station, Haymarket, South Station, JFK/UMass, Ashmont, Braintree, Harvard, Park Street, Copley, Kenmore, Back Bay, and Forest Hills.

#### \$15 Commuter Rail Marathon Pass:

On October  $11^{th}$ , the MBTA is offering a special \$15 Marathon Pass valid for all-day, unlimited travel on all Commuter Rail lines through all zones. This special \$15 Marathon Pass is available for purchase beginning Monday, October 4th, through October 11th on the mTicket app and from ticket offices at North, South, and Back Bay Stations. The \$15 Marathon Pass is also available aboard trains via cash or credit card on October 11th only.

MBTA Service Information for the 2021 Boston Marathon For public safety reasons, Copley Station is closed for the entire day on October 11th. Customers are instead encouraged to use Arlington Station (serving all Green Line branches), Prudential Station (Green Line E branch), Hynes Convention Center Station (Green Line B, C, and D branches), or Back Bay Station on the Orange Line. From approximately 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., above-ground Green Line stops at South Street (B branch), Kent Street (C branch), and St. Mary's Street (C branch) will be closed.

The Red, Orange, Blue, and Silver Lines will operate a regular weekday schedule on October 11th with additional service before and after the race.

Buses and trackless trolleys will operate a regular weekday schedule on October 11th, though some bus routes will be detoured to accommodate the Marathon and other festivities. Pre-marathon events including a virtual race are also scheduled the weekend prior, resulting in route adjustments to various bus routes. Customers are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts and check the *mbta.com/marathon* for more information on these changes.

All Commuter Rail lines will operate a regular weekday schedule on October 11th, though customers are encouraged to check the fall 2021 Commuter Rail schedules in advance that also go into effect on October 11th for any timetable adjustments. As a result of the switch to the regional rail-style of service last spring, all Commuter Rail lines offer regular train service approximately every hour throughout the day. The fall 2021 Commuter Rail schedules include minor changes with most train times adjusted between one and five minutes. More information about Commuter Rail schedules this fall can be found on mbta.com/commuterrail.

All commuter boat and ferry service as well as The RIDE service will operate a regular weekday schedule.

Bicycles are prohibited onboard all MBTA subway vehicles (including folding bicycles) for the entire day on October 11th. Backpacks, coolers, cans, bottles, and large items are not permitted at the Marathon.

#### **Additional Fare Information:**

Customers traveling around Boston to watch the Marathon are encouraged to purchase a \$12.75 1-Day Pass valid for unlimited subway and bus travel, which are available from any station fare vending machine and valid for 24 hours after purchase.

#### Parking Information:

Customers planning to park in an MBTA garage or lot on October 11th should allow additional travel time and note that some garages and lots may fill very quickly due to heavy parking demand. Realtime parking capacity information for Alewite, Beverly, Braintree Route 128, Salem, Quincy Adams, Wonderland, and Woodland continues to be tweeted from **@MBTA\_Parking**.

For more information, visit mbta.com/marathon, or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA and @MBTA\_CR, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram @theMBTA.

oval race tracks (which they called circuses) for their chariot races, triumphal arches and giant pillars to honor their heroes, aqueducts by the mile to furnish the millions of gallons of water for their daily needs, bridges and fountains. Some of these structures were built in Rome and some in other parts of the Empire ... but the "Domus," or private home for their intimate family life, ... was everywhere.

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Send letter to: Pamela Donnaruma, Editor, The Post-Gazette, P.O. Box 135, Boston, MA 02113



An Open Letter to the Massachusetts Legislature

October 6, 2021

Dear Honorable Members of the General Court:

We are horrified that you would consider replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day, by re-writing section 12v Chapter 6 to strike out references to Columbus Day and replacing them with that of Indigenous People's Day as SB 2027 and HB 31941 attempt to do. As you may be aware, the Federal Government already recognizes an ethnic holiday dedicated to celebrating First Nations Peoples on the fourth Friday of each November, known as Native American Heritage Day. This holiday was established by the passing of H.J Res. 62 and signed into law by President George W. Bush on September 22, 2008. Currently, it is also recognized by 184 federally recognized tribes. Internationally, the global community also recognizes International Indigenous Peoples Day, annually on August 9th. So why create a third ethnic holiday at the expense of another ethnic group by eliminating Columbus Day?

Supporters of "Indigenous Peoples' Day" are smearing Columbus and in fact Italians, by attempting to re-write history in order to push a false narrative that he committed atrocities against the native peoples of the New World. Recent research by women and minority scholars, such as Doctor's Mary Graybar, Carol Delany and Raphael Ortiz have shown that Columbus himself did not do what his recent opponents have accused him of doing (please see https://copomiao.org/history/). In fact, the First Nations Peoples of North, South, and Central America and especially the Caribbean committed documented atrocities including but not limited to cannibalism, slavery, and ritualistic human sacrifice. We find it strange that this has not been talked about. Perhaps a bill asking for the Indigenous to recognize and atone for the sins of their forebears needs to come to the floor of this General Court.

The support for these bills is built on lies and as representatives of the Italian-American community, with over 800,000 members in Massachusetts, we urge you to oppose these two bills.

> Very truly yours, Board of Directors Italian-American Alliance

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### L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

A Feast of Autumnal Fruits

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



It is no secret that I love to bake. The bookshelf adjacent to my kitchen brims with dogeared cookbooks whose chocolate-stained, worn pages tell the stories of delicious treats past. I especially enjoy baking when the calendar turns to the months of autumn, when chilly dark nights propel me into the warmth of a cozy kitchen. Fall is also an optimal time for baking because of the abundance of fruits and vegetables harvested around this time of year. As surely as the colorful leaves swirl gracefully in the October wind, I know that crisp apples, juicy pears and creamy pumpkins will form an essential part of my fall baking repertoire. However, baking is not the only way to enjoy the generosity of Earth's harvest. Autumnal produce makes a wonderful addition to salads, pastas and drinks, and of course nothing can quite compare to a fresh, seasonal fruit eaten in its plain natural state. One can develop an even deeper appreciation of fall's bounty when one examines the manner in which these fruits have shaped not only culinary creations but the very culture and traditions of societies around the world. So as the autumn unravels around us in all its rustic and comforting glory, let us take a look at the folklore, superstitions, and recipes of four of our favorite seasonal treats.

Apples: Apples are

synonymous with the fall for me. They conjure memories of collecting bags of bright jewel-toned fruit at a sunny apple orchard, of the tingle of tart apple cider dancing on my tongue, and of fresh-baked breads and streusel-topped crisps cooling on the kitchen counter. I have a difficult time thinking of an apple recipe I did not enjoy, and apples eaten straight from the trees are equally delicious with their burst of juicy, bittersweet pulp. As one of the quintessential fruits of the season, with a fairly long harvesting period, apples also figure heavily in European myths and legends. The Greek demigod Heracles (or Hercules to the Romans) had to obtain golden apples as one of his arduous twelve labors, and the Celtic King Arthur recovered from his wounds in a mythical land called Avalon, or "isle of apples." Apples symbolized wisdom and immortality to the ancient Norse, while in the Germanic fairy tale Snow White, an apple causes the titular princess to fall into an enchanted slumber from which only a true love's kiss could save her. Popular tradition equates the apple with the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge in the Garden of Eden, though it was never actually identified as such in the Bible. Apples also formed the crux of many Halloween divination rituals, as unmarried

of an apple peel or eat an apple in front of a candlelit mirror to reveal her future spouse on this spooky night. In Italy, apples are known as mele and are often baked into tarts or dumplings. Northern Italians are particularly fond of making Germaninspired apple strudels.

• Pumpkins: Ah, the pumpkin! This rotund, sunny fruit — and yes, pumpkin is a fruit! carries the connotation of cozy, communal festivities. After all, pumpkins are one of the most recognizable symbols of Halloween worldwide, and pumpkin pie has become a mainstay at autumnal harvest celebrations like Thanksgiving. Autumn means pumpkin to me, and whether I am making pumpkin-chocolate chip bread, pumpkin butter cake, or pumpkin scones, the aroma of this fall favorite wafts through my kitchen on the darkened evenings of the season. Like apples, pumpkins also hold an important cultural history. Native Americans used pumpkins, including pumpkin seeds, for culinary and medicinal purposes long before the Europeans arrived on the continent. After pumpkins were introduced to Europe, the orange fruit found its way into several familiar fairy tales and tidbits of lore. In the French folktale Cinderella, a fairy godmother turns a pumpkin into a horse-drawn carriage, which then takes Cinderella to a much-anticipated royal ball. Strange superstitions became attached to pumpkins, including the fruit's alleged ability to cure snakebites and banish freckles! Nowadays, pumpkins are instantly recognizable as carved and illuminated jack-olanterns at Halloween, a holdover from an old Irish custom of hollowing out turnips and

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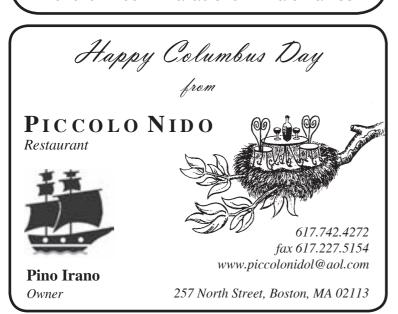
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#### Shouldn't the News Media Be about News Dissemination?

The above question in the headline is not a rhetorical question. Over the past several years, the national news media, both print and broadcast, were being called out for being FAKE NEWS by almost half the nation for the way it was reporting on all things Trump. It was sad watching reputable news agencies failing at providing news to all of us and at times actually forgetting their role in the Fourth Estate. Watching networks like MSNBC is almost like watching parodies on Saturday Night Live! Sadly, even CNN seems to have lost its mission at being "fair and balanced."

Actually, while many conservatives out there have lost faith in the Fox News Channel, I still like it. Compared to CNN, it is fair and balanced. In all transparency, I love Newsmax TV. It is conservative ONE HUNDRED PERCENT red meat for the right, and even I need red meat from time to time. Newsmax may not be too balanced, but it does try being fair.

As a journalist published in numerous print media outlets and also on broadcast TV from time to time, I have seen the print and broadcast media forget its role as free press in our democratic constitutional republic. America has a free press written right into our Bill of Rights. It is the obligation of the free press not to devolve into cheerleaders for causes or advocates for certain points of view. The news is the news is the news. If I want opinions, I will seek them out. Thank God, social media is here where we the people have avenues to go around those in the media who are misusing their power-ful role. I abhor Big Tech's censoring opinions they dislike on their media sites and deplatforming those they consider peddling "misinformation."

I believe it was Justice William O. Douglas, a true civil libertarian on the U.S. Supreme Court who noted the answer to bad speech was more speech. Today, if you disagree with our open borders at the Mexican border with illegal migrants rushing that border like a football team's offensive squad rushing the goal line, you are called hateful and guilty of hate speech.

All of us no matter our ideology or party status deserve a free press that does its job, but today some of those fake media sites are looking like the media wing of the Democrat Party and it fails all of us when many no longer believe what they are selling on the air or on the pages of our newspapers.

We shouldn't see so many Americans viewing our free press as nothing more than Pravda back in the old days of the Soviet Union when Russian journalists worked with the state providing only what the government favored. A free media means free speech for all of us.

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### Did You Go to the Freedom Rally in Person Or Hear About it on the News?

by Sal Giarratani



L-R: Sheila Bellotti, Joyce Annese, Beth Veneto, Trisha Sheehan, and Samara Tardif

I heard about the Freedom Rally at the State House on Sunday, September 26th, and dediced to attend it on that day. The rally was organized by the Boston Broadside non-liberal monthly newspaper for which I write a commentary. Thanks to Lonnie Brennan who is the paper's publisher and WRKO radio host Jeff Kuhner. I would say at least 1,500 were up on Beacon Hill standing for our liberty, which is slowly being eaten away. Others who attended told me they thought the crowd was several thousand, but the news media outlets always say "hundreds" showed up. It is like the government saying for decades that there are only 11 or 12 million illegals living among us. That number never seems to change, does it?

While the star of this protest was Kuhner and the crowd was definitely Kuhner Country, the



Paula Ray from Meuthen



Sal Giarratani and Jeff Kuhner

rally on the Sunday night news programming.

However, I wasn't surprised or shocked by that happening, but I was disappointed with the Boston Herald who usually does a better job than the Globe. The coverage on Monday morning did cover the rally. However, they never mentioned Jeff Kuhner; I guess he was cancelled out of the rally story. The Boston Herald turned it into a rally for Geoff Diehl, who is running for governor next year. Diehl was there and he did speak but the rally was about much more than one politician on the stump. It was about the erosion of our rights and the excuse is we must fight this pandemic. COVID-19 cannot be the excuse to treat citizens like serfs beholden to our governors at all levels of government.

We the people are the government. Those we elect are supposed to represent us, but lately it seems they have turned against us trying to impose all kinds of mandates on us. Of course, always for our own good!



Healthcare workers for Freedom, L-R: Jacquie, Heather, and Heather

media likes doing fake news. The Boston Globe was useless. No coverage at all the following morning in their newspaper. The broadcast media didn't see any news happening at the State House that day, which is why none of them had the

Obviously, the elites in Big Government, Big Media, and Big Tech are seeking to control the flow of information we see as a free people. The Bill of Rights needs to be legalized again by these elitists. If a large rally is held outside the State House that is news, and it should be reported as news. Hiding the news from us is a form of censorship. The Fourth Estate is here to protect us by informing us of needed information we have a right to know.



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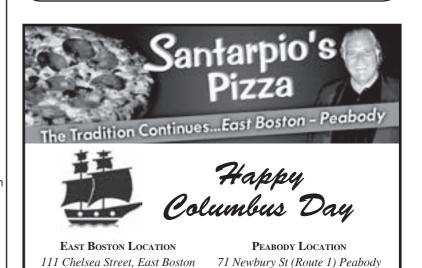
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## **Enjoy the Beauty and Science Behind Fall Color**

by Melinda Myers

The brilliant fall color in our landscapes is a magical transformation that happens each year. And the science behind it is just as intriguing.

Each fall as the days shorten our deciduous trees and shrubs begin this transformation. The plants produce less of the chlorophyll that gives leaves their normal green color. The existing chlorophyll starts breaking down, revealing the underlying pigments of yellow, red or orange.

The carotenoid and xanthophyll pigments assist the chlorophyll in capturing light and producing sugar during the growing season. The beta-carotene contributes to the orange and orangeyellow fall color. Lutein is the most prominent xanthophyll pigment producing bright yellow fall color. There are over 80 different pigments in these two categories contributing to the variations in fall color.

The tanins in leaves contribute to the golden and brown fall colors. These are thought to discourage animals and insect pests from feeding on the leaves and help defend the plants against disease organisms.

At the same time, these plants begin to create an abscission layer between the leaf and stem. This barrier prevents the sugars produced in the leaves from moving down into the roots for storage.

Purple and red fall color, from the anthocyanin foliar pigments, is produced when sugars build up and are trapped in the leaves. This results in brilliant red and purplishred fall color. Some of these pigments are present during the growing season and can be seen in new growth and mature leaves of some plants. These add color to the garden,

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Each fall as the days shorten, deciduous shrubs and trees like this Arctic Jade Korean Maple begin their transformation as the plants produce less chlorophyll.

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help protect the plant cells from high light damage, and may discourage animals and insects from dining on the plants.

Warm, sunny days followed by cool nights without a hard frost mean more sugar and better red, orange, and purple fall color. Sufficient soil moisture helps keep the leaf color bright for a longer period of time. Leaf color fades, turns brown and leaves drop from the tree more quickly during dry fall weather.

Fall foliage is not restricted to deciduous trees and shrubs. The leaves of many of our favorite perennials also turn brilliant colors in the fall.

Solomon's seal and hosta leaves turn a beautiful yellow, echoing the fall flowers of witchhazel and yellow leaves of ginkgo and quaking aspen. The delicate heart-shaped leaves of barrenwort, botanically known as Epimedium, turn red in fall. Some of the leaves drop in fall like most trees and shrubs. Others will persist through

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winter and drop as new leaves and flowers appear in spring.

Perennial geranium and Bergenia leaves turn reddishpurple in fall. Both will persist, adding color to the winter and early spring garden.

Brighten up the fall landscape with the fine texture and ambergold fall foliage of Angelina sedum and willow amsonia.

The fluffy white seed heads of our native little bluestem complement the coppery-red fall color that persists throughout the winter.

Genetics determine the color each plant tends to produce in fall, while weather and the plant's health influence if and how intensely the color will be expressed. Consider fall color when adding plants to the landscape. Then provide proper care to keep them healthy and looking their best throughout the year.

Melinda Myers is the author of over 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Her web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

## Saint Justinia of Padua

by Bennett Molinari and Richard. Molinari



Born at Padua about the middle of the second century, Justnia's father Vitalian was a rich nobleman and prefect of Padua. Her parents were converted to Christianity. Not having been blessed with children up to that time, they received Justinia as an answer to their prayers.

Justinia was very religious from her earliest years and ultimately took the vow of perpetual virginity. She lived during the Christian

persecutions of Diocletian, and his Co-Emperor Maximian. The prefect who had succeeded her father Vitalian, proved himself particularly brutal.

Justinia would visit the prisons to comfort and encourage Christians who were incarcerated for their Faith. The Prefect, becoming aware of Justinia's visits to prisoners, ordered her arrest. While she was passing by the Pont Marin near Padua, she was seized by his soldiers and brought before him. Struck by her beauty, he tried by every means to have Justinia abandon her Faith. Justinia remained firm against all attacks. Incensed by her refusal to worship Mars, the god of war, the Prefect ordered Justinia to be killed by the sword. She was martyred in the year 304 A.D.

Saint Justina, is one of the patron saints of Padua. Along with Saint Mark, she is also second patroness of Venice. Her feast day is October 7th coinciding with the end of the grape harvest and the time for settling agricultural contracts.

## Red Sox Own Yankees In October

by Sal Giarratani

Well, we can forget the Curse of the Bambino or those ghosts of yesteryear. After decades of suffering at the hands of the dreaded pinstripes, the bad mojo that followed the Sox for years has now switched over to the Bronx Bombers. The Red Sox now own the month of October. For the third time in a row since 2004, the Sox have taken the Yankees out of the playoffs.

The Red Sox took care of the Yankees in short order by a 6-2 score. Boston took off early with a quick 2-0 lead and never looked back. Even with the presence of Bucky Dent (now 69) in the stands at Fenway Park was of no value. Boston fans remember him well from back on October 2, 1978, when he hit that three-run homer in the 7th inning off Mike Torrez over the Green Monster, and that was it for our hometown

Before the first pitch was thrown, I told friends, it all depends on which Nathan Eovaldi shows up for the game. Thankfully for us, we got the GOOD Eovaldi in the game. Thankfully the BAD Gerrit Cole showed up for the

Cole overall didn't have a bad season with 16 victories, but was it a \$324 million season? I'll leave that for disappointed Yankees fans to answer. As for Eovaldi, he threw five strong shutout innings with his 99 mph fastballs along with his deadly breaking baseballs, also added 8 strikeouts in the game, and a gem of a game.

On Thursday night October 7th the Sox will be playing the first place Tampa Bay Rays in the AL East Division series down in sunny Florida, followed Friday by another night game in this best three-of-five game



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## Fall-o-Ween Children's Festival

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Charles Streets on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Adults and children are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes and participate in a wide range of fun and spooky family activities. Test your skills and courage to find your way out of the Haunted Fun House Maze, hop on the train hosted by Cabot Creamery Co-operative, and make your way over to our glow in the dark play space for some nighttime fun featuring LED illuminated swings, seesaws, and cornhole. Join LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Boston to build a LEGO® pumpkin for our pumpkin patch and learn how to build spooky creatures with Lego Master Model Builder, Sean. Enjoy exciting acts from the Boston Circus Guild with performances by an aerial artist and stilt walker between 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The Fall-o-Ween Children's Festival is presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the Skating Club of Boston. Key sponsors are LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Boston, the Farm Families who own Cabot Creamery Co-operative, HP Hood LLC, Dunkin', and L.L.Bean. The media sponsor is Magic 106.7. Additional support provided by Perfect Parties and the Boston Circus Guild.

This free family-friendly event will also include glow-in-the-dark games, children's crafts, scarily delicious snacks and refreshments provided by Cabot Cheese, Dunkin', and HP Hood LLC. Join Harvard University's Stress & Development lab for fun games focused on learning about the brain and how we think. A monster mash of activities will include a visit from the Massachusetts Horticulture Society, the Mass Audubon Society, an art activity with the Mayor's Mural Crew, and other fun fall and Halloween activities.

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

## Four Women "Quattro Donne" subtitle, A North End Love Story

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

## CHAPTER 58 The Ferry Ride

The ferry was just ready to pull away from the pier, when Pietro and Carla showed up. Holding hands, they both made a slight leap onto the ferry. Looking into Pietro's eyes, uttering a sigh of relief, Carla softly said, "Now I feel safe." Pietro bent over and brushed his cheek against Carla's, taking her by the hand, they walked slowly to the round bow of the old ferry, and there they stood, as the ferry quietly made its way through the inky black waters of Boston Harbor to East Boston. In the distance, music from the feast could be heard, fading into the night as the lovers made their way to East Boston and the safety of Elena's house. Silently, the couple stood with their arms around each other, staring into the night. Not a word was spoken between them, they had each other.

## CHAPTER 59 Back at the Feast

By the time Mom made it back to the feast, Grandma was standing outside the Shrine anxiously looking for any sign of Carla and Pietro. "Carmela, you've returned. Where are they?" Grandma asked anxiously. "Ma, I sent them to Zia Elena's house where they will be safe. No one will ever think of looking for them there." "Carmela, I don't think that was a good idea. You know your aunt; her house is una casa pazza (a crazy house). She will never keep them apart." "Ma, they are not going to be there long. Don't worry about it," Mom, trying to reassure Grandma she made a good decision. Grandma would have no part of it. "I know my sister,

she will let Carla and Pietro do what they want, and it doesn't take too long for a match to set the hay on fire."

Auntie Stella, who was listening to the entire conversation, decided to throw some kerosene onto the fire. "That's it," she said jokingly. "You sent them to that crazy house. They will be together and you know what could happen. "Stella, keep your mouth shut! Don't worry Mama. Pietro is a gentleman, and he won't touch Carla." Auntie Stella, knowing she hit a nerve, continued to pour it on. "They are all gentlemen until they have their chance, then they turn into beasts," she said tartly. "Stella, why do you want to worry Mama? Keep your mouth shut!" Mom scolded.

Auntie Angie, who had been quietly listening to the entire conversation, decided to speak. "Carmela, you did the right thing. Carla and Pietro will be safe at Elena's, and nothing is going to happen between them. Stella, I don't know what's wrong with you. You're always trying to stir up the

situation, you're frightening Mama, so shut your mouth." Grandma, turning to Auntie Angie, implored, "Angie, you believe they will be OK?" "Yes, Mama, they'll be fine at Elena's. We need to find someone to speak to the Riccis about Carla and Pietro. Someone they will listen to." Grandma's face then lit up. "We will speak with Padre Francesco. He is our priest, our pastor and Pietro's spiritual advisor. He is the one man everyone will listen to." "That's a wonderful idea," Auntie Angie affirmed. From the look on Mom and Auntie Stella's faces, they also agreed. With that, they returned to the Shrine of the Saint and took their seats, determined to carry on despite all that took place. Grandma and Auntie Angie in the front row with Mom and Auntie Stella just behind.

"Carmela, go and get us some Italian Ice. It's time to enjoy ourselves. *Dobbiamo fare una buona impressione* (We must make a good impression)," Grandma said with a look of relief on her face, for she was convinced Father Francesco would come up with a solution to the problem.

Four Women "Quattro Donne" A North End Love Story, is available at R. Del Gaudio Gift Shop, 17 North Square North End (617-227-5915), adjoining Paul Revere House; Post-Gazette; Saint Francis Book Store and Gift Shop at Saint Leonard Peace Garden; lulu.com; molinaridesign.net; Amazon.com; and Barnes and Noble.com. Bookshop.org; Barbara's Bestsellers, South Station (857-263-8737); Greetings from Boston, Faneuil Hall.

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## 22nd Anniversary of October Italian American Heritage Month

The 22nd Anniversary of October Italian American Heritage Month was held on Monday, October 4, 2021 at the Dante Alighieri Cultural Center in Cambridge.

The Honorable Ronald J. Mariano, Speaker of the Massachusetts House welcomed guests. Middlesex County Sheriff's Department, Captain John Panaggio presented the colors. Pledge of Allegance Sal DiDomenico, MA State Senator.

National Anthems of Italy and the USA were presented by the Coro Dante, Chorus of Dante Alighieri Society led by Lisa Micali, President.

Fr. Michael DellaPenna, OFM, St. Leonard's Church gave the Blessing. Richard J. Vita, Esq. Italian Heritage Month Committee President, welcomed guests. Lt. Governor Karyn E. Polito read of 2021 Proclamation. Steven Maio, Ph.D. recognized the Italian and Italian American organizations. Honorable Ronald J. Mariano, Speaker of the MA House recognized the Constitutional Officers.

Lino Rullo and Richard Vita presented and award to Consul General Federica Sereni for her outstanding service and dedication to the Italian American community.

Greetings from speakers Denise Furnari, State President of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy and Giovanni Abbadessa, M.D., Ph.D. Professionisti Italiani a Boston.

Presenters were called forward by Speaker Mariano for brief presentations. Giovanni Abbadessa, M.D., Ph.D. presented Andrea Carfi, Ph.D. with the 2021 Excellence in Medicine and Research Award; Francesea Seta, Ph.D. presented Gigliola Staffilani, Ph.D., with the 2021 Excellence in Education and Methematics Award; Richard J. Vita, Esq. presented The Honorable Francis X. Bellotti with the 2021 Public Service & Lifetime Achievement Award.

Musical entertainment provided by Scanzonati, courtesy of Consul General Federica Sereni.



Lt. Karyn Polito presents citation to Honorable Francis X. Bellotti



Fr. Michael DellaPenna, OFM, St. Leonard's Church



The Middlesex County Sheriff's Department, Captain John Panaggio presenting the colors.



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Lino Rullo, Consul General Federica Sereni and Richard Vita
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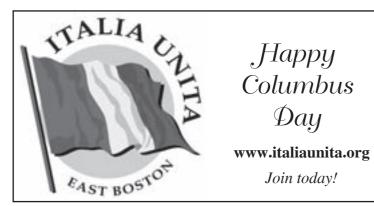
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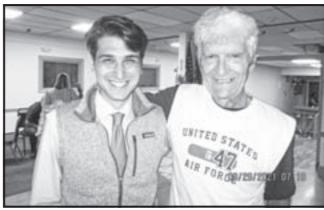
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The box office smash that started it all, Paul Hogan became an overnight sensation as Michael J. "Crocodile" In "Crocodile" Dundee — Hogan's hilarious, endearing performance made "Crocodile" Dundee the #1 comedy at the U.S. box office in 1986. Dundee is a freespirited Australian who hunts crocodiles with his bare hands, stares down giant water buffaloes. Dundee follows a reporter back to New York, shaking the Big Apple to its core, and drinks mere mortals under the table. In *"Crocodile" Dundee II —* Dundee and his girlfriend are targeted by a gang of ruthless drug dealers. To even the odds, Dundee leads the big city hoods into the treacherous Australian outback in this fish-out-of-water twist on the first movie. The third time's a charm, with "Crocodile" Dundee in Los Angeles — which brings Hogan's hero across the country when he suspects foul play at a movie studio.

#### **BATWOMAN:** THE COMPLETE SECOND SEASON (Blu-ray) Warner Bros. Home Ent.

Javicia Leslie takes on the mantle of DC Super Hero Batwoman, in Batwoman: The Complete Second Season, from Warner Bros. Home Entertainment. Strap yourself in for a thrilling ride with all 18 episodes from the second season, plus never-before-seen bonus content including deleted scenes and a gag reel. At the end of the first season, Crows Commander Kane (Dougray Scott) has declared war on Batwoman, forcing everyone around them to choose sides. Season two kicks off with a major game-changer that alters Gotham City and The Bat Team forever. A new hero emerges from the shadows. Relatable, messy, loyal, and a little goofy, Ryan Wilder (Leslie) couldn't be more different than the woman who wore the Batsuit before her, billionaire Kate Kane. Living in her van, Ryan has been made to feel trapped and powerless by the system her whole life and believes the Batsuit is the key to breaking out of it. But what she'll come to discover is that it's not the suit that makes Ryan Wilder powerful, it's the woman inside of it who finds her destiny in changing Gotham City for good.

#### THE EQUALIZER: SEASON ONE (3-DVD) CBS Home Ent. / Paramount Home Ent.

The Equalizer is a reimagining of the classic 1985 TV series following Robyn McCall, an enigmatic woman with a mysterious background who uses her extensive skills as a former CIA operative to help those with nowhere else to turn. McCall presents to most as an average single mom who is quietly raising her teenage daughter. But to a trusted few, she is The Equalizer - an anonymous guardian angel and defender of the downtrodden, who's also dogged in her pursuit of personal redemption. Robyn's clandestine work remains a secret from her smart and observant daughter, Delilah, and her aunt Vi, who lives with Robyn to

help her balance life as a working mother. Joining Robyn as champions of justice are William Bishop, her former CIA handler and longtime friend; Melody "Mel" Bayani, an edgy bar owner and a colleague from Robyn's past; and Harry Keshegian, a paranoid and brilliant whitehat hacker. As Robyn aids the oppressed and exploited, her work garners the attention of shrewd NYPD Detective Marcus Dante, who doggedly seeks to uncover the identity of the vigilante known as The Equalizer.

#### NIGHT OF THE ANIMATED DEAD (Blu-ray) Warner Bros. Home Ent.

Revisit George A. Romero's 1968 horror classic in an altogether unprecedented presentation as Warner Bros. Home Entertainment releases Night of the Animated Dead, a new, starstudded animated recreation of the thriller, that includes never-before-seen, exclusive animated scenes not found in the original live-action film. Siblings Barbara and Johnny visit their father's grave in a remote cemetery in Pennsylvania, when suddenly bloodthirsty zombies begin amassing everywhere. Barbara flees and takes refuge in an abandoned farmhouse along with stranded motorist Ben and four local survivors found hiding in the cellar. Together, the group must fight to stay alive against the oncoming horde of zombies while also confronting their own fears and prejudices. Night of the Animated Dead features the voice talents of Josh Duhamel as Harry Cooper.

#### ONE DARK NIGHT: **COLLECTOR'S EDITION** (Blu-ray) **MVD** Rewind Collection

World-renowned psychic Raymar is found dead after announcing that he had uncovered the secret of how to become even more powerful in death by the use of telekinetic powers. At the same time, two high school girls plan an initiation night for their friend Julie (Meg Tilly), who is determined to shed her "goody goody" image. Her test is to spend the night locked in the crypt — the same one that Raymar has been buried in that very day. The crypt soon becomes a battlefield of horror, involving unmated special effects with vaults cracking and exploding open, coffins sliding out and splintering open to release decayed corpses at Raymar's bidding. The climatic surprise ending will chill the audience and consume them with terror in this shocking tale of horror!

#### SWEET THING (DVD) Film Movement

Taking place during the course of one eventful summer, Sweet Thing is a bittersweet, yet uplifting portrait of that magical time in youth when a day can last forever. In coastal Massachusetts, a dysfunctional family portrayed in all shades of black-and-white, lead forgotten lives. Discovering freedom and enchantment among the boats and railway tracks of New Bedford, 15-year-old Billie and her 11-year-old brother Nico embark on an adventure into the fantastic and poetic world of childhood, unseen by the adults around them.

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

#### **VETERANS FUNDRAISER** IN REVERE

There will be a veteran's fundraiser on Sunday, October  $10^{th}$  from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Mottolo VFW Post 4524, 61 Lucia Avenue, Revere. All proceeds to benefit Disabled and Limbless Veterans Association. Donations \$20. For more information, call 781-284-9598. Trifecta will be on stage with the music. If you loved Vinyl Groove, you will love Trifecta.

#### SAL G. MEETS ELVIS IN MARSHFIELD



Elvis and Sal G., are in the (Photo by Elizabeth Cytrynowski)

Recently I was down at the WMEX radio studios and actually went on air with both Larry Justice and Benny Rabi. I felt like an actual DJ reaching for my inner Woo-Woo Ginsburg.

As I entered the studio, I was met by a larger than life Elvis Presley, so we fist-bumped each other.

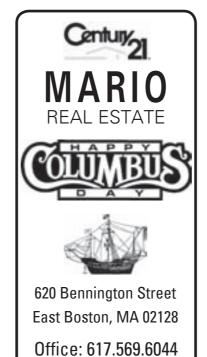
#### **VIVA PUERTO RICO** AND CHELSEA



Gladys, Taniari Garcia, and Sal G. (Photo by Roy Avellaneda)

Recently, I met up with friends from Chelsea at a union rally in Central Square, East Boston. SHOPPING AND COUGHING

While shopping recently, I heard a shopper coughing big



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#### LATEST STAND UP FOR EASTIE PROTEST RALLY



Protesters gather together

A couple of weeks back (on September 25<sup>th</sup>) members of the Stand up for Eastie group held a rally in Central Square East Boston in its fight to halt the overdevelopment of this neighborhood.



A message that says it all (Photo by Sal Giarratani)

One of the leaders of this group, Joni DeMarzo, speaking to the crowd, said that when it comes to many developers, the sky's the limit and then pointing to the traffic in the square, adding that down here on the ground the infrastructure is bringing life as we know to a halt. I and many others in the neighborhood frustrated with overdevelopment know exactly of what she speaks.

time. I looked over toward the cougher and saw a woman wearing her mask on her chin. There is a time and place for a mask; this was definitely one of those times!

#### **REAL ESTATE** ADVERTISEMENT FORGOT ONE THING TO MENTION

The other day a real estate postcard arrived in the mail. It was advertising a new condo listing in a building. It didn't list where the condo was located, but I had a good idea, and I was right. Turns out while this condo may be close to the T, highway, and tunnels, or not far from Spinelli's and Santarpio's, the advertisement failed to acknowledge the first floor unit is used as a funeral parlor. For me that would be a game-changer, how about you?

The last thing I want is to keep listening for noises downstairs at 2:00 a.m. Sounds silly, but I want to sleep well at night and not be awakened in a horrible horror movie. Know what I mean?

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## THE OLD NORTH CHURCH

## The Blessing of Animals Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi

(Photos by Michele Morgan)

On Sunday, October 3, the Old North Church in the North End held its annual Blessing of the Animals in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi. This event is well attended and a fall favorite every year.

#### **Blessing of the Animals**

Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for sharing your love with us, by giving us these living creatures to care for and enjoy. Bless them we pray in health and well being that they may continue to bring companionship, joy and comfort to those who care for them. Grant that they may reflect the love and glory of their Creator in their play. Give us strength and understanding to care for these living gifts, as you care for us through Jesus Christ, our friend and Brother. In the name of God. Amen.





Rev. Dr. Matthew P. Cadwell with Penny













**RUFF North End Dog Group** Chairperson Ashley Seybold with Beignet, and Reverend Amy





















RUFF North End Dog Group Treasurer Anya Potter with Ollie, McGruff, and baby makes three!

• The Blessing of Animals (Continued from Page 11)



Marie Simboli holding Beans, Maria Ciampa with Willow, and Rev. Dr. Matthew P. Cadwell



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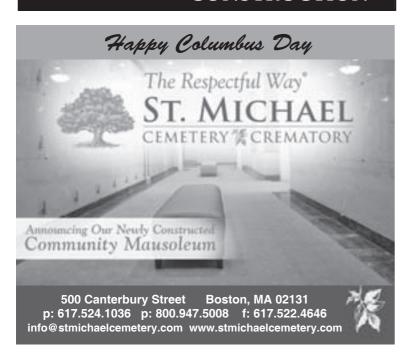
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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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. MI21P5064EA Estate of **RUTH A. WHITE** Date of Death: October 05, 2016 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons: A Petition for Late and Limited Formal **Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by **Gary F. White** of **North Andover**, 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 Gary F. White of North Andover, 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 November 02, 2021.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

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

Date: October 05, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 10/08/2021

## **THOUGHTS** BY DAN **ABOUT** THIS & THAT



with Daniel A. DiCenso

#### What Has Ruined **Productive Discourse**

1. Easy Labeling of Our **Opponents:** It is not hard to understand the temptation to "tag" our ideological opponents to simplistic terms. It reduces them to a type and their idea a result of them being that type and therefore can be dismissed without question. The methodology goes something like this: That person is an X (because I say they are), therefore their argument must be Y, so they can be shut down outright. On the flip side, their argument is Y (and me thinking it is makes it so), so they must be an Xand don't deserve a platform. Reducing a person and their argument into a stereotype allows you to build up a moral superiority from which one can feel justified in dismissing them easily. This is a folly for people are complex and few fit neat ideological terms. Likewise views and stances are complicated and arrived at through unique experiences, backgrounds, and lenses. It is dangerous and dishonest (not to mention lazy) to dismiss an argument because of the speaker or a speaker because of their stance. Take people on their own terms and let's try to listen before kneejerking labeling.

2. Emotive Over Critical Responses: It's human nature to leap out against anything that challenges our sensibilities or what we think is right or challenges deeply held beliefs. It is very few issues, however, especially the most hotly debated ones, in which morality is relegated to only one end of it. Remember that it is not necessarily villainy to not align in sympathy with you. Additionally, this is also a biproduct of a simplistic understanding of many issues

#### **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. SU21P1107EA Estate of NORMAN BARR MOYES

Date of Death: November 16, 2020 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above capioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Elizabeth Moyes of North Haven, CT, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Elizabeth Moyes of North Haven, CT 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: 10/08/202

since so few have easy solutions. And the solution that seems the most emotionally satisfying is seldom without drawbacks or unintended consequences, usually for those on the other side of it. The answer that makes us feel the best should not be confused with the best

3. Pride: All too often I meet people who would rather continue to stubbornly defend a narrow view on something than admit they were wrong or that, at least, the issue is more complicated than their narrow take on it. This is a by-product of identifying so closely with out ideologies to the point that they become integral to our identity. Any attack or weakening of them is an attack on our psychological make-up. This is an erroneous way of thinking of our beliefs, political or otherwise, since ideologies are transitory things, ever shifting due to exposure, research, and learning. Admitting when our ideas were wrong is a sign of growth, not weakness.

4. Strawman-ing: I trust I need not explain this one and yet it happens all the time.

#### **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. MI21P5069EA

Estate of MARION M. GOODMAN Also Known As
MARION MARTIN GOODMAN MARION GOODMAN

Date of Death: May 15, 2021 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Peter B. Goodman of Sudbury, 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 Peter B. Goodman of Sudbury, 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

November 01, 2021.
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)

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

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

Date: October 04, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 10/08/2021

## Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



There will be three birthdays taking place this month that I am going to celebrate: daughter-in-law Beth's, granddaughter Lina's and mine. I love birthday parties. I've tried to throw birthday parties in December for my wife, Loretta, but she hates parties so on December 6<sup>th</sup>, we head to her favorite restaurant and we share a dinner.

Loretta knows I love birthday parties and goes all out when mine roll around on October 21<sup>st</sup>. When I turned 70 (a few years back), she threw a surprise party at La Summa's, my favorite North End restaurant. Barbra Summa closed the place for the night and Loretta filled it with family, friends and acquaintances ... she even added in my doctor, my dentist and the family priest. She has a tendency to go overboard at times, but I love it.

When Nanna turned 70, the family got together and bought her a television set, something she and Babbononno didn't have. When Babbononno had a birthday, the family usually bought him clothes that included an old man's sweater, which he graciously accepted. I, on the other hand, gifted him with a bottle of cognac and a few Cuban cigars. He verbally thanked everyone for his gifts, but would look at what I gave him, smile and then wink at me. I knew I had hit the proverbial home run.

When I was young and single (many years ago), my best friend, Sal Meli, threw me a surprise 25th birthday party. I was dating a young lady and the party was held at her apartment. Sal and I were part of the Cave crowd and many of them were invited. In case you aren't old enough to remember the Cave let me tell you about it. The Cave was the Latin American nightclub in Boston back in the '50s and '60s. It was in the ally way next to the Colonial Theater. Tuesday and Thursday nights were for the Latin dancers. They held what was called the Cha-Cha Jamboree. We would all dance the cha-cha-cha, mambo, meringue, pachanga, bolero and whatever Cuban, Puerto Rican or Dominican dance was popular. Whichever couple danced the best received a magnum of champagne. Whoever won it shared it with everyone in the crowd.

Sal made one mistake. When he invited the Cave crowd to my surprise birthday party, he invited my ex-girlfriend. She wasn't too happy with my current lady friend but came to the party anyway. When a birthday cake was brought out, I blew out the candles and everyone sang happy birthday to me. I then cut the first slice of cake and my current lady friend commented on the frosting. It was composed of blue flowers around the edge of the cake. She said that they were beautiful and she loved them. My former girlfriend swiped a handful of the blue frosting and smeared it all over my current girlfriend's face. What followed was an old fashion food fight. Here were people in their 20s and 30s, throwing cake, pies and sandwiches at each other. Neither Laurel and Hardy nor the Three Stooges could have stolen the scene. It was a sight to behold and no one had a camera ... so you'll have to take my word for what I experienced.

About 15 or so years later, I was married with two kids. They, like their father, loved parties at birthday time, and we usually accommodated them at a kid's restaurant. Remembering the old days, I made it mandatory to my boys, "Enjoy yourselves, but no food fights." They obliged.

I remember one birthday party in particular. It was for my father. It was June of 1970, and he turned 60. I picked up Babbononno from the nursing home he was in and brought him to my folk's home in Belmont. What I didn't know was that an old friend of Dad's was in town and Mom had invited him to the party. His name was Jimmy Joyce, a comedian and comedy writer who originally came from South Boston. At that point in time he was doing standup in Las Vegas and writing for the Merv Griffin Show. He loved Mom's cooking and he and all invited would dine on her meatballs and pasta.

Jimmy brought his piano player with him, and after dinner he did almost two hours of comedy for Dad's partygoers. Jimmy used an Irish brogue and told stories about being Irish ... he was funny. The ironic part of it was Jimmy wasn't Irish. He was from Southie, but he was Polish ... no one ever knew. On the way home that night, Babbononno asked, "Jenny, wazza dare sum tinga ronga widda dat manza troat?" I may have mentioned in the past that Babbononno called me Jenny. He was trying to say, "Johnny," but it came out as Jenny, and he didn't speak broken English, he spoke fractured English.

I told Babbononno that the man was a television comedian and he was using an Irish accent when he told his jokes.

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My grandfather answered, "Oh datza wadda id wuz." I learned years later that comedy, like many other things in the performing arts is generational. What my folks found funny, I couldn't identify with. What I find funny, my sons see no humor in it. When my grandkids grow up and can't find anything funny from their folk's generation, my sons will receive their comeuppance.

Another funny person was my Aunt Ninna. She just passed away and was the last member of her generation in my family. She, too, loved parties. When her kids were small and Nanna and Babbononno were still alive, her home was often the destination we headed for: birthdays, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Easter. Following dinner, we would all head for the living room and she would begin with the jokes. She was a dialectician and could tell jokes with accents in Italian, Irish, Yiddish, Spanish, Greek, Chinese, Russian and German. Often she would draw me into the joke telling session and we would play off each other entertaining the family. If she stayed in show business, I think she would have been successful in comedy. When she and Uncle Gino met, she was a Flamenco dancer, but gave up show business when she married my mother's youngest brother.

I miss those parties from days gone by, especially the family parties. My sons often have dinner parties, but gone are the days when the dinner started with escarole and meatball soup, and continued with ravioli, meatballs, sausages and a serving dish filled with gravy meats. This was followed by vegetables and a salad, and all would be accompanied by homemade wine. My daughtersin-law are not Italian, and don't cook Italian food the way Mom. Aunt Ninna or Nanna used to. And so it goes ... Fortunately, my memory of those by-gone days is still intact and I can reminisce by writing about them for you in the Post-Gazette.

GOD BLESS AMERICA





Italians have always loved peppers! In fact, those sweet green, yellow and red bell peppers are responsible for the unique flavor found in many savory Italian dishes. Known as *peperone* in Italian, these tasty vegetables are perfect when fried, baked or even roasted. In their red form, dried and crushed, they become spicy red pepper flakes; often found sprinkled on pizza and pasta, or even mixed with olive oil, as a dipping sauce for bread. In their green form, fried or baked with sausage, they can easily be made into delicious sausage and pepper sandwiches. Not even a pepperoni pizza could exist without the use of peppers because paprika, the spice responsible for the orange-red color of pepperoni, is made from powdered sweet red peppers. It's no wonder Italians love these colorful vegetables as much as they do!

Growing up, my Nonna made peppers in a variety of dishes. She even grew the long green Italian *friggitello* or sweet Italian *pepperoncino* peppers in her garden. Sausage and peppers, peppers and eggs, and of course there were stuffed peppers. When my Nonna made stuffed peppers she used red and green bell peppers. Most times she stuffed them with a bread stuffing, and other times she would make them as her mom did, using a meat and rice mixture. I have made them both ways and it's really a matter of preference as to which one is tastier! Today, I am sharing a recipe for the meat and rice version which are hearty and delicious. As the cool weather is upon us, Stuffed Peppers or *Peperoni Ripieni* are a perfect meal when served for lunch or at dinnertime.

## STUFFED PEPPERS Peperoni Ripieni



8 large bell peppers, red or green (I always use red) 4 cups partially cooked Arborio rice (cooked ¾ of the way) 2 pounds hamburger (I make mine into a meatball mixture

with breadcrumbs cheese

and spices)

- 4 cups or more of homemade marinara sauce or red gravy
- 1 ½ to 2 cups grated parmesan cheese
- 1½ pounds shredded mozzarella cheeseOlive oilFresh parsley and basilSalt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 350°. Line a large deep baking dish with marinara or red gravy. Cut the tops off of the peppers, clean out the insides and place standing up in the prepared baking pan.

In a large sauté pan, add a layer of olive oil and warm over medium heat, add and crumble the hamburger or meatball mixture and cook slowly until meat is no longer pink.

In a large bowl, add the cooked meat, cooked rice (as much or as little as you prefer), and 1 cup of marinara or red gravy, and mix. Add the grated parmesan cheese (as much or as little as you prefer) to this mixture and mix together well. Taste the mixture and add salt, pepper, basil, and parsley to taste.

Take this stuffing mixture and evenly distribute it amongst the peppers in the baking dish, using your hands to stuff them well. Generously cover the tops of these peppers with marinara or red gravy. Cover the peppers with aluminum foil and bake in the preheated oven for about an hour, or until the peppers have cooked/softened. Remove the pan from the oven, uncover and sprinkle a good amount of shredded mozzarella over the tops of the peppers. Place the pan, uncovered, back in the oven and cook until the cheese melts, about 10 minutes or so, depending on your oven. Remove and allow to cool slightly and serve. Refrigerate leftovers.

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#### • News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

slammed the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Mark Milley, Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, and Gen. Frank McKenzie, and called for their resignations.

"Our son (Lt. Col. Stuart Scheller) called for accountability. Throughout the (congressional) hearing today (September 29th), I don't feel like they (his leaders) accepted responsibility." Scheller and his wife Cathy said their son is being unfairly punished sitting in solitary confinement at Camp Lejeune in NC.

Reportedly, the Lieutenant Colonel is in pretrial detention and according to his mom has not been charged yet. She also blasted Milley for claiming in Senate testimony that it would be wrong of him to resign after Biden rejected his assessment on the withdrawal plans. She thinks he should have resigned. Is the "2 Dollar Tree Store"

Recently, I heard U.S. Sen. Joe Manchin, D-WV, mention that with inflation growing, he's heard that the Dollar Tree Store chain will be raising its prices to perhaps \$1.25 or \$1.50. Many others see it going even higher.

Comina?

Dollar Tree is asking customers to cough up more as of last week. The company is testing higher prices in stores as its labor costs have soared. Supply chains that became snarled during COVID-19 means that the Dollar Tree is paying more for the goods it sells — so it's passing some of those costs onto shoppers at its 7,900 stores nationwide.

#### Panama: 60K Headed Our Way

Panama's foreign minister warned last week that up to 60,000 migrants, mostly from Haiti, have made their way through Panama headed toward the U.S.-Mexico border.

Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas fumed, "This is all happening

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

Notice is hereby given by Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Highway, Somerville, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after October 9, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale: 1990 GMC SIERRA

VIN # 1GTGK34N2LE509045 2009 FORD FUSION VIN # 3FAHP07149R119153

2010 ACURA TSX VIN # JH4CU2F62AC020516

2009 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA

VIN # 3VWJZ71K19M133585 Vehicles are being stored at 142 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Pat's Towing Run dates: 09/24, 10/01, 10/08/2021

because Joe Biden and Kamala Harris refuse to enforce the law and have essentially said anyone who wants to come to America, they're going give them benefits, they're going to let them stay, and it's resulting in ... a crisis.'

#### **Progressives Push** Unemployment

We all saw a fundamental change in the labor market during the pandemic. Fewer people seeming willing to go to work. Andy Puzder at Real Clear Politics has noted, "The Biden administration has increased food stamp benefits by 25 percent and Democrats now want to make the current \$3,600 per year tax credit" for kids under 17 years old a permanent thing."

If the government successfully seduces folks to live off what other people produce, how does business fight back against this mentality? Are Democrats attempting to create a socialist dream program?

As Puzder laments, government is on the verge of "universal basic income with cradle to grave government dependence." We all should remember what former British P.M. Margaret Thatcher said years ago how socialism stops working once the "government runs out of other peoples' money.'

#### **Recent COVID Headlines**

"New Zealand Cops Arrest Men Entering Locked Down City with 'Large Amounts' of Illicit KFC

Los Angeles grants Emmys exemption to mask rules.

#### **End Quote**

"We should be proud of President Biden's Afghanistan evacuation ... left no Americanowned equipment behind."

U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren (Source of quote, Breitbart)

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE** Notice is hereby given by D & G Towing and Auto Repair Services, Inc., 2 Emery Road, Allston, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after October 9, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage and notices of sale:

2006 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 2HGFA16516H515028 **2008 INFINITI M35** VIN # JNKAY01F08M654130 2001 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 2HGES26791H619128

**2011 HYUNDAI ELANTRA** VIN # 5NPDH4AE7BH018688 2000 TOYOTA CAMRY

VIN # JT2BF28K3Y0239877 1998 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BF22K9WU074323

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> Signed D & G Towing Run dates: 09/24, 10/01, 10/08/2021

#### **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. SU21C0428CA In the Matter of

HALEY AMANDA DAVIES **CITATION ON** PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Haley Amanda Davies of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Haley Amanda Seagroves-Robbe.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 21, 2021. 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. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court

Date: September 22, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Run Date: 10/08/2021

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division** 

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

> Docket No. MI14P0052EA Estate of

**GINA MARIE FEELEY** Date of Death: August 19, 2013 **INFORMAL PROBATE** 

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner

Shannon M. Feeley Palao of Waltham, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate. Shannon M. Feeley Palao of Waltham, MA

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 10/08/2021

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem. MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after October 09, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2002 HONDA ACCORD VIN # 1HGCG66522A135588

**2013 HYUNDAI SONATA** 

VIN # 5NPEC4AC8DH779556 2001 GMC JIMMY

Vin # 1GKDT63W912191679

2007 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE VIN # 1J8GR48K97C660363

**2017 CHEVROLET MALIBU** 

VIN # 1G1ZB5ST9HF194910 2009 HYUNDAI SONATA

VIN # 5NPET46C49H522636 2008 FORD EDGE

VIN # 2FMDK48C58BA41649

2008 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 2HGFA16518H356062

Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 09/24, 10/01, 10/08/2021

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

**Probate and Family Court** 

Middlesex Probate and Family Court - North

Lowell Justice Center

370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor

Lowell, MA 01852

(978) 656-7700

Docket No. MI21D2644DB

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY

**PUBLICATION AND MAILING** 

**COLMAN C. KIHUMURO** 

PHIONAH TUSIIME

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce

An Automatic Restraining Order has been

entered in this matter preventing you from tak

ng any action which would negatively impact

the current financial status of either party. SEE

You are hereby summoned and required to

erve upon Colman C. Kihumuro, 200 Mass

Mills Drive, Apt. 109, Lowell, MA 01852 your

answer, if any, on or before November 04

2021. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to

the hearing and adjudication of this action. You

are also required to file a copy of your answer

if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 10/08/2021

Witness, HON, MAUREEN H. MONKS.

First Justice of this Court

Date: September 23, 2021

equesting that the Court grant a divorce for

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

To the Defendant:

rretrievable breakdown.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Notice is hereby given by Export Enterprises, Inc. 50 Mystic Ave.,

Medford, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after October 9, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2016 HYUNDAI ELANTRA VIN # 5NPDH4AE4GH738361

2013 KIA SOUL VIN # KNDJT2A57D7629317

1993 TOYOTA T100 VIN # JT4VD10C9P0001300

2002 NISSAN MAXIMA

VIN # JN1DA31D52T401985 1989 TOYOTA COROLLA

VIN # JT2AE95C7K3274772 1993 VOLVO 240

VIN # YV1AS8807P1487665

2016 ISUZU NPR VIN # 54DC4W1B1GS800594

Vehicles are being stored at 142 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Export Enterprises, Inc.

> > Run dates: 09/24, 10/01, 10/08/2021

#### LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts** The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

> Docket No. MI19P6388EA Estate of

**ALLAN S. HARTMAN** Date of Death: August 26, 2019 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Stephan A. Hartman of New York, NY, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Stephan A. Hartman of New York, NY has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under nformal 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: 10/08/2021

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI21P4993EA

Estate of ANN R. BLACKHAM Also Known As
ANN ROSEMARY BLACKHAM Date of Death: July 25, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ann C. Norberg of Winchester, MA, Petitioner J. William Blackham, III of Cincinnati, OH, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

Ann C. Norberg of Winchester, MA J. William Blackham, III of Cincinnati, OH 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 ter-minating 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: 10/08/2021

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division

Middlesex Probate and Family Court Lowell Justice Center 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor Lowell, MA 01852 (978) 656-7700

Docket No. MI21P4780EA Estate of SIBYLLE JAHRREISS BARLOW Also Known As SIBYLLE J. BARLOW Date of Death: April 24, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Robert S. Barlow of Livermore, CA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

Robert S. Barlow of Livermore, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Docket No. MI21P4644EA

Estate of LAWRENCE S. O'CONNOR, JR. Also Known As LAWRENCE S. O'CONNOR, LAWRENCE STEPHEN O'CONNOR, JR.,

LAWRENCE O'CONNOR Date of Death: July 07, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Lawrence C. O'Connor of North Smithfield, RI, a Will has

been admitted to informal probate.

Lawrence C. O'Connor of North Smithfield, RI has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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# Happy Columbus Day



Enjoy a full espresso bar, pastry, gelato, panini, beer, wine, cocktails and of course CALCIO (soccer) from all around the world!

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#### • L'Anno Bello (Continued from Page 4)

placing a candle in them in order to frighten the evil spirits perambulating the world on this night. Italians love to cook with pumpkin — known as zucca in Italy — in savory dishes, such as pumpkin ravioli and pumpkin gnocchi, often accompanied by buttery sauces with sage. Yum!

• **Pears:** My mother loves pearls, and eagerly awaits the arrival of these green-yellow fruits at the supermarket every autumn. Pears drizzled with caramel sauce or yogurt are simply sublime, as the sweetness of the topping brings out the subtle, slightly nutty taste of the fruit. I like to bake pears in cakes or breads, and they taste especially good when mixed with tart apples in a pie or crisp. Pears do not occupy as big of a space in folklore as some other fruits, but nevertheless several fascinating bits of folklore abound. In China, it is bad luck to split and share a pear with a close friend or loved one. That is because the Chinese term for "sharing a pear" sounds like the word for "separate," and thus holds an ominous connotation. In Europe, it was bad luck for a pear tree to bloom out of season, and such an unusual event portended calamitous consequences. Italians know pears as pere and use them in many inventive dishes. Pears can form the main component of tarts or cakes, or can be enjoyed in savory dishes like salads. Italians like to serve pears poached in wine or drizzled with balsamic syrup for a simple yet decadent finale to an autumnal meal.

• Chestnuts: Finally, I am compelled to add chestnuts to this list because of nostalgic purposes. Every fall, my father would bring home a bag filled with chestnuts, gleaming like polished wood, straight from the

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The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 Docket No. SU21P1377EA Estate of DANIEL A. MULLIN Date of Death: November 26, 2020 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Daniel Joseph Scheib of Needham, MA and Megan Mullin Kotwicki of Winchester, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such

#### other relief as 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 November 03, 2021.

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 appear ance 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 admin istration 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: September 22, 2021

> Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Run date: 10/08/2021

supermarket or, even better, a small Italian grocery store. He would then cut an opening at the top of each chestnut to release the stream and roast them in the oven. The warmth of the oven and the creamy aroma of the roasting chestnuts enveloped the whole house like a bear hug, and to this day chestnuts remind me of cloudy, drizzly fall days spent in the joyful company of friends and family. Superstition dictates that carrying a chestnut protects a person from a whole bevvy of ills, and I am pleased that this veritable little nut has such a positive association in folklore. Italians harvest chestnuts, or castagne, every fall, dropping them from the trees like a cascade of glossy marbles. The chestnuts may then be enjoyed roasted, as my father liked, their pulp soft and pillowy. They may also be ground into flour to make cakes or pie crusts. No matter how they are cooked, chestnuts remain one of Italy's

best fall flavors

The fruits and produce of autumn teem with the very sensations of the season. They are reminders of communal gatherings that honor the bounty of the Earth, of the rhythmic dance of the harvest, of family recipes that have withstood the flow of time and inspired each future generation. By exploring the folklore surrounding some of these fruits, we are recognizing the importance of agriculture and sustenance for our ancestors. By delighting in their tastes, we have become part of living history, participating in the joys of each passing season. So go ahead and enjoy your apples, pumpkins, pears and chestnuts, and remember that these delicious treats belong to the tapestry of human culture and storytelling and holidays. Share them with others, especially those who have trouble putting food on the table. Let us carry the pleasures of autumn and the harvest wherever we go, and delight in the blessings of the season that surrounds us.

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

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn. MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI21P4823EA

Estate of JOANNE V. ROVEE Date of Death: April 05, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE** 

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Dennis J. Helms of Rocky Hill, NJ, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

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

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## **EXTRA** Innings

by Sal Giarratani



#### Is DeGrom Really the Greatest Pitcher at the Moment?

Jake DeGrom last pitched July 7th after the All-Star break. He never returned. When he's healthy, he's the best no doubt. In his 15 starts this season, he finished with a 1.08 ERA. However, his physical ailments have been his storyline this year. Pitching coach Jeremy Hefner says of DeGrom, he "is the best pitcher of our generation, so my expectation for him is to go out and make 32 to 34 starts or however it works out and be his dominant self."

The NY Mets went nowhere this season once DeGrom went out and ended up with a miserable season which thankfully just came to an end. When the Amazing Mets started this season, many saw them as postseason contenders. Not so. Now DeGrom will be entering the opt-out year of his contract.

Now is the time for the Mets to take a good hard look at this pitcher with so much potential. He may be the best Mets pitcher since Tommy Seaver or Jerry Koosman. They were both dominant and durable. How durable is DeGrom when all is said and done?

#### September 28, 1960 Out in Right Field **Grandstands**

I was among 13 altar boys from the Immaculate Conception in Boston's South End who were brought to Fenway Park to see the game on September 28th that year.

This game turned historic.

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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. MI21P5007EA

Estate of DONALD B. GILE Date of Death: August 30, 2021 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Beth D. Gile of Salisbury 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 Beth D. Gile of Salisbury, 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 October 27, 2021.

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)

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

Date: September 29, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 10/08/2021 Ted Williams homered in his final major league at-bat against Baltimore's Jack Fisher. He didn't make a curtain call and just trotted out to left field for the bottom of the ninth when he was immediately replaced by Carroll Hardy and retired to a standing ovation. The homer in the 8th inning was his 521st and the Red Sox rallied for two runs in the ninth inning beating the Orioles for a 5-4 victory.

#### Also on September 28th

For Ted Williams that 1960 game was a great moment in his long career but it was also the anniversary of a game back in 1941 on that same date. Ted Williams 19 years early went 6-for-8 in a doubleheader against the Philadelphia Athlet-

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Docket No. MI21P4980EA Estate of NORMA C. OSGOOD Date of Death: March 27, 2020 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Steven P. Osgood of Woburn, MA, a Will has een admitted to informal probate

Steven P. Osgood of Woburn, MA has been informally appointed as the Persona Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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can be obtained from the Petitioner Run date: 10/08/2021

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### **NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given by Stephens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 539A, that on October 13, 2021 at 10AM, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

> **2017 AUDI A4. GRAY** VIN # WALJANAF40HN007256 Patricia B. Leary 16 Oriole Rd Medfield, MA 02052

> > Or Patricia B. Leary 568 Bellevue St. W. Roxbury, MA 02132

2008 HYUNDAI ELANTRA, WHITE VIN # KMHDU46D08U345259

Fernando R. Cruz 122 Dustin St., Apt. 6 Brighton, MA 02135

#### 2003 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY. BLUE

VIN # 2C4GP54L73R383618 Kevin G. Smith 28 Beckford St. Beverly, MA 01915

2009 LINCOLN MKX. RED VIN # 2LMDU88C19BJ05077 Kelly Carter 497 Woburn St.

#### Wilmington, MA 01887 2003 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY, RED

VIN # 2C4GP34353R171921 Michael J. Lewis 57 Hamilton St. Medford, MA 02155 Run dates: 09/24, 10/01, 10/08/2021 ics to finish that season with a .406 batting average. No player in either league has batted .400

#### The Philly Flop in '64

Back when I was a first baseman for the Saint Philip's Phillies in the summer of '64 it only seemed right to call ourselves the Phillies since we came from St. Philip's Parish in lower Roxbury and the fact that the real Phillies in the National League were surely on their way to the world series, right? Wrong!

Manager Gene Mauch was sitting on top of the Baseball World with his first-place Phillies but something bad began on September 21st that season. The Phillies lost to the Reds 1-0. It was the first of 10 straight losses. With 12 games to go that season and a 6 1/2 game lead in first, they were overtaken by the Cardinals who won 18 of their last 20 games and finished in first place.

The Phillies suffered the biggest collapse and the Cardinals had the greatest comeback in baseball history.

#### Who Was First Black MLB Manager?

It happened on October 3, 1974 when slugger Frank Robinson signed a \$175,000 a year player-manager contract with the Cleveland Indians, making him the first Black manager in major league baseball.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

Notice is hereby given by **Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street,** Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after October 23, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2001 TOYOTA COROLLA VIN # 1NXBR12EX1Z508124

2005 NISSAN ALTIMA VIN # 1N4AL11D95N462589 2010 FORD F-350

VIN # 1FTWW3BRXAEA22310 **2018 SUBARU FORESTER** VIN # JF2SJARCXJH470923

2006 HONDA ODYSSEY VIN # 5FNRL38736B414238

2006 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER VIN # 1GNDT13S862322840

Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed by appointment only

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 10/08, 10/15, 10/22/2021

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#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

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2008 DODGE NITRO VIN # 1D8GT28K58W167181

2000 LEXUS LS VIN # JT8BH28FXY0175811 2002 TOYOTA CAMRY

VIN # 4T1BE32K32U620018 2018 CHEVROLET TRAX

VIN # KL7CJLSBXJB642173 2005 JEEP LIBERTY VIN # 1J4GL48K55W574398

2008 SUBARU IMPREZA VIN # JF1GE61698H507620

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## Remembering Marcel Cerdan

MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE HOLDER

Died in a Plane Crash October 1949 While in Route for Return Bout with Jake LaMotta



The Champion: Marcel Cerdan

Marcel Cerdan's tragic death in 1949 not only robbed the former champ of his chance to regain the Middleweight Title, it also denied him a chance to be called the pound for

pound greatest fighter of all time.

Marcel had won the title be stopping Tony Zale in 1948 and had two non-title fights before putting his crown on the line against Jake LaMotta. The fight took place in Detroit on June 16, 1949. In the first round Cerdan dislocated his left shoulder when he was thrown to the canvas by LaMotta. In spite of the injury, Marcel won the second round by a wide margin and was very much in the fight. However, as the injury worsened he lost use of his left arm and had to fight one handed. He finally had to call it quits after the ninth round. Most observers felt he certainly would have defeated Jake had he been able to use both hands.



Cerdan defeating Zale



LaMotta lands a low blow on Cerdan



Cerdan boards plane for fatal flight

A rematch was scheduled for September 28, 1949. Cerdan was originally scheduled to travel by boat from France to the United States. His mistress, the singer Edith Piaf, was in New York and pleaded with Marcel to fly over so he could arrive early and spend time



Marcel and Edith Piaf

with her. He gave in to her request. On October 28th he boarded a Lockheed L-749 Constellation for the trip, not long after leaving the plane crashed in the Azores killing all 37

passengers and 11 crew members. It was a tragic end to a great fighter.

Marcel's record was 114 fights, 110 wins (65 by KO,) 4 losses (2 by disqualification), and the only fight he was stopped in was the LaMotta bout.

Most experts agree had the rematch taken place and Marcel was able to fight using both hands he would have taken Jake. This would certainly have led to a match against Sugar Ray Robinson. LaMotta went on to lose the title to Robinson, but Cerdan would have been a much tougher opponent for Ray. If Cerdan had pulled out the win against Sugar he, not Ray, would very possibly be the man known today as the greatest pound for pound boxer of all time. Love of a woman may very well have changed boxing history.



Cerdan avoids a LaMotta right hand



Marcel lands a hard right on Jake



### HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

**BRUINS ON PACE FOR 2021-2022 RACE** — All the preseason games have concluded and training camp is coming to an end. Now comes the real test: a full 82-game regular season that will stretch from the middle of October to the end of April.

Add in the postseason and you have the potential for two more months of action on Causeway Street since the last possible date for Game Seven of the Stanley Cup Final is listed as June 30, 2022 on the NHL website.

The Bruins season will commence on October 16th when the Black and Gold host the Dallas Stars at the TD Garden, the first somewhat normal lid lifter in Boston since 2019. The Bruins then go on the road to face Philadelphia on October 20th and Buffalo on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

As far as the team is concerned, the core is back for at least one more go around with the remainder of the precious 23 roster spots to be assigned in the days leading up to the opening action.

We believe this team to be a Stanley Cup Playoff group, as once more the lengthy journey for the jewel gets underway.

SEAN SCORES SENIOR **HOCKEY POST** — Hockey fans throughout the nation are in for a real treat as Boston area native Sean McDonough takes over as the lead play-by-play announcer for ESPN's national NHL coverage.

Although primarily identified with baseball, football, college basketball and pro golf, McDonough has noted that his first job out of college in the 1980s was calling Hockey East college games on NESN. He also called hockey during the 1988 Olympics as well as the Beanpot Tournament.

McDonough noted that he has always admired hockey announcers, particularly the late Dan Kelly and the recently retired Mike "Doc" Emrick. It should be interesting as McDonough lends his broadcasting talents to the NHL.

NATION'S BEST LOSES FIRST TWO TESTS — Much like football where the regular college season gets the jump on the NFL, which is still playing exhibition games, so does college hockey on its pro counterpart.

Thus, while NHL teams were in the midst of their preseason schedule, numerous college hockey teams opened the regular season the first weekend of October. And, instead of scheduling rather weak opponents as college football administrators often do, some pitted top-drawer teams against one another as the action got under way for the 2021-2022 campaign.

Out at UMass in Amherst, for example, the reigning national championship squad, which was also selected the top team in the country in the top two preseason polls, went up against powerful Minnesota State, a team that was ranked fifth in the nation on the eve of the young season.

Of course, this being college, the UMass roster is not the same in October as it was last April when the school captured the national title. Some 10 players left the program over the off-season, some in a natural academic way (there were five seniors) and five others who turned professional.

Nonetheless, much was expected in this version of the Minutemen, given the fact that their national championship victory elevated them to the ruling class in college hockey.

Let's just say it is not necessarily what happens in the early going that is a prime determining factor, but what occurs over the course of the entire season. That's an important point to keep in mind since UMass wound up losing the first game of the two-game series with the Mavericks by a 2-0 score and then followed that up the next day by experiencing a 6-3 defeat at the hands of the

The 6-3 setback was especially disheartening to the UMass faithful since the Minutemen jumped out to a 3-0 lead only to see it evaporate as Minnesota State scored six unanswered tallies that enabled the Midwestern team to sweep this inaugural series between these two intersectional powers.

"I thought we played well for the first 35 minutes," said UMass coach Greg Carvel. "That's the most soundly we've been beaten since probably my first year here."

The dual setbacks brought to an abrupt conclusion the Minutemen's 14-game unbeaten streak (11-0-3) that stretched back to January 22. It also stood in sharp contrast to last year's 20-5-4 record, which was the fewest losses by a national championship team since Maine put together a stellar 40-1-2 run during the 1992-1993 season that saw the Black Bears take home the

And add this stat that will be tough to equal this time around. Last season, UMass had the best penalty killing unit in the nation, squashing some 91.7 percent of the opportunities that opponents had when the Minutemen were shorthanded.

And even though it was early in the year, the defeats had their consequences as UMass tumbled down to sixth in the USA Today poll and to seventh in the USCHO poll. By contrast, Minnesota State vaulted all the way to first in the USCHO poll and ranked second in the USA Today poll.

If there is a silver lining to all of this, it is that the problematic proceedings took place over the course of Tom Brady's "Homecoming Weekend" to Gillette Stadium. Media saturation coverage in the days leading up to the game, plus the day of the contest and Monday's review of the matchup essentially relegated the UMass games to a much lower profile in the sports calendar.

UMass will next see action against American International College, playing a home and home series against the Yellow Jackets on October 15th-16th.



Marcel having trouble keeping his left arm up