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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

If You Like Your Medicine, You Can Keep Your Medicine?

Remember all those false promises that President Obama kept saying. "If you like your health plan, you can keep it." Ditto for your doctor. Well, now it turns out you may not be able to even keep your current medicines unless you pay through the nose.

Liberals are saying nobody lied, but these statements were certainly misleading us. Now we are being told you can keep your current doctor if you are willing to pay more to do so. I thought this thing was called THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT?

Volunteer Fire Departments

Latest snafu over Obamacare. If someone works on a town's volunteer fire department and they work over 30 hours a week, does these trigger the Obamacare mandate? Small town fire chiefs are asking the IRS for an answer to the question but to date, the federal government has not responded to the question.

Air Force War on Christmas

Recently, it was reported that at one air force base, a Nativity set had to be deconstructed after someone complained they found it insensitive. What about being insensitive to Christians at Christmas time?

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Celebrate First Night Boston



Ice Sculptures are a favorite of Boston's First Night Celebration and all will be available to see from 2:00 pm to 12:00 am. (Photo courtesy of entertainmentdesigner.com)

It's that time of year again where we find ourselves asking the question, "What am I going to do for New Year's Eve?" Luckily Boston has one of the most festive celebrations in the country with more activities than you can imagine. First Night is full of events all throughout the

city and Socially Scene is bringing you a detailed listing. If you're looking for more information on events or where to purchase your buttons you can visit www.firstnightboston.org. Also, Boston be sure to hang onto those buttons as Mayor Menino made his last First

Night announcement: Button holders will get a chance to see the U.S. Figure Skating Team before Sochi with a buy-one-get-one-free deal for the 2014 Prudential U.S. Championships.

This January, Boston will

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Welcome Mayor Walsh, Thank You Mayor Menino

by Sal Giarratani



Mayor Elect Martin Walsh

Boston will soon have a brand new mayor in a few days. Five-term Mayor Thomas M. Menino has retired after serving the citizens of Boston for two decades. He was a mayor for all people. Tireless in his commitment to taking Boston into the 21^{st} century,

Boston's economy continues to grow and prosper. Our neighborhoods have always been his number one priority. You cannot have a strong city without strong neighborhoods

On Monday, January 6th new Mayor Martin Walsh will pick up the mantle of the Menino legacy and carry the city into its positive looking future. Marty Walsh is ready for the job and is looking forward to helping Boston continue forward with a positive vision for Boston and all the better days ahead. Walsh like Menino is a hands-on mayor who sees City Hall in partnership with all its diverse neighborhoods with each having a unique personality.

Walsh, like Menino before him, is ready for the challenges that await him. He



Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Boston will move forward

together to meet any challenges to be faced.

Boston seems to always

Boston seems to always elect the mayor it needs at any given time in its history. Mayor James Curley was at City Hall when I was born.

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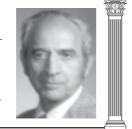
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by Prof. Edmund Turiello

A weekly column highlighting some of the more interesting aspects of our

ancestry...our lineage...our roots.



LATIN LITERATI



Horace, as imagined by Anton von Werner.

In many previous columns over the years, reference has been made to scholarly personalities like Vergil, Horace, Lucan and Cicero. I thought it would be most appropriate at this time to list most of these celebrated literary giants of Roman antiquity in some kind of chronology and then offer a few words of explanation about each one. We can start by dividing all of Roman literati into four general categories as follows:

- 1. The Early Age or the Age of Greek Influence,
- 2. The Golden Age, which is further subdivided into The Ciceronian and the Augustan Periods,
 - 3. The Silver Age,
- 4. The Later Empire.

During The Early Age or The Age of Greek Influence we find men like Andronicus Livius, the founder of Roman dramatic and epic poetry who translated Homer's Odyssey into Latin verse. This era also produced a literary and philosophical group which was called the "Scipionic Circle". Finally there was Cato the Elder who wrote the first history of Rome in Latin.

The Ciceronian portion of The Golden Age honors Lucretius, the Roman poet and second only to Vergil. Then of course there was

Cicero, statesman, man of letters, orator, master of composition and the most upright man in all of Roman history. This period also produced the famous Roman historian named Sallust. The commentaries of Julius Caesar on the Gallic Wars are included in this period and lastly there was Varro, the most learned of Roman scholars, and most prolific of Roman authors.

The Augustan age boasts of the famous Roman poets, Vergil, Horace and Ovid, the great and popular historian, Titus Livy and of course Vitruvius, the author of a volume called "The Ten Books of Architecture."

The Silver Age offers Tacitus, the most significant author of the period. Juvenal, the most representative poet, Martial, famous for his Latin epigrams and Lucan, the epic poet. This period also produced Pliny the Elder, the author who is called the most learned man of the Silver age. Pliny the Younger was also famous during this period. He wrote of the eruption of Vesuvius, and the persecution of the Christians. Then there were Seneca, the tutor of Nero, and Quintilian, whose work gives a complete course of instruction in rhetoric.

Finally, The Later Empire offers Suetoneus, who is most famous for his "Lives of the Caesars," Florus, the Latin historian who summarized all of Roman history from its founding up to the time of Augustus, Marcellinus, who wrote 31 books on the history of the emperors from Nerva to Valens, Gaius, who prepared four books on Roman Law, the poet Claudian and lastly the author Apuleius.

A brief biography of one or more of these literarians will be offered each week for the next few weeks. If it develops that I have missed someone, I'll try to include him, if not

> NEXT ISSUE, Andronicus Livius.

Res Publica

by David Trumbull



What's Your Favorite Christmas Movie?

Democrats' favorite Christmas movie is "Miracle on 34th Street." Republicans' favorite Christmas movie is "It's a Wonderful Life."

I first heard that aphorism at a holiday party over a decade ago. It's been around longer than that and I haven't been able to determine who first said it and when. So as we continue to celebrate all twelve days of Christmas (I hope you do, for it is a pity to limit the joy to one day), let's examine the statement and the motion pictures.

On the face of it the saying makes sense. After all, what better movie for adults who still believe in Santa Claus than Miracle on 34th Street? Besides (watch out for plot spoiler) the picture's crisis is resolved when a huge federal government agency — the Post Office — comes to the rescue. And with a divorced mother rearing a child alone, Miracle features a non-traditional family, surely a plus in the eyes of liberals.

It's a Wonderful Life, on the other hand, celebrates the infinite worth of an individual human being, a worth that far exceeds even the biggest financial fortune. In Wonderful Life the hero's crisis is resolved (another plot spoiler) by the spontaneous voluntary action of family, friends, and local community; emphatically not by the government. The film also shows people in fervent prayer, not to some generic higher power but to the God of the Bible as worshipped by the Protestant and Catholic believers shown in the picture. That alone must drive some liberals nuts when the film is broadcast over the public airwaves.

But the game can be played the other way. Wonderful Life presents negative stereotypes of bankers, so much so that when it was released some Hollywood observers (but not, as is erroneously asserted on some liberal websites, the Federal Bureau of Investigations) charged that it was a vehicle for communist propaganda. The charge is easy to ridicule today, but in the 1940s communist infiltration of the motion picture industry was a real and serious threat to American values. Now look at the favorable treatment — not to mention free advertising — that Miracle gives to two large department stores! Main Street Republicans surely must find that refreshing compared to the negative views of business that Hollywood gives us

The lesson? It's just a movie! Enjoy them both, or whichever ones you choose to watch this holiday season. Santa's list does not include your political affiliation, but he does have a lump of coal for those who would strip our public life of all sense of Wonder at the Love of God and thankfulness for all Miracles big and small.

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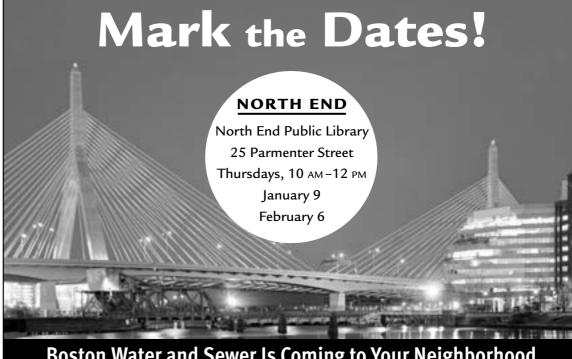
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GUEST EDITORIAL

THE LIBERAL WAR ON CHRISTMAS IS REAL

by Sal Giarratani

Every year we see it happen, yet many liberals seem in denial of fact. When conservatives get upset over our modern culture denying that Christmas means anything in America and stand up and criticize those who want to keep Christmas in the closet, they are mocked as wing-nut Tea Party people. What would MSNBC have to air if it wasn't dumping on Christians at Christmas time or on FoxNews - the other 364 days of the year?

Back in my youth, the biggest debate was over whether it should be "Christmas" or "Xmas." We seem to have become more Puritanical all the time. Not those who enjoy celebrating Christmas but those who if they had their way would ban it as the original Puritans actually did in Colonial America.

The latest silly assault was reported on Bill O'Reilly's FoxNews show when he spoke of an advertisement that a Catholic children's hospital in St. Louis wanted to air on ESPN. FoxNews aired the ad that ESPN refused to run. It showed little children at the hospital unwrapping Christmas gifts and the voice over stated that here "we celebrate the birth of Jesus" and believe in "God's healing power." This wasn't a PSA, this was going to be a paid commercial for the hospital. ESPN said those phrases were "problematic" and they were rejected by the sports network.

Why does Christmas scare so many people and why do the rest of us just accept that mentality silently?

There is a home in Roxbury near King Boulevard decorated for Christmas. In between all the decorations is a sign boldly stating, "Jesus is the Reason for the Season.'

However, within 24 hours of the O'Reilly broadcast on the ESPN commercial ban, the sports network in an email relented and aired the St. Louis children's hospital TV commercial. This clearly shows that if you stand up to the War on Christmas anything is possible.

That says it all!

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Elite Boston Landmark Realty Toys for Tots ... a Success



Elite Boston Landmark Realty held a Toys for Tots collection and party on Thursday, December 5th to benefit the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program. Many friends and business associates stopped by to enjoy this wonderful event.







The Marines gratefully accepted over a dozen extra large leaf bags stuffed with toys along with a car full of toys.

Elite Boston Landmark Realty co-owners Maria DiTullo and Toni Gilardi expressed their gratitude for the generosity of their family, friends and clients. Toni said "Thank you with all our hearts! Our community rocks!"







(Photos by Michele Morgan)

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Here Comes the New Year

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

The days after Christmas can be rather strange. They do not feel like normal weekdays, as an aura of festivity still permeates the air and houses continue to boast twinkling lights and holly wreaths. Since I work in a public school, I typically have these days off and spend them with certain peculiar rituals: eating leftover Christmas food, spending time with family members visiting from overseas, using up my gift certificates in shops peacefully devoid of any large crowds. A mystical quality characterizes these days and I can feel the ancient pull of the close of the year as I stare at the cloudy skies and keep electric candles lit by my windows. A lot of people believe that Christmas ends as soon as they sweep up crumpled bits of wrapping paper into garbage bins and no longer hear carols blaring from the radio after December 25th, but folklore actually assigns twelve days of Christmas, ending on January 6th with the Epiphany. In Italy, each day contains its own significance — December 26th, for example, is il Giorno di Santo Stefano, or St. Stephen's Day, a sort of respite from the boisterous feasts of the preceding days, when people go skiing or visit with family and friends. However, two of my favorite holidays during the Twelve Days of Christmas are New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, because they brim with magic, possibility and hope.

I have always considered New Year's Eve one of the most magical days of the calendar. Even the air feels different, the dark blue evening sky streaked with silver clouds now that the sun sets later in the day. People bustle about their normal business, but I can trace a myriad jumble of expressions on their faces excitement, fear, anticipation. The end of the year, after all, can be quite scary,

as no one knows what the New Year will hold. Perhaps it will be worse than the old one, we wonder, or perhaps it will be much better. That is why a number of superstitions and magical charms have attached themselves to New Year's Eve. For example, people in olden days believed that spirits roamed the world on the transitional nights between the old year and the new. Since evil spirits feared loud noises, people counteracted their influence by cheering and shouting on New Year's Eve, a tradition we still heartily observe once the clock strikes midnight. Magic was also believed to be especially potent on this night, and our ancestors frequently employed divination tactics to make predictions pertaining to health, harvest and romantic prospects in the upcoming year. Finally, superstition decreed that any action undertaken during the New Year's holidays would be repeated throughout the next twelve months. People scrambled to pay their debts by New Year's Eve to avoid incurring more during the next year and made sure their pantries were stocked with food to ensure a bountiful new year. This is also why we kiss and hug loved ones when the clock chimes midnight—to ensure that we will be in the company of friends and family during the upcoming year.

In Italy, New Year's Eve is celebrated in a warm and folksy manner, just the way I like it. Superstition reigns supreme on La Notte di San Silvestro, or St. Sylvester's Night, which is what Italians call New Year's Eve because December 31st also serves as the feast day of that titular saint. Many Italians wear red on this night in order to attract luck and romance in the upcoming year. As a teenager attending boarding school in Naples, my grandmother tells me she had to exercise

great caution while walking through the street on New Year's Eve, as people would throw old or broken items out the window, all in the name of making a fresh start on the New Year! Italians will also eat a large dinner on la Notte di San Silvestro that must surely contain lentils and cotechino sausage. Both of these foods are considered lucky because lentils supposedly resemble coins, thus bringing in prosperity, while the pork sausage derives its fortune from the fact that pigs dig forward in the dirt, symbolizing smooth progression. I love to bake a chocolateand-vanilla marbled ring cake for New Year's Eve, another lucky food due to its shape resembling the course of the year. My family also wears new clothes on New Year's Eve, another tradition imported from Italy. We gather together for a night of games, delicious food, and the company of friends and family, our laughter ringing out across the dark sky as we bid welcome to the passage of time. New Year's Day in Italy is known as Capodanno, which literally translates to "head of the year." I spend New Year's Day relaxing and doing the things I love, to help start the year on a positive note.

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day can be frightening times, as it is often hard to leave the familiar behind and enter the unknown. That is why cultures around the world have afforded various superstitions to these magical nights. However, what matters the most is being surrounded by the love of friends and family, the true tokens of luck for the upcoming year. These holidays should be spent in the company of the people and the things that you love, because all beginnings deserve to be tackled with a positive attitude. Taking a cue from Italian New Year traditions, we can start off 2014 with love, laughter and food - and as long as we remain appreciative of our blessings, the luck of New Year's Eve will follow us throughout the next twelve months!

Wishing everyone a safe, peaceful, happy and healthy New Year! Buon Anno!

Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz is a Graduate Student in History at the University of Massachusetts Boston. She appreciates any comments and suggestions about Italian holidays and folklore at adicenso89@gmail.com.

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What is America's Future?

I always find it somewhat like the McCain GOP wing. ironic that I was born in the same year as George Orwell penned his "1984" novel about the dangers of authoritarianism. Of course, the book did come out following the defeat of Nazi Germany and the beginning of the Cold War with the Soviet Union.

The world was relatively peaceful or at least that was how it seemed to Americans tired of war and waiting for a peace that seemed to never come. The Korean war was fermenting and the Red Chinese were taking over China.

Here in Massachusetts there was a new young congressman named John F. Kennedy a World War Two Navy hero. He was a conservative Democrat whose appeal to his own generation was beginning its growth.

You know many readers out there see me as some hard-right conservative which I have never been. When I look back at elected leaders who helped shape my attitudes toward my government and my political principles, four people come to mind, John F. Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy, Hubert Humphrey and Ronald Reagan. I have never felt comfortable moving toward the edges of the political spectrum. My politics are practical, populist and reasonable. I hold to the center most of the time. Moderation despite what Barry Goldwater once said is truly a virtue.

Today both political parties seem drawn to the edges. Despite what the liberal in the tank media says, it is the Democratic Party that are full of wing-nuts. Right now to be a Democrat means to follow the party line no matter how badly things are going. They look like the old Communist Party in the Soviet Union.

We have a Democratic president who truly looks like he is in way over his head and we have Democratic leaders up on Capitol Hill who haven't the foggiest of what harm they are causing the rest of us. Poll numbers don't lie. The more the American people see of Obamacare, the more they worry and the president's public confidence numbers drop into a free fall.

The Republicans are also pretty bad. They seem afraid to stand up for principle. That is way the Tea Party folk scare the &^\$# out of establishment Republicans

Meanwhile thanks to the growing welfare state mentality, more and more of those on the take are starting to overtake those paying

all the bills. As that happens

we are seeing the creation

of a permanent class of serfs

who will do as told and just follow orders when they go to the polls.

What we are witnessing today is the breakup of what America was born to be. Our forebears back during the American Revolution would find revolting what is happening to the government they created. We are supposed to be a constitutional democratic republic but today as our government grows in power, the safeguards of the constitution are under attack. We have our government spying on us. Headlines about cell phone data sought by law enforcement. Headlines about data min-

I don't think this is what John Adams had in mine back during the birth of this nation. I also don't think this is what Jack Kennedy believed back in 1960 when he stated, "A society which respects civil liberty realizes that the freedom of its people is built, in large part, upon their privacy.'

ing of license plates as we

drive down the street.

We need a government that truly and completely safeguards all the rights enumerated in our federal constitution to the people. Once again I would only add that government is our individual business because either we run our government or our government runs us. It will be as good as we want it or as bad as we allow.

I am a conservative Democrat like President John F. Kennedy. I want government to defend me against all enemies foreign and domestic but I also believe in individual liberty for all and add as President Kennedy once said, "From time to time our national history has been marred by the forgetfulness of the Jeffersonian principle that restraint is at the heart of liberty."

No one should ever fear their government which is a unique principle belonging to the American people. When the American people fear their government, it means our government has veered off course. It is time for our leaders to re-read the Constitution and do right by the American people.

Have a great New Years!

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Christmas Time in East Boston

by Sal Giarratani



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The young entertainers sang and dance to their hearts content.

(Photos by Sal Giarratani)

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Joe Ruggiero from the Ruggiero funeral parlor opened up his business as he does every year to all to enjoy all the donated food from Milano's, Little Asia and El Kiosco. Pat Todisco from Todisco Towing decorated a fleet of his trucks for the parade and once again Buddy Mangini from the Chamber put his heart and soul into this Eastie tradition.

Even with all the rain, Santa Claus found time to greet all in the rain and led the East Boston Central choir and Beverly Richards in song and dance entertaining the crowd.

A couple of hours later, I was down in Jeffries Point at Zumix for the neighborhood's association's annual Holiday Party. Another great Christmas affair. The place was packed and the food and song were also great.

Music was provided by Zumix's rock band "Diversity" which gets better all the time. These guys and gals practice their tunes every Monday night at Zumix and were eager for an audience to hear their stuff.

Zumix is a great East Boston resource for young people. It is a safe learning environment. The old firehouse never looked better. One time this place put out fires but today it fires up young people to believe in themselves.

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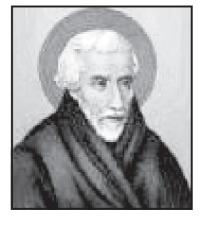
Saint Peter Canisius

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Peter was born on May 8, 1521 in Nijmegen in the Duchy of Guelders, which, until 1549, was part of the Habsburg Netherlands within the Holy Roman Empire and is now the Netherlands. His father was Jacob Kanis, a wealthy businessman; his mother, Aegidia van Houweningen, who died shortly after Peter's birth. He studied at the University of Cologne, where he earned a Master's degree in 1540, at the age of 19. While there, he met Peter Faber, one of the founders of the Society of Jesus, (Jesuits). Through him, Canisius, in 1543, joined the Jesuits, becoming the first Dutchman to join the Society.

Through his preaching and writings, Peter Canisius became one of the most influential Catholics of his time, known as the Second Apostle of Germany. Canisius was an influential teacher and preacher, especially through his "German Catechism." a book which defined the basic principles of Catholicism in the German language and made them more accessible to readers in German-speaking countries. He was offered the post of Bishop of Vienna in 1554, but declined in order to continue his traveling and teachings. He was a leader of the Counter Reformation. Canisius supervised the founding and maintenance of the first German-speaking Jesuit colleges, with little resources available.

He moved to Germany, where he was one of the main Catholic theologians at the Colloquy of Worms in ebrated on December 21st.



1557, where Catholic and Protestant theologians met to discuss their theological differences. Canisius was correct when he predicted that the discussions would only lead to worse division and embitterment. Canisius later served as the main preacher in the cathedral of Augsburg from 1559 to 1568, where he strongly witnessed to his faith on three or four occasions each week. His preaching was said to have been so convincing that it attracted hundreds of Protestants back to the old faith.

By the time he left Germany, the Jesuits had evolved into a powerful tool of the Counter Reformation. Canisius spent the last 20 years of his life in Fribourg, Switzerland, where he founded the Jesuit preparatory school, the College of Saint Michael.

He passed away at the age of 76 in Fribourg, Switzerland. He was beatified in 1864 by Pope Pius IX and Canonized on May 21, 1925 by Pope Pius XI who proclaimed him a Doctor of the Church. Saint Peter Canisius feast day is cel-



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by Mary N. DiZazzo

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"The day I don't dye my hair is the day I can't get my hands over my head.'

- quote from my classmate Kathy's Aunt.

athy's Aunt.
When I first started out in Cosmetology I serviced clients all day by styling their hair. I did everything from men's haircuts (my specialty) to ladies roller sets, tinting and perms. I enjoyed all of it. When teasing the hair while using spray lacquer (hairspray) I could create so many different styles. High beehives, prominent

waves, updos with curls and bouffants were an everyday challenge. It was instant gratification for me as a creator and my clients who could see in the mirror and critique! Certainly a different way of styling from Mom and Nana's talents of machine-less perms, finger waves and pin curls! Their technique served as the basis of stylists today.

Cosmetology has completely advanced coming a long way since Aqua Net, sticky setting gel (Dippity-Do), roller sets and let's not forget pink hair tape to keep those bangs down in place. And oh those "helmet dryers"! I inherited a 1950s model from Mom's shop. It dries my long hair in 35 minutes and it's like my own private Idaho — excuse me honey I can't hear you!

New, exciting and ancient ideas have been springing up from the past! Don't get me wrong I loved owning my own natural nail salon business doing just nails for many years creating nail artistry. However I am

happy to be back in a salon, still a nail tech, where hair and master stylists rule. I observe the fascinating technique of my long-time friend, master stylist

Sandy. The blonde high lights she paints are so natural and becoming to all her faithful clients. And then there is Belkys who is coming up the master stylist ladder under Sandy's tutelage. She is young and full of pep. Recently I noticed her hair in so many different styles. One week her hair was shoulder length, then the next

week her hair was long down her back! It wasn't a wig! It was "hair extensions"! Years ago hair pieces like this were called "switches." Then I noticed different hair streaks, different weeks. And then on a workday when a client was in my manicuring chair, Michael (another master stylist climber) came over to her and nonchalantly clipped in what else but a hair extension to make her coif fuller!

It looked so easy. Just clip in these delightful tresses to enhance fullness, length and color without the permanence of it all!

I can learn a new trick every day. What's that saying about old dogs?

For exquisite hair visit a Dellaria Salon and make your hair your crowning glory!

Buona giornata and God bless the United States of America! Wishing one and all a happy, healthy New Year for 2014!

Mary DiZazzo-Trumbull

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EAST BOSTON MAIN STREETS PROUDLY PRESENTS 18th Annual Taste of Eastie

East Boston Main Streets will host the 18th Annual Taste of Eastie at the Hilton Boston Logan Airport on Tuesday, January 21st 2014 from 6:00-9:00 pm. Food and fun highlight this wonderful evening including raffles and auctions. Thirty local food merchants will showcase their delicious cuisine, including tastes from South and Central America, the Mediterranean, China, the Middle East, Italy and Aus-

Purchase tickets online at TasteOfEastie2014.eventbrite.com or in person at MP&CO or the Main Streets office at 146 Maverick Street, East Boston.

Tickets make great gifts, so buy now!

EBNHC to Host

New Year's Eve Day Festivities

as Part of First Night Boston

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) will be hosting family festivities and a warming station as part of Boston's First Night celebration on New Year's Eve day Tuesday, December 31st from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, 20 Maverick Square, East Boston. All members of the community are encouraged to stop by and enjoy healthy snacks, children's activities, and live jazz music performed by the Jazz All-Stars, a local youth band from ZUMIX, an East Boston non-profit organization that's dedicated to music and the arts. There will also be a harbor-themed ice sculpture to enjoy. Both the ice sculpture and musical performance were donated by The Langham Hotel Boston.

First Night Boston is hosting an ice sculpture photo contest. Participants can take a photo of themselves at any of the nine ice sculptures along the waterfront, including East Boston, and enter to win a "Staycation" package. Upload the photos to Instagram or Twitter and tag #waterfront and #FirstNightBos. The package features accommodations at a four-star Boston hotel with breakfast, gift certificates to waterfront restaurants and passes to exciting family activities.

The East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) has been a vital part of its community for more than 40 years, providing easy accessible, high-quality health care to all who live and work in East Boston and the surrounding communities of Chelsea, Revere, Everett and Winthrop. EBNHC handles 300,000 patient visits per year — more than any other ambulatory care center in New England.





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Annual Holiday Party for the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's **CATCH Program**



Yariella Lainez, a member of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's CATCH program and Meaghan Hamilton a Nurse Practitioner for the CATCH program.

The East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's CATCH Program (Children's Access to Coordinated Healthcare) held their annual holiday party for CATCH families on



Valeria Cantillano, a member of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center's CATCH program and Meaghan Hamilton, a Nurse Practitioner for the CATCH program receive a special visit from

Sunday, December 15th. The CATCH team provides closely coordinated care to children that have medically complex needs, including planning for recreation and social activities. The annual holiday party had over 150 guests who were treated to fun and games, dancing, lunch and a special visit from Santa who delivered great presents for every child in attendance.

Visit the Zoos and Kick Off a New Year of Fun and Adventure!

Kids Receive FREE Admission on January 4 and 5, 2014

Kick off a New Year of fun and adventure! All kids (ages 2-12) will receive FREE admission, when accompanied by a paying adult, to Franklin Park Zoo and Stone Zoo January 4th and 5th. It's a wonderful opportunity to spend a memorable day with family and friends while discovering all of the incredible animals at each Zoo.

Please Note: This promotion does not include the evening ZooLights event at Stone Zoo.

Don't miss the great activities happening the weekend of January 4 and 5, 2014 at the Zoos!

FRANKLIN PARK ZOO: Be a Veterinarian Saturdays

Bring your favorite stuffed animal for cuddly fun on Saturday, January 4th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm! Kids will have the opportunity to dress up as vets and learn about why good veterinary care is so important. After giving their own stuffed animals a check-up, they will receive a certificate of good health to take home. Throughout the day, kids will learn more about health and wellness at scheduled story times and will also have the opportunity to meet with the Zoo's own veterinary staff.

Zookeeper Encounters

Don't miss the scheduled zookeeper encounters at 11:00 am in Bird's World (look for the sign in the building's entryway), 2:00 pm in the Tropical Forest (at the indoor gorilla exhibit), and 3:00 pm at the Franklin Farm barn.

Warm up in the **Tropical Forest**

Looking to shake off the winter cold? How about a trip to the Tropics? Don't miss the story times at 11:30 am and the biofacts table at 1:30 pm inside the Tropical Forest!

STONE ZOO: Learn More About the North American River Otters!

Stop by the North American river otter exhibit at senior ticket prices visit 2:30 pm to meet a zookeeper www.zoonewengland.org.

and learn more about these fascinating animals. This is the perfect opportunity to ask questions!

Warm Up in the Animal Discovery Center!

Stop by the Animal Discovery Center (ADC) for daily animal encounters at 11:30 am and 1:30 pm. The ADC is open daily from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Hours are subject to change due to programming.

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Happy New Year To All



Blind Boys of Alabama with Anais Mitchell are a favorite this year taking stage at the Hynes Convention Center Ballroom from 7:30 pm to 9:45 pm.

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be the site of the biggest event in U.S. figure skating, when it welcomes the 2014 Prudential U.S. Championships, hosted by The Skating Club of Boston. They are offering individuals with First Night buttons one free ticket for every ticket purchased for the Opening Ceremonies/Championship Ladies Short Program event at TD Garden on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 7:00 pm. For more information visit www.boston2014.com.

Ice Sculptures: A highlight of Boston's First Night celebration and this year features, "A Peaceable Kingdom" created by Eric Fontecchio of Brookline Ice and is in memory of Alfred Georgs, a dedicated member of the carving team for 30 years. This honorary sculpture will be located in Copley Square (Boylston Street) and all will be available 2:00 pm to 12:00 am. Others are: "Boston Athletic Association" created by Donald Chapelle of Brilliant Ice Sculptures located in Copley Square; "Whale, Winter on the Waterfront" will be on the side of the Long Wharf Marriott Hotel facing Christopher Columbus Park at 296 State Street, "Boston Waterfront Family Fun Sites" can be found on display outside of Two International Place, at the corner of Purchase Street and High Street along the Greenway, across from the Rowes Wharf arch at 100 Oliver Street, Boston; "Boston Harbor" will be in front of the ice rink on Atlantic Avenue under the Rotunda at 70 Rowes Wharf, Boston; "Lighthouse" in front of District Hall on 75 Northern Avenue, Boston. You can also visit the shops at the Copley Prudential Center to see these works of art come to



Morgan White known as a premier trivia expert will challenge your knowledge of everything from animation to Boston at the Hynes Convention Center Room 101 from 2:45 to 3:30pm.

(Photo courtesy of trivamorganwhitejr.com)

American Repertory Theater: Offers 50 free tickets for their new children's musical "The Light Princess" to First Night button holders at the Loeb Drama Center Box Office, 64 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Show time is at 10:00 am.

Boston Children's Museum: Will honor First Night button holders from 10:00 am-3:00 pm at 308 Congress Street, Boston.

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston: For New Year's Eve, the MFA is granting free admission to the first 300 visitors with First Night Boston buttons, which will be on sale at the Museum. Visitors will find works of art from all over the world as well as art-inspired gifts, seasonal fine dining and activities to keep the kids busy. Museum of Fine Arts is located at 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston and is open 10:00 am to 4:45 pm.

Mary Baker Eddy Library: Offers free admission to button holders from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be performances by The Chinese Dulcimer Guzheng Youth Band at 11:30 am; Odaiko New England at 1:30 pm; and Back Bay Ringers at 3:00 pm.



Catch the Grand Procession from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm on Boylston Street.



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BE SURE TO CHECK THE FULL SCHEDULE There are tons of family and adult fun. So m

All-day activities include face painting and arts and crafts at 200 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston.

USS Constitution Museum: Hosts an Officers' Life for Me. Sail a nautical mile in their shoes and write with a quill pen, keep a medical logbook, navigate with a homemade compass, and more at Charlestown Navy Yard, Building 22, Charlestown from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Celebrate First Night on Boston's Waterfront: Enjoy nine waterfront ice sculptures then warm-up at six indoor Family Fun Sites for music, snacks and kidfriendly activities from 10:00amto 5:00 pm. Visit www.winteronthewaterfront.org for more on locations.

Otis House Museum: Offers free admission to button holders from 11:00 am-9:00 pm. Experience the elegant life of one of Boston's leading families just after the Revolution as you visit the home of Harrison Gray Otis and Sally Otis illuminated for a New Year's Eve celebration. From 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, enjoy live classical guitar by Chris Renna. Otis House Museum is located at 141 Cambridge Street, Boston.

Fenway Studios: Offers free tours of its historic landmark building from Noon to 4:00 pm. Visit the creative work spaces of artists working in a variety of styles from abstract expressionism to post-modern realism as well as print-making, decorative art and portraiture. The artists' original work will be available for purchase at 30 Ipswich Street, Boston.

Faneuil Hall Market-place: Will play host to a frosty ice bench, sleigh and World Series trophy replica that will be fully illuminated for families and groups to "pop up on" to take a photo. Also, enjoy Blink! — a free light and sound show featuring 350,000 LED lights dancing to the sounds of the Holiday Pops and featuring the Northeast's largest holiday tree.

Chu Ling Dance Academy:
Ling's Chinatown-based company delivers a fusion of traditional Chinese dance with the drama of martial arts. Hynes Convention Center, Hall C from 1:00 pm to 1:30pm at 900 Boylston Street, Boston.

Handel and Haydn Society: Young Women's and Young Men's Choruses will present ensembles individually and combine forces for a finale of works by George



Chu Ling Dance Academy delivers a fusion of traditional Chinese dance with the drama of martial arts and can be found at the Hynes Convention Center Hall C from 1:00 pm to 1:30pm.

(Photo courtesy of chulingdance.com)

Frederic Handel and Lowell at the Hynes Convention Center Ballroom from 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm.

Simply Circus: Watch and learn all about circus arts including gym wheels, tight wire, and aerial Lyra, and try it yourself! Simply Circus are expert teachers for kids as young as 3, all the way up to adults at the Hynes Convention Center Hall D from 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm.

MFA First Night Films: Bring the whole family to celebrate for two screenings of crowd-pleasing short films from 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm at Museum of Fine Arts, Remis Auditorium, 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston.

Winter on the Waterfront: Warm up at the U.S. Maritime Museum and enjoy complimentary light refreshments, family activities and musical performances, in addition to the beautiful ice sculpture located outside this unique property. This Waterfront Family Fun site is made possible by the Fairmont Battery Wharf and is free to all First Night button holders from 1:00 pm to 3:00pm at North End Waterfront, 3 Battery Wharf, Boston.

Crazy Hat Gear for the New Year: Come join the fun and thrills of an artsy afternoon for the entire family! With glittery fabric, glitzy papers and ribbons make the most unusual New Year's hats at Hynes Convention Center Hall C from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

The Boston Public Library: Offers public tours highlighting the architecture of Charles Follen McKim and Philip Johnson, as well as the many works of famed sculptors and painters. The free tours last about an hour and are given by volunteer guides. Tours meet in the lobby of the McKim Building (Dartmouth Street entrance) from 1-4pm.

Face Painting: Imaginations run wild, as face painters transform little faces into works of art at Hynes Convention Center Hall A from 1:00 pm tp 6:00 pm.

Puppet Showplace Theatre: First Night Puppet Festival. Families will enjoy a whirlwind of award-winning performances featuring memorable characters in multiple puppetry styles at Hynes Convention Center Room 207 from 1:15 pm to 2:00 pm.

Scott Jameson: Join the magician and juggler for an extraordinary performance that will have you laughing out loud and perched on the very edge of your seat at Hynes Convention Center Room 302 from 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

American Repertory Theater: Offers 50 free tickets for their family holiday adventure "The Heart of Robin Hood" to First Night button holders at the Loeb Drama Center Box Office located 64 Brattle Street, Cambridge for the 12:00 pm. show.

Airborne Comedians:
Whether balanced atop seven foot unicycles or frantically flinging objects at one another, this pair of extraordinary jugglers is always ready to make a special delivery of laughs at the Hynes Convention Center Ballroom from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm

Boston By Foot: Offers a free 90-minute walking tour of the Boston Common and Public Garden for button holders at 2:30 pm. Learn about the history of these iconic spaces and discover sculptures, ponds and ornamental plantings in their winter beauty. Meet at the corner of Park and Tremont Streets, outside Park Street Station.

Beantown Outloud: Join bestselling authors Sue Mille and Chris Castellani along with Regie Gibson and members of the Grub Street Teen Slam Poetry Team for an hour-long celebration of our city in words, co-sponsored by Grub Street, Boston's non-profit writing center. Fellow native Steve Almond will emcee and read as well at Boston Public Library,

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Patti Smith and Her Band with Dean Wareham at the Hynes Convention Center Auditorium 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm.

700 Boylston Street, Boston from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Meet the King of Instruments: Experience the "Sensurround" magnificence of Old South Church's mighty 1921 Skinner orchestral pipe organ — affectionately dubbed the "Copley Philharmonic Organ," demonstrated by renowned organist Harry Huff at 645 Boylston Street, Boston from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Maximum Velocity: This professional stunt team really delivers with the hottest cyclers and skaters performing high flying stunts like X-ups and 360s over

ramps and undertakers and pelironis on flatland at the Hynes Convention Center Hall D from 3:45 pm-4:00 pm.

A. Major Dance Company: Under the direction of Andrea Herbert Major, this 45-year-old company delivers a sampler of lyrical jazz, hip hop and African dance at Hynes Convention Center Hall C from 5:00 to 5:30 pm.

FIGMENT Boston: From 7:30 pm to midnight. FIG-MENT First Night will be a bright light in the heart of the city with fire spinners, fire art and over 15 innovative, interactive art projects on the Boston Common. FIGMENT creates free, volunteer-driven participatory art events that bring together the community in a celebration of art and a culture where everything is possible. At each event, the public is invited to play with art that temporarily transforms public spaces into wildly creative places that disappear without a trace.

Bank of America Grand Procession: Rise and Shine, the theme of the Bank of America Grand Procession celebrates light! This year brings new participation from Boston's iconic parades festivals, marching bands and artists. Ushering in a new day for First Night Boston the procession will ring in the New Year in a bigger and



Puppet Showplace Theatre at the Hynes Convention Center Room 207 from 1:15 pm to 2:00 pm.

brighter display than ever before. Sections will feature the light of the sun, light of the moon, lights of the city and light of the imagination. The Procession will also include past favorites such as the Puppeteers' Cooperative, Back Alley Puppet Theatre, inflatables, mobile sculptures, drummers, dancers, clowns and Duck Boats on Boylston Street from

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

First Night Skating Spectacular: The Skating Club of Boston celebrates the New Year at The Boston Common Frog Pond with the annual Skating Spectacular! Delight in watching spins, jumps, lifts and fancy footwork from our community of talented skaters at the Boston Common from 6:00 pm to 6:50 pm.

Sierra Hull: First Night Boston, Berklee College of Music, and WUMB-FM 91.9 present bluegrass vocalist, mandolinist and songwriter Sierra Hull, a 2011 Berklee graduate, performing at the Berklee Performance Center, 136 Massachusetts Avenue at 7:00 pm.

Boston Poetry Slam: Poetry Slam is a fast-paced competition where poets have a limited amount of time to impress judges randomly selected from the audience. Storytelling, lyricism and stand-up comedy all come together in what's evolved to a modern oral tradition all at Hynes Convention Center Room 208 from 7:30 pm to 8:05 pm.

The Makanda Project: An ensemble based in Makanda Ken McIntyre's hometown of Boston, is dedicated to continuing Makanda's legacy through the performance of his music — specifically, by playing compositions which Makanda never had the

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Airborne Comedians at the Hynes Convention Center Ballroom from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm.

opportunity to record or perform in public at St. Paul's Cathedral located at 138 Tremont Street, Boston from 7:30 pm to 8:15 pm.

Blind Boys of Alabama with Anais Mitchell: Nearly 75 years after they hit their first notes together, the Blind Boys of Alabama are exceptional not only in their longevity, but also in the breadth of their catalog and their relevance to contemporary roots music at the Hynes Convention Center Ballroom from 7:30 pm to 9:45 pm.

First Night Lounge: Pop in for a drink! 21+ Art installations curated by John Crowley from 7:30 pm to 11:00 pm at the Hynes Convention Center Room 313.

Dark Follies: New Year's Eve is a night of renewal and starting over, a second chance. It is in this spirit of second chances that we put forth the question: What if the characters from our most beloved fairy tales, were given that second chance? What if the 13th fairy was invited to Sleeping Beauty's party? What if Rapunzel was born a boy? Dark Follies presents in street vaudeville style with rhythm, comedy, flow and dance, an original new act: "Choose Your Own Fairy Tale" where the stories begin as familiar tales but the audience will choose where they end ... at Boston

Common from 7:30 pm to 12:00 am.

Riskee Ball: Oversized Skee Ball lanes that shoot fire when the player scores points at Boston Common.

Mean Creek: Old Flame Records is pleased to announce the latest release from Boston-based quartet Mean Creek. The four members of Mean Creek all grew up together in Massachusetts. Listening to similar sounds from the area, they come from a long tradition of Massachusetts bands who also embraced punk inspired rock music: Mission of Burma, Pixies, Dinosaur Jr., The Lemonheads — all of these bands left a lasting impact on the members of Mean Creek. The performance takes place on the Liberty Mutual Copley Stage (Dartmouth Street) at 8:00 pm.

The Cover-Up Presents:
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CityPlace, bring the kids and

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Walter Sickert& the ARmy of Broken Toys at the Hynes Convention Center Hall D from 10:00 pm to 11:30 pm. (Photo by Hans Wendland)





Site 3 Fire Arts, Boston Common, Riskee Ball — Oversized Skee Ball lanes that shoot fire when the player scores points.



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JUSTIFIED: THE COMPLETE FOURTH SEASON (3-DVD)

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The Emmy Award-winning 'Justified' returns for its fourth season with U.S. Marshal Raylan Givens (Timothy Olyphant) picking up the thread of a cold case over 30 years in the making. All the while unraveling a riddle that echoes all the way back to his boyhood and his criminal father's bad dealings. Meanwhile, Boyd Crowder (Walter Goggins) finds his own criminal grip on Harlan County loosening due to a Pentecostal preacher with a penchant for theatrics and a knack for manipulation. Developed by Graham Yost, 'Justified' is based on the short story "Fire in the Hole" by Elmore Leonard.

THE HISTORY OF WWE: **50 YEARS OF SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT** (Blu-ray) Vivendi Ent.

For one half-century, WWE has carved a permanent niche in Americana. What started in 1963 as a regional promotion is now a global entertainment phenomenon that captivates fans in over 150 countries and 30 different languages. Today, WWE is proud to commemorate its golden anniversary. With this never-before-seen documentary, trace the journey from smoke-filled arenas to sold-out stadiums with the legendary Superstars and Legends who blazed the trail. 'The History of WWE: 50 Years of Sports Entertainment' delivers all the indelible performers, from Bruno Sammartino to Hulk Hogan, Bret "The Hit Man" Hart, Stone Cold Steve Austin, The Rock, Triple H, John Cena and countless others. Experience history, with over a dozen bonus matches and moments.

DOCTOR WHO: THE DAY OF THE DOCTOR (Blu-ray) BBC Home Ent.

The Doctors embark on their greatest adventure in this 50th Anniversary Speterrible is awakening in 1562, a murderous plot is afoot in Elizabethan England; and somewhere in space an ancient battle reaches its devastating conclusion. All of reality is at stake, as the Doctor's own dangerous past comes back to haunt him. Starring Matt Smith, David Tennant, Jenna Coleman, with Billie Piper and John Hurt. Blu-ray version includes two mini-episodes — "The Night of the Doctor" and "The Last Day," plus a limited edition Card Set.

NECESSARY EVIL: SUPER-VILLAINS OF DC COMICS (Blu-rav) Warner Bros. Home Ent.

The Joker, Lex Luthor, Catwoman, Doomsday, Bane.

What makes them so thrillingly watchable? So terribly wonderful? So extremely vital to our super heroes and their worlds? This new feature-length documentary explores these questions across seven decades of DC Comics' hallowed Rogues' Gallery of infamous evildoers. Narrated by esteemed film villain Christopher Lee, 'Necessary Evil' examines the tortured psyches of your favorite animation, comic book, game, TV and feature film baddies — both from the past and into the future - against the backdrop of culture, history and society. Insights from famed creators and storytellers, including Zack Snyder, Guillermo del Toro, Jim Lee, Geoff Johns and Richard Donner, shine a fascinating light on those malevolent, charismatic characters that thrive in the dark. Experience the icons that forged fear!

THE SMURFS 2 (DVD)

Sonu Pictures Home Ent.

Evil wizard Gargamel creates a couple of mischie vous Smurf-like creatures called the Naughties, hoping they will let him harness the magical Smurf-essence. However, he soon discovers that he needs the help of Smurfette, who knows the secret to turning the Naughties into real Smurfs. When Gargamel and his Naughties kidnap Smurfette from Smurf Village and bring her to Paris, it's up to Papa, Clumsy, Grouchy and Vanity to reunite with their human friends, Patrick and Grace Winslow, and rescue her! Featurettes have "Daddy's Little Girl: Journey of Smurfette" and "Animating Azrael."

THE RIGHT STUFF (Blu-ray) Warner Bros. Home Ent.

'The Right Stuff' tells the heroic tale of America's early journeys into space. It begins with Chuck Yeager — the first person to fly faster than the speed of cial; In 2013, something sound — and continues with the Flying Fraternity and London's National Gallery; in the Mercury Astronauts, the first Americans in space. The bravery and daring exploits of these men captured the imagination of midcentury Americans. Breathtaking events come to life in emotionally riveting and suspenseful detail. Celebrating its 30th anniversary, 'The Right Stuff' features a stellar cast including Ed Harris, Barbara Hershey, Sam Shepard, Dennis Quaid and Fred Ward. This epic adventure remains the stuff of must-see entertainment. Let's light this candle, flyboys! Uniquely interesting packaging has a 40-page Blu-

ray book that contains rare

photos, production notes and

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

BOSTON FIREFIGHTER'S BURN FOUNDATION LOCAL 718

Thanks to my firefighter friends across the city, I found out about the Boston Firefighter's Burn Foundation Local 718. The group is comprised of unpaid volunteers who are all Boston firefighters. It all started back in July 2003 with the basic premise to simply help burn victims after their rescue. This foundation provides both emotional and financial help to burn victims and their families. The group's motto says it all, "To ease the suffering and hardships of burn victims and their families."

The only compensation to the firefighters who volunteer their time in this endeavor is knowing they have helped bring a smile to a victim or family member.

For more information, go to

www.bffbf.org. KUDOS TO MICHELLE WU

Recently, liberals are up in arms over City Council-Elect Michelle Wu for her decision to back District 2 Councilor Bill Linehan for city council president. All the libs are furious that she didn't back a liberal like herself for the council's top post. Obviously, liberals or progressives as many call themselves think Wu made a wrong decision right out of the gate. She didn't. She looked at all the candidates and found Linehan her choice. As far as the left goes, this is Politic 101. No one owns Michelle Wu or her votes. Why this conservative supported her to begin with, I

U.S. FIGURE SKATING TO BOSTON

2014 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships are coming to the TD Garden January 5-12, 2014. If you like skating, check this event out. More details at Boston2014.com

MOHEGAN SUN PRESENTS ...

Mohegan Sun in Connecticut always has plenty of great entertainment going on at their casino. Prince just made a rare New England appearance there this week and coming up on Valentine's Day, Kool & the Gang are on tap.

REMEMBERING THE COCOANUT GROVE FIRE

Recently, over in Quincy, a presentation on the Cocoanut Grove fire was held at the Kennedy Center in North Quincy. My father worked at Boston City Hospital the night of November 28, 1942 fire. He was a 29-year-old hospital orderly and witnessed first-hand one of the deadliest fires in U.S. history. About half of the 492 victims of this nightclub fire ended up at City Hospital and the rest at Massachusetts General Hospital.

On Saturday, November 30th, some of the aged survivors and families of victims came to remember what happened at the Cocoanut Fire so long ago. The ground zero site of this deadly fire in Boston's Theatre District was officially dedicated on that day with a new street "Cocoanut Grove name, Lane.

That long-ago fire was forever burned into his memory and mine as he retold that story many times over. He had just started his long Boston City Hospital career in 1942 and worked there until his retirement in December 1977 but never ever forgot that night.

QUINCY GOP HOLIDAY PARTY

The Quincy Republican City Committee recently held its Annual Holiday Party at the Best Western Adams Inn by the Neponset River. Charlie Baker showed up with Karyn Polito, his pick for lieutenant governor in their first joint appearance. THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

I was flipping through a real estate newspaper recently and came upon an open house for a condo apartment in Worcester Square. Worcester Square was a beautiful area when I was growing up in that neighborhood. Rents back then were probably \$45-50 a month. Today, the condo on the fourth floor is going for \$1,559,000. Back in the early '70s, these buildings, the whole building could have been bought for back taxes owed for about five grand. Ouch! Who could have known, huh?

SMOKIN' JOE'S GREAT SHOW AT DON ORIONE

Recently, on December 17th, the folks at the Don Orione Home were raising the roof to the music of "Smokin' Joe." Everyone was eating, drinking (soft drinks only) and singing along with Smokin' Joe. For more information on the Don Orione, go to acali@donorionehome.org.

• Welcome Mayor Walsh (Continued from Page 1)

As a youth, I observed both Mayors John B. Hynes and John F. Collins. They were followed by Mayor Kevin H. White who was probably considered a national leader and one of the best mayors Boston voters ever elected.

I also believe Mayor Walsh is able and ready to take Boston to further great heights and I appreciated him recognizing former Mayor Raymond Flynn as one of his apparent mentors. Hopefully, Mayor Walsh

each of his predecessors. Each one of those mayors before him added to the quality of life of all Bostonians. He has great examples of leadership to draw on in making his own stamp on the city, where he was born, will take some quality from raised and loves dearly.

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

Great Bumper-sticker Message

near South Station in Boston. In front of me was a delivery truck for Blue Hills Brewery with a great bumper-sticker which read, "Peace cannot be forced. It must be created through understanding." Thank you Albert Einstein.

Compromise Budget Deal Passes Senate

Thanks to the Republican establishment trying to hammer out a compromise budget, we now get a budget which cuts benefits for military retirement while opposing similar cuts to federal pencil pushers and illegal aliens. Score this one for the Obamacrats up on Capitol

Time to Send Mr. Speakah Packing

I am a political centrist who has problems with both major parties whose leaders

seem more bent on power steer the GOP into being a than on principle. I have real viable political party Last week I was in traffic come to expect such from once again. Democrats who long ago turned the party into one with democratic socialist mindset going back to the days of the late U.S. Senator George McGovern when I was still in college.

> The recent compromise budget that passed the House and Senate was a total cavein by the Republican establishment types such as the House Speaker and U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan who was Romney's vice presidential pick in 2012 and Republican U.S. Senators like John McCain.

> The compromise budget bill looks like a complete surrender by Republicans leaders. Was it any wonder that prior to the GOP bigshots backing the compromise bill, they all basically declared war on the Tea Party Republicans trying to

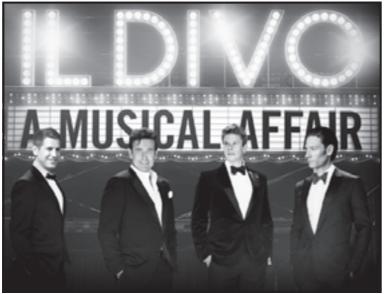
Democrats Belong to the Party of Santa Claus

Here we are heading into 2014 and the midterm elections and the Democrats just don't get it. They still think government spending will lift all our boats but in reality most of us feel like riders on the Titanic waiting for the iceberg ahead.

The issues of Washington are government leaders in both Houses and parties who are more concerned about their own well being and not those of their constituents. The Republicans have sold out their Ronald Reagan principles and the Democrats have done likewise to the principles of yesterday's leaders such as: Jack Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy, Hubert Humphrey Lyndon Baines Johnson.

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Don't miss Il Divo at the Citi Performing Arts Center Wang. See MUSIC SECTION for further information.

MUSIC

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JAY Z — January 18th. JAY Z announced the confirmed dates for the North American leg of his "Magna Carter World Tour." The new dates, which follow the tour's international run, began on November 30th and will include a stop at TD Garden in Boston. JAY Z recently released the now double platinum "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail," and just wrapped up the sold out "Legends of the Summer" stadium tour with Justin

JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE — February 27th. The Emmy and Grammy award winning musician will bring his captivating live show to fans with a worldwide tour that kicked off on October 31, 2013 in Montreal, QC with scheduled dates in South America, Europe, Australia and North America through 2014. The 20/20Experience World Tour is promoted worldwide by Live Nation Global Touring. The musical journey that started with The 20/20 Experience continued with the worldwide release of The 20/20 Experience -2 of 2 on September 30, 2013.

CHER — April 9, 2014. It's now official. The one and only Cher herself revealed that she will kick off her "Dressed To Kill" 49 city North American Tour beginning in Phoenix on March 22nd with stops in NY, LA, Boston, Las Vegas, and other major markets. The tour comes to TD Garden on Wednesday, April 9. Cher's previous tour "The Farewell Tour" later dubbed "The Never Can Say Goodbye Tour" was one of the most successful tours ever by a solo artist and played for a record-breaking 325 dates and seen by over 5.5 million people.

STING & PAUL SIMON — March 3, 2014. Sting & Paul Simon, two of music's most renowned and enduring artists, will perform on stage together on a tour throughout North

America in February and March 2014. As friends for many years, their collaboration on a tour is a natural fit. Both of these artists have explored world rhythms and pushed the boundaries of popular music and through their music, continue to speak to generations of fans.

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ARCTIC MONKEYS — February 6th. With special guest Deerhunter. English indie rock band that formed in 2002 in Sheffield. Band members are: Alex Turner (lead vocals, lead/rhythm guitar), Jamie Cook (rhythm/lead guitar), Nick O'Malley (bass guitar, backing vocals), and Matt Helders (drums. backing vocals). The meteoric rise of the Arctic Monkeys began in 2005, when they drew a sold-out crowd to the London Astoria, using little more than a self-released EP. Several months later, Whatever People Say I Am That's What I'm Not became the fastest-selling debut album in British history. 2013 has been a monumental year for the Arctic Monkeys.

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www.Citicenter.org IL DIVO - May 15, 2014. Following successful concerts at New York's Marquis Theater, Il Divo the recordbreaking classical crossover group that has sold more than 26 million albums worldwide will bring ${\it Il~Divo-A~Musi}$ cal Affair: The Greatest Songs Of Broadway Live to the Citi Wang Theatre in supports the group's sixth studio album A Musical Affair. The show intertwines the most famous songs from Broadway musicals with the individual theatrical experiences of Carlos, David, Urs and Sebastien. The album "A Musical Affair" showcases Il Divo's signature romantic and emotional interpretation of heartfelt classics like "Some Enchanted Evening" (South Pacific), "Bring Him Home" (Les

Miserables), "Tonight" (West Side Story) and more. Il Divo has also provided new arrangements for these much-loved songs, as well as invited familiar Broadway and pop artists to appear on certain tracks as their duet partners. "It has been so inspiring to work with such legendary songs from the world of Broadway musicals for our new album," says Urs Buhler from Il Divo. "We can't wait to now perform them in our own style to our fans around the world."

THEATER

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50 SHADES! THE MUSICAL January 7 and 8, 2014. The hilarious parody of the Fifty Shades of Grey phenomenon, will premiere at the Citi Emerson Colonial Theatre for two nights only. A sexy, hysterical musical romp, 50 Shades! The Musical is a laugh out loud night of fun that you won't want to miss! A resounding hit in Chicago and New York, and at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, 50 Shades! The Musical opens with a ladies book club deciding to read Fifty Shades of Grey. Through their interpretation of the novel, the audience is lead on an uproarious rollercoaster ride of this unlikely bestseller. The show is full of dance numbers and original songs delivered by an outrageous cast with a live, on-stage band. For more information call 866-348-9738.

ONCE — January 7th-19th. Winner of eight 2012 Tony Awards including Best Musical, ONCE is a truly original Broadway experience. Featuring an impressive ensemble of actor/ musicians who play their own instruments onstage, ONCE tells the enchanting tale of a Dublin street musician who's about to give up on his dream when a beautiful young woman takes a sudden interest in his haunting love songs. As the chemistry between them grows, his music soars to powerful new heights ... but their unlikely connection turns out to be deeper and more complex than your everyday romance. Emotionally captivating and theatrically breathtaking, ONCE draws you in from the very first note and never lets go. It's an unforgettable story about going for your dreams \dots not living in fear \dots and the power of music to connect all of us.

LYNN AUDITORIUM 3 City Hall Square, Lynn, MA 781-599-SHOW

A BRONX TALE — February 28. See the classic coming of age story brought to life in the original, autobiographical, one man show. Written and performed by Academy Award® nominee Chazz Palminteri, A Bronx Tale tells the story of a young boy from a working class family who witnesses a murder and is introduced to the world of organized crime. After premiering in Los Angeles in 1989, the show moved to New York City for a critically and commercially successful off-Broadway run. The stage production was subsequently adapted into an acclaimed motion picture as Robert De Niro's directorial debut. After film's worldwide success Palminteri brought the show back to New York for a Broadway run with four-time Tony Award-winner Jerry Zaks as director.

AMERICAN REPERTORY THEATER Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Harvard Sq., Cambridge, MA

THE DONKEY SHOW – Ongoing. Bringing the ultimate disco experience to Boston, this crazy circus of mirror balls, feathered divas, roller skaters and hustle queens tells the story of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* through great '70s anthems you know by heart.

THE HEART OF ROBIN HOOD -Now through January 19, 2014. In this spectacular rendition of the English legend, the notorious Robin Hood and his band of merry men steal from the rich, but refuse to share with the oppressed peasantry. As the wicked Prince John threatens all of England, it is down to Marion to boldly protect the poor and convert Robin Hood from outlaw to hero. First seen at the Royal Shakespeare Company in 2011, this new production is filled with high adventure, epic romance, amazing fight choreography, and an original score inspired by contemporary British folk music. Written by David Farr, directed by Gisli Orn Gardarsson, and original music by Stu Barker. Single tickets on sale

SPECIAL EVENTS

FIRST NIGHT BOSTON Boston

FIRST NIGHT BOSTON — First Night takes place on December 31st, New Year's Eve. It is the country's oldest and largest New Year's arts festival. First Night 2014, the 38th Anniversary edition will be taking place in Boston. Attendees purchase an official button, which is the equivalent of a ticket, for indoor events. Outdoor events are free. The button is also a discount pass, with businesses offering benefits both before and after New Year's, First Night includes numerous indoor and outdoor activities, exhibits, and performances, for people of all ages. Among the numerous events taking place are: Festival of International Short Films and midnight fire-

CHILDREN'S ART CENTRE 36 Rutland Street, East Boston www.uses.org

STUDIO@36 ART MAKING BENEFIT — Adults enjoy art making, adult beverages, and networking in the heart of the South End! This session focuses on a block printing for the holidays which will expand your creativity in our historic Children's Art Centre. All proceeds directly support high quality arts education and programming for children and families regardless of ability to pay.

BOSTON HARBOR Curley Community Center 663 Columbia Road, Carson Beach, South Boston

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S SWIM — January 1, 9:00 a m. A tradition of the L Street Brownies for over 100 years. Take a chilly swim in the Boston Harbor to celebrate the New Year! Join over 500 other swimmers.

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DISNEY ON ICE — February 15-22. It's one colossal party on ice, with all vour favorite Disney friends! Join Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse as they celebrate a Very Merry Unbirthday Party with Alice and the Mad Hatter: Mardi Gras with Princess Tiana and Prince Naveen: a Royal Valentine's Day Ball with the Disney Princesses: a Hawaiian luau with Lilo & Stitch: a winter wonderland with Woody, Jessie and Buzz Lightvear: a Halloween haunt with the Disney Villains and more in a magical medley of holidays, celebrations and festivals from around the globe. Come join the party when this spectacular ice show visits your hometown!

DANCE

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TAO DANCE THEATER — February 27-28. Since its founding in 2008, TAO Dance Theater has taken China's

dance world by storm. The company has performed in every modern dance festival throughout the country and has collaborated with leading Chinese artists across genres including theatre, experimental music, film, visual arts and installation. TAO Dance Theater has been featured in performances, choreography and teaching residencies and festivals worldwide. The company has brought modern dance all over the world, including rural locations that had never before seen a modern dance performance. PROGRAM '4': '4' features a foursome navigating both internal and external spaces in constant synchronized motion and never touching. The work is a continuation of the choreographer's minimalist experimentation that explores the potential of the human body as a visual element devoid of story-telling or representation. '5': In '5,' which premiered in Amsterdam in 2013, the dancers do engage in physical contact, in fact they move in an indistinguishable kaleidoscopic mass of limbs and light, never dispersing even for a moment. "It is easy to see why the choreographer and cofounder Tao Ye has captured attention as a radical new presence on the country's burgeoning contemporary dance scene." —The Times (UK).

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ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER — May 1-4, 2014. Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater grew from a now-fabled performance in March 1958 at the 92nd Street Y in New York City. Led by Alvin Ailey and a group of young African-American modern dancers, that performance changed forever the perception of American dance. The Ailey company has gone on to perform for an estimated 25 million people at theaters in 48 states and 71 countries on six continents — as well as millions more through television broadcasts. In 2008, a U.S. Congressional resolution designated the Company as "a vital American cultural ambassador to the world," one that celebrates the uniqueness of the African-American cultural experience and the preservation and enrichment of the American modern dance heritage. When Mr. Ailey began creating dances, he drew upon his "blood memories" of Texas, the blues, spirituals and gospel as inspiration, which resulted in the creation of his most popular and critically acclaimed work, Revelations. Although he created 79 ballets over his lifetime, Mr. Ailey maintained that his company was not exclusively a repository for his own work. Today, the Company continues Mr. Ailey's mission by presenting important works of the past and commissioning new ones. In all, more than 235 works by over 90 choreographers are part of the Ailey company's repertory. Before his untimely death in 1989, Alvin Ailey designated Judith Jamison as his successor, and over the next 21 years, she brought the Company to unprecedented success. Ms. Jamison, in turn, personally selected Robert Battle to succeed her in 2011, and The New York Times declared he "has injected the company with new life."



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"Italia Oggi" Sundays 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm with host Andrea Urdi 1460 AM www.1460WXBR.com.

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Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Going nuts! Regularly eating a handful of nuts could help you live a longer, healthier life, CNN.com reports. A new observational study of about 119,000 men and women found that those who ate the recommended 1.5ounce serving of nuts every day were 20 percent less likely to die over 30 years, compared with those who did not. Researchers also saw a 29 percent reduction in deaths from heart disease and an 11 percent reduction in the risk of dying from cancer. Even eating nuts occasionally correlated with a 7 percent lower death rate over 30 years. "There's something unique about nuts," says Charles Fuchs of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, who speculated that they may have an effect on inflammation or metabolism. But scientists said the correlation between nuteating and longer lives doesn't prove a cause; nut eaters also tended to be leaner, less likely to smoke and more likely to exercise and eat fruits and vegetables. So go nuts!

Ah, love. Love has blossomed between a Georgia man and the woman he accidentally shot while hunting. Matthew Webb, 23, was hanging out with friend Audrey Mayo, 24, at his mother's home when he saw a herd of deer in nearby woods and decided to bag one. But when Mayo followed Webb into the woods, he mistook her for a deer and opened fire, shattering her leg. She awoke in a hospital days later to find Webb at her bedside. He confessed his love for her and now they're a couple. "Cupid doesn't use a bow and arrow anymore," said Mayo's brother-in-law. "He uses an SKS (rifle).'

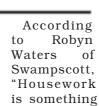
Moron! A Canadian man who sued the Dominican Republic because it rained during his vacation has been banned from filing lawsuits. Bruno Leduc, who has sought damages from 70 people and companies, was labeled a "quarrelsome litigant" by a Quebec judge meaning he can no longer file lawsuits without court authorization. Among the lawsuits cited by the judge were Leduc's demand to be compensated for his rainy vacation and his \$500 claim against Costco because the staff took too long to load a lawn mower onto his shopping cart.

Kids today are less fit! Children worldwide aren't as fit as their parents were when they were young, possibly setting them up for serious health problems as adults, NPR.org reports. Unsettling new research detailed at an American Heart Association conference found that kids today take 90 seconds longer on average to run a mile than their counterparts did 30 years ago. Researchers say increased weight explains 30 to 70 percent of the shift, and that lower levels of physical activity, both in organized sports and at play, account for much of the rest. Health experts recommend that children ages 6 and older get 60 minutes of moderately vigorous activity a day. Only a third of American children manage that today.

Knock it off! Julie Andrews' late husband Blake Edwards, said, "A miserable newspaperwoman wrote something implying that Rock Hudson, Julie, and I were a sexual threesome. She also implied that Rock and I had spent a lot of time together in San Francisco leather bars ... I walked up to Rock and repeated the story to him and I loved his response: "How in the hell did she find out so

More Hollywood babble! This is what Tallulah Bankhead had to say about Pola Negri. "The biggest phony in Hollywood, dahling! A lying lesbo, a Polish publicity hound! She showed up at Valentino's funeral and pretended that they'd fallen in love and had been engaged to be married — didn't leave her a cent. dahling! To demonstrate her grief for the cameras, she fainted at the funeral, not just once, but on request. A lousy actress. Had a mustache and couldn't act her way out of a paper bag!"

Mamma mia! Mothers today are less physically active than their 1965 counterparts. On average, today's moms spend 7 more hours per week sitting down — largely driving, watching television or using digital technology — than 1965 moms, who spent more time on their feet doing physical housework or child care. So reports TheAtlantic.com.



you do that nobody notices unless you don't

Carlo Scostumato claims most housewives are very careful about money. They're afraid their husbands might lose it, so they spend it as soon as possible.

Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill, says, "A major problem is that ovens are self-cleaning but kids aren't."

Fully 20 percent of U.S. adults earn a household income of \$250,000 or more at some point in their lives, a new study found, putting them at least temporarily among the "rich" — the top 2 percent of earners.

Be aware, 52% of Americans say they are "thriving," while 44% describe themselves as "struggling" and 4% describe themselves as "suffering.

About 440,000 people die as a result of preventable error in U.S. hospitals every year, a new study in the Journal of Patient Safety found That means one in six deaths can be attributed to mistakes in hospitals, making them the third leading cause of death.

The unofficial mayor of Medford, Tom Analetto, says, "A fellow recently released from the hospital says he learned what a disturbed patient is — one who has just received his bill."

Just remember, there are two kinds of people in every hospital; those who are desperately ill and those who complain about the

Wee bit of American history. In 1937, Gertrude Stein, an American writer who spent most of her life in France, proposed that Adolf Hitler receive the Nobel Peace prize. In 1918 during World War I, President Woodrow Wilson allowed sheep to graze on the White House lawn to replace gardeners who had volunteered to serve in the armed forces. He was able to raise \$52,823 for the Red Cross by shearing the sheep and selling their wool. In 1643, the colony of New Plymouth, Massachusetts, imposed the first recorded income tax in America. And at the Battle of Vicksburg during the Civil War, a servant girl accidentally poured out a basin containing Ulysses S. Grant's false teeth into the Mississippi River. He was unable to eat solid food for a week until a dentist came and made him a new set of choppers.

Italian American influences in Washington, D.C. The Lincoln Memorial was carved by Neapolitan immigrant Attilio Piccirilli and his five brothers. The gifted sculptors also carved the famous lions on the steps of the New York Public Library and the facade of the Brooklyn Museum among many other works in New York and across America.

Time for show biz reminiscing with the stately and philanthropist Albert Natale. After working with Woody Herman and Alvino Ray, singer/pianist Blossom Dearie formed the vocal group Blue Stars and scored with "Lullaby in Birdland" sung in French. Peggy Lee's hit recording of "Pass Me By" came from the long-since forgotten film "Father Goose" (1964). The first time Mae West appeared in vaudeville, she was dressed in a tuxedo and appeared as a man. Yvonne Decarlo, who played a ghoul on TVs "The Munsters," was once touted as "The Most Beautiful Girl in the World." Betty Hutton was once the female vocalist for the Vincent Lopez band while her sister Marion was the girl singer for Glenn Miller's orchestra. And Susan Hayward who passed away is at Our Lady's Memory Garden Cemetery of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Carrollton, Georgia. Red-haired leading lady of such dramatic films as I'll Cry Tomorrow (1955) and With A Song In My Heart (1952). One more time! Marilyn Monroe who left us in 1962 is charming them at Westwood Memorial Park, Los Angeles, California. At her wake her former hubby Joe DiMaggio "bent down and kissed her on the forehead murmuring 'I love you, I love you, I love you, I love you."

AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME

Recipes from the Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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BRACCIOLI Served in Tomato Sauce

4 thinly sliced beef steaks 3/4 cup flavored bread crumbs

1 small garlic clove chopped

1 tablespoon of grated Romano cheese 1 tablespoon olive oil White thread

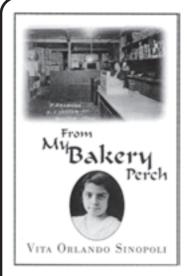
In a bowl, mix bread crumbs, chopped garlic and grated cheese. Add olive oil to slightly moisten the bread crumbs. Take one beef slice at a time. Spread some bread crumbs in the center of meat. Leave sides of meat about half-inch clear of bread crumbs. Gently roll from long end of meat, gradually folding in the sides so bread crumbs won't fall out. Roll the meat to the end. Squeeze the rolled meat in your hands. Take white thread, and wrap around the roll and sides of meat to secure ends from opening.

Brown on all sides in a skillet before adding to your tomato sauce. Cook in sauce about 45 minutes. Before serving, remove Braccioli from sauce. Let stand in platter a minute before removing thread. Then slice into 1/2-inch portions and serve separately or with cooked pasta.

NOTE: I learned to make Braccioli from watching my mother and mother-in-law. Patience and experience are needed but are well worth the effort.

In my childhood, I remember going to Moscardino's Meat Market on Salem Street. The butcher cut the beef for Braccioli for the customer as we watched. Today, supermarkets have taken the place of personal butcher shops in many cities. We depend on finding thinly cut beef steaks packaged and on display. Occasionally I have purchased a bottom of the round roast and carefully sliced thin steaks myself to make my

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division** 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI13P4671EA

Estate of CHARLES FRANKLIN WENTZ, SR. Date of Death December 6, 2010 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Mary Wentz of Bowie, MD.

Mary Wentz of Bowie, MD has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division** 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI13P5821EA

Estate of KELVIN LA SHA THOMPSON Date of Death November 18, 2009 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ella M. Thompson of Stockton, CA.

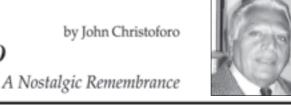
Ella M.Thompson of Stockton, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Nanna & Babbononno





When I was a kid, I belonged to the Trinity Neighborhood House. It was a settlement house atop Meridian Hill near the intersection of Meridian and White Streets in East Boston. In the 1800s, it had been the home of a prominent Boston family, but by the time I got there, it was a neighborhood center, part of the Red Feather Organization, and it serviced the youth of that island part of the city.

Each year, they hosted a Christmas party for the kids who were members, and of course, their families were invited. I was often found at the Trinity House during the week. I made airplane models, took boxing lessons, played basketball, and due to my mother's insistence. learned how to dance.

When I first joined, a Mr. Dudley was the man in charge of the activities for the boys, but not long after, a local, J.J. Dana took his place. Edith De Angelis, who later became Dr. De Angelis, a prominent East Boston neighborhood activist, ran things for the girls. The head of operations for both boys and girls was a women named Ms. Orr.

It was the middle of December, 1949, and the Trinity House annual Christmas party was rapidly approaching and I had a problem. Dad and my uncles were musicians and working day and night playing parties during December. Mom and Nanna were spending all their time getting things ready for large family get togethers on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. I needed someone to take me to the party and the only one left was Babbononno. He complained, argued, made excuses and gave Nanna a hard time, but her endurance outlasted his and he agreed to take me to the Christmas party.

It was on the Tuesday night before Christmas and when we arrived, Ms. Orr was at the front door greeting all of the young guests and their families. Babbononno looked at the food table wondering what the foreign offerings were: finger sandwiches, chips, potato salad, coleslaw, red colored punch and a large cake with red, white and green frosting on it. I told him to help himself in Italian, and by the look on

his face, you might think he was going to be poisoned. He suffered his way through a sandwich or two, but seeing he had a sweet tooth, he dove into the Christmas cake and loved the sweet red punch.

After we ate, Ms Orr asked all of to be seated and she read three Christmas stories to us, The Night Before Christmas, by Clement Clarke Moore; Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa, by Francis P. Church, and from her Bible, The Gospel According to St. Luke.

'And it came to pass in those days, there went out decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David), to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were, in the same country, shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round them, and they were so afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And, suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hose praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made

known unto us." And they came in haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those which were told them by the shepherds.'

Ms Orr concluded her reading with Amen and we repeated. Babbononno whispered that the prayer was similar to the one we hear at Mass on Christmas Day. I just smiled and it was time for the parents to get a tour of the facilities.

Well, that was then and it's now 60 years later and I still have that same Christmas spirit. Son, John moved back home from Zurich, Switzerland and will be with us for the holidays. He's now engaged to be married and he and Beth will be heading out soon to pick up his brother, son Michael, who will be arriving from New York. Weather permitting, we will be combining families with my cousin, Ralph Pepe to celebrate Christmas. I will let you know about the festivities next week, but in the meantime, from the descendents of the Contini and Christoforo families, my you all have a very Merry Christmas ... Buon Natale tutti and MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA!

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us.

Say this prayer 9 times a day and by the 8th day your prayers will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. My prayers have been answered.

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Estate of LEROY BENJAMIN INFIEL Date of Death November 23, 2010 **INFORMAL PROBATE**

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Vanessa E. Infiel of Honolulu, HI.

Vanessa E. Infiel of Honolulu, HI has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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• Socially Scene (Continued from Page 9)

bring your friends. Dunkin' Donuts stays open late! Show runs 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm. You won't miss the stroke of midnight, all at 8 Park Plaza, Boston.

Giant Panda Guerilla Dub **Squad:** A quintet from Rochester, NY. Their psychedelic roots reggae album In These Times made iTunes Best of 2012 list and can be seen on the Liberty Mutual Copley Stage (Dartmouth Street) from 9:30 pm to 10:45 pm.

Gentlemen Hall: Gentlemen Hall is six individuals out to deliver pop songs wrapped in unique instrumentation. From flutes to vintage synthesizers, GH is not a typical lineup. Based out of Boston, the band was originally a group of friends with no intentions of making music together. Catch this Boston hit on the Liberty Mutual Copley Stage (Dartmouth Street) from 11:15 pm to 12:30 am.

Patti Smith and Her Band with Dean Wareham: In 1975 Patti Smith's first recording, Horses, was inducted into the National Recording Registry in 2010 at The Library of Congress by the National Recording Preservation Board. Her subsequent albums are Radio Ethiopia, Easter, and Wave, Dream of Life, Gone Again, Peace and Noise, Gung Ho, trampin, Land, twelve, Outside Society, and most currently, Banga. Author of the acclaimed memoir, Just Kids, which chronicled her friendship and journey in art with photographer Robert Mapplethorpe, Patti Smith was awarded the 2010 National Book Award.

Dean Wareham's first-ever solo project, 2013's minialbum Emancipated Hearts finds the former Luna frontman delivering more of the melodic, psychedelictinged pop he has built a

career around since his early days with the legendary indie rock band, Galaxie 500. His songs, which feature his laid-back, half-lidded vocal delivery, romantic, if often surrealist lyrics, and dreamy, hummable tunes, are practically a genre unto themselves. Emancipated Hearts, produced by Papercuts frontman Jason Quever, showcases all of Wareham's musical trademarks in abundance. In Quever, Wareham has found a deeply sympathetic producer ... setting him in what sounds like a large music hall and dressing his songs in layers of ringing guitars, vocal reverb, shimmery keyboards and a delicate assemblage of viola and violin. A gorgeous showcase that brings together everything you've ever loved about Wareham's music, Emancipated Hearts isn't just a mini-album, it's a minor masterpiece. Hynes Convention Center Auditorium 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm.

State Street Corporation Midnight Fireworks produced by B4 Productions: The State Street Corporation Midnight Fireworks will transform the skies above Boston Harbor into a brilliant tapestry of color, light, and sound when the clocks strike twelve. A complete sensory experience unlike anything else, this spectacular display is produced by Boston 4 Productions at Boston Harbor from 12:00 am to 12:10 am.

As always First Night Boston has put together a full day of family friendly fun in addition to some after hour performances for the adults to indulge in. Don't forget you can visit www.firstnightboston.org for a full schedule and on behalf of Socially Scene, Have a happy and safe New Year. See you in 2014!



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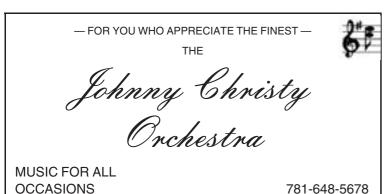
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News Briefs

(FROM ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS)

Compiled by Orazio Z. Buttafuoco

A NEW CURRENCY IS ENTERING THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. Eleven years after the advent of the Euro, in the old continent, a new 5 euro bill has just landed in the market. Mario Draghi, President of the EEB (European Economic Bank), recently disclosed the new 5 euro bill called Europa. The name derives from the Greek mythology and is also the name of the old continent. The first 5 euro bill began to appear in May (2013), while the other bills, euro 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, will gradually follow and will gradually continue over the next few years. The new bills will gradually replace the old ones, which will cease to be legal tenders in a few years. The new bill will resemble the old ones, but they will be hard to falsify. Until ...!

TAX EVADING IN ITALY: THE NEW SPORT? Authorities continue to uncover new fiscal fraud against the State. In 2012, the fiscal Police (a.k.a. the Guardia di Finanza) has kept constant pressure to identify an increasing number of tax evaders, more than 8,600 in one year alone, most of whom were totally unknown to the taxman. They had failed to do their annual duty, again and again, never filing their tax returns, hiding revenues that have surpassed 56 billion euro (@ \$77 billion) in the same year (2012). The amount is equivalent to a good chunk of the overall revenue coming from the honest taxpayers. The uncollected money affects the government's efforts to scale down some of the taxes, sharply delaying the economic reform by the State. Failure to pay taxes is criminal. The fiscal authorities have also uncovered 16,233 workers unknown to the State. A massive underground economy increasingly continues to flourish. And there seems to be no end in sight. It seems that 'crooks will be crooks,' as the saying goes! Forever in Italy!

Quincy Animal Shelter

Seeks Donations and Helpers

by Sal Giarratani



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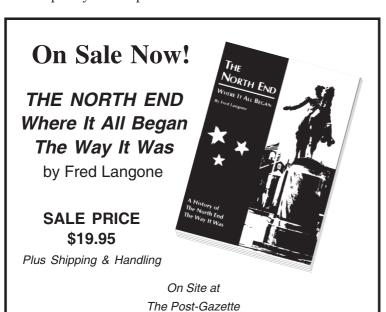
The Quincy Animal Shelter is always looking for help and helpers but especially around this time of the year. According to Shelter Director Kit Burke, "Traffic picks up this time of the year" and they always seem to get an influx of new homeless animals. At the moment, if you are looking for a cat or kitten, this is the place to go as there are plenty up for adoption. These animals

also need cat food, plenty of it and other items like toys for the kittens. Cats are arriving all the time as people move and can't take their pets with them.

So far in 2013, the shelter has adopted out an incredible 400 cats and 44 dogs. The shelter also has foster parents who keep some of the animals at their homes rather than in shelter areas.

You can help by donating what you can. Pet food, litter, towels cat carriers, bleach and detergent. For more information, vist *www.quincyanimalshelter.org* or call the shelter at 617-376-1349.

I don't just write about this animal shelter, I adopted my lazy old cat "Nica" there three years ago and don't regret it one bit. I think when "Nica" is acting out over her treats, she keeps my blood pressure nice and low.



5 Prince Street, North End, Boston, MA



The Character of a Champion

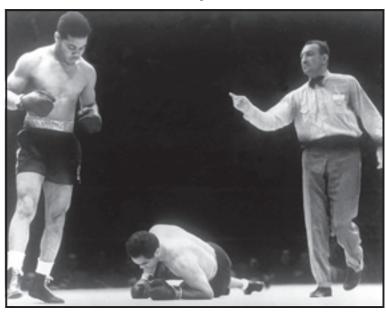
In 1937 Joe Louis won the Heavyweight Championship of the World. He was the first African American to do so since Jack Johnson lost the title in 1915. A black man had not even had an opportunity to fight for the title in the years that elapsed between the two champions. Jack Johnson was a flamboyant and outspoken character who openly courted white women in an America where former slave owners still lived. He seemed to fear no one and enjoyed getting under people's skin. He taunted his white opponents (ironically, he never defended his title against a black challenger even though there were many worthy contenders) and even would carry them and torment them to show his superiority. Johnson was giving payback to a country that had condoned slavery. While Johnson's behavior was certainly understand-



able and even courageous, it only made it close to impossible for another black man to get a shot at the title after his reign.

When Joe Louis was rising up through the ranks his backers knew they had an amazingly gifted fighter who would one day be able to win the crown. The problem was how to eventually get him a title shot. They worked carefully with him to be sure he exhibited behavior that, while not kowtowing, wouldn't strike fear into the hearts of a white public that still remembered Johnson. Louis always spoke softly, was never seen in the company of white women and never taunted his opponents. Slowly, he was able to win over the public with his demeanor and amazing skills as a fighter. But, even with all that, his management still had to make a deal with Champion James Braddock's people ceding a percentage of all future purses to the Cinderella Man if Joe took the title from him, which he did. Louis accepted all of this and went on to win the title. Louis also did much more; he won the hearts of all Americans regardless of race. He became a symbol of what America stood for when he defeated Max Schmeling who had been billed as representing Nazi Germany. The Brown Bomber remained a beloved champion for many years. I

have heard it said that it

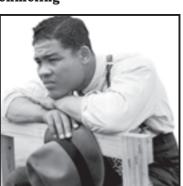


Louis vs. Schmeling



was easy remembering two things in the 1930s and '40s. The President was always FDR and the Heavyweight Champ was always Joe Louis.

Joe would later be criticized and called an Uncle Tom by people such as Muhammad Ali who took a much more outspoken approach in representing Black America. I am not here to argue over whom or if any of these people were right or wrong in their approach, I just urge people to understand what Joe was up against and to appreciate what he did for people of his race and for the country as a whole. Sometimes change comes much too slowly, but Joe Louis was a game changer. It was impossible not to admire him and



even the worst of bigots had to realize how ridiculous their hatred was when looking at the face of a man like Louis. They also had to face the fact that there were many, many more men and women of Louis' character in America and they could be any color. Our country still had many battles to fight when it came to civil rights, but I would say that Joe Louis was a driving force in an America that has become much more caring and tolerant of all its people regardless of skin color.

The great sports writer Jimmy Cannon once wrote about Louis, "He is a credit to his race, the human race." How true, how very

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Middlesex Division
208 Cambridge Street
East Cambridge, MA 02141
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Docket No. MI13P5133EA
Estate of
ERNESTINE H. BOLDUC
Date of Death March 2, 2013
INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Janet M. O'Halloran of Natick, MA, Petitioner Bernard T. Loughran, Jr. of Belmont, MA.

A Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Janet M. O'Halloran of Natick, MA, Bernard
T. Loughran, Jr. of Belmont, MA have been
informally appointed as the Personal Representatives of the estate to serve without surety
on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representatives 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 Representatives 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. MI13P5942EA
Estate of
BARBARA ANN HAMMONDS

Estate of BARBARA ANN HAMMONDS Date of Death December 5, 2009 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Thaddeus B. Hammonds of Montgomery, AL. Thaddeus B. Hammonds of Montgomery, AL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Lou Brissie A Symbol of Perseverance

Lou Brissie, who suffered devastating leg injuries during combat in World War II went on to be an All-Star pitcher for the old Philadelphia Athletics and became a symbol of perseverance recently passed away at 89.

On December 7, 1944 he was moving through the Apennines in Northern Italy with his platoon when a German shell exploded next to him. Shrapnel broke his right foot and injured his right shoulder. He also shattered the shinbone of his left leg into more than 80 pieces. He once said of his injuries, "My leg had been split open like a ripe watermelon." He almost lost his right leg but wanted to play baseball so badly, he put up with 23 operations in two years. He had a dream to be reached.

In 1947 he was playing down in Savannah, a Minor League team for the Athletics. That season with a metal brace to protect his leg, he was 23-5. In September, he was called up to Philadelphia and made his Major League debut against the Yankees losing 5-3 but he had achieved his dream.

He pitched a complete game four-hitter and defeated the Red Sox at Fenway Park. The next season 1948, he went 14-10. He was 16-11 in 1949 and he pitched that year in the All-Star at Ebbets Field.

He pitched six full sea-

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sons. After three years with the A's, he was traded to the Indians in April 1951 and appeared mostly in relief. He retired following the 1953 season with a 44-48 win-loss record.

Back in 2001, Brissie said of his life's struggles, "The thing that I got out of all this is even the things that look impossible aren't."

Red Sox Pick Up Mujica

In a clear move to strengthen up the pen in late innings, the sox have agreed to a two-year deal with free agent right-hander Edward Mujica for a reported \$9.5 million if he passed his physical. Over the past four seasons, he has a 3.10 ERA which isn't bad and has had 261 appearances, also not bad at all. He hasn't been that great lately but the Sox

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Estate of JOSE FERNANDO BADILLO Date of Death January 31, 2012 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ismael Badillo of Santa Rosa, TX

Ismael Badillo of Santa Rosa, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Estate of GEORGE KOSTA PATSIOKOSTAS Also Known As GEORGE K. PATSIOKOSTAS. GEORGIOS K. PATSIOKOSTAS, GEORGE K. PATSIOCOSTAS Date of Death April 16, 2013 INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Helen G. Patsiokostas of Watertown, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Helen G. Patsiokostas of Watertown, MA has been informally appointed as the Persona Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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are hoping for a rebound from him.

Pierzynski is Durable

AJ Perzynski has started at least 102 games behind the plate in every season since 2002. He is right up there with Carlton Fisk, Johnny Bench and Lance Parrish and none of them had a stretch of 13 consecutive seasons with more than 100 starts behind home-

Beltran a Yankee

Carlos Beltran is coming back to the Big Apple. This time to the Yankees. The All-Star outfielder agreed on a \$45 million, three-year deal. Beltran, 36, is an 8time All-Star who played for the Mets from 2005-11 when he went to the Giants. He signed a two-year deal with the Cardinals before the 2012 season and reached the World Series this year for his one and only time.

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Estate of MINERVA BLANCO Date of Death June 4, 2010 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Nancy Blanco of Forest Hill, TX.

Nancy Blanco of Forest Hill, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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HENRY E. RUFFIN, III Date of Death July 16, 2011 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Karrie McGowan of Zephyrhills. FL.

Karrie McGowan of Zephyrhills, FL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

have a sale.

estate in Highland Park, Ill., (6,945). a suburb of Chicago. NBA legthe market.

7.4 acre parcel of land, feathis) 19 bathrooms spread seasons over his career. throughout the house. It also pool (complete with pavilion), October 30th. a tennis court and a fully equipped exercise gymnalounge around on the exact furniture Michael used.

through a pair of heavy wrought iron gates.

area at the time), the asking Budenholzer (41, Atlanta). price was drastically dropped holidays.

one did. So, that means some this season to that date. time in the near future the anticipated.

profusely for investing in 107-106 to the Pistons. what Chicago-area realtors property."

The staff at the Highland real estate tax assessment.

has a good chance of moving That would be Rajon Rondo, disaster." who is working his way back from injuries sustained last year. He is currently ranked Dave Cowens (2,828), K.C. son (3,486) and JoJo White ward to covering this impor-(3.686).

Once he returns Rondo can

AFTER CHRISTMAS SALE set his sights on passing Bill — It's the days after Christ- Russell (4,100) and perhaps mas and what better time to Paul Pierce (4,305). He most likely won't catch Larry Bird One ad that may stand out (5,695), John Havlicek (6,114) is for a certain parcel of real or all-time leader Bob Cousy

Players in the earlier era end Michael Jordan had a such as Cousy, Russell, Jones mansion built there while in and Havlicek — didn't play as the prime of his playing days many regular season games for the Chicago Bulls but now as players do today — the has placed the residence on regular seasons were quite a bit shorter before expansion. The home, which sprawls Just think how many more over 56,000-square-feet on a assists a players like Cousy would have if he had played tures nine bedrooms and (get numerous 82-game regular

STEVENS RANKED FIFTH comes with a regulation NBA - Much has been made of size basketball court, a PGA first year Celtics Coach Brad putting green, a wine cellar, Stevens being only 37 years a cigar room with an air fil- old when the Celtics opened tration system, a swimming the season at Toronto back on

However, he is not the youngest head coach in team sium. It also comes fully fur- history. That honor belongs nished — so one can sit and to Dave Cowens who, at age 30, was named player coach for the 1978-1979 season. A buyer won't have to worry Other young coaches for the about people driving by for a Celtics over the decades look around. Jordan planted include Bill Russell (32 at trees on all sides of the prop- the start of the 1966-1967 erty to screen the area and season), Red Auerbach (33 the driveway to the residence back in 1950-1951) and Tom is accessible only by going Heinsohn (35 in 1969-1970).

Stevens is, however, the youngest active NBA coach So, ahem, what does all this this season. Others who cost? For those playing the started the current campaign waiting game, you are in and are known for their relaluck. Originally placed on the tive youth include Jacque market for \$29 million in Vaughn (38, Orlando), David 2012 (making it the highest Joerger (39, Memphis), Jason priced home in the Chicago Kidd (40, Brooklyn) and Mike

STARTING FAST — The 42 to a \$13 million reserve price first quarter points that the at auction just before the Celtics scored in their game against Detroit at the Garden One had to come up with back on December 18th were \$250,000 just to bid on the the most the Green had property. And guess what? No scored in any single period

The prolific production gave home is expected to come the C's a 19-point halftime on the market again with a lead (42-23) which was further reduction in price pushed to a 21-point margin early in the third. That's Should you win the lottery when things started to between now and then your unravel — with the Celtics relatives will thank you eventually falling by a point,

The problem was turning are calling "a one-of-a-kind the ball over way too many times — try 30.

"Clearly 30 points off turn-Park tax collector's office will overs isn't going to do you also be thanking you pro- much good," said Stevens. "I fusely - especially after you think it's easy to be focused hand over the check for on 'we had a 19-point half-\$180,000 to cover the annual time lead and didn't win the game.' But we got outplayed READY TO MOVE UP — The after that. They got shots off man who hasn't played yet the rim off of our turnovers during the 2013-2014 season and that was the key to the game. You just can't give up the charts in a significant them run-outs and dunks Celtics statistical category and put-backs and all that once he returns to action. stuff. That's just a recipe for

A CHANGE OF PACE BUT NOT OF PLACE — The U.S. Figure Skating Championsixth on the Celtics all-time ships comes to the Garden list in assists with 3,943. January 5th through Janu-That's a good enough figure ary 12th. It's the first time to have already surpassed since 2001 that the prestigious event has been held in Jones (2,904), Dennis John- the Hub. We're looking fortant competition once again.

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