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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



FLAMEN



Flamines, distinguished by their pointed headdress, as part of a procession on the Augustan Altar of Peace.

During the past weeks, we have been examining some of the ancient customs and beliefs and have noted many striking similarities with Christian procedures and doctrines. We discussed ancient books, manuscripts, the early Egyptian and Greek attitudes toward cosmic gods, the nether worlds, the origin of the basilica, cathedral and the eternal flame. Before we leave the worship of Vesta and the sacred fire, it might be of interest to examine “flama,” the Latin word for flame. Flama translates to fire, blaze, or torch. “Flamare” means to set fire, to inflame, or to burn.

During ancient times, the term “flamen” was used to describe “one who kindles the sacrificial fire.” The term was also used to identify a special kind of priest in the worship of a special Roman deity. We must bear in mind that this kind of worship occurred in pagan Rome many years before Christianity was practiced. There were fifteen “flamines” (male priests), of which three were high priests and were known as “flamines maiores.” One high priest was called the “flamen Dialis” or the high priest of Jupiter, their chief Roman god. The second high priest was called “flamen Martialis” or the high priest of Mars, the god of war and father of Romulus and Remus. The third high priest was called “flamen Quirinus,” the Sabine equivalent of Mars, who was worshipped as the founder of the old Roman capital.

The remaining twelve were known as “flamines minores” or priests who were identified with less important deities like Vulcanus, the god of fire, Flora, the goddess of flowers, Pomona, the goddess of the fruit of trees, and Carmenta, the ancient goddess of prophecy, who protected women in childbirth, to name a few. All of the priests held their office for life and could not be removed except under extraordinary circumstances.

The emblem of their office was a white cone-shaped hat, which was made from the hide of an animal that had previously been sacrificed. The hat also had an olive branch and a woolen thread at the top (a symbol of good health). The flamen were required to wear the hat at all times when they were out of doors. They were exempt from all civic duties and excluded from participating in politics.

The flamen Dialis was superior to all priests, but he was not permitted to spend a night away from home. He was granted a seat in the Senate, the services of a constant attendant, and his family, along with their houses, were all dedicated to Jupiter. He lived in dissoluble marriage, and if his wife died, he resigned his office. For him, every day was a holy day, and he never appeared in public without the insignia of his office. These insignia included his conical hat, a woolen toga that was woven by his wife, a sacrificial knife, and a rod to keep the people away.

When a flamen walked through the city, he was preceded by heralds who directed people to stop their work, as a flamen was not permitted to look upon any labor, or upon any person under arms, or in chains. He was not allowed to touch a horse, corpses, grave, a goat, dog, raw meat, or anything considered to be unclean. His garments were required to be free from knots, but clasps were permitted. If he was ever found guilty of any carelessness in his sacrifices, or if his hat fell from his head, he was forced to resign. His wife was bound by similar rules of conduct and dress, except that her head was covered by a kerchief, and on certain days, she was forbidden to comb her hair.

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HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 1ST - 8:00 P.M.
Last Supper Mass

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 2ND
12:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross
3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Passion

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 3RD
8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 4TH
9:00 a.m. - Easter Mass
10:30 a.m. - Easter Mass
12:00 p.m. - Easter Mass

• **Mayor’s COVID-19 Update** (Continued from Page 1)

made it clear to businesses that spacing requirements and time limits will still be in place over St. Patrick’s Day weekend. There should be no alcohol without food service. And the City won’t allow lines outside restaurants. Enforcement will continue to be in place.

Return of outdoor dining:
The Mayor said that one of the bright spots during the COVID-19 pandemic is how the City and businesses got creative to expand outdoor dining last summer and fall. It brought much-needed vitality back to our streets and small businesses.

Outdoor dining on public property ended in December, and the City is bringing it back for 2021, starting on April 1st, or as soon as the weather permits it.

The City is once again waiving fees, to remove that barrier to apply for the program. We have a centralized online application, so both businesses and residents can follow the process. We have technical support available. And we’re doing targeted outreach for under-represented businesses and communities. The City will once again be restricting parking and closing certain streets, to open up dining space. The City will share more details on specific streets in the coming weeks. The Disabilities Commission plays an important role in the review process, and is again working with restaurants to distribute mobility ramps.

The Mayor said that this program was made stronger by community input, so we welcome continued conversation.

The online application has been live since December 10, and the City has already received over 370 applications, with more than 150 approved. Applications moving forward will be reviewed on a rolling basis. You can learn more, or submit an application, at: [Boston.gov/2021OutdoorDining](https://boston.gov/2021OutdoorDining)

Update on reopening the Boston Public Schools:
On Monday the Boston Public Schools welcomed all students from pre-kindergarten through 3rd grade back to in-person classrooms, if their families opted in. They join the high priority students who have been in school since the fall.

The Mayor said that the City will continue to bring students safely back into schools, as long as public health data supports it. Grades 4-8 will be eligible for in-person learning on March 15th. And all remaining students will be eligible on March 29th.

The Mayor visited the Martin Luther King K-8 School in Dorchester this morning, to welcome young students back to the building. He said:

“This is the most important thing happening in our city right now. Most students have been out of physical classrooms since March 17th of last year. I want to thank parents, guardians, teachers, school leaders, custodians and food service workers for the tremendous work they have done to keep our students learning. I want to thank bus drivers and transportation staff, for their strong on-time performance this morning. And I want to thank everyone who has worked to prepare our classrooms to the highest safety standards anywhere.”

The Mayor said that in addition to all the work on spacing and air quality, we are moving forward with pooled COVID testing for students whose families consent. He stated that this is a good system for preventing the spread of the virus, and as we move forward, we will take every opportunity we can to keep our school communities safe.

Women’s History Month:
The Mayor closed with this reflection about Women’s History Month.

“In Boston, we believe in empowering women and protecting their rights. That’s been a hallmark of my administration and something we’re proud of. This month is an opportunity to celebrate everything that women do for our city, especially during this difficult last year. Women in city government and throughout our communities have led many of our most important responses, from healthcare, to food access, to housing support, to education. I want to take a moment to thank them. Women have also taken on a huge burden in the home, reminding us that we have a lot of work to do to achieve a fair economy. We have a range of events planned for Women’s History Month, through our Office of Women’s Advancement and Executive Director Alex Valdez. You can learn more at [Boston.gov/women](https://boston.gov/women).”

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Election Reform Now

Dear Editor:

If we have learned anything from the 2020 elections, it is that too many states have sloppy procedures that might allow fraud. The states must reform those procedures before the next election.

The first priority should be to stop the indiscriminate mailing out of ballots. A ballot should only be sent if it is requested by a registered voter, and the system should require that the voter provide reasonable identification. Virginia has a good system. Voters must give their Social Security number, driver's license number, and sign the application in the presence of a witness. That makes fraud much more difficult.

Now that the recent study by Alan Abramowitz has demonstrated that mail out ballots did not increase Joe Biden's share of the vote, even Democrats should be willing to accept tighter security.

Furthermore, ballots should be counted only if they arrive by election day. It may be necessary to allow a few exceptions, such as for the military, but ballots that arrive days or even weeks later should not be included in the count.

In addition, states must use voting systems with paper ballots that can be counted by hand to verify the machine scanning count. This was essential to proving that the Georgia and Michigan counts were valid, yet a few states still lack this fundamental safeguard.

Finally, the states must devise procedures that allow observers for each party to clearly see what is being done in the vote count. This might involve a combination of on-site observers for a general view of what is happening, plus cameras to provide a close-up of the handling of each ballot (and this should be recorded in case of dispute).

Sincerely,

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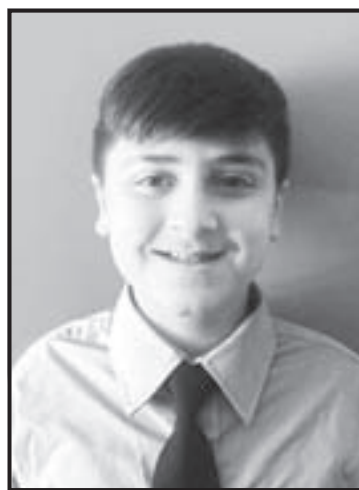
East Boston Central Catholic School Carson Scholarship Award

East Boston Central Catholic School (EBCCS) is very excited to announce that **Dante Minacapilli** has been named as a 2021 Carson Scholar.

The Carson Scholars Fund was founded in 1994 by world-renowned pediatric neurosurgeon Benjamin S. Carson and his wife to motivate and reward academic excellence in young people.

Recipients must be nominated by several educators. However, only one student may be recommended from an individual school annually. The candidates must epitomize the highest level of academic excellence with a minimum GPA of 3.75 while displaying leadership and humanitarian qualities through community service and social justice efforts.

Dante Minacapilli was selected as a nominee through a rigorous application process at East Boston Central Catholic in the fall. Qualified students from grades 4-8 were asked to complete an essay explaining why he/she should be named to represent EBCCS. Dante was chosen by the six-person inner-school panel because of his high academic achievement, integrity, civic and social responsibility.



Dante Minacapilli

Moving on the national level becomes extremely competitive. The Carson Scholarship is highly selective and given to only 500 scholars across all 50 states and Washington, D.C.

ABOUT DANTE MINACAPILLI

Dante Minacapilli started at East Boston Central Catholic School in preschool and has been an active member of the school community since day one.

He has participated in The Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, the Relay for Life, and various other events and activities during his years at EBCCS. Dante currently serves as a captain in Kolbe House as

part of the EBCCS Middle School House program where students learn to take on leadership roles, as well as, participate in community building activities in and around the school.

Dante will be attending Boston College High School in the fall where he will also receive the Magis Scholarship and the Walsh Scholarship.

ABOUT EBCCS

EBCCS was established in 1974 as the first multi-parish collaborative elementary school in the Archdiocese of Boston. The school currently serves students from Pre-K through Grade 8 from East Boston and the surrounding communities.

Dante is now the second EBCCS student to win this prestigious award. Gabrielle Ribeiro also won in 2015.

These two awards complement the two Excellence in Academic teaching Awards EBCCS received from the Archdiocese of Boston presented to Sharon Rozzi, grade 5, and Kathy Summa, Pre-K.

EBCCS is dedicated to Equity, Excellence and Education. Enrollment for 2021-22 school year is now open. Please visit the school website at: EBCCS.org to learn more and rediscover excellence for your child.

Congratulations Dante!

Wilmington Sons of Italy Diaper Drive

The Wilmington Sons of Italy will be holding its Annual Diaper Drive for the Gifts of Love. Like most events over the last year, they had to come up with a creative way to do this annual event due to COVID-19. Members of the Wilmington Sons of Italy have created a Diaper Drive-by Drop Off Fundraiser. It will be held on Saturday, March 27th and Sunday, March 28th at the Town Common parking lot, next to the 4th of July Building. The

event each day will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon.

The Easter Bunny will be there from 9:00-11:00 a.m., and will have goodies for all of the children who stop by. We will also have Italian treats for adults from 11:00 a.m. to 12 Noon each day. We will be collecting Diapers and Wipes to help support Paula Stalker and the Gifts of Love program she runs to help local mothers in need.

This is a Drive-By event only

and all social distancing guidelines will be followed and MASKS MUST BE WORN!

If you would like more information or want to drop off donations at another time, please contact John Romano at 617-750-9749. Cash donations will also be accepted, no amount is too small. Help us help those in need.

As always, the Wilmington Sons of Italy appreciates the support and generosity of our friends and neighbors!

Anne Marie (Castaldo) Fahey

Anne Marie (Castaldo) Fahey, 60, of Quincy, passed away peacefully on February 27, 2021.

She was born in Boston, a daughter of the late Carmine and Louise (Picardo) Castaldo, and raised in the North End.

She was a Communicant of St. Leonard Church and worked for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue for over 20 years and, more recently, the Falconi Companies. Anne Marie loved spending time with her family, which brought her great happiness and fulfillment. She enjoyed cooking, playing a practical joke on someone, shopping, walking, and hiking. She is survived by her beloved husband of 27 years, Brian J. Fahey, her loving daughter Kristen Fahey of Quincy, her loving son Brian P. Fahey of Milton, her cherished granddaughter Chloe, her loving sisters Diane Fulginiti and her husband John of Winchester and Irene Castaldo of Medford, her brother Robert Castaldo and his wife Lorraine of Braintree,



her aunt Lena Picardo of Boston, her father and mother-in-law Paul and Eileen Fahey of Falmouth, ME. She was the sister-in-law of Paul Fahey of Dorchester, Terry and the late Stephen Fahey of Braintree, Maura and Mark Monroe of Williamsburg, VA, and Eileen and Richard Gill of Falmouth, ME. Aunt to several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were on Wednesday March 3rd at St. Leonard Church, in Boston's North End. Burial was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (pancan.org), 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (stjude.org), 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

For more information, to view Anne Marie's Everlasting Memorial Video Tribute or to leave an online condolence, please visit "www.watermanboston.com"

L’Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Sensing Spring through Herbs

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Note: L’Anno Bello is reprinting articles that were written before the Coronavirus pandemic. Obviously, advice on gatherings and reunions contained within are not applicable to this current time when social distancing (and mask wearing!) is the best practice. Please read these articles as a testament to the joy and love that imbues Italian celebrations — and as suggestions for ways to spend time in the future once this pandemic is finally over.



Spring has blossomed before us, green and cool as bright sprig of spearmint. The longer days fill the early evening hours with resplendent golden sunrays. Robins are now a regular sight, scampering among bushes or taking off in flight from the tree-tops, their red feathers flashing the joy of spring. Buds become more pronounced, seemingly smiling with anticipation at the secret leaves concealed within. The first crocuses and daffodils wave gaily in the brisk breeze. Spring places me in the mindset of regrowth and renewal, inspired by the nature that blooms and flourishes all around me. In particular, I think of the gardens that are now beginning to take form, the first tender crops sprouting from the damp, dark soil. My father, like many Italians, loved to garden and took great pride in reaping the gifts that the Earth provided. He did not bequeath me a green thumb, but he did instill in me an appreciation for all that grows and all that originates from the natural world. In the springtime, early garden plants often take the form of delicate herbs. I love cooking with herbs, as their pungent aroma wafts through my kitchen and their sharp taste provides a kick to recipe. However, I discovered that herbs all come with their own unique folklore and superstitions. In honor of the spring and the rebirth of vegetation, let us dive into the traditional lore of some of our favorite herbs.

• **Basil:** Basil, or *basilico*, is one of the best-known herbs of Italian cooking. It forms the crux of pesto, that delectable sauce hailing from the region of Genoa,

typically made with crushed pesto, pine nuts and olive oil. In Italy, basil further symbolizes loves, and in olden days a girl looking for a romantic partner announced her intentions by placing a pot of basil on her windowsill! However, this fragrant herb also holds a sinister side. People in the Middle Ages thought it gave birth to scorpions. Some scholars speculate that the word “basil” shares the same root as “basilisk,” a spooky legendary creature that had the body of a snake and the head of a rooster and could kill its prey with just a glance!

• **Lavender:** I always thought of lavender as a pretty flower that blossomed in spring and summer, but it is actually used as a culinary herb as well! Honey made from bees that sip on lavender nectar is prized in the Mediterranean world. Lavender also forms the basis of many herbal teas. People use dried lavender buds to flavor breads, scones and chocolate, while candied lavender flowers make sweet cake decorations. In Italy, lavender is called *lavan-dula*. It was so prized in ancient Rome that it cost as much as a farmer’s monthly wages! Its name derives from the Latin word *lavare*, or wash, because it lavender was used to perfume laundry and baths.

• **Parsley:** Parsley is known as *prezzemolo* in Italian. This beloved herb adds color and flavor to Italian pastas, stews and casseroles. It frequently appears as a garnish, a custom which has roots in superstition. Ancient cooks believed that parsley was an antidote to poison, and though we now

know that is false, the credence lives on in the form of decorative parsley! In ancient Rome, on the other hand, parsley was often planted on graves. This custom inspired a bevy of sinister parsley lore, such as the superstitions stating that only evil people can grow parsley well, or that giving away or replanting parsley serves as an omen of death.

• **Rosemary:** When I think of rosemary, I think of my mother flavoring chicken or fish with this woody, piney herb. It is also delicious baked into biscuits and breads like focaccia. As William Shakespeare noted in *Hamlet*, rosemary symbolizes remembrance. It was once scattered atop caskets to ensure that funeral mourners would always remember the dead. The herb known as *rosmarino* in Italian also formed part of medieval brides’ wedding bouquets, and as such became a token of love. Folklore also attributes rosemary with the power to repel the evil eye and frighten away malicious spirits.

• **Sage:** I am in love with the classic Italian combination of savory pumpkin and sage, or *salvia*. You might say that whoever thought of this delectable flavor profile was wise indeed, and you would be right! The herb sage is associated with wisdom, which is why we call intelligent people *sages*. Supposedly, bringing a pot of flowering sage indoors invites bad luck, so people would make sure to pick sage before it bloomed. A girl who picks sage on St. Mark’s Day (April 25th) or Midsummer (June 24th) will dream of her future spouse, while eating sage in May promoted longevity.

• **Thyme:** Thyme, or *timo* in Italian, is a popular herb with which to season soups, stews and pastas. It also tastes wonderful mixed with lemon. This little herb carried a load of significance in the ancient world. The ancient Greeks burned thyme in their temples, believing that its aroma would imbue people with courage. In ancient Rome, it was used to purify rooms. By the Middle Ages, thyme had become synonymous with preventing nightmares and, when given as a gift, inspiring courage in knights. Like many other herbs, thyme was associated with the supernatural and as such was strewn onto coffins to assure a safe passage to the otherworld.

And there you have it — six well-known herbs and their associated folklore. I hope that the traditions and customs attached to these herbs will inspire you to use them in your cooking and, furthermore, to learn about the way people in times past related to the gifts produced by the Earth. After all, spring is about honoring the rebirth of nature, and delicious herbed goods provide us with a delectable way to do so!

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THINKING
OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani

America’s Spirit of ’76 Is Under Attack

I can remember celebrating America’s Bicentennial here in Boston and on a trip to Philadelphia, the Cradle of Liberty. I can still recall going to the 18th Century Exhibit at Faneuil Hall Marketplace up in the rotunda. Visitors near and far had a chance to be tested on how American they would have been in 1775-76. The test involved a 1970ish computer, which followed your decision making with key questions on key events that transpired right here in Colonial Boston. I passed the test with flying colors; the computer said I would have been a rebel fighting for liberty. This test only verified what I already assumed.

The country was celebrating the birthday of our American democrat republic form of government. Flags waved across America because we believed so strongly in ourselves, who we were and what we stood for.

Jumpstart to today and we see what our Founding Fathers fought to create under attack. We fought a bloody revolution against the British to secure our liberties and freedom, then fought a civil war to ensure those rights would survive. But it seems today, in reaction to the pandemic, we are watching our guaranteed rights fizzle away in the name of protection, apparently from ourselves. Our Founders knew why a strong Constitution was needed, one that would include a written Bill of Rights as our insurance against a future American government trying to abolish what they risked their lives to create.

Today, we have many in government who have so easily forgotten, our government didn’t give us a list of rights. The Bill of Rights was a list of

our liberties and freedom that we could not have anyone, not even our own government, take away from us. All our rights come from a “Creator” as our Founders so eloquently stated in those documents they wrote.

However, as I look back over this past pandemic-year, I have seen our elected leaders act like dictators and monarchs using their power of executive rule to tell us what we can and cannot do, what is good for us and what is not good for us. The American People, “We the People” are still the sovereigns of this nation. We don’t work for them, they work for us.

In the name of saving us from a deadly virus, we have watched what many view as an abuse of power. We have quickly seen an addiction show itself, an addiction to power and control. Many see a power struggle ensuing. I don’t want any “New Norm” that doesn’t allow me to be a free American.

There are many out there today trying to erase our past. Cancel our greatness as a nation. Tear down our heroes and our great feats. Tell us how systemically bad we all are and how ashamed we should all feel. To those pushing their Bad America Agenda, I say look around, “Where else today is a better place to be than America even with our many warts?”

We had the right stuff back in 1775 and 1776, and we still knew that in 1975-76. We shouldn’t lose sight of who we are as Americans. We were never perfect because only God is perfect, but we should never give up trying to reach beyond our grasp to keep America as a beacon of light and hope. We owe this to those who came before us and to those who will follow us.

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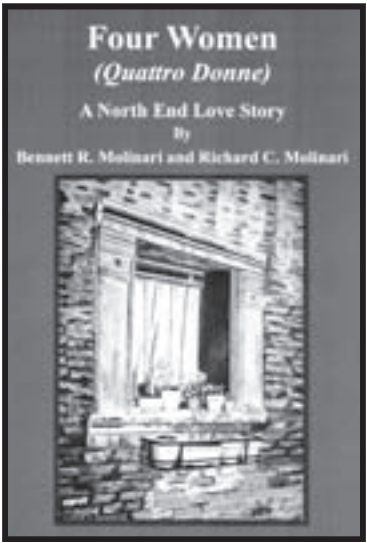
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In the next few weeks this column will feature excerpts from this book.

CHAPTER 42
A Change of Heart

Friday morning dawned, steamy and hot, typical August weather. Once again, it was a morning that would have been oppressive in the North End, but in Kingston, it was a morning extending a welcome invitation for fun in the sea. This would be our last full day of vacation. Had it been like any other vacation in the past, it would have followed a certain pattern, the kids spending the entire day at the beach, in an effort to make the most of it, the men on the flats picking a load of quahogs to bring back to Boston, and the women repacking the leatherette shopping bags, old duffle bags, and suitcases that originally carried our belongings from Boston. This would have been the pattern of the day, had it not been for Elena’s phone call, and the meeting planned for that morning with Grandma, Mom and Pietro.

It was a little after 10 o’clock in the morning, when Mom called to Pietro and asked him to join her and Grandma for a walk. Pietro first refused, wanting to spend the day alone at the beach, but he could see something was on Mom’s mind, something serious, suggested by the tone in her voice; he reluctantly agreed. Mom assured Pietro she was on his side, but for now, he must allow Grandma to speak to him. The three set out, heading down Cole Street, in the direction of the old recreation hall with its attached worn tennis court, that hadn’t seen use or repair in years. A torn tennis net sagged



between two silver metal posts, standing half upright on the black worn pavement. It has been that way, year in and year out, for as long as we’ve been vacationing in Kingston. Mom and Grandma planned to walk around the neighborhood, returning to our cottage approximately in an hour’s time.

Grandma got the conversation going, reminding Pietro, within a month, he would be returning to Italy and entering seminary school. Pietro didn’t respond. He acted as if he didn’t hear what Grandma said. Mom, picking up on the threads of Grandma’s observation and wanting to lead the conversation toward her point of view, carried it one step further and asked, “Pietro, what will you be studying in your first school year?” Pietro remained silent. His silence concerned Grandma. She reached behind Pietro, who was walking between them, and pulled on Mom’s pocketbook as if to say, “Carmela, ask him again.” Mom

knew all Grandma’s tricks and sign language. Responding to Grandma’s nudge, she repeated the question, “Pietro, what will you be studying in your first school year?”

“Cousin, what type of bird is that hopping on the road in front of us?” Pietro asked. “I have never seen one in Italy.” Mom having no idea of the species, simply responded, “It’s a blue bird.” Grandma, quick to become exasperated, asked, “Pietro, we would like to know what you will be studying in your first year of seminary school. Why don’t you answer your cousin?” Pietro, trying to avoid the subject, once again questioned the species of the bird hopping just in front of them. Grandma blew her top. Without mincing words and no longer able to contain herself, she finally let Pietro have it. “Pietro, yesterday I received a very disturbing call from your Aunt, my sister Elena. Everyone is talking about your affair with Carla. It has spread throughout the North End and has reached your parents’ ears in Italy. You were sent here and placed in my care. You were to be a priest, a man of God, and now you seem willing to throw everything away for a summer romance with a girl you just met.” Pietro finally addressed the subject. “Aunt Lucia, you call it a summer romance, and it isn’t fair. I love Carla and I know she loves me, but for some reason, everything has gone wrong. What should have been something beautiful, has turned out to be something dirty and scandalous in the eyes of my family and friends.”

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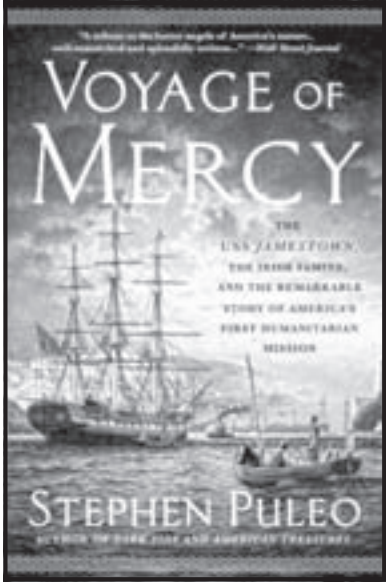
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Author Stephen Puleo’s
Voyage of Mercy
Launch March 9th



The launch event for Stephen Puleo’s *Voyage of Mercy* was scheduled for last March at a major event co-sponsored by the **National Park Service/ National Parks of Boston, the USS Constitution, the USS Constitution Museum, and Boston Harbor Now** (many of you signed up for this). The event was to be held at the Charlestown Navy Yard, from where the *USS Jamestown* departed in 1847 laden with food for starving residents of County Cork in Ireland. Capturing the “sense of place” of this story would have been such an outstanding way to launch *Voyage of Mercy*.

The pandemic postponed those plans, but **I’m thrilled that we have rescheduled this event with the sponsorship of these same great organizations, said Puleo.** The new event — virtual this time — will be held **March 9th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** The event is free, but advance registration is required and Zoom requirements limit attendance to the first 500 registrants. **You can register for your complimentary ticket at <https://ussconstitutionmuseum.org/events/voyage-of-mercy/>**

“It promises to be a terrific night. **I’m honored that USS Constitution’s Executive Officer, Lieutenant Commander Andy Broyles** will handle the introduction for the evening, and **Park Ranger Gabby Hornbeck** will serve as moderator. All of these organization have collaborated extensively, and the *USS Constitution Museum* is promoting the event and will also make signed copies of *Voyage of Mercy* available to participants.

“We may not literally and physically be able to enjoy the “sense of place” that the Navy Yard provides, but we are calling the event a ‘**community conversation**’ because we want to get as close as possible to being together — so much so that the evening will kick off with traditional Irish music provided by **Calum Bell and Friends**. I also hope the accompanying day/night photos of the Navy Yard and the *USS Constitution* give you a feel for the overall majesty of this historic location, said Puleo.

Many people have been involved in organizing this event — a number of them behind the scenes. **I want to recognize and thank my two main event contacts: Liza Stearns, Director of Visitor Engagement, Education, and the Arts for the National Park Service (NPS); and NPS Park Ranger David Hannigan.** Both are real pros and have spent a great deal of time brainstorming, organizing, and coordinating the different entities that are part of this event. I also want to give a special thanks to **Ethan Beeler**, Supervisory Park Ranger, National Parks of Boston/Charlestown Navy Yard & Bunker Hill; and **Rebecca Smerling**, who is handling production for **Boston Harbor Now**, said Puleo.

I hope you can join me on the evening of March 9th for the *Voyage of Mercy* community conversation!

Veteran
Food
Distribution
Set for Somerville,
March 6th

by Sal Giarratani

The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation along with United Cape Patriots, organized by Billy Tauro of Somerville, will begin food distributions from the Lions Club at 6 New Washington Street starting tomorrow (Saturday, March 6th) from noon until 2:00 p.m. If all goes well, it will most likely turn into a weekly Saturday food distribution event. If you would like to help by volunteering, show up on March 6th and let Billy Tauro know.

In these times of food insecurity, these weekly food distributions by the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation have already been organized in several communities down on the Cape and nearer to here in Randolph.

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ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo

A Hairdresser's Appointment Book in 1950



Mary Catalano's Beauty Shop with Josie, late 1940s, South Union Street, Lawrence

Ciao bella,

Rummaging in the bowels of my Dad's cellar I discovered a huge cache of remembrances from my childhood and before. Up on one shelf was yet another box filled with just plain junk on top of what I considered a treasure — my Mom's appointment book from Nana's shop in the year 1950.

Calendars from just 20 and 30 years ago lay on top. But 1950: why did she save that book in particular? More on that question later.

Each column for 1950 ... January through December detailed each client — customers at the time — a name, always with a proper Miss or Mrs. in front.

The services ranged from perms, finger waves, tints, hair cuts to polish on the nails and manicures. There were "cholesterol treatments" that were a popular conditioning service. Placed under a hot dryer with a plastic cap for a half hour or so, would leave hair silky smooth and cure split ends. The cost for a shampoo and wave in 1950 was 75 cents. Similarly priced were the other services.

She also sold a variety of hair pieces, decorative hair combs, jewelry and creams. The glass cabinet to the left of photo was where the goods were on display. There were no answering machines then, so Mom relied on being there to answer the phone, take appointments, and

service the walk-ins. Imagine no answering machine!

Some days were slow, with just one customer. And then some were just packed in and she barely stopped all day, working as late as *ten o'clock*, then off to the bus for home in South Lawrence.

Among the names she would mention over her next 51 years on earth, many were there in that book. I saw there listed the mothers and aunts of dear friends. One gal tells me how she accompanied her mother to my Mom's shop and would press her face into the window to see just how much longer Mom would be.

Ah, if the book could only talk, what tales it would tell.

Oh and the romance in the Beauty Shop was I'm sure why Mom saved this Appointment Book. It was the time she met my Dad. Lo and behold, there were scribbles of my Dad's writing (her future husband) and his doodled name! All the days he visited and helped her out taking appointments. How exciting this book really was to me! And a year's appointments for her future sister-in-law, Aunt Ann DiZazzo (my Mom finally spelled it correctly three-quarters through the year.) And, of course, her future mother-in-law, my Nana Mrs. Mary DiZazzo!

Where there's beauty, there's love.

Buona giornata and God bless the United States of America!

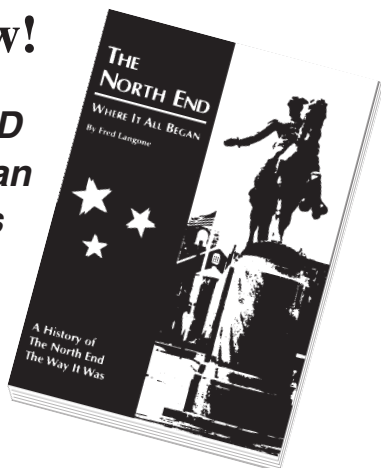
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Mrs. Murphy . . . As I See It

East Boston mourns the passing of long-time activist Peter Cardinale, 96, a lifelong resident of Jeffries Point. Peter, along with his deceased wife Joanne, spent decades fighting for better neighborhoods and parks rallying against Logan Airport expansion and supporting community groups. The couple were on many boards and fought for open spaces. In losing East Boston's many treasured activist of late, Eastie will never be the same ... Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards is seeking re-election for District One in the fall. Edwards who beat out a strong competition in her first bid for the Council is doing an articulate job supporting her constituents, and the communities she represents. She is expected to slide in! ... March has finally arrived and hopefully spring ... Heard another coffee and lunch shop is opening at the former Elite Donut in Day Square ... How the pandemic upset many people's lives! Fleeing small apartments, buying vacation homes, or simply looking for a change of scenery amid the crushing boredom of lockdowns, people scrambled to buy houses amid the pandemic, spurring bidding

wars and supercharging real-estate markets across the country. Now many are discovering the pitfalls of these hasty purchases, ranging from buyers' remorse and financial strain ... State Representative Adrian Madaro was recently appointed as Chair of the Joint Committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery. Rep. Madaro thanked Speaker Ron Mariano for the appointment and said he is excited to work with Senate Co-Chair Julian Cyr and my colleague Rep. Michelle DuBois ... When first announced, people were skeptical to get the COVID-19 vaccine, but now that it's been around for several weeks people are flocking to centers to receive it. Slightly more than 26 million Americans or 7.9% of the total population have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Fauci estimates between 70-80% of the U.S. population needs to be immune for herd immunity to affect against the virus. And he says people vaccinated against the virus may start to socialize together ... It's tragic. Golf legend Tiger Woods, 45, sustained significant leg and foot injuries after the SUV he was driving rolled over multiple times in California. According to hospital officials, the injuries

to his legs are serious. He may never be able to play golf again! ... Radio personality and political commentator Rush Limbaugh has died. He was battling lung cancer ... Anything safe anymore??? A Saugus postal worker for 20 years has been charged with multiple counts of stealing mail. This case comes just two months after a Lynn postal worker was charged with multiple counts of stealing mail. Accused postal worker stole over \$2,000 in gift cards during the holiday season ... Some of what CHANGES ON March 1st: Restaurant capacity limits will be removed and full capacity allowed with six-foot spacing between tables, and no more than six people at a table with a 90-minute time limit. Live music and dancing to return, except for Boston, which returns approximately March 22nd. Indoor theaters, concert halls, and event centers will be allowed 50% capacity with a limit of 500 people. Roller skating, laser tag, trampolines, obstacle courses, flight schools, indoor golf, museums, guided tours, office space, stores/retail, churches, arcades, fitness centers, and health clubs will be able to operate open at 50 percent. Food courts will remain closed ... *Till next time, stay healthy and well ...*

Love Was in the Air at the ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center



Treats to go with Lunch — Karen Halloran of North End Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center made up colorful bags with NE/WE NSC Staff



Meatball subs catered by Antico Forno for Amy Lowell Apartments. Funded by Enhancement Proposal Grant from the Age Strong Commission



Monthly food pantry bag distributions made possible by Greater Boston Food Bank and other donors

COVID-19 could not stop the ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) from making a special Valentine's Day for the seniors of the North End and West End. The fun continued the entire month of February, and the center is so grateful to those who reached out to offer love and friendship during the cold and isolating winter.

Any distributions take place on a staggered rotation in the North End and West End low-income housing buildings with contactless drop off by NE/WE NSC staff wearing gloves and masks. First priority is for existing and new ABCD members.

Call 617-523-8125 if you would like to apply for a no-cost membership, and a staff member will explain the benefits, process, and qualifications.



Monthly pizza donation from Pizzeria Regina. Thank you, Richie Zapata!



Thank you, Class Mom Bridget Perry for dropping off the cards (Photo), and Kindergarten Teacher Ms. Flynn for organizing the project

Designing a Wildlife-Friendly Landscape

by Melinda Myers



Include habitat features in your garden and landscape that are needed to attract and sustain the wildlife you are trying to attract.
(Photo courtesy of MelindaMyers.com)

We love watching the bunnies hopping across the lawn or ground squirrels scurrying away with a cheek full of seeds. That is, until they dine on our favorite shrub or take just one bite out of each red ripe tomato in the garden. Finding a way to coexist is critical for wildlife struggling to survive and our enjoyment of nature and our landscapes.

As gardeners, we know that digging in the soil and tending a garden is good for our mind, body, and spirit. Researchers discovered the same is true when we take time to observe wildlife. Our need for a relationship with nature is also important to our wellbeing. It helps us feel more content and function more effectively.

But we love our gardens too. Implementing some design and management strategies can help us support and enjoy wildlife, care for our landscapes, and improve our quality of life.

By reducing the amount of edge habitat, where one type of habitat meets another, can allow us to support wildlife while reducing the risk of damage. Create circular or square garden beds that have more interior space and less border space. Long linear beds with more edges and less interior

space allows easier access for animals to dine.

Work with neighbors and your community to create large blocks and corridors of habitat. Providing them spaces, other than your gardens, with needed food and shelter can help you and the wildlife to coexist.

Protect key gardens and plants. Fencing is an option. Make sure your fence is high enough, tight to the ground, and the gates secure.

Repellents are a less obtrusive option. Select a product labeled for the animals and rodents you are trying to manage. For best results, apply repellents before the animals start feeding. Then reapply as recommended on the label. Look for one, like organic, bird — and pollinator-friendly *Plantskydd* (plantskydd.com), that is rain and snow resistant, requiring fewer repeat applications.

Work with nature to maintain a balance in your landscape. Invite hawks, owls, and fox to your backyard. Grow tall grasses and plants that provide cover for foxes. Include trees with good perches or install perch poles to attract and support raptors.

And like any landscape endeavor, start with a plan. Make a sketch of your existing

landscape. Identify existing plants and wildlife-friendly habitats. Make note of both the natural habitats and any supplemental food, water, and shelter you provide. Review and note various features in your landscape throughout the year.

Now decide what you want to accomplish in your landscape. What wildlife do you want to attract and have the space to support? Perhaps you want to attract more songbirds to your gardens or animals, like toads, that help manage pests in the garden.

Make sure your landscape provides the habitat features needed to attract and sustain these welcome residents. You will find lots of helpful resources on National Wildlife Federation, Audubon, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Department of Natural Resources, and University Extension websites.

Be patient and wait for a year to evaluate the results of your efforts. Then begin making any needed changes to meet your goals.

Developing a landscape for you to enjoy and one that supports wildlife takes time, but as a gardener this is not only part of the process but an exciting adventure.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses* How to Grow Anything DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by *Tree World Plant Care* for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is: <http://www.melindamyers.com/>.

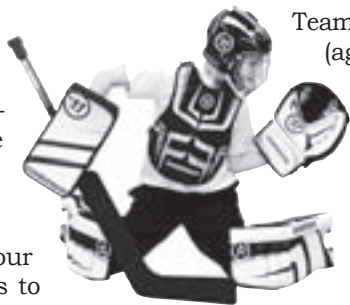
Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 2021 Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins Foundation during the April public school vacation week.

"We're looking forward to getting our young hockey stars back outdoors to compete for the title of 'Boston's Best' in the Mayor's Cup Tournament," said Mayor Walsh. "We thank the Boston Bruins for their continued partnership and support and wish this year's players all the best of luck."

The Tournament will begin April 20th and continue through the school vacation week. All games will be played at Joseph Moakley Park at 1005 Columbia Road in South Boston.

Additional support is provided by P&G Gillette.



Teams will compete in two regions in Mite (ages 6 to 8), Squirt (ages 9 to 10), and Pee Wee (ages 11 and 12) divisions.

Please note that pre-registration for teams is required with a limit of eight teams per regional division.

All Massachusetts hockey standard procedures will be followed with added Mayor's Cup COVID-19 policies: masks are mandatory at all times; teams are limited to one game

per day; no sharing of equipment; players will arrive 10 minutes before their games; benches will be sanitized between games; teams will be asked each day to provide names and phone numbers for contact tracing; and Mayor's Cup staff will be on site to ensure sure all protocols are followed.

To register or for more information, please contact Damien Margardo at damien.margardo@boston.gov or call 617-961-3083.

Saint Josemaria Escriva

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Josemaria Escriva de Balaguer was born in Barbastro, Spain, on January 9, 1902, the second of six children of Jose and Dolores Escriva. His father was a merchant and a partner in a textile company that eventually went bankrupt. The family relocated in 1915 to the city of Logroño, where the father worked as a clerk in a clothing store.

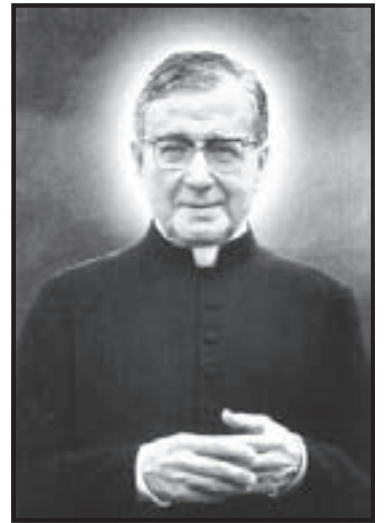
Beginning in 1918, Josemaria sensed that God was asking something of him, although he didn't know exactly what it was. With his father's blessing, Escrivá prepared to become a priest. He was ordained a priest on March 28, 1925.

In 1927, Fr. Josemaria moved to Madrid to study for a graduate degree in law. He was accompanied by his mother, sister, and brother, as his father had died in 1924 and he was now head of the family.

On October 2, 1928, while making a retreat in Madrid, God showed him his specific mission: he was to found Opus Dei, an institution within the Catholic Church dedicated to helping people in all walks of life to follow Christ, to seek holiness in their daily life and grow in love for God and their fellow men and women. In 1930, he started Opus Dei's apostolic work for women.

The Priestly Society of the Holy Cross was founded by Escrivá in 1943, which made it possible for some of Opus Dei's lay faithful to be ordained as priests. The full incorporation of both lay faithful and priests in Opus Dei, which makes a seamless cooperation in the apostolic work possible, is an essential feature of the foundational charism of Opus Dei.

Aware that God meant Opus Dei to be part of the mission of the universal Church, the founder moved to Rome in 1946



so as to be close to the Holy See. By 1950 the Work had received pontifical approvals affirming its main foundational features.

In 1948 Escrivá founded the Collegium Romanum Sanctae Crucis (Roman College of the Holy Cross), Opus Dei's educational center for men, in Rome. In 1953, he founded the Collegium Romanum Sanctae Marie (Roman College of Saint Mary) to serve the women's section (these institutions are now joined into the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross.) Escrivá also established the University of Navarre, in Pamplona, and the University of Piura (in Peru), as secular institutions affiliated with Opus Dei.

During Vatican Council II (1962-1965), Monsignor Escriva worked closely with many of the council fathers, discussing key Council themes such as the universal call to holiness and the importance of laypersons in the mission of the Church.

Escriva passed away on June 26, 1975, at the age of 73. He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 6, 2002. The Feast Day of Saint Josemaria Escriva is celebrated on June 26th.

As of 2018, there were 95,318 members of Opus Dei.

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**THE BAND - STAGE FRIGHT (Vinyl + 2CD)
UMe/Capitol**

In the spring of 1971, The Band set off to Europe where they hadn't played since their tumultuous tour with Bob Dylan in 1966, where they were booed every night as the folk rock purists felt betrayed by Dylan who had gone electric, backed by his band The Hawks, who would soon after become known as The Band. Not having played there in five years, The Band — Garth Hudson (keyboards, piano, horn), Levon Helm (drums, vocals, mandolin), Richard Manuel (keyboards, vocals, drums), Rick Danko (bass, vocals, fiddle) and Robbie Robertson (guitar, piano, vocals) — didn't know what to expect, but instead of boos they received a rapturous response at their first concert in Hamburg, Germany and would go on to play for one enthusiastic crowd after another.

Released in both black vinyl, and limited edition, color vinyl version, plus a double-CD version containing 19 tracks of *Stage Fright*, and *Live At The Royal Albert Hall, 1971*, an exhilarating 20-song set that captures The Band firing on all cylinders, and delivering thrilling performances of songs from their then-recently released *Stage Fright* record — alongside their most popular tracks from 'Music From Big Pink' and the self-titled sophomore "Brown Album" such as "The Weight," "King Harvest (Has Surely Come)," "Up On Cripple Creek," "The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down," "Across The Great Divide," "Chest Fever," and inspired covers of Dylan's "I Shall Be Released" and the Stevie Wonder-penned, Four Tops hit, "Loving You Is Sweeter Than Ever."

In addition to *Live at the Royal Albert Hall, June 1971*, the double-CD features a bevy of unreleased recordings, including alternate versions of "Strawberry Wine" and "Sleeping," and seven unearthed field recordings, *Calgary Hotel Recordings, 1970*, features an impromptu late night hotel jam session between Robertson, Danko and Manuel, of several *Stage Fright* songs recorded while the album was in the mixing stage plus a host of covers.

Whereas the electrifying *Live at the Royal Albert Hall* concert showcases The Band playing as good as they ever did, *The Calgary Hotel Recordings, 1970* offer a glimpse into a different kind of performance, the kind of fun, spur-of-the-moment jam sessions that were bound to happen whenever the guys were together in a hotel room or backstage on tour. Coming off the heels of the band's monumental debut and sophomore records, *Stage Fright* cemented The Band as one of the most exciting and important musical acts of the '60s and '70s. Fifty years on, lifelong fans and those just discovering The Band can experience the album in a whole new way, sounding better than ever, or for the first time.

**PJ HARVEY - STORIES FROM THE CITY,
STORIES FROM THE SEA +
STORIES FROM THE CITY,
STORIES FROM THE SEA - DEMOS (Vinyl)
Ume/Island**

Ume/Island has released the reissue of the vinyl of *Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea*, the fifth studio album by PJ Harvey, alongside a collection of unreleased demos. One of Harvey's most acclaimed albums, *Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea*, earned Harvey multiple accolades, including BRIT Award nominations for Best British Female Artist two years in a row, Grammy® Award nominations for Best Rock Album and Best Female Rock Performance and, the Mercury Music Prize for Best Album in 2001. Reissue on vinyl of the fifth PJ Harvey studio album *Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea*, was produced by PJ Harvey with Rob Ellis and Mick Harvey, and originally released in October 2000.

Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea, features singles "Good Fortune," "A Place Called Home" and "This Is Love" and includes a duet with Radiohead's Thom Yorke on "This Mess We're In." Additional tracks include, Side 1: "Big Exit," "One Line," "Beautiful Feeling," "The Whores Hustle And The Hustlers Whore." Side 2: "This Mess We're In," "You Said Something," "Kamikaze," "Horses In My Dreams," and "We Float." *Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea - Demos* is a collection of unreleased demos of every track written for the fifth PJ Harvey studio album *Stories From The City, Stories From The Sea*, including demos of "Good Fortune," "A Place Called Home" and "This Is Love." Demos' track list has: Side 1: "Big Exit," "Good Fortune," "A Place Called Home," "One Line," "Beautiful Feeling," and "The Whores Hustle And The Hustlers Whore." Demos on Side 2 tracks have: "This Mess We're In," "You Said Something," "Kamikaze," "This Is Love," "Horses In My Dreams," and "We Float."

**COWBOYS & FRENCHMEN - OUR HIGHWAY (CD)
Outside In Music**

On their release, *Our Highway*, the inventive quintet Cowboys & Frenchmen, comprised of saxophonist/co-founders Ethan Helm and Owen Broder, pianist Addison Frei, bassist Ethan O'Reilly and drummer Matt Honor, reflect on the life of touring musicians. Helm composed all of the music and envisioned the theme. A suite titled "American Whispers" weaves through the album, representing the tension between humanity and the natural world — towering "Pines," fast-rushing "Streams," daunting "Mountains," their imposing stature shaping the frenetic tempos and angular melodies of the pieces. Inspired by Alice Coltrane, "Alice in Promisedland" takes the opposite viewpoint. "An Old Church" is followed by the interlude "Where Is Your Wealth?" can be heard as an accusatory demand or a spiritual challenge. "Gig Life" celebrates the offbeat experiences that forge the bonds of a band, while "The Farmer's Reason" ends the album.

**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 Giaratani

**ECONOMIC LOCKDOWN
LAST STRAW FOR MANY**

I heard that Macy's has closed its CambridgeSide Galleria store recently; apparently the latest victim of the COVID-19 inspired economic lockdown of business in Massachusetts. Also, Borders Cafe, a long time eatery in Harvard Square has now permanently closed as "the pain from the pandemic continues." This story keeps repeating itself over and over again. How many have been shuttered for good? How many now in hibernation will never wake up again? Who or what is the biggest threat COVID-19 or our elected officials seemingly addicted to power and control? You tell me.

**IS BIDEN A
HOLOGRAM PRESIDENT?**

The media reported that the White House stated that Biden took off the recent holiday spending time chilling at Camp David on a "Weekend at Bernie's" mini-vacation.

Then, a few days later, he took an apparent snow day chilling out again while people were still chilling down in Texas waiting for the U.S. Cavalry to ride into town to help.

Many are worried about where the new guy in the Oval Office is. Many are thinking the new guy in the White House could be just a hologram.

HOW TO BE AN ANTIRACIST

I just found out that back in December 2020, the members of the appointed Boston School Committee engaged in professional development training which was led pro bono by Dr. Ibram X. Kendi, author of *How to Be an Antiracist*, as part of the committee's efforts to examine policies and more deeply understand their impact on communities.

All I can say is, thank God this training was pro bono! Another example of political correctness gone amok!

**THE MORE YOU HEAR
ABOUT CUOMO, THE LESS ...**

Governor Andrew Cuomo from New York looks like he is falling deeper and deeper into political quicksand. The guy can't even seem to apologize for any failings. He screwed up big time with his nursing home policy, in addition three women have come forward accusing him of unwanted advances.

Earlier in the pandemic, folks were pushing him to run for president. This guy received an Emmy for his press conferences and then wrote about how great his leadership has been since COVID changed life in America.

Now the tide has turned, as both Democrats and Republicans seem to be gunning for him for some horrible executive decisions that appear to have been deadly ones. There's bipartisan talk in Albany about the idea of impeachment.

Last I heard, Cuomo has started blaming Trump for his COVID policy troubles. You know he's in deep doo-doo when he starts using an Anti-Trump Derangement defense.

A DEAR FRIEND HAS PASSED

As someone who lived in Quincy nearly 25 years, I recently heard an old friend of mine, Archie Wahlberg, age 93, died peacefully on January 21st.



**Rayla Campbell of
Randolph, MA met with
U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan,
R-Ohio, at the recent
CPAC 2021 conference
in Orlando, Florida on
February 28th**

He was an activist in Quincy for many years and was also a WWII veteran. He and his late wife Rosemary were very active in the life of the community. He was a founding board member of Manet Health Center and he also served on the Quincy Housing Authority.

In 2012, the Head Start Learning Center was dedicated in their names. The Rosemary & Archie Wahlberg Head Start Early Learning Center has become the lasting legacy of their dedication to the City of Quincy. He and his wife are already much missed.

**TED CRUZ ANOTHER
SCREW UP POLITICIAN?**

Sen. Ted Cruz was spotted by the media in Mexico where he had taken his two daughters on vacation. He said he was just flying them down and that he was returning the following morning. However, now it was reported, his wife was with him.

Many think he changed his flight plans after being discovered in Cancun. Was he really returning the following morning?

I guess he apologized for being politically tone deaf. However, others, rightfully, wonder if his quick return was a quick reaction for getting caught by reporters?

With Texas devastated by the recent weather emergency in which people are suffering and dying, the last thing Cruz needed to be talking about was his presence in Cancun. He sounds like every other politician in Washington. It's all about me, me, me!

**AYANNA BLAMES TEXAS
FOR NOT GOING GREEN?**

The last thing U.S. Rep. Ayanna Pressley should be yakking about is the Green New Deal and trying to make political hay over the misery of so many down in Texas. Now is the time to fix things and heal together, not using a crisis to benefit your political agenda. However, this is the Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Democrat Socialist playbook at work.

**CONGRATS TO THE
GUARDIAN ANGELS**

New York City's Guardian Angels are celebrating their 42nd anniversary this year patrolling the streets and subways down in the Bid Apple. For more on this group, you can go to guardianangels.org.

I hear that Curtis Sliwa, the founder of this group now has a weekday radio show on WABC

770 on the AM dial from noon to 3:00 p.m. I also hear he might be running for NYC Mayor, too.

**EMAIL FROM MY INBOX
FROM ADAM LANGE
BREWSTER, MA**

"I was fascinated by the news that the Boston Public Health Commission's Medical Director Dr. Lo relocated over 5,000 miles away last November at the height of the city's COVID surge and failed response. (Public health czar working from Hawaii, 2/21/21).

To counter any negative optics this may have created, Dr. Lo released a statement reassuring taxpayers and COVID victims that she is in fact, "on the front line ...," and plans to return this summer during the forecasted decline of COVID.

All we can hope for is to return in our next life as a 'non-essential' municipal employee, and collect our six-figure City of Boston paycheck from Hawaii."

BREAKING NEWS ... In an email statement, Lo told NBC10 she and her husband made the difficult decision to temporarily relocate to Hawaii for personal reasons, including to be closer to family. "In conjunction with the move, I offered to resign my position as Medical Director and return to the private sector as a practicing physician," the statement continues. "However, BPHC determined I would be able to effectively continue my work remotely while maintaining the same level of responsibilities required in this role."

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. M121P0879EA
Estate of
CARL JOHN BERTOLINO
Date of Death: November 24, 2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Catherine M. DeFlumeri of Alton Bay, NH requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that Catherine M. DeFlumeri of Alton Bay, NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of April 01, 2021.


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

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 03, 2021
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Babbononno used to talk about the unification of Italy, which took place on March 17, 1861. He would not arrive on Earth for another 14 years, but from the way he spoke about one of the great liberators, Giuseppe Garibaldi, you would think he fought with him, side by side. In case March 17th sounds familiar, it is that we Bostonians celebrate Evacuation Day on that date, the day the British fleet sailed out of Boston Harbor during the Revolution, and we celebrate St. Patrick’s Day, too. With all of the Irish in and around Boston, and with our local history taking precedent, Italian unification seems to have taken a back seat.

My friend and colleague, Colonel John Silva, gave me a British magazine a while back, with an article about Garibaldi which details his directions in life. Babbononno used to call him the liberator, but not much was ever included in European history text books that we read here in the States, just short passages on Italian unification followed by German unification. Back in 2011, John and I wrote a scholarly work for a couple of colleges on Italian unification, as it was the 150th anniversary that year. In brief, Garibaldi helped free parts of South America from Spanish domination. Southern Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina became independent thanks to Garibaldi.

At about the time our Civil War broke out, Garibaldi and his wife were living with Antonio Meucci in New York. Babbononno used to mention him as the man who invented the telephone, and I used to correct him saying that it was Alexander Graham Bell, not a guy named Meucci. In 2006, the U.S. government would finally give Antonio Meucci the credit he deserved, so I guess Babbononno was right all along.

While Garibaldi was in New York, he was contacted by President Lincoln, who was aware of the man’s charisma and military capabilities. In 1861, the north wasn’t doing that well fighting the south and the president continuously changed military leaders. He knew how Garibaldi fought the Spanish with his rag-tag armies and his pregnant Brazilian wife on horseback, by his side. Lincoln offered him the position of a two star general (major general) hoping that Garibaldi’s involvement might change things. Garibaldi refused stating that he would accept only if he became general of all the American forces and if Lincoln immediately freed

the slaves. Lincoln refused and Garibaldi eventually returned to Italy and became one of the three liberators that unified the land of our ancestors. Lincoln didn’t free the slaves until 1863.

According to Babbononno, Antonio Meucci was the inventor of the telephone. Of course, I ignored this as a child. We were taught in school that Bell invented the telephone in the 1875. Meucci had several problems. He was Italian at a point in time when Italians were new to America and not well liked. His English skills were very poor at best and he didn’t have money enough to patent and market his invention. When he became ill and needed medicine, his wife sold his equipment and invention to purchase

What medicine he needed and Bell, who had at one point worked with Meucci, bought everything from a second hand store and took the credit for the invention. As I mentioned above, it wasn’t until 2006 that Meucci was given credit as the inventor of the telephone. So, after that, I would tell my world history students, “Antonio Meucci invented the telephone and Alexander Graham Bell invented the busy signal!”

Babbononno liked history. At night, when I was a kid, he would tell Mom, Nanna and me about things that happened in American history that sounded fascinating, and they were, coming from a great story teller. I now can only imagine that he did the same thing with my uncles a generation earlier. There were drawbacks to Italian advancement in America due to several things according to Babbononno. He claimed that after Italian unification, southern Italians were still as disenfranchised as they had been when the Italian states were controlled by Spain, France or Austria. After the unification, those who took over were mostly northerners and allied themselves with the local southern clergy. They emphasized education, and to counter this, the locals emphasized the trades. If a man came home with a sore back or calloused hands, he had proven himself. The same emphasis followed Italian immigrants to America after 1880, and as a result, some of the greatest craftsmen and tradesmen made their marks on America. They brought their children (the boys) up to believe that this was the way to go, and combined with the Italian American uncanny abilities for organization, saw their sons become captains of industry, especially in the trades. It

wasn’t until my generation came along that education came into play as part of the equation.

To prove this point, a while ago, I sent some information to Dean Saluti. As you may know, he is the president of the Renaissance Lodge of the Sons of Italy in Massachusetts. What you may not know, he is the head of the Culture Commission for the Sons and that info I sent him listed all of the famous Italian Americans whom I have researched, mainly through Wikipedia, the online encyclopedia. We’ve come a long, long way in the past generation or two, and that includes in industry, politics, law, medicine, education, the sciences, the arts, sports and entertainment. Our people have done it all, and if Babbononno was alive today, he would be just as proud as I am as to their accomplishments and the fact that their names end in vowels.

I remember a conversation with Dad and my uncles, Nick and Paul, and a few of their fellow musicians back when I was a young man. All of them had Anglicized their names so that they sounded more American. Dad became Johnny Christie. Uncle Paul and Uncle_Nick’s last name went from Contini to Conti. Their Jewish musician friends had done the same thing for the same reasons. You had to make changes and have an Anglo sounding last name to compete, but things have changed. When my son, Michael, decided to become an actor, I mentioned that Dad had become Johnny Christie and I had become Johnny Christy Jr. as musicians and entertainers, and I then asked him if he was going to use either of those Anglicized spellings for his stage name. He then said, “My name is Michael Christoforo, and that is the name I am going to use in everything throughout the rest of my life.”

So, considering all of this, when we Bostonians celebrate Evacuation Day and America celebrates St. Patrick’s Day on the 17th, pick up your wine glass (or in my case, Scotch on the rocks) and extend a toast to Italian unification, because it was part of the reason so many of our ancestors came to America. In Gallic, the salutation is, “Slanta.” In English it might be, “Here, here.” But in Italian it will always be, “Salute.”

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA** pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after **March 20, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m.** by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

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Signed
Todisco Services, Inc.

Run dates: 03/05, 03/12, 03/19/2021



by
**Marianna
Bisignano**



Most Italians are quite accustomed to having a variety of pork in their diets. In Italy, some of the most well-known regional dishes include various cuts of *maiale*. In Rome, there’s the renowned *Bucatini all’Amatriciana* and *Carbonara*, both of which use the jowls or cheek of the animal, or *guanciale*. In Lombardy, the famous *Cassouela* which uses the animal’s snout, ears and feet. In Abruzzo, the legendary *Ndocca ‘ndocca* uses what is considered to be the less valued parts of the *maiale*; the ears, snout, feet, tail, chops, rind, tongue, and blood. Though not a specific dish, due to their popularity, we can’t forget to include the *salumi*, or cured meat products. For example, the *coppa di testa* and *soppressata* are both made from the animal’s head!

I don’t think I ever realized how many dishes my Nonna made that included pork of some kind. She made *porchetta* or stuffed pork roast, pork cutlets, homemade sausage and even pork *spiedini*. She also often used guanciale, pancetta and prosciutto, and this list I am sure could go on and on! The recipe I am sharing today is one that you will often find served in many Italian American restaurants. This one pan dish is easy to make, warm, hearty, and extremely comforting. Served with crusty Italian bread to soak up its delicious juices, “Pork Chops with Vinegar Peppers, and Potatoes” is an absolutely fabulous meal you and your family are sure to love!

PORK CHOPS with VINEGAR PEPPERS
and POTATOES

Costolette di Maiale Peperoni e Patate



- 6 bone-in pork chops
(1 to 1 ½ inches thick)
1 to 1 ½ cups Italian bread
crumbs (I always use
homemade)
Olive oil
2 to 3 pounds red potatoes
- 1 (32 ounce) jar of Italian sweet
vinegar peppers, reserve the
juice
1 small jar hot sliced cherry
peppers (optional if you
prefer spicy)
2 cups chicken stock

Preheat the oven to 375°. Take pork chops and generously brush each with olive oil. Dip pork chops in breadcrumbs and coat well. Place coated pork chops side-by-side (not overlapping) in an oven proof deep roasting pan. Wash and scrub potatoes, cut into good sized pieces, and layer on top of the pork chops. Slice vinegar peppers and place on top of the potatoes. If desired, sprinkle a handful or so of the sliced hot cherry peppers on top.

Take the reserved juice from the vinegar pepper jar and mix it with the chicken stock. Pour the entire amount over the pork chops, potatoes and peppers, making sure the pork chops are completely emerged in the liquid. Cover pan with heavy-duty aluminum foil and cook for 3 1/2 hours. Remove the foil and cook for an additional half hour. Cool before serving.

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


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North End Girls Softball Travel Team

The Girls Softball Travel Team is looking for girls who are 18 and under to join their team! They are also looking for sponsors and/or donations! All their practices are at Puopolo Field. If you know anyone who is interested, please have them contact Chuck Bilikas (lived on Clark St.) at 617-699-5633. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact Adam Foster at 617-981-5035. We would love to have some North End businesses backing our teams!

Thank you so much for supporting their mission!

The website is still under construction, but here it is:
<https://northendexecutionsoftball.org/>
Contact: executionfastpitch@gmail.com

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

over his ongoing claims the presidential election was stolen. He has revealed the devastating cost to his business even as he scoffed at claims in a \$1.3 billion defamation lawsuit that his “big lie” over election fraud was “because the lie sells pillows.”

Tom Clare, the defamation attorney representing Dominion Voting Systems, wrote in the lawsuit, “Lindell — a talented salesman and former professional card counter — sells the lie to this day because the lie sells pillows.”

His company has lost 20 retailers and it cost him millions that he will never get back. Lindell added, “There’s your story. Print it right. Don’t try and twist this,” he told his critics.

Lindell is the latest to be sued by Dominion Voting Systems for accusing the company of “stealing millions of votes” and rigging the 2020 presidential election.

A Federal Job Guarantee?
This is the latest idea from the desk of U.S. Rep. Ayanna Pressley in which she is advocating for a federal job guarantee. Says Pressley, **“I am proud to have just introduced a groundbreaking resolution calling for a federal job guarantee in our country.** It is beyond time for there to be a legal right to a good job for every American. Don’t try and twist this. A job that provides a living wage, strong

benefits, union protections and safe working conditions is a matter of economic, racial, and social justice. We need policies that match the scale of the crises we’re facing — a federal job guarantee is one of those policies.

This is a historic resolution, — its potential impact and scope is on the same scale as the Green New Deal and the People’s Justice Guarantee. A federal job guarantee would completely transform our economy and materially help working-class people across the country, while addressing systemic inequities rooted in racism and sexism.

A federal job guarantee would address the current jobs crisis while laying the foundation for an equitable economic recovery.”

Membership Meetings Returning Brothers and Sisters,
It gives me great pride to announce that we held our first

membership meeting since last year on Thursday, March 4th. The meeting will be limited to the first 40 persons who attend, and all COVID-19 social distancing rules were in place. As always, if you have any questions, please let me know.

Fraternally,
Kevin Plunkett
Emerald Society of the Boston Police Department
President ‘20-’22

End Quotes
“Real power is fear. It’s all about strength. Never show weakness. You’ve always got to be strong. Don’t be bullied. There is no choice.”

— *former President Donald Trump, according to Fortune Magazine*

“Members of Congress are our employees, not the other way around.”

— *Rush Limbaugh*

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
Middlesex Probate and Family Court South
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000
Docket No. MI20P5675EA
Estate of
JANET PERPERIAN
Date of Death: October 27, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Souren E. Perperian, Sr. of Lynn, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Souren E. Perperian, Sr. of Lynn, MA, Eileen Tahmoush of Woburn, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

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Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
Middlesex Probate and Family Court North
Lowell Justice Center
370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor
Lowell, MA 01852
(978) 656-7700
Docket No. MI20P5322EA
Estate of
DOROTHY A. CAMERLENGO
Also Known As
DOROTHY ANN CAMERLENGO
Date of Death: OCTOBER 14, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Luanne C. Cordeau of Concord, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Luanne C. Cordeau of Concord, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

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The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
208 Cambridge Street
East Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI21P0348EA
Estate of
MARIEJEANNE DENGLER
Also Known As
MARY JEAN DENGLER
Date of Death: November 27, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Carla M. Dengler of Acton, MA**, Petitioner **Alfred T. Dengler, Jr. of Walnut Creek, CA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Carla M. Dengler of Acton, MA, Alfred T. Dengler, Jr. of Walnut Creek, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

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The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
Middlesex Probate and Family Court South
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000
Docket No. MI20P5808EA
Estate of
ROMEO RAY DELANEY
Also Known As
ROMEO R. DELANEY
Date of Death: April 27, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Susan M. Leroux of Nashua, NH**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Susan M. Leroux of Nashua, NH has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

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The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI21P0635EA
Estate of
JANET E. BREWER
Date of Death: December 17, 2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

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

The Petitioner requests that **Glenn Brewer of Westford, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 23, 2021.

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

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 23, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI19P2304EA
Estate of
MARY ELLEN TULLY
Date of Death: March 11, 2019
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

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

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 15, 2021.

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

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 26, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

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The Trial Court
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
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Docket No. MI20P0768EA
Estate of
BARBARA VANDENHOECK
Date of Death: December 21, 2019
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Marc Vandenhoeck of Pound Ridge, NY** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Marc Vandenhoeck of Pound Ridge, NY** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 24, 2021.

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

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 24, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI21P0632EA
Estate of
ROBERT SUMNER BIGELOW
Also Known As
ROBERT BIGELOW, ROBERT S. BIGELOW
Date of Death: August 18, 2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

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

The Petitioner requests that **Nancy J. Bigelow of Winchester, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 25, 2021.

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

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 25, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

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370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor
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Docket No. MI20P4874EA
Estate of
MARY QUINN SALVUCCI
Date of Death: July 03, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Elizabeth F. Chalmers of Ashland, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Elizabeth F. Chalmers of Ashland, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Highway, Somerville, MA**, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after **March 13, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM** by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2006 MAZDA 5
VIN # JM1CR293660105694
2005 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN
VIN # 2D4GP44L35R471808
2004 MAZDA 6
VIN # 1YVHP80D445N91422
2002 PONTIAC GRAND AM
VIN # 1G2NF52F52C166443
2016 TOYOTA CAMRY
VIN # 4T1BF1FK8GU142276

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

Signed
Pat's Towing
Run dates: 02/26, 03/05, 03/12/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **D & G Towing and Auto Repair Services, Inc. 2 Emery Road, Allston, MA**, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after **March 6, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM** by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

1999 HONDA CRV
VIN # JHLRD1869XC026859
2008 INFINITI M35
VIN # JNKAY01F48M650730
1995 HONDA CIVIC
VIN # JHMEG8541SS043988
2012 KIA OPTIMA
VIN # 5XXGR4A69CG002623
2006 BMW 325
VIN # WBAVD13586KV08878

Vehicles are being stored at *D & G Towing and Auto Repair Services, Inc., and may be viewed by appointment only.*

Signed
D & G Towing
Run dates: 02/19, 02/26, 03/05/2021

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Docket No. MI21P0745EA

Estate of
GEORGE TRENDAFILOV BELEV
Also Known As
GEORGI TRENDAFILOV BELEV
Date of Death: May 13, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Georgi G. Belev of Framingham, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 26, 2021.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 26, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA** pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after **March 13, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m.** by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2001 FORD EXPLORER
Vin # 1FMZU77E71UC84710
Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed by appointment only.

Signed
Todisco Services, Inc.

Run dates: 02/26, 03/05, 03/12/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Export Enterprises, Inc. 50 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA**, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after **March 13, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM** by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2002 TOYOTA SEQUOIA
VIN # 5TDBT44A42S102279
1997 CHEVROLET EXPRESS VAN
VIN # 1GBFG15R9V1019669
2008 SATURN OUTLOOK
VIN # 5GZEV13738J263433
1999 CHEVROLET SILVERADO
VIN 1GCEK14TXXZ212596
2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA
VIN # 2G1WF52E859199707
2007 BMW X5
VIN # 4USFE83507LY63854
2005 CHRYSLER PACIFICA
VIN # 2C4GF68445R262642

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

Signed
Export Enterprises, Inc.

Run dates: 02/26, 03/05, 03/12/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Stephens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155**, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 539A, that on **March 12, 2021 at 10AM**, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

2014 HAWKE DUMP TRAILER, BLACK
Vin # 4BABD102GEM031203
Benjamin DeFosses
61 Payson Hill Rd., Apt. 2B
Rindge, NH 03461
2002 NISSAN ALTIMA, SILVER
Vin # 1N4AL11EX2C254401
Jadler Dias Dos Santos
56 Magoun Ave.
Medford, MA 02155

2005 HYUNDAI ELANTRA, GRAY
Vin # KMHNDN46D45U130332
David Kabic
Jillian M. Vargas
3950 N. Lake Shore Dr., Apt. 617C
Chicago, IL 60613

2001 BUICK CENTURY, GOLD
Vin # 2G4WS52J311108847
Tyler Callahan
14 Veterans Memorial Dr.
Peabody, MA 01960

2005 VW JETTA, GRAY
Vin # 3VWSA69M95M073495
Manuel O. Lara
36 College Ave.
Medford, MA 02155

2007 MERCEDES BENZ S550, BLUE
Vin # WDDNG86X17A142260
Tin Soe
17 Jones Ct.
Newton, MA 02458

2005 NISSAN ALTIMA, WHITE
Vin # 1N4AL11D95C136223
Faykenon St. Elot
11 Woodland St., Apt. 2
Everett, MA 02149

2007 VW PASSAT, GRAY
Vin # WVWAK73C67P108959
Vincent Vo
51 Wellington Rd.
Medford, MA 02155

2007 TOYOTA CAMRY, GRAY
Vin # 4T1BE46K87U021039
Brenford F. Stone
23 Courtland St., Apt. 1
Everett, MA 02149

Run dates: 02/19, 02/26, 03/05/2021



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani



They're Remembering Andy Arcadipane Over in Winthrop

For over two decades Andrew Arcadipane served the Winthrop Little League volunteering at

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Docket No. MI21P0824EA

Estate of
PAUL MICHAEL GIANNELLI
Also Known As
PAUL M. GIANNELLI

Date of Death: January 11, 2021

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Michael P. Giannelli of Stoneham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Michael P. Giannelli of Stoneham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

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Docket No. MI21P0696EA

Estate of
FRANK WEBSTER KENRICK
Also Known As
FRANK W. KENRICK

Date of Death: November 20, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Andrea E. Kenrick of North Reading, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Andrea E. Kenrick of North Reading, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 29, 2021.

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

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 01, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021



Albert Pujols

every level from striping the fields to coaching, serving on the board of directors and eventually league president. This year the Winthrop Little League is dedicating its 2021 season to Andrew A. Arcadipane,

To register for the little league, sign up today go to: *winthrolittleleague.com*.

Pujols Says He Will Decide

Albert Pujols said he hasn't decided yet on whether he will continue playing after the end of his 10-year, \$240 million contract with the Angels this fall and won't announce his decision until after the 2021 season. The 41 year old slugger found out his wife announced on Instagram that he was going to retire.

Happy Birthday To ...

Birthday greetings go out to Brian Bannister who just turned 40. He was with the Red Sox from 2015-19 as a scout, director of pitching analysis, assistant pitching coach, and vice president of pitching development. Today, he is the director of pitching for the Giants.

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Docket No. MI20P2920EA

Estate of
WILDRED D. BOUDREAU
Date of Death: August 30, 2019

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Oak Knoll HealthCare of Framingham, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 18, 2021.

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

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 18, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 03/05/2021



Trey Mancini

Birthday greeting's also to Jack Billingham who just turned 78.

Remembering Nick Cafardo

I loved reading Nick Cafardo's Baseball page in the *Boston Sunday Globe* and before that his column in the weekend edition of the *Patriot Ledger*. It has now been two years since he passed down in Ft. Myers during spring training. Cafardo will be posthumously honored with the BBWAA's Career Excellence Award at the Hall of fame in Cooperstown in July.

Mancini Returns To Baseball From Cancer

After hitting 35 homers and 97 RBIs for the Baltimore Orioles in 2019, Trey Mancini appeared to be a slugger to be watched. However, after just five exhibition games in 2020, he ended his season to have surgery for colon cancer.

Two weeks ago in spring training when he came out to bat in the first inning against the Pirates and received a round of applause from the fans down in Sarasota, Florida. He took his helmet off and waved to the fans. Mancini who just turned 29 then lined a single to center. The Pirates won the game, but Mancini won the day.

End Quote

“All we have to do is win 10 out of our last five games.”

— *Who else but Yogi Berra*

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Docket No. MI21P0477EA

Estate of
THOMAS JOSEPH QUINTAL
Also Known As
THOMAS J. QUINTAL

Date of Death: November 11, 2020

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

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

Naomi J. Kaufman of Reading, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

Run date: 03/05/2021

Boxing

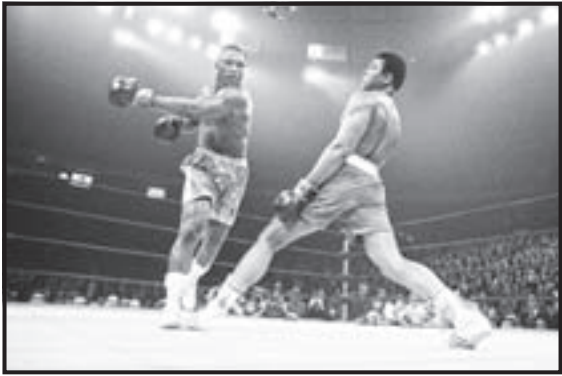


Ringside

WITH BOBBY FRANKLIN

ALI vs. FRAZIER I
Fifty Years Ago
The Fight of the Century Took Place

March 8th marks the fiftieth anniversary of the first match between Joe Frazier and Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier. The fight took place in Madison Square Garden in New York City and was billed as the Fight of the Century. It certainly lived up to and even exceeded all expectations.



It had the makings of a great fight right from the start. Two undefeated fighters, each with a legitimate claim to the Heavyweight Championship. This had never happened before in the history of boxing and will never happen again. Another factor that played into the anticipation of the fight was the fact that neither contestant was a clear favorite. Nobody could be sure who was going to win.



It is interesting to note that this fight of the century came fifty years after an earlier bout was touted in the same way: Dempsey vs Carpentier. It was also thirty years after the first Joe Louis vs. Billy Conn fight. It is now 100 years since Dempsey flattened Carpentier at Boyle's Thirty Acres in New Jersey in the fight that drew the first million dollar live gate, and it is no 80 years since the night Conn gave Joe Louis all he could handle at Yankee Stadium.



For those of us who were around at the time it happened, The Fight, as it became known, was and still is the biggest boxing event in our lifetimes and even the biggest sporting event. It is rare for anything to live up to such a huge billing. The whole world was watching and awaiting the outcome. It was front page news in the weeks leading up to the opening bell. Predictions were



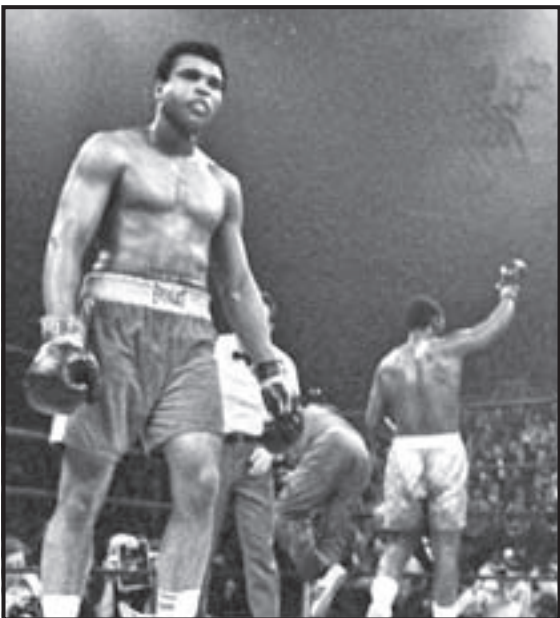
not confined to just the sport pages. Editorial page writers weighed in with their thoughts on who would win. By the evening of March 8th everyone was buzzed about what was about to occur. At ringside Burt Lancaster was doing the blow by blow. Frank Sinatra got the assignment to take photographs for *Life Magazine*. Hubert Humphrey was there. So were Aretha Franklin, Woody Allen, Norman Mailer, and Pete Hamill. Jack Dempsey was there also.



It was an electric evening. It's hard to believe so much time has passed since that night. The three men who were in the ring that night have all passed on. Joe Frazier passed in 2011, Ali in 2016, and referee Arthur Mercante in 2010.



Over the past years, each anniversary I have written about The Fight. This year I thought I would share some photos. If you remember that evening these pictures will certainly have you waxing nostalgic. As Frankie Valli sang, "Oh! What a night!"



HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



WHEN FOUL SHOOTING HELPED WILT — Early March marks the 59th anniversary of one of the most enduring feats in the history of the National Basketball Association.

For it was on March 2, 1962 that Philadelphia's Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points in a 169-147 victory over the New York Knicks in Hershey, PA., a record that still stands to this day.

Much has been written about the game and indeed the entire day leading up to it. Wilt, who had stayed the night before in New York City, nearly missed the morning train that left Philadelphia for Hershey.

Hershey was the site of the Warriors preseason camp and the team played an occasional regular season game there as a favor to the community. The game was played near the end of the regular season — there were only five games left before the start of the playoffs — and no New York sportswriters bothered to make the trip. Philadelphia trailed the Celtics by 11 games in the standings. The Knicks were in last place.

In addition, no film of the game exists and the few still photos that were taken center mainly on posed shots after the contest had concluded.

A look at the box score along with Chamberlain's career stats give an insight as to how the dominating 7-1 superstar center managed to reach the triple digit summit that night.

For the vast majority of his career Wilt was a poor shooter from the free throw line. While his career average from the line was a poor 51.1 percent, there were several seasons where that dipped into the low to middle .400s. Send Wilt to the line and it was far from certain whether he would connect on those free throw.

But there was a singular exception to this lack of accuracy. It came during that 1961-1962 season when his stats from the line increased to .613 percent, the only year in his career that he was above the .500s.

His 100-point night may have been his finest from the line. For on that one evening he made 28 of 32 foul shots, meaning that 28 percent of his point total came from his success at the foul line. Take away that hot shooting and Wilt would have probably fallen at least 10 points shy of his 100-point total.

Make no mistake about it. That perfectly proportioned total of 100 points lends an almost mystical atmosphere to the feat. Even he had scored 102 or 103 points, it wouldn't have the almost story book value of that big round 100.

As the decades have rolled by, many star players have taken the floor but none have come close to that total. The one who came the closest was Kobe Bryant, who scored 81 points in a 122-104 victory over the Toronto Raptors in January, 2006.

Although Bryant sank 18 of 20 from the line, he also made use of something that was not in the NBA rule book in Chamberlain's era — the three-point shot.

Some 21 of Bryant's 81 points came from beyond the arc as he sank seven of 13 shots from three-point land.

Closer to home the month of March also brings to mind a 70-point game at the TD Garden by Devin Booker of the Phoenix Suns in a 130-120 loss to the Celtics on March 24, 2017.

Booker had his own memorable night from the line, making 24 of 26 foul shots in addition to connecting on four of 11 three-point attempts.

Booker became the sixth player in NBA history to score 70 or more points in a single game. No one has hit 70 or more since that night.

In addition to Chamberlain, Bryant and Booker, David Robinson, David Thompson and Elgin Baylor reached or surpassed 70. All except Robinson and Bryant accomplished the feat before the start of the three-point shot era. In addition to his 100-point game, Chamberlain found the range for at least 70 tallies on five additional occasions. He had 78 points in a 151-147 loss to the Los Angeles Lakers on December 8, 1961 and poured in 73 on January 13, 1962 during a 135-117 victory over the Chicago Packers. The superstar also exceeded 70 twice in November of 1962, hitting for 72 against the Lakers and 73 against the Knicks. He also had 70 in March of 1963 against the Syracuse Nationals.

The 70-point mark has been reached or surpassed only 11 times in the history of the NBA. The feat was accomplished by Chamberlain on six of those 11 occasions — all without a single three-point shot.

One of the reasons that he was able to score so much is that he often played close to nearly every minute of every game. In the standard 48-minute NBA game, it was not unusual for him to play 46 or 47 minutes — or even more if a game went into overtime.

The Warriors were not able to claim the ultimate prize — the 1962 NBA championship. They got by Syracuse in a five-game first-round series with Wilt scoring 56 points in the deciding fifth game.

They then met the Celtics in the Division Finals. The series went the full seven games with the Celtics winning game seven 109-107 at the Garden on April 5th as Sam Jones found the range with two seconds left. The C's then went on to defeat the Lakers in the Finals 110-107 in a game seven overtime victory at the Garden on April 18th.

The 316 points that the Warriors and Knicks amassed that night in March of 1962 exceeded the 312 tallies in a 173-139 victory by the Celtics over the Minneapolis Lakers on February 27, 1959.

During his 15-year career in the NBA Chamberlain played for the Philadelphia Warriors, the San Francisco Warriors, the Philadelphia 76ers and the Los Angeles Lakers. He played on two NBA Championship teams — the 1967 Philadelphia 76ers and the 1972 L.A. Lakers.

Wilton Norman Chamberlain was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1978. He died on October 12, 1999 in Los Angeles at age 63 of an apparent heart attack.