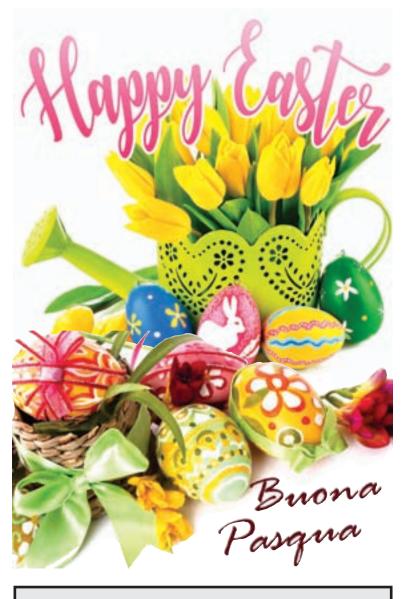
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### **News Briefs**

by Sal Giarratani

#### Senate Scalds Starbucks

Starbucks' former CEO Howard Schultz defended himself and the coffee chain at a Senate hearing last week against allegations of "union busting." U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders who chairs the Senate Health, Education and Pensions Committee told Schultz "Starbucks has waged the most aggressive and illegal union-busting campaign in the modern history of our country." Schultz replied, "Starbucks has not broken the law."

### Texas Judge Strikes Down Preventative Care

Down in Austin, TX, a federal judge who previously had ruled Obamacare illegal, struck down a narrower key part of the nation's health care law that requires insurers to cover preventative services including screenings for cancer, diabetes, and mental health. Many on both sides of the aisle "support preventative care and it has proven to help people live longer and healthier lives," says Dr. Michael Barry who chairs the federal task force.

#### Even Pence Backs Trump

Former Vice President Mike Pence offered a sharp rebuke of Manhattan DA Alvin Bragg's decision to indict former President Donald Trump. "It's clear to the overwhelming majority of the American people that this is nothing short of a political prosecution being affected by a Manhattan DA who literally campaigned on bringing charges against one particular American," stated Pence to the National Review Institute in Washington.

The former vice president has been speaking out against his former boss on January 6th, but stated most recently that Trump's alleged crime was a "campaign finance issue."

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### Buono Pasqua! A Time for Family and Tradition

By Prof/Cav Philip DiNovo

Pasqua is the holiest and greatest of all Christian feasts. If Christ had not risen, then our faith would be in vain. Christ did rise from the dead and through him all shall be made alive.

"If the Spirit of him who raised from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit which dwells in you." (Romans 8:11)

Yes, that is the reason for celebrating Pasqua and the foundation of all our Italian Easter traditions. The Easter liturgy is very joyful, spectacular and beautiful. The churches throughout Italy are beautifully decorated for Easter.

Easter breakfast is often an Easter omelet (frogga), made with herbs or vegetables. Also, in some parts of Italy, the Ricotta Omelet is traditional.

The Easter dinner is the most festive of the whole year. A traditional Pasqua menu might include: Agnellino (baby lamb) or suckling kid with manicotti, sautéed spinach, roasted artichokes, pickled vegetables, mixed salad, panzerotti alla teramona, etc.

There are many different traditional Pasqua desserts, such as Pizza Rustica DiPasqua (Easter Pie), Colomba Pasquale (Easter Dove), Cicerchiata Cuddura DiPasca, Cream Pasticcera Colomba, Cassatelli (Cream tarlets), Puppo Co Ova (from Sic-

ily), Rice Pie, Fiadoni, Spumoni, Cannoli, Easter bread dolls, Macedonia di Frutta, chestnuts, etc. Easter day is spent being with family and just talking.

There is wine, such as Asti Spumanti, Prosecco di Conegiliano, and Lambrusco, served during and after the meal. To help digestion, coffee, Espresso with Ainsette many be served.

Children in Italy receive very decorative chocolate eggs and rabbits, etc. The beautiful Pasqua Chocolate Eggs have a small gift, toy or trinket inside which the children quickly seek to find! It is traditional to send greeting cards depicting Spring scenes, doves, etc., to family and friends, wishing them Buona Pasqua. Some people visit the cemetery on Easter Sunday to remember loved ones who have died with prayer and flowers. It is a good time to remember the dead and the resurrection. While children are thrilled with their chocolate eggs and bunnies, senior citizens appreciate the "mature message." They consider the message of the Resurrection because they are more concerned about life after death. Shouldn't we all!

In essence, Pasqua is a time of family and traditions. Not superficial celebration spent merely in greeting and feasting, but it is a time of reassurance, Easter symbolizes hope and all of us need such spirit in these times. By keeping Ital-

ian Pasqua traditions alive we are able to bring stability and serenity to our lives. Pasqua serves to remind us of what is really important in life.

Within the soul of the Italian, Easter celebrations arouse not only stirrings and pleasant memories, but also unite his or her thoughts, which have gone to be with the Lord. Italians the homeland as well as in the Diaspora who have settled in different countries throughout the world, share in the beautiful and ancient Italian Easter traditions given to us by our

Our Easter celebrations should renew in us the sense of belonging to our Italian roots and strengthen our awareness of our national identity in the Italian community no matter where we live. We thank God that we live in America with all our freedoms and good life. Yet we should realize that we are of Italian descent and always treasure our own customs and traditions that are thousands of years old.

We should practice our customs, cultivate them and pass them on to future generations. In this way we strengthen our ties with our ancestral origin. When we practice and keep our Italian Holy Week traditions, it will be a rich and profound experience which will help us remember our origins and those who come before us. Buona Pasqua!

## **Orient Heights**Still Skeptical of BPDA Plans

by Sal Giarratani



Arthur Jemison and the BPDA staff held their own at this meeting answering as many questions as possible, as best they could.

Residents of the Orient Heights neighborhood showed up in large numbers holding an in-person meeting with the Boston Planning and Development Agency on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at a function room inside the Madonna Shrine.

Prior to this meeting Joe Arangio had been urging his neighbors to make sure they turned out and they did. Arangio's message was clear that what happens between the people who live in this community, homeowners and renters alike, is an important issue for the very future of this neighborhood and as many as possible need to turn out and let their voices be heard.

As Arangio told folks, "This affects everyone, and they need to stand before the Boston Planning and Development

Agency, and they need to stand before our elected officials, and they need to make their views known and clearly stated."

Several hundred showed up to speak their mind on all the many zoning changes that are reportedly being reported back to the community. Folks were told the zoning proposal has been split into two zoning areas. In the first area, which makes up most of this Orient Heights and Bayswater community, buildings would be limited to two and a half stories and allow only two units, plus an additional dwelling known as an additional dwelling unit or (ADU).

The other area closer to MBTA Blue Line station, buildings up to three floors and an ADU would be allowed only if owner occupied, said Jason Ruggiero,

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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.



#### HADRIAN THE ADMINISTRATOR

Floods, famine, pestilence, and earthquakes plagued the reign of Hadrian. He relieved the distress caused by these events to the best of his ability and is reported to have done a remarkably good job. Roman citizenship was granted to the citizens of many communities in the provinces, while for other provinces, he remitted the tribute that they were required to pay to

There were no great wars during the reign of Hadrian and any conflicts that did arise were quickly resolved and treated as minor uprisings. This was, of course, attributed to the emperor's keen intellect and diplomatic genius. He was greatly admired by the soldiers because of his interest in the army and liberal attitude toward them. He removed the king who was imposed upon the Parthians by Trajan; therefore, they always looked upon Hadrian as their friend. He also removed a military governor who was placed in Armenia and permitted

the Armenians to select their own king. Additionally, he



relieved the tribute which Trajan had imposed upon the Mesopotamians and lavished gifts upon the Albanian and Hiberian kings. It is also interesting to note that even the Bactrians (tribes of Afghanistan) who were not under Roman domination sent envoys to humbly beg for his friendship.

Hadrian maintained a strict discipline in the civic life of the day and it almost equaled that of the military. Senators and members of the Equestrian Order were required to wear the toga whenever they appeared in public and he extended this rule to include himself. When hosting a banquet, this emperor always showed the utmost respect for his guests by receiving them while standing and when he reclined at the dining table he always wore a Greek cloak or a toga. The cost of his banquets was always restricted to the limits prescribed by ancient Roman law and he personally inspected food trays that were brought in by the caterers to insure full value for his money.

Other of his civic reforms forbade overloaded wagons entrance into the city as well as anyone riding on horseback. The public baths were reserved for invalids during the first eight hours of each day, poor but honest persons were enriched in some small way, and those who engaged in dishonest practices were treated like scum. Foreign cults were despised, but ancient Roman customs were scrupulously observed. Roman knights were put in charge of all imperial correspondence as well as incoming petitions addressed to the emperor and he always performed the duties that were reserved for him as Pontifex Maximus (high priest).

**NEXT WEEK:** Hadrian The Critic

### Buona Pasqua

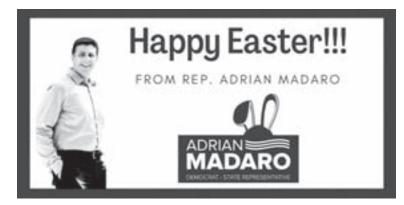
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# Ag's Office Saves Massachusetts Ratepayers \$9 Million On Their Electric Bills Through Settlement With Mystic Power

Agreement Reduces the Amount
That Mystic Power Can Recover to
Cover the Cost of Operating the
Mystic Generating Station in Everett

Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell announced that her office has reached a settlement with Constellation Mystic Power (Mystic), the owner of the Mystic Generation Station in Everett, which will save Massachusetts ratepayers approximately \$9 million on their electric bills, if approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

"As many continue to feel the economic impact of this winter's record high energy rates, this settlement will save families millions on their electric bills," AG Campbell said. "My office will continue to push for lower electric costs and cleaner energy for residents all across Massachusetts."

The settlement resolves a November 2021 protest filed at FERC by the New England States Committee on Electricity (NESCOE), a non-profit that represents the collective perspective of the six New England states, and Eastern New England Customer-Owned Systems (ENECOS), a coalition of municipal electric utilities and quasi-municipal districts in certain New England states. The AG's Office intervened in the proceeding at FERC and supported NESCOE and ENECOS' claims. The protest challenged the amount that Mystic sought to recover — \$52 million — in capital expenditures for running the Mystic Generation Station.

Mystic Generating Station Units 8 and 9 and the Everett Marine Terminal are funded through a cost-of-service agreement between Mystic and ISO-New England (ISO-NE), the independent not-for-profit organization that manages operation of the region's electrical grid. The funds that Mystic collects under its cost-of-service agreement are charged to electricity suppliers participating in the wholesale electricity market, who then incorporate the costs into the

supply rates that they charge customers on their electric bills. Mystic is required to submit informational filings to support the costs that it charges, which can be challenged by consumer advocates and other stakeholders.

The settlement agreement was negotiated between Mystic, the AG's Office, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, the Connecticut Office of Consumer Counsel, ISO-NE and NESCOE. The settlement agreement will save New England electricity customers an estimated \$20 million, and because Massachusetts consumes nearly half of the region's energy, approximately \$9 million of the savings from the agreement will benefit Massachusetts ratepayers.

Customers who are struggling to pay their electric bills and looking for immediate help should reach out to their utility company and learn about the financial assistance options available to them including flexible payment programs, and many of these options are available regardless of income. For information on how to save on monthly energy bills this winter visit the AG's resource website at www.mass.gov/ info-details/frequently-askedquestions-about-electric-andgas-utilities.

The AG's Office is the ratepayer advocate for Massachusetts and is authorized to intervene in or institute administrative and judicial proceedings on behalf of consumers in connection with any matter involving the rates, charges, prices or tariffs of any investor-owned Massachusetts gas, electric, or water company.

This matter was handled by Assistant Attorney General Chris Modlish and Analyst Jamie Donovan of AG Campbell's Energy and Telecommunications Division.



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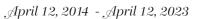
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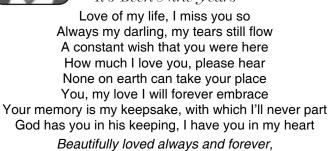




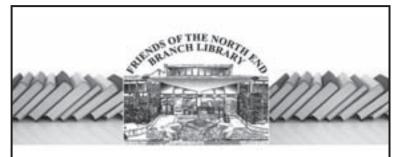
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### EAST BOSTON RESIDENTS URGE ELECTED OFFICIALS TO EXTEND "ROAD TO PEACE"

Submit Thousands of Signatures in Support of Coughlin Bypass Road Extension

East Boston Residents urge their elected officials to support an extension of the "Road to Peace," a reference to the Coughlin Bypass Road, by submitting thousands of signatures in support of the project. When the Martin A. Coughlin Bypass Road opened in November of 2012, Joan Vennochi of the Boston Globe wrote in A road to peace for East Boston, Massport, "It's named after a longtime East Boston activist who first pitched the bypass concept back in 1972, as a way to keep cabs, buses, and 18-wheelers off Eastie streets. Forty years later — and 12 years after his death — Coughlin's idea finally turned into a stretch of real highway." At the ribbon cutting, Martin's sister Mary joked, "If Martin were here today, he'd say, 'Why the heck did this

Ten years later, there is a group of East Boston residents, and a petition of thousands more, hoping an extension of this bypass road will not take nearly as long. The Committee in Support of an East Boston Haul Road was formed by long time East Boston residents Joe Steffano and Mariellen Dalton when MassDOT commissioned a study for the repurposing of the Route 1A Corridor - an abandoned stretch of inactive rail parcels owned by MassDOT and the MBTA between Chelsea Creek and McClellan Highway. After listening to years of public input, MassDOT has come up with two possible solutions for the land. The first envisions only walking and bike trails along Chelsea Creek. The second alternative includes the walking and bike paths from the first, but also involves extending the Coughlin Bypass down the Route 1A corridor along Chelsea Creek into Revere. The latter is the only real solution according to Steffano and the Committee in Support of an East Boston Haul Road. "The Coughlin Bypass was built to alleviate Logan Airport-based traffic, removing those vehicles from side streets, Day Square, and the rest of the neighborhood. However, as some residents noted during the 2010 MEPA process for the Coughlin Bypass, the road does not go far enough," says Steffano. "No steps have been taken to extend this bypass to alleviate the many more trucks going to and from the airport and all parts North of the city.

The proposed bypass road extension presented by MassDOT will not only reduce the number of commercial vehicles on Eastie streets, but it will also provide walking and biking paths along the waterfront which is currently inaccessible and slowly collecting trash." "The Curtis Street intersection, which consistently gets backed up, is the only access to the Coughlin Bypass for trucks coming from Route 1A South," added Mariellen Dalton. "These backups have caused multiple accidents, some fatal. It is a deadly intersection - unsafe for pedestrians, cyclists and motor vehicles. The Haul Road will take this scenario out of the equation, allowing trucks and other vehicles heading to the airport access to the bypass road further up Route 1A. This way, trucks will not be given the option to use side streets when Curtis Street is backed up, in turn making our streets safer for everyone."

It is unclear where East Boston elected officials stand on the issue, but the City of Revere fully supports the Haul Road. Revere Mayor, Brian Arrigo and the Revere City Council passed a resolution in October of 2022, calling on "the Governor and the Secretary of Transportation of the Commonwealth to request: that the vacant land be repurposed, a haul road extension from the current end of the Coughlin Bypass be constructed eventually to the vicinity of Bell Circle, a pedestrian walkway and bike path along the waterfront to be created to allow the public to have increased access to the Chelsea Creek waterfront, and that barriers and sea walls be constructed to protect the City of Revere against rising sea levels." Mayor Arrigo added, "I am confident that this project will improve the quality of life for the residents of Revere and for those passing through. The airport being so close to Revere means that our residents are disproportionately impacted by traffic, noise, and congestion. Having a haul road will reduce the volume of commercial vehicles on our local roadways.

This project will also give our residents even more options to get outside and enjoy our nearby natural resources." Environmental groups in East Boston have advocated for the first option - making the corridor strictly open space, believing a bypass road extension would somehow facilitate further airport expansion. However, the Haul Road Committee explains that this option falls short of providing a solution for the increase in vehicle traffic to the airport. "The airport and the vehicles who service it every day are not going anywhere. Open space will not take these trucks off McClellan Highway or the 18-wheelers idling on Saratoga, Bennington and Chelsea streets.

The Coughlin bypass extension or the haul road is the best of both worlds and will lessen impacts from the airport on our community," said Michael McCormack, another member of the Haul Road Committee. MassDOT is scheduled to release their findings in the coming weeks. So far, the Committee in Support of An East Boston Haul Road has submitted nearly 2,000 signatures in support of the bypass extension to MassDOT project manager, Ethan Britland. The committee is hoping this is enough to get the ball rolling in the right direction and avoid another 40-year discussion.

For more information on the East Boston Haul Road, you can visit the Committee's website: www.ebhaulroad.org.

### One Boston Day - Saturday, April 15th A Day of Kindness

with the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park

For the tenth anniversary of the Boston Rehab Center on April 15th, One Boston Day. On Marathon bombing, Mayor Michelle Wu has requested that local organizations create events/ experiences with the theme of kindness on Saturday, April 15th. Volunteers of the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park will be in the park starting at 10:00 to greet visitors and to hand out kindness bracelets. Traditionally for the Boston Marathon weekend, FOCCP places 200 pots of daffodils in the area under the trellis as a symbol of Boston Strong. This year the group will bring some of these plants to the North End

Monday, April 17th starting at 2 o'clock, people are being invited to pick up a pot of daffodils from the FOCCP table under the trellis in the park to bring to someone needing an act of kindness. After 3 o'clock, if any plants are left, the general public is welcome to take one. The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park is dedicated to creating a welcoming urban green space in the North End and is delighted to be part One Boston Day's events of kindness, remembrance,

#### Dante Alighieri Society of Massachusetts HISTORY OF ITALIAN OPERA COURSE

This informative course created specifically for the Dante Alighieri Society of Massachusetts will span a period of over 300 years as it is a comprehensive survey of the operatic form from its origins in the Renaissance through the 20th century.

Opera expert, Ed Tapper, will examine the stylistic changes in opera from the Baroque to the Modern Age. All of the operas discussed were written in Italian by composers of Italian birth, with a few notable, yet important, exceptions. In addition to the key operas to be presented, the course will also feature excerpts from other significant works by the great Italian masters. All operas will be video presented in the Italian with English subtitles.

The course starts on Tuesday, April 25th and will meet once a week from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., for a total of ten weeks and will be taught in English in person at the Dante center. For information, please contact Stefano at smarzocchi@dantemass.org

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

An Egg-cellent Italian Easter

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



Few other holidays burst with the same sense of sunshiny joy present in Easter. Every aspect of this feast sparkles with the promise of new life: the buttery yellow daffodils waving gaily in the breeze, the robins tending to their perfectly blue eggs, cuddly bunnies munching on fresh spring grass. When I was a little girl, I viewed Easter as the gateway to spring. It was the occasion for wearing frilly flowered dresses, biting down into crème-filled eggs, and counting my jewel-toned jelly beans. Now that I am older, my attention has turned to the time-honored customs and traditions of Easter. My Italian heritage has made me appreciate the tapestry of Easter folklore and practices held sacred by my ancestors. This tapestry of traditions reflects the spiritual significance of Easter while also paying homage to the springtime. When I incorporate these customs into my contemporary Easter celebrations, I imbue the holiday with recollections of the past and renew the symbolic rituals which have been repeated for generations. Whether they involve wearing new clothes or baking a delicious pie, Italian Easter practices are laden with profound meaning and allegory. Collectively, they represent the Italian love for vitality, feasting and spring.

Easter in Italy, known as *Pasqua*, brims with numerous examples of regional folk customs. My father fondly remembered a procession known as *la Madonna che Scappa in Piazza*, popular in his hometown of Sulmona, nestled in the

mountains of Abruzzo. Literally translated as "the Madonna who runs in the plaza," this pageant demonstrates the Virgin Mary's joy upon learning that her son Jesus has been resurrected from the dead. The parade begins with the participants solemnly marching down Sulmona's main plaza, bearing a statue of the Virgin Mary draped in black cloth. Suddenly, the funeral robe is lifted, revealing a colorful and beautiful dress underneath. As fireworks pop, the marchers run at full speed with the statue toward the local church, and the crowd cheers as Mary is reunited with Jesus. In Florence, a spectacle known as il scoppio del carro, or "the explosion of the wagon," also uses fizzing lights to enchant the crowd: a cart laden with fireworks erupts into a fiery display with the twinkling white and gold hues of spring flowers. This love for rebirth and spring is also evident in quaint, widespread Italian folk customs and sayings. One Italian superstition declares that everyone must wear at least one new article of clothing on Easter. The dictum derives from the fact that it was once discouraged to buy clothes during the penitential season of Lent, and Easter offered the irresistible opportunity to step out in new outfits. My family and I always wear new clothes on Easter, and I always felt that this tradition mimicked the new life blossoming during the spring. Italians also celebrate Easter by dyeing eggs, a symbol of eternal life. Italian customs, therefore, mirror both the profound religious

meaning of Easter while also honoring the exciting season of spring.

Of course, Easter in Italy also boasts a plethora of characteristic foods and treats. Easter pies, called pastiera, are a staple of Italian Easter meals. Some regions prefer a savory pie stuffed with meat and cheese. However, other areas fancy a dessert pie which, depending on local tradition, can be made with sweetened wheatberries, rice, or ricotta cheese. I make a homemade ricotta pie for Easter, flavored with semisweet chocolate chips and orange peel. The ricotta, chocolate, and orange form a quintessentially Italian combination, and the pie makes a lovely and old-fashioned finale to our Easter lunch. Easter breads also dot the Italian peninsula this time of year. The colomba pasquale, or Easter dove, is a thick cake flavored with citrus peel and almonds, and derives its name from being baked in a dove-shaped pan. Other Italian Easter breads feature colorful eggs tucked into the dough and multihued sprinkles scattered on top of a glaze of icing. It is impossible to be glum when looking at such whimsical creations! Many Easter menus in Italy prominently feature lamb since it is the meat that first becomes available during the spring. I am a vegetarian, however, so I much rather enjoy the adorable lambs carved out of butter or marzipan that adorn Italian bakeries during the Easter season. Finally, no sweet characterizes my childhood Easters more than l'uovo di Pasqua, or the large chocolate egg filled with treats. My father would bring one home sometime around Holy Week, and we would wait until Easter to break it open. What is truly wonderful about Italian Easter food traditions, though, is that they do not end on Sunday. The next day, Easter Monday, is known as la Pasquetta, or "little Easter." Custom calls for outdoor excursions and picnics on this day, a great chance to delight in the spring weather and finish up the leftovers!

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### Everything Can Be Figured Out, But Often Isn't!

If you came to this page to see my thoughts on what went down in New York City this past Tuesday with the indictment of former President Donald Trump, you'll have to wait until next week. I need to sort everything out, too. I will only say one thing before moving on with this week's column. Apparently, the fake media, aka state media CNN, MSNBC, NY Times, and Washington Post, etc., are loving every moment right now. They have been so ratings challenged since Biden moved into the White House. Most of them have been waiting almost seven years now to see him indicted. They must have been a little disappointed when Trump wasn't cuffed or wearing an orange jumpsuit. No perp walk either, must be such a bummer for them. More on all this next week.

#### Letting Those Living in the Shadows of Life Die with Their Rights On

I began working for the State Department of Mental Health back in 1972, at 24 years of age. Over four decades of work, I learned much about mental illness, what it is and what it isn't. Most of us barely know anything about those suffering from mental health issues. Back when I was a young mental health counselor, I learned so much about the affects of one being troubled with chemical imbalances, OCD, borderlines, and Bi-polar illnesses, etc.

There are so many newer meds today and the days of quiet rooms and struggles on the floors of units happen thankfully less and less. However, there are some chronic folks who simply are caught between a rock and hard place. They are in a state without an escape clause.

I cannot say the old ways were that good, but when the state started deinstitutionalizing state hospitals and freeing folks to the streets, they had to know that many would just fall through the cracks of this well-intended reform. Opening the locked doors and telling folks, you are cured.

Look at Boston today or any other major city like New York City or San Francisco, the vast numbers of nomads suffering from mental illness, homelessness, drug abuse living in our streets and alleys with little hope for a better tomorrow, Politicians keep trying to fix things but often only make matters worse. I still believe everything is fixable, but no one sees the pathway to move forward.

We can't seem to see the forest through the trees. Empty out the backwoods and set people free. Tell them to look for community-based settings to help them, but where are these places of refuge? Homeless shelters were born of necessity because those with no place to get help end up in what I call hopeless shelters, which are not the next best thing for any issue.

We took a wrong turn on the road to recovery when a state judge gave a homeless woman named Joyce Brown back in 1987, after the City of New York tried to forcibly commit her to Bellevue Hospital as a danger to herself and others. The woman took the city to court and the judge sided with her and ruled for her and noted that while street life may be offensive to some, but that the mentally ill are entitled to their personal freedom."

I can't tell how many clients over my long career of working with the mentally ill, how many of them died with their rights on when they should have been helped. I thought the judge was wrong back in 1987, and the evidence is clear in view today looking around on the many barely living in the shadows of life.

As a society, today we should be doing so much better, but we have become adapted to those unintended consequences of what is "personal freedom' as that judge back in 1987 honored so much.

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### Enjoy the Many Benefits of Adding Water Features to the Landscape

by Melinda Myers

Boost the beauty and your enjoyment by adding a fountain, birdbath, or other water feature to your balcony, deck, or landscape. This one addition to your outdoor space provides many benefits.

The sound of moving water helps create a sense of peace and relaxation. It is a form of white noise that helps calm the mind and revive your spirit.

It also helps mask noise pollution. Combine water features with strategic screening to create a quiet and private space.

Water is also a great way to attract songbirds and pollinators to your gardens. A birdbath with gently sloping sides allows birds and insects to take a sip without getting all wet. Or add a few stones to your birdbath to accomplish the same results. Be sure to change the water often as providing fresh water is important for the health of your winged

Bring in even more birds by adding some type of water agitator to your birdbath. Moving water is very appealing and helps attract more birds, especially during spring and fall migration.

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With so many options, you are sure to find one that fits the size and style of your outdoor space. A wall-mounted fountain provides calming sound to patios, porches, and spaces near your home without taking up any valuable floor space.

A small tabletop water garden or fountain can make a



A water feature and statue add interest and relaxation to the landscape.

#### (Photo by MelindaMyers.com)

nice centerpiece when dining outside or entertaining guests. Then simply move your miniature water feature as needed to maximize your enjoyment.

A natural boulder-turned water fountain is the perfect addition for those with informal or natural spaces. Make it appealing to birds by selecting one with a flat area or small indentation to capture some of the water before it flows over the edge.

Select a garden statue with a built-in water fountain for a different aesthetic. Animals and mystical figures add playfulness to the garden while stately figures fit nicely in more formal settings.

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directions on the internet. Or purchase one ready to install in the garden. These, like other fountains, recirculate water which reduces water waste.

Freshen up any space in the landscape with one of these water features. As soon as it is in place, you'll enjoy the relaxing sounds of water and the songbirds, butterflies, and others it attracts to your gardens.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition and Small SpaceGardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and 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 Summit for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.



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### Saint Ludovico Pavoni

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Ludovico Pavoni was born in Brescia on September 11, 1784, the first of five brothers. He lived in a time of profound political and social changes: the French Revolution (1789), among them.

He was Ordained a Priest in Brescia in 1807 and first launched the oratory inspired by a book by Pietro Schedoni entitled Moral Influences, in it, he listed the reasons for the "rebellion" of young boys. The book confirmed Ludovico in his personalist approach — to concentrate on the personal and social formation of the young, with a positive and preventative approach.

In 1813, he was appointed secretary to Bishop Gabrio Nava, and received permission to continue with his "oratory." In 1818, he was named rector of the Church of St. Barnabas with permission to found an orphanage and a vocational school that became the "Institute of St Barnabas." In 1821. Lodovico decided that the first trade taught would be book publishing, to this



end, in 1823 he set up "The Publishing House of the Institute of St. Barnabas," the precursor of today's Ancora press. The boys could also choose to be carpenters, silversmiths, blacksmiths, shoemakers, experts in tool and dye making.

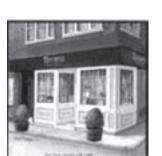
In 1823, Fr Lodovico welcomed the first deaf mutes to the school. He purchased a farm to set up an Agricultural School.

In 1825, he established a religious institute to continue his work. On August 11, 1847, the Brescia Vicar, Msgr. Luchi, established the Congregation of the Sons of Mary Immaculate or "Pavoniani." On December 8, 1847, Lodovico and the first members made their religious profession.

On March 24, 1849, during the "Ten-Days" when Brescia rebelled against the Austrians and both sides were ready to pillage the city, Fr. Lodovico, who had taken care of citizens during a cholera epidemic, performed his last act of charity when he led his boys to safety, to the novitiate on the hill of Saiano, several miles away. A week later he died on Palm Sunday morning April 1, 1849, as Brescia was in flames. Lodovico's ideal of education was a broad one, to dispose a person in his wholeness to be good. He grasped the religious significance of social justice and set an example by his own dealings with his employees. The Feast Day of Saint Ludovico Pavoni is April 1st.

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

#### Raffaello Santi

Raffaello Santi, known simply as Raphael was born on April 6, 1483 in Urbino, Italy.

His father was court painter to the ruler of the City of Urbino. He died when Raphael was eleven, and Raphael seems to have played a role in managing the family workshop from this point. He trained in the workshop of Perugino, and was described as a fully trained "master" by 1500. He worked in or for several cities in northern Italy.

Late in 1504, Raphael moved to Florence, drawn there by accounts of Leonardo da Vinci's work. Leonardo's softly shadowed forms (Chiaroscuro), natural figure groupings, and simplified settings were all stunningly new — and Raphael responded quickly to them.

In 1508, the pope called Raphael to Rome to work in the Vatican. Influenced by the idealized, classical art of the city's ancient past, Raphael's work took on a new grandeur. He also responded to the more energetic and physical style of Michelangelo, whose works he had already begun to study in Florence.

Raphael remained in Rome for the last 12 years of his life. In those years he was extremely active, preparing monumental frescoes for the papal chambers, designing tapestries for the Sistine Chapel, and painting scenes that captured mythological stories with delight and enchatment. His work became widely influential



through the dissemination of prints. Raphael was also the city's leading portrait painter, creating penetrating psychological images that engaged viewer and sitter with a new intensity. When he died at age 37, the pope ordered that Raphael, who had been keeper of antiquities, be buried in the Pantheon.

Raphael created some of the world's greatest masterpieces including 300 pictures with a Madonna theme. He passed away on his 37th birthday, April 6, 1520 in Rome. He is admired for its clarity of form, ease of composition, and visual achievement of the Neoplatonic ideal of human grandeur. Together with Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo, he forms the traditional trinity of great masters of that period.



#### ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo



Ciao bella,

Whether it's a bad hair day or you'd like to feel uniquely grand about yourself, grab a hat.

My hat wearing days started when I realized my Italian frizzy curls just wouldn't listen to me. So, I bought a hat and stuffed in all those banana curls --cute when you're a kid.

The compliments and comments just rolled in. I would hear "great outfit," "nice hat,", "I wish I could wear a hat like that." Well, why not?

Now that I'm a full-fledged hat queen, I say go for it.

There is always a feeling of flair when you know you've chosen the perfect outfit including matching jewelry, purse, etc. You look marvelous. Finish it off with a fetching topper.

Hats should be worn as an expression of oneself. To wear one confidently --not fussing with it in public except if the wind gets out of control-- exudes a certain attitude. Donning one has certainly gotten me "in."

How did this crowning glory originate? Possibly when the Apostle Paul declared in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 11: 5) that a woman must cover her head during worship, symbolizing her obedience to God and the church.

It was the African-American women who would comply with a deep passion. For generations Black women have heeded the Apostle Paul's request. Just head on down to Harlem in New York some Sunday morning. You will see the convergence of faith and fashion in grand procession of style. You'll observe the noticeably aristocratic stature of these beauties.

Naturally, this Easter Sunday



will be the epitome of millinery magnificence.

> Buona Pasqua, and God bless the USA!

Read prior months' "All That Zazz" columns at www. allthatzazz.com. Mary is a  $third\hbox{-} generation\ cosmetologist.$ She may be contacted at mary@mary4nails.com.

#### Orient Heights

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A large number of people filled the meeting room early ready to listen and to speak.

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a community engagement manager with BPDA.

A number of elected officials spoke out asking the BPDA to clarify a number of issues. I must say that they BPDA's Chief of Planning Arthur Jemison handled his role at the meeting quite well. While many may have disagreed with some of his answers, he tried to answer as many questions as possible during the period, which allowed as many as possible to get Lydia Edwards, District 1 City their questions and concerns

addressed. After listening to a number of neighbors clearly frustrated letting the board know their feelings, he stated "This (whole thing) is not an effort to dramatically up-zone your neighborhood, to which he received loud jeers.

Kudos to the number of elected officials who showed up and stood up for all the expressions of neighborhood concerns, such as State Sen. Councilor Gabriela Coletta, and City Council at-Large Erin Murphy.

No one really expected a resolution to this contentious debate over future zoning issues moving forward, but people were heard loud and clear. There will surely be more meetings. It is clear this community's residents are not going to lie down and accept what is thrown at them.

As Jason Ruggiero noted as the meeting began, this is not the end of discussion, the conversation will continue.



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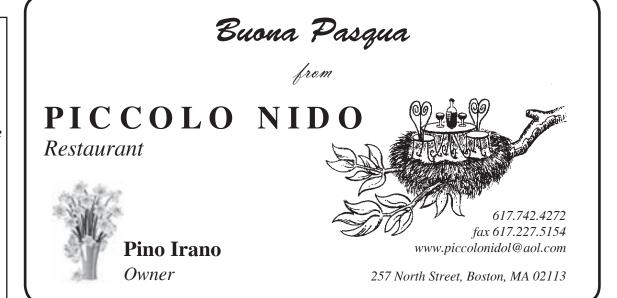
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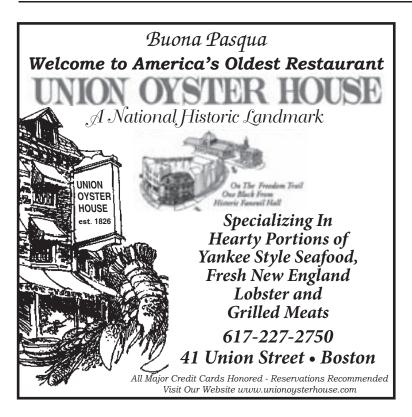
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Speaker: Yasmin El Shazly, Deputy Director for Research and Programs, American **Research Center in Egypt** 

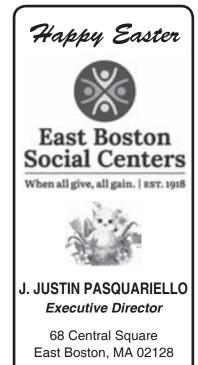
> Tuesday, April 18, 6:00-7:00 pm Zoom or Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge



The Egyptian craftsmen and artists who created and decorated royal tombs during the New Kingdom period (ca. 1550-1070 BCE) lived in Deir el-Medina. Today, this wellpreserved village is a key source of information about the daily lives, artistic practices, and religious traditions of ancient Egyptians. Yasmin El Shazly will discuss the importance of ancestor worship in Deir el-Medina — particularly of Amenhotep I and his mother Ahmose-Nefertari. Prominently featured in homes, artwork, and tombs, these two royal figures held important positions in the Egyptian "hierarchy of being" and exerted great influence over the daily lives of Deir el-Medina residents.

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About the Speaker: Dr. Yasmin El Shazly is Deputy Director for Research and Programs at the American Research Center in Egypt. She previously held the position of General Supervisor of the Department of International Organizations of Cultural Heritage and International Cooperation (2016-2018) and Assistant to the Minister for Museum Affairs (2015–2016)

at the Egyptian Ministry of Antiquities (now the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities). She was also head of the Registration, Collections Management, and Documentation Department at the Egyptian Museum, Cairo (2009-2016) and a member of the Museum's Board of Directors (2010-2013). Dr. El Shazly is currently a member of several boards, including ICOM Egypt (Vice Chair), Interdisciplinary Egyptology and Kitab (Editorial Board Member). She has taught courses at the American University in Cairo, Cairo University, and AMIDEAST. Dr. El Shazly earned her BA from the American University in Cairo and her MA and PhD from Johns Hopkins University. Her PhD dissertation, entitled Royal Ancestor Worship in Deir el-Medina during the New Kingdom, was published by Abercromby Press in 2015. She has published several academic papers and has appeared in numerous documentaries, the last of which was PBS's Tutankhamun: Allies and Enemies.

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### Maya Gaudin Takes First Place in Her Division at Augusta National Golf Course



On Saturday, April 1st Maya Gaudin placed first in the Drive, Pitch and Putt competition at Augusta National Golf Course.

Maya is the daughter of Stephen and Cassandra Gaudin and Stephen is the son of former North Enders, George and Nancy Imbergamo Gaudin.

40 boys and 40 girls who traveled from 28 states and 3 countries competed in various age groups. Maya took the prize in the 12-13 age group.

"It's very difficult to get to this stage" said 2015 Master's Champion, Jordan Speith who presented Maya with her trophy.

Maya had some help with her jitters from her father who kept his daughter calm by quizzing her on Harry Potter. What a thrill it must have been for him to help coach Maya to victory!

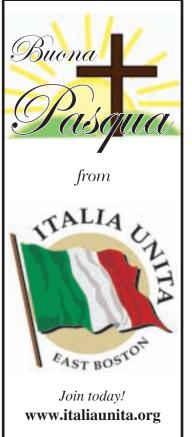
Congratulations to the Gaudin and Imbergamo families! Your North End friends are reveling in Maya's success.

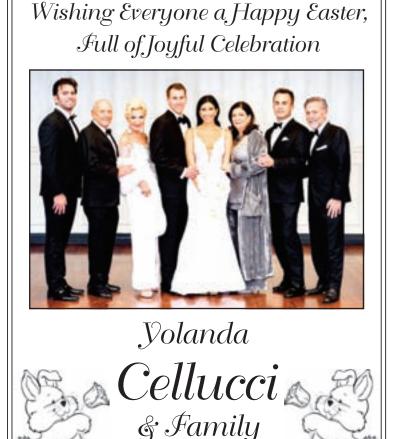


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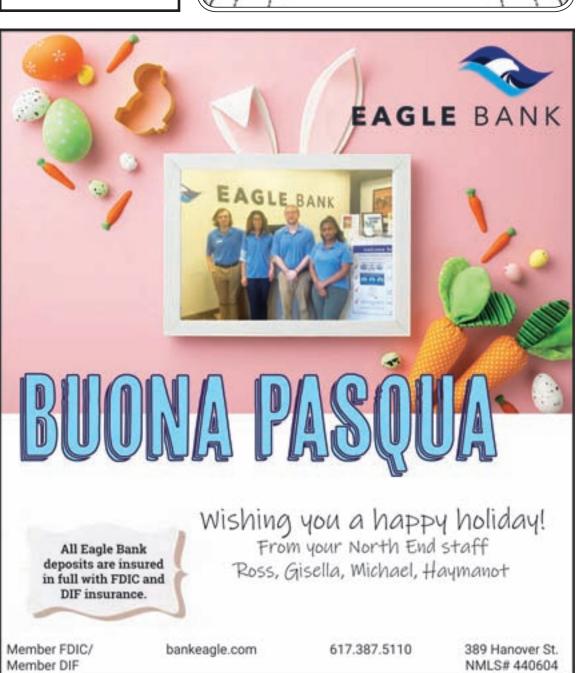














### THE MISSION (DVD) Film Movement

Follow four Mormon teens on the mission of their lives. Every year, over 60,000 young missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are sent across the world to preach their gospel. Sundance Film Festival selection THE MISSION follows four Latter-day Saints teenagers from their training in Utah to their missions in Finland, home of Europe's most private and secular people. Tania Anderson's feature-length debut tracks these wide-eyed, impassioned teens on their two-year rite of passage, as they struggle with being immersed in a new culture, and the daily rejections they inevitably receive throughout their task. Granted total access by the Church, THE MISSION is a sensitive observational documentary detailing the challenges and triumphs of these missionaries' journeys.

### CHESS STORY (DVD) Film Movement

To withstand the Gestapo's psychological torture, a lawyer imprisoned by the Nazis, finds refuge in the world of chess in this opulent period drama. Vienna, 1938: Austria is occupied by the Nazis. Dr. Josef Bartok (Oliver Masucci) is preparing to flee to America, when the Gestapo arrests him. As a former notary to the deposed Austrian aristocracy, he is instructed to hand over access to their private bank accounts. Refusing to cooperate, Bartok is locked in solitary confinement by the local secret police operative Böhm (Albrecht Schuch). Just as his mind is beginning to crack, he happens upon a book of famous chess matches. To withstand the torture of isolation, Bartok disappears into the world of chess, maintaining his fragile sanity only by memorizing every move. Adapted with opulent attention to period detail by filmmaker and opera director Philipp Stölzl, Chess Story brings Stefan Zweig's stirring final novella to life featuring an impressive ensemble cast. A bonus feature includes a short film — Der Tunnel: A student on a train finds himself in an existential dilemma when the tunnel he is traveling through never seems to end.

# STAR TREK: STRANGE NEW WORLDS SEASON ONE (Blu-ray) Paramount Plus

Star Trek: Strange New Worlds, is based on the years Captain Christopher Pike manned the helm of the U.S.S. Enterprise. The series features fan favorites from Season Two of Star Trek: Discovery: Anson Mount as Captain Christopher Pike, Rebecca Romijn as Number One, and Ethan Peck as Science Officer Spock. The series follows Captain Pike and the crew in the decades before Captain Kirk boarded the U.S.S. Enterprise, as they explore new worlds around the galaxy.

#### THE GREEN HORNET (Blu-ray) VCI Entertainment

The Green Hornet is a masked

fictional crime fighter, originally created by George W. Trendle for an American radio program in the 1930s. The character has appeared in two Universal serials. In the first 13-episode serial, the city is faced with rising crime and increased racketeering activity. Intrepid newspaper editor, Britt Reid (Gordon Jones) becomes the crime fighter the Green Hornet to take on the bad guys. As far as the police are concerned, the Hornet himself is the criminal. This misunderstanding enables Reid to operate "outside the law" to battle evil and injustice. Working alongside the Hornet is the brilliant inventor/sidekick Kato (Keye Luke), the only person who knows the true identity of the Hornet. Watch as the heroes fight an infamous racket and put an end to the menace infecting their city.

#### GORGEOUS (Blu-ray) 88 Films

When the beautiful Bu (Shu Qi), finds a romantic message in a bottle near her family restaurant in Taiwan. On a whim she travels to Hong Kong in search of the writer of the note, believing him to be her potential soul mate, he turns out to be Albert (Tony Leung), a gay beautician pining for his ex. Taking pity on the girl, he brings her to his workplace, where she instead falls in love with the wealthy and lonely businessman C.N. Chan (Jackie Chan). But when Chan's lifelong enemy, Lo, discovers that Chan has a new love, he decides to ruin their happiness, and the plot soon becomes more complicated when bitter rivalries rise to the surface in this all-out actionpacked romantic comedy.

### THE ASSASSINATION BUREAU (Blu-ray) Arrow Video

Anarchy reigns as Diana Rigg and Oliver Reed go head-tohead in a blackly comic caper that plays out against the colorful backdrop of Europe on the cusp of World War One. London 1908. When feisty journalist and women's rights campaigner Sonia Winter (Rigg) uncovers the headquarters of The Assassination Bureau Limited, a clandestine enterprise that has existed for decades by bumping off the rich and powerful — but only if there's a good moral reason for it — she sets off on a path of putting an end to its activities. Bankrolled by her press baron boss, Lord Bostwick (Telly Savalas), she commissions the organization to undertake the assassination of its very own chairman, Ivan Dragomiloff (Oliver Reed). Being the gentleman that he is, Dragomiloff responds to the assignment with glee, challenging his fellow board members to complete the contract. The only problem ... they'll have to catch him first. The Assassination Bureau is based on an unfinished novel by Jack London, published posthumously in 1963, this penultimate work from the directing-producing team of Basil Dearden and Michael Relph, is a riproaring slice of Edwardian-set action-adventure.

The time has come, the walrus said,

#### TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

#### TRUMP INDICTED: WE'VE CROSSED A BRIDGE TOO FAR

Have we now entered into uncharted waters of becoming a third world banana republic? Alvin Bragg, Manhattan DA, has now taken our democratic republic and twisted everything up like a pretzel in order to interfere in the 2024 presidential election.

Democrats sound all so gleeful. They think they have taken down Trump, but in reality, to borrow the words of Chuck Schumer will be devoured in a whirlwind. If America has looked divided, the coming weeks may show just how divided we still can become. Our founding fathers must be rolling over in their graves. We have only ourselves to blame, those 18th century leaders feared this day, and warned us how to keep America a free democratic republic. We could now be on the road to perdition or worse.

### PLAN: EAST BOSTON ZOOMING AFTER LATINO COMMUNITY

The Boston Planning and Development Agency will be holding another PLAN: East Boston for Latinos in our community. It will be a virtual public meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30 p.m. I am getting tired with these virtual meetings because for the most part they don't really work like in-person meetings. I can see that some people might actually need virtual settings but most of us are ready to go back to the norm of REAL meetings where we all can gather, listen to, and address concerns aloud to agency members in their presence.

Also, there are many older residents who do not have the means to do Zoom meetings. Why can't BNN-TV cover these meetings in real time. We need to get back to in-person as much as we can, and the sooner the better.

#### BEFORE I FORGET

After work on St. Patrick's Day, I headed over to DeMaino's Restaurant in Revere for a plate of corned beef and cabbage, and was not disappointed. I dare say, it might have been the best I've eaten over a number of recent St. Patrick's Days. Irish music piped into the place, and I even had some Irish bread, too. Just a tiny bit of butter and you're in heaven. Finally, how can one enjoy this holiday without an Irish coffee? I told them I will be back. Oh, the price was fantastic, too. A place worth eating at.

### FETTERMAN STAFF SAYS HE'S HOME AND HIS DEPRESSION IS "IN REMISSION"

I really am glad that U.S. Senator John Fetterman is being discharged from Walter Reed after six weeks of inpatient treatment for clinical depression. His office says, he should be back at his Senate office by later this month. According to his staff, he was treated with medication and is in remission.

I hate to say this, cancer can go into remission, but depression is treated with psych meds. Remission isn't the most accurate term to be using for this psychological issue. He's doing better, likely because his meds may have been changed while hospitalized, but struggles with depression are likely lifelong. His recent bout showed he was getting overwhelmed by his mental issues.

There is no reason why he shouldn't be getting up to speed and in full control once again. But the proper word is never "remission," the word is "struggle" with the help of medication and regular therapy sessions to talk out issues. Many folks have a therapist to talk out life issues with. Nothing wrong admitting it, we could all use help at some point in our life. You won't see me beating up on Fetterman, he's got his problems, and we all have ours.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAYS TO ...

Sir Elton John celebrated his 76<sup>th</sup> birthday back on March 25<sup>th</sup>, and Gloria Steinem's voice is still roaring at 89, also on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

### CARMELLA'S CELEBRATES 1ST ANNIVERSARY



Renee Taylor from East Boston shows off Carmella's super large Italian sub. It looked so big, surely it could feed a small army. Looks almost too good to slice it up, right?

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

It seems like only yesterday that Nick Mousliason took over managing Carmella's Market due to his brother Clark's medical issues (by the way Clark is doing well) and on March 26<sup>th</sup>, they had an anniversary celebration of sorts. Many came by to browse, nibble on some delicious food, and just congratulate Nick's keeping the place alive and serving the Jeffries Point neighborhood so well.

#### PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

I love reading all about the daily lives of a rat and a pig in the *Boston Herald*, which I read religiously every day. The other day's strip was great. The pig was trying to sleep in bed and he kept hearing repeated thuds

out in the living room. When he walked out there, he met his rat buddy and asked him what he was doing. The rat said he was running in place to get his 10,000 daily steps. When the pig asked what would happen if he didn't get all his steps in, The rat told him, "All of life falls apart and society devolves into chaos." So, the pig went back to his bed mumbling, "Now I feel bad for interrupting."

Can I tell you something? I love to walk a lot, but I never count my steps. I just know I walk all the time. I really don't want to know how close I am getting to society devolving into chaos.

### CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE SLOWLY COMING BACK

The Revere Chamber of Commerce and the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce have left the COVID hibernation in the rear-view mirror. Both groups recently gathered to elect officers for the new year and the Revere group will be holding a meet and greet soon.

Meanwhile, here in Eastie, no news yet about the East Boston Chamber of Commerce coming back to life as of yet. We can't let Revere and Chelsea stay ahead of us in the standings, can we?

### SACRED HEART COMMUNITY DINNER

Once again, Sacred Heart parish in East Boston will be holding its monthly community dinner in the parish hall on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

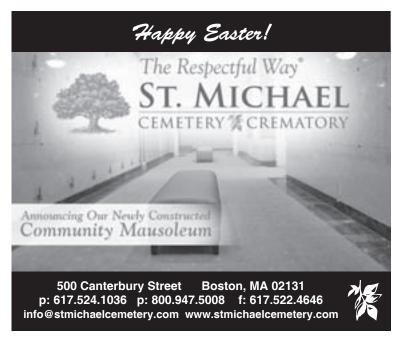
#### FAMILIAR VOICE ON THE RADIO

Last Friday morning while listening to Jeff Kuhner go apoplectic on his show over the Trump indictment, I switched over to 1200 am to the *Jim Polito Show* and instantly heard a familiar voice. It was none other than Jeff Katz filling in for Polito. I remember his voice because prior to the Kuhnerman arriving on 'RKO, we had the *Jeff Katz Show*. Another great conservative host. Good to hear his voice again.

#### I GOT MY GHETTO SONGS

I can think of three great "ghetto' songs. First, there's "This is the Ghetto" by War, then there's "Ghetto" by the great Donnie Hathaway, and finally, "In the Ghetto" by Elvis Presley.

Can anyone out there name another ghetto song? Also, Of the three songs I named, which is your favorite? Let me know at sal.giarratani@gmail.com.



### DaBronx Lands at DaCoopas Pizza

by Sal Giarratani

Social media influencer and boisterous Italian chef (actually Sicilian) Giovanni Paolo arrived in Day Square Friday, March 24th and spent three days making NYC-style pizza (pies) yup, they call them pies down there and also plenty of Italian sandwiches such as his "Killer Bronx Godfather." He calls them heroes and we call 'em subs. Over that weekend, everyone called them all "sandweeches," which is how we say it in Bostonese. Oh, and by the way, that "Killer Bronx Godfather" is so big, 20-inches long and weighs about as much as a ten pound bag of potatoes

DaCoopas owner Scott Stefanopoulos said, he first saw the "Killer Bronx" on Instagram. It was humungous. Chef Paolo said he'd come to Boston to show how it's done.

The pizza joint was crawling with folks trying to eat like a New Yorker for the afternoon



Chef Giovanni Paolo admiring one of the pizza's right out of the oven



Cowboy Sal G. with DaCoopas owner Scott Stefanopoulos



(L to R): Frank Gerardi and Vinny Leni

anyways. There was more than enough prosciutto, mozzarella, capicola, and soppressata to go around for everyone gathered in great anticipation. No one was denied. Felix Cauittlo, a longtime customer added Chef Paolo was "an interesting character who's fantastic with food."

You can follow DaCoopas Pizza on Facebook and Instagram @dacoopaspizza or just stop by for a slice or sub in Day Square on Saratoga Street.



Enjoying some pizza



(Photos by Lisa Cappuccio)

#### News Briefs

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#### Fight For Actually Banned Books

The 1619 Project and The Handmaid's Tale are "available at every bookstore, Chai Books, and on Amazon," yet watchdogs and the media still list them as "banned," states the Washington Examiner's Tim Carney. Since activists have changed "the meaning of banned books to include any book that has been removed from a middle school curriculum or is not stocked in a high school library." However, books challenging "left-wing ideologies on gender are regularly excluded from large public libraries and even on Amazon, yet they are never mentioned by the "antibook banners." Says Carney, if they "want to argue against state government intervention in local schools, they should do so without using the word "banned."

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Norfolk Probate and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021

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Docket No. NO23P0612EA

Estate of

SUSAN N. EDELMANN

Also Known As SUSAN NETTIE EDELMANN

Date of Death: January 28, 2023

CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with

Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Alexa Shabecoff of

Roslindale, MA requesting that the Court

enter a formal Decree and Order and for such

The Petitioner requests that Alexa

Shabecoff of Roslindale, MA be appointed

as Personal Representative(s) of said estate

to serve Without Surety on the bond in

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

This is NOT a hearing date, but a dead-

line 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

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under the MUPC in an unsupervised admin-

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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 peti-

tion the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets

Personal Representative appointed

taken without further notice to you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the

other relief as requested in the Petition.

To all interested persons:

unsupervised administration.

May 03, 2023.

#### Unbelievable Quote To Note

"I think it is far more admirable to kill a racist, homophobic, or transphobic speaker than it is to shout them down."

- Steven Shaviro, suspended Wayne State University professor

#### **Evs Losing Ford Billions**

Ford Motor Company's electric vehicle business has lost \$3 billion before taxes during the past two years and will lose a similar amount this year as the company invests heavily into this new technology. According to the company, the EV-Unit called "Ford Model e," will be profitable before taxes by late 2026 with an 8 percent profit margin. CEO John Lawler said the Model e should be viewed as a startup company within Ford.

#### **END QUOTE**

"The Easter Bunny ate all of the carrots we left him.

What a pig.'

- Actor Steve Carell

#### **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 **April 26**, **2023 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

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VIN #: JH4CL96825C019417 John A O'Brien 31 St Denis Ave. Medford, MA 02155 Perreault Nikolas Alan 1072 US Route 118

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### THE VATICAN **CODE**

### American Diplomacy in the Time of Francis

by Ambassador Kenneth Hackett

Review by John Joseph Fahey

The Vatican Code, by former Ambassador Kenneth Hackett, proves to be a straight forward and informative overview of his term as Ambassador to the Holy See from 2013 until 2017. One might say it can serve as a primer for those interested in knowing the expectations and executions of the job as ambassador to a small, albeit very powerful entity. The ambassador represents the United States at Vatican City State, the smallest state in the world yet the Vatican is also the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church. Indeed, as this Paulist Press publication indicates: "The Vatican Code provides key insights into the sensitive negotiations of an American ambassador to the Holy See and will help readers understand the intricacies of this unique role."

Former Ambassador Hackett, a West Roxbury native, was appointed Ambassador in 2013 by then president Barack Obama. Before his appointment, however, Hackett was President of the Catholic Relief Services, (CRS.) In this capacity, Hackett was responsible for 5,000 employees across approximately 100 countries. With his experience in humanitarian efforts as President of the international CRS, as well as his involvement with other humanitarian associations, Hackett was a likely candidate for role of ambassador.

In his tenure as ambassador, Hackett's responsibilities included obligations and concerns carried out via the Diplomatic Corps; duties concerning those that would be related to diplomacy with any other political state; however, with the Vatican, the there are two dimensions, temporal (worldly) and spiritual, and given the nature of Vatican City - home to the Church, its diplomatic functions as well as religious is often mutual.

Indeed, Hackett, in his Introduction concisely articulates the purpose and function of an organization that has over one billion adherents and consular posts throughout the world: "...Considering the reach of the governing body of the Catholic Church, the Holy See is worldwide, with approximately five thousand people working for the Holy See in about sixty-five different entities and with a budget that runs above \$1.1 billion."

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potentially compelling component of the Vatican's influence, Hackett continues: "Given the sustaining worldwide presence of the Holy See through its embassies and emissaries, its perceived neutrality or nonpartisan political positions, its disinterest in transactional diplomacy, and in many cases, its moral authority, it commands respect and is asked to play major roles in conflict resolution and peacebuilding."

In The Vatican Code... the former ambassador writes of the Vatican in terms of its diplomatic affairs internationally; and in terms of his role as ambassador specifically, he writes of his position candidly as representative from the United States. Much has happened internationally from 2013 until 2017 - coinciding with the new pontificate of Francis, hence the subtitle: American Diplomacy in the Time of Francis; and Hackett shares some of those instances where the Vatican vis-à-vis international politics and policies have been on the forefront of diplomacy and statecraft.

The Global stage has seen much in terms diplomacy relative to the Vatican and numerous countries in recent years - indeed, the years between 2013 through 2017 has been quite eventful and Hackett informs his readers of the situations in which the Smallest Country in the World, as the Vatican is often referred, has played a salient role through discussion and engagement. In 12 brief, yet comprehensive chapters, the former ambassador references various subjects that entailed Vatican diplomacy with sections such as "Geopolitical Equations" acknowledging the political concerns with Venezuela; the Vatican's "position on nuclear deterrence and nuclear weapons in general;" The Red Line in Syria, referring to the removal of nuclear weapons from the Syrian government; and, although this topic still remains precarious, the dilemma surrounding the Ukraine; and, the issue of Cuba - more precisely, the relationship between Cuba and the United States There is also mentioned the topic of Climate Change, and Francis's environment related encyclical, Laudato Si (translation: "Praise be" referencing the importance of caring for the planet;) the matter of human trafficking, And, to expound on a the political circumstances

Mattéo Gallo

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regarding The Sudan, and various other areas in which the Vatican was instrumental in helping ameliorate unstable and volatile situations.

On a more local level, The Vatican Code also goes into the impact that the papacy of Francis has made -- the Vatican finances were restricted for more transparency, for example; and the Vatican bureaucracy more streamlined. Francis also called the Church and the laity to "move to the peripheries," that is more of a focus on the Church for the Poor.

Hackett also writes of the convivial relationship between former President Barack Obama and Francis which is included in two chapters regarding the Papal trip the United States; Hackett not only addresses the diplomatic component but the logistical one as well. The trip was quite successful -Francis addressing a joint session of Congress as well as speaking at the United Nations. It is interesting to note the preparation and organization of security for such a trip; and Hackett describes the meticulous attention to detail that is necessary for such a productive trip.

For those interested in the

# THE VATICAN CODE AMERICAN DIPLOMACY IN THE TIME OF FRANCIS AMBASSADOR KENNETH HACKETT

Foreword by Ambassador George F. Poulides

diplomatic corps then this book is for you; if you are interested in a historical overview of the papacy of Francis since its start in 2013 until 2017, then this book is highly recommended. And if you are inquisitive about how the Vatican state works within the realm of diplomatic

relations, especially respective to the United States, than The Vatican Code, American Diplomacy in the Time of Francis is definitely for you!

The Vatican Code, American Diplomacy in the Time of Francis (published by Paulist Press, 2022; 183 pgs.)

#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Partner of pains
- 6. "Raiders of the Lost 9. Opposite of flows
- 13. Flesh of fish
- 14. Grazing area
- 15. Soft palate hanger
- 16. Boatload
- 17. Wood-shaping tool
- 18. Old episode 19. \*Alice of "Color Purple" fame
- 21. \*Fruit and color
- 23. Long reef dweller
- 24. Sound of pain
- 25. Math class total 28. Excessively abundant
- 30. \*"Royal" color
- 35. Arrival times, acr.
- 37. \*Color quality 39. Shininess
- 40. White House "sub"
- 41. Spritelike
- 43. Cupid's counterpart
- 44. Serengeti grazer
- 46. \*Feeling blue
- 47. Hokkaido native 48. \*Color wheel inventor
- 50. Walk with a hitch 52. "Malcolm X" (1992) movie director
- 53. Stare open-mouthed
- 55. Napoleon of "Animal Farm," e.g. 57. \*Between blue and violet
- phobia, intense fear of colors
- 63. Opposite of cathode 64. North American country
- 66. Run \_\_\_\_ of the law
- 68. Geography class book
- 69. Local area network
- 70. It's firma
- 71. Has divine power
- 72. Banned insecticide, acr. 73. German surrealist Max

- 1. "General Hospital" network
- 2. Crop of a bird
- 3. Zeus' sister and wife
- 4. Two under par on a golf hole 5. Meat-cooking contraption
- 6. Winglike
- 7. \*Predominant color of Mars
- 8. Type of membranophone 9. Like never-losing Steven
- 10. Town
- 11. \*Primary color
- \_ Juan, Puerto Rico
- 15. 7th planet from the sun
- 20. Chosen few
- 22. Nicki Minaj's genre 24. Not womenfolk

### **Colors**



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- 25. \*Number of colors in a rainbow
- 26. Of service
- 27. Colorful parrot
- 29. \*The Lumière brothers' colorful creation
- 31. "Cheers" actress Perlman 32. Jeopardy
- 33. Sergio of Spaghetti Westerns fame
- 34. Follow as a consequence
- 36. Email folder
- 38. Cone-shaped quarters
- 42. Naiad or maenad
- 45. Motherless calves 49. Old horse
- 51. Long John Silver, e.g.
- 54. Modified "will"
- 56. Bottom-ranking employee
- 57. Opposite of "out of"
- 58. Hall of Fame Steelers' coach
- 59. June 6, 1944
- 60. "\_\_\_\_ Buy Me Love"
- 61. Between dawn and noon
- 62. Yours and mine
- 63. Expression of pleasure 65. Melancholy
- 67. Latissimus dorsi, for short (Solution on Page 14)



by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



A while back, I wrote an obituary for Sal Meli, someone I had met at Constitution Beach in East Boston back in 1960. Since the obituary, several people have contacted me and asked if I would write about some of the escapades Sal and I were involved in over the years, as I had included our antics in several columns in the past, so here goes

It was late June in 1960, and I was heading to Constitution Beach (Shay's beach to locals) to play handball. While I was waiting my turn, a group of us began talking about the Newport Jazz Festival which was beginning of the 30th. A short guy with Afro-like hair and a big smile joined the conversation. When we finished, he turned to me and said, "If you want to go, I'll pick you up. The festival starts on the  $30^{\text{th}}$ , and trumpeter Art Farmer is going to kick it off." I said, "OK, but who are you?" Sal then introduced himself to the guys that didn't know him, and we were the next group to play handball, and we did. After the game, Sal told me he had seen me in uniform at the Seville Theater and knew who I was. After we left the beach, several of us headed to Howard Johnson's on Bennington Street for something cold. Sal sat next to me at the counter and talked about his coming to America with his family, his folks, and two sisters, after WWII.

He said he had graduated from East Boston High School in 1952 and then joined the army. After his discharge, he went to work for Polaroid (he would stay with them for 30 years) and attended B.U. part-time. I had graduated from English in 1956, which made Sal four years older than I. Everything seemed OK, so I and one other handball player agreed to join him that weekend and head to Newport. Sal said that he knew somebody who knew somebody who knew somebody regarding a place to stay in Newport over the weekend, so off we went on that Friday afternoon.

Things went well as we heard some of the jazz greats of the day, and late that Sunday night, we headed back to Boston. We all swapped phone numbers when we returned and that was that. Tuesday afternoon, Sal called to tell me about his hobby, Latin American dancing. It seemed that he frequented the Cave, back then, the only Latin American nightclub in Boston. Evidently, on Tuesday

and Thursday nights, the Cave had an event called Cha Cha Jamboree. The dancers would compete against one another and who-ever won the competition would receive a magnum of domestic champagne. Sal invited me to join him and I did.

When I got there, I was surprised. I knew several of the people in attendance as they were from East Boston and the North End. The crowd turned out to be a mix of Italians, Jews, and Latinos. There also were several teachers from the dance studios in Boston along with their best students. Most were good dancers and showed their stuff to amaze the crowd. Due to Sal, I became part of the Tuesday and Thursday night crowd, as I wasn't bad at dancing the cha-cha-cha, merengue, and the mambo. Back home, Dad would ask me about the club as he had played there with a Latin band in the 1950s.

Mom and Babbononno were worried about me staying out so late during the week seeing I had to get up and teach school the next day. I was young and energetic and four hours of sleep were enough for me back then.

Sal had a lady friend who was his dancing partner and competed with him on Tuesday and Thursday nights. I was introduced to his lady friend's girl friend and she became my dancing partner. On weekend nights, if I wasn't playing music somewhere, we would take the girls out to dinner and then the theater or a nightclub. Life was great, and we were young.

One night, Sal and his lady friend announced that they were engaged. The gang at the Cave cheered them on and my dancing partner and I agreed to be their best man and maid of honor when they walked down the aisle. Again, all was well. As the wedding approached, we were all set with the church, reception hall, and entertainment (my gift to the wedding couple). A week before the wedding, Sal's lady friend called me in the wee hours of the morning crying. When I asked what was wrong, she explained that she couldn't marry Sal, as she really didn't love him. I was shocked and told her that she had better talk to him, as I wasn't going to be the bearer of bad news. She called him the next day, and it was over. He called me sounding like a broken man. I tried to console him as best as I could,

but for a long time, he was a broken man.

Finally, he snapped out of it, found a new dance partner and things started to get back to normal. In the interim, to keep him from total despair, I talked him into traveling when-ever I had a school vacation. We would head to Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, and other parts of Latin America. In most of those locations, Sal would find romance, but he would keep it all superficial, not wanting to get involved and hurt again.

As time went on, we traveled through much of Latin America, most of the states in the U.S., parts of Europe and a few places in both Africa and Asia. In the mid-1970s, I met Loretta, and after a year or so, we became serious. Babbononno questioned Sal about finding a mate, but he always skirted the issue and changed the subject. So, my grandfather quit trying to influence him.

In 1977, Loretta and I were married with Sal as our best man. A couple of years after that, he became the Godfather to our first-born son, John. After Michael was born, Sal added a prefix to his name and became Uncle Sal. On weekends, Loretta, the kids, Uncle Sal, with whichever lady friend he had with him, and I would head to dinner some- where. It seemed though that when one of his lady friends would get to close, he would break up with them, subconsciously not wanting to get hurt again ... and this is the way it stayed.

As we got older, we drifted apart. My boys were off on their own, and the only time we would see Sal was at Christmas when we all congregated at my house.

It got to a point when I would contact Sal, he would act strange and not make sense in a conversation. He was dealing with the beginnings of dementia, which would eventually do him in. His sister, Maria came to his rescue in the last couple of years of his life, but I don't think he knew who she was at the end. To be continued ...

GOD BLESS AMERICA



Throughout Italy, there are many regional variations of Easter biscuits. To name a few, there's the *Cuddura*, in Sicily, the *Pigna* in Abruzzo, Puglia has the *Scarcella*, and in Calabria, you'll find the *Sgute* and *Cudduraci*. These biscuits vary in terms of flavor and texture, shape and decoration, and of course in the unique family recipes and techniques used that were passed from generation to generation. Regardless of variation, almost all Italian Easter biscuits symbolize the rebirth and renewal that is celebrated during the Easter season.

Calabrian Easter biscuits are a beloved tradition, often prepared by families during Holy Week leading up to Easter Sunday. The exact origin of the *Cudduraci* and *Sgute* remains unclear, but it is believed that they have been a part of Calabrian Easter celebrations for centuries. Sources suggest that these biscuits were originally made by nuns in Calabrian convents, who would prepare them as gifts for their parishioners during Easter. The "Calabrian Easter Biscuits" shared are made from a centuries old recipe that had been given to my Nonna. These biscuits are just the right sweetness, crunchy on the outside and soft and crumbly on the inside. Their texture and taste make them perfect for dipping into a hot milk or espresso on Easter morning. *I hope you enjoy them and I wish you and your family Buona Pasqua!* 

### CALABRIAN EASTER BISCUITS Biscotti Pasquali Calabresi



3 eggs
1 cup granulated sugar
½ cup oil
½ cup whole milk
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1 organic lemon, rind only of
half the lemon
4 to 5 cups all-purpose flour

1 packet Paneangeli Lievito
Pane Degli Angeli or 2 ½
teaspoons baking powder
1 egg beaten with 1 tablespoon
water for egg wash
Nonpareils or Sprinkles to
decorate

Preheat oven to  $350^{\circ}$ . Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, add eggs and sugar, beat until fluffy. While mixing, gradually add the oil, milk, rind and entract, and mix well. Sift 4 cups of the flour with the Paneangeli or baking powder and gradually add to the wet mixture. Place dough on a lightly floured dough board and using your hands, mix and add remaining flour, a little at a time (as much as needed), until a soft but stiff dough is attained.

Take even pieces of dough and twist into circles or logs and place spread apart on prepared baking sheets. Take the egg wash and brush each biscuit then decorate with Nonpareils or Sprinkles. Bake for about 20 minutes or more, until golden colored.

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

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### All Girls Sports and Wellness Festival Returns

Mayor Michelle Wu, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) invite Boston girls ages 9 to 14 to join us during the April school vacation week for the annual All Girls Sports and Wellness Festival. Due to its popularity last year, the City is hosting the festival for two days.

The free event will take place on Wednesday, April 19th, and Thursday, April 20th, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the BCYF Leahy-Holloran Community Center, 1 Worrell Street, Dorchester. The All Girls Sports and Wellness Festival will feature a variety of programming including sports,

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court

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Docket No. MI23P1306EA

Estate of

**BRIAN THOMAS AREYZAGA** 

Also Known As

**BRIAN T. AREYZAGA** 

Date of Death: January 27, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above cap-

Aeja Areyzaga of Medford, MA has been

The estate is being administered under

informal procedure by the Personal Represen-

tative under the Massachusetts Uniform Pro-

bate Code without supervision by the Court.

Inventory and accounts are not required to be

filed with the Court, but interested parties are

entitled to notice regarding the administration

from the Personal Representative and can

petition the Court in any matter relating to the

estate, including distribution of assets and

expenses of administration. Interested parties

are entitled to petition the Court to institute

formal proceedings and to obtain orders ter-

minating or restricting the powers of Personal

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NOTICE AND ORDER:

Petition for Appointment of

Guardian of a Minor

In the interests of

BRAYDEN JAMES AMADO

of Medford, MA

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

filed on 10/21/2022 by Ruth E. Carvello of

Medford, MA will be held 04/24/2023 09:00 AM

2. Response to Petition: You may respond

by filing a written response to the Petition or

by appearing in person at the hearing. If you

choose to file a written response, you need to:

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent

adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to

request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

of the minor child who is the subject of this pro-

ceeding you have a right to be represented by

an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot

afford to pay for one and if you give proof that

you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned

to you. Your request for an attorney should be

made immediately by filling out the Application

of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the

application form in person or by mail at the court

location where your case is going to be heard

minor over age 14 has the right to be present

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Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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Date: January 09, 2023

not in the minor's best interests.

5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A

File the original with the Court; and

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Woburn, MA 01801, Courtroom #3

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Review Hearing

Run date: 04/07/2023

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**LEGAL NOTICE** 

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE** 

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Road, Allston, MA, pursuant to the provi-

sions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255,

Section 39A, that they will sell the following ve-

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10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy

their garage keepers lien for towing, storage

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VIN # 1GYEK63N62R229012

2004 MAZDA TRIBUTE

VIN # 4F2CZ96124KM19761

2012 FORD FUSION

VIN # 3FAHP0HA6CR100660

2007 CHEVROLET SILVERADO

VIN # 2GCEC19C971600840

**2013 NISSAN SENTRA** 

VIN # N1AB7AP7DL760568

2005 TOYOTA COROLLA

VIN # T1KR32E95C448422

2019 KIA OPTIMA

VIN # 5XXGT4L38KG358452

1993 HONDA CIVIC

VIN # JHMEG1243PS002457

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

**Probate and Family Court** 

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

10-U Commerce Way

Woburn, MA 01801

(781) 865-4000

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor

Lowell, MA 01852

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Docket No. MI23D0665DR

**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY** 

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**GREGORY LAVERTU** 

**LORI SAWYER** 

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce

An Automatic Restraining Order has been

entered in this matter preventing you from

taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either

party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court

You are hereby summoned and required to

serve upon Gregory Lavertu, 2230 Main St.,

Unit 205, Tewksbury, MA 01876 your answer,

if any, on or before May 02, 2023. If you fail

to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing

and adjudication of this action. You are also

required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 04/07/2023

the office of the Register of this Court.

First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 21, 2023

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,

requesting that the Court grant a divorce for

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

To the Defendant:

Irretrievable Breakdown.

Rule 411

Run dates: 04/07, 04/14, 04/21/2023

D & G Towing

and notices of sale:

Signed Brendan O'Shea, Owner Run dates: 03/24, 03/31, 04/07/2023

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street,

2013 HONDA ACCORD

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Todisco Services. Inc. 03/31, 04/07, 04/14/2023

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2007 FORD FOCUS VIN # 1FAHP37N17W271227

2011 BMW 328i

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Estate of

JAMES MAUNSELL Date of Death: November 12, 2022

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

has been admitted to informal probate.

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,

Run date: 04/07/2023

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

Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after April 15, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2000 GMC SIERRA VIN # 1GTEC14W2YZ131181

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Signed

VIN # WBAPK7C56BF086520

by appointment only.

04/07. 04/14. 04/21/2023

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

Docket No. MI23P1612EA

**INFORMAL PROBATE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Shiobhan C. Clifford of Methuen, MA, a Will

Shiobhan C. Clifford of Methuen. MA has

can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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

10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Estate of MAURICE C. FONTAINE

**INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** To all persons interested in the above

been admitted to informal probate. Alison Bracken of Burlington. MA has been informally appointed as the Personal

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.

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

Easter truly stands as one of the most extraordinary holidays of the year. Religiously and symbolically, Easter embraces the universal themes of rebirth, renewal, and rejuvenation. Indeed, the English name Easter may originate from Eostre, a Germanic goddess of the spring. After all, spring represents the period of the year in which Mother Earth vibrantly dances out of her winter slumber, and this reawakening of nature instills in us a desire for celebration. Religiously, Easter commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, honoring the accompanying ramifications of eternal life, redemption, and spiritual revitalization. Italian Easter traditions contain all this symbolism within their

assorted folkloric practices. Eggs, flowers, and new clothes signify rebirth, the Easter meal pays homage to the seasonal crops of springs, and the parades and processions reflect people's profound sense of hope and devotion. When we celebrate Easter, we celebrate the optimism and opportunity for rebirth that dwells within us all, bright as a spring

Happy Easter! Buona Pasqua!

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

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

Docket No. MI23P1066EA

Date of Death: September 20, 2022

captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Alison Bracken of Burlington, MA, a Will has

Representative of the estate to serve without

Run date: 04/07/2023

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#### • Boxing Ringside (Continued from Page 16)



### Ken dancing with Princess Anne

1979, he made a comeback, but the old fire was gone. His record after his first retirement was an incredible 57 wins against only two losses. In his comeback which lasted two years, he had just two wins in nine fights. He called it quits for good in 1982.

After boxing, Ken went into the hotel business. He had been smart with his money when boxing and was successful outside of the ring. After a divorce, he hit on some tough times. His countrymen rallied behind him and he was the recipient of many honors later in life. They never lost their love for their Champion.

Unfortunately, his story has the same final chapter as so many boxers. In recent years, Ken was confined to a nursing home. He was suffering from dementia brought on by his years in the ring. Another sad ending for a great and proud

#### **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 April 10, 2023 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:

2003 JEEP WRANGLER, BLUE VIN #: 1J4FA39S03P306988 Victor Micarone, Sr. P.O. Box 410146

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Cambridge, MA 02141

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2015 RAM 1500, GRAY VIN #: 1C6RR7GT6FS640594 Jack R. Clarke 377 Willard St.

2008 ACURA MDX, RED VIN #: 2HNYD28368H527883 Thais V. Gomes 9 Fremont Ct.

Arlington, MA 02474

2001 TOYOTA CAMRY, BROWN
VIN #: 4T1BG28K81U115599
Charles H. Cox
24 Fremont Ct.

Arlington, MA 02474

2011 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE, BLACK
VIN #: 1GNKVGED2BJ312453
Janet M. Barry
130 Gardner St.

Arlington, MA 02474

1984 CHEVROLET P-SERIES
MOTORHOME, TAN
VIN #: 1GBJP37W1E3348623
Alex Golon
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Farrell, PA 16121

2008 LINCOLN MKX, BLACK
VIN #: 2LMDU88C88BJ05771
William Y. Terrell
270 Wilder St., #2

Lowell, MA 01851
2008 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA, WHITE

8 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA, WHITE VIN #: 3VWRZ71K08M148385 Jhonatan Queiroz 32 Whitney St. Watertown, MA 02472

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Champion. He passed away on April  $1^{st}$ .

On a personal note: I first met Ken in 1971. He had recently won the Lightweight Championship and was being honored as Fighter of the Year by the New York Boxing Writers Association. He kept his comments brief when accepting the award. He told the crowd that since they would barely be able to understand him through his Scottish brogue he wouldn't torture them. He had a terrific sense of humor.

I was just a young amateur boxer at the time, but when I got to speak to him one-on-one, he treated me as a peer. I'll never forget that. He was a class act and a great Champion. Rest in Peace Ken Buchanan.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
Docket No. SU23C0154CA
In the Matter of
MATTHEW EDWARD RICHARDS
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Matthew Edward Richards of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Matthew Edward Richards Primavera.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of April 27, 2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: March 27, 2023

Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate Run Date: 04/07/2023

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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1991 TOYOTA LAND CRUISER VIN # JT3FJ80W2M0031500

2008 NISSAN ALTIMA VIN # 1N4AL21E88N481590 2001 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE VIN # 1J4GW48S81C508432

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

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

03/24, 03/31, 04/07/2023

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23C0316CA

In the Matter of GUADALUPE PEREZ MOISES CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Guadalupe Perez Moises of Woburn, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Moises Guadalupe Perez.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of April 20, 2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Irst Justice of this Coul Date: March 23, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 04/07/2023



### **EXTRA** Innings

by Sal Giarratani



### SEATTLE PILOTS BORN ON MARCH 31, 1968

The Seattle Pilots baseball team entered the AL West Division in the 1969 season and were franchised as a Major League team on March 31, 1968. After a single season the owners of the franchise went bankrupt on April 1, 1970, and the team moved to Milwaukee to become the Brewers.

During another baseball expansion, Seattle got a new baseball team in the Mariners and began playing baseball in 1977. Almost no one remembers the Pilots because they flew out into the horizon so quickly. The Pilot's played their one season in Sick's Stadium and went terminal quickly.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO TOMMY

Baseball Hall of Famer Tommy Glavine who hails from Billerica celebrated his 57<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Birthday also to ... NBA Hall of Famer Walt Frazier of the NY Knicks turned 78 on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

### BOYS WIN TROPHIES GIRLS WON

An Alabama girls' basketball team forced to play in a boys league went on to win the championship just to be refused the title because they were girls, which stirred up a hornet's nest with parents of those girls who were the real champions.

The Spain Park team of 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls were told the only way they could continue using Hoover city gyms was to "play up a level" and compete with boys, mom Jayme Mashayekh wrote on her Facebook post, which went viral.

"Playing the boys was a challenge they rose to meet.

It made them better players and a better team," she said of her daughter and all her team members. "They won the 5th grade boys' rec league championship," she added proudly but the girls weren't given the trophies they earned

on the court. What did they do to get disqualified? Oh, it's because they're GIRLS!" she stated.

Eventually, the city is doing right by the girls, but it took Facebook shaming of the city and league officials.

#### DON ZIMMER BECOMES FIRST RAYS' HALL OF FAMER



Don Zimmer who had been a fixture in Major League Baseball for 66 years as a manager, player, and coach is the first person the Tampa Bay Rays inducted into the team's Hall of Fame. His memory was honored in a ceremony this past Sunday before the start of that day's game against the Tigers. Zimmer spent the last 11 years in baseball with the Rays where he was a senior advisor from 2004 until his death in June 2014 at age 83.

His induction will be followed later this season when the team inducts both Wade Boggs and Carl Crawford. It is all part of the Rays' 25th anniversary as



a Major League franchise. By the way, Zimmer's No. 66 was retired by the team in 2015.

He began his career as a Minor League infielder back in 1949. He eventually played alongside Jackie Robinson for the Brooklyn Dodgers' only World Series win in 1955, was on the field with the original New York Mets 1962 team, managed the Red Sox in the 1970s, and was manager Joe Torres' right hand man as bench coach with the NY Yankees before joining the Rays' organization. He also picked up a unique nickname as the "gerbil" for the big chaw that always seemed to be in his cheek.

End Quote

"People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball. I'll tell you what I do.
I stare out the window and wait for spring."
— Roger Hornsby



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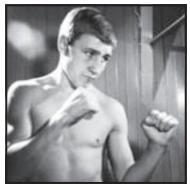
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### **Former World Lightweight CHAMPION KEN BUCHANAN** Passes Away



A young Ken Buchanan

For those of us who were around to experience boxing in the 1970s, we are now at the point in life where many of the boxers who competed then and participated in so many exciting battles are now passing on. While it is very sad to read the news each time one of these great champions or contenders takes his final count, it also triggers memories of their great performances and then many thrills they gave to us.



The Proud Champion

Ken Buchanan was from Scotland and began his career campaigning in the British Isles. In 1968, he won the British Lightweight Title when he kayoed Maurice Cullen. In a challenge for the European Title, he lost a fifteen round decision to Miguel Velasquez.

He won his next three bouts which earned him a shot at



In Retirement

World Lightweight Champion Ismael Laguna. On a blistering hot afternoon in San Juan, Puerto Rico Ken won the title by a split decision. The bout took place on September 26, 1970.

Three months after Ken made his American debut outpointing Donato Paduano over ten rounds at Madison Square Garden. He was immediately adopted by the American fans that were quite taken with his exciting style and charming personality.

Buchanan defended the title twice with outstanding wins over Ruben Navarro in Los Angeles and in a rematch with Laguna in New York. Both fights were tremendous affairs that cemented his popularity in the States and made his countrymen very proud.

After the second win over Laguna, Ken put his title on the line against Roberto Duran in New York. The fight took place on June 26 1972. It was a brutal affair with Buchanan taking a drubbing early in the fight, but he hung in there with Duran and was actually coming on and frustrating the hard punching Panamanian as the fight entered the championship rounds.

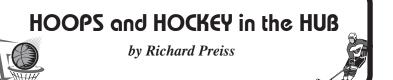
The fight ended in controversy when a frustrated Duran hit Ken with a low blow and another shot after the bell had rung ending the 13th round. In an interview with Don Dunphy immediately after the fight, referee Johnny LoBianco confirmed that the blow that caused him to stop the fight was landed after the bell. Accordingly, Duran should have been disqualified and Buchanan remain champion. That was not to be.

Ken was back in the ring the following September, and over the next two years ran off thirteen straight wins. Included in those victories were wins over Carlos Ortiz, Jim Watt, Hector Matta, Frankie Otero, Edwin Malave, and a stoppage of Antonio Puddu where Ken won the European Lightweight Title.

Roberto Duran twice signed for and then backed out of rematches with Buchanan. After the second time Duran refused to honor a contract to fight Ken, the New York State Athletic Commission suspended his license.

Ken retired in 1975 frustrated by his inability to get Duran back in the ring with him. In

(Continued on Page 15)



A BUNCH BATTLING FOR BERTH TO FACE BRUINS — While much of the media attention has quite properly focused on this regular season of success for the Bruins, way down there in the standings there is quite a contest going on to determine what team will provide the first round opposition for the B's.

Up top things are still rolling along for the Black and Gold, but down below there is a scenario that changes frequently as at least three teams have a realistic opportunity to emerge as the one that will come to Causeway Street for the first two games of the playoffs.

The New York Islanders, Pittsburgh, and Florida are in a tight race for the two wild card slots in the Eastern Conference, bunched so close that the alignment can change on a daily basis. Should any of those three falter, there is a still a possibility, though a very diminished one that Buffalo (or even Ottawa) could squeak in under the wire.

The two teams that eventually make it will have something in common — and something that separates them for those teams that gained berths by division standings. They will be the only two playoff teams in the Eastern Conference not to have 100 points by the end of the season.

The other six will — Tampa will cross the threshold — meaning that the bulk of the playoffs will have triple digit contenders. The Bruins will play the second wild card team in the opening round - number 1 vs. number 8 in the seedings.

If the Islanders make it that will mean that all three New York metropolitan area teams (Rangers, Islanders, and New Jersey Devils) will compete in the eight-team Eastern Conference playoffs.

The B's will have the home ice advantage in games 1, 2, 5 and 7 throughout the playoffs by virtue of winning the Presidents' Trophy. However, we always have thought game 4 is pivotal because of three scenarios. If a team jumps out to a 3-0 lead then game 4 becomes a potential series ending game. The more common situation is to have a team leading by one (2-1) or down by one (1-2) coming into game 4. If the leading team wins game 4, it takes a commanding 3-1 lead with three opportunities to win the series. If the trailing team wins game 4, the series is tied at 2-2 and it comes down to essentially a best-of-three mini-series. If the Bruins face either of those two scenarios in the playoffs, they will have game 5 (and potentially game 7) at the Garden.

Recall what 1980 Team USA Winter Olympics "Miracle on Ice" hockey coach Herb Brooks said every time he gazed upon a sheet of newly made ice: "All I see are possibilities." Where those possibilities lead Bruins Nation will be the story of the spring of 2023.

RECALLING WHEN PERVIS ELLISON CARRIED CARDINALS **TO CHAMPIONSHIP** — Although few fans in the region may remember former Celtics player Pervis Ellison, he was once a star, leading the University of Louisville to a 72-69 victory over Duke in the 1986 national championship game.

"Ellison's an Ace, So the Cards are Kings" read the banner headline that graced the first sports page of the Louisville-Courier Journal on April 1, 1986.

The star freshman center scored 25 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and hit two key free throws with 27 seconds remaining in the championship clash against the Blue Devils — who had come into the title tilt at 37-2. For his efforts, Ellison was named the Most Valuable Player of the Final Four, the first freshman to earn the honor since 1944. Since then three additional first year players have won it — Carmelo Anthony (Syracuse) in 2003, Anthony Davis (Kentucky) in 2012, and Tyus Jones (Duke) in 2015.

Injuries plagued Ellison throughout his career. Although with the Celtics for five seasons in the 1990s, he basically had only two years of full-time duty. He played in only 69 of a possible 246 games in his final three seasons with the team. His average point production was in the low to middle single digits during his time in the Hub.

It was a memorable game for many reasons. It was the initial Final Four for then first year Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski.

It was the last Final Four game to be played without the threepoint shot or a shot clock.

It was the display of a different era in college basketball. Four of the Duke starters were seniors, meaning they had remained in college all four years Although a freshman, Ellison would stay at Louisville all four years — quite a contrast to today. He is one of only four Louisville players to have his collegiate number (42) retired.

#### POTENTIAL ROLE REVERSAL FOR PITINO AND BOEHEIM?

- In 1976, when Jim Boeheim was appointed the head basketball coach at Syracuse University, the first assistant that he hired was Rick Pitino. He would spend two years at SU before moving to the Hub and his first head coaching job at Boston University.

In five seasons at BU Pitino amassed a 91-23 record and guided the Terriers to their first NCAA Tournament berth in 24 years.

Later he would come back to Boston as the coach of the Celtics for three plus seasons, missing the playoffs three consecutive times. He resigned at midseason in 2001.

He was recently hired by St. John's University in NYC. According to Pitino, he was contacted by Boeheim, who recently ended his 47-year coaching career at Syracuse. According to the New York Post, Pitino said of Boeheim: "He said he wants to be my consultant. I said anytime."

It was unclear whether this would actually take place since the Syracuse Post-Standard reported Boeheim has been named a special assistant to Syracuse Athletic Director John Wildhack.

Meanwhile, Pitino moves ahead, promising success at his new school — a familiar tale in basketball circles. How that plays out only time will tell.



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