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Rooftop Garden

at the Michelangelo in the North End



Al Skinner, a resident of the Michelangelo in the North End creates a stunning rooftop garden where he grows a variety of vegetables and flowers. Skinner enjoys working on his garden taking every precaution to keep the garden healthy and vibrant. His garden has been entered in the Mayor's Garden Contest.

Let's all wish Al the best of luck in the contest!!



Society of San Rocco

Annual Procession Sunday, July 17, 2022 through the Streets of Boston's North End



Members of the St. Rocco Society

Saint Rocco was born into an aristocratic French family. He turned away from his worldly inheritance and status, giving all of his possessions to the poor and the sick. He traveled plague stricken Europe caring for the sick and ultimately, through the

grace of God, miraculously curing those he encountered. Saint Rocco escaped death from starvation and plague by eating food brought to him by a dog. San Nicola Baronia, a small town in Italy, adopted this Holy Man as their patron saint. Immigrants

from this town established a Society dedicated to his works in Boston in 1921. The Society of San Rocco of San Nicola Baronia annually celebrates a festival in his honor and strives throughout the year to perform charitable works.

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Doughty Seeks to Debate

Chris Doughty is running for governor in the upcoming State Primary in September. Doughty has stated he is willing to do a second radio debate on the *Jeff Kuhner Show* on 680 WRKO Radio, which endorses his opponent Geoff Diehl if he also agrees to one televised debate. Doughty is waiting for a response from the Diehl campaign.

Greenway Community Meeting in Eastie

There will be a Mary Ellen Welch Greenway community meeting on Thursday, July 28th at the Gove Street entrance. RSVP bit.ly/Maryellengreenway.

Looking for the Post-Gazette

If you are looking for your copy of this paper, you can find them at the A & N Bakery, Salon International, and Carmella's in the Point.

Price of Gas is All Over the Place



While down in Marshfield at WMEX Radio off Route 139, I noticed a Gulf gas station selling gas for \$4.13. I quickly stopped everything I was doing, got in line and filled my tank. If you don't believe me, check out the photo, seeing is believing!

What a sight this price was for many who were waiting in lines to get some. Across Route 139, there is a Shell station just a bit higher at \$4.23. Too bad these prices don't come northward, huh?

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President Giovanni Leone and Alex Leone









(Photos by Gerri Palladino)



Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



ARRIVEDERCI AUGUSTUS



Mausoleo di Augusto, Roma, Italy
(Photo by Russell Yarwood)

It has been said by some that the death of Augustus and his later deification were known in advance by unmistakable signs. I have taken the time to investigate and to research those so-called unmistakable signs and find them too ridiculous to mention. I believe it would be most appropriate to simply say that he called his friends around his deathbed and asked whether it seemed to them that he had played the comedy of life fitly and then added, "If this be true, then all clap your hands and from the stage of life dismiss me with applause." He passed away as he was kissing Livia, and saying, "Live mindful of our wedlock, end farewell."

He was blessed with an easy death and one he had always longed for. He died in the same room as his father Octavius, on August 19, 14 A.D., 35 days before his 76th birthday. He was carried on the shoulders of senators to the Campus Martius where he was cremated. His remains were gathered up by the leading men of the Equestrian Order and placed in his mausoleum. After his death, no one entered the room in which he was born unless it was of extreme necessity and only after purification. A legend tells that those who approach the room without ceremony are overtaken with shuddering and terror. A new owner of the house went either to bed in that room by chance or to test the legend. A story is told that a few hours into the night he was thrown out by a mysterious force, and

was found in his bedclothes, seriously injured lying before the door.

It is interesting to note that up to the time of Augustus, the Romans seemed to be mostly concerned about the tombs of their ancestors, alters for ancestor worship, and the safekeeping of the family relics. After visiting the great

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Date of Death: March 14, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Peter Z. Hermann of Chestnut Hill, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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

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tombs of Egypt, Augustus, then about 35 years old, set about the task of building a beautiful mausoleum for himself. As an afterthought, he provided some extra space for the other members of his family which were to follow. The tomb was completed and remained empty for about five years. The fickle finger of fate then pointed to young Marcellus, the one whose death was least expected, and most bitterly lamented by the Emperor himself. It was the nephew of Augustus and his successor in the Empire who became the tomb's first tenant. Eleven years later, Marcus Agrippa became the second occupant. Octavia, the sister of Augustus, was next, and then came Lucius, the young son of Agrippa. Caius, another young son of Agrippa, soon followed.

It should be understood that during all of the years that Augustus reigned as Emperor, he received the admiration, respect, and affection of the Roman people. History praises him for his patience, restraint, and true concern for the Roman tradition. Good show, Gus.

Finally, Augustus himself, who

died an old and lonely man,

became the tomb's last tenant.

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JOEL V. WEINSTOCK, MD
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Italian American Alliance Leaders Call for Support of Local Newspapers

by Peter Campisano



Dr. Domenic Amara and Virginia Gardner

Small local newspapers are absolutely essential to the very existence of a stable National culture was the dominant theme at a recent celebration of the 100th publication of the *Boston Broadside* recently.

An overflow crowd of almost three hundred gathered in Nonantum recently to hear syndicated radio show host and historian, Jeff Kuhner and Dr. Domenic Amara, former Academic Superintendent of the Boston Schools and publisher of several small newspapers. Dr. Amara is also the Chairman of the Italian American Alliance.

The event was organized by Virginia Gardner of Wayland, contributing writer of the *Boston Broadside* and President of the National Council, Italian American Alliance.

"This was an event to recognize the 100th edition of the Boston Broadside, one of the fastest growing newspapers in the country, and to honor all the small newspapers who continue to serve their communities," said Gardner.

Gardner explained that between 2004 and 2020 more than a quarter of the country's newspapers have closed and 1,800 communities that had local news outlets were left without them.

Dr. Amara, in his remarks emphasized the importance of the local newspaper to the community and the country.

"In addition to contributing to the economics of a community, voters of communities without local newspapers are more politically polarized, had greater government waste," said Amara.

He called for a greater recognition and support of local newspapers and for community support over and above advertising and subscriptions.

"In more and more communities the foundation of the traditional newspaper model — advertising — is vanishing. The lack of advertising funds creates a familiar spiral; a poorer product, which attracts fewer customers which in turn deprives the community of its local newspaper."

"Passion and hard work, such as what one sees in local papers as Lonnie Brennen's Boston Broadside and Pamela Donnaruma's (Boston) Post-Gazette, is simply not enough to keep quality newspapers going."

"In short," he said," they need money, and, unlike the government, they cannot just print it."

He said, that there are some models of next generation news organizations that are blending electronic and print media and who have paid subscribers – and increasingly important – benefactor support.

"There are also some promising unique funding efforts, for example, a bipartisan bill in Congress called the Local Journalism Sustainability Act," proposes a refundable \$250 tax credit that could be used to subsidize a subscription to a local newspaper. Perhaps a similar idea for small local newspapers could find fertile soil in State Legislatures."

Amara said, "That local newspapers are essential to a functioning society, but added that unless the community moves to create new and innovative ways to underwrite local Newspapers — free, of course, from government control — they will go the way of the Dodo bird and with it the National Culture, Democracy and Freedom."

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Much Ado About Nothing is Shakespeare's hilarious tale of wits and wills, where love and justice nevertheless manage to prevail with vigorous joy! Directed by Megan Sandberg-Zakian, this production transports us back to the vibrant and colorful 1990s, a time when the Gulf War brought soldiers back in "victory" and pop culture brought us a treasure trove of trends to love. Get ready to explore Shakespeare's tale of

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Boston Lights

are Back to Illuminate Franklin Park Zoo



"Boston Lights: A Lantern Experience has been incredibly popular, so we are thrilled to bring this unique experience back to Franklin Park Zoo," said Bob Chabot, Zoo New England Chief Operating Officer. "We look forward to welcoming both new and returning visitors of all ages as they

immerse themselves in the beauty of the lights. This year, we're offering visitors a glimpse into outer space, as well as lanterns inspired by the beauty of the natural world."

Boston Lights will impress visitors with more than 55 large scale displays comprised of hundreds of colorful lanterns, featuring many sparkling new additions with a few returning favorites. As guests stroll the zoo, they will see luminous scenes from the rainforest, whimsical ocean displays with creatures of the deep, glowing corridors of lotus and bamboo, traditional Asian lanterns and a stunning 66-foot long rose corridor. New this year is a colossal 82-foot-long octopus tunnel with eyes that open and tentacles that change color, sure to dazzle and delight guests of all ages.

Online advance ticket purchase is required for Boston Lights. Boston Lights: A Lantern Experience at Franklin Park Zoo opens on July 22nd and runs nightly through September 25th. The hours are 6:00 to 10:30 p.m. For the full schedule visit http://www. franklinparkzoo.org/. In order to secure your desired evening and timeslot, be sure to reserve your tickets early at https://www. zoonewengland.org/engage/boston-lights/.

Zoo New England has partnered with Tianyu Arts and Culture to bring this experience to Franklin Park Zoo.

Reagle Music Theatre of Greater Boston

Presents PIPPIN

Rachel Bertone, Artistic Director of Reagle Music Theatre of Greater Boston, announces the cast for Pippin, the 2nd and final production in the company's $\bar{\text{Summer}}$ 2022 season. Running from August 5-13, 2022 at the Robinson Theatre, 617 Lexington Street, Waltham, MA.

Pippin tells the tale of a young prince struggling to decide whether to pursue a peaceful life or to "make magic" with the dazzling troupe of performers that help tell his story. Pippin will feature a diverse cast of actors featuring Elliot Norton Award winner Davron Monroe (2019, Breath & Imagination) as the enigmatic "Leading Player."

Reagle will present Pippin from August 5-13, 2022. Directed and Choreographed by



Kenny Lee as Pippin

award-winning Artistic Director Rachel Bertone (Cabaret, In the Heights, Carousel), with Music Direction by Dan Rodriguez (The Last Five Years, Little Shop of Horrors, Mame).

Tickets can be purchased at www.reaglemusictheatre. org, by calling 781-891-5600, or at the theater box office. Recommended for ages 13+.

A mysterious performance troupe — led by the Leading Player — tells the story of Pippin, a young prince on his search for passion, adventure, and meaning. He seeks it in the glories of the battlefield, the temptations of the flesh, and the intrigues of political power. In the end, though, Pippin finds that happiness lies not in extraordinary endeavors, but rather in the unextraordinary moments that happen every

The score (by Wicked and Godspell's Stephen Schwartz) includes "Magic to Do," "Corner of the Sky," "Simple Joys," and "No Time at All." Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz; Book by Roger O. Hirson. Presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

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NORTH END FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL JULY 31 TO AUGUST 14, 2022

Sunday, July 31st **ANNUAL JOHNNY PAOLO** MEMORIAL BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Johnny Paolo Bocce Courts - Commercial Street

Come have fun, enjoy some old music, food, a water truck, and ice cream for the kids. Preregistration available by emailing Linda Lopriore at Soxgirl32@hotmail.com

11:30 am: Register at the Courts, Register fee: \$5 per person or - 2 person teams (\$10)

12:00 Noon: Tourney Begins; Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place

Monday, August 1st **EMILIE PUGLIANO/BOBBY D NEIGHBORHOOD FAMILY BOAT CRUISE Boston Harbor City Cruises - Long Wharf**

7:00 pm: Space is limited! To sign up please call John at 617-750-9749. Pre-registration required. All North End Residents (under 16 with parent) welcome. Come enjoy a night on the harbor. 6:45 pm boarding time. This Fabulous Night made possible through the generosity of Boston Harbor City Cruises

Tuesday, August 2nd **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT -NEAD's NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY** Paul Revere Mall - (Prado) Hanover Street

6:00 - 8:30 pm: Drug Education/Information, Free Pizza • DJ AMO • Balloon Art • N.E.M.P.A.C. • Boston Police • Kids Crafts • Face Painting • North End Waterfront Health • R.U.F.F. • Paul Revere House • Boston Public Market • Reptile Circus, Boston Police Ice Cream Truck, Art with Public Action for Arts and Education — prizes to all participants, Free Give-A-Ways, Boston Elderly Services Dept., Suffolk County Sherriff's Office, Suffolk County D.A.'s Office, Old North Church — Clough House: Open Late, Transit

Wednesday, August 3rd **FAMILY GAME NIGHT ON THE GREENWAY** North End Park - Hanover/Cross Streets

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm: Boys and Girls all ages welcome - Enjoy Lawn Games, Corn Hole, Whiffle Ball, Jump Rope and much more. Free Italian Slush!! *Parents must attend* with children under 12.

Thursday, August 4th **BOSTON COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE'S MOVIE NIGHT**

8:00 pm: Gassy Park, Prince Street: Movie TBD

Sunday, August 7th **NORTH END FAMILY PRIDE DAY** 12 Noon - 4pm: Columbus Park - Atlantic Ave

Kids Crafts, Balloon Art, Face Painting, Reptile Circus, North Bennet Street School — Demo for Kids, FREE BBQ, Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, Boston Elderly Services, North End Waterfront Health Center, Boston Host Lions Club — Service Table, Art with Boston Action for Arts & Education, Boston Water & Sewer Water Truck

LIVE on STAGE:

12:15 pm: CROSSTOWN 1:30 pm: STREET MAGIC 2:30 pm: VINYL GROOVE

Saturday Aug 13th 31ST ANNUAL LAFESTA BASEBALL EXCHANGE

5:30 pm: North End vs. North Adams All-stars. Game #1 - Come and celebrate an amazing 31 years of this great baseball exchange program between the North End and our Sister City North Adams!

Puopolo Park - Commercial Street

Sunday, August 14th 31ST ANNUAL LAFESTA BASEBALL EXCHANGE **Puopolo Park - Commercial Street**

10:00 am: Game #2 of this great baseball exchange featuring players from opposite ends of the state!

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IT'S ALL ABOUT FAMILY!

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Wedding Bells, Watchful Eyes and Winged Creatures

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



A few years ago, I wore a brand-new dress to a close friend's wedding. As soon as I saw it, I was immediately struck by its beautiful pastel-flowered pattern, and I imagined how it would look like a garden in motion against a hot July sky. In addition, the dress, and the event to which it was worn, reminded me of another fact. Summer is here, and for many people that means wedding season. There are many wonderful aspects that I love about weddings: the reunion of family and friends, delicious and intricately decorated cakes, pulsating dance floors, peals of laughter resounding through the room. However, in the midst of this joyous festivity, I am often reminded that Italian weddings carry a sinister side, enveloped in the world of superstition. Because marriage involves such a monumental life change, Italian society ascribes a number of superstitions to weddings, born of natural anxieties and the universal desire to prescribe good luck to the new couple. My family members still hand out confetti, or sugared almonds, as favors at showers and weddings. Supposedly, when wrapped in groups of five, they bestow fertility, health, longevity, happiness and wealth to the newlyweds. However, wedding confetti are merely a portion of the rich tapestry of Italian superstitions.

I love learning about superstitions because they are reminders of the values held dear by ancient societies. The superstitions that survived to this day tap deep into the fears and desires of the human subconscious: worries over our mortality, longing for a good harvest, extremely popular superstition

a need for control in an unpredictable world. People scoured everyday occurrences for both good and bad omens, and often the signs were contradictory: a black cat, for example, could be the harbinger of fortune or disaster (on a side note, I have a black cat, and I can attest that there is nothing bad about her!). Gathered below are some Italian superstitions repeated in my family, most from my grandmother. If you think that summer proves an odd time to talk about something as creepy as superstitions, keep in mind that Italian culture begs to differ. Ancient Romans celebrated many festivals honoring the dead during the spring and summer. Odd, perhaps, but in the harsh world of antiquity death was an ever-present companion — along with primal emotions of joy and hope no matter what the season. So, in honor of both wedding season and the journey of everyday life that continues into the summer, get ready to dive into the spooky side of Italian folklore:

- The number 17 is bad luck: This was an oft-repeated nugget from my grandmother. In the United States, Friday the 13th serves as the quintessential bad-luck day. In Italy, it is the 17th of the month. The roots of this superstition extend to ancient Rome. Author Mirella Sichirollo Patzer theorizes that this belief originated from the fact that the Roman numeral for 17, XVII, can be rearranged to spell VIXI, a Latin word meaning "he lived" that is found carved in many ancient tombstones.
- Malocchio: This translates to "evil eye" and is an

not only in Italy, but in the entire Mediterranean world. Supposedly, looking at a person with jealousy or anger is enough to trigger a mountain of bad luck upon them. As such, Italians devised a plethora of charms to ward away malocchio. One of them is the cornicello, a horn-shaped amulet found everywhere ranging from necklaces to home decorations, usually colored bright red (when I was little, I thought these were supposed to represent chili peppers). The cornicello is modeled after the cornucopia, a symbol of abundance and fertility in ancient Greek and Roman mythology.

- Birds: My grandmother acquired a very ominous voice when she talked about birds, as they are generally heralds of bad luck in Italy. A bird flying into the house is a death omen, perhaps because ancients viewed birds as being closer to the world of the dead due to their ability to fly. My grandmother mostly feared owls, which Italians also consider a death omen as a result to their intense stare and eerie cry. Conversely, however, owls also represent wisdom and knowledge.
- Salt: Many readers will probably be familiar with the idea that spilling salt is bad luck, since this is a superstition that has reached all corners of the globe. It is also quite popular in Italy, and my grandmother swore by it. This superstition originates from the fact that salt was a very precious commodity in ancient times, and thus spilling it could really result in financial bad luck. Also related to the "precious commodity" line of superstitions are the Italian beliefs that it is bad luck to spill olive oil or throw away bread.

From birds and salt to numbers and amulets, Italian life is peppered with fascinating superstitions. Though most people do not take them as seriously as they did in the past, when uncertainty ruled the most basic interactions of daily existence, these superstitions are still followed out of appreciation of tradition or a sense of fun. Rites of passages and major life events, such as weddings, attract the bulk of these superstitions. As I enjoyed my friend's summer wedding, I also thought about the myriad superstitions that mark the Italian counterparts of these celebrations: the aforementioned confetti, the chiming of bells which originated as a way to ward off evil spirits, the belief that rain on a wedding day is paradoxically good luck, and the granting of the bomboniera, or wedding favor. No matter what occurrence life throws your way, you can be sure that Italian society has some sort of interesting lore attached to it! So as you enjoy the warm summer weather, make sure to watch your saltshakers and guard your eyes, whether or not you are attending a wedding!

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



I Am So Tired of All the Craziness My Country is Going Through

When I look around at the mess this country is in right now, I dread the upcoming 250th birthday of America. I vividly remember how proud we were as Americans back during our Bicentennial (1975-76).

We seemed so proud of who we were and what we represented. We knew our nation wasn't perfect. We seemed able to debate everything. I marched against abortion following the January 22, 1973 Roe v. Wade, I marched against forced busing right here in Boston. Growing up in the '50s and '60s, I understood pretty much the world we lived in. There were those with plenty and those with plenty of nothing.

I started life off as a Democrat like my mom and dad. Their heroes, like many, were folks like Roosevelt, Harry Truman, and then, of course, John Kennedy. Republicans were the bad guys, the elites who wanted to run this country. I still remember a civics lesson I learned in third grade when Sister Rita Mary had us vote for president during the 1956 election when Eisenhower was running for re-election and facing Adlai Stevenson, the Democrat. I voted for Stevenson and was proud to have done so.

It wasn't easy growing up in the '50s and '60s. We may have been watching Father Knows Best or Leave it to Beaver on TV, but the real world wasn't anything like those shows, especially growing up workingclass in the South End or Lower

As a youngster, I watched the larger world on TV and much of it seemed pretty violent. Civil Rights marchers being hosed down in the streets looking to vote. I actually remember the news about Emmett Till, a 14-year-old kid being murdered just for the crime of being black. A little while later. I saw America sucked into an endless war in Vietnam. I remember graduating from high school and enlisting in the Air Force rather than wait to be drafted. I decided to pick my poison like many others.

The year 1968 was a whirlwind of a year, with so much violence and it just kept happening. That year, I was a supporter of Robert Kennedy before he was assassinated. Two months earlier, Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. was also assassinated.

In May of 1968, I turned 20 years old, and we seemed to be in a freefall. I wanted some order to my country and to my

I grew angrier that my nation's leaders seemed so powerless and incapable of making America work for us. All of a sudden. I realized two things: America had a ruling class and most of us had somehow become serfs.

I realized that our country

and our form of government was our business. Either we run it or it runs us. I got involved in politics, took stands, and even ran for office.

Today, we have a radicalized political class trying to change America overnight into something we are not. They attack our past because they hate our past. I still very much believe that America is a good nation. Our past has plenty of scars. We haven't always been right. However, we still remain better than the rest.

Hey, before I forget. I still think there is a ruling governing class (Big Business, Big Labor, Big Tech, and Big Pharma). These forces are evil and they seek to devour us. It took me over 74 years to learn that everything is always about power and control.

Today, the Democrats and the Fake News Media call anyone who questions the 2020 election results as crazy conspiracy theorists. I cannot prove the election was on the up and up or not, but I do have a right to express my opinion.

I have no idea what to call myself. The choices I have are insufficient.

However, my bottom line has always been to open debate and discussion where we actually listen to one another without yelling at anyone. Some think our democracy is doomed and is heading for its last days. That's not my thinking. There are more of us who wish to live together and less of those who seek to tear us apart. We need to remember this as we move forward during these trying times. We can't always be just sunshine patriots sometimes, we must forge through the valley like General Washington and his army was forced to experience.

Too many lives have been sacrificed in my lifetime alone for us to abandon now. This too, we will survive. We must remember our past was not paralyzed by it. We follow in the steps of great men like Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. Neither perfect, just human

Don't forget to register and vote because our collective futures depend on us doing our duty as a free people. When given choices, do what is right for our country.

The older we get, the wiser we should become. I no longer think like a child of the '50s, or a young man during the '60s and '70s. Today, I look at my country and think not just of myself but of my daughter and my grandchildren. What kind of America am I leaving them? What kind of America are we leaving for future generations?

There is only one ruling class in this country that should ever count and that is, WE, THE PEOPLE. Never forget that!

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Saint Philip Minh and Companions

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Philip Phan Van Minh was born in Vietnam in 1815. He was a student in College General, Penang from 1840-1846. He was ordained a priest with the Society of Foreign Missions of Paris for the purpose of ministering in his homeland. The Society of Foreign Missions of Paris was established 1658. In 1659, instructions for establishment of the Paris Foreign Missions Society were given by Rome's Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith.

He was beheaded by anti-Catholic forces July 3, 1853, for refusing to trample on the cross and for not denying his faith and the whereabouts of his fellow priests. Philip is one of the 117 named Vietnamese martyrs who were brutally persecuted and who died for their faith.

The Vietnamese state at that time were highly suspicious of the Christian faith and its



missionaries, and all those who were suspected and found to be Christians had to endure great difficulties and trials, as they were tortured to induce them to give up their faith. The tortures these individuals underwent are considered some of the worst in Christian martyrdom.

It is estimated from the time

of the arrival of the first missionaries to Vietnam in the early 16th century until the 19th century the total number of Vietnamese martyrs is estimated at more than 100,000.

Pope John Paul II recognized this extraordinary group of 117 martyrs by canonizing all of them on June 19, 1988. He designated Nov. 24 as the feast day for Vietnam's named and anonymous martyrs.

St. Philip Minh and his fellow companions in martyrdom did not give up their faith and remained faithful to the end. They chose to remain true to their faith despite the sufferings that they had to face. They would rather remain firm in their belief in God rather than give it up for the false assurances of worldly pleasures and satisfaction, one that does not last. They chose instead the promise and assurance of eternal glory and true joy with God.

2022 Annual Housatonic Heritage Walks

5 Weekends of Free, Guided Tours

The Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area announces the 20th annual autumn "Housatonic Heritage Walks" on five weekends: September 3 & 4, 10 & 11, 17 & 18, 24 & 25 and October 1 & 2. 80+ free, guided walks will be offered throughout Berkshire County, MA, and Litchfield County, CT.

The public is invited to participate in these family-friendly, informative walks, offered in partnership with our region's historic, cultural, outdoor recreation organizations. The Heritage Walks are the ideal opportunity to experience and learn about our region's rich and varied local heritage.

Historians, naturalists, and environmentalists will lead participants on explorations through historic estate gardens and town districts, behind-the-scenes cultural site tours, nature walks, trail hikes, and tours of many of the industrial-site ruins that were once thriving local industries. There will be Native-American and African American history walks, a canoe paddling trip on the Housatonic River & a bike tour on scenic country roads.

Detailed Heritage Walks brochures will be available at libraries, post offices, restaurants and grocery stores in the region. The Walks schedule is also available online at https://housatonicheritage.org/events/heritage-walks/

To request a brochure by mail, email programs@housatonicheritage.org

2022 Heritage Walk participants will be subject to federal & state guidelines for safe conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

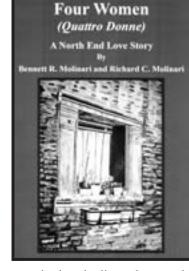
Four Women "Quattro Donne" subtitle, A North End Love Story

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

CHAPTER 82 The Saint Theresa Feast

"Carla fix the wreath of flowers on Saint Theresa's head, it's tilted to one side." Claudia was a perfectionist and before she would allow the Saint to be paraded through the streets, she made certain everything was in order. Saint Theresa was one of the last feasts of the festival season. For many, it was their favorite feast because of its simplicity. The procession began about 6 o'clock in the evening, within three hours of making their way through the streets of the North End the procession was over. It was set apart from other feasts by the fact, the statue of Saint Theresa was carried by both men and women. As mentioned earlier, unique to the Saint Theresa Feast, many of the faithful processed behind the Saint in either their stocking feet or bare feet. They were either looking for a favor from Saint Theresa or thanking the Saint for a favor received. The presence of these devotees created an atmosphere of silence and deep devotion.

There was much to do at the chapel before the Saint was ready to be processed. Flowers needed to be pinned to the stand that held the Saint, and the statue needed to be firmly



attached to the litter that would be carried through the streets by the litter bearers. In addition to making the statue ready for its annual procession through the North End, prayer cards and buttons imprinted with the image of the Saint were gathered into baskets, members of the Society distributed. The women carefully tied pale blue-ribbon streamers around the neck of the Saint, held by members of the Society, as they walked alongside the Saint. Offerings from spectators were pinned to the streamers as the Saint processed through the streets. It would be several hours before the Saint began

her annual tour through the North End, time to clean the chapel, and lay out some food and drink for the guests that surely would be filtering into the chapel during the feast.

While Carla was busy preparing the chapel, Pietro was helping Mom carry bundles of groceries back to our apartment. It was Mom's tradition to march with Grandma, seeking Saint Theresa's blessings and grace for the family, and to thank her for the help she gave Bobby years earlier, with a serious eye infection. Grandma wore shoes in the procession because of her diabetes, for fear of an infection from a cut that she might receive by walking barefoot or in stocking feet. Mom, on the other hand, would process in stocking feet, both women once again, taking part in this annual event.

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

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"Take Me Down" by the Sand Castles this Weekend

"Take Me Down" will be playing at Bill Ashes at Revere Beach on July 22nd starting at 9:00 A.M. What a deal, walk Revere Beach, check out the Sand Castles, and hear some good music, too. If you liked Beawolfe music, Dom Petrosino swears you will get on down with "Take Me Down."

This new band just did a show up at the Grill House on Route 1 in Saugus on Friday, July 8th.

Check 'em out for yourself this weekend.

Veterans Voice Network & City of Quincy

The 3rd annual Music Festival, Benefits & Career Expo will be held once again at Pageant Field in Quincy from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. A fun-filled day, food, games for the kids, sports, guest speakers talking about veteran support services.

End Quote

"You can't have a better future if you're divided about your past."

— Henry Kissinger

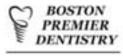
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> Send letter to: Pamela Donnaruma, Editor, The Post-Gazette, P.O. Box 135, Boston, MA 02113







Frank Bellotti Hosts Lawn Party For His Friends



Former Attorney General Frank Bellotti hosted a barbecue lawn party for his closest friends last Sunday at his Hingham home. The food was prepared by his son-in-law Artie Kooyoudian who is known as the "Fenway Park Sausage King". The hostess was Frank's lovely granddaughter Isabella.

At age 99, Frank is in great shape, sharp as a whip, works out every day and goes to his Arbella Insurance Company readily.

Frank is married to the lovely Margarita and they have 12 children. Frank continues to create his own favorite Italian recipes, and makes homemade wine.

Among Frank's guests (in photo above) are Arbella Insurance Agent Richard Settipane

sitting to the left of Frank, Jim Nigro center, Sal Paterna Clerk Magistrate of Dedham District Court sitting to his right. Also attending was East Boston District Court Magistrate Joseph Faretra, former Speaker of the House of Representatives Bob DeLeo, former Senate President Bob Travaglini, former Congressman Bill Dellahunt, Peter Berlandi, Rocco DiLorenzo, Arbella Attorney J. Christopher Amrhein, and Kenny Young of Kenny's Car Service.

All had a great time at the lawn party and thanked Frank for his continued friendship.

Frank is married to lovely Margarita and have 12 children. He served as a Lieutenant in the Navy during WWII leading his 58th Fighter Squadron; Frank was one of the first Navy Seals.



Former Attorney General **Bellotti with Arbella Insurance** Agent Richard Settipane and **East Boston Clerk Magistrate** Joseph Faretra enjoying the



2022 NORTH END FESTIVAL DIRECTORY

JULY

ST. JOSEPH July 31 Procession Only - Hanover - Prince Sts. 1 pm

AUGUST

ST. AGRIPPINA August 4, 5, 6 & 7 Hanover & Battery Sts. Opens 7 pm on Thursday Sunday Procession

MADONNA DELLA CAVA August 12, 13, 14 Hanover & Battery Sts. Opens 7 pm on Friday Sunday Procession

MADONNA del SOCCORSO August 18, 19, 20, 21 North, Fleet & Lewis Sts. (Fisherman's)

Sunday Procession 1 pm - Flight of the Angel 8 pm SAINT LUCY'S - SANTA LUCIA August 25

Thursday, Feast & Procession Thacher & Endicott Sts. 7 pm

ST. ANTHONY FEAST August 26, 27, 28 Endicott & Thacher, N. Margin Sts. Sunday Procession 12 pm

SEPTEMBER

ST. ROSALIA di PALERMO September 11 Procession Only - North Square

MORE ITALIAN FESTIVALS

Gloucester

ST. PETER'S FIESTA June 22 - 26 June 26 - 10:00 am Mass Noon

Sunday Procession Malden, MA

SAINT ROCCO FESTIVAL August 5, 6, 7

Pearl Street

Sunday Procession

Lawrence, MA **FEAST OF THE THREE SAINTS** September 4, 5

1 pm

Saints Alfio, Filadelfo and Cirino Common & Union Streets, Lawrence

Sunday Procession 3 pm

Cambridge Festival

SS COSMAS AND DAMIAN September 9, 10, 11 Sunday Procession

Warren and Cambridge St., Cambridge

Start Spreading the Word ...

GIRL FRIENDS OF THE NORTH END IS BACK!!!

AFTER TWO LONG AND "UNIMAGINABLE" YEARS OF COVID, THE GIRL FRIENDS OF THE NORTH END WILL GATHER ONCE AGAIN ...

When: Saturday, September 24, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

Where: Filippo's Ristorante 283 Causeway Street Boston, MA 02109

Cost: \$55.00 per ticket (cash bar available)

Please send your check by September 14, 2022 made payable to Francine Gannon and mail to:

> Ms. Francine Gannon 74 Commercial Street Boston, MA 02109

If you are replying for more than one person, please list her name (include maiden name if applicable) and address. Space will again be limited, so please plan accordingly as we will not be able to honor any checks after the deadline of September 14, 2022

Please note: Only tables of ten (10) may be reserved.

We look forward to seeing all the "girl" friends of the North End once again on September 24th.

The Committee: Francine Capodilupo Gannon, Chair 617-742-6912 Carol Langone Catanzaro - 617-283-1925

Diane Passero Pesaturo - 781-443-3624 Christina Penta - 617-227-9568 Parking Garage is located next to Filippo's Ristorante

NEMPAC'S Jass in the Park RETURNS



The North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) returns to The Greenway with their free and open to the public NEMPAC Summer Concert Series Jazz in the Park on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., on July 21st, July 27th, August 4th, and August 11th.

Local, professional Boston Jazz Musicians & Ensembles will take the stage in the North End Park: **Grammy Award nominee Débo Ray**, who also performed at last year's Jazz in the Park, will kick off the series on July 21st, followed by a very special concert dedicated to Ukraine and Ukrainian people on July 28th. Jazz master and **Ukrainian pianist virtuoso, Maxim Lubarsky** and his group will take the audience on a musical journey ranging from familiar jazz standards to songs by great Brazilian composers such as DJavan and Edu Lobo as well as the original compositions and arrangements of Ukrainian songs.

"This will be a celebration of Ukrainian people and culture and a meaningful concert to all of us in these devastating times. I look forward to having the Boston community share this moment with us and show their solidarity and support!"

Stefano Marchese, Artistic Director NEMPAC Summer Concert Series Jazz in the Park

On August 4th, **Alex Minasian**, a **New York-based pianist** and his band will pay tribute to the legends of jazz music, such as Charlie Parker and Thelonious Monk, as well as draw from the music of the Great American Songbook. For the grand finale on August 11th, Harshitha Krishnan, performing and recording artist, educator and social justice advocate of Indian origin from Lagos, Nigeria, will create a one-of-a-kind musical experience that takes listeners on a journey of unfiltered emotions, exploring sounds and textures from around the world.

The concert series, presented by NEMPAC, is a collaboration with the City of Boston Mayor's Office of Special Events and the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway Conservancy with support from this year's headlining sponsors Canopy Boston Downtown and Rose Town Kitchen & Bar.

"We are thankful to our partners and sponsors for helping us to make this concert series free and open to the public and for supporting NEMPAC's mission to bring outstanding performing artistry to Boston's neighborhoods for everyone to enjoy. Just bring a blanket and come to the Greenway in Boston's North End for these amazing open-air concerts."

To find out more, please visit www.nempacboston.org.

About NEMPAC:

North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) is a 501(c) (3) community music school and performing arts center empowering greater-Boston artists of all ages and abilities. Fueled by the belief that the arts are an expression of our shared humanity, NEMPAC enriches the North End, Charlestown, and surrounding Boston neighborhoods with affordable, high-quality performances and programming.

In 2001, five North End mothers launched NEMPAC out of their homes to give their daughters and sons the opportunity to pursue private piano instruction. By listening to, empathizing with, and meeting a community need for youth instrument lessons, the nonprofit's female founders banded together to make music an approachable art form for the children of Little Italy.

Fast forward nearly two decades later, and NEMPAC continues to flourish at the intersection of arts education and professional performance. NEMPAC's community music school nurtures the next generation of artists through in-house education courses, private and group music instruction, as well as on-site arts programming in area schools.

In June, 2021, NEMPAC opened its doors to the community for the unveiling of their new state-of-the-art community music center. The newest addition to NEMPAC's campus, 50 Tileston Street is a 2,200 square foot facility, awarded to the 501(c)(3) by the City of Boston and Mayor Walsh in 2019. The grand opening culminated a six-month transformation and tripled the size of NEMPAC's campus. Follow us on social media.

Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy

Donates \$5,000 to Food Pantry

Hosts Comedy Night Fundraiser with Headliner Comedians

This month the Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge Piave Fiume #1036, an affiliate Lodge of the National Order Sons of Italy in America, presented a check of \$5,000 dollars to the Watertown Food Pantry, along with food items. The donation was made possible by hosting a comedy night fundraiser in June.

Late February of 2022 the ceiling of the basement at Belmont Watertown United Methodist Church, which houses many programs and services including the Watertown Food Pantry, collapsed. "Food pantries and recovery programs were hit the hardest during

the pandemic," says event chairman, Mark Petteglio, "once we heard the ceiling collapsed we knew we needed to help. It's a segment of the society that is often forgotten, and unfortunately needs the most help."

Funds were generated by hosting a comedy night, with a star-filled lineup. Comedians Jack Lynch, Joey Carroll, Jim McCue and Steve Sweeney packed the Sons of Italy Hall leaving over 200 people in attendance on the floor laughing. Attendees were encouraged to further support the Food Pantry by bringing canned goods and they answered the call with carts full of bags. "It's the largest donation in several years," says Food Pantry Coordinator, Kathy Cunningham, "we greatly appreciate what the Sons of Italy has done for the community; it will help hundreds of families." The Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at 80 Mount Auburn Street.

The Watertown Sons of Italy offers a dropoff location for canned goods for the Food Pantry along with clothing for the Waltham Community Day Center every Thursday at the

Member FDIC/ Member DIF



(L-R): Watertown Food Pantry Coordinator Kathy Cunningham, Event Chairman Mark Pettiglio, Comedian Jack Lynch, Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy President Antonio Mastantuono and Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy Member Robert Martins

rear those in need. "This is what the Order Sons of Italy is all about," says Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy President, Antonio Mastantuono, "charity is a large part of the Order. We are here to help the community in whatever capacity that may be. In some form every member contributes to making these events, scholarships and donations a reality. Our members have a passion for helping others."

About Watertown Sons of Italy:

The Watertown Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge Piave Fiume is a non-profit, 501(c)8 fraternal organization established over 100 years ago, in 1920. The organization raises funds for scholarships and charitable causes such as the Cooley's Anemia Foundation, Doug Flutie Autism Foundation, Alzheimer's Associations and supports many local organizations. It holds several social events during the year for members and non-members alike. Membership is open to everyone. More complete information about the organization is available at: www. WatertownSonsofItaly.org.





SCARF FACE (DVD) / IndiePix Films

Scarf Face is a documentary film that explores the world of competitive eating and the untold story behind the epic rivalry between America's Joey Chestnut and Japan's Takeru Kabayashi. Organized for decades by George Shea's Major League Eating organization, Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest at Coney Island has become the preeminent event for eaters worldwide, but not without its share of disturbing controversies and perilous dangers. The film follows multiple eaters at various levels of their careers over the course of six years including Miko Sudo, Molly Schuylers, and Juan "More Bite" Rodriguez — as they discuss their lives, superstitions, and health concerns, as well as how they ended up as competitors in this bizarre subculture.

NINJA BADASS (Blu-ray) / Bayview Ent.

The Ninja VIP Super Club is doing a slow drag across the American Midwest, culminating in female sacrifice. When they kidnap a super hot babe, the local scumbag, Rex, has his eyes on — it's up to him to become a ninja and steal her back. From exploding cows to bazooka cops, hillbilly senseis, even more super hot babes, deadly flying feet, badass rippers and an over-the-top ninja villain in cowboy boots with an appetite for everything that's soft and fuzzy — along with the original song "I'm a Ninja Now" from Vince Johnson, the singersongwriter behind Joe Exotic's viral songs as "I Saw a Tiger" — this outrageous twist on '80s B-ninja flicks is a singular, outof-body experience moviegoers won't soon forget!

VAMPIRE KISS (Special Edition) (Blu-ray) / **MVS Rewind Collection**

Living in the big city is enough to drive anyone bats, and the pressure of it proves too much for Peter Loew (Nicolas Cage). At the peak of his career, yet in the depths of despair, his life is in turmoil until he meets Rachel (Jennifer Beals), the woman of his dreams. During their first night together, Rachel takes more than his heart — she takes his blood too — and from that moment on, Peter Loew believes he his a vampire. The questions remain: What is it about Rachel that makes him feel this way? Is she really a blood-lusting creature of the night? Or is it just a product of his fevered imagination? Because, if it turns out he is really a vampire — then there's more than just his life at stake!

CAGED BIRDS (DVD) / **Corinth Films**

In Caged Birds, Barbara "Babs" Hug is a young radical lawyer fighting Switzerland's antiquated prison system in the 1980s, and finds it to be an endless draining battle. She is tracked down by Walter Sturm who has just managed to escape from prison ... again ... and hands her, a secret file that was not supposed to have left the prison. Although a good-hearted soul at his core, Sturm uses his newfound freedom to commit another crime, and soon finds

the police closing in. Using her connections, Babs finds Sturm temporary refuge with a militant organization, and takes him on as a client in hopes of using the publicity to advance her cause. Sturm, however, has a very different ideology of freedom, and proves to be more difficult to mange than Babs realizes. This is a true, stirring story of two nonconformists in a struggle for social and personal freedom.

NICK CAVE - 20,000 DAYS ON EARTH (Blu-ray) / **Giant Pictures**

20,000 Days On Earth is an inventive, lyrical ode to creativity and an intimate examination of the artistic process of musician and cultural icon Nick Cave. Cave is described in Wikipedia as one of the finest songwriters of the post-punk era, whose hybrid of blues, gospel and rock complemented his dark, literary style and baritone vocals. In their debut feature, directors Iain Forsyth and Jane Pollard fuse drama and documentary, weaving a staged day in Cave's life, with never-beforeseen verité observation of his creative cycle.

VIVE L'AMOUR (Blu-ray) / Film Movement Classics

Tsai Ming-liang's sophomore feature, Vive L'Amour, follows three lonely souls sharing a Taipei apartment. Beautiful realtor May Lin brings her lover Ah-jung to the vacant unit that is secretly occupied by suicidal funeral home employee Hsiaokang. They each cross paths in a series of precisely staged, tragicomic erotic encounters but, despite their physical proximity, find themselves no closer to a personal connection. Featuring an intoxicating mix of Antonioni-esque longing and surprising deadpan humor, Vive L'Amour catapulted Tsai to the top of the international filmmaking world, and earned him the prestigious Golden Lion at the 1994 Venice International Film Festival.

BIGFOOT OR BUST (Blu-ray) / Coldwater

In Bigfoot or Bust, a team of curvy celebrities head out on a quest to search for Bigfoot, unaware another group of time traveling buxom women from the future are also looking for the elusive creature. Competitive hijinks ensue between the two teams, clashing with local hillbillies who are also hunting for the legendary beat. The rivals engage in silly, slapstick capers in order to catch Bigfoot, leading up to a hilarious finale busting with laughs.

RENO 911! -THE HUNT FOR QANON (DVD) / Paramount Home Ent.

The original cast of the Emmynominated Comedy Central series returns for hijinks on high seas in the ridiculously funny Reno 911 — The Hunt For QAnon. The deputies from the Reno Sheriff's Department are on a mission to track down the one and only Q behind all QAnon conspiracies. Ordered to serve court papers to the mysterious Q, the team goes deep undercover on O's Booze Cruise. They ultimately escape only to discover they've landed at Jeffrey Epstein's old island.

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

SOUL TRAIN & PHILLY SOUL

Growing up in Roxbury back in the '50s and '60s, my favorite music was soul music. Motown was big but I was really a fan of Philadelphia Soul. One of the biggest Philly groups was the Delfonics. Their first number one hit on the rock and roll pop charts was "Didn't I Blow Your Mind, Didn't I?" and made it to number one in the summer

CONSTANT ATTACKS ON OUR FOUNDING FATHERS

There is a move affoat among woke historians today to stop the so-called deification of our founders. Some like Tom Chaffin in this past Boston Globe wondered aloud that maybe we should even stop giving the Founding Fathers capital-letter reference at all.

Today, we see an attempt to delegitimize everything our founders said and did as if they were just a bunch of evil enslavers of no value to us wokefully enlightened Americans of today who are so much their moral superiors.

Tear down their statues, ruin their reputations and question why we think America is so great in the first place. If it wasn't for them, men like Jefferson, Madison, Washington, Franklin and others, where would we the "living" be today?

The attacks on the U.S. Supreme Court's majority using the theory of "originalism" actually tries to use a Jefferson quote to attack originalism by quoting the third president, "The earth belongs to the living." However, our founders gave us a future roadmap called the Constitution to help guide us into our futures. The Bill of Rights clearly was written not just for those living back then but for future generations of our democratic republic.

NUMBER 1 POP HIT & SOCIAL COMMENTARY TOO

A couple of weekends ago while listening to the Jeff Lawrence Countdown Show, featuring the last weekend back in 1971. The number 1 hit song

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Docket No. MI22P3640EA

Estate of RICHARD ELIOT JOHNSTON Date of Death: February 05, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Nancy A LeBlanc of Oak Bluffs, MA

Nancy A. LeBlanc of Oak Bluffs. MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 07/22/2022

BOSTON BROADSIDE PARTY



Recently, I attended the 100th birthday edition celebration of the Boston Broadside monthly newspaper that prints the news the fake media tries to hide. Recently, nearly 300 folks showed up at the Sons of the American Legion Post 440 in Newton. It was a blast. Nice to know none of us are alone. I spotted many I knew including Rayla Campbell who is running for secretary of state in November as a Republican, and a good friend of mine. I also met an 84-year-old

military veteran Charlie Chase from Fall River.



Charlie Chase with Rayla Campbell

(Photos by Sal Giarratani)

was "What the World Needs Now/Abraham, Martin, and John". I was a junior in college when it came out that summer.

It was a song about violence in America and it would attract attention from both liberals and conservatives. I can tell vou as a baby boomer that as bad as today seems, the period from 1963 to 1971 was really bad too, endless violence on the streets of America, assassinations of American leaders, the Vietnam War and Civil Rights violence. I met up a few years back with an old college history professor of mine at Boston State College named Henry Allen. When I questioned how I ever learned any history in class during those chaotic days, he told me the streets were our classrooms. History seemed to be made everyday out there. We laughed because that was so true.

If you have the chance, go on social media and find this old

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> cket No. MI22P3007F Estate of **JOSEPH SARAIVA**

Date of Death: April 12, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner James F Saraiva of Swampscott, MA, Petitioner Philip G. Saraiva of East Bridgwater, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

James F. Saraiva of Swampscott, MA Philip G. Saraiva of East Bridgwater, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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1971 hit song, listen to it, and learn all over again.

SAD NEWS IN THE **MUSIC WORLD**

William Hart, lead singer, front man, and co-founder of the Delfonics passed away on July 15th. "Poogie" Hart led this group to great fame; one of the best Philly bands ever, from the early 1960s to their breakup in 1975.

I remember my days in music with the SilenSirs when we often thought we could have been as good as them, but of course we weren't, which is why everyone remembers the Delfonics but who remembers the SilentSirs? Hey, at least in Roxbury even to this day, no one says "Who?" when you mention you were that band's drummer.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI22P3288EA Estate of

LUCY M. COTOIA Date of Death: February 16, 2022 NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE G.L. c. 190B, § 3-306

To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs notice is hereby given on June 17, 2022 that the Petitioner Gail J. Matot of Lincoln, MA, Laurie A. Dumont of Lincoln, MA intends to file with the above-named Probate and Family Court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Probate of a Will, Petition for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative, to serve without surety on the bond Gail J. Matot of Lincoln, MA, Laurie A.

Dumont of Lincoln, MA.

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by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Earlier this month, Loretta and I celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary. I never thought I would live this long, never mind being married this long. My wife doesn't like big parties, so I had decided to just take her out for a quiet dinner. This idea was put aside when son Michael requested we have a family get together at his place in Petersburg, New York, a rural area a bit north of Albany, the state's capital. Knowing his mother is uncomfortable with big crowds, Mike and Kathy, his wife, invited son John and his family to join in, and as I said, it was just immediate

Our actual anniversary date was July the 2nd, and Loretta and I played the roles of Mom and Dad to our sons and Nonno and Nonna to John and Beth's kids, Lina and Nathan. Daughter-in-law Kathy's birthday is this month and Loretta had a cake made for her. Of course we couldn't deprive the kids and the sugar from the frosting and filling was like rocket fuel to them. Their parents and grandmother chased them around the 50 acres of Michael and Kathy's home, and I sat on the back deck just watching the events of the day with my hands folded across my chest.

I remember mentioning this image to the late Sal DiDomenico, Sr. we were at his home when his children were young and running around the house. He sat at the head of the table watching in silence with folded hands. I mentioned the image telling him that I remembered Babbononno doing the same thing when my cousins and I were at his and Nanna's home for holiday dinners. Well, I guess it was my turn to sit and watch as the patriarch of a family.

I actually got started late in terms of settling down. I was 38 when I said, "I do." Loretta is a lot younger than I and was just heading into her mid '20s when we were married. I was so sure that I was a confirmed bachelor that I threw a 40th anniversary party for my folks in 1976, the year before I was married, not knowing where I would be on their 50th, which took place in 1986. But, by then, I was happily married with two kids and I threw a surprise 50th for them. They actually celebrated their 55th, but Dad's health was waning and he left us in the fall of 1991, at age 81. Mom made it to 2007, and passed away at age 98. All the Continis made it into their '90s: Babbononno to 98, Mom to 98, Uncle Paul to 96, Uncle Nick, my Godfather, to 94 and Uncle Gino to 101.

So, earlier this month, we packed up enough warm summer clothing to spend a few days in the Adirondack Mountains and headed west for about three hours. Both John and Michael had decided to have an anniversary dinner at a nearby Italian restaurant ... nearby ... about 45 minutes from Mike and Kathy's place. When I asked the name of the restaurant,

Mike said, "It's called La Perla." The only thing that came to mind was a neighborhood in Sal Juan, Puerto Rico, called La Perla ... not a neighborhood I would like to visit at night, if you catch my drift. This La Perla was the exact opposite. It is situated in a country inn called the Gregory House Country Inn, which is located on route 43, in Averill Park, New York, just nine miles from where the Mass Pike ends at the New York border. We sat in a patio atmosphere at a long table reserved by Mike and Kathy. The menu looked good and the owner's daughter, Cristina, waited on us. I detected just a slight Italian accent and discovered that she had lived in Italy for a while and she and her parents, the owners, were from "the old country." I later spoke with her mother, Anna Maria, because I wanted to compliment her on the quality of her food ... it was authentic ... and they had live entertainment, a pianist and bass guitarist, who by the way, were great as they played and sang selections new, old and Italian. I have become jaded by the

offerings of most Italian restaurants in southern Florida. They seem to cater to people who demand giant portions smothered in tomato sauce. All of this preceded by a large dish of hot rolls smothered in garlic and oil. La Perla was the exact opposite. The portions were good sized and my veal cutlet Parmigiana was perfect and the side of rigatoni was cooked just right. As I looked at the faces of my daughters-in-law, both of whom are not Italian, they seemed to love what was served them. My grandkids were given kids selections but they ate from son John's dish. I understand that the restaurant is a must for skiers during the winter months as well as summer vacationers en route to up-state New York. The place is owned by Alfonzo and Anna Maria Acampora but is run by their son Nondo and Daughter Cristina DeStefano. When we visit Michael and Kathy in the future, I intend to make a side trip to visit La Perla again. I think that might be at the end of the month and I'm looking forward to it.

I have always loved weddings, birthday parties, anniversary parties, christenings, Bar mitzvahs, and get-togethers in general. As a musician, I probably have played no less than a thousand of each. But now, I go as a guest.

I remember the 50^{th} I threw for my folks. It was at Polcari's when the restaurant was located in the North End. I think I invited half of the Boston Musicians' Union and their wives. The rest of the crowd was either family or neighbors from East Boston and the North End. I had Dad's band playing, but minus the bass player (Dad). On one occasion, I asked Dad where he and Mom would like to go for an anniversary dinner. Dad chose a Japanese restaurant in Cambridge, as neither he nor Mom had ever eaten

Japanese food. I happened to have known the owners. They were Japanese, but from Argentina. When they greeted me and were introduced to my parents, it was all in Spanish, their language. A man at the next table spoke to the rest of his guests saying, "Just look at that guy, he can speak Japanese!"

Most of the time, when I took my folks out for a special occasion, they preferred steak houses and I brought them to the ones they liked. I remember one in particular, the Red Coach Grill on Route 20 near the Sudbury line. I think it was their favorite suburban restaurant back then. Another was the Lord Fox on Route 1 in Foxboro. But those are both part of the past.

In later years, both Mom and Dad liked to visit La Summa's in the North End. Barbara Summa always made a big deal out of my parents being there and they loved the atmosphere and the food. To tell you the truth, whenever I eat at Italian restaurants, I compare them with Barbara's place. The closest I've come is one I mentioned in an earlier column, Uncle Eddie's in Jupiter, Florida, and now, La Perla in New York.

COVID-19 has changed things dramatically. The get togethers of the past have remained in the past and I don't know if things will ever return to what we called normal. Plus, the older I get, the more difficult it is for me to get around, and by the time things get back to normal, I could be in my '90s, God willing.

One anniversary party I do remember was in 1958. Nanna and Babbononno were given a surprise party by the rest of the family and the family gift to them was a new TV set. Unfortunately, Nanna was dealing with breast cancer and would not make it, passing away just before Christmas that year. After her death, Babbononno refused to go to any parties regardless of who they were for. He mourned for the rest of his life.

Once Dad passed away, Mom was dependent on us and accompanied Loretta, the kids and me to wherever we went. She, at one point confided in me saying that she enjoyed herself being with Loretta, me and the kids, but without Dad, it wasn't the same any more. Uncle Gino threw a 90th birthday party for Mom in 1999 at the Oakley Country Club. Even without Dad, she was happy because she was surrounded by the rest of her family.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a centerline height of 86 feet on a 90-foot building at the approx. vicinity of 1 Wells Avenue, Newton, Middlesex County, MA 02459. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Monica Argueta, m.argueta@trileaf.com, 8600 LaSalle Road Suite 301, Towson, MD 21286, 410.853.7128

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As the tomatoes begin to ripen and eggplants come into season, summer is the perfect time to make a delicious Eggplant Parmigiana or *Parmigiana di Melanzane*. As with most Italian dishes, much debate surrounds the origin of this southern Italian specialty. Some believe the name *parmigiana* derived from *parmigiano* cheese, however, *parmigi*ano is not native to the southern regions of Italy, where this dish is most often found. Though *Parmigiana di Melanzane* is popular in the Calabria regions, it is the Sicilians that claim to be it's original creator. They concur "*parmesan*" has nothing to do with cheese. In fact, it was derived from the word "*palmiciana*" which in dialect means "shutters" and refers to the slatted panes that the layered eggplant slices in this dish, appear to resemble!

Being a native Sicilian, my Nonna would most likely agree that *Parmigiana di Melanzane* originated in her homeland. Nonna made many tasty dishes with eggplant, and Eggplant Parmigiana was always my favorite. As a little girl, I remember my Bisnonna Annunciata slicing, salting, and layering eggplant on a baking sheet. She then placed a heavy cordless iron on top of the these slices and claimed this would "drain out all of the bitterness" before they cook! Every family has their own special way of making a *Parmigiana di Melanzane*. This is the way my family taught me, and though it's a process, the end result is absolutely scrumptious. I hope you enjoy my "Nonna's Eggplant Parmigiana" as much as my family and I always did!

NONNA'S EGGPLANT PARMIGIANA La Parmigiana di Melanzane Della Nonna



4 medium long eggplant (the fatter, the more seeds) sea salt

6 to 8 large eggs, beaten 4 to 6 cups fresh breadcrumbs seasoned with parmesan cheese

6 cups tomato or marinara sauce (I make a simple tomato and basil sauce) 10 to 12 leaves fresh basil, torn into small pieces 2 to 4 cups olive oil 1 to 2 pounds shredded mozzarella cheese salt and freshly coarse ground black pepper to taste

Prepare Eggplant: Wash, dry and slice eggplant into $\frac{1}{2}$ inch slices. Layer the eggplant in a single layer, salt, and place weight over eggplant to drain all the bitter juices out. Let sit for 30 minutes, wipe off salt and excess liquid with paper towel, set aside.

Dip, Bread, and Fry Eggplant: In a medium bowl, add beaten eggs. In a large flat dish, place breadcrumbs. Layer a baking sheet with parchment or wax paper. Take slices of eggplant and dip in egg, then place in breadcrumbs making sure to bread both sides. Place on lined baking sheet before frying. Once all eggplant are dipped and breaded, pour about 1 ½ to 2 inches of oil in a large frying pan. Warm over medium heat and fry eggplant until lightly golden, turn and repeat on the other side. When cooked, place eggplant on paper towels to drain.

Layering and Baking: Preheat oven to 350°. Take a 13 x 9 baking dish and layer the bottom with a thin layer of tomato sauce; add a layer of eggplant, tomato sauce, cheese, and basil. Repeat layering in this manner until you have 3 layers of eggplant topped with tomato sauce, cheese and basil. Cover with aluminum foil and bake for about 40 minutes, or until cheese is melted and eggplant is thoroughly cooked. Let sit for at least 30 minutes before cutting and serving.

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Extend Your Cilantro Harvest and Enjoyment

by Melinda Myers

Cilantro is a favorite ingredient in guacamole, tacos, rice dishes and of course salsa. But as summer temperatures climb, the cilantro quickly goes to seed. This can be frustrating but using all parts of the plant or growing a heat tolerant cilantro-flavored substitute can help.

Gardeners in cooler climates can sow seeds every three to four weeks throughout the summer for continual harvests. Those with hotter summers will have the best results growing cilantro in the cooler temperatures of spring, fall and even winter. Grow cilantro in full sun or light shade as temperatures climb and moist well-drained soil for best results.



Cilantro ready to be harvested (Photo courtesy of MelindaMyers.com)

Mulching the soil to keep the roots cool and moist will help delay flowering. Avoid overwatering that can lead to root rot.

Harvest the leaves when they are four to six inches tall and before the plants flower for the best flavor. Harvest as needed a third of the plant at one time to allow it to keep producing or cut the whole plant back to an inch above the ground and wait for it to regrow.

Store freshly cut leaves like a bouquet of flowers in a glass of fresh water. Place in the refrigerator to use for the upcoming week. Hang leaves upside down to dry or freeze. Just wash the leaves, pat dry and place in a freezer bag or air-tight container in the freezer. Or chop up the rinsed cilantro into smaller pieces, place in ice cube trays and top with a splash of water before placing in the freezer.

As temperatures rise, the plant will flower and set seed. Do not discard it but rather look at utilizing the other parts of this plant. Enjoy the beauty and flavor of the lacy white flowers that also attract beneficial insects to the garden.

After the white flowers fade, green seeds appear. Wait for the plants and seeds to turn brown when using them as coriander. Cut off the seed heads, place in a paper bag, and allow the seeds to drop to the bottom. The seeds are ground and used in breads, cakes, pickling spices, and Asian food. Store in sealed containers

Otherwise allow the seeds to drop to the ground in the garden and grow new cilantro plants to harvest and enjoy. Cilantro seeds sprout readily when soil temperatures are 55 to 68°F and the plants can withstand a light frost.

Don't forget to harvest the roots and use them for seasoning Thai and Vietnamese food. These taste best when harvested in fall.

In the future, consider buying seeds of slow bolting cilantro varieties like Slow-Bolt, Leisure and the 2006 All-America Selections award winner Delfino Cilantro.

Or try growing Papalo, also known as summer cilantro, in next year's garden. It has a similar but stronger flavor than cilantro with a hint of citrus and mint and thrives in hot weather. You will only need one or two plants as this annual grows up to five feet tall and several feet wide. Harvest young leaves for the best flavor and use only 1/2 or 1/3 the amount of cilantro called for in recipes.

You may need to start your own plants from seeds if none of the garden centers in your area sell plants. Start seeds indoors or directly in the garden once the danger of frost has passed and the

Extend your cilantro harvest and enjoyment by utilizing every part of the plant. Adjust your cilantro growing techniques as well as plant selection to help beat the heat.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD instant video series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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. MI22C0247CA In the Matter of **ANGELIQUE MARIE BOUFFIOU CITATION ON**

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Angelique Marie Bouffiou of Cambridge, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Angelique

Anastasia Beauchêne. IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of August 08, 2022. 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 Date: July 11, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run Date: 07/22/2022

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. MI22C0624CA In the Matter of JOHN RAYMOND GENTILE CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by John Raymond Gentile of Belmont, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to John Raymond Peleckas.

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Date: July 11, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run Date: 07/22/2022

The Metaverse, And How It Will Revoluntionize Everything

Book Review by John Joseph Fahey

The Metaverse, with subtitle And How it Will Revolutionize Everything by Matthew Ball is a just published exposition articulating to what the Metaverse refers and its relationship to the myriad of users throughout the world - and in using chronological sequence, this work looks back at its origins, its current uses and the potential of the Metaverse in the not too distant future.

The book's approximately 300 pages is divided into three parts: "What is the Metaverse," "Building the Metaverse," and "How the Metaverse will Revolutionize Everything." Each part is subdivided under various sections allowing the reader a relatively expansive view of the author's objective: to explain what this emerging technology is. Ball, however, at a fairly early stage in his well-researched and comprehensive treatment of the topic defines for the audience the definition of the Metaverse: "A massively scaled and interoperable network of real time rendered 3D virtual worlds that can be experienced synchronously and persistently by an effectively unlimited number of users with an individual sense of presence, and with continuity of data, such as identity, history, entitlements, objects, communications, and payments." (author's underlining.)

Certainly, the Metaverse has a strong connection to the world of video games; indeed, games such as Minecraft, and others with their "integrated virtual platforms" have ben entertaining users for quite some time; and the author allows the reader to connect these virtual game formats to a more broad based, and interconnected world that, while

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Docket No. MI22P3346GD NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

In the interests of **ZOEY A. LUNEAU** of Dracut, MA Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 06/15/2022 by Jessica M. Proulx of Dracut, MA; will be held 08/03/2022 09:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located Lowell Justice Center, 370 Jackson St. 5th Floor Courtroom 11, Lowell, MA 01852

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: File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor. 4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent

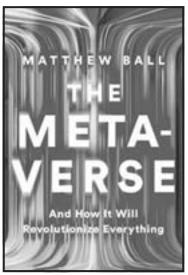
of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately 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.

5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

Date: July 14, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 07/22/2022



virtual, is supported by established industries — namely, finance and media that will make life not just a one dimentional experience, but rather an experience that will mirror existence in a 3 dimentional format.

Matthew Ball, the CEO of Epyllion and the former global head of strategy for Amazon Studios, permits the reader to understand what the Metaverse is, and although not actually here, what it might portent for ensuing generations. While technical and logical in its approach, this work lays out the fundamental explanation of the Metaverse, gives a background of how technology is now adapting to a world where the Metaverse is more than a probability, and what might be the inherent problems of such a virtual world. A case in point is an increase in monopolies, as

the author points out: "The overall structure of the Metaverse is likely to be similar to those we see today — a handful of horizontally and vertically integrated companies will control a substantial share of the digital economy, with their influence even greater." However, the author also indicates that while it is indeed positive that competition and small businesses are essential to a healthy and vibrant society - terms of both employment and products, the relatively few but powerful companies will have a strong impact of society as a whole.

The Metaverse ... provides a sound background on the direction taken since the introduction of the personal computer a few decades ago, and how emerging technologies and have made its use for both business and pleasure palatable; this book also offers a solid background on what the virtual world has meant to video games and those companies that provide this entertainment and how much of a virtual world these games will deliver in the future. The Metaverse ... also gives the reader an understanding of how much more can be expected with businesses becoming more involved in the application of programs and daily transactions.

Overall, this work is an ideal start to learn about the Metaverse and what it means for the future.

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. SU11P2025PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR'S ACCOUNT In the matter of ELFRIEDE BANZHAF Of West Newton, MA Protected Person/Disabled Person/ Respondent

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the 1st (Temporary Conservator) account(s) of Audrey Boulanger of Tyngsboro, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance

You have the right to object to the account(s). If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. date of August 03 20 is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s).

Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court.

You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the Petition and account(s) at no cost to you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the abovenamed person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness. HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 29, 2022

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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. SU11P2025PM

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 22, 2022

> Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Run date: 7/22/22

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 July 25, 2022 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

2018 CHEVROLET TRAX. SILVER

Vin: # KL7CJLSB9JB566946 Jamie L Callahan-Colllins 43 Early Ave., #2 Medford, MA 02155

2018 TOYOTA CAMRY, WHITE

Vin: # 4T1B11HK5JU110498 Eduardo Breia De Melo 24 Linden St., Apt. 3 Everett, MA 02149

1997 TOYOTA CAMRY, GREEN

Vin: # 4T1BF22K9VU015531 Rachel Wilson 73 Willard Rd Massena, NY 13662

2007 MERCEDES BENZ R350, GRAY

Vin: # 4JGCB65E97A03847 Emmanuel A. Burno 8608 Eversham Rd. Henrico, VA 23294

2016 FORD ESCAPE, RED

Vin: # 1FMCU9GXXGUA48015 Michael E Marino 943 Hayward St., Apt. 2 Manchester, NH 03103

Run dates: 07/08, 07/15, 07/22/2022

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI22P3576EA

Estate of CHERYL A. TWOMEY Date of Death: May 11, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Julie Shores of Holliston, MA.

Julie Shores of Holliston, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on

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

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

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

Docket No. MI22P3163EA

Estate of SYDNEY ALTMAN Also Known As SYDNEY LYNN ALTMAN

Date of Death: April 20, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Bruce A. Singal of Chestnut Hill, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Bruce A. Singal of Chestnut Hill, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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

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Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after July 30, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

> > 07/15, 07/22 & 07/29/2022

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

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

> Docket No. MI22P2984EA Estate of

AGNES M. KELNHOFER

Date of Death: April 08, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above cap tioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Joseph** R. Kelnhofer of Bedford, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Joseph R. Kelnhofer of Bedford, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court Lowell Justice Center 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor Lowell, MA 01852

(978) 656-7700 Docket No. MI22P3642EA

Estate of JOHN GORDON KILPATRICK, JR. Also Known As
JOHN G. KILPATRICK, JR.
JOHN G. KILPATRICK

Date of Death: June 10, 2021

INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Phyllis M. Kilpatrick of Wayland, MA.

Phyllis M. Kilpatrick of Wayland, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

> Docket No. SU22P0357EA Estate of

ROBERT M. SCHENA Date of Death: January 30, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE**

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Sandra R. Schena of Jupiter, FLA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Sandra R. Schena of Jupiter, FLA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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

> Docket No. MI19P1588EA Estate of

FRANK M. SOBOLEWSKI Also Known As FRANK MICHAEL SOBOLEWSKI

Date of Death: January 25, 2019 NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE G.L. c. 190B, § 3-306

To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on this date that the Petitioner Ann M. Sobolewski of Plympton, MA intends to file with the abovenamed Probate and Family Court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative, to serve without surety on the bond Ann M. Sobolewski of Plympton, MA.

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

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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Could Ohtani Win AL MVP

Last week. I wrote about Justin Verlander as the top choice for this year's Cy Young Award and several readers thought what about Shohei Ohtani? I admit Ohtani is good this year, real good on the mound, but Verlander is a bit better.

However, I do think that Shohei Ohtani might actually win the AL MVP Award. Through 15 starts, he is 9-4 with a 2.38 ERA. To me ERA is still a better stat than a FIP, xFIP, or WAR. Call me old school, however what makes Ohtani a MVP choice is he could take two routes to this award, either as a pitcher or batter.

One would have to go back to 1919 and Babe Ruth to find a player so dominant at the plate and on the mound. Don't think this will go unnoticed by MVP

Chris Sale Hurt Again

Chris Sale lasted two-thirds of an inning against the Yankees this past Sunday and gave up three runs (two earned). Sale still doesn't seem ready for use as a starter and he's paid too much to be in the bullpen. This has pretty much been the story with Sale since we first decided to go get him.

Red Sox / Yankees at Midseason

Boston has been in a struggle over the first half. At times,

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **COUNTY OF DUTCHESS** Index No.: 2021-54825

> SUMMONS **DENNIS B. ROSS**

and PATRICIA L. MESSER, Plaintiffs -against-

DAVID MCCORD

and the **ESTATE OF** UMBERTO CARROZZA, Defendants.

To the above-named Defendants: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons to serve a notice

of appearance, on the Plaintiffs' Attorney(s) within (20) days after the service of summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer; judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief

demanded in the complaint. The basis of the venue is that the real property at issue is located in Dutchess County.

December 03, 2021 McCabe Coleman Ventosa & Patterson, PLLC. BY: DEAN McGEE

Attorneys for Plaintiffs 42 Catharine Street Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 T: (845) 379 - 2222

Dean@mccabecoleman.com To the Estate of Umberto Carrozza:

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Maria G Rosa, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated June 17, 2022, and filed with the complaint and other papers in the office of the clerk of the County of Dutchess, at Dutchess County, New York.

This action is brought pursuant to N.Y. Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 15 to secure the cancellation and discharge of record of the mortgage referred to in the Complaint, which affects the following described real property: 583 Hortontown Road, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533, S.B.L. No. 6454-00-623912. No monetary damages are sought.

Dated: June 28, 2022 Dean McGee McCabe Coleman Ventosa & Patterson, PLLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 42 Catharine Street Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 845-379-2222

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they appear to be two different teams. The Yankees had a brief struggle recently against the Sox at Fenway. However, this past weekend in the Bronx, the Red Sox looked like a lost cause. In two games they were outscored a combined

However, the Yankees now 64-18 with a huge lead in the AL East with the Sox and Rays trying to catch the Yankees, but most likely fighting for a wild

We can only hope things turn around pitching-wise for the Sox, because the Yankees are on fire like the 1998 Yankees. or the 1927 Murderers Row Yankees.

Another Pitching Anniversary

I still remember that the 1962 Red Sox pretty much were your usual losing team, of which we had a long string during the late '50s into the '60s. Sixty years ago this summer, Boston had two no-hitters. First in April, it was Earl Wilson over the Angels, and then on August 1st in a night game out in Chicago, Billy Monbouquette of Medford did likewise against the White Sox.

By the way, it was also the season that a giant of a pitcher named Dick Radatz was brought up to the Sox from the team's Triple A team up in Montreal at the time. For three season's Radatz would be the all-time best ever in my book as a relief pitcher. He was called the "Monster" for good reason. He had a combined 40-21 during 1962-1964, and they never counted saves back then. Of course, the Sox burnt his arm and he was toast by 1964.

Baseball Quiz

On June 23, 1917, Red Sox pitcher Erine Shore retired 26 batters in a row. What pitcher did he replaced who had punched an umpire? If you think you know the answer, send it my way at sal.giarratani@gmail.com.

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ket No. MI22P3080EA

Estate of ALICE S. WANG Also Known As
ALICE SZE WANG

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above

Date of Death: March 29, 2022

captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Alice W. Chen of Edmonds, WA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Alice W. Chen of Edmonds, WA, Amy W. De Rham of Bristol, RI has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Holly and The Hurricane Carter Vs Mims Learning While Fighting



Holly Mims (Left) Vs Ruben Carter

Recently, I watched the 1962 fight between Ruben Hurricane Carter and Holly Mims. The fight took place on December 22, 1962 at Madison Square Garden. It is a highly interesting bout to watch. In it you can see how Carter had to adapt from depending on his powerful punch in order to deal with the wily veteran Mims.

Carter's original opponent for that night was Gomeo Brennan. Brennan pulled out the morning of the fight when he woke up with a head cold. A call was put in to Mims who lived in Washington, DC and he agreed to fill in for Brennan. He caught a flight to NY and by that evening was in the ring facing the hard punching Carter.

Mims was a savvy boxer and was always in shape. he had fought just a month earlier. However, stepping in with short notice against such strong opponent may not have seemed like a wise move. Of course, it could also be argued that in what was only his 16th bout Carter may have been smart to avoid such a ring wise veteran as Mims who could make him look bad even if Carter won. It actually proved to be a good move on Ruben's part even though Holly gave him all he could handle.

Two months earlier Carter had destroyed Florentino Fernandez in the first round with a devastating knock out. Carter had raw power and a solid chin, but was he beginning to rely too much on that power to score victories? That is the curse of the heavy hitters. They get lazy when it comes to learning the finer points of the game. The list of promising superstar punchers who never quite made it because of this lack of learning is a long one.



Carter (Left) Mixing It Up With Mims

This is where the Mims fight showed a lot about Carter. Ruben was the favorite going into the match. The odds were large in his favor probably due to the fact that Mims only had a few hours notice before taking the fight. Holly had 82 fights at that point in his career and had never been stopped. Ruben was in only his 16th fight. Eleven of Carter's victories were by kayo with the Fernandez stoppage putting him on the fistic map.

Mims came into the fight with 59 wins, 23 losses, and 6 draws. He had been fighting since 1948 and had faced the likes of Joey Giardello, Rocky Castellani, Spider Webb, George Benton, and Henry Hank.

When the bell rang in the Garden that night Carter came out in explosive fashion. Memories of his destruction of Fernandez were still fresh in his mind, and he probably felt he could repeat what he did that night. He did hurt Mims, and for a moment it looked as if he would score an early kayo. However, Mims was no Fernandez. He was a complete fighter who knew how to handle any situation in the ring. When



Ruben Carter

hurt, he knew how to cover up, how to hold, how to fight back and let his opponent know he'd better not get too wild or he will pay a price.

Carter was not able to pull off a first round victory, but he kept the attack up in the second round. By now Mims was figuring Ruben out and was hitting him with beautiful jabs from a distance, and when Carter would get within power punch range, Holly would move in close where he was the superior in-fighter.

In the fourth round Mims dropped Carter with a left hook right hand combination near the ropes. Carter was up immediately, but he had been shaken. He didn't see this coming and you can see by his face he was recalculating his strategy. At the end of the round he tapped Mims on the shoulder in a sign of respect for the veteran.

Starting in round five Carter showed he was more than just a powerful puncher. He had the mind of a good boxer. He came out shortening up his shots. He had been made to pay for swinging too widely, but what differentiated him from so many other punchers, he was able to adapt midfight. It turns out he had more than a punch, he had the mind of a good boxer. Sure, Mims was still frustrating him, but he didn't allow that to discourage him as so many others would have.

Watching this fight is a pleasure for a couple of reasons. First, you get to see the brilliant boxing of Holly Mims. He is amazing in the ring. The term "educated left hand" could have been coined just for him. He was the consummate counterpuncher, could fight in close and at long range with equal skill, and was very difficult to hit with a solid blow.

With Carter you see a young fighter developing right before your eyes. After he was dropped in the 4th round he could have let his frustration take hold and he would have lost. Instead, he realized he had to do something different, and he did even if that meant having to give up on scoring a knockout.

Ruben Carter won a unanimous decision that night, one he worked hard for. Even if he had lost the fight to Mims it would have been worth it for what he learned that night. Ten rounds in the ring with Holly Mims was like going to boxing graduate school for Carter. He came out of that fight a much better fighter than he was going in.

In 102 career fights Holly Mims was only stopped once, and that was on cuts and near the end of his career. In 40 fights Carter was also

stopped only once, and that was also on cuts. Mims was not known as a puncher having only scored 13 knockouts in his career. Carter will always be remembered as a knockout artist having scored 19 knockouts in his 27 victories. Both will



Holly Mims

be remembered as being fighters who were next toimpossible to kayo.

Watch the Mims/Carter fight, then watch it again. It is a very interesting fight and you will not only be entertained by it, you will learn a lot from it.





by Richard Preiss

A CAREER IN A CAPSULE — Some careers in pro sports are lengthy, encompassing more than a decade and perhaps crossing the 20-year mark. More moderate are those that last a few years before the athlete retires or is waived.

And sometimes there is brevity to a career, a season as a bench player or an athlete who only appears in a few games. A few can be less than a minute of actual playing time — reduced to just seconds.

That's right. The regular season on-court career of JamesOn Curry is the shortest in NBA history. How long did it last? Less than four seconds. Just 3.9 to be exact. And it came against the Celtics, a team that had won the NBA championship in 2008 and would go on to meet the Lakers in June 2010 in the NBA Finals once again.

It was in late January 2010 that Curry, who was playing guard for the Springfield Armor at the time, was signed to a 10-day contract by the Los Angeles Clippers.

Curry had been a high school star in North Carolina and continued to impress at Oklahoma State. Unlike several other players who have made cameo appearance in the NBA, Curry was actually drafted — selected 51st by the Chicago Bulls back in 2007. He didn't make the team, wound up playing professionally in Europe and then became the first pick of the Springfield Armor when the D League expanded.

On that January day in 2010 when the call came Curry was averaging around 16 points per game with the Armor. He had a 10-day contract, he was issued a uniform (number 44), his name was on the official roster and he had a seat on the team bench.

The night of January 25 would be his night of activity, however brief. Despite their losing record the Clippers were holding up well against the more powerful Celtics. L.A. was actually up by one at the half and trailed by only five at 64-59 as the clock wound down at the end of the third quarter.

With 3.9 seconds left Rajon Rondo drew a foul. The clock stopped and L.A. coach Mike Dunleavy waved Curry into the game, replacing Chris Kaman. He had made it. He was in an official NBA regular season game. He would be in the box score. Of all the men who ever played bed basketball and had entertained such thoughts, how many would see them fulfilled? Hardly any.

The game resumed and Paul Pierce inbounded to Ray Allen, who lost his grip on the ball and couldn't get off a shot as time expired.

When the fourth quarter began, Dunleavy chose to send out DeAndre Jordan, a second year player, instead of Curry. The man who waited so long for an extended opportunity to display his skills would spend the entire fourth quarter on the bench as the Clippers absorbed a 95-89 loss at the hands of the Celtics in L.A.'s only appearance of the season at the TD Garden.

By the next morning, Curry would be gone, never to appear in a regular season NBA game again. It was back to Springfield where he would spend another two years playing for the Western Massachusetts franchise. In all he would play over three years in Springfield.

But notice we said regular season. Because Curry had another chance. It came in December 2011 during an abbreviated training camp necessitated by the NBA lockout that ended on December 8th. Curry was signed to a 10-day contract on December 9th by the New Jersey Nets. During that interval he played in one preseason game.

It was played at the Prudential Center in New Jersey on December 17th with the Nets facing the New York Knicks. Curry played two minutes and 53 seconds and made his only field goal attempt as the Nets lost to the Knicks, 92-83.

For someone trying to make a regular season roster, we feel that this was "a real NBA game," regardless of what designation it was assigned by the league. As in all preseason or exhibition games, there are two types of players. Those already signed to impressive contracts are using the time to prepare for the upcoming regular season. The others are players that are attempting to make the team. For them preseason games carry the importance of the NBA Finals. They are an opportunity to impress the coaching staff in person. And in December 2011 there was probably an intensified pressure since the training camp period and preseason schedule had both been compressed down to a minimum of days.

A second preseason game against the Knicks was played on December 21. The NBA regular season started on Christmas Day but by then Curry was gone, sent back to Springfield on December 20 where he would wind up playing 40 games and averaging 17.3 points across the entire 2011-2012 D-League season. He would never experience the NBA in any capacity again.

GOT MILK? — There is an interesting article on the role of milk in American athletics in the August issue of Sports Illustrated. Given that there has long been a commercial association between major spectator sports and alcoholic beverages, it was refreshing to read a piece that discussed the bovine beverage's role among individual athletes.

According to the article, Red Sox star Ted Williams loved milk, drinking two quarts of it after most Red Sox games.

When NBA star Wilt Chamberlain famously scored 100 points in a game against the Knicks back in 1962, he celebrated by drinking a half gallon of milk in the locker room following the game. Another well-known NBA player, Manute Bol, reportedly drank up to three gallons a day.

Then there was that budding athlete on the West Coast. His mother had grown up on a farm in Minnesota and most summers the family went back there on vacation. That's where the young-ster was introduced to cows. Yes, he actually milked them. Later a football coach encouraged him to drink more milk.

That youngster, all grown up, became the darling of New England and the GOAT (Greatest Of All Time) in the NFL. Today, the world knows him as Tom Brady.