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POPE FRANCIS I

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Pope Francis I, passed away on Easter Monday, April 20, 2025. Pope Francis, 88 years old, was the first South American and Jesuit Priest to ascend to the seat of St. Peter, the most powerful position in the Catholic Church. Cardinal Kevin Farrell, the Vatican camerlengo, the temporary head of the Vatican between the end of a papacy and the beginning of a new one, confirmed the pontiff's death. "Dearest brothers and sisters, with deep sorrow I must announce the death of our Holy Father Francis. His entire life was dedicated to the service of the Lord and of his Church. He taught us to live the values of the Gospel with faithfulness, courage, universal love, especially for the poorest and most marginalized. With immense gratitude for his example as a true disciple of the Lord Jesus, we commend the soul of Pope Francis to the infinite merciful love of God, One and Tribune."

Jorge Mario Bergoglio, Pope Francis I, was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, the eldest of 5 children, to Mario Jose Bergoglio, an accountant from Italy, and Regina Maria Sivori, the daughter of Italian immigrants. December 13, 1969, he was ordained a priest with the Jesuit religious order, named auxiliary bishop of Buenos Aires and in 1998 named archbishop of the Argentine capital.

On February 21, 2001, he was elevated to cardinal by Pope John Paul II, was elected Pope on March 13, 2013, he was the first to take the name Francis, after St. Francis of Assisi.

May He Rest in Eternal Peace

Massachusetts Officially Kicks off 250th Anniversary of American Revolution *Paul Revere Departs North End for Historic Ride*



Rachel Revere wishes her husband Paul safe travels as he departs their home in North Square, Boston, Massachusetts for his midnight ride.

The City of Boston, and the North End neighborhood, was the place to be as the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution was officially launched, commemorating Paul Revere's legendary midnight ride and the "two if by sea" lantern signal from the

Old North Church. There were a number of events over the weekend honoring the historic events, including reenactments, educational programs and community celebrations. People of all ages, differing cultural and geographical locations all passionately and enthusiastically participated in the festivities, soaking in the history.

A traditional lantern service was held at the Old North Church on Salem Street, where historian Heather Cox Richardson delivered a keynote address focusing on the lantern signal that warned of the British Troops movements in 1775, culminating in the lighting of lanterns in the church's steeple, highlighting the original "two if by sea signal."

Visitors gathered at the Paul Revere House to witness "Paul Revere Bids farewell," a reenactment of Revere's departure from his home as he sets off on his historic ride. At Langone Park on



Paul Revere stealthy travels the streets of Boston, from his home in North Square, past the Old North Church on Hanover Street as he prepares his midnight ride to Lexington and Concord.

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Stations of the Cross

As Holy Week reached its climax on Good Friday, Father Michael Della Penna, Pastor of St. Leonard Church on Hanover Street, in Boston's North End, invited parishioners, visitors and members of the religious societies to participate in the traditional "walking" Stations of the Cross. The solemn procession made its way through the streets of the North End neighborhood, growing in size with each block traveled. It was a beautiful sight witnessing various factions of the community come together to share their faith.



Father Michael Della Penna, Pastor of St. Leonard Church, offering a blessing to the participants of the "walking" Stations of the Cross.



Pastor of St. Leonard Church Father Michael Della Penna, leads his faithful flock of followers, out of the church as they gather to begin the traditional solemn "walking" Stations of the Cross through the North End.

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Credit Late Fee Scrapped

A federal judge recently threw out a U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau rule capping credit card late fees at \$8 after the agency agreed with opponents that the rule adopted during the Biden Administration was illegal.

U.S. District Court Judge Mark Pittman in Fort Worth, Texas, granted a joint request by the CFPB and other interested parties to cease the cap.

White House Still Supporting Hegseth

The White House continues to back Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth after a report just revealed he sent information about the March strike against the Houthis in Yemen to friends and family members via Signal chat group.

When asked by reporters during an Easter Egg Roll, Karoline Leavitt replied that Hegseth was "doing a great job." However, U.S. Rep. Don Bacon, R-NE, stated, "If this is true that he had another Signal chat with his family about the missions against the Houthis, it's totally unacceptable ... I find it unacceptable and I wouldn't tolerate it if I was in charge."

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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



SATURNUS



Temple of Saturn, in the Forum Romanum, Rome

Saturnus is the proper Latin name for the Roman god, Saturn, who was the subject of this column last week. He was considered to be a mythical king of Italy, who introduced agriculture and civilization into that country. The Romans identified Saturn with the Greek god Cronus. They also made Saturn the father of Jupiter (thunder and lightning), Neptune (sea), Pluto (lower world), and Juno (wife of Jupiter). The reign of this mythical king is said to have been a golden age for Italy, and especially for the aborigines (earliest known inhabitants of that country).

The legend of Saturn tells us that he came to Italy during the reign of the god Janus and was hospitably received. Saturn formed a settlement on the Capitoline Hill (one of the famous Seven Hills of Rome), which at that time was called the Saturnian Hill. He taught his people agriculture, suppressed their savage mode

of life, and introduced civilization and morality. He and his reign became so popular that the whole country was called Saturnia, or "The Land of Plenty."

Saturn was suddenly taken from this mortal world and ascended to the abode of the gods. Because of this incident, we are told that the part of Italy which is now called Latium (Tivoli, Frascati, Subiaco, Anagni, Viterbo, Caprarola, Toscanella, Fossanova, and Ostia), received its name from "Lateo," which means, "To live a retired life."

The remains of the Temple of Saturn still overlook the rostrum in the Forum Romanum. There are now only eight Ionic columns standing on a huge concrete base. It was originally built in 497 B.C., rebuilt about 284 A.D., and is one of the oldest sanctuaries surrounding that Forum. Here, under the protection of Saturn, they kept the standards, or flags of their

legions, and a very formal ceremony was required whenever those standards were removed or returned to their vault. A secret chamber below the temple held the public treasury, a store of gold and silver to be used only in case of extreme need. This temple was also used as the archives for the bronze tablets containing the engraved decrees of the Roman Senate.

The statue of Saturn which stood in his temple was hollow and filled with oil. Some historians say that this represented the abundance of olives in Latium. Also, the feet of Saturn's statue were wrapped in a ribbon made of wool. This reference to oil and wool recalls to my mind the last part of the proper ancient Roman wedding ceremony. Before entering her new home, the Roman bride tied some wool around the doorposts and then anointed it with oil to signify health and plenty.

NEXT WEEK:

Uranus, god of the heavens

Boston Marathon 2025 A First and a Record

Marathon Monday 2025 served as the finale to a celebratory long weekend in the city of Boston, beginning with the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, phasing into a glorious Easter Sunday while phasing out of Passover, easing into game 1 of the Celtics



2025 Boston Marathon Winners Sharon Lokedi and fellow Kenyan, John Korir

quest for Banner 19, holding steady on a traditional early morning Patriot's Day Red Sox game and finishing with a marathon course record and sibling repeat.

Sharon Lokedi broke the Boston Marathon course record, while fellow Kenyan, John Korir, joined his brother as a race champion of the 129th running of the crown jewel of all marathons. Lokedi beat out one-time defending champion Hellen Obiri in the final mile, finishing in 2 hours, 17 minutes and 22 seconds — 19 seconds ahead of Obiri and 2 1/2 minutes faster than the previous Boston best.

Korir finished in 2 hours, 4 minutes and 45 seconds, the second-fastest winning time in race history. At the marathon finish line in Copley Square, Korir was welcomed by his older brother Wesley Kirir, a 2012 Boston Marathon winner. The Korir brothers are the first siblings, or relatives of any kind, to win the world's oldest and most prestigious marathon.

On the 50th anniversary of wheelchairs competing in the marathon, Marcel Hug of Switzerland clocked in at 1 hour, 21 minutes and 34 seconds to claim his eighth Boston Wheelchair title. Susannah Scaroni of the U.S.A. won the women's wheelchair race for the second time, finishing in 1 hour, 35 minutes and 20 seconds, guaranteeing that the "Star-Spangled Banner" would play at the finish line on Boylston Street in Copley Square on Patriot's Day, the traditional state holiday that commemorates the American Revolution.

What is a Real ID?

TSA to Begin "Phased Enforcement" of REAL ID Requirement Beginning May 7, 2025

Thanks to a United States security law passed twenty years ago, Americans are now required to update their driver's license or identification cards to become REAL ID-Compliant, or they will not be able to board U.S. airlines. The May 7, 2025, deadline is fast approaching, so if you have not already taken the necessary steps, you should do so ASAP!

On May 7, federal agencies, including the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), will no longer accept driver's license or ID cards that do not have a star in one of the upper corners to represent their Real ID verification. To become REAL ID compliant, you must provide additional information like a Social Security number. Flyers who do not have REAL ID verification on their license should plan on using a passport, a passport card, a permanent resident card, military ID or an enhanced driver's license offered by certain states.

TSA will begin "phased enforcement" on May 7th, but it's still unclear if that means turning away travelers without proper documentation or subjecting them to an additional security screening. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) website state's "travelers without a REAL ID compliant license or acceptable alternative beginning May 7, 2025, will not be permitted through the security checkpoint." In a federal rule established this year, the TSA says its "phased approach" could last two years, with the potential to issue warnings to people without REAL ID verification. Access to other federal facilities will also require a REAL ID.

Check with your local Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) on how to obtain a REAL ID or make an appointment to get a new compliant license. Drivers who have recently renewed their license may already have a REAL ID. You'll need proper documentation to show your full legal name, date of birth, social security number and lawful status, as well as two proofs of address. If you do not have your social security card, you can provide a W-2 or pay stub with your name and Social Security number on it.

For anyone wondering the purpose of this new requirement, Congress passed, and former President George W. Bush signed the REAL ID Act in 2005 after the 9/11 Commission warned that it was too easy for terrorists to obtain a driver's license. Implementation of the law has been delayed in getting all 50 states and U.S. Territories to embrace the new requirements and begin issuing advanced identification, which the federal government estimated would cost approximately \$11 billion dollars in 2007. TSA senior officials believe that REAL ID's "bolster safety by making fraudulent ID's harder to forge, handicapping criminals and terrorists," while some conservatives feel Americans are now required to jump through more hoops just to travel within our own country.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI25C0418CA

In the Matter of

COLTON JAMES KARNES

CITATION ON

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by Colton James Karnes of IMPOUNDED requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Colton James Romano.

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 May 07, 2025. 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. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court

Date: April 14, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run Date: 04/25/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

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OUR POLICY: To help preserve the ideals and sacred traditions of this our adopted country the United States of America: To revere its laws and inspire others to respect and obey them: To strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty: In all ways to aid in making this country greater and better than we found it.



North End Athletic Association to Honor Gloria Pizzarella on Opening Day of Baseball

The North End Athletic Association will hold its' Annual **Opening Day of Baseball** on **Saturday May 3, 2025**. Games will be held **all day starting at 10:30 a.m.** with Instructional Program/T-Ball followed by two Major League Games and two Minor League Games. There will be a BBQ all day, Face Painting and Balloon Making for all N.E.A.A. families to enjoy throughout the day.

The N.E.A.A. will honor longtime N.E.A.A. member Gloria Pizzarella for her years as a player, volunteer and sponsor of the Athletic Association.



We are grateful for members of the community like Gloria who played in the baseball program as a young girl and has given back to the program as a volunteer and has sponsored programs and remained affiliated with the N.E.A.A. throughout the years. Gloria will throw out the first pitch at 12 Noon at Opening Day Ceremonies.

We hope all her friends and neighbors in the North End and beyond will join us in honoring Gloria on May 3rd.

2025 N.E.A.A. Baseball Team Sponsors:

4-5-Year-Old Instructional/T-Ball Program:

Boston Red Sox Foundation/NIKE Jr. RBI Program

6-8-Year-Old Minor League Program:

Rays – Richards Motorcars
 Phillies – Boston Bottle
 Rockies – North End CARES

A's - Boston Food Tour
 Orioles – McGovern Auto

9-12-Year-Old Major League Program:

Marlins: St. Anthony's Feast Society
 Cardinals: St. Agrippina Feast Society
 Tigers: Tomasone Club
 Cubs: Regional Review Newspaper

• **250th Anniversary of American Revolution** (Continued from Page 1)



(L-R): Sherry Madden, 1st female member of The Lexington Minutemen practices the fife on Prince Street in Boston, Massachusetts historic North End, as she awaits Paul Revere's arrival with Rob Roell also of the Lexington Minutemen.



(L-R): Sherry Madden, Rob Roell, David Gitson, Foster Jackson and David Wright, members of The Lexington Minutemen gather in front of the iconic Post-Gazette newspaper on Prince Street, in Boston, Massachusetts North End neighborhood.

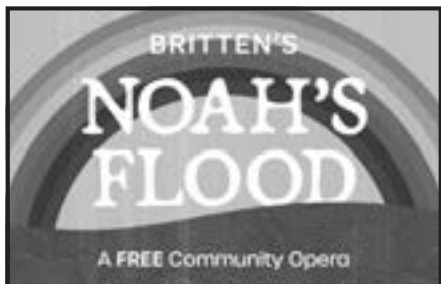
Commercial Street, spectators enjoyed a drone show featuring 400 drones forming unique formations to commemorate the event, followed by a dramatic reenactment of Revere's crossing of the Charles River.

In the North End's Paul Revere Mall (Prado), a costumed reading of the play "Revolution's Edge" brought to life the feelings, tension and decisions leading up to the revolution. Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, State Senator Lydia Edwards, State Representative Aaron Michlewitz and District 1 City Councilor Gabriela Coletta-Zapata all attended the performance.

Later in the weekend, The Lexington Minutemen held a reenactment of the Lexington and Concord battle on the sacred grounds of the Lexington Green.

Overall, it was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to embrace and celebrate the rich history of the city and state's revolutionary heritage and reflect on how far we have come as a nation.

BOSTON LYRIC OPERA



MAY 3RD - FREE: NOAH'S FLOOD at SYMPHONY HALL

Boston Lyric Opera presents a special, free public performance of Benjamin Britten's **NOAH'S FLOOD (Noye's Fludde)** on Friday, May 3rd @

2:00 p.m. at Symphony Hall. This family-friendly, participatory opera brings together BLO professional artists with hundreds of young performers and community musicians for a vibrant retelling of the classic story of Noah — a man called to protect his family, his neighbors, and the animals of the Earth from an existential flood. Conducted by **BLO Music Director David Angus** and directed by **Dayron Miles**, the production features BLO Emerging Artist alumnus **David McFerrin** as Noah and current Emerging Artist **Alexis Peart** as Mrs. Noah. Designed for audiences of all ages, *Noah's Flood* offers an inspiring and accessible introduction to opera through Britten's charming score. Community performers include students and ensembles from **Boston Children's Chorus, Boston String Academy, Back Bay Ringers, VOICES Boston, Boston Recorder Orchestra, Community Music Center of Boston, Boston Symphony Orchestra, New England Conservatory Preparatory School, Artists for Humanity** and more. Tickets are free, but reservations are required. Visit blo.org/noahs-flood for details.

MAY 15TH - FREE: "OPERA NIGHT at THE BPL"

Opera Night at the Boston Public Library features live performances by Boston Lyric Opera artists, remarks from opera experts, and audience Q&A. In this installment, BLO artists will preview selections from BLO's season ahead. Thursday, May 15th @ 6:00 p.m. Rabb Hall, Boston Public Library Central Branch @ Copley Square in Boston. Admission is FREE.

FREE OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE: STREET STAGE RETURNS THIS SUMMER

Boston Lyric Opera's popular mobile performance venue Street Stage revives its summer tour through the city of Boston with free live performances at previous and new outdoor locations starting from June to October. Sponsored by HarborOne Bank and the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture, Street Stage brings opera and popular music performances to neighborhoods from Charlestown to South Boston. The series kicks off June 12th @ 4:30 p.m. at Plaza Betances in the South End, in partnership with IBA featuring Spanish-language repertoire.

For more information on these events and upcoming events, please visit BLO.org

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C.I.A.O.

Raising Funds for New South Shore Italian American Programs

C.I.A.O. — Cultural Italian American Organization based on the South Shore — is moving ahead to gather the resources necessary to support its Italian Language and Cultural High School and Adult Education Programs. The organization, which is just four years old, has helped initiate a 60-student Italian Language Program at Canton High School and, in cooperation with the Canton Public Library, a 40-student adult education program.

The group will be holding its first fundraising dinner on May 2, 2025, at the Irish Cultural Center in Canton at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$75 per person.

The Canton High School Project, the result of a joint effort of the Canton Public Schools, the Cultural Italian American Organization, the Consul General of Italy's Office in Boston, C.A.S.I.T., Massachusetts Representative Robert Consalvo, the 8,000 member Italian American Alliance (IAA) and the prestigious Pirandello Lyceum, two of the most active Italian American cultural organizations in Massachusetts.

C.I.A.O. is the brainchild of Dr. Paul Sergi of

Canton who believed that Italian Americans, and those interested in Italian language and culture who live South of Boston, would value an Italian language and cultural program.

"I was encouraged by the interest of so many people and organizations, both in and out of the Canton community," said Sergi. "The support from the Canton Public Schools community, and others, was gratifying."

He said that funds raised would provide the existing programs with extracurricular supplies and materials. He encouraged anyone interested to attend the fundraiser, which he said promises to be an enjoyable evening of food, music and information. Speakers will include Dr. Paul Sergi and Dr. Domenic Amara. **The keynote speaker will be the noted historian and author Anthony Sammarco.**

Tickets to the event may be obtained by pp. payment made out to C.I.A.O. Checks should be sent to C.I.A.O., 8 Hickory Lane, Canton, MA 02021. For more information, contact Dr. Paul Sergi at 617-733-7253.

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

May Day Brings the Magic

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Looking out my window, I can see that the trees no longer hide their blossoms. Just moments ago, it seems, branches stood bare, with only the tiniest speck of a green bud poking through. Now the vibrant tone of fresh, young leaves fulfills the spring promise made by these delicate early sprouts.



Whenever I notice the ever-larger number of trees bursting with frothy green foliage or gossamer purple flowers, I float with excitement over the sheer beauty of nature. From the clouds that scuttle across a sky as perfectly blue as a robin's egg, to the jewel-toned berries that begin to shine from shop shelves and farmer's markets, the vivacity of spring has encircled the world. With all of this regrowth blooming around us, it is little wonder that the spring calendar is laden with celebrations that call for outdoor festivities, prompting people to enjoy nature. One such seasonal feast, commemorated by our Italian ancestors since ancient times, honors the rejuvenation and fertility of nature that occurs as spring yields to summer. This folkloric festival is known as May Day, and it renders homage to the trees, flowers, and the mystical transformations of nature that characterize spring. More recently, May Day developed into a labor holiday, one which pays tribute to the contributions and sacrifices of workers worldwide. In all of its manifestations, May Day focuses our attention to the magic of nature and the rhythmic bloom of a reawakening world.

May Day, as evident by the name, occurs on May 1st every year. The ancient Celts celebrated May Day as a holiday called Beltane. Beltane marked the beginning of summer, the time when livestock were moved to wider pastures for grazing. In the majority of European countries, May Day festivities begin the prior evening on April 30th. This is Walpurgis Night, a feast in honor of a mysterious Saint Walpurga. Since May Day serves as a transitional seasonal milestone, poised on the cusp between spring and summer, people in older times believed that witches, fairies, and sundry other supernatural beings rambled through the Earth during this liminal evening.

Contemporary Scandinavians and Northern Europeans still dress like witches on Walpurgis Night, welcoming May Day with bonfires and picnics. Italians also link the month of May with the paranormal. The ancient Romans dedicated May to the worship of the dead, perhaps prompting the old superstition that it is unlucky to marry in May. Europeans now celebrate the woodland sprites thought to be especially active in May, and indeed, May Day festivities revel in the wonder of the springtime forest. People adorn their homes with greenery and, in a remnant of an old fertility ritual to help crops grow, dance around maypoles festooned with garlands and ribbons. Many Italian cities and towns celebrate May Day, or *Calendimaggio*, with quaint festivities. The medieval city of Assisi hosts a Renaissance fair where costumed participants enjoy parades, concerts and balls. The citizens of Nogaredo, a city in the northern region of Trentino, dress up as witches for their *Calendimaggio* feasts and decorate the town with spooky lights and bonfires. Magic is certainly appropriate for May Day — after all, what greater magic is there than the rebirth of nature in the spring?

In addition to the folkloric nature-based celebrations, May Day also functions as Labor Day in many countries worldwide. In Italy, for example, May 1st is a public holiday known as *la Festa del Lavoro*, part of International Workers' Day. Italians take this day to commemorate the contribution of workers while also enjoying some rest and leisure. Similar to the ancient nature rites of May Day, families may flock to the beach or mountains, gather for picnics, or visit famous historical sites. Others attend parades that focus on the achievements of the Italian labor movement or partake in demonstrations that call for an end to the workplace injustices, which still persist

to this day. As part of the Italian-American community, we too can celebrate *la Festa del Lavoro* by ruminating on the remarkable strides that Italians have made in the United States. At the beginning of the twentieth century, most Italian immigrants arrived in America with little money or formal education, but

nevertheless worked hard, often in strenuous and thankless jobs, to provide for their families. Italians became particularly active in the labor struggle that rocked the nation at the turn of the century, quickly forming unions, participating in strikes, and raising the demand for shorter workdays, injured workers' compensation, and an end to child labor. We should thank the Italians and other immigrant groups for the safety regulations and labor law advancements made in the workplace since those long-ago days. However, *la Festa del Lavoro* also urges us to continue our ancestors' campaigns. Many labor injustices still exist both in the United States and the world at large, including slavery, children forced into dangerous jobs, and unsafe conditions in factories and mines. Just as flowers and leaves bloom with renewed vigor during the spring, so too should our compassion bloom, and we should strive to make the world a better place for our fellow humans.

May Day is all about rejoicing in the beauty of nature, which manifests itself in a plethora of forms. The rejuvenation of Mother Earth reverberates in the rites of Maypoles, flower wreaths, and the decoration of homes with greenery and blossoms, a practice the ancient Europeans called "bringing in the May." The mysterious nature of our world, that shivering sense of excitement that accompanies the unknown, echoes through May Day's emphasis on witches, fairies and woodland pixies. Finally, our human nature, which should always carry kindness and compassion, shines in the way we stand in solidarity with the dignity of others during International Workers' Day. Throughout May Day and the month thereafter, let us aim to incorporate all these aspects of nature into our own souls. Let us make our inner being rise from the depths of winter like spring leaves bursting into the sunlight. Let us open our eyes in wonder as we contemplate the magic present in even the most mundane facets of our everyday lives. Let us dedicate ourselves to the Earth, which we call our home, and to improving the lives of our brothers and sisters who share our planet. By opening ourselves to the magic of May Day, we will foster an eternal spring in our very souls.

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THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani



How Does One Get Back an Illegal Alian into Our Nation When He's Being Held Elsewhere?

Various court rulings up to and including the United States Supreme Court have now ruled that the Trump Administration should "facilitate," the return of Kilmar Armando Abrego Garcia whom the Trump White House now says was erroneously sent back to his home country of El Salvador last month.

Garcia, who was born in El Salvador and entered the country illegally in 2011, had been living in Maryland with his wife and their three children when he was detained in March and deported. He was sent to El Salvador along with 200 other detainees the U.S. has accused of having ties to MS-13 and Tren de Aragua gangs. Currently, there are about 250 detainees in a notorious supermax prison and are technically no longer under the control of our government.

President Nayib Bukele of El Salvador says he has no intention of returning Garcia or anyone else. Obviously, El Salvador believes those now in their custody are bad hombres, a term President Donald Trump loves to use. However, Bukele is correct. How does he "facilitate" the return an individual to a country that he illegally resides in.

Personally, I agree with Trump that those who are dangerous and violent outlaws don't belong here but the way to rid us of them is not to start acting like Rambo. The process was rushed and done headstrong and now we are mired in all kinds of muck.

Some judges seem more concerned about the rights of violent illegal migrants over the members of communities they reside in. There is a right way and a wrong way to do something.

Republicans seem in disarray and Democrats are smelling Trump's bloodthirsty tactics. Taking sides with illegal migrants over the safety of U.S. citizens and legal residents is not the way they should be going either.

The mess we are experiencing, the negative impact, was created by Democrats who just tore down all "walls" of normalcy by allowing millions to walk right across our border as if we couldn't see them.

President Biden and all his cohorts in the Democratic cult called a political party created this whole mess over the four Biden years and now seemingly President Trump, who had a great opportunity to undo that mess, is creating a whole new mess. Oh, God, our politicians — all of them — seem so fixated on the narrative that they are blinded to the reality.

We just can't keep sending out ICE in black vans looking to snatch someone off a sidewalk, which has happened recently over in Somerville. Those optics aren't helpful at all. There's got to be a better way of fixing a broken system without breaking it more.

Instead of each side testing their limits, we need to be working together to find a solution that rids us of dangerous characters illegally living among us without scaring ordinary people living amongst us. Technically, undocumented migrants are all guilty of committing the crime of crossing our borders illegally, but there has to be a better way of bringing a resolution to this issue without resorting to fear.

I live in East Boston, I see so much fear on people's faces, young mothers, little children, old people, etc. This is not the way we should be living in this nation of ours. When I go shopping, I usually go to Market Basket. Nearby neighbors of this shopping market still shop there, they got to feed their families but I am sure many of them stay worried that a black van might show up in the parking lot. As I believe, fixing our broken immigration system has to be done more humanely. Snatching people off street corners is not America. We need to find a better way to secure our nation from those who would prey on our vulnerabilities. There was an old saying I heard a half a lifetime ago that went, "We are a great nation because we are a good nation, when we stop being good, we will stop being great."

We are looking like a bully nation today. That is not who we are. We can't be stupid either. There is always a solution out there if everyone would just turn down the volume and work together for a change. We have thrown the can far enough.

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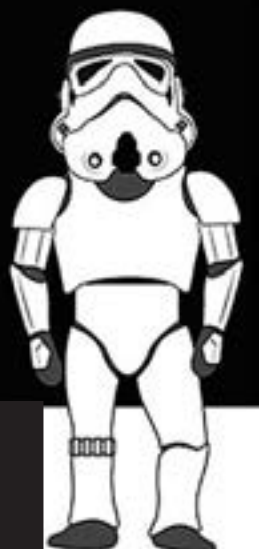
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MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

Happy Birthday



North End Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center Appoints Stephen Buckley as Administrator

North End Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center announced that Stephen Buckley has been appointed Administrator of the skilled nursing facility.

With a wealth of experience in health care administration, Buckley oversees the daily operations at the 100-bed center located in Boston's historic North End neighborhood. The center provides high-quality post-acute care, including cardiac, pulmonary, stroke recovery and orthopedic rehabilitation services, as well as long-term, 24-hour care to residents.

"Stephen has an impressive history of leadership, including working for the past 15 years at skilled nursing centers in the region, during which all facilities achieved five-star CMS ratings," said Sharon Donaghue, New England Division President for Marquis Health Consulting Services. "His commitment to quality health care is evident in his track record of excellence."



North End Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center new administrator Stephen Buckley

Buckley's career in health care spans three decades, a journey he began in the Rehabilitation Department at Malden Hospital. He later created his own outpatient practice, started and developed an outpatient physical therapy and sports medicine practice, and served as a rehab director. He has been dedicated to local skilled nursing facilities since 2007.

In addition to his extensive health care experience, Buckley served as Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce, actively engaging with the community at large to foster connections and support regional business development and advocacy.

Buckley is a graduate of Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, where he earned a Bachelor of Administration degree before furthering his education at Endicott College, where he received a degree in physical therapy.

Dementia Risk is Rising Preventative Steps are Within Reach

Cognitive decline may be more prevalent, but lifestyle changes can make a real difference. Dementia diagnosis is rising in the U.S., with people over 55 facing a 42% risk of developing it in their lifetime. However, there are preventative steps that may be taken to reduce the risk according to Dr. Joel Salinas, behavioral neurologist at NYU Grossman School of Medicine.

One of the biggest factors in the increase is demographics, according to Salinas. "The baby boomer population, being one of the largest groups, is also the fastest aging groups. As we get more and more baby boomers, not just over 65, but into their 70's and 80's, we're going to see more and more of them developing some degree of cognitive impairment due to a plethora of reasons." Age is indeed the biggest risk factor. "After age 65, our risk starts to increase. By the time we got to our 80's, that risk is about one in three, and then after 85, it starts to go up even higher, to almost one in two," said Salinas.

He also noted that the pandemic could most definitely have played a role. "This is still being understood, but it seems like COVID-19 also affected blood vessels in the body and brain, so people who already had a vulnerability for developing dementia could have an acceleration or an earlier presentation."

Research has also shown that loneliness and isolation can increase cognitive decline. "We know that individuals who don't have a lot of social engagement are at a higher risk. There's still a lot being done to figure out which came first, is it you're developing the disease and you're presenting with symptoms of loneliness earlier than others, or is it the loneliness and social isolation that increases your risk? I think it's probably both," stated Salinas.

There is also a genetic component of dementia, but it tends to be rare. "If you think about risks and protective factors like a seesaw, these genetic mutations may outweigh anything protective you do, but the nicest thing is that because they're rare, the chances are you don't have those risks,

so you probably have genetic risk than can be outweighed by some degree of protective factors," surmised Salinas.

A major study published last year found that almost half of dementia cases are potentially preventable with lifestyle changes, with exercise and proper nutrition topping the list. Addressing hearing loss by using a hearing aid can also help keep dementia at bay as well as remaining socially engaged. Refraining from smoking and limiting alcohol consumption may also boost prevention, as does getting enough quality sleep.

"It's all about putting the odds in your favor that you will be less likely to develop one of these conditions, or at least likely to delay the onset of symptoms. It's never too late to take them on, but whenever you start them, the more consistent you are with them, the bigger return you'll have," Salinas offered. The neurologist study showed 92% of people with mild cognitive impairment go undiagnosed. "That's when we really want to intervene, but most of the time people are being diagnosed when the condition is moderate to severe." It certainly can be difficult to distinguish between the normal effects of aging and the early signs of dementia. Salinas does note some key differences, "We have more difficulty with memory and thinking as we get older, but it should never be to the point where it interferes with our day-to-day functioning. It's normal to experience blips once in a while, like forgetting your keys or blanking on a name, but if you're seeing that happen much more frequently over time and it's getting worse, that may suggest there is something neurodegenerative and not just normal or typical aging," cautioned Salinas.

To ensure earlier diagnosis and intervention, Salinas recommends speaking with a health care provider as soon as atypical symptoms are noticed, "It is important to take them seriously, but often symptoms get dismissed by doctors or medical providers, so do seek a second opinion, especially from a neurology specialist," advised Salinas.

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Sperm Racing a Go Taking Bets too

An enterprising startup has announced the launch of the world's first sperm race in which samples will go head-to-head in Los Angeles to raise awareness of declining male fertility. The contest was organized by Sperm Racing, a group of young millionaires who raised more than \$1 million to back this derby race that takes place on April 25th at the Hollywood Palladium in front of thousands of spectators.

"Two competitors. Two samples. One microscopic finish line," declares Sperm Racing boss Eric Zhu. Whichever finishes first as verified by

advanced imaging will be declared the winner.

Detained Student Held by ICE

The Palestinian Columbia University student arrested by ICE in Vermont who had led anti-Israel protests on campus and hails from the West Bank was recently at an interview this past Monday to obtain his U.S. citizenship when he was picked up by ICE agents. In an interview with CBS he said, he had mixed feelings about getting a letter from the government with an appointment to become a U.S. citizen. "The first feeling is that I've been waiting for this for more than a year," said the

student, and the other feeling is, "Wait a minute, is this a honey trap?"

His lawyer said his client was unlawfully detained for no reason other than his Palestinian identity.

End Quote

"We haven't seen anyone since November. It's been nice not having to scan the yards night and morning."

— A Chateaugay resident, which is right at the border between the two nations

Seems border crossings at our U.S.-Canadian borders have plummeted in the past year. Only 59 have been caught in March, down from 1,109 crossings in March 2024.

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Award-Winning Filmmaker

KEN BURNS

Honored at Old North Church



Photo by Tom Damigella

Lantern and Luminaries 2025 recently honored award-winning film maker Ken Burns with the Third Lantern Award, presented annually to an individual who embodies the values symbolized on the Old North Church's iconic signal lanterns: leadership, courage, hope, tenacity, and active citizenship. The festivities took place at the Old North Church, 193 Salem Street, in Boston's historic North End, serving as a kick-off of the American Revolution's 250th Anniversary. Ken's documentary, *The American Revolution*, will premiere on November 16, 2025, on PBS.



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90 Years of Fashion Excellence & Glamour

by Angela Cornacchio



Middlesex County Sheriff Peter Koutoujian honored Yolanda with a plaque of recognition for her fabulous contributions to the community.

The pillar of brilliance, the School of Fashion Design (SFD) and the Queen of Style and Glamour, Yolanda Cellucci, joined together to celebrate "their" 90th birthday.

Both grew up together and created the fashion scene that Boston has today. In their honor, SFD threw a chic party welcoming in the city's finest from alumni to budding

designers, models and media, showcasing a custom crafted family.

Following the red-carpet photos, mingling and munching on the tasty treats, Executive Director of SFD, Jennifer Laclerc, gathered guests for an honorary toast to the iconic Yolanda. The VIP list included Peter Koutoujian, Sheriff of Middlesex County, who took

center stage and shared his celebratory stories of Cellucci through the years. The Sheriff honored Yolanda with a plaque of recognition for her fabulous contributions to the community.

Following was SFD Board of Director's Chair Dr. Susan Lane granting Yolanda a gift of magnificence. The School of Fashion Design gave Cellucci an honorary certificate from SFD, making her an official beauty school graduate!

A highlight of the 90th celebration for SFD and Yolanda was a slide show tribute showcasing the glitz and glamour Yolanda has brought to us all. Yolanda has and continues to be an ardent patron of the arts and fashion throughout her illustrious career, continues to host a tv show and remains a generous philanthropist, supporting many charities. She is truly in a class all her own!

It was a beautiful evening celebrating such a wonderful woman. May she continue to shine in the spotlight with her timeless smile and to exude her warm glow. SFD humbly took a step back in the celebration, although it was their party too!

The School of Fashion Design also celebrated 90 years of excellence in skills-based fashion design education in New England. They are the only educational institution in MA dedicated exclusively to the study of apparel design and construction.



(L-R): Executive Director of School of Fashion Design Jennifer Laclerc, School of Fashion Design Board of Director's Chair Dr. Susan Lane and Model Jane Conway Caspe granted Yolanda Cellucci (middle right) an honorary School of Fashion Design graduate.

They value slow fashion and the artistry of a well-crafted handmade garment and are known for their hands-on instruction and a deep level of technical expertise in their professional Certificate in Fashion Design program. They also offer a high school program four times throughout the year, and a series of short Workshops all year round.

The students are offered a variety of enrichment opportunities throughout the year, including invited guest speakers, Boston fashion events, a wide alumni network, fabric shopping trips to New York, and their annual student fashion show.

In 2022, they relocated to a larger and brighter studio

classroom in the Park Square Building on St. James Avenue, Boston to accommodate the growth and expansion in a post-COVID environment.

Their alumni have had esteemed fashion careers throughout all areas of the industry, including costume design, pattern makers for film, TV, small brand entrepreneurs, and atelier, independent bridal and eveningwear designers. Some notable SFD alumni include Dawn Mello, Anthony Ferrara, Denise Hajjar, Daniela Corte, Daniel Faucher, Candice Wu, Boye Asenuga, Lidiya Romanchuk and Alexandra Bianchi.

Newly appointed Executive Director Jennifer Leclerc stated, "We are committed to removing



Wedding gown Designer and School of Fashion Design graduate Candice Wu and her daughter, Yolanda Cellucci and Jane Conway Caspe pose in front of Wu's dress that was a contribution to the event.



Enjoying the evening's celebration were the city's finest from alumni to budding designers, models and media highlighting a custom crafted family.



School of Fashion Design finest (L-R): Dr. Susan Lane Chair of SFD, Board of Trustees Daniel Faucher, Senior Instructor Jennifer Leclerc, Executive Director Jay Calderin, Senior Instructor & Community Relations Jim Hannon, Director of Operations SadieAnn Strouse, Administrative Coordinator and Board of Trustees Jane Conway Caspe



Photographer Cheryl Richards (left) and Cellucci pose with the iconic photo of Yolanda that was used in the promotional School of Fashion Design celebrations

(Photos by Hill Zhou)

barriers to a fashion education, which is why we don't require a portfolio to begin learning with us." She exclaims, "Students need to have the passion and perseverance for it of course, but Fashion Design is a learned skill, and it's our job to teach that. We have students who have never sat at a sewing machine who are showing garments on our runway in their second semester of study with us."

The City of Boston is looking forward to celebrating the 100th for SFD and Cellucci. Students interested in learning more about any of our programs are invited to visit our website: www.schooloffashiondesign.org or email admissions@sfdboston.org to ask questions or arrange for a tour.

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

Caterina Maria Romola di Lorenzo de Medici

Caterina Maria Romola di Lorenzo de Medici was born in Florence on April 13, 1519. Her father was Lorenzo de Medici, Duke of Urbino and ruler of Florence and her mother was Madeleine de la Tour d'Auvergne, cousin of Francis I, King of France.



Catherine's mother passed away when she was two-weeks-old and her father soon afterwards. In 1533, at the age of 14, Catherine's uncle Pope Clement VII arranged her marriage to the duke of Orléans, second son of the king of France.

A year after their marriage, the duke began a long affair with Diane de Poitiers who remained an influential in his life for the next 25 years, leaving Catherine eclipsed. It was not until ten years after their marriage that Catherine gave birth to their first child. This greatly improved the queen's standing and the couple eventually had seven surviving children.

In 1536, the duke of Orléans became heir to the throne. Eleven years later he was crowned Henry II of France. Unfortunately it was to be a short reign as Henry died in a jousting accident in 1559, thrusting Catherine onto the political stage. Their eldest son Francis was proclaimed king, but passed away after less than a year. Then in 1560, their second son Charles was crowned, aged just ten years old. Catherine acted as regent for the young king and as a result influenced Charles throughout his reign.

She at first adopted a conciliatory policy towards the Huguenots (French Protestants), but in 1562 civil war broke out in France, marking the beginning of the series of conflicts which became known as the French Wars of Religion.

In 1572, in an effort to bring reconciliation, Catherine arranged the marriage of her daughter Marguerite to the Protestant Henry, King of Navarre. During the wedding celebrations in Paris, the Huguenot leader, Coligny, was murdered, as were hundreds of other Protestants who had gathered for the wedding. This became known as the St Bartholomew's Day Massacre, in which Catherine was thought to be involved.

Charles IX died in 1574 and Catherine's favorite son Henry succeeded as Henry III of France. She continued to play a central role in government and made further fruitless attempts to reconcile the opposing sides in the ongoing civil war.

Catherine passed away on January 5, 1589 and was buried next to her husband in the church of St. Denis in Paris.

Saint Richard Reynolds

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Richard Reynolds was a Bridgettine monk of the Syon Abbey, founded in Twickenham by Henry V. He was born in Devon in 1492, educated at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, and joined the Abbey in 1513. Reginald Pole is quoted as saying that Reynolds was the only English monk well-versed in the three principal languages of Latin, Greek and Hebrew.

Reynolds is said to be the most renowned spiritual counsellor of the Syon community. He would have likely been consulted by Elizabeth Barton, the Holy Maid of Kent, who had been executed at Tyburn almost a year earlier for speaking out against the king's marriage to Anne Boleyn. Reynolds had previously arranged a meeting between Elizabeth Barton and Thomas More. It was his connection to Barton that particularly compromised Reynolds in the view of the Crown officers.

Reynolds was arrested and imprisoned in the Tower of London around the middle



of April 1535, along with the Carthusian priors John Houghton, Robert Lawrence and Augustine Webster (a monk of Sheen Priory in Richmond). All four were tried for the denial of the royal supremacy.

Against Reynolds, there was the additional charge of attempting to dissuade people from submitting to the king's authority. A witness claimed that Reynolds had stated that the "Dowager Princess" (Queen Catherine) was the true queen. Reynolds denied that he had declared an opinion against the king.

All four were executed on May 4, 1535 by drawing and quartering at Tyburn, London after being dragged through the streets. Also convicted of treason for speaking against the King's marriage to Anne Boleyn, and martyred with them on that day, was John Haile, the parish priest of Isleworth where Syon Abbey was located. The quarters of the body of Reynolds — the first man to refuse the Oath of Supremacy were chopped to pieces and hung in different parts of London, including the gate of Syon Abbey. The Feast Day of Saint Richard Reynolds is May 4th.

Boston Antisemitism Probe is Off

Is it Temporary or Permanent?

The Trump's administration's request to visit Boston amidst a probe of the city's response to "incidents of antisemitism" at its schools and colleges was rebuffed by Mayor Michelle Wu's administration. The Trump administration's proposed visit comes at a time when Harvard and the president's administration are locked in a heated battle over federal funding.

Earlier this month, U.S. Department of Justice officials (DOJ) met with the city's legal counsel, department chiefs and a representative from the Boston Jewish community met to discuss the specifics of a meeting tentatively scheduled for this past Wednesday, April 23rd between Mayor Wu and the federal government's new antisemitism task force.

According to Wu's office, the meeting was never confirmed and that the task force failed to respond to the city's request for specific antisemitism incidents that may have occurred at its schools and colleges. "There is no meeting with the DOJ on the

schedule this week. The task force had requested a meeting to discuss the city's handling of unspecified incidents, without providing details. At the request of the task force, city officials and representatives from the Jewish community met with the task force on April 9, and we have been awaiting more information prior to confirming any additional meetings. We have not heard back."

Mayor Wu has been engaged in a quite public and fierce battle with the Trump administration over immigration and other policies, was initially sent a letter in mid-March, from the task force informing her of their intention to visit her and three other big-city mayors as part of its probe into antisemitic incidents in their schools and colleges. "We are aware of information alleging that schools in Boston have faced unacceptable incidents of antisemitic harassment and violence. Within the next 30 days, we would like to meet with you to discuss actions, if any, that the city

is taking to address alleged discrimination or hate crimes against Jewish individuals in any Boston schools, to include K-12 institutions and post-secondary institutions." Wrote Leo Terrell, senior counsel to the U.S. assistant attorney general.

According to Mayor Wu's office, the April 23rd meeting was contingent upon specific incidents be submitted to the city for review prior to confirming the meeting. Because those records were never provided to the city, the Wu administration was hesitant to confirm the meeting. "In order to ensure that we are prepared for a productive discussion with you and your team, we ask that the division share with us any information on the incidents of antisemitic conduct in Boston as referenced in your letter," wrote the Wu administration to the DOJ.

It seems the city hasn't heard back from the federal task force since the April 9th meeting, leaving the onus on the feds to make the next move.

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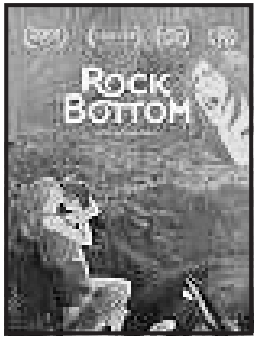
Off on a Field Trip



A group of seniors from the Nazzaro Community Center in Boston's North End were treated to a fun get away, hopping a bus to Hobby Lobby in Braintree and Sewfisticated Discount Fabrics in Dorchester. It was a fun-filled afternoon for all who attended. The trip was made possible thanks to the generosity of the North End Athletic Association (NEAA).

VIDEO VIEWS by Bob Morello

... more than meets the eye



ROCK BOTTOM (DVD) Cleopatra Entertainment

Inspired by the music and life of Robert Wyatt — who co-founded the British rock band Soft Machine. *Rock Bottom* tells the story of artists immersed in the creative whirlwind of the early 1970s hippie culture. Drugs will turn a passionate summer into a nightmare in a journey through the themes of Wyatt's music: the euphoria and anguish of artistic creation and the unconscious fascination with drugs, the disenchantment with routine and physical and mental degradation.



THE MAGNIFICENT CHANG CHEH (Blu-ray) Eureka Entertainment

One of the Shaw Brothers Studio's most prolific directors, Chang Cheh — or the 'Godfather of Hong Kong Cinema' — is the filmmaker behind *Five Deadly Venoms*, *Chinatown Kid* and *Boxer Rebellion*. Collected in *The Magnificent Chang Cheh*, are two films by this maestro of martial arts cinema that showcase his considerable talents at both ends of his career: *The*

Magnificent Trio, produced when wuxia films ruled the Hong Kong box office in the mid-1960s, and *Magnificent Wanderers*, made at the height of the kung fu craze at the end of the 1970s. In an early role that pre-dates his star-making turn in Chang's *The One-Armed Swordsman*, Jimmy Wang Yu stars in *The Magnificent Trio* as swordsman Lu Fang, who — along with fellow warriors Yen Tzu-ching and Huang Liang — lends his martial arts prowess to a group of oppressed farmers when they kidnap the daughter of their local magistrate. Then, in the kung fu comedy *Magnificent Wanderers*, the three nomads Lin Shao You, Shi Da Yong, and Guan Fei attempt to join Chinese patriots in their struggle against invading Mongol armies with the help of the wealthy Chu Tie Xia. From straight-faced wuxia pian to farcical kung fu comedy, *The Magnificent Trio* and *Magnificent Warriors* display the full range of Chang Cheh, a filmmaker who sat in the director's chair for over three decades. Eureka Classics is proud to present both films on Blu-ray for the first time in North America.



LADY WITH A SWORD (Blu-ray) 88 Films

When her sister is attacked and murdered, swordswoman Feng Fei-fei (Lily Ho) knows just what to do — find the culprits and slice 'em up. But her righteous vengeance is compromised when she learns just who her target is: the man her parents have arranged for her to marry. Strikingly directed by Kao Pao-shu — notable as one of the few women who handled martial arts

movies — *Lady With a Sword* has an emotional power to match its outstanding fight scenes, as justice, family loyalties and inflexible tradition all collide. 88 Films is proud to present the UK Blu-ray premier of a true feminist classic.



THE ADVENTURERS (Blu-ray) Eureka Entertainment

An explosive story of heroic bloodshed featuring Andy Lau and Rosamund Kwan, presented on Blu-ray. Wai Lok-yan (Lau) was just eight years old when his parents were killed before his eyes in Cambodia, where his father had been working for the CIA during Pol Pot's ascent to power in the latter days of the Cambodian Civil War. Taken to Thailand by his father's colleague Seung (Chiang), Yan grows up

to join the Thai Air Force and comes to discover that his father's murderer — Ray Liu (Paul Chun), once a double agent — has now become a wealthy arms dealer based in the United States. With the help of the CIA, Yan intends to get close to Liu and have his revenge by taking on an assumed identity and gaining the trust of Liu's daughter, Crystal (Jacklyn Wu) — but first he will need to go undercover in San Francisco's criminal underworld to rescue her from the clutches of the Vietnamese Black Tiger Gang. Made shortly before Ringo Lam departed for Hollywood to make *Maximum Risk* with Jean-Claude Van Damme, *The Adventurers* is a hidden gem amongst the many heroic bloodshed films produced in Hong Kong during the 1990s. Eureka Classics is proud to present the film on Blu-ray for the first time in North America from a brand new 2K restoration.



THE BEAST HAND (Blu-ray) Cleopatra Entertainment

In *The Beast Hand*, Osamu — a Japanese day laborer — is forced into a lifestyle of crime. Unfortunately, when he crosses the wrong gangsters, they punish him by sword, amputating his left hand in the process. Osamu's ex-girlfriend Koyuki, then takes him to an underground doctor deep in the dark bowels of the city to attempt a transplant. But the new hand has a mind of its own, much to the dismay of the gangsters responsible — as Osamu pursues his revenge.

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

JEANNIE SEELY JUST HAD BACK SURGERY

Lots of country music fans have been missing the "Jeannie Seely Show" Sundays on Willie's Roadhouse. As of late, Dallas Wayne has been dutifully covering for her on this popular Sunday radio show. Hopefully, she should be back on the air by the time you're reading this right here. Jeannie Seely isn't just a great radio host but a country music singer too. Back in 1966, nearly 60 years ago, she had a #1 hit entitled "Don't Touch Me."

Not only was it a #1 hit on Billboards, she won a Grammy for it in the category of Best Female Country Vocal Performance. Her soul-inspired vocal delivery earned her the nickname "MISS COUNTRY SOUL."

I just listened to it a few days ago on the radio and it is still a great country tune. Sixty years ago, she had such a great mellow voice filled with passion. Today her voice is a bit

gruffer but even with her older voice, still carries my country day. Not bad for someone who will be turning 85 this coming July 6th.

JUDGE SAYS TUFTS GRAD STUDENT MUST BE RETURNED TO VERMONT

A federal judge last Friday has ordered a Tufts grad student from Turkey being detained by ICE in Louisiana must be returned to Vermont by May 1 for a hearing. The student was picked up by ICE as she was exiting her residence in Somerville on March 25. In this case, I believe the judge is correct. The student had a valid student visa which reportedly was invalidated on the basis that she had been an outspoken critic of US policy. Secretary of State Marco Rubio said that when you cause a "ruckus" that one violated the terms of the visa. I am not sure that is correct. Also, the optics of her detention was horrible to say the least and looked very un-American to me. There is a way to enforce the law, the actions of March 25 did not meet that standard. If you want to get that female student, get her the right way. Somerville is not the Wild West. Pulling up in a black van and getting snatched off a sidewalk made agents all dressed in black look like a bad movie. Shame, shame, shame!

MY BIRTHDAY KEEPS COMING UP

I was just talking to Skippy White, the soul searching, soul records legend himself last weekend. He told me he just had his 85th birthday and I told him my birthday was coming up on May 4th and he told me it is always good to celebrate your birthday but only one a year. One time 85 seemed like a million years or miles from now but now, it is only "8 Miles High" or years away as The Byrds would sing.

A FEW RECENT AND UPCOMING BIRTHDAY GREETINGS ...

Al Green (79) on April 13th, Bobby Vinton (90) on April 16th, and Frankie Valli (91) on May 3rd.

HOW DID THAT SCHOOL SHOOTER IN DALLAS BYPASS SECURITY?

Apparently, the 17 year old suspected student shooter at a high school in Dallas, TX according to police was able to have slipped in through an unsecured door. Four students were injured during the rampage. The assistant police chief has stated the firearm did not enter the school at "regular intake time" and "it was not a failure of ... our protocols." Forget protocols, how did a school shooter end up by passing security and shooting the place up? Somebody messed up here and big time.

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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 May 14, 2025. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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First Justice of this Court
Date: April 16, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 04/25/2025

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. M125C0222CA
In the Matter of
LEON LYDIA FRIEDMAN
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Leon Lydia Friedman of Belmont, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Leon Wolf.

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 May 12, 2025. 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. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court
Date: April 14, 2025

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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Several years ago, I wrote a story about a trip to Italy that I made in 1972. The story was funny due to the antics of my old buddy, Sal Meli. The beginning portion of the almost three-month trip has some historical reference and I decided to separate it from the rest of that vacation and put it down on paper. It involved an uncle of Sal's, his mother's older brother, and his involvement with Benito Mussolini. Sal, unfortunately, is gone after years of dealing with dementia. His older sister is gone and the remaining younger sister would have been too young to remember any of this story surrounding her uncle and his involvement with the Fascists.

To begin with, Sal's parents decided to immigrate to the United States after WWII. I believe they arrived in the late 1940s, and settled in East Boston. Sal was in the middle of a brood of three children. The other two were an older sister and one younger. He would have been five years older than I, and today, that doesn't mean much, but back when we were kids, that put us in two separate generations.

We finally became friendly when he was in his mid-twenties, a period of time I was just entering. My family was still living on Eutaw Street in East Boston, and on a warm spring day, I was playing handball at Constitution Beach in Orient Heights, and while waiting my turn, became involved in a conversation with Sal. We seemed to have a lot in common and decided to get together at a local Revere watering hole that many East Bostonians and North Enders frequented, The Caravan. (Remember that nightclub across from Wonderland Dog Track???) From that point on, we began double dating and hanging out at the Cave, a long gone Latin American nightclub that was located in the alley just to the right of the Colonial Theater. That all happened in the 1960s. By the early 1970s, both of us had gone through a couple of broken engagements and were traveling around the world. The only continent we never reached was Australia. The others parts of the world we visited, with many vacations taking place in Latin America.

Sal's parents went to work not long after landing in Boston, and after 20 years, decided to retire. They both would have social security and union pensions to live on from that point on. Sal's father discovered that he had 2 pensions coming to him from the Italian government. He had been a police

officer in his Sicilian town before WWII, and was an officer in the Italian Army during the war. Each of these service involvements made him eligible for 2 pensions. If you combine the 4 that he and his wife were eligible for in the U.S., the total of 6 pensions would make them quite comfortable in their senior years. As a result of all of this, and a promise that Sal's father made to his wife about returning to Italy in their old age, they returned in 1970, and bought a luxury condo in a suburb of Agrigento, Sicily.

Sal decided to visit his parents during the spring of 1972. Just as the school year was coming to an end for me that June, he called. Prior to leaving Boston, he and his fiancée had broken their engagement and I kind of thought that the trip was more to forget her than to visit his parents. Anyway, he asked if I would like to join him in Sicily. I told him that I had a couple of bookings with my band that summer, but didn't think it would be difficult to find a bass player to cover me and I could have my pianist lead the jobs. To add to this, the Boston schools were opening a week or so late in September due to when Labor Day fell. As a result of these facts, I said yes to a trip to Italy and left a few days later.

My passport was in order, but there were shots required to return to the U.S. from Europe, so I called Dr. Rose Jannini in Winthrop to have her take care of the vaccinations. Once my ticket was purchased, off I went, with Babbononno screaming for me to take him. He had never been back to his homeland, and unfortunately, never would return. By this point in time, he was in his 90s, and he really couldn't travel. I convinced him that I needed him to watch out for my folks, and would call from the land of his birth if I needed him. He was OK with that and I was off the hook.

I flew from Boston to Rome and then from Rome to Palermo on a shuttle that ran every two hours. Once all of the logistics were in place, I called Sal at his parent's condo and gave him my arrival information. Sal, accompanied by his father and his uncle (his mother's oldest brother who lived in the same condo) decided to take the train to Palermo and intercept me at the airport. I was greeted by Sal and his father, Carmelo, a few minutes after exiting customs. Sal's father then introduced me to his brother-in-law. I greeted him in Italian until the man gave me his full name and then said with no trace of an accent, "Please call me Uncle Gus."

Agostino Faldetta was happy to practice his English, something he couldn't do in southern Sicily, as few locals spoke English back then. He asked me questions about myself, my family and what the future had in store for me. When I finished, Sal's father told me that his brother-in-law was born in Italy, but was educated in the States. He had become successful in Boston, but when the Depression hit, he looked at what Mussolini was doing in Italy, and decided to head there. Because part of his American education was military, and the fact that he spoke English without an Italian accent, he was commissioned an officer in the Italian Army and almost immediately became an advisor in Mussolini's inner circle, joining with the men who had been with Il Duce since his rise to power in 1922. Gus took over the conversation from there and began to reveal episodes that included meetings with government officials, military leaders and their ally, Adolph Hitler.

The men wanted to take the trolley from the airport to the center of Palermo and head for a hotel to spend an overnight there, considering it was late afternoon. I told them that I would rather rent a car and we headed for Maggiore, then, the second largest car rental agency in Italy ... second to Hertz. Once we were all in a FIAT 127, a fastback that held 4 people as long as they weren't over 5 feet tall, we headed for the local Jolly Hotel. We checked in with Uncle Gus telling me that, with their military IDs, we would get a sizable discount. I wasn't going to argue. After a shower and a quick shave, we were on our way to a restaurant in the center of Palermo. As we walked toward the restaurant the older men selected, Uncle Gus pointed out things like street lights, paved roads and a modern wide main avenue. He added in the concepts of indoor plumbing and the telephone and told me that all of what I saw and would experience was thanks to Benito Mussolini. At that point, I knew I was in for quite a story and didn't know whether I should begin waving an American flag, but I was ready.

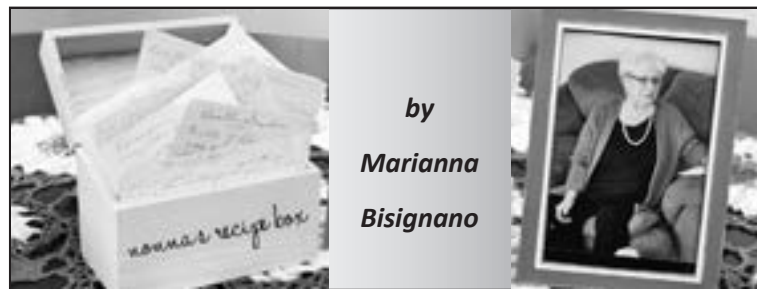
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by
Marianna Bisignano

Taralli Pugliesi are crisp, ring-shaped crackers from the Puglia region of southern Italy, where they've been a pantry staple for centuries. Legend has it they were born out of necessity — flour, olive oil, salt, and white wine brought together by an ingenious mother during a time of famine. Traditionally baked in wood-fired ovens, these crunchy treats have become a beloved symbol of Apulian culinary heritage.

My Nonna made Taralli often — both savory and sweet — but when it came to *Taralli Pugliesi*, she always followed the recipe from "the old country", using only the finest ingredients she could find. She believed there was no shortcut to tradition. The dough is tough to work with and the process can be time-consuming, but the result is always worth the work. Whether served with a glass of wine, tucked into a lunchbox, or added to an antipasto board, *Taralli Pugliesi* are irresistibly crunchy and famously addictive — so much so, that in this country, they're often referred to as "Italian Potato Chips" because, truly, you can't eat just one!

NONNA'S TRADITIONAL TARALLI PUGLIESE



4 cups (about 500 g) 0 or 00 flour
1 cup and 2 ½ tablespoons (277 ml) dry white wine.
2/3 cup (160 ml) extra virgin olive oil
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon black pepper
4 teaspoons fennel seeds

In a stand mixer (or by hand), mix the flour with the salt, pepper and fennel seeds. Add the olive oil and dry white wine. Mix using a dough hook or knead by hand for at least 10 minutes until a smooth, elastic dough forms.

Shape into a ball and wrap the dough in plastic wrap (cling film) and let it rest on the counter at room temperature for 30 minutes.

After resting, knead the dough again briefly to smooth out any lumps or cracks (This is a dry and often difficult dough to work with!!). Break off small pieces of dough, about 15 grams each (roughly 1 tablespoon), and roll each piece into a rope about 12 cm (5 inches) long. Form each rope into a ring shape and press the ends together to seal. Place the shaped Tarallo on a baking tray lined with parchment paper.

Once the first tray is filled, place it in the refrigerator for 30 minutes. (Though I have sometimes eliminated this step, it helps the Taralli hold their shape and develop a shiny surface when baked.)

Prepare to Boil:

While the first tray chills, continue shaping the remaining dough and preheat the oven to 190°C (375°F). Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Working in batches of 10–12 Taralli, drop them into the boiling water. Stir gently with a fork. When the Taralli float to the surface (about 1–2 minutes), remove them with a slotted spoon and place them on a clean tea towel to drain and dry.

Transfer the drained, dry Taralli to a parchment-lined baking sheet and bake at 190°C (375°) for 30 minutes, until golden. Then increase the temperature to 200°C (390°F) and bake for an additional 5–6 minutes for a crisp finish. (I have also baked them at 400° the entire time until golden and crunchy. It really depends on the oven used)

Remove the Taralli from the oven, allow them to cool and serve at room temperature. These are best enjoyed cool and crunchy.

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

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2025 North End Athletic Association Spring Lacrosse



Working on lacrosse skills and drills.



Ready, Set Let's hit the field.

The North End Athletic Association (NEAA) kicked off its third season of lacrosse. The program, under the team name Midnight Riders, will compete in the Massachusetts Youth Lacrosse (MYL) League again this spring. Both boys' and girls' teams will be registered with MYL at the 1st/2nd grade level and the 3rd/4th grade level playing games on specified Sunday mornings through June 1st. Home games will be played in the North End on Puopolo Park Fields, Commercial Street, while away games will be played in the greater Boston metro area against local opponents.

The NEAA will also run its traditional Fundamentals Clinic on Sunday afternoons, which has been a big hit amongst kids in the North End the last few years. Boys and girls ages 4-11 years old are invited to participate in a weekly clinic introducing the fundamentals of lacrosse. On specified Sundays from 3:30 - 4:45 p.m., the participants will utilize North End fields, working on basic skills, including throwing, catching and scooping a lacrosse ball while blasting music and playing fun kid games. Please note that if you register for one of the traveling teams, you can play in the clinic, you don't need to register again.

To register or for questions, please email the Director of NEAA lacrosse, David Paolisso (dpaolisso@gmail.com). Use the registration link <https://neaaasports.org/register/form/221093232> The new URL for the NEAA website is <https://www.neaaasports.org>

A huge thank you and shout out of appreciation to the following sponsors: The 2025 Lacrosse Clinic is sponsored by McGovern Auto, 3rd/4th grade boys are sponsored by McGovern Auto, 3rd/4th grade girls are sponsored by The Point - Barre & Yoga in East Boston, boy's 1st/2nd grade team is sponsored by Sidecar by Boston Bottle, girl's 1st/2nd grade team is sponsored by The Ausonia Council Knights of Columbus #1513 and boys 1st/2nd grade team is sponsored by Richards Motor Cars. We are grateful for your generosity!



Warming up and stretching before taking the field.



Celebrating a team victory.

(Photos by Mélanne Ghahraman - NEAA)

North End Athletic Association 2025 Lacrosse Schedule

BOYS 3RD/4TH GRADE BLUE				
Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Field
4/27	Away	@Stoneham	12:00 PM	SHS Turf
5/4	Away	@Brookline	9:00 AM	BCD
5/11	Away	@Melrose	11:15 AM	Green
5/18	Home	Belmont	12:45 PM	Puopolo Field 1
6/1	Home	Waltham	12:45 PM	Puopolo Field 1

GIRLS 3RD/4TH GRADE BLUE				
Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Field
4/27	Away	@Charlestown	12:15 PM	CHS Main
5/4	Away	@Milton	4:45 PM	Faulkner
5/11	Away	@Waltham	11:45 AM	WHS Girls
5/18	Home	Norwell	11:30 AM	Puopolo Field 1
6/1	Home	Milton	11:30 AM	Puopolo Field 1

BOYS 1ST/2ND GRADE BLUE				
Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Field
4/27	Away	@Stoneham	1:30 AM	SHS Turf B
5/4	Away	@Brookline	9:00 AM	Soule
5/11	Away	@Melrose	10:00 AM	Green B
5/18	Home	Belmont	9:00 AM	Puopolo Field 1
6/1	Home	Newton	9:00 AM	Puopolo Field 1

GIRLS 1ST/2ND GRADE BLUE				
Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Field
4/27	Away	@Charlestown	11:30 AM	CHS Back
5/4	Away	@Milton	12:45 PM	Andrews
5/11	Away	@Waltham	1:00 PM	WHS Girls
5/18	Home	Norwell	11:30 AM	Puopolo Field 1
6/1	Home	Milton	11:30 AM	Puopolo Field 1

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
Middlesex Division
Docket No. 25W0490
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
HELEN C. MARTINEZ, Plaintiff(s)
v.
ADAM HARRIS, Defendant(s)
To the above named Defendant(s) **Adam Harris**
A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff(s), **Helen C. Martinez** seeking a Complaint for **Custody/Support/Parenting Time**.
You are required to serve upon **Helen C. Martinez** or attorney for plaintiff(s) whose address is **Impounded, Care of Tara D. Cristofaro, 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor, Lowell, MA 01852** your answer on or before 15th day of **May 2025**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of this Court at **370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor, Lowell, MA 01852**.
Witness, **TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, Esq., First Justice of said Court at Lowell, this day of April 3rd, 2025.**
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court
Run date: 04/25/2025

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
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Docket No. MI25D0572DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
GUILHERME L. GARCIA vs. LOYANE F. GARCIA
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Guilherme L. Garcia, 325 Speen Street, Apt. 102, Natick, MA 01760** your answer, if any, on or before **May 20, 2025**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, **HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.**
Date: April 09, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 04/25/2025

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI25D0672DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
ALISON BLACK vs. JAMES BLACK
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Alison Black, 39 Westford Street, Dunstable, MA 01827** your answer, if any, on or before **May 20, 2025**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, **HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.**
Date: April 09, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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Docket No. MI25D0793DR
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION AND MAILING
KAUANA F. NEGRI
vs.
MARCOS A. FERREIRA**

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Kauana F. Negri, 594 Beacon Street, Lowell, MA 01850** your answer, if any, on or before **May 20, 2025**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 09, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI24D2678DR
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION AND MAILING
CLAUDIA E. CORDEIRO
vs.
PEDRO LIBERTINO CORDEIRO**

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Claudia E. Cordeiro, 209 Mount Vernon St., Lowell, MA 01854** your answer, if any, on or before **May 20, 2025**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 08, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 04/25/2025

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Todisco Services, Inc.,** with its corporate office located at **171 Boston Street, Salem, MA 01970**, under the provisions of Mass G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, will sell the following vehicles on or after **May 19, 2025** by public or private sale to satisfy a lien for towing, storage, and all other fees due.

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- 2005 HONDA ACCORD**
Vin # 1HGCM56765A000882
- 2002 TOYOTA 4RUNNER**
Vin # JT3HN86R220372505
- 2011 DODGE RAM**
Vin # 1D7RV1GP6BS627011
- 2004 GMC SIERRA**
Vin # 1GTEK14X44Z258777
- 2018 HONDA ACCORD**
Vin # 1HGCV1F32JA235972
- 2009 HONDA ACCORD**
Vin # 1HGCS21849A003287
- 2004 PORSCHE CAYENNE**
Vin # WP1AB29P54L73684
- 2015 TOYOTA CAMRY**
Vin # 4T1BD1FK4FU147740
- 2016 CHEVROLET CRUZE**
Vin # 1G1BC5SMXG7255312
- 2008 LEXUS IS**
Vin # JTHCK262185025224
- 2006 HONDA PILOT**
Vin # 2HKYF18466H506605

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- 2011 HONDA PILOT**
Vin # 5FNYF4H56BB046798
- 2010 HONDA CIVIC**
Vin # 2HGFA1E31AH550998
- 2010 FORD F150**
Vin # 1FTTFW1E87AFD58160

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Docket No. MI25C0429CA
**In the Matter of
DANIELA ANDREA FLAIFL LEON
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Daniela Andrea Flaifl Leon of Melrose, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to **Daniela Fleifel Leon Orenstein**.

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 **May 02, 2025**. 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. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court
Date: April 04, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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10-U Commerce Way
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Docket No. MI25P0160GD
**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT TO
G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
In the matter of
KOLONGI A. COBBS
of Newtonville, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Tami A. Cobbs of Newtonville, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Kolongi A. Cobbs** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Tami A. Cobbs of Newtonville, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **May 07, 2025**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named 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. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 09, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani

**Happy Birthday to You,
Happy Birthday to You,
Happy Birthday,
Happy Birthday to You**
Jim Lonborg, 1967 Cy Young Award IMPOSSIBLE DREAM TEAM (83) on April 16th, Bill Belichick (73) on April 16th and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (78) also on April 16th.

Lonborg won 22 games in 1967 when the Red Sox did the impossible. In 1966, they finished next to last but in 1967, won 97 games and the AL pennant on the last day of the season. They did lose the World Series to the Cardinals.

Nobody could stop Bob Gibson in that World Series in which he won three of the four games in that series.

Who knows how great Lonborg's career would have been had he not gone on the skiing trip postseason. He came back in 1968 after the accident. I think he finished 10-10 and disappeared into Red Sox Nation. Instead of becoming a great pitcher, he ended up being a great dentist up in New Hampshire.

**Today's Baseball isn't
Played Very Well, Is It?**

I recently saw that in a 1-0 loss to the aforementioned Yankees, the Rays became the team impossible to take. In the bottom of the first inning, they had runners on first and second, with no outs, then their batters struck out three straight times. If that weren't

bad enough, in the seventh, the lead off batter rips the ball. Looks easily a stand up double but the runner keeps going trying to stretch it into a triple. Of course, he's thrown out. and as they say, the Rays lost a 1-0 game because they appeared to forget Baseball 101.

Also, as bad as that kind of baseball played by the Rays, the Cubs should thank God they won their slugfest against the D-Backs 13-11. Arizona scored 10 runs in the eighth and the Cubs almost snatched defeat from victory. In this game, both teams deserved to lose. The Cubs were very lucky this time.

Greatest Yankees Hitters

I recently read a sports story in the *Wall Street Journal*, yes, they have a sports department who would have thought? Reporter Jared Diamond did a piece on the New York Yankees in which the headline asked who were the greatest Yankees hitters "Ruth, DiMaggio... and Judge? (April 21). I have always put Babe Ruth and Joe DiMaggio up there in that slugging category and I believe that Aaron Judge someday will be right up there with them. However, I thought the headline should have added Mickey Mantle too.

At least in the third paragraph the reporter did mention Mantle and, of course, Lou Gehrig too.

Personally, I think the New York Yankees could actually fill an entire wing at the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown and

Jared Diamond says so too.

Aaron Judge is a superstar in major league baseball history. He played three years of college baseball and time in the minors and at 24 years old, homered in his first at-bat. Judge is now 32 years old and has homered every 11.3 at-bats. In 2022, he hit 62 home runs. Last year, he hit 58 home runs. Yankees Cody Bellinger has said, "(Judge) is 'the best player on this planet.'" Cody is right.

This growing older all the time Baby Boomer still thinks when I was growing up in the 50s and 60s, Mickey Mantle was and would always be to me the best slugger of my lifetime. He had to overcome so much. He had his flaws but he had the courage to keep getting up and doing his job so well. I already rank Judge right behind Mickey.



Here is a great shot taken at Logan Airport recently as both Louis Scapicchio from East Boston and Pedro Martinez were waiting for their luggage coming down the chute. Both of them were arriving back in Boston from the same flight. Louis said it was a great thrill to see Pedro and this Red Sox legend was so gracious and that very much impressed him. Red Sox Nation lives on. This is a photo to remember when the Curse of the Bambino came to a halt after 86 years in 2004, right?

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 39A, that on **May 03, 2025 at 10AM**, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

- 2011 NISSAN VERSA, WHITE**
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- 2003 GMC ENVOY, BEIGE**
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- 2008 FORD FOCUS, BLUE**
1FAHP35N48W254359
- 2008 TOYOTA COROLLA, SILVER**
2T1BR32E18C871838
- 2017 TOYOTA RAV4, BLACK**
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- 2011 BMW 328i, BLACK**
WBAPK5C57BA659071
- 2003 HONDA ODYSSEY, SILVER**
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- 2009 HONDA CIVIC, GRAY**
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- 1996 CHEVROLET GMT-400, GREEN**
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- 2006 HONDA ACCORD, SILVER**
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- 2012 CHEVROLET CRUZE, WHITE**
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- 2000 TOYOTA CELICA, SILVER**
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- 2004 BMW 330xi, WHITE**
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- 2013 ACURA TL, BLACK**
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- 2019 LAND ROVER DISCOVERY, GRAY**
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- 2016 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT, BLACK**
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- 2025 KIA SOUL, GRAY**
KNDJ23AUXS7246582
- 2018 NISSAN SENTRA, BLUE**
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- 2020 ZENEN ZN50QT, GREEN**
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- 2017 JIAJUE JJ50QT-21, RED**
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- 2023 ZHEJIANG RIYA, BLACK**
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LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000**
Docket No. MI25P1895EA
**Estate of
ROBERT WILLIAM MARSHALL
Also known as:
ROBERT W. MARSHALL
Date of Death: November 07, 2024
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

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

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of May 15, 2025.

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

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

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 17, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 04/25/2025

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. SU21P0736PM
**CITATION ON PETITION
FOR ORDER OF
COMPLETE SETTLEMENT**

**Estate of
FRANK DEMARCO**
A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by **Public Guardian Services, LLC of Braintree, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, Amended Temporary and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of May 06, 2025.

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

WITNESS, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 31, 2025

Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate
Run date: 04/25/2025

Boxing Ringside



WITH BOBBY FRANKLIN

BROTHERS in the Ring

Boxing has sometimes been a family affair with brothers taking up the sport.

*Out of the ones that have shown success,
often it is just one brother that makes it to the top.*



Rahman and Muhammad Ali

staged at the studios of and broadcast on WAVE-TV.

While both Ali boys did well in the ranks of the simon-pure, the elder Cassius went on to Olympic Gold and later to become known as one of the greatest heavyweight champions of all time. Rahman turned pro in 1964 winning a four-round fight on the undercard of his brother's championship victory over Sonny Liston in Miami Beach.

Over the next couple of years Rahman would fight sporadically, having just four fights from 1964 to 1966. He won all of those encounters. He finally hit his stride in 1970 when he became much more active. He would have 14 bouts during the period 1970 through 1972, winning ten with three losses and one draw.

Rahman Ali hung up the gloves after being stopped by Jack O'Halloran in 1972. He remained visible in Muhammad's camp and was among his brother's greatest supporters. There was never any bitterness between the two as can sometimes happen when family members are involved in the same business. In fact, Rahman was and remains very proud of his older brother's accomplishments.



Leon and Michael Spinks

represent the United States in the 1976 Olympics. Michael won Gold in the middleweight division while Leon brought home the top medal fighting in the light-heavyweight division. The brothers turned pro shortly after.

In 1978, fighting in just his eighth professional bout, Leon upset Muhammad Ali to win the heavyweight championship. Meanwhile, Michael was taking a more methodical approach to his career. In 1981, he won the WBA version of the light-heavyweight championship with a victory over Eddie Mustafa Muhammad. In 1983, he would become the undisputed champion in that weight division when he took a fifteen-round decision over Dwight Muhammad Qawi.

It was in 1985 when history was truly made. Michael gave up the light-heavyweight title to take a shot at Larry Holmes for the heavyweight championship of the world. In his first fight as a heavyweight after putting on almost 25 pounds in three months, Michael made history by becoming the first light-heavyweight champion to move up and win the heavyweight crown. That was not the only history made that night. It was also the first time two brothers had become undisputed heavyweight champions.

Earlier in the 20th century two siblings were making names for themselves in the ring. Mike and Tommy Gibbons were perhaps the most talented brothers to ever step into the prize ring. Both were brilliant defensive boxers who took on the best of their day. Unfortunately, neither was able to win a world title. Tommy did challenge Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight championship and became the only man to ever go 15-rounds with

Muhammad Ali and his sibling Rahman both had extensive amateur careers beginning in their hometown of Louisville, KY. Many of their fights were staged at the



Mike and Tommy Gibbons

the Manassa Mauler, losing a decision in 1923 in Shelby, Montana.

The records of the Gibbons brothers are truly remarkable. Tommy ended his career with a total of 62 fights, winning 56 (48 by

kayo), losing just 4, and having one draw. He was only stopped once, and that was by Gene Tunney in what would be Tommy's last fight. Brother Mike was also very impressive. He had a total of 73 matches with 65 wins (38 by kayo), only 3 losses, and 5 draws. Mike was never stopped. The combined record of the Gibbons brothers was a total of 135 fights with 121 wins (86 by kayo), just 7 losses, and 6 draws. Out of that 135 fights, the only time either failed to make it to the final bell was Tommy's fight with Tunney. I don't think there have ever been any brothers in the sport of boxing that have had this combination of talent.

There have been a number of other family affairs in boxing. The Klitschko brothers, Wladimir and Vitali, who both won versions of the heavyweight title. The fighting Zivic brothers; Fritzie (World Welterweight Champion), Jack, Pete, Eddie and Joe. Dick, Randy, and Jackie Turpin.



George and Henry Cooper

also known as George.



Mike "Twin" Sullivan

Smith, Joe Jennette, Billy Papke, and Fireman Jim Flynn.

There are many more that deserve a column of their own. That would include Marvin Hagler and Robbie Simms, the Quarry brothers (Jerry, Mike, and Bob, Chris and Kevin Finnegan, Max and Buddy Baer, as well as the Hilton Brothers from Canada, Abe and Monte Attell, Micky Ward and Dick Ecklund, and Rodney and Duane Bobick.

Fortunately, outside of the gym, none of these men faced each other in the ring. That would have out a whole new meaning to the term "sibling rivalry."

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



We have always liked Payton Pritchard — ever since he joined the Celtics back in 2020 and learned that not only was he a highly competent basketball player but that he had stayed all four years in college and graduated.

Yes, that is right. When Pritchard walked across the stage at the University of Oregon in the spring of 2020, he was doing something that very few NBA players have accomplished these days — earning a college degree.

That says something about Pritchard — who was just honored by being selected to receive the NBA's Sixth Man of the Year Award. In a day and age when few of the highly talented college players go on to complete their degrees — instead opting to leave early for the NBA Draft — Pritchard, now in his fifth season with Boston, elected to stay for the traditional four-year duration.

After all, the objective of every college student should be to earn a degree. These institutions were founded for educational purposes. While there have always been some who have left — either to transfer to another college or to leave because they felt college was not for them — the current group of elite athletes who arrive is different. They arrive on campus with the stated intention of leaving after a year or so. In other words, they arrive without intending to earn a degree.

That was part of the atmosphere that was swirling around the Oregon basketball program when Pritchard enrolled for his freshman year (2016-2017).

That decision meant that he would be an anchor at the University of Oregon while an ever-changing carousel of players swirled around him. He once stated that the coaching change that took place with the Celtics back in 2022 did not really bother him since he was used to change — noting that there were some 60 different players on the Oregon roster over the course of his four-year college career.

But just like today, he was forever the stalwart. In his four years of secondary education his team — West Linn High School — won a state championship all four years. He averaged 22 points per game his junior year and 23 points a game his senior season. As a swan song to his high school basketball career he scored 45 points in the Northwest Shootout, a postseason all-star game between players from Oregon and Washington.

As a capstone to his first year at Oregon, the Ducks made it all the way to the Final Four, their first appearance in that group since the late 1930s. Pritchard was the only freshman player to start in that 2017 Final Four across all four teams.

Over the ensuing summer all the starters left except Pritchard who averaged 14.5 points per game his freshman year. In his junior year the team won the PAC-12 Championship and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 round. He was named the Most Valuable Player of the PAC-12 Tournament.

As a senior Pritchard got even better, averaging 20.5 points and being selected the PAC-12 Player of the Year. He was a consensus All-American and earned the Bob Cousy Award as the nation's leading point guard.

It would only be a relatively short time after that when he would get the chance to meet the man for whom the award is named since he was chosen as the 26th pick in the 2020 NBA Draft by then Boston GM Danny Ainge. The most recent would come on Opening Night last October when the Celtics received their championship rings and Banner 18 was raised to the rafters. Bob Cousy — at age 96 — was on the parquet with Pritchard and the other Celtics to see that happen.

Isn't it interesting to see how success in the athletic world — as well as in life in general — has a way of bringing people together. Of course, success in the NBA also brings financial blessings. Pritchard is currently playing under the terms of a four-year \$30 million contract.

At times, it may seem to fans that Pritchard is a starter rather than a reserve. He was the only reserve player in the NBA to be on the court for more than 2,000 minutes during the regular season, finishing with 2,166. And over the course of that 82-game regular season, Pritchard played in 80 of them.

For this regular season just concluded, Pritchard fired in 246 three pointers off the bench, the most in a regular season in NBA history. He also scored a career high 1,079 points and was third in total assists among reserves with 257.

So his presence was ubiquitous from October through the middle of April and, of course, it continues into the playoffs. His various skills gives coach Joe Mazzulla the luxury of knowing that there will be virtually no difference in quality of play when calling for his top substitute player to enter the game — a feeling of comfort that many other coaches only wish they had.

Pritchard just turned 27 a few months ago (January 27) so the best may be yet to come with regards to his performance on the court. An advancement to the starting rotation does not seem out of the realm of possibility at some point in the future.

After all, the man for whom the NBA's Sixth Man of the Year Award is named — Boston's John Havlicek — came off the bench for the first seven years of his career. So there is an inspiration for Pritchard as he continues to progress in the future.

And just think: most of this year's playoff games still lie ahead for him and the team as a whole. Something positive to think about.

