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Happy Happy Remember and Honor Memorial Day 2023

Memorial Day 2023 VFW North End Post 144

will be conducting its 'Memorial Day" tradition as follows:

MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023 Ceremonies: 11:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Prado, Paul Revere Mall (near the Paul Revere Statue),

Hanover Street; and at the Memorial Garden (behind "The Old North Church")

MEMORIAL REMEMBERANCE SERVICES:

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) North End Post 144 will conduct its annual Memorial Services to honor and remember the fallen heroes of the North End who served in World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, and more recents wars. Following the ceremonies, Veterans will attend Mass at Saint Leonard Church on Hanover Street at Noon.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Texas Border Impacts City of Austin

August 2019, before the Pandemic blindsided us, was the last time I visited Austin and I can't wait to return there this summer. Recently, Austin made the news over their "our border, what border?" situation.

Troopers who had been making up the 500-officer shortfall in the Austin police have been redirected to the border, leaving the state capitol in disarray. Texas Department of Public Safety officers have been redirected to border communities overwhelmed with migrants

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Taps Across America 2023

On Memorial Day Americans remember those who have died in military service to the United States. The National Moment of Remembrance is an annual event that asks all citizens, wherever they are at 3:00 p.m. (local time), to pause for a duration of one minute in silent tribute to the men and

women who have honorably served in uniform and to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation.

The 4th annual **Taps Across America** will again honor those military members. At 3:00 p.m. on Memorial Day, thousands of participants will be spread out across our nation to sound the 24 notes of our most solemn bugle call **Taps**.

Buglers and trumpeters, along with other instrumentalists, will sound the call from their front porch, on their apartment balcony, in the driveway, on the sidewalk, and at cemeteries and memorials to make sure this musical tribute is given to those who, as President Abraham Lincoln put it, gave the last full measure of devotion.

Musicians can register to participate at www. TapsAcrossAmerica.org.

Taps Across America is sponsored by TAPS FOR VETERANS, an organization dedicated to finding buglers for funerals and memorial services. It was founded

in 2012 by Jari Villanueva, a retired United States Air Force Master Sergeant who served as a bugler at Arlington National Cemetery for 23 years. Mr. Villanueva also served the State of Maryland for 10 years as the director of Military Funeral Honors for the Maryland Military Department.

Taps Across America started in 2020 as a way to commemorate Memorial Day during the COVID pandemic with performers sounding Taps in their neighborhood during the National Moment of Remembrance.

Taps will be heard at the National World War I Memorial at 3 p.m. EDT as part of the annual **Taps Across America** tribute.

The **Doughboy Foundation** is sponsoring buglers to sound Taps at 5:00 p.m. EDT on Memorial Day 2023 at *all* the major war memorials in Washington DC. The Doughboy Foundation sponsors the sounding of *Daily Taps at 5:00 p.m. Eastern every day* without fail at the *National World War I Memorial* in honor of our nation's heroes

CITY OF BOSTON Traffic Advisory for May 25 - 28, 2023

Events Happening in the City of Boston Will Bring Some Parking Restrictions and Street Closures

People attending these events are encouraged to walk, bike, or take public transit. Information on Bluebikes, the regional bike share service, may be found at *www.bluebikes.com* and information on the MBTA may be found online at *www.mbta.com*. The MBTA advises riders to purchase a round-trip rather than a one-way ticket for a faster return trip. Walking is also a great way to move around.

SEAPORT Massachusetts Fallen Heroes Memorial Dedication Thursday, May 25, 2023 Friday, May 26, 2023



The rededication for the Massachusetts Fallen Heroes Memorial is scheduled to take place in the area of 85 Northern Avenue. The ceremony will take place from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM and will require the closing of Northern Avenue from Fan Pier Boulevard to Harbor Shore Drive. Parking restrictions will be in place on the following streets:

- Northern Avenue, Southside (District Hall side), from Fan Pier Boulevard to Harbor Shore Drive
- Northern Avenue, Northside (Waterfront Park side), from Harbor Shore Drive to Fan Pier Boulevard
- Seaport Boulevard Northside (District Hall side), from Northern Avenue to Thompson Place

WEST END Canal Street Pedestrian Way for Celtics Playoffs (Game 5) Thursday, May 25, 2023

The Mayor's Office will be hosting a pedestrianonly event on Canal Street so fans can gather and celebrate in a car-free environment. This event will be repeated for both the Celtics as they progress through the playoffs. Parking restrictions and street closures will occur on the following street:

• Canal Street, Both sides, from Rip Valenti Way to Causeway Street

BACK BAY/ DOWNTOWN/ SEAPORT Boston Police Department's 'Run to Remember Road Race' Sunday, May 28, 2023

The "Run to Remember Road Race" is actually two (2) races combined into one (1) event. The first race to start at 7:00 AM is a Half-Marathon, thirteen and one tone-tenths (13.1 miles) with the second race, a five (5) mile race, also starting at 7:00 AM.

Both races start at the World Trade Center on Seaport Boulevard and will follow the same route until all runners reach the Longfellow Bridge area, where the Half Marathon will run over the bridge into Cambridge, return over the same bridge and follow the same route as the five (5) mile race onto Charles Street, back to the starting location at the World Trade Center.

The actual 5 mil5-milee is as follows: Seaport Boulevard, right onto Atlantic Avenue, left onto State Street, right onto Cambridge Street, left onto Charles Street, right onto Beacon Street, left onto Arlington Street, right onto Commonwealth Avenue Outbound, left onto Berkeley Street, left onto Commonwealth Avenue Inbound, right onto Arlington Street, left onto Boylston Street, left onto Washington Street, right onto State Street, right onto Congress Street, left onto Atlantic Avenue, right onto Seaport Boulevard.

Parking restrictions will be in place on the following streets and road closures should be anticipated to accommodate the runners:

- Beacon Street, Southside (Public Garden side), from Charles Street to Arlington Street
- Cambridge Street, Southside (even side), from
 Court Street to Charles Circle
 Court Street Both sides from State Street to
- Court Street, Both sides, from State Street to Cambridge Street
- Seaport Boulevard, Both sides, from B Street to Atlantic Avenue
 State Street, Both sides, from Atlantic Avenue
- State Street, Both sides, from Atlantic Avenue to Court Street

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



MARCUS AURELIUS

Bust of Marcus Aurelius in

the Archaeological Museum

him to consent to sleeping on a

couch as long as it was covered

Marcus received instruction

from some of the most popular

proponents and forerunners of

the Stoic system. This is the

philosophy that taught the

principles of stern or rigid moral

conduct in accordance with

the laws of nature, but all con-

trolled by virtue. His emotion for

this school of philosophy was so

intense that he continued with

his instruction even after he

was adopted into the imperial

family. Later, as emperor, he

conferred great honors on his

teachers, had gold statues of

of Istanbul, Turkey

with animal skins.

History tells us that there were at least eight illustrious Romans named Marcus Antonius. One of them was the famous Roman that we all know as Marc Antony. However, none of them should be confused with the sixteenth emperor of the Roman Empire, who finally took the name of Marcus Aurelius Antonius. This Marcus was born in Rome on April 26, 121 A.D., into an old Roman family that traced its origin back to Numa Pompilius, one of the legendary kings of early Rome. At birth, this emperor was named Marcus Catilus Severus. Emperor Hadrian called him Annius Verissimus during his early youth and, later, when he assumed the toga virilis (the white toga, a symbol of manhood), he was called Annius Verus. His elementary education was entrusted to instructors who possessed advance philosophical sensitivity, but he was also well schooled in Greek and Latin literature, drama, geometry, and oratory. During his early youth, philosophy became his major interest and he pursued these studies with great enthusiasm. In his pre-teen years, Marcus copied the coarse dress of the Greek philosophers and, when he became a teenager, he adopted their habit of sleeping on the ground. His mother's intervention at this time caused

them prepared for his chapel, and even made personal visits and offerings at their tombs. Marcus also became interested in the study of rhetoric and of law, devoting so much time to his legal studies that he impaired his health. During his early years,

Marcus remained under the protective eye of Hadrian and was honored with enrollment in the Equestrian Order at the age of six. At the age of fifteen, and at Hadrian's wish, he was betrothed to the emperor's granddaughter. Shortly after that time, he was appointed to the office of Prefect (chief magistrate) for the City of Rome. We are told that he enjoyed brilliant success in this position.

Marcus was not one to be concerned about amassing a great fortune. He was, however, the heir to great sums of money from both his grandfather and his father. An interesting comment on his compassion for others tells of his mother requesting that he give a part of the inheritance from his father's estate to his sister. He replied that he was content with the fortune from his grandfather and then gave all of his father's fortune to his sister. He also suggested that his mother leave all of her own estate to the sister so that she would not have less money than her husband.

Shortly after the death of Aelius Verus Caesar, Hadrian's first heir, that emperor started looking around for a successor to the throne. Marcus was not considered suitable because of his youth (eighteen years of age); therefore, Antonius Pius was chosen, but with the stipulation that Pius adopt Marcus, and that Marcus in turn adopt Lucius Commodus. When told of his adoption, Marcus was shocked, explaining to those who questioned him that sovereignty walked hand-in-hand with wickedness. However, since Marcus Catilus Severus was now adopted into the Aurelian family, he became known as Marcus Aurelius.

NEXT WEEK:

Aurelius the Emperor evening, June 15, at 6:00 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 10, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 05/26, 06/02, 6/09/2023

by David Trumbull

Res Publica



The Story of Taps

This Memorial Day we remember and honor the men and women who died to preserve our freedom. Even as we enjoy kicking off summer, however we chose this weekend, that is itself a testimony to their sacrifices, for we enjoy the cookouts, trips to the beach, and so forth because they made it possible. We especially honor those who died for our country when we decorate their graves or participate in patriotic parades and ceremonies this weekend.

At those solemn memorial events in our towns and cities. in our churches and synagogues, and in the halls of our veterans or other lodges, a familiar, haunting melody will mark the day -

The familiar bugle call "Taps" is generally believed to be based on a traditional French call to curfew (from Middle English "curfeu," from Old French "cuevrefeu," meaning cover the fire and turn in for the night).

According to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, the use of "Taps" is unique to the United States military, as the call is sounded at funerals, wreath-laying ceremonies, and memorial services. "Taps" originally began as a signal to extinguish lights. Up until the Civil War, the infantry call for "Extinguish Lights" was the one set down in the Infantry manuals which had been borrowed from the French. The music for "Taps"

was changed by Major General Daniel Adams Butterfield for his brigade in July 1862. Butterfield was not pleased with the call for "Extinguish Lights," feeling that it was too formal to signal the day's end. With the help of the brigade bugler, Oliver Willcox Norton, he created "Taps" to honor his men while in camp at Harrison's Landing, Virginia following the Seven Days' battles during the Peninsular Campaign.

The same Veterans Affair internet resource, https:// www.va.gov/opa/publications/ celebrate/taps.pdf, states that the earliest official reference to the mandatory use of "Taps" at military funeral ceremonies is found in the U.S. Army Infantry Drill Regulations for 1891, although it had doubtless been used unofficially long before that time, under its former designation, "Extinguish Lights." The first use of "Taps" at a funeral was during the Peninsular Campaign in Virginia. Captain John C. Tidball of Battery A, 2nd Artillery ordered it played for the burial of a cannoneer killed in action. Because the enemy was close, he worried that the traditional three volleys would renew fighting.

Taps now is played by the military at burial and memorial services, to accompany the lowering of the flag, and to signal the "lights out" command at day's end.

In Memoriam. Owen Trumbull, born 1833, in Michigan. Enlisted in the Union Army May 13, 1861. Died May 18, 1862, at Yorktown, Virginia.

Salesian Boys & Girls Club

14th Annual Scholarship Auction Fundraiser



Salesian Boys & Girls Club will host its 14th Annual Summer Fr. John Nazzaro, SDB, on his Camp Scholarship Auction 40th Anniversary of Priestly & Fundraiser on Thursday

Come together and enjoy an evening with good friends, good food, great prizes, and much fun while raising funds for a fantastic cause, OUR KIDS.

This year's fundraiser will be an outdoor-tented event. Representative Adrian Madaro and the Honorable Carlo Basile will be our Masters of Ceremonies and Auctioneers.

The Community Award will be presented to Thomas N. O'Brien, CEO, of The HYM Investment Group, LLC, for his outstanding service and support of community's youth.

The Don Bosco Award will be presented to Stanley DeMarinis, Sr. (Posthumous), for his dedication and generosity, which resonates with Don Bosco's passion for helping the

A celebration in honor of Ordination.

Please help reach our goal of raising \$45,000 in Camp scholarships. Funds raised will go directly to scholarships for children to attend summer camp and Club programs. No child will ever be denied because of financial reasons. Your gift will help to ensure kids have a great summer experience. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

To purchase tickets, sponsorships, and make donations https://secure.donationpay.org/ salesianclub/auction.php

Please visit www.SalesianClub. com or contact Michael Triant at 617-913-1531 or *michaeltriant*@ salesianclub.com or Anita at 617-784-1744 or abelmonte@ salesianclub.com for further information.

Thank you for helping to make this summer special for many amazing young people!

Boston Ward 1 Republican Committee

East Boston, Massachusetts

The East Boston Republican Ward Committee will hold its bimonthly meeting Tuesday evening, June 6, 2023. The meeting will be at Kelley Square Pub at 84 Bennington Street (at the corner of Marion Street) in East Boston starting at 6:30 p.m. Members will discuss the flag sale and installation project planned for the East Boston neighborhood this spring.

Registered East Boston Republicans and unenrolled voters are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For more information please call the committee secretary at (617) 569-4075 or text (617) 755-7697. The committee e-mail addresses are **ebrwc@yahoo**. com and eastbostonrepublicanwardcomm@ gmail.com.





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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.

Valter Receives Citation from State Senator Sal DiDomenico



State Senator Sal DiDomenico presenting Valter and Raffaella Ventola with a Citation in Recognition of Valter's hard work as an Engineer and dediation to the town of Atripalda, Avellino, Italy while visiting the United States. L-R: State Senator Sal DiDomenic, Valter and Raffaella Ventola, Comm. Lino Rullo (Valter's cousin) and Attorney Richard Vita.

Exciting News from the North End Historical Society

New Museum Proposal and Location

Three years ago, former president Alex Goldfeld and Tom Damigella submitted a proposal on behalf of the North End Historical Society (NEHS) to the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) for the 2,000 SQFT Civic/Cultural Space at 131 Beverly Street at Lovejoy Wharf owned by Related Beal Realty next to the Converse Building. This space was created to be occupied by a nonprofit that will serve the North End community culturally and educationally.

We chose to pursue this opportunity because the space comes with a FREE 25-year lease agreement, plus \$50,000 to help with the build out from Related Beal! We also plan to fundraise for the museum via government and foundation grants as well as private donations and special fundraising projects very similar to what was done to raise \$60,000 in funds for the documentary production Boston North End, an Italian American Story.

The BPDA initiated the RFI in 2020 but had to delay the final decision process due to the pandemic. Finally, we are now coming to the final step this June in which a 15-minute presentation will be made by Tom Damigella to the Stake holders (BDPA, MassDEP, and Boston City Hall) on June 1 between 5:45 and 8:00 p.m. on a Zoom call, which is open to the public. Members are encouraged to Zoom in and offer support.

Make sure to register for the Zoom meeting at https://www.zoomgov. com/meetingregistervJItdO2spzsoGuz6WljsoWvC69-3262uEjg

There will also be 15 minutes for questions and answers and your support will help. There are 3 other nonprofits who will be making their presentation for their organization. No scheduled order of presentation will be announced in advance.

We believe that we are the best candidate because we are the only surviving neighborhood from Colonial Boston which should have a place to showcase its history and culture.

The North End has seen centuries of change in politics, religion, immigration, and education. This historic district witnessed the creation of the American Republic as well as waves of immigrants seeking the American Dream.

The North End Historical Society is proposing to construct a modern facility complete with touchscreen displays, exhibition space for historic artifacts, and an auditorium and theatre at Lovejoy Wharf which is right at the beginning of the new Harbor

One last note. The West End has a museum. There is also an African American Museum in Beacon Hill and China Town has their own community/civic space. We believe that it is time now for the North End to have its own Civic/cultural space for its museum.

Tom Damigella, President, North End Historical Society

Julie Billiart Central High School Class of 1963 Celebrates 60th Reunion



On Sunday, May 21st, the JB Class of 1963 celebrated their 60th Reunion from Julie Billiart Central High School in the North End of Boston. It commenced with a memorial mass at St. Stephen's Church in honor of the deceased graduates of JB and Sisters of Notre Dame. Following the mass, members of the Class of '63 celebrated at Riccardo's Ristorante in the North End where they feasted on a delicious lunch and reminisced of the fun and wonderful memories they shared at Julie Billiart. A good time was had by all!

Every year, the JB Class of '63 hosts a mass at St. Stephen's Church in memory of all deceased graduates and Sisters of Notre Dame. This mass is always held on the Sunday after Mother's Day at 11:00 AM. There are no invitations, and everyone is welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing more JB alumnae and friends gather together at this mass in the future!

Signed: JB Class of 1963



Happy 85th Birthday Louie "Cav"



Louie Cavagnaro of Boston's North End celebrated his 85th Birthday with many of his long time friends at Pellana's Restaurant in Peabody

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

A Sweet, Sunny Segue to Summer

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



The lovely, luxurious days of summer are so close that I can take a bite out of them, sweet as a strawberry pie melting in my mouth. Puffy white clouds dot a perfectly azure sky, rimmed by the trees of a now glorious deep green. Warm days enable me to step out in flowing sundresses and no jackets, relishing the glow of the bright afternoon light. The other day, I caught a whiff of sunscreen emanating from the patio outside my school, and that scent immediately transported me to the beach, to the feeling of sand caressing my feet and the sharp cry of seagulls. There is perhaps no other season as exhilarating, as carefree, and as vivacious as summer. When the sunlight goes on well into the evening and the school year begins to wind down, I am grasped with the desire for celebration, for whirlwind excursions in nature. Indeed, it seems as if the whole world is gearing up for a feast once the summer commences. The next weekend, for example, offers two important summer festivals with their own unique customs and significance. Memorial Day constitutes a national remembrance that also opens the season. Meanwhile, Pentecost is a religious holiday celebrated with many folkloristic traditions. Both of these holidays encourage us to welcome the beauty of summer with love and open hearts.

Memorial Day arrives this year on the 29th of May. A patriotic holiday, Memorial Day differs from the height-of-summer fanfare that characterizes the Fourth of July. Instead, it focuses more on reflection and intimate gatherings of family family, eating my corn proposed and a summer fruit crip of peaches and cherric experience the delights season, I will remember grateful to those whose age paved the way for the focuses more of family freedoms I am enjoying.

and friends. There is a sense of hope and renewed expectation on Memorial Day, as people step out into the summer for the first time, shedding away their cares as they enjoy the glowing sunshine and the warm breezes that ruffle the leaves. Memorial Day always reminds me of images of vintage Americana: blueberry pies sitting on checkered tablecloths, flags gently waving in the breeze, the curl of smoke rising above a barbecue grill, umbrellas dotting the bright-blue ocean shore. The long weekend of Memorial Day has often been considered the unofficial start of summer, when people emerge to take their vacations and a relaxed sense of joy permeates the air. However, it is also important to remember the true meaning of Memorial Day: that all of these summer joys we take for granted would not be possible without the brave sacrifice of the men and women who died for our country. I remember spending a quiet Memorial Day weekend evening watching incandescent green-gold fireflies blink in and out of the dark trees in my backyard, while the melodious notes of an Eagles song played from some far-off barbecue. This moment epitomized both the simple summer pleasures and the nostalgic sense of memory that typify this holiday. This Memorial Day, I plan to spend time with my family, eating my corn pudding and a summer fruit crisp full of peaches and cherries. As I experience the delights of the season, I will remember to be grateful to those whose courage paved the way for the very



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— Se habla español —

Immediately before our Memorial Day, Italians will celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, May 28th. This important Christian feast occurs on the seventh Sunday after Easter and honors the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus's disciples. It also closes the fifty-deed Easter period — in fact, the name "Pentecost" derives from the Greek word for "fifty." For Italians, Easter, or Pasqua, does not end on the Sunday of the holiday, but rather encompasses a fifty-day period peppered with many saints' days and Easter-related festivities. The fortieth day after Easter, for example, is Ascension Day, or Festa dell'Ascensione. Commemorating Jesus' Ascent into Heaven, Italians honor this day with springtime festivities, like the Festa del Grillo. During this Cricket Festival, children buy cages with toy crickets inside, which are thought to bestow good luck. Pentecost also brims with quaint and unique traditions. In Italy, the holiday is often referred to as Pasqua Rossa, or "Red Easter," after the red vestments worn by clergy on this day. Many church services scatter rose petals upon the congregation, symbolizing the descent of the Holy Spirit and incorporating a beautiful summertime flower into the celebration. The English, meanwhile, know Pentecost as Whitsunday. They mark the holiday with Whitsun Ales, or outdoor fairs that include folk dancing, decorations of flowers and garlands, and charitable contributions to the local parish and other causes. Europeans know that it is so wonderful to experience a holiday where spirituality, community, and the love of summer seamlessly combine into an unforgettable celebration.

Pentecost and Memorial Day are two diverse holidays that nevertheless share the similar themes of love and community. They encourage us to consider our spirituality and our memory, our values and the commitments to those that we cherish. During the summer, it often seems as if the world is renewed once more, full of energy and a zest of life. It is a prime time for celebrating nature, for reaffirming our love to the world, and for celebrating the blessings we have in life. These holidays with their deep significance and their beloved customs, remind us that summer is more than a season, but rather a state of the soul. As long as we embrace life with the same excitement and joy as a tree blooming under the golden sunshine, so will the sweetness of the early days of summer live forever within us.

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

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Time for Democrats to Cut All the Malarkey Over Debt Ceiling

The drama over the debt ceiling crisis isn't anything new because Democrats play the same song year after year hoping the general public doesn't catch onto all their hocus-pocus. Democrats obviously don't care about the rising debt or they would have gotten serious about it years ago.

Let me tell you this about the debt ceiling and never-ending spending. If you were part of a family that spent more money than it had and you were continually using a credit card to pay for everything that wouldn't be a smart thing to do. The credit card company would stop you from continually using your credit card going forward. You can't borrow what you can't pay back. The government has its own rules. They can continue to spend and borrow as much as they say they need. Government can't stop spending. It isn't in its nature. So we develop a debt crisis and the government's answer is just to keep raising the debt ceiling to meet its spending goals. This is where we all need to start from.

Democrats are playing fast and loose with our ever-growing debt. Listen to how they explain things, "Raising the debt limit would not authorize any new spending but would allow the U. S. government to meet its fiscal obligations already approved by Congress and signed into law by the president."

All the above is true but nothing will change; the ongoing continued spending of money we don't have until we start cutting chunks of our spending that keeps pushing us further and further into the rabbit hole of debt. On this matter, the Republican response is the right one to make. Lifting the debt ceiling necessitates pre-conditions that attack the root causes of this crisis, which is spending money like a drunken sailor on shore leave. Unless we deal with the tough economics of the situation, nothing will ever change and eventually, our national debt could continue to grow higher and higher. Without real spending cuts, the whole idea of a debt ceiling would be useless. Why have a ceiling at all for that matter. Just keep spending and spending forcing our nation into a recession or worse a depression.

Last week, Democrat hacks gathered on the Boston Common waving placards that read "NO MAGAfactured DEFAULT CRISIS." Democrat Whip Katherine Clark whipped up the crowd by saying Republicans have "decided to take our country and our economy hostage" with proposed cuts to a wide range of programs.

When Democrats in the Capitol aren't blaming the Republicans for everything out there, they call them intransigent and as one protester at the rally put it "Republicans are extreme and don't care about anything other than their own power."

Oh, it is all about power and the very fact many Democrats are pushing President Biden to use the 14th amendment to go around the Republican-led House and ram the higher debt ceiling on his own power says everything we need to know about all that "democracy is at stake" hypocrisy that Dems like U.S. Rep. Katherine Clark seems to support ending the stalemate with Republican lawmakers over reasonable comprises.

James Cantwell from Senator Edward Markey's office says, "Republicans aren't serious about finding a solution (to the debt crisis)." One could just as easily say the same thing about the Democrats. The American people are fed up being fed all this malarkey. I know this American is. How about you?



Ricki Erik Album Launch Party

at F355 in Peabody

by Sal Giarratani



Ricki Erik and actor Naheem Garcia

Singer, writer, on stage performer Ricki Erik from Peabody held a launch party/birthday party for his latest just released album to a packed crowd at F355 up in Peabody. I've known Ricki several years now and he is a tremendous performer on stage.



DeJaVu Boston with Ricki Erik (center)

His presence on stage is energetic and full of passion. The restaurant-club was jammed packed with everyone on the dance floor including yours truly here. His music crossed all genres from blues, soul, pop, and much more. It was a great night of music. He celebrated his birthday that night quite well, too. Check out Ricki Erik. You'll be glad you did.

• **News Briefs** (Continued from Page 1)

crossing into the U.S. once Title 42 ended.

Border cities such as El Paso and Brownsville have been flooded with migrants and extra officers have been needed to help keep the border secure and support border officers dealing with overcrowded facilities.

"Because of needs that the state sees with the expiration of Title 42, DPS sees the border as a higher priority for its resources at this time," stated Austin Mayor Kirk Watson. DPS officers have been called in after what the Austin police union called left-leaning policies led to mass defections from the force.

U.S. Backs Off Claim They Took Out Key Militant

U.S. military officials are now walking back claims that a recent drone attack in Syria killed an influential Al-Qaeda figure, following assertions by the dead man's family that he had no ties to terrorists, but was a father of 10 shepherding his sheep when he was killed by the U.S. missile.

The operation was overseen by U.S. Central Command, which claimed pretty quickly that it had taken out a senior Al-Qaeda leader. According to an American source, "We are no longer confident we killed a senior AO official."

Malcolm X Holiday in Boston?

A request pending approval from Mayor Michelle Wu would give civil rights leader Malcolm X the recognition that city councilors say he deserves. The City Council on Wednesday last week unanimously supported a resolution to make May 19, Malcolm X's birthday, a munic-ipal holiday in Boston. At least 15 states celebrate May 19 as an official holiday.

White Supremacy Race-Baiting?

Joe Biden's recent claim that "white supremacy" is America's "most dangerous" domesticterror threat may be technically true, notes Wilfred Reilly at National Review. Given that "riot and common crime deaths don't count toward terror death totals, right-wing terrorists do kill more U.S. citizens per year than left-wing domestic terrorists." But the average number of all such deaths between 2014 and 2021 was just 31. Compare that with, say, the 20,000 murders in 2020. "Why do national-levels focus on the rather niche problem of white supremacy?" Because whites can be "attacked without significant social risk," feeding a narrative that America is a "white supremacist country."

We Can Solve Homelessness?

"Maybe homelessness isn't an unfixable problem after all", muses The Orange County Register's Steven Greenhut. San Antonio, TX, "essentially, the Texas city built a lovely campus in an industrial area not far from downtown that offers dormitories, cafeteria, clean restrooms, and a panoply of social services. It's run by a nonprofit organization. According to the filmmakers, San Antonio's downtown unsheltered homeless population dropped by 80 percent. The program has moved 6,000 people into permanent housing. California meanwhile, has spent \$20 million to address the problem in five years" - to no avail. Its "Housing First" policy views homelessness primarily as a housing problem, thus downplaying the addiction and mental health issues that are at the root of the crisis.

LEGAL NOTICE



INVITATION FOR BIDS **HYDRAULIC & TRACTION ELEVATOR** MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICE CONTRACT

IFB # **ELEV2023-4**

Issue Date: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 Submission Due Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023

The Watertown Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites bids from Contractors for Full Service Elevator Maintenance and Repairs Contract for the Watertown Housing Authority in Watertown, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents herein. Total of five (5) elevators: Two (2) at Woodland Towers and three (3) total at its Munger apartment development (one at A building and two at B building).

The estimated five (5) year value of this Contract is \$ 145,000.00.

All Bids are subject to applicable bidding laws including, but not limited to M.G.L. c.149 $\S44A-H$, M.G.L. c.30 and applicable federal procurement laws. To the extent there are inconsistencies between state and federal procurement laws, the more stringent standard will be followed for

Bids will be received until 11:00 AM, Thursday, June 22, 2023

All Bids should be hand delivered to Watertown Housing Authority, 55 Waverley Avenue, Watertown, MA 02472 and received no later than the date & time specified above. Bids must be hand delivered or mailed. If mailed, contractor must ensure delivery prior to bid due date and time.

Contract Documents will be available for pick-up or by emailing the WHA at: 55 Waverley Avenue, Woodland Towers or by emailing Anthony DiGiovanni at anthonyd@watertownha.org after June 1, 2023 at 11:00am.

There will be a recommended, but non-mandatory, pre-bid conference held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 starting promptly at 10:00am located at 55 Waverlely Avenue, Watertown, MA.

All questions and requests for interpretation must be submitted in writing to anthonyd@watertownha.org no later than Thursday, June 8 by 4:30pm. Questions and requests for interpretations may be responded to via addendum, as determined by the Owner.

END OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FOR WRITTEN QUOTES

Run date: 05/26/2023

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. SU22D1973DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** JOANNA ALEXANDRA GARCIA HERNANDEZ

RICHARD ANTHONY LENA

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: Joanna Alexandra Garcia Hernandez, 97 Pomona St., Revere, MA 02151 your answer, if any, on or before June 21, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: May 01, 2023

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Paul Saviano Still Cobbling

in Day Square at Superior Luggage

by Sal Giarratani

Nowadays it isn't an easy thing finding a good cobbler. Back when I was a kid, there were plenty around. Who could afford buying new shoes all the time, right? Shoes were made to last in those old days. When the shoes and heels started wearing thin, we went down to the cobbler and he repaired them for cheap money. Growing up in an urban neighborhood, a good cobbler was quite the find.

A friend of mine, Lisa Cappuccio recently spotted Superior Luggage as she drove by and saw a sign that said "Shoe Repair." She didn't even realize that shoe repair shops or "cobblers" still existed and of course, she brought a pair of shoes to be repaired. The place is owned by Paul Saviano and is located in Day Square, East Boston. He has been servicing the Logan Airport community and residents for over 50 years, primarily with luggage repair. Saviano started out at Logan Airport, and then moved to Day Square to open his own shop in 1985. He speaks fondly of the days gone remembering the garage directly across the street from him that fixed airport engines (now a laundromat). Born and raised in East Boston, and now a Methuen resident, he travels every day to East Boston because according to him, "I love East Boston and never want to leave here."

A self-proclaimed people person, Paul enjoys working every day from 10:00 am- 2:00pm except Sundays, to keep him active and able to interact with people.

As Lisa told me, "Aside from his craftsmanship, he enjoys history and his goal to create a type of travel museum from all his collectibles. Stop in to say Hi. Paul is a wealth of historic local knowledge and it's refreshing to see artistry still alive in the community."



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St. Anthony Vigil Mass - 5 pm

PADRE PIO PROCESSION (Tentative) June 26 Procession Only - Hanover - Prince Sts. 1 pm

JULY

MADONNA DEL GRAZIE July 9 2 pm Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts. ST. ROCCO July 16 Procession Only - Hanover - Prince Sts. 1 pm ST. JOSEPH July 30 Procession Only - Hanover - Prince Sts. 1 pm

AUGUST

August 3, 4, 5, 6 ST. AGRIPPINA Hanover & Battery Sts. Opens 7 pm on Thursday Sunday Procession 12 noon

MADONNA DELLA CAVA August 11, 12, 13 Opens 7 pm on Friday Hanover & Battery Sts. Sunday Procession

MADONNA del SOCCORSO August 17, 18, 19, 20 North, Fleet & Lewis Sts. (Fisherman's)

Sunday Procession 1 pm - Flight of the Angel 8 pm

August 24 **SANTA LUCIA**

Thursday, Feast & Procession

Thacher & Endicott Sts. 5 pm

August 25, 26, 27 ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST Endicott & Thacher, N. Margin Sts. Sunday Procession 12 pm

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August 11, 12, 13

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Sunday Procession

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A Social Evening with the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park

by Tricia Sabbey



Robyn Reed farewell speech to Meredith Piscitelli

On Wednesday evening, May 17, the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park invited the community to a Membership Social at Tia's adjacent to the Park. About a hundred twentyfive people came out on a very chilly evening to join in the festivities. MaryGaye Grizwin, Membership and Social Committee Chair, echoing the 'Spark in the Park' theme of the evening welcomed everyone and thanked members, sponsors, and volunteers for being the sparks of energy that all together create such a vibrant and welcoming Park. Joanne Hayes-Rines, FOCCP President, thanked the attendees and conducted the highly anticipated raffle, which consisted of items generously donated by the following sponsors: Brix Wine Shop, Golden Goose, Pasta Beach, House of Colour, and Joe's Waterfront. Joyce and Jim Morgan who had planned to leave earlier but stayed for the raffle, lucky decision, won the top prize, a one night stay at the Marriott Long Wharf including breakfast worth \$500.

The highlight of the evening was Horticulture Co-Chair Robyn Reed's farewell tribute to Meredith Piscitelli, a fifteen year member of FOCCP, who is moving away. As Robyn noted, Meredith wears so many hats in her volunteer work with FOCCP that it's hard to keep count.

* If you walk through the Park and see the constantly updated, creative, and colorful bulletin board, that's Meredith's doing.

* She loves taking photos in the Park especially of engagements and weddings and posts these

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. MI23D1497DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** ANDRE N. JOSEPH JERALD BATREN JOINER, JR.

To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for

Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B.

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 André N. Joseph, 138 Walnut St., Malden, MA 02148, your answer, if any, on or before June 28, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: May 17, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 05/26/2023



Joanne Hayes-Rines welcomes

on the FOCCP Facebook page that she manages.

* If an event is coming up and dozens of posters need to be distributed, she is in her car from Charlestown to the Seaport delivering posters to hotels and condo buildings.

* If you've seen the colorful display of 200 pots of daffodils under the trellis as a reminder of Boston Strong on Patriot's Day weekend, Meredith has organized the whole project from start to finish.

Meredith's enthusiasm, dedication, and friendship will be greatly missed. FOCCP members are trying to find three or four people to fill her shoes! All in all the FOCCP

Membership Social was a resounding success.



MaryGaye Grizwin membership and social committee

Information about FOCCP including the option to become a member can be found at foccp.org.



Joanne Hayes-Rines at the Raffle Table



FCCP Social Evening membership spark in the park poster

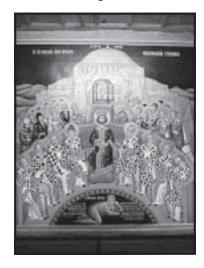


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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari



The Council of Nicea — On May 20, 325 A.D. The Council of Nicaea, the first ecumenical council of the Catholic Church was called by Constantine I, first Christian Emperor of the Roman Empire. With nearly 300 bishops in attendance at Nicaea in Asia Minor, the council condemned Arianism, formulated the Nicene Creed, and fixed the date of Easter.

Arianism was an influential heresy, originating with the Alexandrian priest Arius (c. 250 - c. 336). This synod had been charged with investigation of the trouble brought about by the Arian controversy in the Greek-speaking east. To most bishops, the teachings of Arius were heretical and dangerous to the salvation of souls. The Council decided against the Arians overwhelmingly of the estimated 250-318 attendees, all but two agreed to sign the creed, and these two, along with Arius, were banished to Illyria. Illyria was a region in the western part of the Balkan Peninsula

In the Council of Nicaea, "the Church had taken her first great step to define revealed doctrine more precisely, in response to a challenge from a heretical theology." Through it, a precedent was set for subsequent general councils to adopt creeds and canons. This Council is

generally considered the beginning of the period of the first seven ecumenical councils in the history of Christianity.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court
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Plymouth Division
Plymouth Probate and Family Court
52 Obery Street,
Plymouth, MA 02360
(508) 747-6204
Docket No. PL23P1106EA
Estate of
MAUREEN K. BUCKLEY
Date of Death: February 26, 2023
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Michelle K. Manners of Jacksonville Beach, FL, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Michelle K. Manners of Jacksonville Beach, FL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Saint Simon Stock

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Simon was born in the year 1165 in the English county of Kent. He is said to have been strongly devoted to God from his youth, to the point that he left home at age 12 to live in the forest as a hermit. After two decades of solitary life in the wilderness, he returned to society to acquire an education in theology and become a priest.

It is believed that, as a young man, he went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land where he joined a group of Carmelites with whom he later returned to Europe. Simon Stock founded many Carmelite Communities, especially in University towns such as Cambridge, Oxford, Paris, and Bologna, and he helped to change the Carmelites from an order of hermits to one of

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2635EA

Estate of MATTHEW MARCO GAETA Also Known As MATTHEW M. GAETA

Date of Death: June 26, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Mark M. Gaeta** of **Acton**, **MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Mark M. Gaeta of Acton, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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mendicant friars. In 1254, he was elected Superior-General of his Order at London.

Simon Stock reportedly received a private revelation about the Brown Scapular, a monastic garment worn by Carmelites. An early chronicle states, "To him, appeared the Blessed Virgin with a multitude of angels, holding the Scapular of the Order in her blessed hands, and saying: This will be a privilege for you and for all Carmelites, that he who dies in this will not suffer eternal fire."

This vision was the source of the Brown Scapular devotion — a tradition which involves the wearing of an adapted version of the garment, along with certain spiritual commitments, by lay Catholics as well as priests and religious.

Saint Simon Stock passed away in France in 1265, 100 years after his birth. On May 16, the Catholic Church remembers Saint Simon Stock, whose vision of the Virgin Mary is the source of the Brown Scapular devotion.



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

Docket No. MI23P2483EA

Estate of MURIEL TAYLOR Date of Death: April 09, 2023 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Diane Laughlin of New London, NH, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Diane Laughlin of New London, NH has

been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Docket No. MI23P2554EA

Estate of RAMONA E. PAIGE Also Known As RAMONA ELOISE PAIGE

Date of Death: February 19, 2023 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Nathan J. Paige** of **Chicago**, **IL**.

Nathan J. Paige of Chicago, IL has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2097EA

Estate of
FEN TSAI CHOU

Also Known As

FEN T. CHOU

Date of Death: March 13, 2023

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Peggy P. Chou of Newton, MA, Petitioner Jenny C. Chou of Newton, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Peggy P. Chou of Newton, MA, Jenny C. Chou of Newton, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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CHARLIE PARKER BIRD IN L.A. (4LP Vinyl Box Set) Verve/UMe

Throughout his brief but influential life, Charlie "Bird" Parker made an enormous impact on popular music and laid the foundation for modern jazz. In December of 1945, Parker and Dizzy Gillespie changed music forever by bringing the sound of bebop from the East Coast to the West Coast for a fabled twomonth residency at Billy Berg's Supper Club in Hollywood billed as "Bebop Invades the West." In January 1947, Bird performed a well-documented two-week engagement at the Hi-De-Ho Club, before heading back to NYC. Parker's prolific and historic three trips to Los Angeles have been compiled as Bird In LA, a 28-track collection of mostly unreleased and incredibly rare recordings, available now as a handsome 4-LP black vinyl box set via Verve/UMe.

Recorded between 1945-1952 and presented chronologically, the performances on Bird In LA are highlighted by the only known recordings from Billy Berg's on December 17, 1945, three previously unknown JATP recordings from The Shrine Auditorium on November 22, 1948, and the complete recordings of the legendary July 1952 party at Jirayr Zorthian's bohemian Altadena ranch. The box set includes a booklet featuring rarely seen photographs, comprehensive track info which details recording dates and personnel, and an illuminating, extensive essay by the album's producer, John Burton, who provides an in-depth history of Bird's fruitful time in L.A. as well as the significance of these incredible recordings.

Although Bird and Dizzy performed at Billy Berg's for a two-month stretch, no recordings of the performances have ever surfaced until this release, despite being broadcast live on local radio. These recordings, capturing a crosssection of the December 17th program, presented here for the first time in their entirety. Bird In LA is being previewed today with the release of opener, "Intro Over I Waited For You into How High The Moon (Incomplete)." Instead of the rapid unison line 'Ornithology,' Gillespie and Bird play the traditional 'How High the Moon' theme, but in a call and response fashion that is quite rare in their recorded collaborations. Bird begins his solo with staccato notes that are like the stomping of a foot to get attention before he unleashes a perfectly executed flurry leading into a lyrical solo blown with such strength that one hears the distortion as the home recorder red-lines.

The first half of Bird In LA also includes recordings from Parker and Gillespie's performance for the Armed Forces Radio Service "Jubilee" show in December 1945; a compact arrangement of "Salt Peanuts" from NBC's nationally broadcast variety show, "Drene Time," five songs recorded

at The Finale Club in Little Tokyo with the Charlie Parker Quintet, featuring Miles Davis and Joe Albany; a blistering version of "Cherokee" recorded for the AFRS "Jubilee" in 1946 with accompaniment of the Nat "King" Cole Trio and Buddy Rich; and with three previously unknown recordings of Bird at The Shrine with Jazz At The Philharmonic. The second half of this riveting musical time capsule captures two performances from Jirayr Zorthian's ranch in Altadena: the July 14, 1952 party. Several songs into the band's performance, which included spirited version of "A Night In Tunisia" and "Ornithology."

ROGER WATERS THE LOCKDOWN SESSIONS (Vinyl) Sony Music

Sony Music has released Roger Waters' The Lockdown Sessions on CD and Vinyl. The collection of songs were recorded and filmed at home during the COVID lockdown between 2020 and 2021. Also included with the release is "Comfortably Numb 2022" which was recorded during Waters This Is Not A Drill North American tour. Appearing on the recordings are Waters - Vocals, Guitar and Piano; Gus Seyffert - Bass, Cellos and Vocals; Joey Waronker - Drums and Percussion; Dave Kilminster - Guitar and Rhythm Guitar; Jonathan Wilson - Guitar and Vocals; Jon Carin - Keyboards and Vocals, Lucius (Jess Wolfe and Holly Laessig) - Vocals; Bo Koster - Hammond (on all tracks except "Mother") and Ian Ritchie - Saxophone ("Two Suns In The Sunset"). The Lockdown Sessions are 5 seminal tracks from Waters time with Pink Floyd/his solo career: "Mother" and "Vera" from Pink Floyd The Wall; "Two Suns In The Sunset" and "The Gunner's Dream" from Waters final Pink Floyd album, The Final Cut; and "The Bravery of Being Out Of Range" from his highly acclaimed solo album, Amused To Death. Additionally, Waters new version of the classic Pink Floyd song "Comfortably Numb" features as the final track. Waters commented: "Our Us and Them Tour lasted three years ... At every gig we did an encore after the main show closed with "Comfortably Numb," the encore was always "Mother," I can't remember why I decided to start doing other songs?...Anyway, at some point after the end of the tour...I started thinking, "It could make an interesting album, all those encores"... "The Encores". "Yeah, has a nice ring to it!" Then ... I'm in England doing the Ginger Baker tribute gig one Tuesday night at the Hammersmith Odeon with Eric Clapton and ... the following Saturday marching from The Australian Embassy to Parliament Square to make a speech in support of Julian Assange, when bugger me, COVID ... Schlummmm! For me it was Friday March 13th 2020. Lockdown! So much for the "Encores" project. Unless

... We've tacked C. Numb on

the end of the collection, as an

appropriate exclamation point

in closing this circle of love."

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

TIME FOR CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS TO GET IT DONE

It is time for Boston City Council members to stop playing useless games and get to work on constructing a new redistricting map that passes constitutional muster before the May 30 deadline arrives. (No progress yet on redistricting, Boston Herald).

Fighting over which City Council committee should be in charge of making this new map for this fall's municipal elections for all nine city councilor seats is honestly insane. I believe it should be the Committee of the whole rather than the Civil Rights committee.

The idea is to draw up new district lines, especially for Districts 3 and 4 in Dorchester, and District 2 mostly in South Boston. How do candidates in any of these three districts collect signatures on nomination papers currently if district lines remain unknown?

The mayor came up with her own map recently. The City Council might like to look at it, and then sit down and do their job. Stop worrying about Open Meeting Laws, open up all discussions, let folks see you doing your job that you are so handsomely paid to do.

None of this had to happen if all the city councilors weren't so preoccupied with petty politics and playing race card games. The ball is in the City Council's hands. Do something soon or look even more foolish if May 30 rolls around without a solution, and the clock forces moving the preliminary and general elections to new dates.

WHY ARE LIBERALS BLOWING UP TITLE IX PROTECTIONS?

It was sad to hear that Governor Maura Healey has decided to support the Biden Administration's plan to all but abolish all female sports competition in schools and sports programs across the nation.

Doesn't our governor understand that the Biden plan means an end to all Title IX protections for female athletes? Title IX protections had to be won tooth and nail back in the late '60s and early '70s to end discrimination in all public schools, colleges, and universities that received federal funds. It was a big thing that was accomplished 50+ years ago. Now it is being scrapped by insane woke policies that would allow transgendered athletes the right to enter and dominate women's sports everywhere.

What has happened to today's feminists? Why aren't they speaking out for female athletes that will be harmed by a reinterpretation of what Title IX is actually all about in the first place. Have they forgotten about the struggle and hard work getting female athletes equality on the playing fields of yesterday?

The whole purpose of Title IX protections was to make women sports on par with men's sports. Colleges and universities would often financially bulk up college men's sports programs and reduce spending on female sports programs because

female athletes were not seen as important as their male counterparts.

Today, thanks to the prevalence of wokeness, transgendered athletes who are biologically males now identifying as female are once again repeating the past when females were seen as less than equal when it came to sports competitions. We have taken a giant step backwards. Women being victimized all over again. This time it is in the name of phony equality.

LATEST EXAMPLE OF DEMOCRAT DISINFORMATION

Biden approval numbers at 50 percent among registered voters, according to new Economist/YouGov numbers, "a significant improvement." After announcing his reelection, Joe Biden's approval ratings are now at the highest point it's been in the past year with HALF of all registered voters approving of his job performance as President.

The above quote comes directly from the 314 Action Fund, a pro-Democrat political action committee.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TIME

Happy birthday to R&B singer Ron Isley from The Isley Brothers who turned 82 this past Sunday. Same goes for actor Mr. T

WISDOM FROM PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

I love reading newspaper comic strips in the morning before I look elsewhere in the paper.

The latest *Pearls Before Swine* strip was super. When the mouse asks the pig why he was so happy, the pig says, "I just realized that if global warming really is gonna make the planet unlivable, does it really matter if we no longer have a functioning

democracy?" He then quickly adds, "It does not!" Apparently, most of the Democrats up on Capitol Hill must adhere to what this pig believes, too.

PINK FLAMINGO DAY

It will be Pink Flamingo Day in Downtown Leominster on Friday, June 23 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Pink Flamingo Day returns to Leominster where the iconic pink lawn flamingo was created. Admission is free. The event will be held in the downtown area in Monument Square. We should always stand up for pink flamingos. Next it might be pink elephants or pink lemonade. Other useless facts you ask? Flabbadub was created in a kitchen or maybe a lab in Somerville. Finally, don't even ask about Charleston Chew candy bars.

GET SPLASHED WITH MAD PAINTER

While a substitute teacher this school year at Quincy High School, I got to know a lot about my fellow substitutes. One of them is Alan Hendry. We were talking about music one day and he told me he was a drummer in a local band, and I told him I once was a band drummer too. He gave me a copy of his recent CD and it had some incredible music. There are eleven cuts on this CD and I loved cut 4. It is worth the whole album by itself. The band is called Mad Painter and the album title is SPLASHED. I found the music really great to listen to while driving. The music is a bit Fleetwood Mac, a bit Metallica, a bit David Bowie, a bit U2 and a touch of Aerosmith too. I enjoyed it very much. Mad Painter is all around mostly on the South Shore and hopefully the band will cross over the tunnel to my side of Boston.



Here is the iconic 80s sounding band with a little bit 70s and a little bit 90s. Band members (L-R): Alan Hendry, Julie Gee, Alex Gitlin, Alan Naha and Kenne Highland



by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



It was Monday June 1, of 1953. I was soon to graduate from the Joseph H. Barnes Junior High School and planned to attend East Boston High School like most of my friends who attended the Barnes with me. Dad had taught machine shop and shop math at Eastie through WWII, into 1948. His slightly dictatorial comments were, "I've taught there and it's not for you. You have your choices, Boston Latin, Boston English, or death."

Cousin Tony attended Latin, and to me, he was the type who wore earmuffs and rubbers during the summer and I didn't want to be associated with him. Death seemed too permanent, so English High won out. Back then, a prospective student for English was interviewed by a faculty member, as there was no entrance exam involved as there was with Latin. Coach Bill Stuart was the man who interviewed several of us from the Barnes School who had interest in attending English. I was accepted and on the Thursday following Labor Day, I reported to the English High building which was on Montgomery Street in Boston's South End. Back then, Boston English was an all boys' school, having come into existence in 1821 as an education option open to all boys from Boston. (Last October, we celebrated our 200th anniversary. The get together should have taken place in 2021, but COVID put a hold on it for almost 2 years.)

Dad was hoping that I would play football. It had always been his favorite sport and he had played for East Boston High back in the late 1920s. I was not interested in football at all, which frustrated Dad. I loved one sport...baseball. There was no Little League in Eastie when I was a kid, but several of my neighborhood friends and I put together a team called the Wild Cats, and we played from the first day snow disappeared until it reappeared months later. By the time I got to high school, I was pretty good and tried out for English's team. I made it, but unfortunately, couldn't attend practices, which according to Coach Stuart, disqualified me. (I was an usher at the Seville Theater and had to work most afternoons.) As a result, after my Wild Cat days, I played for an American Legion team and a CYO team, both in existence in East Boston and I could just show up for the games.

After my first year at English. the school moved its location from Boston's South End to Avenue Louis Pasteur in the Fenway area of the city, right across the street from Boston Latin. Here I stayed for the next two years and considered them two of the best years in my life. I was surrounded by classmates whose composition was a multi-racial, multi- ethnic congregation, and we got along. I think that our curiosity about one another helped put any prejudices or stereotypes on a back burner.

In past stories, I have written about how I decided to go to college, but I don't think I've ever mentioned a negative approach I experienced by one of the guidance counselors at English. I don't know what his background was but he had attitudes, depending on your race or national origin. When he would advise us on our futures, if you were Irish, you should go to work as a longshoreman. If you were Jewish, you should consider selling jewelry. If you were Chinese, you should look for a job as a waiter in a Chinese restaurant. If you were Italian, you should sell fruits and vegetables from a pushcart and going if you were black, you should shine shoes for a living. If you were a white Anglo Protestant, you should head to college. I kid you not. This is where this counselor was coming from. Many of my classmates weren't going to buy into this and didn't.

I answered questions asked by Nanna and Babbononno about going to school. Babbononno went up to the 6th grade before he was sent to the parish priest to learn a trade and music. He did go to night school once he settled in Boston, but his main interest was to learn how to read and write in English. Nanna, on the other hand, never went to school. When she was old enough, she was given a set of chores on the family farm, and that was it. Years later, long after she married Babbononno and had children, she told the family that she wanted to become an American citizen. Babbononno would read the necessary questions to her that she would be asked and she would memorize the answers. Mom and Uncle Gino then taught her how to sign her name, a chore that took almost a year to master. When she was ready, she went to the state house, passed the test, and became an American citizen on her first shot. But, as I said, neither knew much of anything about formal education.

My grandfather knew enough about the American way of life to make sure his sons graduated high school and had trades to consider, but education wasn't that important for his daughter

(Mom). She was forced to guit school in the 10th grade and go to work to help support the family. She obliged and regretted it for the rest of her life. She was great with math. Mom could look at an addition column that was 10 across and 20 high and immediately give you the answer.

Dad and my uncles broke away from the street corner society they were born into and all prospered. Uncle Paul learned the printing trade at Boston Technical High School and would work in that trade for his entire career. He was also a musician at night. Uncle Nick did nothing but play music until WWII was over and then went into union politics (musicians' union). Uncle Gino worked at the Chelsea Navy Yard until the war began, then served in the Pacific with the 5th Air Corps. After the war, he went into sales and did well. Dad worked at odd jobs by day and played music at night. When the war began, he opted for a teaching job at East Boston High, his old alma mater. He taught machine shop and shop math. He would stay with the Boston Schools for over 40 years becoming a pioneer in audio/visual education en

Fortunately, my father and uncles became my role models. Also, working with my hands for one day convinced me that their ways were better, and I headed to Boston State following my years at English High. So looking back, Babbononno might have thought education was a dream. Dad worked at it part time. His attitude for his son was, "Will he go to college?" My thoughts for my sons was, "What college will they go to?"

I've discussed street corner life with my sons, but they have no conception of what I'm talking about as they grew up in the suburbs of Boston. Dad and I had many discussions about this topic before he passed away. He was part of it, survived it, and did well in life. Those courses and degrees opened many doors that would have remained shut otherwise. I sound like a bearded philosopher, but that's the way it was in the Christoforo/Contain family.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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2002 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BE32K92U634179 2007 NISSAN MURANO VIN # JN8AZ08W57W664597

2006 BMW X5 Vin # 5UXFA135X6LY45853

2005 MAZDA MAZDA3 VIN # JM1BK123051337074 2000 COYOTE CAMPER

VIN # 4EZTS25275S095067 Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 05/12, 05/19, 05/26/2023



Italy has a similar tradition to the United States when it comes to having "macaroni salad" at outdoor summer gatherings. Their version is called Pasta Fredda, meaning "cold pasta" and it's also enjoyed mainly at picnics and beach lunches as part of the outdoor meal experience. Italy's pasta salads include vibrant flavors and colors, and incredibly fresh ingredients. Though cured meats like salami or ham are occasionally used, meat is generally not included in traditional Italian pasta salads. Italians favor seasonal vegetables, herbs, and use a variety of sauces that range from simple vinaigrettes to pestos. In some regions of Italy, cold rice salads are served more than pasta salad.

For cookouts and warm outdoor gatherings, my family never served the traditional American elbow and mayonnaise pasta salad. My mother typically made a Pasta Fredda that included short pasta, broccoli, olives, and sometimes the addition of cured meat. Nonna made many different pasta salads and this recipe for "Tortellini Salad" is one almost everyone loved. Insalata di Tortellini is bursting with color and flavor and makes the perfect dish for all of your Memorial Day gatherings!

TORTELLINI SALAD Insalata di Tortellini



1 pound cheese tortellini, cooked al dente, drained and cooled

1 12-ounce jar marinated artichoke hearts

- 1 8 to 12 ounce package fresh sliced mushrooms, sautéed in olive oil and cooled
- 1 12-ounce jar roasted peppers, sliced and drained
- 1 small red onion, sliced 1 jar black olives, sliced
- 1 8-ounce stick pepperoni, sliced and cut into halves
- 1 carton of cherry tomatoes, halved
- ½ pound Feta or Gorgonzola, crumbled
- ½ cup Italian Dressing (I use homemade Good Seasons)

In a large bowl, add the cooked tortellini and pour the artichoke hearts and juices in with them, toss together. Add cooked and cooled sliced mushrooms, roasted peppers, onions, olives, and pepperoni, toss together. Add the tomatoes, Italian dressing, and crumbled cheese gently mix together. Serve at room temperature or refrigerate and serve when ready.

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



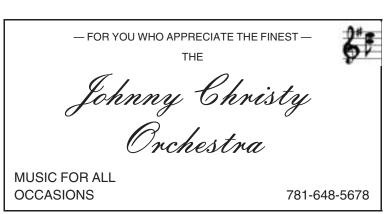
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North End Athletic Association (NEAA)

4-5 Year Old Jr. RBI Baseball Sponsored by the Boston Red Sox

On Sunday, May 7th, under bright sunshine, the North End Athletic Associations' 4 and 5 yearold baseball program held its opening day of instruction. Under the direction of Ralph and Janine Martignetti and several helpers, over 30 youngsters enjoyed the beginnings of their baseball career.

Thanks to the continued sponsorship of the Boston Red Sox Foundation and the Jr. RBI Program, each child received a Red Sox Hat and an RBI shirt! The Red Sox also supplied baseballs, bats, bases, and fun!



"The NEAA and the Red Sox have been partners for over 25 years and we are extremely grateful for their continued support of the youth and families of our neighborhood," stated NEAA Sports Coordinator John Romano.





Managing the Heat of Hot Peppers

by Melinda Myers

Don't worry if the rest of your family does not appreciate the spicy heat your favorite hot peppers add to entrees, beverages and desserts. Proper pepper selection, care and preparation can help you turn down the heat as needed.

Hot peppers' spicy heat is measured in Scoville Heat Units named for Wilbur Scoville. The level of heat was originally determined by a panel of individual tasters. Chili peppers were

ground and added to a sugarwater solution. The solution was continually diluted until the panelist found the solution no longer burned their mouth. Each pepper was assigned a number based on the amount of sugar-water solution needed to reach that point. Today a more accurate less subjective highperformance liquid chromatography method can be used for measuring the pungency of hot peppers.

Poblano and Siracha rate between 1,000 to 2,500, jalapenos up to 8,000, cayenne can peak at 50,000, habaneros up to 350,000 and one of the hottest, the ghost pepper, at as much as 2,200,000 units. If you like the citrusy flavor of habaneros but not the heat, try the All-America Selections winner Roulette.

Ornamental peppers are edible as well as pretty. Most rate anywhere from 10,000 to 50,000 Scoville units. Chilly Chili ornamental pepper produces an abundance of attractive yellow, orange and red upright fruit on 10 to 12" plants. As the name



Roulette peppers have the citrusy flavor of habaneros but not the heat.

(Photo courtesy of All-America Selections)

suggests, they have almost no heat. Mix with flowers for decorative displays in containers and garden beds

Peppers grow and produce best when day temperatures are 70° to 80° F and night temperatures are 60° to 70° F. Cold, heat and drought are the most common cause of blossom drop, misshapen fruit, and a poor harvest.

Use a hand pruner or garden snips to harvest peppers without damaging the plants. Harvest most hot peppers when fully mature and red for the strongest flavor. Green chili and jalapeno peppers are harvested when green. And some like jalapeno, habanero and Anaheim, are hot whether harvested when green or red. When your summer is filled with long hot days hot peppers tend to be even hotter.

Avoid hot surprises when cooking by labeling hot peppers when growing, harvesting and storing them. Many sweet and hot pepper varieties look similar and confusing the two could be

unpleasant. Just keep a glass of milk handy in case you need to neutralize the sting.

Turn down the heat, if needed or desired, when preparing your favorite recipes. Since most of the capsaicin, which gives hot peppers their heat, is in the white membrane that houses the seeds, just remove this and the seeds if you want the flavor with less heat.

when working with hot peppers

Wear rubber gloves
and avoid touching
your face and eyes
when working with hot peppers

as they can burn. Wash your hands, utensils and cutting boards when finished.

Turn a portion of your pepper harvest into pickled peppers for the hot pickle fans in the family to enjoy throughout the winter. The key to success and safety is using a tested recipe that contains the right amount of ingredients and processing it properly. Check University or other vetted sources for safe recipes and processing guidelines.

Try some of these strategies and mention the many health benefits to encourage reluctant eaters to try hot peppers. Although hot peppers and spicy food can add to the pain and irritation of ulcers, they do not cause them contrary to some of the hot pepper myths. They do, however, provide gastric relief, kill cancer cells, prevent sinus infection, reduce inflammation, and even burn fat. Over time you may be able to turn up the heat on your favorite recipes for all to enjoy.

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





LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23W0430WD

Docket No. MI23W0430WD SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION MARLETHE P. FREITAS, Plaintiff

v. AUTIERES MARCIO B. CORREIA, Defendant

To the above named Defendant:
A Complaint has been presented to this
Court by the Plaintiff, seeking Custody/Support/

You are required to serve upon Marlethe P. Freitas - plaintiff - whose address is 112 Fern Rd., Medford, MA 02155 your answer on or before June 27, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Woburn.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Woburn, this 16th day of May 2023.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court Run date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2435EA

Estate of
PATRICIA AGNES MARCUS
Also Known As
PATRICIA MARCUS

Date of Death: March 14, 2023 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

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

Patricia Vlachos of Stoneham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23C0433CA

In the Matter of DANIEL FERNANDEZ CORREIA CITATION ON

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Daniel Fernandez Correia of Concord, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Ms. Jani Rose Vicki Brownie.

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 June 08, 2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: April 24, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run Date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

> Docket No. MI23P2538EA Estate of

JOHN E. SMITH, JR.
Also Known As
JOHN E. SMITH

Date of Death: March 10, 2023
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

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

Eileen M. Antle of Reading, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

can be obtained from the Petitioner.
Run date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Todisco Services**, **Inc.**, **of 171 Boston Street**, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 03, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2021 HONDA CIVIC Vin # SHHFK7H46MU418380

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

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

Run dates: 05/19, 05/26, 6/02/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2571EA

Estate of **PATRICIA ANN ALVES** Also Known As PATRICIA A. ALVES

Date of Death: April 6, 2023 LETTERS OF AUTHORITY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To: John A. Alves, Jr. 9 Dale Avenue Auburn, MA 01501

You have been appointed and qualified as Personal Representative in Unsupervised administration of this estate on May 12, 2023.

These letters are proof of your authority to act pursuant to G. L. c. 190B, except for the following restrictions if any:

CERTIFICATION

I certify that it appears by the records of this Court that said appointment remains in full force and effect. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court.

Date: May 15, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2514GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED** PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

> In the matter of **MYA JANICE SMITH** of Cambridge, MA

RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Developmental Services Department of Waltham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Mva Janice Smith is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Pascale Bernadel Cajuste of Brockton, 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 June 08, 2023. 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. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 11, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Stanley Service, Inc., 3430 Washington Street, Jamaica Plain, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A. that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 10, 2023 beginning at 10:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

> 2003 HONDA CR-V VIN # SHSRD78863U138624

> 2016 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BF1FK7GU572624

2015 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BF1FK3FU040107

Vehicles are being stored at Stanley Service, Inc. and may be viewed by appointment only.

Signed Stanley Service, Inc., Owner Run dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Waltham Auto Tow, Inc., of 279 Crescent St., Waltham, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L c. 255. Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after May 27, 2023 beginning at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keeper's lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at Waltham Auto Tow.

> **2018 CHEVROLET MALIBU** VIN # 1G1ZD5ST0JF249678

> 2019 FORD FIESTA VIN # 3FADP4BJ0KM118999

2008 FORD MUSTANG

VIN # 1ZVHT84N185191261 2020 CHEVROLET SPARK

VIN # KL8CB6SAXLC477126

2009 NISSAN ALTIMA VIN # 1N4AL21E49N512058

2010 FORD EDGE VIN # 2FMDK4KC8ABB08629

2005 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BE32K35U622470

2011 HYUNDAI SONATA VIN # 5NPEC4ACXBH022252

2004 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS

VIN # 2MEHM75W04X644469 2007 ACURA TL

VIN # 19UUA66207A029000 2006 FORD F-350

VIN # 1FDWF365X6EA69508

2009 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 2HGFG12809H530204

2004 TOYOTA AVALON VIN # 4T1BF28B74U344265

Signed Gregory Leblanc Owner, Waltham Auto Tow

Run dates: 05/12, 05/19, 05/26/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by Stephens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 539A, that on June 01, 2023 at 10AM, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice

2008 HONDA CIVIC. BLUE VIN #: JHMFA36298S030422 Livia Calixto-Aquilo 5 River Rd., Apt. 512 Somerville, MA 02145

2009 HONDA ACCORD, WHITE VIN #: 1HGCS12769A020057 Notoshia Elizabeth Dix 911 Drayton Ct.

Wilmington, NC 28409 2001 VW GOLF, BLACK VIN #: 9BWGD61J414033080 Melvin Richardson 32 Lansdowne St Brockton, MA 02301

2009 DODGE RAM, BLACK VIN #: 1D3HV18P19S757459 Gilson T. Xavier 1 Albert Rd.

Weymouth, MA 02189

2007 TOYOTA PRIUS, GREEN VIN #: JTDKB20U777619312 Vanderson M. De Albuquerque 4A Colonial Dr., #4 Andover, MA 01810

2000 HONDA ACCORD, GRAY VIN #: 1HGCG165XYA022211 Jeffrey D. Stewart

Malden, MA 02148 2010 TOYOTA CAMRY, BLUE VIN #: 4T1BK3EK7AU598060 Lee A. Weidner 59 Green St., #214

Malden, MA 02148 Run dates: 05/12, 05/19, 05/26/2023



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Remembering What Happened to Herb Score?



Herb Score

Last week, I wrote about the recent beaming of Rockies' Ryan Feltner, hit by a line drive traveling 92.7 mph. This week, I'm writing about Cleveland Indians' Herb Score, who almost died on the mound after being struck in the face by a line drive hit back to the mound.

Score pitched for the Indians from 1955-1959, then the White Sox from 1960-62. He was the American League Rookie of the Year in 1955, and an AL All-Star in 1955-56. Most fans, even in Cleveland, only remember him as a broadcaster for the team

He had the whole world seemingly in his left hand until May 7, 1957, when he was hit directly in his face on a line drive that partially blinded him. He was on his way to being the greatest left-handed pitcher ever in Major League Baseball, then WHAM, his career came crashing down in an instant.

In 1956, he went 20-9, 2.53 ERA, 263 strikeouts in 249.1 innings pitched. Former teammate Rocky Colavito said of him, 'He was a great pitcher. He had a chance at becoming as good as any lefty as there ever was." Sandy Koufax didn't win 20 games in a season until he was 27, Score did it at 23.

He was forced to end his career and turned to broadcasting from 1964-1997. In March of 1957, the Red Sox offered the Indians \$1 million for Score, an unheard sum at that time. He won Rookie of the Year honors in 1955 when he went 16-10 with a 2.85 ERA and 245 strikeouts. Over his final five seasons of play, he won only 17 games. Overall, in his career, he went 55-46 in his tragically-shortened 8 seasons of play.

More on Vida Blue

I was a young college student back in 1971, when Vida Blue arrived in the big leagues with the Athletics. He lost his first start of the season and then it was rock and roll through 1971. After that first loss, he won eight complete games in a row. At the age of 22, he finished 24-8 with a 1.82 ERA, 24 complete games, 8 shutouts, and 312 innings pitched. He won the Cy Young and MVP awards.

As Dan Shaughnessy wrote of, on May 28 at Fenway, Blue lost to Sonny Siebert and the Red Sox, 4-3. Blue had come into the game 10-1 and Siebert 8-0. Rico Petrocelli's two homers off Blue won it for Boston.

I saw Blue pitch numerous times at Fenway. He had such a meteoric rise in the game and, sadly, a meteoric fall too. Did you know that Charlie-O Finley once offered Blue \$2,000 to legally change his name to "Vida True Blue" and Blue refused? and stated, "If Mr. Finley thinks it is such a great name, why doesn't he call himself "True-O Finley?"

Umps Stick it to German and Yankees

Obviously, Domingo German of the Yankees is no Gaylord Perry. He was ejected on May 16 against the Blue Jays before the bottom of the fourth inning after failing a foreign substance check with umpires. The Yankees won, and German received a 10-game suspension.

The crew chief stated that German's right hand was the "stickiest hand I've ever felt" and "extremely shiny," adding the substance was "definitely not rosin" as German stated, but it was to no avail. On April 15, he was almost ejected for the same thing in a game with the Twins.

To this day, many fans have wondered about Perry's great luck with the umpires since everybody and their brother knew he had the best spitball in MLB history. I wonder if Gaylord Perry ever wrote a howto book on spitballs. I am sure it would have been a best seller by many Perry wannabes.

Happy Birthday ...

Happy birthday to Andrew Miller who turned 38 years old. He retired in March after a 16-year career, including with the Red Sox from 2011-2014. After Bob Tewksbury coaching him, he had a 2.68 ERA and a 13.2 SO per nine innings over 10 seasons as a reliever and made 29 playoff appearances, allowing four earned runs over 38.2 innings.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

LOCATION: 322 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02474 WHEREAS, on November 23, 2009 a certain Mortgage was executed by Richard F. Brennan and

Cleeda O. Brennan as mortgagors in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as mortgagee and was recorded on November 30, 2009, in Book 53917 at Page 36, in the Office of the Registry of Deeds of Middlesex County. Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary Of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing: and WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated

lanuary 21, 2016 and recorded on January 28, 2016 in Book 66732 at Page 146 in the office of the Registry of Deeds, Middlesex County, Massachusetts; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage

n that the Borrower is deceased and the property is not the principal residence of at least one other surviving borrower as set forth in Paragraph 9(a)(i) of the Mortgage; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on March 30, 2023 in Book 81373, Page 366, notice is hereby given that on June 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder

THE LAND WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON, SITUATED IN ALINGTON, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTES. BEING LOT E ON A PLAN ENTITLED "PLAN OF LAND ARLINGTON. MASS. DATED JANUARY 8, 1955, MADE BY ROBERT H. DUNNING, SURV., RECORDED WITH MIDDLESEX SOUTH DISTRICT DEEDS, BOOK 8406, PAGE 508, BOUNDED:

EASTERLY: BY MYSTIC STREET, ONE HUNDRED NINE (109) FEET; SOUTHERLY: BY LOT B AS INDICATED ON SAID PLAN, ONE HUNDRED TEN (110) FEET;

WESTERLY: BY LAND OF JOHN P. O'REILLY, AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAN, NINÉTY-EIGHT AND 97/100 (98.97) FEET:

NORTHERLY: BY LOT F ON SAID PLAN, ONE HUNDRED NINE AND 77/100 (109.77) FEET. FOR TITLE REFERENCE SEE DEED RECORDED AT BOOK 11991, PAGE 449.

Commonly known as: 322 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02474

The sale will be held at 322 Mystic Street, Arlington, MA 02474 The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid approximately \$851.735.92.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his pro-rata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling approximately \$85,173.59 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of at least \$85,173.59 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.

The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of Secretary, the high bidder may be required to election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, Offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be paid off prior to the scheduled sale is approximately \$851,735.92 as of June 16, 2023 plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below.

Date: 05/11/2023

/s/ Jessica Clarke Foreclosure Commissioner Jessica Clarke, Esq. The Law Offices of Jessica Clarke, PC 200 Main Street Wareham, MA 0257 Phone: 781-915-4129 Fax: 515-517-8791

Run dates: 05/19, 05/26, 06/02/2023



Hey, Champ: You Oughta Be In Pictures!



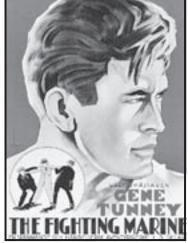
Max Schmeling co-starring with his wife Anny



Light Heavyweight Champ Georges Carpentier acted in a number of movies



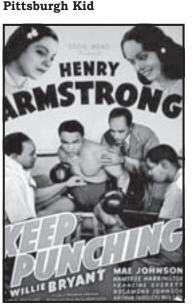
Heavyweight Championship Challenger Arturo Godoy found the movie set to be a bit safer than being in the ring with Joe Louis



Gene Tunney had movie star



Rudolph Valentino applies makeup to a rather uncom-



Billy Conn with Jean Parker

in a publicity shot for The

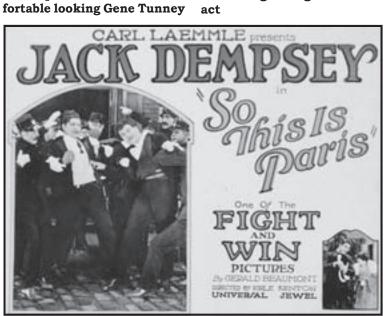
Three Division Champ Henry Armstrong also got into the



Jess Willard in The Challenge of Chance, 1918



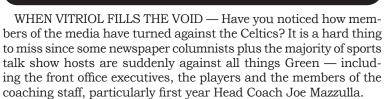
Light Heavyweight Champion Battling Siki in a scene from a 1919 film.





HOOPS and HOCKEY IN THE HUB

by Richard Preiss



There was a time when everything was coming up roses for these current Celtics. They had fallen short of winning the NBA Championship by just two games in the spring of 2022. But great things were predicted for the team as the summer of 2022 folded into early fall.

When Coach Mazzulla came to work a few days after Labor Day, he fully expected to once again be on the staff of then Head Coach Ime Udoka. But less than a week before training camp began in late September things changed abruptly (as we all know). Mazzulla, a native of Rhode Island, was elevated to the position of interim head coach, automatically making him at age 34 one of the most visible persons throughout New England. He became the permanent head coach in February.

But, of course, Mazzulla was not new. His first year as head coach was actually his fourth with the team. On media day, held just five days after the coaching change was announced, every player interviewed talked about "Coach Joe" in positive terms.

As training camp ended and the regular season commenced, everything appeared to be going well. Although the Celtics sagged a bit after the All-Star Game, they finished in second place in the Eastern Conference, a very respectable position. But remember the bar had been set at its very highest by members of the media — only winning the NBA championship would suffice.

Although the Celtics defeated both Atlanta and Philadelphia in the playoffs, they lost the first three games in the Conference Finals to Miami. It was then that the response by the media members demonstrated how fickle they are.

It did not matter that Celtics had made the NBA's Final Four. That Boston was still playing while 26 other teams were idle. How many of those 26 general managers and 26 head coaches do you think wish they were in the NBA's version of the Final Four? How about all of them.

But that wasn't good enough for some commentators. Sports talk radio reverberated with declarations that Mazzulla should be fired and that players should be traded. One host even suggested that the current "problems" dated all the way back to July, 2013, when current GM Brad Stevens was hired as the head coach.

But it wasn't just that these things were stated. It was the manner in which they were said, the negative emotions behind them, the pure vitriol and what at times seemed an almost outlandish disgust for the Celtics organization.

In normal times sports talk radio can be positive. Often good guests are featured on the airwaves. But this was that form of media at its worst. Former Celtics Coach Rick Pitino once called sports talk radio "the fellowship of the miserable."

Although perhaps a generalization, his comment from two decades ago definitely applied to that programming during the series with Miami.

As for us, we congratulate the Celtics on advancing to the NBA's Final Four and for a very successful regular season. We also congratulate Coach Mazzulla on a fine first season as head coach — still leading his team against Miami when 26 of his contemporaries were watching from the sidelines.

WE SURE HOPE NOT — But it is on the table for discussion. When the leaders of the National Hockey League Players' Association - including its executive director (former Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh) — meet with NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman one item will be something all should resist.

As New York Post columnist Larry Brooks reported, the players union is willing to discuss increasing the number of regular season games from 82 to 84. if accepted, the move has the potential to increase the length of the regular season by the better part of a week — making a season that is already too long (in our opinion) even longer.

And just how would lengthening the season take place? At the start, probably in early October. The proposal doesn't come right out and state that. Rather the suggestion comes from a proposed shortening of training camp. So, one can see that a couple of contests now called preseason games could actually become converted into early regular season games. Thus, the regular season might conclude when it does now so the lengthening might not be noticed by casual fans.

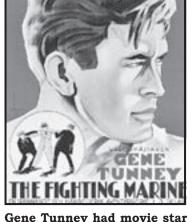
In addition, Brooks reported that another agenda item would be a discussion concerning the future of the Arizona Coyotes. Located far from here (in suburban Phoenix) the Bruins play only one road game against the Coyotes each year.

During the regular season just concluded, the Coyotes played their 41 home games at a new facility on the campus of Arizona State University. They also will play there next season. That facility has a capacity of only 5,000 – way below NHL standards. Recently, voters in Tempe rejected a proposal to build a new facility in that community.

Some say the Coyotes should move elsewhere. But as Brooks points out, if such a move were to take place, that would probably be to a city that could be viewed as a potential expansion candidate.

By choosing expansion, rather than relocation, the NHL would require an entrance fee of between \$750 million to \$1 billion, a windfall that would be split between the owners of the already existing 32 franchises.

So look for the Coyotes to probably stay in place and for Team 33 to join the league at some point in the future.



good looks

Jack Dempsey tried his hand in Hollywood